Novel's Link To CIA in '61 'Confirmed'A2

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - A lawyer for Gordon Novel has confirmed Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison's report that Novel worked for the Central Intelligence Agency in 1961.

Garrison has accused the CIA of covering up some facts in the investigation of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Novel, fighting extradition from Ohio to New Orleans on a charge of conspiracy to commit simple burglary, earlier had denied being a CIA agent though he did not directly deny having worked for the CIA in some other capacity.

Steve Poltkin, Novel's attorhere, yesterday confirmed his client's CIA connection after the New Orleans States-Item showed him a dualt of a letter written by Novel and apparently directed to a CIA official.

In the letter Novel tells a "Mr. Weiss" that he wants "out of this mess" by an unspecified date in March of this year.

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