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SAC, New Orleans (89-69)

From:

Director, FBI (62-109060)

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT_ JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS NISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

For your information, at 12:10 a.m., March 26, 1967, Mr. Gordon Dwayne Novel telephonically contacted the Bureau in Washington, D. C. Novel identified himself as being connected with the current investigation in New Orleans by District Attorney James C. Garrison. He stated he had heard there was a fugitive warrant outstanding against him and he indicated that he wanted to get out of Washington, D. C., without being arrested on a plane that would leave Baltimore, Maryland, at 6 a.m. 3/26/67. He stated he wanted FBI assistance in order that he could avoid arrest. Novel was informed no usuch assistance

- Novel refused to furnish the local address or telephone number where he could be reached. He stated Special Agent Peter Chase of New Orleans Office would know where he was going if he was able to get out of Washington, D. C. He also mentioned that he was known to Special Agent Regis Kennedy of the New Orleans Office. Novel informed the Bureau representative that he could be contacted through Mr. Walter Sheridan of the National Broadcasting Company

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Novel said that the Investigation by New Orleans
District Attorney Garrison was a fraud and that he, Novel,
had passed a lie detector test showing no involvement in any
conspiracy.

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Airtel to SAC, New Orleans RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY 62-109060

Bureau has noted in recent days that Novel has received considerable publicity in connection with Garrison's investigation in New Orleans and also that Novel has made several press releases himself. Information which has been furnished by your office to the Bureau, furnished by Novel, has been disseminated at a high level at Seat of Government. Bureau desires that your office immediately submit an extent of your association with him

Handle promptly.

NOTE:

Novel is the individual who has been subposenced to appear before the New Orleans Grand Jury 3/29/67 in connection with Garrison's investigation of the assassination. According to news media, Novel has sold his night club in New Orleans and left the city. Garrison reportedly has obtained a warrant for Novel's arrest. Novel has been interviewed by Garrison Garrison. Desirable we have New Orleans comment on Novel as