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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, NOVEMBER 22, 1963 DALLAS, TEXAS

On October 13, 1967, Gordon Dwayne Novel, 3680 • East Livingston Street, Apartment H, Columbus, Ohio, appeared at the Washington Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and furnished the following information to Special Agents of the FBI:

Novel advised that on October 19, 1967, he is planning to testify before the East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana, Grand Jury and furnish information regarding the alleged connection between District Attorney Jim Garrison, Orleans Parish, Louisiana, and Carlos Marcello, purported head of La Costra Nostra in Louisiana. Novel stated that his purpose in testifying before the grand jury was to discredit District Attorney Jim Garrison concerning the Kennedy assassination investigation because Novel stated that he believed the entire assassination probe was a fraud. Novel advised that he has a statement which grants him immunity from local arrests through Louisiana and identified the signors of this immunity statement as follows:

John McKeithen, Governor, State of Louisiana

Sargent Pitcher, Jr., District Attorney, East Baton Rouge Parish, La.

Jim Garrison, District Attorney, Orleans Parish, La.

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Frank H. Langridge, District Attorney, 24th Judicial District, La.

Wilmore J. Broussard, Jr., District Attorney, 17th Judicial District, La.

Wade O, Marlen, Jr., Secretary of State, La.

Fred S. Le Blanc, Judge, 19th Judicial District, 1a. ··· · · · ·

Novel further advised that he has information . available regarding bribes paid to Louisiana State officials . (including District Attorney Jim Garrison and State judges) paid by Carlos Marcello. He stated these bribes were in ". connection with establishing the site of the new Louisiana Super Dome and various toll road projects in the State of Louisiana.

Novel stated that some of the information regarding the aforementioned bribes he would release to the news media on Monday, October 16, 1967, prior to his testimony before the East Baton Rouge Parish Grand Jury.

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Novel added that he is out to "get" District Attorney Garrison in one way or the other. The dormal and the second s