

He'll Never Return

Vesco Renounces U.S.

San Jose, Costa Rica

Fugitive financier Robert L. Vesco says he has given up his American citizenship and has no intention of ever returning to the United States.

The statement, in a letter to U.S. Ambassador Terrence A. Todman, was made public Monday. 21 APR

Todman at a news conference ten days ago urged Vesco to return to the Unit-

ed States and prove his claimed innocence in the courts. The ambassador said the U.S. government will try for the third time to have Vesco extradited from Costa Rica.

Vesco has been living in Costa Rica and the Bahamas since 1972 to escape charges of embezzling \$224 million from the remnants of Bernard Cornfeld's mutual fund empire and of making an il-

legal \$200,000 contribution to President Nixon's 1972 re-election campaign.

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