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STATES-ITEM CARRIES LOCALIZED STY QUOTING JOHN MCELROY, CHIEF ASST. TO GOV. RHODES, AS SAYING HIS OFFICE NOT ATTEMPTING TO KEEP GORDON NOVEL FROM TESTIFYING IN GARRISON KENNEDY PLOT PROBE. HAVE WE HAD? AND IF NOT APC MATCHER SAPPEST. TNX.

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SORRY DELAY ANSWERING YR612PCD, BUT MCELROY JUST BECAME AVAILABLE. HE SAYS HE MADE NO COMMENT TO STATES-ITEM REPORTER ON THE MATTER YOU MENTIONED, AND WILL MAKE NONE TO US. SAID "WE DON'T INTEND TO GET INTO A DISCUSSION WITH NEWSPAPERS ON AN EXTRADITION MATTER ESPECIALLY WHEN NONE IS BEFORE US. WE HAVE NO REQUEST FROM LOUISIANA FOR THE EXTRADITION OF ANYONE." PLS CHECK YR FILES AND SEE IF YOU RECEIVED STY FROM HERE LAST FRIDAY DAY REPORT RE NOVEL. UNFIND STATE STY HERE WAS TUNKED THAT DAY. IF YOU UNHAVE, WILL PROVIDE AS IT TOUCHES ON THE MATTER YOU MENTIONED IN YR 612PCD WITHOUT GOING THAT FAR.

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