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Vesco 'Very Pleased'
By Acquittal Verdict

Robert L. Vesco, the absent financier who was a key figure in the Mitchell-Stans trial, reached to the verdict with surprise and pleasure but said it wouldn't change his mind about coming back from Costa Rica to stand trial.

"First fair verdict in a long time. I'm very pleased with it today," he told Steve Young of CBS News.

He said he was "absolutely" surprised at the verdict because he believed that pretrial publicity had made a guilty verdict likely.