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PCI ROBERT JESSIE BUTLER had heard of the outside bookmakers that came into Houston and "stuffed" some of the local players, and of these individuals possibly being connected to STRAUS. BUTLER has had little or no contact with STRAUS since he got out in July and had not learned any detail of these operations. He now realizes that these individuals who are cheats and possible heisters are detrimental to the other gamblers in Houston, and he expressed a desire to cooperate in furnishing anything he can dig up regarding them. He advised he is willing to furnish whatever information he can as long as it is maintained in confidence. He fully realizes that if he violates any Federal laws, he is subject to prosecution.

Contact with the following informants, all acquainted with BARNES, revealed that BARNES has been making trips to Houston, where he allegedly has relatives and an interest in a shrimp boat:

MO 124-C-TE
MO 4-C
MO 135-C
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PCI ROBERT DICKINS

In addition, all of the above stated that they had no knowledge of BARNES presently operating a book, but stated that he has been a bookmaker in the past and would do most anything to make money. None of these informants have any information indicating BARNES has been in Texas for any extended period of time.

On January 18, 1968, the following information was obtained from the records of the Pacific Telephone Company, 742 South Hill Street, Room 200, Los Angeles, California, by SE EARL F. DUDLEY:

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