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Dallas Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability and who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on November 22, 1957, that he had known CIVELLO for several years and knew him when informant was Assistant District Attorney of Dallas County. He stated he had had no information of any kind which would indicate CIVELLO had been engaged in illegal activities in the city of Dallas.

JULIUS SCHEPPS, a highly respectable citizen and a large wholesale liquor dealer, Dallas, Texas, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on December 19, 1957, that he was closely acquainted with CIVELLO and that he did not know of any underworld activities being conducted by CIVELLO and that it was his belief that any ~~that any~~ that would be carried on by CIVELLO probably would be with Eastern underworld characters. SCHEPPS had no basis for stating that, other than the recent publicity that he had read in the newspapers concerning CIVELLO.

(E) LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

On September 5, 1956, CIVELLO advised SA PAUL H. RAINES that he was employed by his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO, at the Love Field Grocery, Dallas, Texas, from 1944-46; that he then went into partnership with his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO, and FRANK L. MONTE, doing business as Premier Food Company, for about one year; that in 1948, he and ROSS MUSSO repurchased the Love Field Grocery and operated it as partners until 1952, when it was sold. Thereafter, he, together with MUSSO and CHARLES CIVELLO organized Civello's Imports, 4236-38 Oak Lawn Avenue, Dallas, Texas, where they handle imported foods, Italian products, both as wholesalers and retailers and as retail liquor dealers. He said he had "dabbled" in real estate as a partner in the oil business with HARRY D. KAHN, 2014 Adolphus Tower Building, Dallas, Texas, among other partners in the enterprise. He stated that all of his present interests were owned together with his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO, and that his gross income would be between \$11,300 and \$17,000 plus per year.

On December 2, 1957, Agent TAYLOR of the Dallas Office of the Bureau of Narcotics advised he had learned from a confidential source that CIVELLO reportedly had reported income of \$9,664.40 in 1952; \$4,086.93 in 1953, and \$4,093.71

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