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According to this source, a correspondent of the Columbia Broadcasting System may get in touch with Allen M. Dorfman, a Chicago, Illinois, insurance executive, to ascertain the names of the bonding companies which allegedly have refused to write surety bonds for the Teamsters.

The foregoing is submitted for your information.

NOTE: This matter relates to recent charges by Hoffa, which appeared in news media to the effect that the Teamsters are having difficulty in complying with the law as it relates to bonding of union officials. According to these articles, the surety company handling the master bond of the Teamsters has cancelled it, effective 2/8/63, and numerous bonding companies contacted by the Teamsters have refused to handle the bonding. Hoffa claims this is due to pressures exerted on these firms by the Justice Department and Department of Labor.

According to information received from the Criminal Division on 1/31/63, the House Committee on Labor and Education (Representative Adam Clayton Powell, D-N.Y., Chairman) intends to hold a hearing today in executive session. Deputy Attorney General Katzenbach intends to appear at this hearing and categorically deny Hoffa's charges. It was previously reported that Hoffa would appear in person; however, it has now been learned that he will be represented by counsel.

It is noted that the Bureau, at the request of the Criminal Division, has been conducting extensive inquiries into allegations that Hoffa, through Allen M. Dorfman (a close friend of Hoffa's) has received kickbacks in connection with various insurance programs of the Teamsters Union. We have now discontinued these investigations on advice received from the Criminal Division.

The confidential source mentioned herein is NY 2305-C (Joseph Konowe, a New York Teamster official and associate of Hoffa's). This information is contained in New York airtel dated 1/30/63.