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FROM CHICAGO (29-1999) 1-P

JAMES RIDDLE HOFFA, DOMINICK EDWARD BARTONE, AKA ETAL,  
FRA, ETC.

ROBERT MEISSNER APPEARED AT CHICAGO OFFICE AFTER HE MET  
JOSEPH VERHELLE IN CHICAGO TODAY. VERHELLE DID NOT IDENTIFY  
POTENTIAL DEFENSE WITNESS IN CHATTANOOGA TRIAL BUT GAVE  
IMPRESSION SOMEONE WOULD TESTIFY REGARDING PUBLIC BANK OF  
DETROIT SITUATION TO SHOW THE GOVERNMENT GOING ALL OUT  
AGAINST HOFFA.

ACCORDING TO VERHELLE, A STATE OF MICHIGAN BANKING  
COUNSELOR VISITED THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AND THE ATTORNEY  
GENERAL POSSIBLY RECENTLY AND LET IT BE KNOWN HE BELIEVES  
THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT WAS CARRYING ON A VENDETTA AGAINST  
HOFFA WHICH CAUSED THE PERSECUTION OF THE PUBLIC BANK.

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