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FRANK A. HATFIELD; DICK KAVNER
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
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ReLAairtel 9/1/61, captioned "JAMES RIDDLE HOFFA; S. GEORGE BURRIS; FIRST BERKELEY CORPORATION OF NEW YORK; MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING (ACCOUNTING AND FRAUD SECTION)," urfile 62-5008, Bufile 63-6666, and particularly to page 2 of the enclosure thereto captioned "EARL SCHEIB" and re page 4 of LAtel dated 8/31/61, in the same case, which set out information received by Los Angeles from an informant referred to therein as "Clip," as set out below:

The informant advised that Anthony Doria who formerly was associated with the United Automobile Workers of America, American Federation of Labor (AFL), organized the employees of Earl Scheib Auto Paint Shops, a nationwide automobile painting concern, into that union at an unstated date in the past. This labor contract reportedly was transferred later to an independent union which Doria represented after Doria was ousted by the AFL. Anthony Doria allegedly has been and still is working for Hoffa, even though Doria purportedly represents an independent union.

The informant related that Scheib's labor contract is now being taken over by Local 495, Teamsters Union, Los Angeles, California, of which Frank A. Hatfield is the Secretary. Hatfield was said to be under Hoffa's control and agreeable to signing any contract Hoffa tells him to sign. This transfer to Local 495 of Scheib's labor contract allegedly was engineered by Dick Kavner,

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(9) NOTE: The informant in this case is Meyer "Mike" Singer, a former Teamsters Union official in Los Angeles and formerly a close associate of Hoffa's.

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AIRTEL TO SACS, LA, SL, MP

RE: JAMES RIDDLE HOFFA, EARL SCHEIB, etc.

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an international organizer for the Teamsters Union. Kavner was reported to be a sick man who wants to leave the Teamsters Union but Hoffa does not trust Kavner and will not let him go. Kavner reportedly is in Mayo Clinic at the present time and the source feels that Kavner may be "ripe" for intensified inquiry.

According to the informant Earl Scheib has been paying Doria regularly during the life of a "sweetheart" contract. Scheib reportedly spends every day at the race track and every night getting drunk at the Del Monico Restaurant, 828 South Robertson Boulevard, Los Angeles, which Scheib also owns. Scheib allegedly loses a lot of money gambling and the informant believes that payoffs to Doria may be covered in this fashion.

The Bureau has opened a new case, captioned the same as this airtel, with Los Angeles as origin and the field should do likewise. A full and complete investigation concerning all of the afore-mentioned items should be initiated immediately.

Los Angeles should immediately reinterview the informant to obtain further specifics concerning all of the above-mentioned matters with particular emphasis on ascertaining, if possible, his sources and any evidence that might exist which will establish that these allegations are true. The additional information the informant furnishes concerning this matter should be incorporated into a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination to the Criminal Division, which should be forwarded to the Bureau by cover airtel. The identity of the informant should be concealed therein and, of course, he should not be referred to as "Clip." The additional information given by the informant also should be utilized as the basis for further avenues of investigation in this case and appropriate leads based thereon should be set out and covered immediately.

As stated above the investigation in this case should be complete and thorough in all respects. The field should conduct all logical investigation to determine the veracity of this information. It is pointed out that through imaginative and probative investigation it may be possible to develop violations of Section 186, Title 29, U. S. Code on the part of Scheib, Doria and Hatfield, or possibly Hoffa, if it can be established that he has shared in any payoff made by Scheib to a union official.