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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION New York, New York January 5, 1962

Re: James Riddle Hoffa

On November 8, 1961, a confidential source who is employed by the International Brotherhood of Teamsters (IBT) in the New York area, advised that a "rift" has developed between James Hoffa and John O'Rourke, International Vice-President of the Teamsters and President of Teamsters Joint Council 16, New York. N.Y. This source advised that O'Rourke enjoys an extremely favorable reputation with Harry Van Arsdale, President, New York State American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO), and will not raid the AFL-CIO locals in the New York area as requested by Hoffa.

This source stated that if Hoffa insists on raiding George Meany's locals in New York, O'Rourke will break with Hoffa and the source anticipates that Joint Council 16 will be split down the middle on this issue.

On December 18, 1961, this source stated he had been told by O'Rourke that the rift between James Hoffa and some of the IBT vice-presidents is widening. The source stated that O'Rourke is extremely bitter about Hoffa and it appears that the "Irish" (including O'Rourke, Thomas E. Flynn, Seventh Vice-President, and NTERNATIONAL John T. O'Brien, First Vice-President) are out and that BROTHERMENT Anthony Provenzano, Thirteenth Vice-President, has become Hoffa's right had man.

The source stated at that time that it appeared the ruling faction of the Teamsters was split and would "choose sides".

On January 4, 1962, this source was recontacted on this matter. He stated that there is a definite coolness existing between Hoffa and O'Rourke, O'Brien and Flynn, but he advised that as he has studied this situation it becomes apparent that the vice-presidents will not take any drastic action to cause a split within the Teamsters ranks. He said that O'Rourke complained to him how, at the last executive board meeting, he was seated at the furthest end of the table and the source considers this This document contains neither

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