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ON AUGUST 18, 1976, X SHELDON ABEND X, FORMER SOURCE OF THE NYO WAS INTERVIEWED AND PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING ROSELLI.

ABEND ADVISED THAT IN 1969 HE HAD BECOME ACQUAINTED WITH A WOMAN WHO WENT BY THE NAMES OF X NANCY CZAR X AND X NANCY KOWALSKI X. ACCORDING TO ABEND MISS CZAR WAS ALWAYS VERY TALKATIVE AND OFTEN DISCUSSED HER RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER PEOPLE. SHE OFTEN SPOKE OF BEING CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH JOHN ROSELLI AND AL SMILEY IN LOS ANGELES AND THAT SHE HAD VISUTED ROSELLI WHILE HE WAS IN PRISON.

ABEND MAINTAINED CONTACT WITH CZAR AND IN 1972, WHILE
TRAVELLING TO CALIFORNIA WAS GIVEN THE USE OF NANCY CZARS' APARTMENT LOCATED IN THE FOUNTAIN VIEW WEST TOWERS, 1155 NORTH LA
CIENAGA, BEL AIR, CALIFORNIA. WHILE STAYING THERE ABEND OBSERVED PICTURES ON THE WALLS WITH NANCY CZAR AND JOHN ROSELLI TOGETHER.

ABEND ADVISED THAT NANCY CZAR IS NOW MARRIED TO A BUSINESS-MAN NAMED X SAM BRETSFIELD X AND NOW LIVES IN BEL AIR ESTATES, BEL AIR, CALIFORNIA. THE HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 213-476-2268, BUSINESS PHONE 213-748-8701.

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ABEND DESCRIBED CZAR AS BEING A "MOTOR MOUTH" AND THAT SHE HAD BEEN IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH ROSELLI UNTIL VERY SHORTLY BE-FORE HIS DEATH.

ABEND ALSO STATED THAT AT 4 PM ON JANUARY 26, 1976 HE HAD MET WITH JOHN ROSELLI IN THE LIBRARY ROOM OF THE BEVERLY HILTON HOTEL. AT THIS MEETING ABEND, WHO IS A LITERARY AGENT, APPROACHED ROSELLI AND ASKED TO PURCHASE ROSELLI'S STORY ABOUT HIS INVOLVEMENT WITH THE CIA, SAM GIANCANA AND THEIR ATTEMPTS TO ASSASSINATE FIDEL CASTRO. ROSELLI ALLEGEDLY TOLD ABEND THAT HE WOULD THINK ABOUT HAVING THE STORY PUBLISHED. AT THIS POINT ABEND ADVISED ROSELLI THAT EVEN IF HE DID NOT WISH TO PUBLISH HIS STORY AND GET IT OUT IN THE OPEN HE SHOULD AT LEAST GET IT DOWN ON PAPER WITH A LAWYER. AT THIS POINT ROSELLI ALLEGEDLY STATED THAT HE HAD ALREADY PUT THE STORY DOWN IN PRINT "IN TRIPLICATE".

THIS MEETING HAD BEEN ARRANGED BY A WEST COAST LAWYER NAMED X DON BUSBY X WHO WAS REPRESENTING ABEND AND WAS PRESENT AT THIS MEETING. BUSBY RESIDES AT X 450 NORTH ROCKSBURG DRIVE, BEL AIR, CALIFORNIA X, HOME PHONE 213-278-2016, BUSINESS PHONE 213-273-8566.

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ABEND BELIEVES THAT BUSBY MAY KNOW WHETHER ROSELLI'S STORY WAS IN FACT PUT DOWN ON PAPER BY ROSELLI, AND IF SO, WHERE COPIES OF THE STORY MAY BE.

ABEND INDICATED THAT A POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT ROSELLI'S STORY MAY HAVE BEEN TURNED OVER TO ROSELLI'S LAWYERS.

ABEND INDICATED A KNOWLEDGE OF PAST INVESTIGATIONS OF MATTERS CONCERNING X HOWARD HUGHES X, X ROBERT VESCO X, AND X ROBERT A. MAHEU X WHICH COULD ALSO BE READILY AVAILABLE IN THE NEWS MEDIA.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED BY LA THAT BUSBY IS AWARE THAT ABEND HAS CONTACTED THE FBI IN REGARD TO THIS MATTER.

BASED ON INTERVIEW ABEND APPREARED RATIONAL, HOWEVER, HIS PRESENT RELIABILITY IS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.

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