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RENYTEL TWELVE FIVE SIXTY THREE.

NY TWO THREE ZERO FIVE- C ADVISED HOFFA TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED HIM THIS DATE FROM MIAMI AND ASKED HIM TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR RUNNING THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICE IN WASHINGTON , DC., ON A FULL TIME BASIS. INFORMANT DECLINED BECAUSE OF HIS HEALTH STATUS. ABOUT THE CURRENT FRICTION, HOFFA STATED IT WAS NOTHING AND COULD TO THE COPIES MADE. DATE TO PROBABLY BE PATCHED UP.

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PRESIDENT, (181). RETURNED FROM MIAMI AND RELATED THE FOLLOWING.

MO HAROLD GIBBONS, INTERNATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT, IBT, DICKKAVNER, MO GENERAL ORGANIZER FROM ST. LOUIS, PETE SAPPO, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZER, AND LABRY STEINBERG, ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT OF IBT, ALL TENDERED Potential Criminal Informant RESIGNATIONS AS INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS OF IBT. BET WAS TOLD GIBBONS WOULD REMAIN AS UNPAID VICE PRESIDENTE IN STAGEL AND OTHES WOULD GO BACK ON SALARY WITH THEIR LOCAL UNIONS. AFTER A CONFERENCE WITH HOFFA, THEY WITHDREW THEIR RESIGNATIONS UNTIL AFTER HOFFA-S TRIAL 0- ROURKE SAID SERIOUS DIFFERNCES HAD BEEN BUILDING UP AND WERE CLIMAXED BY THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY 1AT 15HAT TIME HOFFA MADE A STATEMENT TO THE EFFECT THAT THE PRESIDENT-S DEAL

GOOD BECAUSE IT WOULD FINISH " LITTLE BROTHER BOBBY",

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TOLD SOURCE GIBBONS AND STEINBERG RESENTED HOFFA-S ATTITUDE. GIBBONS SUBSEQUENTLY SENT A TELEGRAM OF CONDOLENCES AND STEINBERG CLOSED THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICES IN WASHINGTON, DC., OUT OF RESPECT FOR THE PRESIDENT. BOTH OF THESE ACTIONS BROUGHT ON VIOLENT ARGUMENTS WITH HOFFA.

O-MROURKE TOLD THE SOURCE THAT GIBBONS AND THE OTHERS TOOK A FIRM POSITION BUT BACKED DOWN SO HE IS NOT TAKING SIDES AT PRESENT.

CONTACTED HIM AND TOLD HIM THAT HAROLD GIBBONS, DICK KAVNER, PETE SAFFO,

LARRY STEINBERG, YUKI KEATHLEY AND FORGESON KEATHLEY, HAVE QUIT

THEIR JOBS AS MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF. O-ROURKE SAID

THESE RESIGNATIONS ARE FINAL. O- ROURKE TOLD THE SOURCE THAT

HOFFA IS" ACTING LIKE A RAVING MADMAN", AND HE ANTICIPATES GIBBONS

AND THE OTHERS WILL BRING HOFFA UP ON CHARGES BEFORE THE (IBT) AND

ATTEMPT TO HAVE HOFFA DISMISSED AS GENERAL PRESIDENT OF THE IBT.

O- ROURKE DID NOT STATE HIS POSITION TO SOURCE OTHER THAN SAY HE IS " ON

THE FENCE" AT THE PRESENT.

FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU, SAMBARON IS IN REGULAR CONTACT WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, ANDNY TWO THREE ZERO FIVE- C ADVISED HE RECENTLY LEARNED THAT HAROLD GIBBONS IS REGULARLY CONTACTING BARON.

END PGE TWO......