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FROM DIRECTOR FBI

LA COSA NOSTRA, ANTI DASH RACKETEERING DASH CONSPIRACY.

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LA IS TO MAINTAIN PARTICULARLY CLOSE CONTACT WITH LA FOUR
FOUR FOUR EIGHT DASH C DASH TE FOR ANY POSSIBLE NOTICE ON
DESIMONE'S DATE AND MODE OF DEPARTURE FOR NEW YORK CITY AND SHOULD
CLOSELY COORDINATE MATTER WITH OTHER INTERESTED OFFICES,
PARTICULARLY SAN DIEGO. SAN DIEGO IS TO EXERCISE UTMOST DISCRETION
IN ESTABLISHMENT OF COVERAGE OF DESIMONE AND MAINTAIN SUCH
COVERAGE IN MANNER WHICH WILL AVOID AT ALL COST ALERTING HIM TO

BUREAU INTEREST IN HIS TRAVEL AT THIS TIME. LA NOTE\$DESIMONE

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TELETYPE TO LOS ANGELES
RE: LA COSA NOSTRA

EXTREMELY SURVEILLANCE CONSCIOUS. TO MAINTAIN CONTINUITY OF PLAN TO DEVELOP POSSIBLE NEW DATA ON MAKE-UP OF HERETOFORE UNKNOWN COSA NOSTRA GROUPS AND TO MAINTAIN SECURITY OF SURVEILLANCE OF DESIMONE, SUCH SURVEILLANCE BY VARIOUS OFFICERS PARTICIPATING SHOULD BE TEMPORARILY DISCONTINUED IF CONTINUANCE WOULD QUOTE BURN UNQUOTE DESIMONE. ALL OFFICES HAVING SOURCES COVERING COMMISSION ACTIVITY, AND PARTICULARLY THOSE REPORTING ON RECENT DEVELOPMENTS PERTAINING TO COMMISSION ACTION AGAINST BONANNO QUOTE FAMILY UNQUOTE ARE TO MAINTAIN CONSTANT CONTACT WITH KEY SOURCES TO ENLARGE ON OUR KNOWLEDGE OF PLANS COMMISSION HAS TO CONVENE NEW YORK CITY AREA JANUARY TWENTYFIVE NEXT.

THIS MATTER IS TO RECEIVE PRIORITY HANDLING AND BUREAU MUST BE KEPT ADVISED OF ALL SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS.

NOTE: The above-mentioned LA informant who is a veteran member of M Cosa Nostra has been told by the LA Family underboss Nick Licata that Frank Desimone, the LA Family boss, and the leader representing smaller Cosa Nostra groups in the Western parts of the US with the Commission, is to be in NYC on 1-25-65, to meet with the commission. This presumably will pertain to recent commission action against the Joseph Bonanno Family and according to informant may possibly pertain to the reorganization of this family which is now under commission trusteeship. Inasmuch as Desimone will be expected to alert other Cosa Nostra leaders in the Western part of the US representing smaller groups, some of whom may be relatively unknown, it will be valuable to afford coverage to Desimone's movements to and from NYC. Inasmuch as past experience with Desimone has shown him to be extremely surveillance conscious, and has determined that he will avoid planned contacts if he is aware of surveillance, extreme discretion must be used in covering his movements.

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