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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1173)
 SUBJECT: LA COSA NOSTRA
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It is noted that MI 623-CTE recently advised that JOE ZAMMUTO is the current leader of La Cosa Nostra in the Rockford, Illinois, area and that FRANK BUSCEMI is the underboss of Rockford.

The attention of the Bureau is invited to my airtel dated 10/4/60, captioned "Activities of Top Hoodlums, Chicago Area, Anti-Racketeering", wherein information is set out as received on 10/3/60, from CG 6343-C*.

It is noted that on that date source received information as a result of a conversation between Chicago top hoodlums JACK CERONE and FRANK FERRARO. It is noted that at the time FERRARO was the underboss of the Chicago group. For the information of the Bureau, the following conversation was set out in remyairtel:

CERONE: I got a call this morning FRANK...The boss in Rockford called me last night...So he calls me last night and said he had to see me, so he stopped by on the way home and before I called you I called West to see if I could get a hold of MOE. MOE'S

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The above reference to MOE is obviously a reference to Chicago top hoodlum SAM GIANCANA, the boss of the Chicago group. Obviously when contacted CERONE attempted to put these individuals in touch with GIANCANA as the boss. Then when unable to contact GIANCANA, FERRARO being "next man" or the underboss, CERONE then placed the problem in with FERRARO.

The reference to Calumet City and to LA PORTE is obviously a reference to Chicago top hoodlum FRANK LA PORTE who is the organized hoodlum in charge of the area including Calumet City, Illinois.

It is noted that when initially received the Chicago Office interpreted the reference to JOE (ZERULLO) (Phonetic) as being a reference to JOE ZITO inasmuch as the Chicago Office was cognizant that ZITO was a hoodlum in the Rockford, Illinois, area. However, in view of the above information received from MI 623-CTE it is now apparent that the reference to JOE (ZERULLO) was in actuality a reference to JOE ZAMMUTO. This, then, would confirm the information recently obtained from MI 623-CTE. The reference to JASPER as being the underboss is obviously a reference to JASPER CALO. CALO is a Rockford hoodlum who had authority in Rockford until he recently returned to his native Sicily. BUSCEMI, according to the information received from MI 623-CTE, apparently has taken CALO'S place as the underboss of Rockford.

The above telephone number checks out to a tavern called George's Place at 2733 North Halsted in the immediate vicinity of Diversey and Halsted on the Near North Side of Chicago. It is noted that the license listed to J. W. MARINELLI is obviously for an automobile registered to Rockford hoodlum JOE MARINELLI, also known as "Gramps" and "Pops" MARINELLI, a Rockford hoodlum.

It is of interest to note that FRANK FERRARO, being the underboss of the Chicago group in 1960, was unaware of the identity of the boss and underboss in Rockford and had to request information from CERONE. This would be an indication that there is no close tie up between the Chicago group and the Rockford group.

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It would appear obvious that the information provided by MI 623-CTE and the information obtained in October, 1960, by CG 6343-C* are in consonance with each other.

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