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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, Chicago (94-519; Sub.11)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL GIANCANN, was.  
GIIF (TOP HOODLUM COVERAGE)

DATE: September 28, 1956

Re SAC letter 53-58 dated August 25, 1953,  
and Chicago letter dated March 30, 1956.

On June 4, 1956, PCI WILLIAM O. BATES  
advised SA DENNIS W. SHANAHAN that the Forest Lounge  
at Lyons, Illinois, reputedly the headquarters of  
GIANCANN, is now known as the Armory Tap and is  
operated by one CARMIE FINELLI (phonetic) for  
GIANCANN.

It is noted that FINELLI is supposedly  
identical with CARMIN FINELLA who is a known  
associate of NICK MONTOS.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: March 30, 1956

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (94-519 sub 11)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL GIANCANNNA, was.  
GIIF  
(TOP HOODLUM COVERAGE)Re SAC letter 53-58 dated August 25, 1953 and  
Chicago letter dated September 27, 1955.

In October, 1955, SANDY SMITH, a reporter for the "Chicago Tribune", whose name should not be disclosed under any circumstances, advised that SAMUEL GIANCANNNA and TONY ACCARDO are the actual owners of the Utility Engineering Company, 5142 West Roosevelt Road and 6201 West Roosevelt Road, however, the owner listed on the licences of these two places is listed as ANTHONY DE PRADO who lives at 1824 North 78th Avenue and who has an office at 6728 West Cermak Road.

The "Chicago Daily News" of October 3, 1955, listed SAMUEL GIANCANNNA, which is described as a syndicate gambling boss, as one of six top mob figures who had been subpoenaed by the Special County Grand Jury which was investigating the wave of unanswered bombings.

On November 15, 1955, DOMINICK ABATTA - PCI who has given reliable information in the past, advised SA WALTER E. PETERS that GIANCANNNA and SAM PATTAGLIA have come to positions of power within the alleged syndicate and were definitely replacements for or officers of LOUIE CAMPAGNA (deceased) and PAUL DE LUCIA. ABATTA stated that he had learned this through his attempts to regain control of Local 777 of the Taxi Cab Drivers Union.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
 FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (94-519-Sub 11)  
 SUBJECT: SAMUEL GIANCANA, was.  
 G.I.F. (TOP HOODLUM COVERAGE)

DATE: March 31, 1955

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Re SAC letter #53-58 dated August 25, 1953  
 and Chicago letter dated September 28, 1954.

DOMINICK ANTHONY SCALZITTO, PCI, has advised  
 that GIANCANA frequents Philip's Restaurant and Candy  
 Store at 22nd and Cicero.

On January 18, 1955, CG 5841-C advised that  
 he was contacted by one NATALE PASSARO, Jr. and asked  
 to attempt to secure mortgages on the following properties:

1331 Indiana Avenue, a seven apartment  
 building, mortgage desired \$35,000;

2111 South Homan Avenue, a two flat  
 building, mortgage desired \$12,000;

1620-22 South Harding, a thirteen apart-  
 ment building, mortgage desired \$45,000;

1445-51 Catalpa Avenue, a twelve apartment  
 building, mortgage desired \$43,500.

He stated that he subsequently discussed  
 this matter with PASSARO in the presence of one (FNU)  
 CHAMPAIGN (ph), an attorney FOR SAMUEL GIANCANA. It  
 is the informant's theory that the syndicate owns  
 these properties although the records show that the  
 trustee is the Pioneer Bank of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

On February 18, 1955, CG 5841-C advised  
 that GIANCANA recently remodeled the building at 4810-  
 12 West 22nd Street in Cicero, Illinois and converted  
 it into a plush gambling place with roulette wheels,  
 a horse parlor, private rooms for card games and refresh-  
 ment facilities.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC CHICAGO (94-519 - Sub 11)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL GIANCANA, was.  
GIIF (TOP HOODLUM COVERAGE)

DATE: September 28, 1954

Re SAC letter #53-58 dated August 25, 1953 and Chicago letter dated March 30, 1954.

The Chicago Tribune on March 14, 1954 ran an article concerning the Wagon Wheel at 6421 Montrose Avenue, Norwood Park, Illinois which it described as a large gambling casino. The reputed owners are NICK D'AMICO and JAMES DAVIES. It was reported that a third and principle owner of the Wagon Wheel is SAM GIANCANA. The cost of this gambling establishment and its furnishings is reputed to be approximately \$50,000.

CG 5951-C has stated that it is general knowledge among the hoodlums that the top setup of the alleged syndicate insofar as the operation of taverns, handbooks, and minor gangs is concerned is first TONY ACCARDO, then TONY CAPEZIO, followed by SAM GIANCANA. According to the informant GIANCANA controls Cicero and the central west and southwest suburbs; ROCKY POTENZA, allegedly a protege of SAM GIANCANA, controls the north and northwest section of Chicago along with the northwest suburbs.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: March 16, 1954

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (94-519 - Sub 11)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL GIANCANA, was.  
 Samuel Giancanna, Sam Gianaco,  
 Sam Gincani, Sam Giancano,  
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 "Mooney", Sam Gecani  
 Sam Gincana, Sam Mooney  
 GIIF (TOP HOODLUM COVERAGE)

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Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

Re SAC Letter No. 53-58 dated August 25, 1953.

A summary of the information in Chicago files concerning GIANCANA was submitted to the Bureau by letter dated May 31, 1950, captioned "Survey Concerning Prominent Underworld Figures Being Made by U. S. Attorneys. Crime Survey." Two copies of his photograph were furnished at that time. There follows a resume of pertinent information gathered in Chicago files since that time.

An article in the "Chicago Daily News" dated February 27, 1951, describes JAMES J. ADDUCI, Republican Illinois State Representative and a member of the West Side Bloc (which Bloc is an association of politicians of Italian extraction who are believed to be associated closely with gambling and hoodlum elements), as a former partner of SAM GIANCANA in the Windy City Sports Enterprises.

In an article in the "Chicago Daily News" dated February 2, 1951, ADDUCI is reported to have scoffed at the idea that GIANCANA was recognized as the leader of the Mafia in Chicago.

GIANCANA's name was listed in an article appearing in the "Chicago Tribune" of June 9, 1951, as one of the hoodlum gamblers, and politicians whose income tax returns were to be investigated by a Special Fraud Squad of the Internal Revenue Bureau.

On November 8, 1951, the "Chicago Daily News" related that the then State's Attorney JOHN S. BOYLE had assigned a squad of State's Attorney Police to find GIANCANA after a capias had been issued on his failure to appear for arraignment in

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to disclose. This informant told NESTOR that his information was that TONY ACCARDO and SAM GIANCANA were active in the mob's attempts to muscle in on the shrimp industry. Lieutenant NESTOR furnished this information as a rumor, and contacts with WALTER DEVEREAUX, Chief Investigator of the Chicago Crime Commission, reflected that that Commission's information came from Lieutenant NESTOR and that the Commission had been unable to verify the rumor.

In February, 1953, CG 5841-C advised that SAM GIANCANA, whom he described as a lieutenant of TONY ACCARDO, appears at the Rainbow Lounge, 5146 West Cermak Road, Cicero, Illinois, every Monday evening. According to the informant, at that time GIANCANA holds court in which he settles all disputes amongst members of the hoodlum element, makes his underworld contacts, and is available to any hoodlum who may need money or advice.

Lieutenant JOSEPH MORRIS, Scotland Yard Detail, Chicago Police Department, has advised that GIANCANA leases a basement room of the Imperial House, a swanky after theater supper club at 50 East Walton Place as a meeting place. This restaurant is operated by an Italian using the name BEN SCOTT through whom allegedly GIANCANA receives his orders. ILL.

PCI ARTHUR SEIDLER has advised that RALPH CAIFANO, who is an associate of GIANCANA, frequents the Copa Lounge and Restaurant at 652 Chicago Avenue. ILL.