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Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period
LT LAKE CITY	SALT LAKE CITY	11/10/60	11/1/60

TITLE OF CASE

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI

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CHARACTER OF CASE

UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

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The information contained in this report was received from [redacted] Clark County Sheriff's Office, Las Vegas, Nevada. Mr. DAN ROWAN made no formal complaint with regard to his telephone being tapped at the Riviera Hotel.

It will be noted that [redacted] advised that the conversations recorded were those of DAN ROWAN of the Rowan and Martin comedy team, presently appearing at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, and PHYLLIS MC GUIRE of the McGuire Sisters Trio. ROWAN advised [redacted] in strictest confidence [redacted]

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on 11/1/60, ROWAN signed a statement at the Clark County Sheriff's Office, Las Vegas, stating that he wished to have all charges dropped which he had previously requested be filed against BALLETTI at the time it was determined that he had tapped his telephone at the Riviera Hotel.

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One copy of report furnished Miami in view of possible future investigation in that division.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Report of: [redacted] Office: Salt Lake City, Utah
Date: 11/10/60

Field Office File No.: Salt Lake City 139-17 Bureau File No.:

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis: BALLETTI arrested 10/31/60 at Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada. Admitted that he had received instructions from Investigations, Incorporated, Miami, Florida, to surveil and record telephone conversations of DAN ROWAN. BALLETTI had in his possession numerous electronic devices including transmitters, receivers, Minifon wire recorders, Minox camera, and seventeen professional type lock picks. Also an AM-FM transistor radio which was thought to be receiving on the same frequency that the telephone tap was broadcasting on. BALLETTI stated that FRED T. HARRIS, a free lance electronics man and investigator from Miami, had entered ROWAN's room and had installed the listening device. ROWAN requested that all local charges against BALLETTI be dropped.

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[redacted] Clark County Sheriff's Office, advised he had received a call from the Riviera Hotel, the hotel management advising that two persons had registered in on October 26, 1960, one of them giving the name of ARTHUR BALLETTI and the other as J. W. HARRISON, and that they had given a Water Street address in San Francisco and a Freeman Street address in Los Angeles at the time they registered. The management of the Riviera Hotel had advised that inasmuch as the hotel bill had not been paid that a check of their room, No. 331, had revealed that there were a number of suspicious looking electronic devices and that a number of notes had been made on a yellow pad which contained the name of DAN ROWAN, one of the partners in the Rowan and Martin comedy team, who at that time were appearing at the Riviera Hotel. Also on this pad were several dates, times and places concerning ROWAN's whereabouts for the past several days. The hotel management advised they had determined the person who had registered as J. W. HARRISON was FRED T. HARRIS and that he had left the hotel on October 30, 1960.

[redacted] stated on his arrival at the Riviera Hotel that he observed BALLETTI paying his hotel bill at the front desk and he had several bandages on his hands and arms and appeared to be extremely nervous. He stated that a records' check of his department failed to reveal anything concerning BALLETTI; however, they have a record of J. W. HARRISON, an ex-convict having been previously arrested for forgery, burglary, and robbery.

[redacted] stated BALLETTI was contacted in his room and questioned concerning the cuts on his arms which he was unable to properly explain and he stated that the person who had registered with him under the name of J. W. HARRISON was FRED T. HARRIS; that he was from Florida rather than from San Francisco and stated the reason they did not give their true addresses was that they did not want their wives to find out where they were. BALLETTI stated he was in Las Vegas on vacation and that he was employed in Miami as a consultant. He was asked for identification at which time he handed the officers a driver's license in the name of BYRAM whose description was completely different than that of BALLETTI.

On 11/1/60 at Las Vegas, Nevada File #Salt Lake City 139-17

by S[redacted]/jl b7C Date dictated 11/4/60

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BALLETTI stated that he had given the officers the wrong license; that he had picked this one up from a friend of his and had forgotten to return it. BALLETTI was requested to let the officers search his room at which time he refused. He became very excited and extremely nervous.

An effort at that time was made to locate DAN ROWAN to determine if a microphone or a tap had been made in ROWAN's room. The officers were unsuccessful in locating ROWAN and with the aid of the hotel management his room was entered and [redacted] observed a set of bare wires running from the telephone box in ROWAN's room, No. 228, to an electronic transmitting wireless microphone which had been taped to the bed and connected to the telephone box with the bare wires. There was an aerial strung along the back of the bed. This transmitting paraphernalia was removed from the telephone by deputy sheriffs.

BALLETTI was again interrogated by deputy sheriffs and at first denied owning this instrument which had been recovered from ROWAN's room and later would not affirm or deny his knowledge concerning it. He was at that time placed under arrest and a complete search was made of his room. A yellow steno pad revealed notes and notations which BALLETTI had written down dates and times on which he had recorded portions of DAN ROWAN's telephone conversations. A locked suitcase in BALLETTI's room was unlocked with a key which was furnished by BALLETTI and it was determined that this suitcase contained a large quantity of electronic devices including transmitters, receivers, wall plugs, a Minifon wire recorder, a Minox camera and also a set of seventeen professional type lock picks. Also found on the floor near the west wall of the room was a Sony AM-FM transister radio with a piece of masking tape across the top next to the dial needle with the markings T and R on this tape.

[redacted] stated later tests showed that the R on the tape in the shortwave portion of the tuner changer was the frequency on which one of the transmitters in the suitcase would broadcast on and is believed to be on the same frequency that the telephone microphone was broadcasting on.

[redacted] stated on arriving at the Detective

Bureau of the Clark County Sheriff's Office, BALLETTI admitted he had been hired by Investigations, Incorporated, Miami, Florida, which is a company owned by a former FBI Agent, EDWARD DU BOIS, and that this company apparently had a client who had requested investigation concerning DAN ROWAN's private life. BALLETTI admitted listening and recording ROWAN's telephone conversations and he stated he had been surveiling him and listening to his conversations since October 26, 1960.

BALLETTI stated FRED T. HARRIS, who is a free lance electronics man and investigator from Miami, had entered ROWAN's room and had installed the listening device. He stated he had also listed some of the information from notes in ROWAN's room. BALLETTI stated HARRIS had planned on staying long enough just to install the microphone; however, had stayed over a few days in Las Vegas to play the horses and that HARRIS had returned to Florida on the morning of October 30, 1960, by TransWorld Airlines.

[redacted] stated ROWAN had related to him in strictest confidence [redacted]

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[redacted] stated ROWAN appeared at the Clark County Sheriff's Office on November 1, 1960, and signed a release

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stating he desired that all charges against BALLETTI be dropped and that no action be taken by the Clark County Sheriff's Office with regard to the burglary and the intrusion of privacy by use of a listening device stating that BALLETTI was only working for someone else.

In connection with the information in the attached, SAM GIANCANA - presently under investigation as a top hoodlum of the Chicago Office, and it has previously been reported that he is romantically interested in Phyllis McGuire of the McGuire Sisters Trio. Salt Lake City submitting report for referral to Department.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (139-0)

RE: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI
UPUC Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications
(OO:SALT LAKE CITY)
Office of Origin

[redacted] Clark County Sheriff's Office, Las Vegas, Nevada, advised on 11/1/60, he and deputies of his detective staff arrested subject, 29 years of age, on 10/31/60, who stated he is an employee of Investigators, Incorporated, of Miami, Florida, which is reportedly owned by former FBI Special Agent EDWARD DU BOIS. BALLETTI had been monitoring telephone calls and surveiling DAN ROWAN of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin, presently appearing at the Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas.

[redacted] stated a tap was located on the phone in ROWAN's room and also microphone concealed behind head of bed. [redacted] stated he had confiscated from the room of BALLETTI one spool of recordings and amplifier equipment.

BALLETTI stated he did not know who had requested the surveillance of ROWAN or the monitoring and recording of his telephone conversations as the installation had been made by FNU HARRIS, an employee of Investigators, Incorporated, who had returned to Miami.

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[redacted] stated DAN ROWAN had advised that he had called PHYLLIS MC GUIRE, of the Mc Guire Sisters Trio, most every day at Lake Tahoe where the Mc Guire Sisters are appearing at Harrah's Club, and after listening to some of

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recording advised these conversations were between himself and PHYLLIS MC GUIRE and that he intended to arrange to marry PHYLLIS MC GUIRE in July, 1961. ROWAN advised [redacted] that he has no idea who might want to surveil him or listen to his telephone calls.

[redacted] advised that ROWAN had advised him in strictest confidence [redacted]

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[redacted] asked ROWAN if SAM GIANCANA (Anti-Racketeering, OO CHICAGO), who has kept company with PHYLLIS, might be interested in their conversations, to which ROWAN excitedly stated "Did you know about him?"

ROWAN, according to [redacted] did not definitely say that this was a possible source but indicated that it could be.

BALLETTI released on $2000.00 bond after having been charged in State Court with illegal trespass and operating as a private detective without a state license.

ROWAN advised [redacted] that he did not desire to prosecute BALLETTI as he is only working for someone else.

Closing report will be submitted 11/10/60.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: DECEMBER 5 1960

FROM : Malcolm Richard Wilkey, Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

MRW:JWB:

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SUBJECT: Arthur James Balletti
Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications

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Mr. [redacted]
Miss Gandy

Reference is made to your memorandum of November 22, 1960, with which you forwarded to us a copy of the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated November 10, 1960, at Salt Lake City.

The facts set forth in the report indicate violation of the provisions of 47 U.S.C. 605 and conspiracy by Arthur James Balletti, Fred T. Harris, and possibly Investigations, Inc., and Edward DuBois and others.

It is requested that a full investigation be conducted with a view toward criminal prosecution. Please furnish to the United States Attorney for the District of Nevada a copy of the above-indicated report and copies of all further reports of investigation.

For your information we are this date requesting the United States Attorney to furnish us with his prosecutive opinion upon completion of the investigation, and if time permits, to obtain our prior authorization to institute criminal prosecution.

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To: SACs, Salt Lake City (Enc. 2)
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From: Director, FBI

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI
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ReSUrep 11/10/60, copy to Miami.

Enclosed are two copies of a letter from the Department dated 12/5/60.

You should conduct the full investigation requested by the Department and handle pursuant to the Manual of Instructions, Section 113. Furnish copies of rerep and future reports to appropriate U. S. Attorney.

This matter must be given close supervision by the office of origin (Salt Lake City) and the investigation must be thorough, complete and vigorously pursued throughout. Leads must be expeditiously set out to insure meeting of Buded.

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NOTE:

Balletti arrested by Las Vegas, Nevada, SO, 10/31/60, on local wire tapping charge. Admitted he was under instructions from Investigations, Inc., Miami, Fla., reportedly owned by former SA Edward DuBois to surveil and record telephone conversations of Dan Rowan of comedy team of Rowan and Martin. Rowan reportedly romantically interested in Phyllis McGuire of McGuire Sisters trio. Rowan was asked by local officers if he thought Sam Giancana might be interested in Rowan's conversations with Phyllis McGuire. Rowan replied "Did you know about him?" Rowan requested local charges against Balletti be dropped. Sam Giancana is under investigation as a top hoodlum.

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of [redacted] CG Office and has also reportedly been romantically interested in Phyllis McGuire, and may have instigated surveillance and tap. Top hoodlum desk has no objection to investigation which may tie in Giancana. Department requests full investigation in this case.

Balletti arrested by Las Vegas, Nevada, Sheriff's Office, 10/[illegible]/60, on local wire tapping charge. Admitted he was under instructions from Investigations, Inc., Miami, Fla., reportedly owned by former SA Edward DuBois to surveil and record telephone conversations of Dan Rowan of comedy team of Rowan and Martin. Rowan reportedly romantically interested in Phyllis McGuire of McGuire Sisters trio. Rowan was asked by local officers if he thought Sam Giancana might be interested in Rowan's conversations with Phyllis McGuire. Rowan replied "Did you know about him?" Rowan requested local charges against Balletti be dropped. Sam Giancana is under investigation as a top hoodlum of the Chicago Office and has also reportedly been romantically interested in Phyllis McGuire. Department requests full investigation in this case which is being ordered.

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FROM: SAC, MIAMI (139-63)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI
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Enclosed for information of Washington Field Office is autostat of report of SA [redacted] at Salt Lake City dated 11/10/60.

By letter dated 12/5/60, the Department advised that the facts in this report indicate a violation of 47 U. S. Code, 605 and conspiracy by ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, FRED T. HARRIS and possibly Investigations, Inc., EDWARD DU BOIS and others. The Department requested full investigation with a view toward criminal prosecution and copies of all reports should be furnished the U. S. Attorney, District of Nevada.

Former Special Agent EDWARD DU BOIS, who is head of Investigations, Inc., Miami, on interview, says he received phone call 10/25/60 from WALTER FITZPATRICK, representing ROBERT MAHEU, a private investigator at 1125 19th St. N.W., Washington, D. C. FITZPATRICK wanted DU BOIS to send two men to Las Vegas for surveillance work, purpose not explained. DU BOIS purchased tickets in the name of DICK HUNTER and FRED T. HARRIS, both of whom are former Special Agents and employees of DU BOIS. DU BOIS received subsequent call

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either from FITZPATRICK or from ROBERT MAHEU in Los Angeles, advising DU BOIS to send only one man to Las Vegas. Caller instructed that a second man had been hired and would be at Eastern Airlines information window, Miami International Airport. DU BOIS then sent BALLETTI to Las Vegas and he was accompanied by the man hired by MAHEU, who identified himself as J. W. HARRISON.

BALLETTI, on interview at Miami, denies monitoring any phone conversations and can furnish no background information regarding HARRISON. Says HARRISON was traveling on ticket of FRED T. HARRIS and for this reason, Las Vegas Sheriff's Office erroneously assumed HARRISON was HARRIS.

BALLETTI described J. W. HARRISON as white, male, age 50, 5'10", 200 pounds, brown hair, balding.

Washington Field Office contact WALTER FITZPATRICK or ROBERT MAHEU as to identity of J. W. HARRISON. Interview HARRISON or set out appropriate lead for his interview.

Miami will forward photograph of FRED HARRIS to Salt Lake City for display at Las Vegas.

Balletti arrested by Las Vegas, Nevada, Sheriff's Office, 10/31/60, on local wire tapping charge. Admitted he was under instructions from Investigation, Inc., Miami, Florida, reportedly owned by former SA Edward Du Bois, and wire tap installation made by (First name unknown) Harris, Du Bois employee, to record telephone conversations of Dan Rowan of comedy team Rowan and Martin. Rowan reportedly romantically interested in Phyllis McGuire of McGuire Sisters trio. Sam Giancana, under investigation as Chicago top hoodlum, also interested in Phyllis McGuire. Department requested full investigation in this case. Bufiles reflect Robert Maheu, James Richard Hunter and Fred T. Harris former SAs.

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Reporting Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period
LOS ANGELES	SALT LAKE CITY	12/22/60	12/19 - 21/60

TITLE OF CASE	Report made by	Typed By
ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; FRED T. HARRIS	[redacted] b7C	se[redacted]

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REFERENCES: Report of S[redacted] dated 11/10/60 at Salt Lake City.

Salt Lake City airtel to Los Angeles, dated 12/17/60, (Inter-office);

Los Angeles airtel to New York, dated 12/22/60, (inter-office).

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On 12/21/60 DAN ROWAN, [redacted] Los Angeles, California, advised that he has been a personal and close friend of PHYLLIS MC GUIRE of the Mc Guire Singing Act for about two years. ROWAN referred to MC GUIRE as "his girl". During the interview of ROWAN on 12/21/60 at his residence, he received a telephone

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call from PHYLLIS MC GUIRE in New York City. ROWAN advised MC GUIRE at this time that he was being interviewed by Agents of the FBI in regard to the tapping of his telephone in Las Vegas, Nevada.

DAN ROWAN advised that he did not know SAM GIANCANI and did not know of any particular relationship which existed between PHYLLIS MC GUIRE and GIANCANI now or in the past.

Prior to signing the statement concerning information which he furnished, ROWAN consulted with his attorney by telephone. His attorney advised him that it would be alright for him to sign the statement. ROWAN requested that he be furnished a copy of the statement. A copy of the signed statement is being furnished to ROWAN by letter dated 12/22/60.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Report of: [redacted] seb Office: Los Angeles, California
Date: December 22, 1960

Field Office File No.: Los Angeles 139-77 Bureau File No.:

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
FRED T. HARRIS

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE
OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis:

DAN ROWAN, Los Angeles, California, in signed statement 12/21/60, advised he did not give authority to anyone to record telephone calls or install listening devices in his hotel room in Las Vegas, Nevada.

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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

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On December 21, 1960, DAN ROWAN, [redacted] Los Angeles, California, was interviewed by SA [redacted] and [redacted]

ROWAN furnished the following signed statement:

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"Los Angeles, California
December 21, 1960

57C "I, Dan Rowan, [redacted] Los Angeles, California, make the following free and voluntary statement to [redacted] and [redacted], who have identified themselves as Special Agents of the FBI. I have been told that I do not have to make a statement and that any statement I do make, may be used against me in a court of law. No threats or promises have been made to induce me to give this statement, and I have been advised of my right to consult an attorney.

"About October 26, 1960, I checked in at the Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada and was put in room #228 or 226.

"About five or six days after checking in at the Riviera, I was told by the resident manager of the hotel, that my room was messed up because they had discovered that the telephone in my room #228 or 226, had been tapped and that a listening device had been placed on the bed. The manager told me the Sheriff's Officers arrested an individual in the lobby of the Riviera named Balletti, who they had checked at the request of the resident manager. I was told that Balletti was the person who had been responsible for the tapping of my phone in room #228 or 226. At the Sheriff's office in Las Vegas, Nevada, I signed a complaint against Balletti concerning the violation for which the Sheriff's Officers had arrested Balletti.

"On the same day of arrest, which was about November 1, 1960, at the request of Frank Sennes, entertainment director at the Riviera, I discussed the phone tapping incident with Harvey Silbert and Elias Atoll. Silbert and Atoll are members of the Corporation which operates the Riveria Hotel.

After discussing the matter with Silbert, I decided the further pressing of charges against Balletti would inconvenience me and would result in nothing but inconvenience to me. About November 1, 1960, at the Sheriff's Office in Las Vegas, I signed a release and dropped making charges against Balletti.

"I did not give anyone the authority to record telephone calls or to install listening devices in my room #228 or 226, at the Rivera Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, on or about October 26, 1960, or at any other time.

"The above statement and the following paragraph is written in the handwriting of Special Agent [redacted] The second, third, fourth and fifth paragraphs were written as told by me and they are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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"I have initialed each page and the corrections.

"Signed
"/s/ Dan H. Rowan

"Witnesses:
"/s/ [redacted] Special Agent, FBI, Los Angeles, Calif.
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"/s/ [redacted] Special Agent, FBI, Los Angeles, Calif. 12/21/60."

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 12 AND SAC, SALT LAKE CITY /137-17/

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ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, FRED T. HARRIS, UPUC. RE SALT LAKE CITY AIRTEL TWLLVE SEVENTEEN LAST. [redacted] ADVISED PHYLLIS MC GUIRE NOW RESIDING APARTMENT [redacted] NYC, TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] NUMEROUS ATTEMPTS ARRANGE INTERVIEW MC GUIRE IGNORED. MAID STATES MC GUIRE TOO BUSY CHRISTMAS SHOPPING. MC GUIRE NOT PERSONALLY OBSERVED AT RESIDENCE TO DATE. [redacted]

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ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
J. W. HARRISON

Report made by [redacted] b7C RKL: [redacted]

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Synopsis:

The Title of this case has been marked CHANGED to add the name J. W. HARRISON as a subject since BALLETTI claims this was the name of the individual accompanying him in Las Vegas, Nevada.

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] dated 11/10/60, at Salt Lake City.
Bureau airtel dated 12/8/60.
Miami airtel to the Bureau dated 12/14/60.
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the information of Washington Field where investigation is being conducted. Washington Field, note Buded is 12/28/60, without fail.

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Since the Miami Office has furnished the Salt Lake City Office a photograph of FRED T. HARRIS for display at the Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, the Miami Office is not interviewing HARRIS pending the results of this display.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Report of: [redacted] Office: Miami, Florida
Date: December 23, 1960

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Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
J. W. HARRISON

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis: EDWARD L. DU BOIS, Jr., Operator, Investigations, Inc., and employer of ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, says he sent BALLETTI to Las Vegas, Nev., for physical surveillance work at the request of ROBERT MAHEU, a private investigator of Washington, D. C. Says purpose of surveillance and identity of MAHEU's client unknown to him. He claims FRED T. HARRIS, another employee, did not go to Las Vegas; that BALLETTI was accompanied by one J. W. HARRISON, who was hired by MAHEU. BALLETTI denies monitoring any phone conversations and claims to know nothing of HARRISON's background. Says Las Vegas authorities mistakenly assumed HARRISON was FRED T. HARRIS.

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DETAILS: At Miami, Florida

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FD-302 (Rev. 1-25-60) FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 23, 1960

EDWARD L. DU BOIS, Jr., was interviewed at Room 412 of the Ainsley Building. This is the Office of an organization known as Investigations, Incorporated, of which DU BOIS is the Director. DU BOIS at the outset of the interview was advised that any information he might give must be in a free and voluntary manner; that he had the right to consult an attorney; that he need not make any statement and any statement he might make could be used against him in a court of law.

DU BOIS said that from time to time in his work as a private investigator, he had handled certain matters for a ROBERT MAHEU, who operates a private investigations organization in Washington, D. C. DU BOIS said in his opinion, MAHEU is a fabulous character who travels extensively and who appears to have a very prosperous business. He said MAHEU's operations often smack of the "cloak and dagger" type of affair and that MAHEU is very close mouthed. He said it was his understanding that MAHEU is now closely associated with HOWARD HUGHES and in addition to offices in Washington, D. C., also maintains offices in Los Angeles, California. DU BOIS stated it is his information that MAHEU has an office at 1125 19th Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C. He said he knows of no address for MAHEU in Los Angeles, but believes he can be reached in Los Angeles at telephone CR 1-8770. He said MAHEU's principle assistant is one WALTER FITZPATRICK, with whom he has also had dealings.

DU BOIS said on October 25, 1960, he received a telephone call from FITZPATRICK in Washington, D. C., asking him to send two men to Las Vegas, Nevada, right away for physical surveillance work. He said FITZPATRICK gave him no further information, did not identify the subject, the purpose of the surveillance, nor the client. DU BOIS said he and his employee ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI were already scheduled to go to New York for some work and DU BOIS therefore purchased round trip tickets to Las Vegas in the names of FRED T. HARRIS and DICK HUNTER, both of whom are employed by Investigations, Incorporated. DU BOIS said that subsequently, he received another call, this being from

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ROBERT MAHEU in Los Angeles. MAHEU instructed DU BOIS to send only one man to Las Vegas and informed him that he had hired one J. W. HARRISON to accompany whoever DU BOIS sent. He said the arrangement was that HARRISON would wait for DU BOIS's man at the Information Counter, Eastern Airlines, Miami International Airport, Miami, Florida. DU BOIS said he then changed his plans and decided to send BALLETTI to Las Vegas and did so on October 26, 1960. He said BALLETTI took with him the tickets in the names of HARRIS and HUNTER and these were used by BALLETTI and HARRISON. DU BOIS said that HARRISON is completely unknown to him and he has never met him. He vigorously denied that HARRIS had gone to Las Vegas with BALLETTI.

DU BOIS said he then went on to New York and the next thing he knew of BALLETTI was when BALLETTI phoned Miami that he had been arrested in Las Vegas as a result of a wire tap. DU BOIS said that BALLETTI had been hired strictly for a physical surveillance and the only piece of equipment he had taken to Las Vegas was a Minifon. DU BOIS said he has never been advised of the purpose of this surveillance at Las Vegas but always assumed that it had something to do with HOWARD HUGHES. He said this was simply an assumption on his part because he believes that MAHEU and HUGHES are rather closely associated. DU BOIS said he has never heard of an individual named SAM GIANCANA.

DU BOIS advised he did not desire to furnish any written statement.

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Date December 23, 1960

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI was interviewed at Room 412, Ainsley Building, where he is employed by Investigations, Incorporated. BALLETTI was advised that any information he might give must be in a free and voluntary manner; that he had the right to consult an attorney; that he need not make a statement and if he did so it could be used against him in a court of law.

BALLETTI was advised this interview was concerning his activities in Las Vegas, Nevada, in the latter part of October, 1960. He immediately became visibly excited and extremely nervous and stated he would discuss his activities with great reluctance. He said it was very probable that he would refuse to answer many questions.

BALLETTI said that on October 26, 1960, he had flown from Miami, Florida, to Las Vegas, Nevada, on a physical surveillance assignment. He said he had been told to go to Las Vegas by his employer, EDWARD L. DU BOIS, Jr., and it was his understanding that while he was sent there by DU BOIS, he was actually working for some other private investigator who had requested the assistance of DU BOIS. BALLETTI stated he had two round trip tickets to Las Vegas, which were in the names of FRED T. HARRIS and DICK HUNTER. He said that HARRIS and HUNTER are co-workers of his and were originally scheduled to go to Las Vegas but there had been a change in plans. BALLETTI said he went to the Eastern Airlines Desk at the Miami International Airport, Miami, to meet an individual known to him as J. W. HARRISON. BALLETTI said he identified HARRISON from a description previously given him. They flew together to Las Vegas and took room 333 at the Riviera Hotel. On October 28, 1960, they moved to room 331. BALLETTI said that wile in Las Vegas, he physically surveilled DAN ROWAN. He said HARRISON apparently put some sort of wire tap in ROWAN's room there, and monitored ROWAN's phone conversations. BALLETTI said he had nothing to do with this tap, did not see it installed, and never did any monitoring. He said that on one occasion while he was downstairs playing black jack, HARRISON phoned him to

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come up to the room. When he did so, HARRISON told him that the recorder was not working and that he had overheard a conversation which he had in his head. HARRISON thereupon related the conversation to BALLETTI who wrote it down on a scratch pad.

BALLETTI said he was never informed of the purpose of this surveillance. He strongly denied that he was accompanied to Las Vegas by FRED T. HARRIS. He said that HARRISON had used the ticket in the name of HARRIS and for this reason the police in Las Vegas apparently assumed that HARRISON was HARRIS. BALLETTI said he never informed the police any different than this and simply told them that his companion was traveling under the name of FRED T. HARRIS. BALLETTI said that HARRISON seldom engaged in any conversation with him and never told him anything of his background nor who had hired him. BALLETTI described HARRISON as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	50 years
Height	5'10"
Weight	200 lbs.
Hair	Grey, balding

He said HARRISON left Las Vegas before BALLETTI was arrested on October 31, 1960. BALLETTI said he could not comment on the electronic equipment found in his room, but said he had taken only a Minifon to Las Vegas. BALLETTI furnished the following information concerning himself:

Residence	1420 S. W. 91st Avenue
Unlisted phone	CA 1-1995
Race	White
Sex	Male
Born	1/7/32, at New York City, N.Y.
Height	5'11"
Weight	170 lbs.
Hair	Dark brown
Eyes	Brown
Education	High school
Occupation	Private investigator (About 5 yrs. experience)
Marital status	Married

BALLETTI said he did not desire to furnish a written statement.

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On December 13, 1960, [redacted] Occupational License Bureau, Dade County, Florida, advised that all private investigators in Dade County and Miami, must be registered with his organization and have a license. He said he has no record of any J. W. HARRISON.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (File) DATE: 12/27/60

FROM : SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (File 139-17)

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI
UPUC
(OO: SALT LAKE CITY)

This case will be delinquent.

Date of Bureau deadline: 12/28/60

Reason for the delinquency: Awaiting completion of investigation of other offices. P report being submitted by Salt Lake City

Date the report or necessary communication will reach the Bureau: 1/4/60

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Date: 12/28/60

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (139-94)

SUBJECT : ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
FRED T. HARRIS
UPUC

ReNYtel to Bureau, 12/23/60.

PHYLLIS MC GUIRE contacted NYO via long distance telephone on 12/28/60, advising she would be in NY on or about 1/2/61, at which time she would communicate again with the NYO, and set time for interview. Miss MC GUIRE apoligized for not having contacted the NYO earlier, as requested, but declined to furnish location from which she was making the long distance telephone call.

[redacted] learned that SAMUEL M. GIANCANA is believed to be in Miami, Florida, and has planned on being in NY about 1/3/61, prior to his return to Chicago on 1/5/61.

In view of GIANCANA's past association with MC GUIRE, this information is being set forth for the information of the Miami Office in event information is developed to the effect GIANCANA and MC GUIRE are together in that area.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (139-94)

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI
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Re NY airtel to Bureau, 12/28/60.

On 1/2/61, PHYLLIS MC GUIRE was interviewed at her apartment [redacted], by SAS [redacted] at which time she stated that she had not given authority to anyone to install a listening device on DAN ROWAN at any time and had no prior knowledge that such a device had been in use prior to the arrest of BALLETTI.

Enclosed are nine copies of FD 302 for Salt Lake City Office reflecting interview of PHYLLIS MC GUIRE above.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
SALT LAKE CITY	SALT LAKE CITY	12/30/60	12/15/60 - 12/22/60

TITLE OF CASE

"CHANGED"
ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
J. W. Harrison

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] b7C

TYPED BY dzw

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCES Report of SA [redacted] dated 11/10/60 at Salt Lake City.

Bureau airtel to Salt Lake City dated 12/8/60.

Salt Lake City airtel to Los Angeles dated 12/17/60 (Interoffice)

Miami airtel to Bureau dated 12/14/60.

Miami airtel to Salt Lake City dated 12/16/60 (Interoffice).

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CHICAGO DIVISION (INFORMATION)

One copy is being furnished Chicago since investigation may be requested of that Division.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Report of: [redacted] 57C Office: Salt Lake City, Utah
Date: 12/30/60

Field Office File #: Salt Lake City 139-17 Bureau File #:

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka J. W. Harrison

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND
USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis: BALLETTI charged by State of Nevada with three counts--invasion of privacy, a felony, other two charges misdemeanors--for alleged "recording of telephone conversations" of DAN ROWAN and PHYLISS MC GUIRE. All items seized at time of arrest of BALLETTI except two cameras will be retained by Clark County Sheriff's Office until conclusion of trial of BALLETTI. BALLETTI on interview denies monitoring telephone conversation and claims individual who traveled to Las Vegas with him used name HARRISON and actual identity unknown to BALLETTI. AUSA, Las Vegas, desires results of all investigation prior to rendering opinion and advised facts will probably be presented to Federal Grand Jury, at Las Vegas.

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DETAILS:

By communication dated December 17, 1960, the Los Angeles and New York Divisions were requested to interview DAN ROWAN and PHYLISS MC GUIRE, parties to the telephone calls which were allegedly intercepted.

By communication dated December 14, 1960, the Miami Division advised Former Special Agent EDWARD DU BOIS, who is head of Investigations, Inc., Miami, on interview says he received a phone call October 25, 1960, from WALTER FITZPATRICK, representing ROBERT MAHEU, a private

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NEW YORK DIVISION

Immediately furnish results of your investigation in order matter can be presented to U. S. Attorney.

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

Immediately furnish results of investigation requested in Miami airtel to Bureau dated 12/14/60. Bureau has instructed that leads be handled promptly.

SALT LAKE CITY DIVISION

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

Upon receipt of all outstanding investigation present facts to U. S. Attorney, Las Vegas.

Continue to attempt to develop facts which might indicate identity of person at Riviera Hotel with BALLETTI who used name J. W. HARRISON.

investigator at 1125 19th Street, Northwest, Washington, D.C. FITZPATRICK wanted DU BOIS to sent two men to Las Vegas for surveillance work, purpose not explained. DU BOIS purchased tickets in the name of DICK HUNTER and FRED T. HARRIS, both of whom are former Special Agents and employees of DU BOIS. DU BOIS received subsequent call either from FITZPATRICK or from ROBERT MAHEU in Los Angeles advising DU BOIS to send only one man to Las Vegas. The caller instructed that a second man had been hired and would be at the Eastern Airlines information window, Miami International Airport. DU BOIS then sent BALLETTI to Las Vegas, and he was accompanied by the man hired by MAHEU, who identified himself as J. W. HARRISON.

BALLETTI, on interview at Miami, denies monitoring any phone conversations and can furnish no background information regarding HARRISON. He says HARRISON was traveling on a ticket of FRED T. HARRIS and for this reason the Las Vegas Sheriff's Office erroneously assumed HARRISON was HARRIS.

BALLETTI described J. W. HARRISON as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	50
Height	5 feet 10 inches
Weight	200 pounds
Hair	Brown, balding

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Date 12/29/60

[redacted] Clark County Sheriff's Office, advised on December 12, 1960, that ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, who was arrested on October 31, 1960, had been released on the same date on $2,000.00 bond. He advised that BALLETTI has been charged with (1) Invasion of Privacy, a felony; (2) Possession of burglary tools, a misdemeanor; and (3) Operating as a Private Detective without a license, a misdemeanor. Preliminary hearing on these charges has been set for April 24, 1961, in Justice of the Peace Court, Las Vegas.

[redacted] stated that all articles obtained at the time of arrest of BALLETTI had been booked in by the Sheriff's Office as evidence and would be retained by that department until conclusion of the trial of BALLETTI on the above listed state charges. He stated that the only items not retained by the Sheriff's Office was the Minox camera and thirty-five millimeter camera.

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[redacted] stated that the Minifon recorder contains one partially used roll of wire which contains what is possibly a recording of a telephone call.

[redacted] also advised that his department has part of an interview with BALLETTI recorded on tape which will be retained until conclusion of state charges against BALLETTI.

[redacted] advised that film in the Minox camera had been developed and among other pictures were two photos of a person who appeared to be DAN ROWAN on a golf course.

On 12/20/60 at Las Vegas, Nevada File # SALT LAKE CITY 139-17

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by SA [redacted]EW Date dictated 12/22/60

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Date 12/29/60

b7C [redacted] Trans World Airlines, Las Vegas, advised that records of that company reflect that one F. T. HARRIS departed Las Vegas on Trans World Airlines Flight 292 at 10:30 AM on October 30, 1960, to St. Louis, Missouri, where he made connections with Trans World Airlines Flight 76 to Miami, Florida. Reservations were made around 12:00 PM on October 29, 1960, and Las Vegas contact given by person making reservations was Room 331, Riviera Hotel.

On 12/22/60 at Las Vegas, Nevada File # SALT LAKE CITY 139-1

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[redacted] Riviera Hotel, was contacted, and nine photographs, including a photograph of FRED T. HARRIS, were exhibited. He advised that he could not identify anyone whose photo had been exhibited as being identical with the individual who checked into the hotel on October 26, 1960, under the name J. W. HARRISON.

[redacted] stated that he did not think he would recognize either BALLETTI or HARRISON if he should see them in person.

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On December 21, 1960, [redacted] Clark County Sheriff's Office, Las Vegas, Nevada, furnished the following list of articles in possession of ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI at the time of his arrest by the Clark County Sheriff's Office on October 31, 1960, at Las Vegas, Nevada:

One AM-FM Sony transistor radio, serial number 1943, found next to dresser in Room 331.

One telephone bug transmittor, recovered from behind the bed in Room 223.

One yellow pad recovered from dresser, Room 331.

Recovered from a blue Travel-Joy suitcase in Room 331

Seventeen lock picks in brown leather case

One General transister 6, type 66770

One roll of blue wire

One ear phone

Two telephone bug devices

One green leather case containing two wall type room bugs, one phone jack with ear plugs.

One three way socket

One roll copper wire

One Prontona battery charger, NF55D

One roll of mastic tape

One roll of black friction tape

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One transistor ear plug

One Roger Slide cigarette case containing a miniture transmitte

One brown extension cord

One black two-jack wire

One tube of "goo" all-purpose adhesive

One black two-jack wire

One red two-jack wire

One pocket type flash light

One white wire with two alligator clips

One Mallory Mercury transistor battery

One one eighth inch screw driver

One cloth tape measure

One Beach Tower room key, Miami Beach

One large screw driver, yellow handle

One booster tube

One six inch metal ruler

One two pointed needle-nosed punch

One Minox camera and brown case

Two 8.4 Everready transistor radio batteries

One wall Micro phone

One Kodak Tri-x 35 mm 20 exposure film

Two rolls of 24 one fourth pound wire

One Minox film

Two rolls 2-strand gray speaker wire

One small piece of red speaker wire

One piece of speaker wire containing alligator clip on one end, jack on other

One Kraeuter electrical pliers

One adjustable wrench

One small metal wire

One radio screw driver

One paint brush

One small screw driver

Seventeen door shims, plastic

Two transistor radio batteries, Mallory TR 146R 9 volt

One Minifon battery 12 volt

Five Mallory Mercury transistor radio batteries, 7.5 volt TR 145R

One roll SL 120 minifon wire

One Gem rasor blade

One Dutch master cigar box

Five business cards from Investigator's Inc., 412 Ainsley Building, Miami 32, Florida, telephone FR -14751.

One Herald battery tester

One Minifon tape recorder, serial 929724, containing one partially used roll of wire

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 12/29/60

[redacted] Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, advised that records of that hotel, Registration Card No. 192569, reflects that DAN ROWAN, [redacted] California, checked into the Riviera Hotel on October 26, 1960, and checked out on November 10, 1960. He was assigned Room 228.

[redacted] record of long distance calls made by ROWAN, Room 228:

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TICKET NUMBER	DATE	NUMBER CALLED	TIME	MINUTE TALKED
[redacted]				

[redacted] most of the calls had apparently been made by DAN ROWAN of the team of Martin and Rowan, to PHYLISS MC GUIRE of the Mc Guire Sisters singing act.

[redacted] stated that Riviera Hotel Registration Card No. 192563 reflects that one ARTHUR J. BALLETTI, Kenmore Street, Los Angeles, California, had checked into that hotel at 5:35 PM on October 26, 1960, and was assigned to Room 331. He checked out at about 9:32 AM on November 1, 1960. This card bears the notation "in room with HARRISON." The records reflect that he was charged for six local calls, numbers called not available.

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[redacted] stated that Riviera Hotel Registration Card No. 122650 reflects that J. W. HARRISON, 214 West Water Street, San Francisco, California, checked in at 5:35 PM on October 26, 1960. He was first assigned to Room 333, but was subsequently moved to Room 331 with BALLETTI. No date was shown for checkout.

[redacted] stated he did not see the person who checked in using the name of HARRISON. [redacted] stated that [redacted] checked in both BALLETTI and HARRISON.

[redacted] stated that it is his normal procedure when a hotel bill amounts to an excess of $100.00, if the person is not known or has not established credit, to call on a hotel guest for payment on the hotel bill. The guests in Room 331 had not paid anything on their bill which by October 31, 1960, had exceeded $100.00. [redacted] and [redacted] went to Room 331 and no one was in the room. [redacted] and [redacted] entered the room to ascertain if the guests had skipped. [redacted] observed a yellow pad in the room with a notation of time, and date which referred to DAN ROWAN. [redacted] looked around the room and in a top desk drawer observed what appeared to him to be a recording device.

[redacted] and [redacted] left the room having gone there around 11:00 AM. [redacted] left word with the maid to notify him when the guests returned. [redacted] was notified and with [redacted] they returned to Room 331 about 1:00 PM.

[redacted] asked BALLETTI about the bill and BALLETTI stated it would be paid and that he would stay a few more days. He had bandages on both hands, and [redacted] asked about the bandages. BALLETTI had seen the hotel doctor, a Dr. CHERRY, and he had a skin allergy.

[redacted] asked for identification, and BALLETTI exhibited some type of identification not now recalled by [redacted] either an American Express or Diners Club Credit Card. When the card was exhibited, BALLETTI held his finger over the address.

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BALLETTI told [redacted] he had money in the casino cashier's cage. [redacted] later checked the cage, and ascertained that BALLETTI did have an envelope there, but [redacted] did not ascertain its contents.

[redacted] advised he notified the Clark County Sheriff's Office that he had observed what appeared to be a recording device in BALLETTI's room and suspected that in view of the fact he had observed the notation on the pad of the name of ROWAN, that a listening device might be installed in ROWAN's room.

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After an unsuccessful attempt to locate ROWAN, [redacted] accompanied Deputy Sheriff [redacted] and another unrecalled deputy into ROWAN's room. [redacted] observed what appeared to be some type of microphone taped to the rear headboard on the bed in ROWAN's room with wires running to the telephone wall box. [redacted] observed the deputy sherif remove the article from the headboard.

Around 4:00 PM on October 31, 1960, DAN ROWAN returned to the hotel and was instructed by [redacted] to contact the Clark County Sheriff's Office.

This matter was discussed with Assistant U. S. Attorney RAYMOND SUTTON, Las Vegas, Nevada, on December 22, 1950, and he advised that he desired to have the results of full investigation prior to rendering a prosecutive opinion. Mr. SUTTON stated, however, that upon receipt of results of full investigation, he would in all probability present the matter to the next Federal Grand Jury which meets in Las Vegas.

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CHARACTER OF CASE

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Synopsis:
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Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis:

ROBERT MAHEU, MAHEU and KING Associates, Inc., recommended EDWARD DU BOIS, Investigations, Inc., Miami, Florida, to a Los Angeles, California, attorney. MAHEU called DU BOIS at attorney's request. MAHEU denies making arrangements with DU BOIS and hiring of J. W. HARRISON. MAHEU does not know HARRISON or BALLETTI. MAHEU would not furnish identity of Los Angeles attorney without attorney's consent.

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Date 1/4/61

ROBERT MAHEU, MAHEU and KING Associates, Incorporated, 1125 19th Street, N.W., advised that he recalled that during October, 1960, he received a telephone call from a Los Angeles, California, attorney asking MAHEU to recommend someone who could do some investigative work in Las Vegas, Nevada, for a client. MAHEU stated that he recommended to this attorney EDWARD DU BOIS, Investigations, Incorporated, Miami, Florida. He stated that the Los Angeles attorney requested him to contact DU BOIS and to make the necessary arrangements to handle the investigation in Las Vegas.

MAHEU stated that he could not recall if he or WALTER FITZPATRICK, an associate of MAHEU, had contacted DU BOIS regarding this request. He stated that his firm was not involved in this matter and that DU BOIS had been contacted only as a favor to the Los Angeles attorney.

MAHEU denied that he had made a second call to DU BOIS instructing DU BOIS to send only one man to Las Vegas. He further stated that he had not hired J. W. HARRISON to accompany whoever DU BOIS sent to Las Vegas. MAHEU stated that he does not know a J.W. HARRISON and is not acquainted with ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI.

MAHEU stated that he did not desire to furnish the identity of the Los Angeles attorney who originally contacted him without the consent of the attorney.

On 12/27/60 at Washington, D.C. File # WFO 139-61

by SA [redacted] /rr b7C Date dictated 12/30/60

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TO DIRECTOR, SAC, WFO 139-61, SAC, MIAMI 139-63

FROM SAC, SALT LAKE CITY 139-17

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI., UNSUB, AKA J. W. HARRISON, UPUC, OO SALT LAKE CITY. REREP SA [redacted] TWELFTH INSTANT AT WFO. WFO IMMEDIATELY REINTERVIEW ROBERT MAHEU AND ATTEMPT ASCERTAIN ~~IDNXX~~ IDENTITY OF LOS ANGELES ATTORNEY ~~MENXX~~ MENTIONED REREP. IN EVENT MAHEU REFUSES TO FURNISH NAME OF ATTORNEY ADVISE HIM OF POSSIBILITY HE WILL BE SUBPOENAED TO TESTIFY BEFORE FGJ. LAS VEGAS. ADVISE LOS ANGELES, SALT LAKE CITY, AND MIAMI RESULTS OF YOUR INQUIRY. MIAMI REINTERVIEW EDWARD L. DU BOIS RE INFORMATION FURNISHED BY MAHEU IN REREP. MIAMI NOTE DU BOIS MAY ALSO BE SUBPOENAED BEFORE FGJ. LAS VEGAS. INTERVIEW FRED T. HARRIS TO DETERMINE IF HE WAS INDIVIDUAL IN LAS VEGAS WITH BALLETTI. BOTH OFFICES EXPEDITE IN COMPLIANCE WITH BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS AND SUREP. LOS ANGELES ADVISED AM.

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To: SAC, Washington Field (139-61)
Miami (139-63)

From: Director, FBI

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI
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Immediately advise results of requested interviews and sureps. Matter must be given prompt and vigorous attention. If reports already submitted, advise dates and names of reporting Agents.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, WFO (139-61)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; UNSUB
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OO: SLC

Re Salt Lake City tel 1/17/61, Buairtel 1/27/61.

ROBERT MAHEU, MAHEU and KING ASSOCIATES, INC., 1125 19th St., N.W. advised 1/19/61 he would attempt to secure permission from the attorney in Los Angeles to furnish his name to the FBI for interview On 1/27/61, efforts were made to contact MAHEU and as he was not in his office, word was left to have him contact WFO.

On 1/30/61, ROBERT MAHEU telephonically contacted WFO and advised he had been in touch with the attorney in Los Angeles by phone but attorney did not desire to have his name furnished to the FBI. MAHEU advised he is leaving on 1/30/61 to go to Los Angeles and while there will talk further with the attorney in an attempt to secure permission to furnish his name to the Bureau. It was suggested to MAHEU that upon receipt of this permission, that MAHEU contact the Los Angeles Office but he stated he is returning to WDC within a few days and will furnish the information upon his return. He stated in the event he is delayed in returning to WDC, he will telephonically contact WFO from Los Angeles. MAHEU stated he "is in the middle on this thing" as he is "the only person who knows the attorney's name". He stated he will make every effort to secure the permission of the attorney to divulge his name and furnish it to WFO.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
MIAMI	SALT LAKE CITY	JAN 28 1961	1/18 - 25/61

TITLE OF CASE

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB, aka J. W. Harrison.

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] b7C

TYPED GK

CHARACTER OF CASE

UPUC.

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] dated 1/12/61, at Washington Field;
Salt Lake City teletype to Director, Washington Field and Miami 1/17/61;
Miami teletype to Salt Lake City 1/17/61; and,
Salt Lake City teletype to Miami 1/18/61.

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LEADS

LOS ANGELES:

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Determine listing for telephone CR 1-8770 where ROBERT MAHEU was reached by EDWARD L. DUBOIS immediately after BALLETTI's arrest. If this number is listed to an attorney, he should be interviewed for any information concerning this matter, bearing in mind

APPROVED [signature] SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Notations

that he might possibly be MAHEU's client.

SALT LAKE CITY:

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

Determine identity of attorney who represented BALLETTI, and through him attempt to learn what Los Angeles attorney contacted him, noting such attorney may possibly be the client of ROBERT MAHEU.

WASHINGTON FIELD:

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Attempt to determine identity of J. A. ROLLINS who was at the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, with ROBERT MAHEU during the latter part of October, 1960. It appears probable that ROLLINS is an employee of MAHEU and he should be interviewed to determine if he is the individual who accompanied BALLETTI to Las Vegas.

MIAMI:

AT MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

Will recontact the Kenilworth Hotel in an effort to determine long distance calls made by MAHEU during October, 1960.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Salt Lake City

Report of: [redacted] b7C
Date: JAN 28 1961

Office: MIAMI, FLORIDA

Field Office File #: 139-63

Bureau File #:

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION
AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis:

FRED T. HARRIS denies traveling to Las Vegas, Nev., with ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI and says he was not employed by EDWARD L. DUBOIS in 10/60. HARRIS says only knowledge he has of instant matter is from reading news article concerning BALLETTI's arrest at Las Vegas. EDWARD L. DUBOIS denies that HARRIS accompanied BALLETTI to Las Vegas; denies knowing identity of J. W. HARRISON; and, says HARRISON was hired by ROBERT MAHEU who was at Miami Beach during pertinent period. Records of Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, reflect ROBERT A. MAHEU registered there from 10/11-29/60. Was accompanied by one J. A. ROLLINS, who was registered 10/11-30/60.

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DETAILS:

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date January 25, 1961

Fred T. Harris

Miami, Fla.

FRED T. HARRIS, 885 N. W. 17th Place, appeared at the Miami Office. HARRIS was advised that he had the right to an attorney, that he did not have to make any statement, and that any statement he made could be used against him in a court of law.

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HARRIS said that he has formerly worked as a private investigator for a Miami organization known as Investigations, Inc. He said that the Director of this organization is EDWARD L. DUBOIS, JR. HARRIS said that in June, 1960, he became a field underwriter for Mutual of New York, and from June until November 16, 1960, he did not work for DUBOIS. He said that during this period he had an understanding with DUBOIS that he could be called for any special short assignments. He said that since November 16, 1960, he has been back with DUBOIS almost full time, although he writes life insurance on the side.

HARRIS said that in the first part of November, 1960, he read an article in a Miami paper reporting that ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI had been arrested at Las Vegas, Nevada, as a result of a wire tap. HARRIS said he was acquainted with BALLETTI and the article was of some interest to him. HARRIS said he definitely had not accompanied BALLETTI to Las Vegas and knew nothing of this affair other than what he had read in the paper. He was not aware that anyone had gone to Las Vegas with BALLETTI, and added that the name J. W. HARRISON means nothing to him.

HARRIS said that while he could not pinpoint his complete activities, he was certain that he was never out of Miami during the period from October 26 through 30, 1960. He said he also wished to point out that he knows nothing of electronic devices, has never had any sound training, and would have no idea as to how to install any sort of wire tap.

HARRIS said that sometime after he had read of BALLETTI's arrest, he had asked DUBOIS about it, but DUBOIS

On 1/24/61 at Miami, Florida File # Miami 139-63

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by Special Agent [redacted]:GK Date dictated 1/25/61

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had refused to discuss the matter, simply telling HARRIS there was no need for him to know anything about it.

The following description of HARRIS was obtained from observation and interrogation:

White; male; born, April 20, 1923, at Detroit, Michigan; 5 feet 10½ inches; 175 pounds; black hair; blue eyes.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date January 25, 1961

EDWARD L. DUBOIS, JR. was interviewed at Room 412, Ainsley Building, which is the office of Investigations, Inc. of which DUBOIS is the Director. DUBOIS was advised that he did not have to make any statement; that he had the right to an attorney; and, any statement he made could be used against him in a court of law. Miami, Fla. — NH.

DUBOIS said it was his recollection that on October 25, 1960, he received a call from WALTER FITZPATRICK, who is an assistant to ROBERT MAHEU, a Washington, D. C. private investigator. FITZPATRICK told him that MAHEU wanted DUBOIS to have two men in Las Vegas, Nevada, by the following day for physical surveillance work. FITZPATRICK also said that MAHEU was traveling, but would call DUBOIS as soon as he got settled down some place.

DUBOIS said that he and his employee, ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI were scheduled to go to New York City for some investigative work, and he therefore purchased round trip tickets to Las Vegas in the names of FRED T. HARRIS and DICK HUNTER, both of whom have been employed by Investigations, Inc. DUBOIS said it was his recollection that later on the same day he received a telephone call from MAHEU who said he was at the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach. At this time MAHEU said DUBOIS should only send one man to Las Vegas since he, MAHEU, had hired a second man who would be at the information desk, Eastern Airlines, Miami International Airport. DUBOIS said that in view of this, he altered his plans and left for New York alone that same evening. He gave the two round trip tickets to BALLETTI who went to the airport, met MAHEU's man, and traveled to Las Vegas using the HARRIS and HUNTER tickets.

DUBOIS said that FRED HARRIS definitely did not accompany BALLETTI to Las Vegas and, in fact, HARRIS did not work for him from June until the middle of November, 1960. He said he had an understanding with HARRIS that he could be

On 1/24/61 at Miami, Florida File # Miami 139-63

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by Special Agents [redacted] and GK Date dictated 1/25/61

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called for emergency use, but he had not been used. DUBOIS said that whoever accompanied BALLETTI was definitely not an employee of his, and he knew no one named J. W. HARRISON. He said he assumed that HARRISON was a fictitious name, probably derived from the name HARRIS on the airline ticket. DUBOIS said he had no idea who had hired MAHEU for this work in Las Vegas, and commented if he did know, he would not feel free to disclose it. He also said that he has received one thousand dollars from MAHEU for BALLETTI's services in Las Vegas.

DUBOIS advised that while he was in New York, he read of BALLETTI's arrest at Las Vegas and immediately attempted to contact MAHEU in Washington, D. C. He said he was unable to reach MAHEU there, but as a result of inquiries finally reached him in Los Angeles at telephone CR 1-8770. He stated when he talked with MAHEU he was advised that MAHEU knew of BALLETTI's arrest and had arranged for a Las Vegas attorney to defend him. MAHEU indicated that he had made these arrangements through a Los Angeles attorney whose identity he did not disclose. DUBOIS said he had no further knowledge concerning this matter, and did not desire to furnish any written statement.

DUBOIS commented that when previously interviewed, he was confused as to the origin of the call he had received from MAHEU and thought it had been from Los Angeles. He said that upon reflection he is now certain the call came from Miami Beach and he had apparently confused that call with his call from New York to Maheu in Los Angeles.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date: January 25, 19

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[redacted] desk clerk, Kenilworth Hotel, advised her registration records reflect that ROBERT A. MAHEU, 1125 - 19th Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., was registered in Room 722 at $11.00 per day, from October 11 - 29, 1960. He was accompanied by one J. A. ROLLINS, 1125 - 19th Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., who stayed in Room 701 at $13.00 per day, from October 11- 30, 1960. She said it was her recollection that MAHEU paid the bill for both these rooms. She advised that at the present the Kenilworth is undergoing an audit by an independent auditing firm, and long distance telephone records are not now available. She said she felt such records would be available in about one week. She also said it was possible that either ROLLINS or MAHEU could have left the hotel for a few days and returned, and if the room was not given up, such information would not be reflected on the registration card. She said she had no way of knowing if such a thing had occurred.

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On 1/25/61 at Miami Beach, Florida File # Miami 139-63

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Full investigation und[illegible] Unauthorized Publication or Use of Co[illegible]munications Statute being conducted on Balletti at Department's request. Balletti and one J. W. Harrison reportedly tapped phone of Dan Rowan, comedian romantically interested in Phyllis McGuire of the McGuire Sisters Trio. Former Special Agent DuBois on interview stated he furnished Balletti for "surveillance work" and Robert Maheu (former Special Agent) Associates furnished Harrison. Maheu on interview denied furnishing anyone for the job but was contacted by Los Angeles attorney who he refused to identify and he recommended DuBois for the job.

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Date: 1/30/61

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Via AIRMAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (139-63)

RE: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT
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ReBuairtel, 1/27/61.

Report of SA [redacted] 67C at Miami, submitted, 1/28/61.

Info copy of this airtel being sent Salt Lake City.

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FROM: SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (139-17)

RE: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB, aka, J. W. Harrison
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(OO:SALT LAKE CITY)

Re Washington Field airtel to Bureau dated 1/30/61 and report of S[redacted] dated 1/28/61 at Miami.

THOMAS FOLEY, Attorney at Law, Las Vegas, Nevada, advised SA [redacted] on 2/6/61 that he received a call from JAMES P. CANTILLION, of the Law Firm of Cantillion & Cantillion, in Los Angeles, California. FOLEY stated call received after office hours at his residence, exact date not recalled, but in latter part of October, 1960.

In reply to FOLEY's question relative to payment of his legal fee, CANTILLION stated that he would personally guarantee the payment of FOLEY's fee. Call was for FOLEY to represent BALLETTI on the local charge at Las Vegas and to arrange for his bond.

FOLEY stated that he is not sure, but thinks JAMES P. CANTILLION is the son of the Father & Son partners in the Law Firm of Cantillion.

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Los Angeles prior to interview of CANTILLION, review office indices on JAMES P. CANTILLION. Los Angeles interview CANTILLION and ascertain his interest in subject BALLETTI and why he called FOLEY to represent BALLETTI. Determine if CANTILLION was attorney who called ROBERT MAHEU in Washington, D. C. to furnish the two men for the job in Las Vegas of technical surveillance on DAN ROWAN. Attempt to ascertain identity of unsub J. W. HARRISON.

In event CANTILLION refuses to furnish the information, he should be firmly advised that there is a good possibility he will be subpoenaed to testify before the Federal Grand Jury at Las Vegas, relative to instant matter.

Washington Field note results of interview with
b7C [redacted] EDWARD DUBOIS, JR., set forth in reports of SA [redacted] dated 12/23/60 and 1/28/61 at Miami reflect DUBOIS claims ROBERT MAHEU made second call to DUBOIS to send only
b7C one man to Las Vegas. Results of interview with MAHEU set forth in report of [redacted] DAted 1/12/61, reflects MAHEU denies making the second call to DUBOIS relative to the second man. Thus, it appears MAHEU Or DUBOIS being untruthful. Washington Field, in your reinterview with MAHEU, again ask MAHEU about the second call, attempt to ascertain if he in fact did make the call as claimed by DUBOIS.

Miami note DUBOIS made conflicting statement in two interviews relative to when and how he learned about arrest of BALLETTI at Las Vegas. DUBOIS during interview on 12/13/60
b7C claimed only piece of equipment taken by BALLETTI to Las Vegas was a Minifon. Miami refer to report of S[redacted] dated 12/30/60 at Salt Lake City, which set forth list of property in possession of BALLETTI at time of his arrest. Reinterview BALLETTI, obtain his admission or denial whether each item set out is his property. If he denies any item his property, ascertain to whom property belongs and disposition BALLETTI was to make of these items.

Enclosed to Los Angeles is copy of referenced airtel.

Bureau has instructed investigation must be thorough, complete and vigorously pursued. All offices expedite.

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Report Form
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period
SALT LAKE CITY	SALT LAKE CITY	2/8/61	1/2/61-2/6/61

TITLE OF CASE

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka. J. W. Harrison

Report made by [redacted] b7C

Type: j1

CHARACTER OF CASE

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Synopsis:
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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] b7C dated 12/30/60, at Salt Lake City.

New York airtel to Bureau, dated 1/3/61.

Washington Field Office airtel to Bureau, dated 1/30/61.

Report of SA [redacted] b7C dated 1/28/61, at Miami.

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Copies for information furnished to Los Angeles, Miami, Washington Field, in view of investigation being conducted by those offices.

Copy furnished to Chicago for information since Chicago may be requested to conduct investigation in future.

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SALT LAKE CITY DIVISION

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

Discuss matter with U. S. Attorney upon receipt of results of requested investigation.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Reno, Nevada

Report of: [redacted] b7C Office: Salt Lake City, Utah
Date: 2/8/61

Field Office File No.: 139-17 Bureau File No.:

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka.
J. W. Harrison

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION
AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis: Efforts to identify unknown subject, aka., J. W. Harrison, unsuccessful. AUSA, Las Vegas, Nevada, stated will probably present matter to Federal Grand Jury at Las Vegas upon completion of investigation.

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AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

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Date January 3, 1961

b7C [redacted] PHYLLIS MC GUIRE was interviewed at Apartment [redacted] New York City. She advised that she had not given authority to anyone to install a listening device on DAN ROWAN at any time and had no prior knowledge that such a device had been in use prior to the arrest of ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI.

On 1/2/61 at New York, New York File # 139-94

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by SAS [redacted] :jc Date dictated 1/3/61

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Date 1/25/61

b7C [redacted] TransWorld Airlines, Las Vegas, Nevada, whose name was listed as person who sold ticket to individual using name J. W. HARRISON on or about October 29, 1960, was contacted on January 18, 1961. The person who purchased ticket using name HARRISON departed Las Vegas, Nevada, on October 30, 1960, via TransWorld Airlines Flight 292 at 10:30 AM to St. Louis, Missouri, where he connected with TransWorld Airlines Flight 76 to Miami, Florida.

Nine photographs, including photo of FRED T. HARRIS, b7C were exhibited to [redacted] who advised he could not recall having observed any of the individuals before.

b7C [redacted] stated he could not recall the individual who purchased ticket for above described flight.

On 1/18/61 at Las Vegas, Nevada File # Salt Lake City 139-17

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by SA [redacted] jl Date dictated 1/19/61

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Assistant U. S. Attorney RAYMOND E. SUTTON, Las Vegas, advised on January 16, 1961, that in view of refusal of ROBERT MAHEU to furnish name of attorney who had contacted him to furnish a private detective, he was considering possibility of issuing subpoena for MAHEU to testify before Federal Grand Jury since in all probability entire matter would be presented to Federal Grand Jury at Las Vegas.

By communication dated January 30, 1961, the Washington Field Office advised that ROBERT MAHEU on January 30, 1961, telephonically contacted the Washington Field Office and advised that he had been in touch with the attorney in Los Angeles, California, but the attorney did not desire to have his name furnished to the FBI. He stated he was going to Los Angeles on January 31, 1961, where he would talk further with the attorney and attempt to secure his permission to furnish the name of the attorney.

FD-302 (Rev. 1-25-60) FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 2/8/61

THOMAS FOLEY, Attorney at Law, advised as follows:

During the latter part of October, 1960, exact date not recalled, he received a telephone call from JAMES P. CANTILLION, an attorney in Los Angeles, California, requesting FOLEY to represent one ARTHUR J. BALLETTI, who had been arrested by the Clark County Sheriff's Office. FOLEY said he received the call after office hours at his home. He asked CANTILLION about payment of the legal fee, and CANTILLION stated he would personally guarantee payment of the fee.

FOLEY said that he immediately contacted a bail bondsman and arranged bond for BALLETTI.

FOLEY said that he is of the opinion but is not sure that JAMES P. CANTILLION is the son of father and son team of Cantillion and Cantillion, a law firm in Los Angeles, California.

FOLEY said that trial for BALLETTI on the local charge is set for April, 1961, in Las Vegas.

On 2/6/61 at Las Vegas, Nevada File # Salt Lake City 139-17

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by [redacted] Date dictated 2/6/61

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Via AIRTEL (Priority or Method of Mailing)

Mr. Rosen
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Mr. W.C. Sullivan
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, WFO (139-61)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB, aka
J. W. Harrison
UPUC
(OO:SU)

ReWFOairtel 1/30/61 and SUairtel 2/7/61.

On 2/8/61, ROBERT MAHEU, Maheu & King Associates, Inc., 1125-19th St., N.W., advised that he had just returned from California but after talking to the Los Angeles attorney who had originally requested him to contact EDWARD DUBOIS, had been unable to secure permission from this attorney to divulge his name to the FBI. The Los Angeles attorney had advised MAHEU that he did not desire to become involved in this matter.

On this same date MAHEU stated that it is now his recollection that WALTER FITZPATRICK, an associate of MAHEU's, had contacted DUBOIS regarding the request of the Los Angeles attorney to secure someone to do some investigating work for him. MAHEU emphatically denied that he or FITZPATRICK had contacted DUBOIS requesting DUBOIS to send only one man to Las Vegas and instructing DUBOIS that he, MAHEU, would furnish the second man.

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2-Los Angeles (139-77)
2-Miami (139-63)
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Special Agent in Charge

MAHEU stated that he stayed at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida, during the latter part of October, 1960. He recalled that he contacted DUBOIS while in Miami Beach but denied that he had told DUBOIS that he was staying at the Kenilworth Hotel nor on this occasion did he instruct DUBOIS to send only one man to Las Vegas. MAHEU again stated that his only involvement in instant matter was to have DUBOIS contacted at the request of the Los Angeles attorney. He denied that he had instructed DUBOIS as to how to handle the matter and denies emphatically that he supplied any employee to assist on this investigation. MAHEU stated that he did receive $1,000 from the Los Angeles attorney which he immediately turned over to DUBOIS. He stated that he made no money in connection with this matter and never changed the original arrangements made with DUBOIS.

MAHEU identified J. A. ROLLINS, who was with MAHEU at the Kenilworth Hotel as JOHN A. ROLLINS. MAHEU would not identify ROLLINS further as to ROLLINS' being an employee of Maheu, stating that ROLLINS was working indirectly for Maheu in Miami. MAHEU denied that ROLLINS was the individual who went to Las Vegas to assist BALLETTI, stating that the Kenilworth Hotel records would reflect that ROLLINS was in Miami Beach during the period that BALLETTI was in Las Vegas.

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MAHEU, after the above interview, telephonically contacted WFO, advising SA [redacted] that he "had just received a phone call and if this matter could be held up for a few days it would be straightened out." MAHEU was asked if he would again contact WFO to which he advised that the matter would be handled through other channels.

The Washington Metropolitan Area Telephone Directory for 1960-61, Polk's Washington City Directory, 1960, records of the Credit Bureau and WFO indices fail to reflect or identify JOHN A. ROLLINS. It is noted that the address of 1125-19th St., N.W., reflected as the address of ROLLINS at the Kenilworth Hotel is the office of MAHEU in Washington, D.C. Report to follow.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
MIAMI	SALT LAKE CITY	2/14/61	2/3/61

TITLE OF CASE

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka, J. W. Harrison

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] b7C RKL | TYPED BY jlt

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] dated 1/28/61, at Miami.
Washington Field airtel to Bureau, 1/30/61.

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- LEADS -

Leads at this time are being limited to phone calls made by MAREU and ROLLINS, to areas which appear pertinent in this investigation, namely, Washington, D. C., Los Angeles, Las Vegas, and Miami. All Offices note that in some cases the letter prefixes for the phone numbers listed were almost illegible, and there may be some inaccuracy in these prefixes.

APPROVED [redacted] SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Notations

LOS ANGELES:

AT LOS ANGELES, BEVERLY HILLS AND PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

Determine subscribers to phones called in those areas and determine background of subscribers through available sources. Interviews should be conducted where available information indicates that the subscriber might possibly be involved in this investigation, noting that efforts are being made to identify the attorney who allegedly hired MAHEU and also to identify an individual known as J. W. HARRISON.

SALT LAKE CITY:

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

1. Conduct similar investigation as to telephone DU 2-6000.

2. Will reports results of display of photograph of FRED T. HARRIS at Riviera Hotel. The photograph of HARRIS was forwarded to Salt Lake City, December 16, 1960.

3. Will report results of interviews at Riviera Hotel and furnish interested Offices with description of individual using name J. W. HARRISON.

WASHINGTON FIELD:

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Will conduct similar investigation as to phone numbers listed in Washington, D. C.

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MIAMI:

AT FT. LAUDERDALE AND HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

Will conduct similar investigation as to phone numbers called in those two cities.

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FD-204 (Rev. 3-3-59)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Las Vegas

Report of: [redacted] b7C
Date: February 14, 1961
Office: Miami, Florida

Field Office File #: 139-63
Bureau File #: 139-1201

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, also known
as J. W. Harrison

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis:

Long distance phone calls of ROBERT A. MAHEU and J. A. ROLLINS in Oct., 1960, from Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, set out.

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DETAILS: AT MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date February 13, 1961

Records of the Kenilworth Hotel, 10205 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida, reflect that ROBERT A. MAHEU, 1125 19th Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C., was registered in Room 722 from October 11 - 29, 1960.

Hotel records reflect the following long distance calls by MAHEU:

Date	City	Phone Numbers
October 11, 1960	Washington, D.C.	JE 3-7277
October 12, 1960	"	FE 8-8500 (3)
	"	EX 3-6115
	"	JA 3-1441
	"	MU 6-6000
	Los Angeles, California	FE 1-0711
	"	CR 5-5121
October 13, 1960	Tucson, Arizona	EA 5-4172
	Washington, D.C.	FE 8-8500
October 14, 1960	"	JE 3-7277
	Los Angeles, California	TO 1-0311
October 16, 1960	Washington, D.C.	JE 3-7277
	Tucson, Arizona	EA 5-4172
	San Francisco, California	VI 2-1845
	Washington,D.C.	CL 6-1891

On 2/3/61 at Miami Beach, Florida File # Miami 139

by Special Agent [redacted] jlt Date dictated 2/7/61

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Date	City	Phone Numbers
October 20, 1960	Los Angeles California	OL 4-2556 (2)
	"	TO 1-0311
	Washington,D.C.	JE 3-7277
	"	FE 8-8500 (2)
	"	EX 3-4900
	New York	PL 5-0436
October 21, 1960	Washington,D.C.	LO 6-9660
	"	FE 8-8500
	Los Angeles	CL 4-2556
	"	MA 6-5133
	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	JA 3-1441
October 22, 1960	Washington,D.C.	JE 3-7277
	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	LO 4-8511
	Hollywood, Florida	WA 2-7171
	Los Angeles	BI 2-7061
	"	SY 0-1273
	St. Louis, Missouri	FO 1-2500
October 23, 1960	"	FO 1-2500
	Hollywood, Florida	WA 2-7171
October 24, 1960	Washington,D.C.	JE 3-7277 (2)
	"	FE 8-8500
	St. Louis, Missouri	FO 1-2500
	Beverly Hills, California	CR 5-5121
	St. Louis, Missouri	JA 3-1441
	Los Angeles	BI 2-7061

Date	City	Phone Numbers
October 25, 1960	Washington, D.C.	JE 3-7277
	"	FE 8-8500
	Los Angeles	CX 1-7552
	"	LO 4-2505
	Venice, Florida	23405 (2)
October 26, 1960	Washington, D.C.	OL 4-4284
October 27, 1960	Los Angeles	MA 9-2451
	Washington, D.C.	JE 3-7277 (2)
	"	FE 8-8500
	"	EX 3-4900
	St. Louis	JA 3-1441
	New York	CO 5-3320
	Los Angeles	LA 6-9511
	Hollywood, Florida	WA 2-7171
October 28, 1960	New York	FL 5-0436
	"	MU 6-1991
	Washington, D.C.	FE 8-8500
	"	JE 3-7277
	"	ME 8-6565
	Beverly Hills, California	CL 6-2251
	"	CR 5-5121
	Pasadena, Calif.	SY 0-1273
	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	JA 3-1441
	Los Angeles	OL 4-2556
October 29, 1960	Washington, D.C.	JE 3-7277

In the event the above telephone records are necessary, a subpoena should be directed to Miss EUDORA HENDRICKS, Auditor, Kenilworth Hotel, 10205 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida.

FD-302 (Rev. 1-25-60) FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date February 13, 1961

Records of the Kenilworth Hotel, 10205 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida, reflect that J. A. ROLLINS, 1125 19th Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C., was registered in Room 701 from October 11 - 30, 1960.

Hotel records reflect the following long distance phone calls by ROLLINS during the above period:

Date	City	Phone Numbers
October 13, 1960	Chicago	WH 3-1155
October 17, 1960	Las Vegas, Nevada	DU 2-6000
October 27, 1960	Los Angeles	DI 7-6298
October 28, 1960	Chicago	WH 3-1155

In the event the above telephone records are necessary, a subpoena should be directed to Miss EUDORA HENDRICKS, Auditor, Kenilworth Hotel, 10205 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida.

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On 2/3/61 at Miami Beach, Florida File # Miami 139

by Special Agent [redacted]:jlt b7C Date dictated 2/7/61

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To: Director, FBI Date: 2/18/61

From: SAC, Salt Lake City (139-17)

Subject: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB, aka., J. W. Harrison
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Due to the opening of the Las Vegas Office, the following changes in the above case have been made:

A. Location of File

(XX) Entire file sent to Las Vegas herewith.
( ) File sent to Las Vegas, except one copy of the following serials.
( ) File retained in Salt Lake City but one copy of following serials sent to Las Vegas.

Report of SA _____
Dated _____ at _____

Report of SA _____
Dated _____ at _____

Report of SA _____
Dated _____ at _____

Report of SA _____
Dated _____ at _____

B. Office of Origin

( ) Salt Lake City
(X) Las Vegas
( ) Other Office as shown in file

C. Status, SU Office
( ) Pending
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1 - Chicago
1 - WFO (139-61)
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To: SAC, Los Angeles

From: Director, FBI

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI
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OO:LAS VEGAS

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LA advise results of contact with Cantillion. If report already submitted advise date and name of reporting agent.

This matter must be vigorously pursued and completed promptly.

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FD-36 (Rev. 12-13-56)

FBI

Date: 3/1/61

Transmit the following in _____ (Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (139-77)

RE: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI
UPUC
OO: Las Vegas

ReBuairtel 2/27/61 and Salt Lake City airtel 2/7/61.

JAMES P. CANTILLON, Suite 438, 9441 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills, California, interviewed today by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] He is in partnership with his father and brother in what appears to be an affluent practice. JAMES CANTILLON has represented [redacted]

CANTILLON said his first knowledge of this matter came with a phone call to him from a man in custody at Las Vegas. He claimed inability to recall the man's name and said he had never before heard of him. Given the name ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, CANTILLON acknolwedged that that was probably correct, but he advised he had no knowledge of BALLETTI prior to the call which came, he said, from the office of a Lieutenant in either the Clark County SO or

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~~or~~ the Las Vegas City Jail. He declined to relate any of the conversation with BALLETTI claiming privilege. He did say he referred the caller to Attorney TOM FOLEY in Las Vegas and that he then phoned FOLEY about the matter. He believes he talked to FOLEY regarding this a week later in person at Las Vegas while there on unrelated business.

CANTILLON volunteered that he had thought the case against BALLETTI involved simply a microphone installation rather than a telephone tap. He said he never did learn the disposition of the case but did hear from FOLEY that charges had been reduced and that authorities in Las Vegas had kept BALLETTI's equipment. He maintained he does not know DAN ROWAN. When first called from Las Vegas he thought BALLETTI was referring to another ROWAN, one of the casino owners in Las Vegas and the thought struck him "Boy he must have some juicy tapes."

CANTILLON said he knows ROBERT MAHUE and he admittedly sees MAHUE in Beverly Hills. He denied phoning or otherwise contacting MAHUE in Washington, D.C. or elsewhere to ask for men to perform surveillance of DAN ROWAN or for any other purpose having to do with this matter. He denied knowing any person named J. W. HARRISON.

When advised that there is a good chance he will be subpoenaed before the FGJ in Las Vegas relative to this matter, CANTILLON said that that would be all right that he is frequently in Las Vegas on certain legal business having to do with settlement of the Stardust Hotel suit. He guessed the FGJ would be in session during March which he said would not be inconvenient to him.

b7C Report by SA [redacted] incorporating above to follow.

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Date: 2/28/61

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (139-77)

RE: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI
UPUC
OO: Las Vegas

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Daily efforts unsuccessful to complete desired interview with JAMES P. CANTILLON, Beverly Hills Attorney who has represented various hoodlum figures. Efforts continuing.

Bureau and Las Vegas will be promptly advised of results.

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1 - Los Angeles

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To: SAC, Los Angeles

From: Director, FBI

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UPUC
OO:LAS VEGAS

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Submit background information on Cantillion in letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination immediately.

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FBI

Date: 3/1/61

Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT
(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (139-1)

RE: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB; aka. J. W. Harrison
UPUC
OO:Las Vegas

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Rerep of SA [redacted] dated 2/8/61, at Salt Lake City; report of SA [redacted] dated 1/28/61, at Miami; Salt Lake City airtel dated 2/7/61, and Washington Field Office airtel to the Bureau dated 2/13/61, and report b7C of SA [redacted] dated 2/14/61, at Miami.

In view of information set forth in referenced Washington Field Office airtel dated 2/13/61, Washington Field Office, if not already done, interview WALTER FITZPATRICK, since ROBERT MAHEU claims FITZPATRICK was person who actually contacted EDWARD DUBOIS in Miami, relative to sending someone to Las Vegas for investigative work.

Miami, conduct credit and criminal on JOHN A. ROLLINS and attempt to identify, since MAHEU refuses to further identify him. At Kenilworth Hotel, determine if both MAHEU and ROLLINS signed registration card. If ROLLINS signed registration card, secure same and forward to FBI Laboratory for comparison with handwriting on Hotel registration card signed by person who registered

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2 - Las Vegas (139-1)

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Special Agent in Charge

at Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas, using name J. W. HARRISON. Immediately advise Las Vegas if registration card obtained, in order that card can be secured for Riviera Hotel and forwarded to Laboratory by Las Vegas.

b7C For the information of Chicago, referenced report of SA [redacted] dated 2/14/61 at Miami reflects J. A. ROLLINS, who registered at Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida from 10/11-30/60 made telephone call on 10/13/60 and 10/28/60 to Chicago WH 3-1155; on 10/17/60, to Las Vegas, Nevada DU 2-6000 (This is Desert Inn Hotel in Las Vegas), and on 10/27/60, to Los Angeles, California, DI 7-6298. Chicago, identify subscriber of WH 3-1155. Los Angeles, identify subscriber of DI 7-6298.

Miami, refer to Salt Lake City airtel of 2/7/61; expedite coverage of leads set forth for Miami. Miami,
b7C refer to report of SA [redacted] dated 2/8/61, at Salt Lake City, which set forth results of display of photograph of FRED T. HARRIS at Riviera Hotel. Report
b7C of SA [redacted] dated 12/30/60, sets forth results of interviews at Riviera Hotel of persons who had any knowledge of instant matter. Only description available at Las Vegas of unknown subject, also known as J. W. Harrison, is set forth in Miami communication dated 12/13/60. No one could be located at Riviera Hotel, who could recall description of unknown subject.

All offices expedite investigation and submit report. Bureau has instructed investigation must be thorough, complete, and vigorously pursued.

WILLIAMS

Report Form
FD-263 (5-12-55)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period
LOS ANGELES	LAS VEGAS	3/6/61	2/3 - 3/1/61

TITLE OF CASE

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB, aka. J. W. Harrison

Report made by [redacted] b7C

Typed By: sgt

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCES: Report S[redacted] at Miami, 1/28/61.
Report SA [redacted] at Salt Lake City 2/8/61.
WFO airtel to the Bureau 1/30/61.
Salt Lake City airtel to Bureau 2/7/61.
Report SA [redacted] at Miami 2/14/61.
WFO airtel to the Bureau 2/13/61.
Salt Lake City letter to the Bureau and Los Angeles 2/18/61.
Bureau airtel to Los Angeles 2/27/61.
Las Vegas airtel to the Bureau and Los Angeles 3/1/61.
Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau and Los Vegas 3/1/61.

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INFORMANTS REGARDING LISTING OF TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Approved [signature] Special Agent In Charge

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JAMES P. CANTILLON, Suite 438, 9441 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California, interviewed on 3/1/61 b7C by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] advised he is in partnership with his father and brother, in what appears to be an affluent practice. JAMES CANTILLON has represented [redacted]

b7C OS [redacted]

When advised that there is a good chance he will be subpoenaed before the FGJ in Las Vegas relative to this matter, CANTILLON said that that would be all right that he is frequently in Las Vegas on certain legal business having to do with settlement of the Stardust Hotel suit. He guessed the FGJ would be in session during March which he said would not be inconvenient to him.

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On [redacted] advised SA [redacted]

b2 b7C b7C OS that JAMES L. ARDITTO, Attorney, was a former legal counsel for HOWARD HUGHES. Further, that ARDITTO now has pending a suit against HUGHES in the amount of about $1,2000,000.00 for payment of legal services rendered.

In regard to [redacted], Attorney, [redacted]

b7C OS [redacted] His reputation is doubtful.

Attention is called to the Office of Origin, Las Vegas, of the report of SA [redacted] at Miami dated b7C 2/14/61, page 4, which set out telephone numbers of MA 9-2451 and LA 6-9511. This is to advise that these numbers and prefixes appear to be incorrect. The telephone number MAdison 6-9511 is the public listing for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office in Los Angeles, California.

LEADS

LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. 1. Will interview JAMES L. ARDITTO, Attorney, 727 West Seventh Street, which is his business address and telephone number MAdison 3-3624. Will determine if ARDITTO is involved in instant case, if so, to what extent and he should be reminded of possible subpoena to the FGJ in Las Vegas, Nevada, if he is involved in instant case.

2. Will interview GREGSON BAUTZER, Attorney, and ARNOLD M. GRANT, Attorney, both having business address at 190 North Cannon Drive, Beverly Hills, California, telephone CRestview 5-5121. These interviews are for the same purpose as the interview of JAMES L. ARDITTO, Attorney, as set out above.

AT WOODLAND HILLS, CALIFORNIA. Will consider, after determining background information, interview of [redacted] to determine if he has any connection in instant case, the purpose of the interview being the same as set out for interview of Attorney JAMES L. ARDITTO.

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AT WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA. Will also consider, after determining background information, interview of [redacted] to determine if he has any connection with instant case.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: b7C

Report of: [redacted]/sgt Office: Los Angeles, California

Date: 3/6/61

Field Office File No.: 139-77 Bureau File No.: 139-1201

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE
OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis: Telephone listing for Los Angeles number called by EDWARD L. DUBOIS immediately after arrest of BALLETTI, Las Vegas, Nevada, set out. Telephone listings for Los Angeles numbers called by ROBERT A. MAHEU and J. A. ROWLINS from Miami Beach, Florida 10/11/60 to 10/30/60 set out. JAMES P. CANTILLON, Attorney, Los Angeles, California, advised on 3/1/61 that he received call from BALLETTI when BALLETTI in custody of Las Vegas authorities and as result referred BALLETTI to TOM FOLEY, Attorney, Las Vegas, Nevada. CANTILLON denies any other knowledge of instant case, denies knowing DAN ROWAN or J. W. HARRISON, but knows ROBERT MAHEU.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 2/10/61

On February 10, 1961 the records of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company revealed that telephone number CRestview 1-8770 was listed to ROBERT A. MAHEU, 1510 Gilcrest Drive, Beverly Hills, California.

These records are confidential and can be obtained only by a subpoena duces tecum. The subpoena should be directed to the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, 720 West Seventh Street, Room 510, Los Angeles, California, attention: [redacted] b7C

On 2/10/61 at ~~Los Angeles, California~~ File # ~~Los Angeles 139-77~~

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by SA [redacted] /sgt Date dictated ~~2/10/61~~

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Date 3/6/61

On February 28, 1961 the records of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company revealed that the following telephone numbers were listed as indicated:

FAculty 1-0711 (A trunk off FAculty 1-0710)	Ram Chemical Incorporated 210 East Alondra Boulevard, Gardena, California
OLympia 4-2556 (non-published)	Hughes Productions 1404 North Havenhurst Drive, Los Angeles, California
BRadshaw 2-7061 (non-published)	Robert Maheu ROBERT A. MAHEU 1510 Gilcrest Drive Beverly Hills, California
SYlvan 0-1273	F/A. Wash. D.C. JAMES J. ARDITTO 4245 Chula Senda Lane, Flintridge, California
CRestview 5-5121	Bautzer and Grant Attorneys 190 North Cannon Drive, Beverly Hills, California
OXford 1-7552 (non-published)	ODEN L. BERRY 10214 South Victoria Avenue Whittier, California
CLinton 6-2251	Sate Farm Insurance Company 1740 Colorado Boulevard Los Angeles, California
DIamond 7-6298	JOSEPH I. BREEN Jr. 5-953 Lubao Woodland Hills, California
LOrain 4-2505	Tucker Founding Company 2514 East 118th Street Los Angeles, California.

On 2/28/61 at Los Angeles, California File # Los Angeles 139-77

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by SE [redacted] sgt Date dictated 3/3/61

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These records are confidential and can be obtained only by a subpoena duces tecum. The subpoena should be directed to the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, 720 West Seventh Street, Room 410, Los Angeles, California, attention: [redacted] b7C

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Date 3/6/61

The records of the General Telephone Company on February 28, 1961 revealed that the telephone number TOpaz 1-0311 was listed to the Southern California Gas Company, 9240 East Firestone Boulevard, Downey, California.

These records are confidential and can be obtained only through a subpoena duces tecum directed to the General Telephone Company, 2020 Santa Monica Boulevard, Santa Monica, California, attention: [redacted] b7C

On 2/28/61 at Los Angeles, California File # Los Angeles 139-77

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Mr. JAMES P. CANTILLON, Suite 438, 9441 Wilshire Boulevard, was advised that he was not required to furnish any information and any information that he did provide would be voluntarily on his part. He related the following:

His first knowledge of the microphone incident in Las Vegas, Nevada came with a telephone call to him from a man in custody at Las Vegas. He claimed inability to recall the man's name and said he never before heard of him. When given the name ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, CANTILLON acknowledged that name was probably correct, but he advised he had no knowledge of BALLETTI prior to the call which came from the office of a lieutenant in either the Clark County Sheriff's Office or the Las Vegas City Jail. He declined to relate any of the conversation with BALLETTI, claiming privilege. He did say he referred the caller to Attorney TOM FOLEY in Las Vegas, Nevada and that he telephoned FOLEY about the matter. He believed he talked to FOLEY regarding this a week later in person at Las Vegas while there on unrelated business.

He had thought the case against BALLETTI involved simply a microphone installation rather than a telephone tap. He said he never did learn the disposition of the case but did hear from FOLEY that charges had been reduced and that authorities in Las Vegas had kept BALLETTI's equipment. He mentioned he does not know DAN ROWAN. When first called from Las Vegas, he thought BALLETTI was referring to another ROWAN, one of the casino owners in Las Vegas and the thought struck him, "Boy, he must have some juicy tapes."

He said he knew ROBERT MAHEU and he admittedly sees MAHEU in Beverly Hills, California. He denied telephoning or otherwise contacting MAHEU in Washington, D. C. or elsewhere, to ask for him to perform surveillance of DAN ROWAN or for any other purpose having to do with this matter. He denied knowing any person named J. W. HARRISON.

On 3/1/61 Beverly Hills, California File # Los Angeles 139-77

by SA [redacted] b7c /sgt Date dictated 3/3/61

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FBI

Date: 3/17/61

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (139-1)

RE: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB, aka J. W. Harrison;
UPUC
(OO: Las Vegas)

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Rerep of SA [redacted] dated 3/6/61 at Los Angeles and Las Vegas airtel to Miami dated 3/10/61.

Los Angeles and Miami requested to expedite investigation and furnish results to Las Vegas.

3 - Bureau (AIR MAIL)
2 - Miami (139-63)(AIR MAIL)
2 - Los Angeles (139-77)(AIR MAIL)
1 - Las Vegas

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

Report Form
FD-263 (5-12-55)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period
CHICAGO	LAS VEGAS	3/17/61	3/6 - 9/61

TITLE OF CASE	Report made by	Typed By:
ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Aka. J. W. Harrison	[redacted] A) b7C	meb
	CHARACTER OF CASE: UPUC	

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Synopsis:

REFERENCES: Las Vegas airtel to Bureau, dated 3/1/61.

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AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA. An extra copy is provided in the event it is later desired to furnish it to the United States Attorney.

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Information regarding [redacted] in October, 1940, is reflected in Chicago file [redacted] entitled, [redacted]

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3 - Las Vegas (139-1)		25 MAR 20 1961
1 - Chicago (139-105)		EX-117

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3-20-61
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Information obtained from [redacted] on [redacted] is contained in Chicago file [redacted] entitled, [redacted]

Information obtained from [redacted] on [redacted] contained in Chicago file [redacted], entitled, [redacted], office of origin Chicago.

Information obtained by IC [redacted] in [redacted] is reflected in Chicago file [redacted] entitled, [redacted], office of origin Los Angeles.

FD-204 (Rev. 3-3-59)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA Las Vegas, Nevada

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Report of: SAA [redacted] Office: Chicago, Illinois
Date: March 17, 1961

Field Office File No.: 139-105 Bureau File No.:

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Aka.

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OR USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis: Telephone number [redacted] listed to [redacted] Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] has invested money in Sand's Hotel; Hotel Freemont and Tropicana Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada.

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DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

[redacted]

On October 18, 19[redacted] was the victim of a telehonically threatened kidnapping. [redacted] at this time resided at [redacted] and is described as white, male, American, 5'7", 157 lbs. and was [redacted]

On June 13, 1957, [redacted] Las Vegas, Nevada, advised that [redacted]

[redacted]

On June 26, 1958 [redacted] California, advised SA [redacted] that [redacted] was a close friend of [redacted] a member of the club. [redacted] has invested money in the Sand's Hotel and Hotel Freemont in Las Vegas and recently was supposed to have a large interest in the Tropicana Hotel which is reportedly under the control of FRANK COSTELLO.

[redacted] advised Investigative Clerk [redacted] on February 10, 1959, the following information concerning [redacted] is contained in their files:

[redacted] resides at [redacted]

reflects that he is married to [redacted] years old (1952) [redacted]

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A report dated [redacted] reflects that [redacted] and his wife currently reside at [redacted]

[redacted], advised on February 8, 1959, that their records contain no information regarding [redacted]

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: 3/13/61

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (139-77)

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI
UPUC

OO: Las Vegas

Re Bureau airtel to Los Angeles, 3/3/61.

Enclosed for the Bureau is a letterhead memorandum consisting of six pages, a copy of which is furnished to the office of origin for information. The sources of information in this letterhead memorandum concerning JAMES P. CANTILLON are identified as follows:

On Page 2, Paragraph 3, the confidential source referred to is PCI [redacted] to SA [redacted] on 1/23/58, Los Angeles file [redacted]

On Page 3, Paragraph 3, the business associate of JAMES P. CANTILLON is [redacted] to SA [redacted] on 3/4/58, Los Angeles file [redacted]

The former business associate of JAMES P. CANTILLON on Page 3, Paragraph 5, is [redacted] to SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] on 4/17,18/58, Los Angeles file [redacted]

The second business associate of JAMES P. CANTILLON on Page 5, Paragraph 3, is [redacted] to SA's [redacted] and [redacted] San Francisco, on 4/26/60, Los Angeles file [redacted]

The businesswoman of Las Vegas, Nevada, on Page 5, Paragraph 5, is [redacted] to SA [redacted] Las Vegas, Nevada, on 5/23/60, Los Angeles file [redacted]

2 - Bureau (Encl. 4)
1 - Las Vegas (Info)(Encl. 1)
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California

March 13, 1961

JAMES P. CANTILLON

The Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory, Volume 1, 1961, Pages 182 and 183, sets out the following information concerning JAMES P. CANTILLON:

Cantillon and Cantillon, Suite 438, California Bank Building, 9441 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California, telephone numbers CRestview 6-6885 and BRadshaw 2-4386, is a law firm engaging in the General and Trial Practice and Federal Courts. The firm is made up of RICHARD H. CANTILLON, born Chicago, Illinois, September 16, 1898, an associate member, R. MICHAEL CANTILLON, born Los Angeles, California, February 3, 1928, and JAMES P. CANTILLON, born Los Angeles, California, January 18, 1927. JAMES P. CANTILLON was admitted to the California Bar and United States District Court in 1951. His preparatory education was taken at the University of California at Los Angeles, California, and his legal education at Loyola University of Law, Los Angeles, California, receiving an LLB in 1951. His fraternity was listed as Phi Delta Phi. He was listed as Advocate and Director of the American Board of Trial Advocates, 1958. He was listed as a member of the Beverly Hills - Los Angeles County Bar Association (member, Committee on Criminal Law, 1955), American Bar Association (member, Committee on Criminal Law and Procedure, 1959), the Criminal Court Association, and the State Bar of California.

The records of the [redacted] contain information regarding JAMES PATRICK CANTILLON, described as age 20 in 1947, 5'10", 165 pounds, brown hair, hazel eyes, [redacted] His residence was listed as 11610 Bellagio Road, Los Angeles, California, his birth place as California, and his father as RICHARD CANTILLON of 11610 Bellagio Road, Los Angeles, California.

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While conducting official investigations, the Los Angeles Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation has been the recipient of reported information concerning JAMES P. CANTILLON, a summary of which is set out below:

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a Special Agent of the Los Angeles Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that JOHN ROSELLI stayed at the Beverly Hilton Hotel when he came into Los Angeles and that he visits with an Attorney, JAMES CANTILLON, 9441 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California.

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The JOHN ROSELLI [redacted] referred to and who will be further referred to in this communication is identified as JOHN ROSELLI, also known as John Rosselli, John Rasselli, John Russelli, John F. Stewart, Rand Field, and Giovani Rosselli.

Records of the Los Angeles, California, Police Department reveal that JOHN ROSELLI, FBI Number 3339986, was first arrested by the Los Angeles Police Department in 1924 for carrying concealed weapons, but the charge was dismissed. During the period from 1924 to 1932 he was arrested on several occasions on charges of suspicion of grand larceny, carrying concealed weapons, and robbery.

In testimony before the Kefauver Committee in October, 1950, ROSELLI advised he met AL CAPONE in Chicago, Illinois, at the Dempsey-Tunney fight, and that he spent a day with CAPONE in Los Angeles, California, about 1930.

Records of the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service, Los Angeles, California, indicate that JOHN ROSELLI claims birth in Chicago, Illinois, on July 4, 1904.

The records of the United States District Court, New York City, indicate that on December 22, 1943, ROSELLI was found guilty of violation of Section 402A, Title 18, United States Code, and sentenced to ten years imprisonment. He was released on parole after serving one third of his sentence. The charge involved the extorting of money from motion picture producers to insure the studios against labor strikers.

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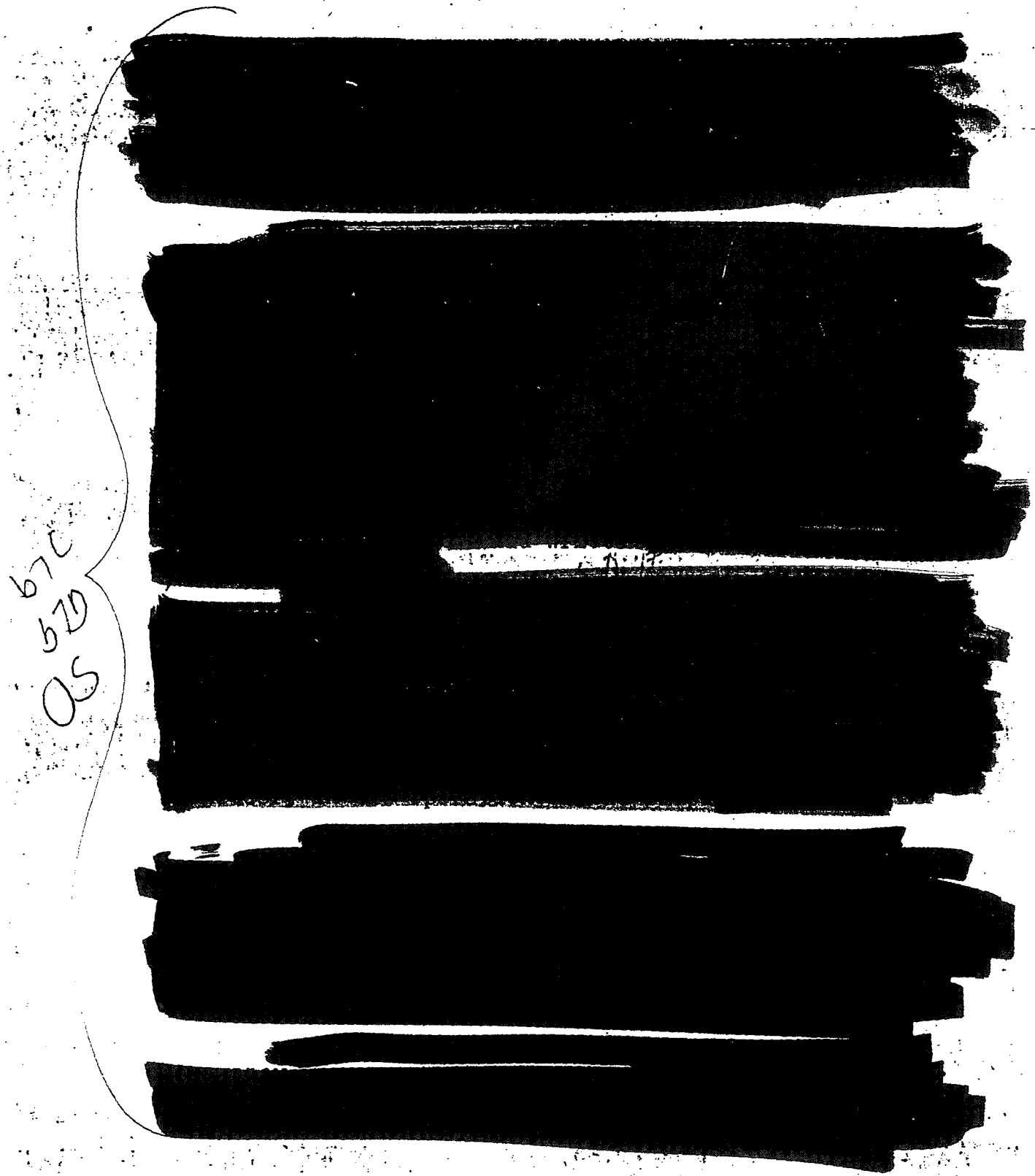

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The source advised that JAMES CANTILLON was an attorney from Los Angeles, California, and had represented JOHN ROSELLI in the past.

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FBI

Date: 3/20/61

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: Director, FBI (139-1201)

FROM: SAC, Miami (139-63)

RE: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
ET AL
UPUC
(OO - Las Vegas)

EDWARD L. DU BOIS, JR., in re-interview reaffirmed the statement and produced American Express charges to support claim that ARTHUR BALLETTI and another individual, known only to him as J. HARRISON, left Miami 10/25/60, for Los Angeles, Calif., where they caught another plane to Las Vegas, Nev. Claims BALLETTI and HARRISON used return portions of tickets. Denies that HARRISON worked for him; claims HARRISON an employee of MAYHEW.

Re $1,000.00 MAYHEW paid DU BOIS, DU BOIS claims that MAYHEW, while in Los Angeles on 10/31/60, telephonically contacted BALLETTI at Las Vegas and instructed him to go either to the Dunes or Flamingo Hotel, Las Vegas, and contact a Mr. RICHARDSON, and that RICHARDSON would pay BALLETTI $1,000.00 in cash. BALLETTI told DU BOIS that RICHARDSON allegedly well known at hotel and may be either owner or manager.

List of equipment confiscated at time of BALLETTI's arrest reviewed with DU BOIS. DU BOIS admits owning Minox

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2 - Las Vegas (139-1) (AM)
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Special Agent in Charge

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Date:

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Via _____ _____
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camera, 35 mm Minifon camera, and Minifon tape recorder. Claims that this equipment is standard with his operators on a case. DU BOIS claims that MAYHEW has hired attorney who is brother-in-law of Attorney General in Nevada to defend BALLETTI, and expects charges against BALLETTI to be dropped. BALLETTI is still out of town on case and is not expected to return until 3/25/61, at which time he will be interviewed at earliest opportunity and report will be submitted.

Registration card of J. A. ROLLINS at Kenilworth Hotel obtained and being sent FBI Laboratory under separate cover.

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Special Agent in Charge

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
5010-104-01

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (139-1201) DATE: 3/22/61
Attention: FBI LABORATORY

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (139-63)

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB., aka J. W. Harrison
UPUC
(OO: Las Vegas)

363090

Re Las Vegas airtel to the Bureau dated 3/1/61.

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On 3/17/61, [redacted] Kenilworth Hotel, Bal Harbor, Florida, made available Kenilworth Hotel Registration Card #8009, which contained the following printed name and address:

J. A. ROLLINS
1125 19th St., N. W.
Washington, D. C.

This card is dated 10/11/60. The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare the printing on this card with the printing or writing on the Registration Card of the Riviera Hotel, which contained the name J. W. HARRISON. At the conclusion of the examination, the Kenilworth Hotel Registration Card should be returned to the Miami Division so that it may be returned to the hotel.

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2 - Miami
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

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Re: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
Unsub, aka
J. W. HARRISON
UPUC

File # ~~EXXXERXE~~ 139-1201
Lab. # D-363090 HW

Examination requested by: FBI, Miami (139-63) Letter 3-22-61

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 3-24-61

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted]

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Specimens submitted for examination

Q1 - Registration card for The Kenilworth Hotel No. 8009, dated 10-11-60, in the name of J. A. ROLLINS

4173

ROLLINS

Welcome! The Kenilworth No. 8009

1950 OCT 11 PM 4:52 195

Name J. A. ROLLINS

Address 1125 19th St., N.W.

City WASHINGTON, D. C.

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DATE OF ARRIVAL	A. M.	ROOM 701	RATE	CLERK E.T.	DATE OF DEPARTURE
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REMARKS: Street

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Laboratory Transmittal Form
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FBI LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Miami (139-63) Date April 3, 1961

Re: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
Unsub, aka J. W. HARRISON
UPUC

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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FBI File No. 139-1201
Lab. No. D-363090 HW

EX 104

Examination requested by: Miami

Reference: Letter 3-22-61

Examination requested: Document

Remarks:

No record was located in regard to the submission of the registration card bearing the name J. W. HARRISON mentioned in the referenced letter. If a comparison is still desired, specific information should be furnished to the Bureau as to the caption under which the registration card was submitted and the date of submission.

Enclosures (3) (Q1, 2 Lab report)

1 - Las Vegas (139-1) Enclosure (Lab report)

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COMM-FBI

Tolson
Parsons
Mohr
Belmont
Callahan
Conrad
DeLoach
Evans
Malone
Rosen
Tavel
Trotter
W. C. Sullivan
Tele. Room
Ingram
Gandy

MAIL ROOM ☑ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

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REPORT of the FBI LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Miami

Date: April 3, 1961
FBI File No. 139-1201
Lab. No. D-363090 HW

Re: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
Unsub, aka J. W. HARRISON
UPUC

Specimens received 3-24-61

Q1 Registration card for The Kenilworth Hotel No. 8009, dated 10-11-60, in the name of J. A. ROLLINS

Result of examination:

The name on Q1 was searched in the signature section of the National Fraudulent Check File without effecting an identification.

Specimen Q1 is returned herewith to Miami. This item has been photographed.

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Malone
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W.C. Sullivan
Tele. Room
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Gandy

TAD: JWW (5)

MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

NO LAB FILE

Re: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
Unsub, aka
J. W. HARRISON
UPUC

File # ~~XXXXXXXX~~ 139-1201
Lab. # D-363090 HW

Examination requested by: FBI, Miami (139-63) Letter 3-22-61

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 3-24-61

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted]

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No [illegible] NFCF.

No record found of reg. card for J. W. Harrison

Return pl. [illegible]

3-31-61

Specimens submitted for examination

Q1. Registration card for The Kenilworth Hotel No. 8009, dated 10-11-60, in the name of J. A. ROLLINS

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4/3/61

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period
WASHINGTON FIELD	LAS VEGAS	MAR 27 1961	1/19, 30; 2/8; 3/1/61

TITLE OF CASE
ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB; aka J. W. Harrison

Report made by [redacted] b7C — Typed By: ddt

CHARACTER OF CASE
UPUC

REFERENCES

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Reports of SA [redacted] dated 1/28/61 and 2/14/61, at Miami; SUairtel to the Director, 2/7/61; LVairtel to the Director, 3/1/61.

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ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

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JE 3-7277 — ROBERT A. MAHEU, 1025 Beachwood Lane, Falls Church, Virginia, nonpublished number, business service since 1958, also has residence service on JE 3-9655.

FE 8-8500 — Maheu and King Associates, Inc., 1125 - 19th Street, N.W.

Approved [redacted] Special Agent In Charge

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3 - Las Vegas (139-1)
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EX 3-6115	Central Intelligence Agency, 2430 E Street, N.W.
JA 3-1441	No JA 3 exchange in Washington metropolitan area. JE 3-1441 listed to JOSEPH BOYLE, 4013 Westmorland Street, McLean, Virginia.
MU 6-6000	No MU 6 exchange in the Washington metropolitan area.
CL 6-1891	JAMES P. O'CONNELL, JR., 826 Whispering Lane, Falls Church, Virginia.
EX 3-4900	General Services Administration (U.S. Government), General Services Building, 18th and F Streets, N.W.
LO 6-9660	No LO 6 exchange in the Washington metropolitan area.
OL 4-4284	EDWARD P. MORGAN, 6004 Brookside Drive, Kenwood, Maryland.
ME 8-6565	A multiple listing in the names of the following attorneys, Suite 1004, 839 - 17th Street, N.W: RAYMOND W. BERGAN, VINCENT J. FULLER, JOHN W. GUIDER, CHARLES P. MULDOON, AGNES A. NEILL, JOHN A. SELBY, COLMAN B. SLEIN, HAROLD UNGAR, THOMAS A. WADDEN, JR., EDWARD BENNETT WILLIAMS.

WFO files reflect that JAMES P. O'CONNELL, JR., resigned as a Special Agent of the FBI on 11/30/51.

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WFO files further reflect that EDWARD P. MORGAN is a former Special Agent of the FBI. By letter dated 4/27/55, the Bureau advised that MORGAN, a former Special Agent and presently a Washington, D. C., attorney, is not to be contacted without Bureau authority.

The current Washington Metropolitan Area Telephone Directory reflects EDWARD P. MORGAN, 6004 Brookside Drive, Telephone Number OL 4-4284, an attorney at 710 - 14th Street, N.W., Telephone Number ST 3-0511.

Files of WFO and records of the Credit Bureau failed to reflect information on [redacted]

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FD-204 (Rev. 8-8-60)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Reno, Nevada

Report of: [redacted] b7C Office: Washington, D. C.

Date: MAR 27 1961

Field Office File No.: 139-61 Bureau File No.: 139-1201

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT; aka J. W. Harrison

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OR USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis:

ROBERT MAHEU, Maheu and King Associates, Incorporated, unable to secure permission from the Los Angeles attorney to furnish his name to the FBI for interview purposes. MAHEU states that it is now his recollection that WALTER FITZPATRICK originally contacted EDWARD DUBOIS regarding the request of the Los Angeles attorney but denied instructing DUBOIS as to how to handle the matter and denies that he supplied an employee to assist in this investigation. MAHEU identified J. A. ROLLINS as JOHN A. ROLLINS. MAHEU would not further identify ROLLINS except to state that ROLLINS was working indirectly for MAHEU in Miami.

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FD-302 (Rev. 1-25-60) FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date January 24, 1961

ROBERT MAHEU, Maheu and King Associates, Incorporated, 1125 - 19th Street, N.W., advised that since the identity of the Los Angeles, California, attorney who originally contacted him is needed for interview purposes, he would attempt to secure permission from this attorney to furnish his name to the FBI. MAHEU stated that he would contact the attorney and would advise the Washington Field Office when he had this information.

On 1/19/61 at Washington, D. C. File # WFO 139-61

b7C by SA [redacted]/ddt Date dictated 1/20/61

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FD-302 (Rev. 1-25-60) FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date January 30, 1961

On January 27, 1961, the office of ROBERT MAHEU, Maheu and King Associates, Incorporated, 1125 - 19th Street, N.W., was telephonically contacted in an effort to locate Mr. MAHEU. It was ascertained that Mr. MAHEU was not in his office and word was left to have Mr. MAHEU contact the Washington Field Office upon his return.

b7C On January 30, 1961, ROBERT MAHEU telephonically contacted SA [redacted] and advised that he had been in touch with the attorney in Los Angeles, California, by telephone but that this attorney did not desire to have his name furnished to the FBI.

Mr. MAHEU advised that he is leaving Washington, D.C., on January 30, 1961, to go to Los Angeles, California, on business and while there will talk further with the attorney in an attempt to secure his permission to furnish his name to the FBI.

It was suggested to Mr. MAHEU that upon receipt of this permission that MAHEU contact the Los Angeles Office of the FBI and furnish them this information. Mr. MAHEU stated that he will be returning to Washington within a few days and will furnish the information to the Washington Field Office upon his return. Mr. MAHEU stated that in the event he is delayed in returning to Washington he will telephonically b7C contact SA [redacted] in the Washington Field Office from Los Angeles.

Mr. MAHEU stated that he "is in the middle of this thing" as he is "the only person who knows the attorney's name." He stated that he would make every effort to secure the permission of the attorney to divulge his name to the FBI.

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Date February 13, 1961

ROBERT MAHEU, Maheu and King Associates, Incorporated, 1125-19th Street, N. W., advised that he had just returned from Los Angeles, California, and after talking to the Los Angeles attorney who had originally requested him to contact EDWARD DUBOIS, he had been unable to secure permission from this attorney to divulge his name to the FBI. Mr. MAHEU stated that the Los Angeles attorney had advised him that he did not desire to become involved in this matter.

Mr. MAHEU further stated that after discussing the matter with WALTER FITZPATRICK, an associate of his, it is now his recollection that FITZPATRICK had made the original contact with EDWARD DUBOIS in Miami, Florida, regarding the request of the Los Angeles attorney to secure someone to do some investigating work for him in Las Vegas, Nevada. Mr. MAHEU emphatically denied that he or FITZPATRICK had later contacted DUBOIS requesting DUBOIS to send only one man to Las Vegas and instructing DUBOIS that he, MAHEU, would furnish the second man.

Mr. MAHEU stated that he stayed at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida, during the latter part of October, 1960. He recalled that he had contacted DUBOIS while in Miami Beach but denied that he had told DUBOIS that he was staying at the Kenilworth Hotel nor on this occasion did he instruct DUBOIS to send only one man to Las Vegas. Mr. MAHEU again stated that his only involvement in this matter was to have DUBOIS contacted at the request of the Los Angeles attorney. He denied that he had instructed DUBOIS on how to handle the matter and emphatically denied that he had supplied any employee to assist in this investigation. Mr. MAHEU stated that he did receive $1,000 from the Los Angeles attorney which he immediately turned over to DUBOIS. He stated that he had made no money in connection with this matter and never changed the original arrangements that FITZPATRICK had made with DUBOIS on the original call to DUBOIS.

Mr. MAHEU identified J. A. ROLLINS, who was with MAHEU at the Kenilworth Hotel, as JOHN A. ROLLINS. Mr. MAHEU would not identify ROLLINS further as to ROLLINS being an employee of MAHEU, stating that ROLLINS was working indirectly for him in Miami. Mr. MAHEU further denied that ROLLINS was the individual who went to Las Vegas to assist BALLETTI. He

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stated that the Kenilworth Hotel records would reflect that ROLLINS was in Miami Beach during the period that BALLETTI was in Las Vegas.

Shortly after completing the above interview, Mr. MAHEU telephonically contacted SA [redacted] at the Washington Field Office stating that "he had just received a telephone call and if this matter could be held up for a few days it would be all straightened out." Mr. MAHEU was asked if he would again contact the Washington Field Office regarding this matter to which he advised that the matter would be handled through other channels.

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On February 13, 1961, a review of the Washington Metropolitan Area Telephone Directory for 1960-61 and the Polk's Washington City Directory for 1960, failed to reflect a JOHN A. ROLLINS identifiable with the JOHN A. ROLLINS mentioned by MAHEU. It is noted that the address 1125 19th Street, N.W., reflected as the address of ROLLINS at the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, is the office address of Maheu and King Associates, Washington, D. C.

On February 13, 1961, the records of the Credit Bureau, Incorporated, failed to reflect or identify a JOHN A. ROLLINS.

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (139-1201) DATE: 3/28/61

FROM : SAC, LAS VEGAS (139-1) ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB, aka J. W. Harrison
UPUC
(OO: Las Vegas)

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BALLETTI was arrested by the Clark County Sheriff's Office, Las Vegas, Nevada on 10/31/60 on the charge of Invasion of Privacy and other charges, after equipment was located in BALLETTI's room, which reflected a technical surveillance had been placed on DAN ROWAN's room at the Riviera Hotel, in Las Vegas.

Another individual, unknown subject J. W. HARRISON, registered at the Riviera on 10/26/60 with BALLETTI. Efforts to identify this individual have been unsuccessful thus far.

Investigation has reflected that one JOHN A. ROLLINS, an employee of ROBERT MAHEU, a private investigator from Washington, D.C., might possibly be identical with HARRISON.

Enclosed herewith is a Riviera Hotel Reservation Card No. 192650, which contains the handwriting of unknown subject J. W. HARRISON written at the date he registered at the Riviera on 10/26/60. It is noted that the time of 10/25/60 was written by the room clerk at the Riviera on the front of the card while the rear of the card shows a date stamp of 10/26/60.

Laboratory is requested to compare the handwriting on the enclosed Riviera Hotel Card with the handwriting on registration card from the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, in the name of J. A. ROLLINS, which is being submitted by Miami.

Laboratory is requested to advise Las Vegas and Miami the results of this examination.

The Riviera card should be returned to Las Vegas upon completion of the examination.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
Unsub, aka J. W. HARRISON
UPUC

File # 139-1201-32
Lab. # 363646 HW

Examination requested by: FBI, Las Vegas (139-1) 3-28-61

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 3-31-61

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted]
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Specimens submitted for examination

Q2 Riviera Hotel Reservation Card No. 192050, bearing the signature of J. W. HARRISON

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The Las Vegas

RIVIERA

Nº 192650

NAME J. W. Harrison

STREET 214 W Water St.

CITY and STATE San Francisco Calif.

W/BALLETT

Please take notice that the proprietor of this Hotel keeps a fireproof safe wherein money, jewelry, documents, trust for coats, and for garments, or other articles of unusual value and small compass may be deposited for safe keeping, and unless such articles are deposited with it to be placed therein, it will not be responsible or liable for any loss of or injury to such articles, nor in any case for more than the sum of $250.00 for any or all such property of any individual guest or boarder or lodger.

ROOM	RATE	NO. OF GUESTS
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FBI LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Las Vegas (139-1)

Date: April 11, 1961

Re: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
Unsub, aka J. W. HARRISON
UPUC

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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FBI File No. 139-1201 -32
Lab. No. D-363646 HW

Examination requested by: Las Vegas

Reference: Letter 3-28-61

Examination requested: Document

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REPORT
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FBI LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Las Vegas

Date: April 11, 1961
FBI File No. 139-1201
Lab. No. D-363646 HW

Re: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
Unsub, aka J. W. HARRISON
UPUC

Specimens received 3-31-61

Q2 Riviera Hotel Reservation Card No. 192650, bearing the signature J. W. HARRISON

Result of examination:

On March 22, 1961, the Miami Division submitted a registration card of the Kenilworth Hotel bearing the hand printed name J. A. ROLLINS. This specimen was designated Q1.

The hand printing on Q1 is not comparable with the handwriting on Q2. As a result, it was not determined whether Q1 and Q2 were or were not prepared by the same individual.

Specimen Q2 is returned herewith to Las Vegas. This item has been photographed.

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
Unsub, aka J. W. HARRISON
UPUC

File # 139-1201 32
Lab. # 363646 HW

Examination requested by: FBI, Las Vegas (139-1) 3-28-61

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 3-31-61

Examination by: [redacted] b7c

Result of Examination:

Specimens submitted for examination

Q2 Riviera Hotel Reservation Card No. 192650, bearing the signature of J. W. HARRISON.

RETURN EVIDENCE

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Date: 3/29/61

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Via AIRMAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (139-1201)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (139-63)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB, aka., J.W. Harrison
UPUC
(OO: Las Vegas)

BALLETTI re-interviewed this date and denied any knowledge of technical equipment confiscated at the time of his arrest. Claims he brought Minifone Recorder 35 mm Camera and Minox Camera to Las Vegas with him. Reiterates he received $1,000.00 cash fee from T.W. RICHARDSON at New Frontier Motel, Las Vegas. Maintains he has no knowledge of HARRISON's true identity.

Report in dictation.

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Reporting Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period
MIAMI	~~LOUISVILLE~~ LAS VEGAS	4/6/61	2/28-3/29/61

TITLE OF CASE

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB, aka. J. W. Harrison

Report made by: [redacted] b7C

Typed By: neb

CHARACTER OF CASE

UPUC

SYNOPSIS

REFERENCE: Miami airtel to Las Vegas, 2/28/61;
Las Vegas airtel to Director, 3/1/61;
Las Vegas airtel to Miami, 3/10/61;
Miami airtel to Director, 3/20/61;
Las Vegas airtel to Director, 3/17/61;
Miami airtel to Las Vegas, 3/21/61;
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Approved: Vesley G. Grapp — Special Agent In Charge

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LAS VEGAS:

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

Will attempt to identify T. W. RICHARDSON, New Frontier Hotel, and interview him concerning the $1,000.00 fee which he gave to BALLETTI.

It should be noted that ROBERT MAHEU previously advised that he paid $1,000.00 fee to EDWARD L. DUBOIS, Jr., in Miami. DUBOIS denies this.

ADMINISTRATIVE

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This is a joint investigation of Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted]

Information copies of this report are being furnished to Los Angeles and Washington Field for reference purposes, in the event that these divisions have to conduct additional investigations in this matter.

MAHEU, during his stay at the Kenilworth Hotel, Bal Harbour, Florida, during the latter part of October, 1960, telephonically contacted the residence of [redacted]

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Since there is no apparent connection between [redacted] and this investigation, no attempt was made to interview her in this matter.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, LAS VEGAS

Report of: [redacted] b7C Office: MIAMI, FLORIDA
Date: April 6, 1961

Field Office File No.: 139-63 Bureau File No.: 139-1201

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, also known as
J. W. Harrison

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis: EDWARD L. DUBOIS, JR., reinterviewed 3/20/61, and claims ROBERT MAHEU paid his agency a fee of $1,000.00 in cash. DUBOIS states MAHEU phoned BALLETTI at Las Vegas and instructed him to contact T. W. RICHARDSON at the New Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas. BALLETTI followed instructions and RICHARDSON gave him $1,000.00 in cash. DUBOIS denies ownership of any equipment seized at time of BALLETTI's arrest, except he owns Minefon tape recorder, Minox camera and .35 mm Contessa camera and film. Denies any knowledge of other equipment. BALLETTI reinterviewed 3/29/61. Admits receiving $1,000.00 in cash from T. W. RICHARDSON in Las Vegas on 10/31/60. BALLETTI admits taking Minefon and 2 cameras with him to Las Vegas. Denies any knowledge of other technical equipment seized. Claims he can furnish no additional information regarding arrest. No record on JOHN A. ROLLINS, Miami.

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Date April 4, 1961

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI was interviewed by Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] at Miami. b7C

At the outset of the interview, BALLETTI was advised that he did not have to make a statement, and any statement he made could be used against him in a court of law. BALLETTI was advised of his rights to an attorney.

BALLETTI was questioned as to what equipment he took from Miami to Las Vegas in the latter part of October, 1960. BALLETTI stated that he took a Minefon tape recorder and a small green bag, which contained a microphone for the recorder and an ear piece for the recorder. He also took a .35 mm Zeiss Contessa camera, and a Minox camera, along with tape for the recorder and film for the camera. BALLETTI stated that he has no idea who owns the other technical equipment which was confiscated in the hotel room at the time of his arrest. BALLETTI admitted that he and HARRISON checked in together at the Riviera Hotel. However, BALLETTI would not definitely state that this equipment was brought into the hotel by HARRISON.

BALLETTI added that he does not recall telling the officers who arrested him at Las Vegas that J. W. HARRISON was actually FRED HARRIS of Miami. BALLETTI stated that he is at a loss to explain how the officers came by this information.

BALLETTI stated that he has no information as to how HARRISON departed Las Vegas, and does not know what airplane tickets, if any, HARRISON used. BALLETTI stated that he no longer can recall whether HARRISON left the day before he, BALLETTI, was arrested, or on the morning of the day on which he was arrested.

On 3/29/61 at Miami, Florida File # Miami 139-63

b7C by Special Agent [redacted] and [redacted] neb Date dictated 3/29/61

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BALLETTI stated that either on October 30 or October 31, 1960, that he received a long distance telephone call from ROBERT MAHEU. BALLETTI stated that he never knew where MAHEU was making the call from. MAHEU instructed him to contact T. W. RICHARDSON at the New Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas, and that RICHARDSON would pay him a $1,000.00 fee. BALLETTI continued that he took a taxi from the Riviera Hotel to the New Frontier Hotel, only to find that the hotels were only a very short distance apart. BALLETTI stated that he went into the hotel and asked probably a bellboy where he could locate T. W. RICHARDSON, and the bellboy referred him to the pit (card room) at the hotel. BALLETTI stated that he went to the pit and asked one of the guards how he could contact T. W. RICHARDSON, and the guard had him wait at one of the tables, which was not being used. A short time later, RICHARDSON came over to the table, and BALLETTI gave him the password, which he recalled was "MOKO sent me." RICHARDSON indicated that BALLETTI should follow him, and they walked out of the card room into the men's room, where RICHARDSON gave him ten $100.00 bills. BALLETTI stated that he gave RICHARDSON no receipt for the money, and he put the money in his pocket, and left the hotel.

BALLETTI described RICHARDSON as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Nationality:	American
Age:	Late 40's
Height:	6' 1"
Weight:	190 lbs.
Build:	Medium
Hair:	Dark, steel gray at temples
Characteristics:	Did not wear glasses or have a mustache, or any other distinguishing facial features

Clothing: Claims RICHARDSON was wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and tie

BALLETTI stated that based on his conversation with the bellboy and the guard in the card room, and watching RICHARDSON work around the hotel, he believed that RICHARDSON was well known at the hotel and possibly could be connected with the ownership or management of the hotel and gambling casino.

BALLETTI was again asked if he did not actually know the true identity of J. W. HARRISON. BALLETTI denied this, and reiterated that he has furnished all the information that he has concerning HARRISON. BALLETTI also denied having any connection with the wire tap found on DAN ROWAN's phone.

BALLETTI added that he now has furnished all the information in his possession to the FBI.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date March 22, 1961

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On March 20, 1961 EDWARD L. DU BOIS JR was interviewed by SAS [redacted] and [redacted] At the outset of the interview, DU BOIS was advised that he did not have to make a statement; that if he did make a statement it could be used against him in a court of law; and that he had the right to consult an attorney.

DU BOIS stated he wished to cooperate to the fullest extent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in this investigation and was willing to make available any record or information which he had in his possession.

After reviewing his records, DU BOIS stated that on October 25, 1960, his company, Investigations, Inc., purchased two round trip tickets from Miami, Florida, to Los Angeles, California, and return. American Express billed the company $700.88 for the costs of these tickets. The credit card used bore the name ARTHUR J. BALLETTI, #016 043 789 3, which was issued to BALLETTI by Investigations, Inc. Among DU BOIS' records was the receipt portion of American Airlines Ticket, #1,771,944, bearing the name R. HUNTER and issued on October 25, 1960. The return portion of this ticket reflects that on November 3, 1960, American Airlines issued a ticket to R. HUNTER from Los Angeles to Ft. Worth, New Orleans and Miami in exchange for ticket #529927 issued October 25, 1960, at Miami. DU BOIS' records did not contain the return stub of the ticket bearing the name J. W. HARRISON.

DU BOIS continued that ROBERT MAHEU paid him $1,000.00 in cash as his retainer. DU BOIS claims that BALLETTI told him that on October 31, 1960, he, BALLETTI, received a long distance telephone call from MAHEU who claimed that he was calling from Los Angeles. MAHEU instructed BALLETTI to go either to the Dunes or Flamingo Hotels in Las Vegas and contact a Mr. RICHARDSON and that RICHARDSON would pay him the retainer. DU BOIS continued that BALLETTI went to one of the two above mentioned hotels

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On 3/20/61 at Miami, Florida File # MIAMI 139-63

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by SAS [redacted] and [redacted]am Date dictated 3/20/61

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contacted Mr. RICHARDSON and RICHARDSON did in fact pay him $1,000.00 in cash. DU BOIS claims that it was BALLETTI's impression that RICHARDSON was probably MAHEU's client and that probably RICHARDSON was either the owner or connected with the management of the hotel where he was contacted.

DU BOIS was asked if he knew JOHN A. ROLLINS and he stated that he did not know anyone by that name.

DU BOIS was questioned concerning the equipment found in Room 331 of the Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, at the time ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI was arrested. DU BOIS stated the Minifon Tape Recorder found in the room belonged to his agency along with the Minox Camera and the .35 mm Zeiss [illegible] camera as well as the film that belonged to these two cameras. DU BOIS denied that any of the other technical equipment found in the room belonged to his agency. DU BOIS stated that he does not know who owned this equipment but assumed it belonged to J. W. HARRISON.

DU BOIS was questioned as to why BALLETTI took the Minifon with him on this assignment, to which DU BOIS replied that the Minifon and the cameras were standard equipment with his operators.

DU BOIS added that Attorney THOMAS FOLEY, whom he understands is the brother of the Attorney General for the State of Nevada, was hired to defend BALLETTI at Las Vegas. DU BOIS stated that FOLEY was hired by Attorney JAMES P. CANTILLION of Beverly Hills, California, whom he understands is an attorney of ROBERT MAHEU's. DU BOIS stated that it is his understanding that MAHEU is paying the attorney's fees.

DU BOIS reiterated that he does not know the name of the principal in this case who contacted MAHEU to have the surveillance instituted on DAN ROWAN. DU BOIS added that he does not know nor can he furnish any additional information on J. W. HARRISON other than this individual was reported to be an employee of MAHEU and sent by MAHEU to Las Vegas to aid on the surveillance of ROWAN.

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Date March 27, 1961

EDWARD L. DUBOIS, Jr., telephonically advised that he found in his records a slip of paper, which reflects that "T. W. RICHARDSON, New Frontier Hotel, DU 2-7171, Las Vegas," was the name used by the individual who paid BALLETTI $1,000.00 in cash at Las Vegas.

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On 3/21/61 at Miami, Florida File # Miami 139-63

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by Special Agent [redacted] neb Date dictated 3/22/61

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Date March 22, 1961

Records of the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, 300 Northeast 3rd Avenue, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, reflect that LO 4-8511 was listed during October, 1960, and is currently listed to the Escape Hotel, 2900 Rio Mar Drive, Ft. Lauderdale. This is the hotel switchboard number.

JA 3-1441 during October, 1960, was assigned to the switchboard at the Broward County Circuit Court Offices, Court House, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. This switchboard covers the offices of the Circuit Court Clerk, County Finance Department and Recording Department. This number has been changed to JA 5-2921.

In order to produce these records, a subpoena duces tecum must be directed to [redacted] b7C Assistant Manager, Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, 300 Northeast 3rd Avenue, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

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On 3/3/61 b7C at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida File # MIAMI 139-63

by SA [redacted] bam Date dictated 3/3/61

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Date March 22, 1961

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On 3/3/61 at Hollywood, Florida File # MIAMI 139-63

by SA [redacted]:bam b7C Date dictated 3/3/61

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b7C [redacted] On March 24, 1961, Investigative Clerk reviewed the records of the Dade County Department of Public Safety, Miami Police Department, the Miami Beach Police Department, Credit Bureau of Greater Miami, and the Municipal Court of Miami, and was unable to locate any information identifiable with JOHN A. ROLLINS.

Report Form
FD-264 (5-12-55)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period
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TITLE OF CASE	Report made by	Typed By:
ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; UNSUB, aka J. W. Harrison	[redacted] b7C	hsl
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REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] b7C dated 2/8/61 at Salt Lake City.

Report of SA [redacted] b7C dated 3/6/61 at Los Angeles.

Miami airtel to Las Vegas dated 3/21/61.

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Report of: [redacted]hsl Office: Las Vegas, Nevada
Date: 4/11/61

Field Office File No.: 139-1 Bureau File No.: 139-201

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, also
known as J. W. Harrison

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE
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Synopsis:

Subject BALLETTI claims $1,000 was paid to him while in Las Vegas by one T. W. RICHARDSON. Registration card bearing name, J. W. HARRISON, forwarded to Laboratory.

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DETAILS:

By communication dated February 13, 1961, the Washington Field Office advised that ROBERT MAHEU, Maheu and King Associates, Incorporated, 1125 - 19th Street, Northwest, Washington, D.C., informed that he had just returned from California and that after talking to the Los Angeles attorney who had originally requested him to contact EDWARD DUBOIS, had been unable to secure permission from this attorney to divulge the attorney's name to the FBI. The Los Angeles attorney had advised MAHEU that he did not desire to become involved in this matter.

MAHEU further advised that it was now his recollection that WALTER FITZPATRICK, an associate of MAHEU, had actually originally contacted DUBOIS. MAHEU emphatically denied that he or FITZPATRICK had contacted DUBOIS requesting only one man to be sent to Las Vegas.

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MAHEU identified J. A. ROLLINS as one JOHN A. ROLLINS. MAHEU would not identify ROLLINS further as to ROLLINS being an employee of MAHEU's, stating ROLLINS was working indirectly for MAHEU in Miami. MAHEU denied that ROLLINS was the individual who went to Las Vegas with subject BALLETTI stating that the Kenilworth Hotel records in Miami Beach would reflect that ROLLINS was there during the period BALLETTI was in Las Vegas.

By communication dated March 20, 1961, the Miami Division advised that EDWARD L. DUBOIS, JR., claims that MAHEU, while in Los Angeles on October 31, 1960, telephonically contacted BALLETTI at Las Vegas and instructed him to go either to the Dunes or the Flamingo Hotel and contact a Mr. RICHARDSON and that RICHARDSON would pay BALLETTI $1,000 in cash. BALLETTI told the boys that RICHARDSON was allegedly well known at the hotel and might be either the owner or manager.

The list of equipment confiscated at the time of BALLETTI's arrest, was reviewed with DUBOIS. DUBOIS admits owning the Minox camera, 35 m.m. minifon camera, and the minifon tape recorder. DUBOIS claims this equipment is standard with his operators in a case.

By communication dated March 21, 1961, the Miami Division advised that EDWARD L. DUBOIS, JR., had informed that he had located information which reflected that T. W. RICHARDSON, New Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas, was the one who paid the $1,000 in cash to BALLETTI.

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[redacted] Riviera Hotel, furnished the two following hotel registration cards:

1. Card No. 192583, bearing name ARTHUR J. BALLETTI.

2. Card No. 192650, bearing name J. W. HARRISON.

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By communication dated March 28, 1961, Riviera Hotel Registration Card Number 192650, which contained the handwriting of unknown subject, also known as J. W. HARRISON was submitted to the FBI Laboratory to be compated with the handwriting on the registration card from the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, which beats the name of J. A. ROLLINS.

By communication dated March 22, 1961, the Miami Division submitted registration card from the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, which contained the name J. A. ROLLINS, 1125 - 19th Street, Northwest, Washington, D.C.

By communication dated March 28, 1961, the Los Angeles Division advised that efforts to locate ROBERT MAHEU in Beverly Hills, California for interview, was unsuccessful in that MAHEU had left the Los Angeles area.

By communication dated March 29, 1961, the Miami Division advised that BALLETTI was reinterviewed on March 29, 1961, and denied any knowledge of equipment confiscated at the time of his arrest except the minifon recorder, 35 m.m. camera, and Minox camera, which he claimed he carried to Las Vegas.

BALLETTI again claimed he had no knowledge of unknown subject, also known as J. W. HARRISON's true identity.

By communication dated March 30, 1961, the Los Angeles Division advised that information was developed that ROBERT MAHEU was in Tucson, Arizona and could be reached at telephone number EAst 5-2294.

Intensive investigation was conducted in the Las Vegas area to locate T. W. RICHARDSON. [redacted] advised on April 6, 1961 that T. W. RICHARDSON is now associated with the Riverside Hotel in Reno, Nevada and could be located there at any time.

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TITLE OF CASE

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
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REPORT MADE BY [redacted] b7C — TYPED BY: lsm

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REFERENCES { Report of SA [redacted] dated 2/14/61 at Miami.
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Los Angeles airtel tp Phoenix dated 3/30/61.
Los Angeles airtel to Washington Field dated 3/28/61.
Las Vegas airtel to Los Angeles dated 3/17/61.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Copies of this report are being furnished Chicago, Miami, and Washington Field offices for information inasmuch as they have outstanding investigation in this matter.

With reference to the telephone toll calls charged to J.A. ROLLINS at the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, in October, 1960, as set out in referenced report of SA [redacted] b7C [redacted] it is noted that two of the calls were to telephone

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number WH 3-1155 in Chicago, which is the telephone number of [redacted] one of the calls was to the telephone number of [redacted] California, and one was to the Desert Inn Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Both [redacted] are close friends of JOHN ROSELLI, aka, who is currently under investigation by the Los Angeles Office as a top hoodlum in the case entitled, "JOHN ROSELLI, aka AR". JOHN ROSELLI receives many telephone calls at the Desert Inn Hotel in Las Vegas. From the above facts, it would appear possible that ROLLINS was trying to contact JOHN ROSELLI in October, 1960. As set out in the attached report [redacted] Florida, during October, 1960. Neither [redacted] are acquainted with a JOHN A. ROLLINS. The [redacted] had no house guests at that time. The person calling the [redacted] telephone number could have asked for ROSELLI and as he was not at the [redacted] residence then the person answering the telephone at the [redacted] residence might not have been advised that the call was from Florida.

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ROSELLI left Los Angeles for Las Vegas, Nevada on September 15, 1960, via Western Airlines and is not known to have been in Los Angeles again until November 14, 1960. On [redacted] Las Vegas, Nevada, furnished information that he had not observed ROSELLI in or around the Diplomat Apartments for the past two or three weeks. His telephone at the Diplomat Apartments was disconnected on 10/20/60 for non payment of the bill. It has since been reinstalled.

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b7C [redacted] The request to interview DON ROWAN, [redacted] Los Angeles, California, to determine specifically if SAM GIANCANA had any connection with the wire tapping case

is set out in Chicago airtel to Las Vegas dated 3/16/61 in the case entitled "SAMUEL M. GIANCANA, aka, AR".

WFO airtel to Chicago dated 3/22/61 contains a request to interview ROBERT MAHEU who reportedly was to be at 1510 Gilcrest Drive, Beverly Hills, California, for a week commencing about March 22, 1961. On 3/28/61, b7C [redacted] an associate of ROBERT MAHEU, 1510 Gilcrest Drive, Beverly Hills, California, advised that MAHEU had left the Los Angeles area on a trip to the East Coast and would probably be in touch with his office in Washington, D.C. Referenced airtel was sent to the Washington Field Office on 3/28/61 requesting them to locate MAHEU for interview.

On March 30, 1961 [redacted] telephonically advised SA [redacted] b7C that as of that date, MAHEU was in Tucson, Arizona, and could be reached at telephone number East 5-2294.

Referenced airtel dated 3/30/61 was sent to Phoenix. The Phoenix Office was furnished with a a summary of information in this case and requested to conduct an interview of MAHEU.

The current telephone directories for the Los Angeles area reflect that the law firm of Cantillon and Cantillon, 9441 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California, have two telephone numbers, namely, CR 6-6885 and BR 2-4386. In addition, the residence telephone number of JAMES CANTILLON at 814 Camden Drive, Beverly Hills, California, is CRestview 5-5878. A request has been made by the Los Angeles Office of the Pacific Telephone Company to obtain the toll calls charged to the above three numbers in October, 1960, to determine whether or not any calls were made to Washington, D.C.

It has been previously reported in this investigation that on 10/25/60 the hotel room of ROBERT MAHEU, Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, was charged with a telephone toll call to telephone number [redacted] in Los Angeles, and that b7C this number was an unpublished number listed to [redacted]

[redacted] California.

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As of April 7, 1961 [redacted] had not contacted the Los Angeles Office.

[redacted] further stated that for about 1½ to 2 years prior to selling the residence at [redacted] in November, 1960, it had been rented to a [redacted] who was a uniformed officer of the Los Angeles Police Department.

[redacted] stated that they have no telephone at [redacted]

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On 4/5/61 SE [redacted] ascertained that the records of the Retail Merchants Credit Association contained no record identifiable with [redacted]

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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: (1) Will report the results of a review of telephone toll calls charged to the law offices of Cantillon and Cantillon and to the residence of JAMES CANTILLON, to determine if any calls were made to Washington, D.C. during October, 1960.

(2) Upon receipt from the General Telephone Company of the identity of the subscriber to telephone number [redacted] will conduct investigation to identify this individual and consider interviewing him concerning instant case.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1-USA, Las Vegas

Report of: b7C [redacted] ism — Office: Los Angeles, California
Date: 4/12/61

Field Office File #: 139-77 — Bureau File #: 139-1201

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OR USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis:

ROBERT MAHEU reported to be in Tucson, Arizona, during first part of April, 1960. Attorneys JAMES J. ARDITTO, Los Angeles, California, and GREGSON BAUTZER, Beverly Hills, California, to whom telephone toll calls were charged to MAHEU's hotel room at Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, in October, 1960, stated they were acquainted with MAHEU but both deny any participation in or knowledge of a wire tap on DON ROWAN's telephone. DON ROWAN on reinterview stated that he has never met SAMUEL GIANCANA and never knew of him until an officer of Clark County Sheriff's Office mentioned the name to him in latter part of October, 1960; that he has no information that GIANCANA is connected with instant wire tap, and that PHYLLIS MC GUIRE, who ROWAN plans to marry, knew of no suspects in this case. b7C [redacted] was in New York City during October, 1960, and neither he nor his wife could furnish any information concerning a long distance telephone call from Florida during latter part of October, 1960.

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DETAILS:

ROBERT MAHEU
1510 Gilcrest Drive
Beverly Hills, California

On March 28, 1961, [redacted] an associate of ROBERT MAHEU, 1510 Gilcrest Drive, Beverly Hills, California, telephone number CR 1-8770, advised that MAHEU left the Los Angeles area on a trip to the East Coast and that he does not know MAHEU's itinerary, but MAHEU would undoubtedly be in contact with his office in Washington, D.C.

On March 30, 1961, [redacted] telephonically furnished information that he had learned that MAHEU was then residing in Tucson, Arizona, and could be reached through telephone number East 5-2294. The Phoenix Office was advised of the latter information on March 30, 1961, and requested to interview MAHEU at Tucson, Arizona.

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JAMES J. ARDITTO
Attorney at Law
727 West 7th Street
Los Angeles, California

Information has been previously reported in this investigation that on October 22 and 28, 1960, the room rented by ROBERT MAHEU at the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, was charged with a telephone toll call to telephone number [redacted] which was listed to JAMES J. ARDITTO, [redacted] Senda Lane, Flintridge, California.

The current telephone directories for Los Angeles show that JAMES J. ARDITTO maintains a law office at [redacted] Street, Los Angeles, California, and has telephone number [redacted] It is noted that a telephone toll call was charged to MAHEU's room at the Kenilworth Hotel on October 21, 1960, to telephone number [redacted]

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The above information was furnished on a confidential basis and should not be discussed without a subpoena duces tecum to [redacted] attention [redacted] Special Agent in Charge, Los Angeles, California.

On 3/29/61 at Los Angeles, California File # Los Angeles 139-77

by SE [redacted] ism b7C Date dictated 4/4/61

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On April 3, 1961, JAMES J. ARDITTO was interviewed by SA's [redacted] and [redacted] ARDITTO said that he had nothing to do with any type of investigation conducted in Las Vegas in October, 1960, and did not, at that time nor at any other time, have any connection with a case involving the placing of a telephone tap.

ARDITTO said that he is acquainted with ROBERT MAHEU. He said that he, ARDITTO, has done work for HOWARD HUGHES and various firms connected with HOWARD HUGHES and became acquainted with MAHEU through this work, inasmuch as MAHEU conducts investigations for HOWARD HUGHES.

ARDITTO recalled that he last saw MAHEU on December 23, 1960, at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel in Beverly Hills, at which time MAHEU was accompanied by GREG BAUTZER. Prior to that, he saw MAHEU in about the middle of October, 1960, or about three weeks prior to the national election in Los Angeles. Both of these meetings were in connection with business interests of HOWARD HUGHES and in no way concerned an investigation in Las Vegas, Nevada. ARDITTO said he has no knowledge of any investigation conducted in Las Vegas, Nevada in October, 1960, by either EDWARD DU BOIS or ROBERT MAHEU.

ARDITTO said he stopped working for the Howard Hughes Organization on December 24, 1960, when he filed a suit on his own behalf against HUGHES.

ARDITTO said that he does not know and has never heard of SAMUEL GIANCANA. ARDITTO said that GREG BAUTZER currently does law work for HOWARD HUGHES.

GREGSON BAUTZER
190 North Canon Drive
Beverly Hills, California

Information has been set out previously in this investigation that on October 12,24,28, 1960, the room rented by ROBERT MAHEU at the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, was charged with telephone toll calls to telephone number

CR 5-5121, which is listed to the law firm of Bautzer and Grant, 190 North Canon Drive, Beverly Hills, California.

b7C On April 4, 1961, GREGSON BAUTZER was interviewed at his office by SA [redacted] and [redacted] and stated that he is well acquainted with ROBERT MAHEU. He said he is aware of the fact that MAHEU spends some time in Florida, but it is not in connection with anything in which BAUTZER is also interested and he added that he does not know the nature of MAHEU's work in Florida.

BAUTZER said that he has no client who requested an investigation be conducted in Las Vegas in October, 1960; that no other person requested him to make arrangements for such an investigation; that he has no knowledge of the fact that a wire tap had been placed on the telephone of DAN ROWAN in Las Vegas, Nevada, and that he is not acquainted with SAM GIANCANA.

BAUTZER stated that he is an acquaintance of DAN ROWAN.

The current telephone directory for Beverly Hills reflects that the law firm of Bautzer and Grant also has telephone number BR 2-6535.

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It is noted that information has been previously reported in this investigation that during the month of October, from the period of October 11 to 29, 1960, the hotel room of ROBERT MAHEU at the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, was charged on nearly a daily basis for calls made to telephone number JE 3-7277, Washington, D.C.

b7C DAN ROWAN [redacted]
Los Angeles, California

On March 30, 1961, Mr. RALPH PLANT, Braunstein, Chernin and Plant, 449 South Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, California, advised that this firm is the agent for DAN ROWAN and that ROWAN was then in Montreal, Canada, but was scheduled to return to Beverly Hills in the near future and that he would have ROWAN contact the Los Angeles Office upon his return.

On April 5, 1961, DAN ROWAN telephonically contacted b7C SA [redacted] at which time he advised that he did not believe he had any information of pertinence to add to this investigation and that due to a heavy schedule, he did not see how he could arrange for a personal interview.

He advised that he first heard of SAM GIANCANA from b7C a [redacted] of the Clark County Sheriff's Office in Las Vegas, Nevada, in the latter part of October, 1960, after the wire tap had been found in his room. He said that he has never met GIANCANA.

He has discussed SAM GIANCANA on one or two occasions with PHYLLIS MC GUIRE, who he stated he plans to marry. He said she was hesitant to discuss GIANCANA and stated that her relationship with GIANCANA took place long ago, no longer existed, and she saw no reason to discuss it. She said that GIANCANA still sends her gifts and flowers, but that this is entirely GIANCANA's idea and she has nothing to do with him. ROWAN said that PHYLLIS MC GUIRE could name no one who she suspected of having installed the wire tap.

ROWAN said that he has no information concerning GIANCANA indicating that GIANCANA has any connection with the wire tap.

He related that a Las Vegas newspaper carried an article concerning this matter, and his former wife, PHYLLIS ROWAN, [redacted] North Hollywood, California, telephone [redacted] called him in Las Vegas and said she had read about the finding of the wire tap and wanted to know about the matter. He said on this occasion he jokingly told his ex-wife that someone had suggested that she might have had the wire tap placed. to which she replied, "I couldn't care less what you do". b7C

ROWAN said that he does not believe his wife had anything to do with the wire tap; [redacted] b7C b7C

ROWAN stated that should he obtain any information in the future which would have a bearing on this case, he would advise the FBI.

b7C [redacted] California

Telephone [redacted]

It has previously been reported in this investigation that on October 27, 1960, Room Number 701, Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, which was rented by a J.A. ROLLINS, b7C was charged with a toll call to telephone number [redacted] Los Angeles, California, and that this telephone number is b7C listed to [redacted] California.

On March 29, 1961 [redacted] was interviewed b7C at his residence by SA's [redacted] and [redacted]

He said he is not acquainted with a JOHN A. ROLLINS, that he knows of ROBERT MAHEU but does not know him personally, and that he does not recall any telephone call received from Florida during October, 1960. He then recalled that all during the month of October, 1960, he was in New York City

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b7C [redacted] stated that she has no recollection of having received a long distance telephone call from Florida during October, 1960, that she is not acquainted with JOHN A. ROLLINS, and to the best of her recollection she had no house guest during October, 1960.

b7C [redacted] advised that he has never requested either ROBERT MAHEU or EDWARD DU BOIS to conduct any investigation in Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Re Washington Field Office airtel, dated 4/20/61.

Bureau is requested to advise Las Vegas and interested offices result of contact with CIA in this matter, if such contact is made.

In view of inference made by ROBERT MAHEU relative to possibility that instant investigation may have jeopardized work he was doing, Las Vegas is uncertain as to whether to press investigation pending advice as to whether investigation might interfere with a CIA matter.

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OO: Las Vegas

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The Bureau is contacting CIA regarding this matter and you will be advised as to any information developed.

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TITLE OF CASE

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
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Report made by [redacted] b7C

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REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] b7C ated 4/11/61 at Las Vegas.

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Bureau has instructed all offices to expedite investigation in this matter.

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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA. During re-interview of EDWARD DU BOIS and BALLETTI, it should be noted that T. W. RICHARDSON Reno, Nevada, denied knowing BALLETTI and denied paying BALLETTI money as claimed.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Report of: [redacted]/hsl Office: Las Vegas, Nevada
Date: 5/22/61

Field Office File No.: 139-1 Bureau File No.: 139-1201

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
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Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE
OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis:

FBI Laboratory advised handwriting of unknown subject, also known as J. W. HARRISON not comparable with handwriting of J. ROLLINS. T. W. RICHARDSON denies knowing BALLETTI and denies paying any money to anyone. Local charges of BALLETTI dismissed at Las Vegas.

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DETAILS:

By communication dated April 11, 1961, the FBI Laboratory advised that the handwriting on the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Registration Card bearing the hand printed name of J. A. ROLLINS was not comparable with the handwriting on the Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada Registration Card bearing the signature of J. W. HARRISON.

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AT RENO, NEVADA

On May 5, 1961, [redacted] made available to SA [redacted] concerning TWYMAN WARNER RICHARDSON.

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Four photographs of RICHARDSON were obtained. On May 5, 1961, SAs [redacted] and [redacted] attempted to locate RICHARDSON at the Riverside Hotel; [redacted] advised that RICHARDSON was on a trip to Los Angeles and Las Las Vegas.

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On May 11, 1961, [redacted] Nevada, advised SA [redacted] that a preliminary check failed to indicate that RICHARDSON is a stockholder in the Riverside Hotel.

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T. W. RICHARDSON was interviewed at the Riverside Hotel, which he said is his residence and where he said he can be located at any time.

He was informed that he did not have to make a statement, that he had a right to an attorney, and that any statement he did nmake could be used against him in court.

He denied knowing ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI. He said he recalls from newspaper publicity at the time of the incident, the allegations that the telephone of DAN ROWAN was subject to surveillance. He denied having had any connection with the incident, and denied having paid any money to anyone in connection with the incident.

He was informed that the United States Attorney's Office might at a later date bring this matter before a Federal Grand Jury, and that if so he would be subject to subpeona. He said he had no objections to so appearing as he had nothing to hide.

He also advised that if he were placed in a group of men that he doubts that BALLETTI would be able to identify him unless he may have seen him in Las Vegas and know who RICHARDSON is just from common knowledge. He reiterated that he does not know BALLETTI or who BALLETTI is.

On 5/11/61 at Reno, Nevada File # Las Vegas 139-1

by SA'S [redacted] and [redacted] dictated 5/11/61

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b7C [redacted] Records Bureau, Clark County Sheriff's Office, advised on May 15, 1961, records of that office reflect that the charges of ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI unauthorized intervention of privacy and operating as a private detective without a license, were dismissed on April 24, 1961, inasmuch as the complaining witness did not desire to prosecute.

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Date: 4/20/61

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (139-1201)

FROM: SAC, WFO (139-61)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; et al.
UPUC
(OO: LV)

ReLVairtel to Director dated 3/21/61, captioned "SAMUEL N. GIANCANA, aka, AR," OO:CG. LAairtel to PX dated 3/30/61, interoffice. PXairtel to LV dated 4/11/61, interoffice.

Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting an interview with ROBERT MAHEU by SA [redacted] on 4/18/61. Enclosed for CG, LA, and MM is one copy each of this memorandum. Enclosed for LV are three copies of this memorandum, one of which is designated for the USA Reno.

MAHEU did not say that he was working with CIA but from his statements this insinuation was made. MAHEU stated that the facts could be verified by contacting Colonel SHEFFIELD EDWARDS, Director of Security, CIA, and that an analysis of his telephone calls, which he indicates had been checked by the FBI, could be ascertained that he had made numerous calls to EXecutive 3-6115 (telephone number for CIA). MAHEU stated that he was quite disturbed by instant investigation indicating that it could possibly have jeopardized the work that

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he was doing. MAHEU volunteered very little information and was reluctant to furnish any detail concerning his activities.

The Bureau may desire, through contact with CIA, to ascertain MAHEU's activities with that organization and if possible, to secure further information regarding instant violation.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

April 20, 1961

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
ALSO KNOWN AS J. W. HARRISON
UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

On April 18, 1961, Robert Maheu, Maheu and King Associates, Incorporated, 1125 19th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., advised a Special Agent of the FBI that with the recent invasion of Cuba by anti-Castro forces, he is now in a position to furnish further information regarding the situation involving the subjects at Las Vegas, Nevada.

Mr. Maheu insinuated that for a considerable period of time he has been working with the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). In connection with this work, he has spent considerable time in Miami, Florida, area and has traveled extensively throughout the United States. He stated that this work could be verified by "Shef Edwards". (Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, CIA).

Maheu stated that in connection with instant investigation, information was received that there was a possible leak of information on the part of an individual in the Chicago area. Mr. Maheu advised that he did not know the full name of this person and when asked if it were Samuel N. Giancana, he stated that he did not know the last name of the individual but described him as being a person who is very much in love with Phyllis McGuire of the McGuire Sisters Trio. He stated that since it was not possible to make direct contact with this individual, it was ascertained that Phyllis McGuire was very close to him and that she was one of the few people in whom he would confide. It was also determined that Miss McGuire was a close personal friend of Dan Rowan, who, during October, 1960, was working in Las Vegas, Nevada. Mr. Maheu stated that when it was ascertained that Phyllis McGuire was going to visit with

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Rowan in Las Vegas, coverage of the meetings of these individuals should be made. He stated that investigators, one of which he later ascertained to be Balletti, were sent to Las Vegas with instructions that a technical surveillance of conversations within the hotel room of Rowan be ascertained. He stated that this coverage was intended to only be through microphones concealed in Rowan's room and not the monitoring of Rowan's telephone calls. He stated that there was no intention of violating the law but that apparently the investigators went further than they had been instructed. Mr. Maheu stated that it was through the stupidity of the operators that they were detected.

Mr. Maheu stated that he knows Balletti but does not know the identity of the other individual who is assigned to work with Balletti. Mr. Maheu indicated that he did not desire to furnish further details regarding this matter, stating that he was not familiar with all of the details. He indicated that he did not feel that he was in a position even at this time to furuish further information regarding his activities in this situation.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Parsons

DATE: 4/25/61

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.
UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION
OR USE OF COMMUNICATIONS
(UPUC)

At the Department's request, we are conducting investigation into wire tapping activities by Arthur James Balletti who was arrested by the Clark County Sheriff's Office, Las Vegas, Nevada, on local wire tapping charge. Balletti and one J. W. Harrison allegedly tapped the phone of Dan Rowan of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin. Rowan allegedly is romantically interested in Phyllis McGuire of the McGuire sisters trio, as is Sam Giancana, Chicago top hoodlum. Investigation thus far does not directly involve Giancana in this wire tapping activity.

The attached letterhead memorandum, a copy of which has been furnished to the Criminal Division in connection with the UPUC investigation contains information provided by Robert Maheu, Maheu and King Associates, Inc., Washington, D. C. Maheu is a former Bureau Special Agent. Maheu, when interviewed in connection with this case, 4/18/61, furnished information indicating he sent Balletti to Las Vegas to technically surveil conversations between Dan Rowan and Phyllis McGuire. Maheu said it was not his intention that the law would be violated and monitoring of Rowan's telephone calls was not intended. Telephone was tapped, however.

Maheu insinuated he has, for a considerable time, been working with the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in connection with the recent invasion of Cuba by anti-Castro forces. He said he has been traveling extensively throughout the United States particularly in Miami, Florida, area. Maheu advised he was quite disturbed by our UPUC investigation because it could possibly have jeopardized the work he has been doing. It is immaterial how disturbed he gets. He is no good.

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It is noted Maheu insinuates he has been operational in the United States for CIA and there may be a tie-in between this case and his anti-Castro work for CIA.

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Enclosure
1 - Mr. Belmont

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RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that this memorandum be forwarded to the Domestic Intelligence Division for its information and for any action it may wish to take. It appears CIA should be contacted regarding Maheu's activities on behalf of CIA in connection with the anti-Castro movement. At the same time, it should be determined whether Maheu's activities on behalf of CIA (if true) legitimately did include instant technical surveillance.

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To: SACs, Las Vegas (139-1)
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Miami (139-63)
Washington Field (139-61)

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From: Director, FBI (139-1201)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.
UPUC
OO: Las Vegas

ReWFOairtel and letterhead memorandum 4/20/61.

The information furnished by Maheu relative to his activities on behalf of CIA in this matter was discussed with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, CIA.

Edwards advised that in connection with CIA's operation against Castro that he personally contacted Maheu during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Maheu as a "cut-out" in contacts with Sam Giancana (under investigation as a top hoodlum). Edwards said that since the underworld controlled gambling activities in Cuba under the Batista government, it was assumed that this element would still continue to have sources and contacts in Cuba which perhaps could be utilized successfully in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against the Castro government. As a result, Maheu's services were solicited as a "cut-out" because of his possible entree into underworld circles. Maheu obtained Sam Giancana's assistance in this regard and according to Edwards, Giancana gave every indication of cooperating through Maheu in attempting to accomplish several clandestine efforts in Cuba. Edwards added that none of Giancana's efforts have materialized to date and that several of the plans still are working and may eventually "pay off."

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Edwards related that he had no direct contact with Giancana; that Giancana's activities were completely "back stopped" by Maheu; that Maheu would frequently report Giancana's action and information to Edwards; however, no details or methods used by Maheu or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were ever reported to Edwards. Edwards said that since this is "dirty business" he could not afford to be knowledgeable of Maheu and Giancana's actions in pursuit of any mission for CIA. Edwards added that he has neither given Maheu any instruction to use technical installations of any type nor has the subject of technical installations ever come up between Edwards and Maheu in connection with Giancana's activity. Edwards related that Maheu did come to him concerning the arrest in Las Vegas of Balletti for "wire tapping"; that Maheu cautioned Edwards that the Balletti arrest can cause CIA some embarrassment since Balletti was in Las Vegas attempting to obtain coverage on some "Hollywood people" in connection with Giancana's efforts for CIA. Edwards said that he did not know the facts of the Balletti case; that Maheu claims "Balletti went too far" in his efforts to obtain information. Edwards added that he was unaware of any reason for Maheu or Giancana's activity in Las Vegas; that Giancana's activity in furtherance of the anti-Castro activity was left completely in Maheu's hands.

Edwards advised that only Mr. Bissell (Deputy Director of Plans, CIA) and two others in CIA were aware of the Giancana-Maheu activity in behalf of CIA's program; that Allen Dulles was completely unaware of Edwards' contact with Maheu in this connection. He added that Mr. Bissell, during his recent briefings of General Taylor and the Attorney General in connection with their inquiries into CIA relating to the Cuban situation, that Mr. Bissell told the Attorney General that some of CIA's associated planning included the use of Giancana and the underworld against Castro.

From the above information obtained from CIA, it is difficult to determine any need for Maheu to require any coverage (including technical coverage) on Dan Rowan in connection with Giancana's reported efforts on behalf of CIA. It appears possible that Rowan was being covered by Maheu and his employees on behalf of Giancana relative to the reported conflict between Giancana and Rowan for the affections of Phyllis McGuire.

Airtel to SACs, LV, CG, LA, MM and WFO
Re: Arthur James Balletti, etal.

Every effort must be expended in order to ascertain the involvement of Maheu, Balletti and Giancana in this violation of the UPUC statute. In conducting interviews in this matter, the information from Colonel Edwards should be discreetly handled and his identity appropriately protected.

The Washington Field Office should reinterview Maheu and Fitzpatrick to further determine their roles in this matter.

In view of the information set forth above, the Chicago Office should penetratively interview Giancana to determine his connection with Maheu and if he requested the full coverage of Rowan including wire tapping of his phones.

The Miami Office should reinterview DuBois and Balletti for any knowledge of Giancana's part in this activity and for any further information which will resolve this matter.

Any investigation outstanding in Las Vegas should be completed and promptly reported.

This matter must be given top priority and sufficient personnel assigned to resolve this matter promptly in order to determine the involvement of Giancana, Balletti and Maheu. This case should be closely followed by the office of origin and reports submitted promptly to the Bureau and interested offices.

NOTE:

Case involves wire tap placed on phone of Dan Rowan of comedy team of Rowan and Martin. Rowan reportedly engaged to Phyllis McGuire of McGuire Sisters trio who is also reportedly a girl friend of Sam Giancana, under investigation by the Chicago Office as a top hoodlum. Maheu claims coverage of Rowan (although not to include telephone tap) put on in behalf of CIA's efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba through the hoodlum element which has had interests there. Memo being prepared to Department advising of information received from Col. Edwards, CIA.

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Date: 5/23/61

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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (139-1201)
SAC, LAS VEGAS (139-1)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (139-105

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, ET AL
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Rebuairtel to Las Vegas, 5/12/61.

Efforts were made to make contact with SAM GIANCANA at all of his known hangouts, residence, and with associates on 5/16-19/61, with negative results.

ANTHONY V. CHAMPAGNE, Attorney, 1 North La Salle, Chicago, telephonically advised SA [redacted], on 5/19/61 that "his client" (GIANCANA) had contacted him and advised him to relay a message to SA [redacted] to the effect that he did not desire to be interviewed on any matter. CHAMPAGNE said that inasmuch as he was merely relaying the desires of his client, he did not feel it to be in his purview to attempt to persuade GIANCANA to make himself available for an interview.

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Contact was made with [redacted] River Forest, Illinois, on 5/19/61, by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] at which time [redacted] advised that GIANCANA was "out of town" and refused to disclose his whereabouts. [redacted] is GIANCANA's close associate and bodyguard.

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[redacted] GIANCANA had left town shortly after learning that FBI agents were attempting to contact him.

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3 - Bureau
2 - Las Vegas
1 - Los Angeles (139-88) (Info)
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In connection with case entitled "SAMUEL M. GIANCANA, aka., AR", Chicago file 92-349, Bureau file 92-3171, further attempts will be made to affect an interview with GIANCANA on instant case.

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Date: 5/24/61

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Via AIRMAIL
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To: Director, FBI (139-1201)

From: SAC, Miami (139-63)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; ET AL
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(Las Vegas - OO)

Re Bureau airtel dated 5/12/61.

On 5/22/61, [redacted] again advised he never heard of SAM GIANCANA.

On 5/24/61, ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI advised he never heard of SAM GIANCANA.

Above by SA [redacted] 67C

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Parsons

DATE: May 4, 1961

FROM : A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.
UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION
OF USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Reference is made to Mr. Rosen's memorandum, April 25, last, on the captioned matter, referring to information furnished by Robert Maheu (former Bureau Agent) in which he indicated a possible tie-in with the anti-Castro activities of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). Since Maheu stated that "Shef Edwards" could verify his alleged anti-Castro activity, Liaison contacted Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, CIA, (unavailable until 5-3-61) regarding this matter.

Edwards advised that in connection with CIA's operation against Castro that he personally contacted Maheu during the fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Maheu as a "cut-out" in contacts with Sam Giancana (under investigation as a top hoodlum). Edwards said that since the underworld controlled gambling activities in Cuba under the Batista government, it was assumed that this element would still continue to have sources and contacts in Cuba which perhaps could be utilized successfully in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against the Castro Government. As a result, Maheu's services were solicited as a "cut-out" because of his possible entre into underworld circles. Maheu obtained Sam Giancana's assistance in this regard and according to Edwards, Giancana gave every indication of cooperating through Maheu in attempting to accomplish several clandestine efforts in Cuba. Edwards added that none of Giancana's efforts have materialized to date and that several of the plans still are working and may eventually "pay off."

Edwards related that he had no direct contact with Giancana; that Giancana's activities were completely "back stopped" by Maheu; that Maheu would frequently report Giancana's action and information to Edwards, however, no details or methods used by Maheu or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were ever reported to Edwards. Edwards said that since this is "dirty business" he could not afford to be knowledgeable of Maheu and Giancana's action in pursuit of any mission for CIA. Edwards

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1 - Mr. Parsons
1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. C. A. Evans
1 - Mr. McDonough
1 - Liaison; 1 - Mr. Kuhrtz

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OBSERVATIONS:

Although Edwards denies any knowledge of the use of technical equipment by Maheu in Maheu's activity with Giancana, it can be speculated that Maheu could have mentioned his possible use of technical equipment in this matter and Edwards just "closed his eyes" to such matters and pushed Maheu for results regardless of the means to obtain these results. Also from the facts available to the Bureau, it is difficult to determine a need for Maheu to require any coverage (including technical coverage) on Dan Rowan in connection with Giancana's efforts in behalf of CIA. On the other hand, it would appear more likely that Dan Rowan was being

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Re: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.
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covered by Maheu in connection with personal reasons for Giancana rather than any reason in behalf of CIA's program. This would appear particularly true in view of Giancana's ill-fated love affair with Phyllis McGuire of the McGuire sisters' trio, who is engaged to Rowan.

ACTION:

It is recommended that this memorandum be forwarded to the General Investigative Division for its information and for any further action in connection with the captioned investigation.

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The Attorney General CONFIDENTIAL May 22, 1961

Director, FBI 139-1201-43

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ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.
UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION
OR USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Deleted Copy Sent F. TAYLOR BRANCH
by Letter Dated 12/15/76
Per FOIPA Request HR

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This case involves an allegation that Arthur James Balletti and another unidentified individual placed a wire tap on the telephone of Dan Rowan, a member of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin, in October, 1960.

The Criminal Division was previously advised that Robert Maheu, after concealing his full connection with this matter, informed that coverage of Rowan was in furtherance of activities of Maheu on behalf of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) relative to anti-Castro activities. (C)

Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, CIA, furnished the information set forth in the attached memorandum regarding his utilization of Maheu in connection with anti-Castro activities. According to Colonel Edwards, Maheu contacted Sam Giancana in connection with this program. Reports of investigation of Giancana have been furnished to the Department in the case entitled "Samuel N. Giancana, Anti-Racketeering." (C)

Since the purpose for placing the wire tap on Rowan's telephone, which is the basis for this investigation of the violation of the Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute, has not been determined, the full investigation requested in this matter is continuing and copies of reports will be furnished to the Department upon receipt.

In view of the information regarding CIA's attempted utilization of the hoodlum element in connection with anti-Castro activities, CIA has requested that this information be handled on a "need-to-know" basis. (C)

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1 - Mr. Byron R. White
Deputy Attorney General (Enclosure)

1 - Assistant Attorney General
Herbert J. Miller, Jr. (Enclosure)

1 - Mr. Evans (Enc.)
1 - Mr. Belmont (Enc.)

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In accordance with arrangements made between Liaison and CIA, this information relative to anti-Castro activities on behalf of CIA by Maheu and Giancana should be limited to those in the Department on a "need-to-know" basis. Dissemination only being made to Department. This should be routed through Division 5 for its information.

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May 22, 1961

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.

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1 - Mr. Evans

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Colonel Edwards related that Maheu did come to him concerning the arrest in Las Vegas of Balletti for "wire tapping." Maheu cautioned Edwards that the Balletti arrest could cause CIA some embarrassment since Balletti was in Las Vegas attempting to obtain coverage on some "Hollywood people" in connection with Giancana's efforts for CIA. Edwards said that he did not know the facts of the Balletti case and Maheu claims "Balletti went too far" in his efforts to obtain information. Edwards added that he was unaware of any reason for this activity of Maheu or Giancana in Las Vegas and that Giancana's activity in furtherance of the anti-Castro activity was left completely in Maheu's hands.

Colonel Edwards advised that only Mr. Bissell (Deputy Director of Plans, CIA) and two others in CIA were aware of the Giancana - Maheu activity in behalf of CIA's program and that Allen Dulles was completely unaware of Edwards' contact with Maheu in this connection. He added that Mr. Bissell, during his recent briefings of General Taylor and the Attorney General in connection with their inquiries into CIA relating to the Cuban situation, told the Attorney General that some of CIA's associated planning included the use of Giancana and the underworld against Castro.

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To: Director, FBI (139-1201)

From: SAC, Miami (139-63)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; ET AL
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Rerep of SA [redacted] dated 5/22/61 at Las Vegas.

In view of information furnished by T. W. RICHARDSON, will reinterview ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI.

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WASHINGTON FIELD	LAS VEGAS	6/6/61	5/25/61

TITLE OF CASE

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
J. W. Harrison

Report made by [redacted] b7C

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SYNOPSIS:

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Copy to: USA, Reno, Nevada

Report of: [redacted] Office: Washington, D. C.
Date: 6/6/61

Field Office File No.: 139-61 Bureau File No.: 139-1201

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, also known as
J. W. Harrison

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis:

MAHEU advised, during Fall, 1960, at request of CIA, contacted SAM GIANCANA in Chicago for information regarding Cuban activities. While working with GIANCANA, it was believed that a leak of information had developed and it was decided to cover the activities of PHYLLIS MC GUIRE and DON ROWAN. Decision to install microphone coverage of ROWAN's room in Las Vegas made by MAHEU. MAHEU believes BALLETTI went too far in installing telephone coverage. MAHEU worked through DUBOIS for this coverage. DUBOIS supplied both men who worked on this installation. Pretext of Los Angeles attorney used as DUBOIS did not know of CIA's interests in this matter. MAHEU unable to identify unknown subject, aka HARRISON.

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Date 6/2/61

Washington, D. C.

ROBERT MAHEU, Maheu and King Associates Incorporated, 1125 19th Street, N.W., advised that during the latter part of 1960, he was contacted by Colonel SHEFFIELD EDWARDS, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). Colonel EDWARDS requested MAHEU to contact SAM GIANCANA in Chicago, Illinois, since gambling activities in Cuba, under the BATISTA government, were controlled by the underworld, it was believed that GIANCANA would still have sources and contacts in Cuba which could possibly be used in connection with CIA's activities against the CASTRO government.

MAHEU stated that the original contact with GIANCANA was made by "JOHNNY," who MAHEU declined to further identify. MAHEU stated that he talked with GIANCANA on several occasions but was never sure of his true name. MAHEU advised that while working with GIANCANA, information was received that his interests in the Cuban situation was being disclosed by GIANCANA to other individuals.

MAHEU stated that it was ascertained that GIANCANA was very much in love with PHYLLIS MC GUIRE of the McGuire Sisters Trio, and had, in fact, asked Miss McGUIRE to marry him. It was his understanding that Miss MC GUIRE had rejected GIANCANA's offer but was still considered a close, personal friend of GIANCANA. It was believed that if GIANCANA had talked of MAHEU's interests in the Cuban situation that he might possibly have mentioned it to PHYLLIS MC GUIRE. MAHEU also stated that it has been ascertained that PHYLLIS MC GUIRE was a close, personal friend of DAN ROWAN of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin. It was learned that during October, 1960, ROWAN was working in Las Vegas, Nevada, and that PHYLLIS MC GUIRE was going to visit ROWAN in Las Vegas.

MAHEU stated that he decided to have microphone coverage installed in ROWAN's room in Las Vegas. MAHEU stated that he had made this decision himself recognizing the risk involved in setting up this coverage. He stated that he was extremely careful as he did not want to involve CIA.

MAHEU stated that in order to secure coverage of ROWAN and Miss MC GUIRE, he instructed WALTER FITZPATRICK, an associate of MAHEU, to contact EDWARD DUBOIS, Investigations

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On 5/25/61 at Washington, D. C. File # WFO 139-61

by b7C SAs [redacted] and CWB:shs/lbh Date dictated 6/1/61

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Incorporated, Miami, Florida, to arrange to have DUBOIS send two men to Las Vegas to install and operate microphone coverage of ROWAN. MAHEU stated that he could not recall the exact instructions that he had given but it was his intentions to have only microphone coverage maintained in ROWAN's room. He felt that BALLETTI and the unknown subject went too far in installing telephone coverage of ROWAN.

MAHEU advised that DUBOIS did not know of CIA's interests in this matter and in requesting DUBOIS to handle this assignment, he had used a pretext indicating to DUBOIS that a Los Angeles, California, attorney had made the original request for coverage of ROWAN. MAHEU stated that he was in touch with DUBOIS on several occasions but denied that he had called DUBOIS, instructing DUBOIS to send only one man to Las Vegas and that he, MAHEU, would supply the second man. MAHEU stated that he did not know BALLETTI prior to this incident but did talk with BALLETTI on the telephone after BALLETTI was arrested. He made arrangements for an attorney to defend BALLETTI but again declined to furnish the details of these arrangements.

b7C Subsequent to the interview with MAHEU, he telephonically contacted SA [redacted] on May 25, 1961, advising that he had sent word to SAM GIANCANA as to the extent of the investigation which had been conducted by MAHEU of GIANCANA. MAHEU stated that since GIANCANA would probably be interviewed regarding this matter, he felt that it would be less embarrassing to him, MAHEU, if GIANCANA knew of this situation.

MAHEU again stated that he alone had made the decision to install the technical surveillance of ROWAN, that he had considered the risk involved and that in setting it up, he was trying to eliminate the possibility of involvement of CIA.

MAHEU stated that in the event it were decided to recontact him regarding this matter, he could always be reached through his office in Washington, D. C., or his home in Falls Church, Virginia.

6/7/61

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To: SACs, Las Vegas (139-1)
Los Angeles (139-77)
Miami (139-63)
Washington Field (139-61)

From: Director, FBI (139-1201)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka., J. W. HARRISON
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OO: LAS VEGAS

ReBuairtel 5/12/61 which instructed that this matter must be afforded top priority.

You are instructed to advise by return airtel the date report submitted by each office and name of reporting Agent. Las Vegas will advise any other offices having outstanding leads to expedite submission. All investigation must be completed and reports submitted by 6/13/61. If there is any reason why this deadline cannot be met, the Bureau must be immediately advised by return airtel.

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ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB; aka J. W. Harrison
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(OO:LV)

[redacted] ReBuairtel dated 6/7/61, and report of SA [redacted] ated 6/6/61, at Washington, D.C.

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TO: Director, FBI (139-1201)

FROM: SAC, Miami (139-63)

RE: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
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ReBuairtel, 6/7/61.

b7C Report of SA [redacted] reflecting ~~requesting~~ re-interview of subject will be submitted 6/9/61.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (139-1201)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (139-77)

RE: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
J. W. Harrison
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OO: LAS VEGAS

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b7c Rerep of SA [redacted] dated 6/6/61 at Washington Field and report of SA [redacted] dated 4/12/61 at Los Angeles.

On the basis of the information developed to date in this investigation, it appears that there is a strong possibility that JOHN ROSELLI, aka John Rosselli, who is a National Top Hoodlum and the subject of a current investigation by the Los Angeles Office, may be involved in this case and may be the individual who registered at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida, in October, 1960, as J. A. ROLLINS. The following information is set forth to support this possibility:

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1. J. A. ROLLINS was charged with telephone calls to [redacted], telephone number WH 3-1155, Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] is a very close friend and associate of ROSELLI.

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2. ROLLINS was charged with a call to [redacted] California. [redacted] telephone number [redacted] is also a close friend and associate of ROSELLI.

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3. ROLLINS was charged with a call to the Desert Inn Hotel, telephone number DU 2-6000, Las Vegas, Nevada. ROSELLI has received many telephone calls at the Desert Inn Hotel.

4. JAMES CANTILLON, Beverly Hills, California, attorney, was called by BALLETTI subsequent to his arrest. CANTILLON is ROSELLI's attorney and has been a business associate of ROSELLI. On 11/1/60, CANTILLON's law office was charged with a telephone call to BOB MAHEU, telephone number JE 3-9655, Washington, D.C. MAHEU has stated that he used as a cover for the Las Vegas investigation, a pretext that a Los Angeles attorney had requested the investigation. MAHEU has refused to identify the attorney. It is not known at the present time whether MAHEU actually had the attorney make the request or whether he, MAHEU, merely told EDWARD DU BOIS that an attorney had made the request. In any event, MAHEU probably would have contacted the attorney and received permission to use the attorney's name. JAMES CANTILLON has been interviewed and denied that he participated in this matter except to recommend a Las Vegas attorney to BALLETTI.

5. On interview on 5/25/61, MAHEU stated that the original contact with GIANCANA was made by "JOHNNY" who MAHEU declined to identify. ROSELLI is acquainted with a number of Chicago hoodlums and no doubt is acquainted with GIANCANA.

6. Recent check of toll telphone calls charged to ROSELLI reflects that on 4/29/61, he was charged with calls to the following numbers:

JE 3-9655 - Falls Church, Virginia (CANTILLON called BOB MAHEU at this number on 11/1/60)

SU 7-7200 - Chicago, Illinois

UN 4-2922 - Miami, Florida

The subscribers to the Chicago and Miami numbers are not known to the Los Angeles Office.

7. ROSELLI has had contact with R. W. RICHARDSON in the past.

Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau or the Las Vegas Office, it is suggested that the following investigation be conducted:

WASHINGTON FIELD

AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

Reinterview MAHEU and ask him if "JOHNNY", J.A. or JOHN A. ROLLINS is JOHN ROSELLI.

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

1. Ascertain the subscriber to telephone number UN 4-2922.

2. Exhibit photograph of JOHN ROSELLI to appropriate personnel at the Kenilworth Hotel to determine if they can identify ROSELLI as J. A. ROLLINS.

3. Submit the original registration card of J. A. ROLLINS to the FBI Laboratory, Document Section, so that the handwriting may be compared with ROSELLI's handwriting, which is on file at the Bureau in the ROSELLI case, Bufile 92-3267.

CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Ascertain the subscriber to telephone number SU 7-7200.

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Reporting Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period
MIAMI	LAS VEGAS	6/9/61	6/8/61

TITLE OF CASE

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
J. W. Harrison

Report made by [redacted] b7C

Typed By gfg

CHARACTER OF CASE

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Synopsis:

REFERENCES: Report SA[redacted] 5/22/61, Las Vegas.
Miami airtel to Bureau 5/26/61.
Bureau airtel 6/7/61.
Miami airtel to Bureau 6/8/61.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

On 6/8/61, ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI advised he did not desire to take a polygraph examination. He said that if the T. W. RICHARDSON whom he contacted at the New Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas, would submit to a polygraph, he might then consider doing likewise.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Copy to: 1 - U. S. Attorney, Reno, Nevada

Report of: [redacted] b7C Office: MIAMI, FLORIDA
Date: June 9, 1961

Field Office File No.: 139-63 Bureau File No.: 139-1201

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
J. W. Harrison

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis:

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI insists he received $1,000 fee from a T. W. RICHARDSON, New Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas, Nev., on 10/30 or 31/60. Denied knowing SAM GIANCANA.

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Date June 9, 1961

On June 8, 1961, efforts were made to contact ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI at his office, Investigators, Inc., Ainsley Building. BALLETTI subsequently on the same date telephonically contacted the Miami Office and advised that he has no further information to furnish regarding his activities in Las Vegas and has told the complete truth about the entire matter. He said he saw no point in further discussion of this affair. He reiterated that on either October 30 or 31, 1960, he had contacted an individual known to him as T. W. RICHARDSON at the New Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada. He said he had received $1,000 in cash from this person which he assumed was his fee for his work in Las Vegas. He said he did not tell this man his name and had only very brief contact with him. He said he knew nothing of this man ever being in Reno but presumed that he was well known at the New Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas. BALLETTI said he had never previously been in Las Vegas and was not acquainted with anyone in that city and did not simply dream up the name T. W. RICHARDSON. He said this name was given him by ROBERT MAHEU in a long distance telephone call. He advised he felt sure he would know RICHARDSON if he were to see him again.

BALLETTI said that he has never heard of SAM GIANCANA and the name means absolutely nothing to him.

On 6/8/61 at Miami, Florida File # Miami 139-63

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by SA [redacted]gfg Date dictated 6/9/61

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (139-1201

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (139-1)

RE: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB, aka
J. W. Harrison
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(OO: Las Vegas)

Re Buairtel, 6/7/61, Los Angeles airtel to Bureau dated 6/9/61.

The following reports have been submitted by Las Vegas in this matter:

Report of SA [redacted] dated 11/10/60 at Salt Lake City; report of SA [redacted] dated 12/30/60 at Salt Lake City; Report of SA [redacted] dated 2/8/61 at Salt Lake City; report of SA [redacted] dated 4/11/61 at Las Vegas; report of SA [redacted] dated 5/22/61 at Las Vegas.

It is noted that Chicago has also submitted report of SA [redacted] (A) dated 3/17/61 at Chicago.

Referenced Los Angeles airtel 6/9/61 sets forth suggested leads for Washington Field Office, Miami, and Chicago. In view of the fact that there does exist a possibility that JOHN ROSELLI, subject of case entitled JOHN ROSELLI, aka, A-R, Los Angeles, may be involved in this matter, it appears pertinent to Las Vegas that the suggested investigation by Los Angeles be carried out immediately; therefore, Washington Field, Miami, and Chicago handle and sureport immeddiately

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Miami has also been requested to reinterview subject BALLETTI relative to his claim that T. W. RICHARDSON paid him $1,000. while subject was in Las Vegas. It is noted T. W. RICHARDSON, when interviewed at Reno, Nevada, denied paying BALLETTI any money and denied even knowing BALLETTI.

UACB, upon receipt of results of investigation presently being conducted, this matter will be presented to the United States Attorney at Las Vegas in order that this matter may be brought to a logical conclusion.

6/14/61

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To: SACs, Los Angeles (139-77)
Las Vegas (139-1)
Miami (139-63)
Washington Field (139-61)
Chicago

From: Director, FBI (139-1201)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka J. W. Harrison
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OO: Las Vegas

ReLAairtel 6/9/61. Vigorously pursue leads set out in reairtel.

Los Angeles, furnish photo of Rosselli to Las Vegas in order that Las Vegas can display photo to personnel at the Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas, to ascertain if he is identical with J. W. Harrison. Las Vegas should forward hotel reservation card bearing signature of J. W. Harrison to Laboratory for comparison with signature of Rosselli.

In addition to other leads set out for Miami in Los Angeles airtel 6/9/61, display photo of Rosselli to Balletti to ascertain if identical with J. W. Harrison.

1 - Mr. Staffeld

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NOTE: Case involves wire tap placed on phone of Dan Rowan, member of comedy team of Rowan and Martin. Subject Balletti has stated that tap was placed by J. W. Harrison who was not further known to him. Robert Maheu, former BuAgent, stated he ordered coverage of Rowan on behalf of CIA's anti-Castro activities but did not order telephone tap. Present developments indicate Sam Giancana and possibly John Rosselli (both under investigation as top hoodlums in CG and LA, respectively) may be involved. All aspects of case being vigorously pursued to resolve matter.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : The Attorney General DATE: May 22, 1961

FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.
UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION
OR USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

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In view of the information regarding CIA's attempted utilization of the hoodlum element in connection with anti-Castro activities, CIA has requested that this information be handled on a "need-to-know" basis.

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1 - Mr. Byron R. White
Deputy Attorney General (Enclosure)

1 - Assistant Attorney General
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ENCLOSURE

The Attorney General May 22, 1961

Director, FBI

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

May 22, 1961

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.

On May 3, 1961, Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) furnished the following information.

Colonel Edwards advised that in connection with CIA's operation against Castro he personally contacted Robert Maheu during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Maheu as a "cut-out" in contacts with Sam Giancana, a known hoodlum in the Chicago area. Colonel Edwards said that since the underworld controlled gambling activities in Cuba under the Batista government, it was assumed that this element would still continue to have sources and contacts in Cuba which perhaps could be utilized successfully in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against the Castro government. As a result, Maheu's services were solicited as a "cut-out" because of his possible entree into underworld circles. Maheu obtained Sam Giancana's assistance in this regard and according to Edwards, Giancana gave every indication of cooperating through Maheu in attempting to accomplish several clandestine efforts in Cuba. Edwards added that none of Giancana's efforts have materialized to date and that several of the plans still are working and may eventually "pay off."

Colonel Edwards related that he had no direct contact with Giancana; that Giancana's activities were completely "back stopped" by Maheu and that Maheu would frequently report Giancana's action and information to Edwards. No details or methods used by Maheu or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were ever reported to Edwards. Colonel Edwards said that since this is "dirty business" he could not afford to have knowledge of the actions of Maheu and Giancana in pursuit of any mission for CIA. Colonel Edwards added that he has neither given Maheu any instruction to use technical installations of any type nor has the subject of technical installations ever come up between Edwards and Maheu in connection with Giancana's activity.

ENCLOSURE

Colonel Edwards related that Maheu did come to him concerning the arrest in Las Vegas of Balletti for "wire tapping." Maheu cautioned Edwards that the Balletti arrest could cause CIA some embarrassment since Balletti was in Las Vegas attempting to obtain coverage on some "Hollywood people" in connection with Giancana's efforts for CIA. Edwards said that he did not know the facts of the Balletti case and Maheu claims "Balletti went too far" in his efforts to obtain information. Edwards added that he was unaware of any reason for this activity of Maheu or Giancana in Las Vegas and that Giancana's activity in furtherance of the anti-Castro activity was left completely in Maheu's hands.

Colonel Edwards advised that only Mr. Bissell (Deputy Director of Plans, CIA) and two others in CIA were aware of the Giancana - Maheu activity in behalf of CIA's program and that Allen Dulles was completely unaware of Edwards' contact with Maheu in this connection. He added that Mr. Bissell, during his recent briefings of General Taylor and the Attorney General in connection with their inquiries into CIA relating to the Cuban situation, told the Attorney General that some of CIA's associated planning included the use of Giancana and the underworld against Castro.

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MEMORANDUM

June 3, 1961

Courtney Evans

I hope this will be followed up vigorously.

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66 JUN 20 1961

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 6/7/61

FROM : C. A. Evans

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al
UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION
OR USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

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The Attorney General has returned to the Bureau the original of the Director's memorandum of May 22, 1961, with the comment, "I hope this will be followed up vigorously."

As a matter of background, we are investigating an allegation that Balletti and another unidentified individual placed a wire tap on the telephone of Dan Rowan, a member of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin, in October, 1960. During this investigation we learned that Robert Maheu, a former Bureau agent, alleged that the coverage of Rowan was in furtherance of Maheu's activities in behalf of CIA.

We checked with CIA and ascertained that CIA had used Maheu as an intermediary in contacting Sam Giancana, the notorious Chicago hoodlum. This was in connection with anti-Castro activities. CIA, however, did not give any instructions to Maheu to use any technical installations. In connection with this information received from CIA concerning their attempted utilization of the hoodlum element, CIA requested this information be handled on a "need-to-know" basis.

ACTION BEING TAKEN:

We are conducting a full investigation in this wire tap case requested by the Department and the field has been instructed to press this investigation vigorously. Accordingly, the Attorney General will be orally assured that we are following up vigorously and the results of our investigation will be furnished to the Department promptly.

1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Conroy

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period
LAS VEGAS	LAS VEGAS	6/14/61	5/22/61

TITLE OF CASE	Report made by	Typed By
ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka J. W. Harrison	[redacted] b7C	nlw
	CHARACTER OF CASE: UPUC	

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REFERENCE:

Report of SA b7C [redacted] dated 5/22/61 at Las Vegas.

Chicago airtel to Bureau, dated 5/23/61.

Miami airtel to Bureau, dated 5/24/61.

Bureau airtel to Las Vegas, dated 6/9/61.

b7C Report of SA [redacted] dated 6/6/61 at Washington Field Office.

Los Angeles airtel to Bureau, dated 6/9/61.

Las Vegas airtel to Bureau, dated 6/12/61.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

As set forth in referenced Las Vegas airtel of 6/12/61, UACB, this matter will be discussed with USA, Las Vegas upon receipt of investigation set forth in Los Angeles

Approved [signature] Special Agent In Charge

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airtel of 6/9/61.

LEADS:

One copy of this report is being furnished each indicated office for information purposes in the event that additional investigation is requested in an effort to identify unknown subject, aka J. W. HARRISON.

FD-204 (Rev. 8-3-59)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Reno

Report of: [redacted] b7C
Date: 6/14/61

Office: Las Vegas, Nevada

Field Office File No.: 139-1

Bureau File No.: 139-1201

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka J. W. Harrison

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis: Efforts to locate SAM GIANCANA for interview unsuccessful. GIANCANA unknown to Subject BALLETTI or EDWARD L. DU BOIS.

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DETAILS:

By communication dated May 23, 1961, the Chicago Division advised that efforts to locate SAM GIANCANA for interview have been unsuccessful.

By communication dated May 24, 1961, the Miami Division advised that on May 22, 1961, EDWARD L. DU BOIS again advised he had never heard of SAM GIANCANA and that on May 24, Subject BALLETTI advised he had never heard of SAM GIANCANA.

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Date April 27, 1961

[redacted] California, advised that they resided at 10214 [redacted] California, for about two years prior to October [redacted] when they moved to their present residence on [redacted] that they rented the house on [redacted] from [redacted] that their telephone number at the [redacted] address was [redacted] and that they had this telephone disconnected when they left. Their current telephone number is [redacted] exhibited a rent receipt showing that they paid rent on their present residence beginning October 1, 1960.

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[redacted] stated that he is employed by [redacted] Los Angeles, California.

Neither [redacted] nor [redacted] had any recollection of receiving any long distance telephone calls from Florida during October, 1960 or at any other time. They both stated that they are not acquainted with anyone named ROBERT MAHEU.

[redacted] recalled that [redacted] has some relatives in Florida.

On 4/18/61 at Whittier, California File # Los Angeles 139-77

by SA [redacted] tgr b7C Date dictated 4/21/61

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Date April 20, 1961

The records of the [redacted] reflect the following information:

On November 1, 1960 a long distance telephone call was made from telephone number BR 2-4386, which is one of the telephone numbers of the law firm of Cantillon and Cantillon, 9441 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California, to BOB MAHEU, telephone number JE 3-9655, Washington, D. C.

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[redacted]

The above information was furnished on a confidential basis and should not be disclosed without the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum to the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, Attention: [redacted] Special Agent in Charge, [redacted] West Seventh Street, Los Angeles, California.

On 4/11/61 at Los Angeles, California File # Los Angeles 139-77

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by SE [redacted] tgr Date dictated 4/14/61

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Date April 20, 1961

The records [redacted] reflect the following information:

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The above information was furnished on a confidential basis [redacted]

On 4/12/61 at Santa Monica, California File # Los Angeles 139-77

by SE [redacted] b7C /tcr Date dictated 4/14/61

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Date: 6/16/61

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (139-1201)

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (139-1) 370177

RE: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka J. W. Harrison
UPUC
(OO: Las Vegas)

Re Bureau airtel dated 6/14/61 and Las Vegas letter to Bureau, attention FBI Laboratory, 3/28/61.

Referenced Las Vegas letter on 3/28/61, forwarded to the FBI Laboratory, Riveria Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, Registration Card No. 192650, bearing the handwriting of J. W. Harrison to Laboratory for comparison with handwriting on Kenilworth Hotel, Bal Harbour, Florida, Registration Card, bearing name of J. A. ROLLINS, which was submitted by Miami on 3/22/61.

The Laboratory is requested to compare handwriting of JOHN ROSELLI, available in Bureau file 92-3267, with the handwriting of above two described hotel registration cards.

Photograph of JOHN ROSELLI will be immediately exhibited at the Riveria Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada.

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1 - Miami (139-63)(Info)
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Laboratory Transmittal Form
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FBI LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Las Vegas (139-1)

Date: June 27, 1961

Re: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
Unsub, aka J. W. HARRISON
UPUC

John Edgar Hoover, Director

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REC-123

FBI File No. 139-1301-56
Lab. No. D-370177 HW

Examination requested by: Las Vegas

Reference: Airtel 6/16/61

Examination requested: Document

Remarks:

The available known handwriting and hand printing of JOHN ROSELLI are contained in photocopies of Selective Service documents which were forwarded by the Los Angeles Office March 28, 1958. The signatures on fingerprint cards of JOHN ROSELLI were not compared with the handwriting on Q1 and Q2 because the writings involved would not be comparable.

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1 - Los Angeles (139-77) Enclosure (Lab report)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Las Vegas

Date: June 27, 1961

FBI File No. 139-1201

Lab. No. D-370177 HW

Re: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
Unsub, aka J. W. HARRISON
UPUC

~~xxxxxxxxxxx~~ Request received 6/21/61

Request comparison of handwriting of JOHN ROSELLI with handwriting on submitted hotel registration cards

Result of examination:

The available known handwriting of JOHN ROSELLI is not sufficiently comparable with the handwriting and hand printing on the Riviera Hotel reservation card #192650, Q2, and the Kenilworth Hotel registration card #8009, Q1, to permit an adequte comparison. Consequently, it was not determined definitely whether ROSELLI did or did not prepare the written material on Q1 and Q2.

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Re: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
Unsub, aka J. W. HARRISON
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File # 139-1201-5k
Lab. # D-370177 HW

Examination requested by: Las Vegas (139-1) 6/16/61

Examination requested: Doc.

Date received: 6/21/61

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted] b7C

6-24-61

Specimens submitted for examination

comparison
Request/of hw of JOHN ROSELLI, Bufile 92-3267, with hw on submitted hotel registration cards

6-22-61

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To: SACs, Las Vegas (139-1)
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From: Director, FBI (139-1201)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB, aka J. W. Harrison
UPUC
OO: Las Vegas
BUDED: 6-29-61

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ON 3/9/81 22,330
CIA Info Declassed per John E. Bacon 8/27/80

ReCGairtel 5-23-61 and LVrep 6-14-61.

CG immediately advise of further efforts to interview Giancana relative to this case and if available and not already done, interview him and surep. Include in urrep efforts to locate and observations of his associates regarding Giancana's indicated evasive tactics in avoiding interview by FBI Agents as set forth in urairtel 5-23-61.

Complete Giancana phase and surep by 6-29-61.

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Offices having outstanding leads in Roselli phase, complete and sureps by 6-29-61.

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NOTE:

Case involves wire tap placed on phone of Dan Rowan, member of comedy team of Rowan and Martin. Subject Balletti has stated that tap was placed by J. W. Harrison who was not further known to him. Robert Maheu, former BuAgent, stated he ordered coverage of Rowan on behalf of CIA's anti-Castro activities but did not order telephone tap. Present developments indicate Sam Giancana and possibly John Rosselli (both under investigation as top hoodlums in CG and LA, respectively) may be involved. All aspects of case being vigorously pursued to resolve matter.

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Date: 6/28/61

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Mr. [illegible]
Mr. Sullivan
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Mr. Ingram
Miss Gandy

TO: DIRECTOR (139-1201) AND SAC, LOS ANGELES (139-77)

FROM: SAC, WFO (139-61)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, ET AL, UPUC, OO LAS VEGAS. RELAAIRTEL JUNE NINE LAST. EFFORTS TO LOCATE ROBERT MAHEU, WASH., DC, NEGATIVE. MAHEUS OFFICE ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT MAHEU WILL BE IN LOS ANGELES UNTIL LATTER PART OF WEEK AT GRANITE TWO DASH ONE TWO ONE ONE. LOS ANGELES HANDLE WFO LEAD REFERENCED AIRTEL. RUC.

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Report Form
FD-263 (5-12-55)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period
CHICAGO	LAS VEGAS	6/28/61	5/18-6/26/61

TITLE OF CASE	Report made by	Typed By:
ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; UNSUB, aka J. W. Harrison	[redacted] b7C	KMS

CHARACTER OF CASE

UPUC

Synopsis:

REFERENCES: Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau dated 6/9/61.
Report of SA [redacted] dated 6/14/61 at Las Vegas.
Bureau airtel to Las Vegas, Chicago, Los Angeles, Miami and WFO dated 6/22/61.

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LEADS

Information copies of this report are being furnished to each office indicated in view of extensive investigation being conducted therein.

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[redacted] advised SA [redacted]

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cc: AAG [illegible] Division

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he had been interviewed by SA [redacted] of the FBI and that the FBI was attempting to interview SAM GIANCANA. [redacted] as a result of this, GIANCANA immed[redacted] "made himself scarce" so that his movements in Chicago and out of Chicago are conducted on a surreptitious manner.

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FD-204 (Rev. 3-3-59)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Reno

Report of: SA [redacted] b7C Office: Chicago, Illinois
Date: June 28, 1961

Field Office File No.: 139-105 Bureau File No.: 139-1201

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
J. W. Harrison

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis: Efforts to locate GIANCANA unsuccessful to date. ANTHONY V. CHAMPAGNE, Attorney for GIANCANA, telephonically advised his client is not available for interview. Identification of telephone number SU 7-7200 set forth.

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DETAILS:

On May 18, 1961, Mrs. MARIE PERNO, 1147 South Wenonah Street, Oak Park, Illinois, advised SA [redacted] that she is the wife of JAMES PERNO and is the niece of ANGELINE GIANCANA, the late wife of SAM GIANCANA. Mrs. PERNO advised that she and her husband have been residing in the GIANCANA residence since the death of GIANCANA's wife in 1954.

She advised that SAM GIANCANA rarely comes to this residence and when he makes his appearances, they are very brief and unannounced. She stated that GIANCANA was not, at that time, in the Chicago area to her knowledge and was not aware of his whereabouts.

She was asked to contact GIANCANA and to advise him that SA [redacted] was desirous of interviewing him.

On May 19, 1961, ANTHONY V. CHAMPAGNE, Attorney, 1 North La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois, telephonically advised SA [redacted] that his client, SAM GIANCANA, had contacted him and advised him to relate a message to SA [redacted] to the effect that he, GIANCANA, did not desire to be interviewed on any matter. Mr. CHAMPAGNE said that he did not feel that it was within his purview to attempt to persuade GIANCANA to make himself available for an interview.

On [redacted] Illinois, was contacted by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] at which time [redacted] advised that GIANCANA was "out of town" and refused to disclose his whereabouts. [redacted] would neither confirm nor deny that he was closely associated with GIANCANA and that GIANCANA utilized him [redacted]

[redacted] was recontacted on May 31, 1961 by SAs [redacted] and [redacted], at which time he advised that he had contacted GIANCANA and advised him of the fact that the

Federal Bureau of Investigation was interested in interviewing him and said that GIANCANA had told him that he was not interested in being interviewed.

The records of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Chicago, Illinois, as checked on June 13, 1961, reveal that telephone number SU 7-7200 is listed to the Ambassador Hotels, Chicago, Illinois.

Report Form
FD-263 (5-12-55)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period
MIAMI	LAS VEGAS	6/26/61	6/14-20/61

TITLE OF CASE

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
J W. Harrison

Report made by [redacted] 67C

Typed By: :ush

CHARACTER OF CASE

UPUC

REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] 67C 6/9/61,
at Miami,
Los Angeles airtel to Bureau, 6/9/61,
Bureau airtel, 6/14/61,
Report of SA [redacted] 67C /14/61,
at Las Vegas.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Reno

Report of: [redacted] 107C
Date: June 26, 1961

Office: Miami, Florida

Field Office File No.: 139-63

Bureau File No.: 139-1201

Title:
ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka,
J. W. Harrison

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis:

EDWARD DUBOIS and subject BALLETTI, after viewing photo of JOHN ROSELLI, FBI #3339986, said they did not recognize him and they are sure that they have not been in contact with him in connection with their investigation at Las Vegas, Nevada. ROSELLI's photo exhibited to employees Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach; one employee said resembles person she recalls as J. A. ROLLINS, but she was unable to furnish a physical description of ROLLINS. Telephone number UN 4-2922, Miami Beach, Florida, issued to the apartment of a singer employed at the Carillon Hotel, Miami Beach, who gave Las Vegas as her permanent address.

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Date 6/23/61

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI was interviewed at the office of Investigators, Incorporated, Ainsley Building, Miami, Florida, He was exhibited a photograph of JOHN ROSELLI, FBI #3339986, and after studying this photo, said he could not recall ever seeing that man. He said he was positive that he had not seen that person in connection with investigation he conducted in Las Vegas, Nevada, during the Fall of 1960. He also advised that this person was not the person he knew of as J. W. HARRISON.

On 6/20/61 at Miami, Florida File # MI 139-63

b7C by Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted]ush Date dictated 6/21/61

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Date 6/23/61

Photograph of JOHN ROSELLI, FBI #3339986, was exhibited to EDWARD DUBOIS by ARTHUR BALLETTI in the presence of Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] He said the photo appeared somewhat familiar although he could not recall where he had seen the person and mentioned that he looked like a "movie character" and that might be the reason why the photo was familiar.

He said he was positive that he had not seen this person in connection with investigation his firm conducted at Las Vegas, Nevada, in the Fall, 1960.

On 6/20/61 at Miami, Florida File # MI 139-63

by Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] Date dictated 6/21/61

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Date 6/23/61

b7C [redacted] Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, was exhibited a photograph of JOHN ROSELLI, FBI #3339986, on June 20, 1961. She advised that person looked somewhat familiar to her. After the names ROBERT A. MAHEU and J. A. ROLLINS were mentioned to her, she said she believed this was a photograph of ROLLINS. She said she felt quite sure of this identification but she could not make a positive identification without seeing this man in person. She was asked to give a physical description of ROLLINS as she recalled him and stated she was unable to do so.

On 6/20/61 at Miami Beach, Florida File # MI 139-63

b7C Special Agents [redacted] and

by [redacted]ush Date dictated 6/21/61

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b7C [redacted] Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, advised he clearly recalls ROBERT A. MAHEU as being a guest at that hotel prior to the Presidential elections in November, 1960. He also said he recalls MAHEU being accompanied by a Mr. J. A. ROLLINS during his stay at that time. He said he could not recall anything about ROLLINS other than the name and he was unable to describe ROLLINS.

He was exhibited a photograph of JOHN ROSELLI, FBI #3339986, and said he could not recall ever seeing that person and was unable to say whether or not it might be the person named J. A. ROLLINS.

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The above information was furnished on a confidential basis. [redacted]

On 6/15/61 at Miami, Florida File # MI 139-63

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The records of the [redacted] as checked on June 20, 1961, did not contain any information identifiable with [redacted]

The [redacted] of the [redacted] as checked on June 20, 1961, show a [redacted] for [redacted] Florida. This card shows [redacted] as a white [redacted] She is 5' 2" tall, weighs 110 pounds, and has blue eyes and black hair. [redacted] She was in December, 1960, employed as a [redacted] Florida. She gave her Northern address as [redacted] Nevada, and her next of kin is shown as her father, [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period	
LAS VEGAS	LAS VEGAS	6/29/61	6/17/61 - 6/29/61	

TITLE OF CASE

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka., J. W. Harrison

Report made by [redacted] b7C

Typed By: bsj

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] dated 6/14/61, at Las Vegas.

Bureau airtel, dated 6/14/61.

Las Vegas letter to Bureau, dated 6/16/61.

Bureau letter to Las Vegas, dated 6/27/61.

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LOS ANGELES DIVISION (INFORMATION)

One copy of this report is being furnished to Los Angeles in view of information relative to JOHN ROSELLI, aka.

LAS VEGAS DIVISION

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

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UACB, this matter will be discussed with USA, Las Vegas, upon receipt of results of investigation presently outstanding.

FD-204 (Rev. 8-8-58)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Reno

Report of: [redacted] b7C Office: Las Vegas, Nevada
Date: 6/29/61

Field Office File No.: 139-1 Bureau File No.: 139-1201

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka.,
J. W. Harrison

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OR USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis: Investigation, Las Vegas, unable to identify JOHN ROSELLI, aka., as being identical with UNSUB, aka., J. W. HARRISON. FBI Laboratory unable to determine whether JOHN ROSELLI did or did not prepare writing on Riviera and Kenilworth Hotel.

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b7C [redacted] Riviera Hotel advised that he did not recall having observed an individual, using the name J. W. HARRISON, who checked into the Riviera Hotel on October 26, 1960, and was assigned to room 333, but was later moved to room 331.

b7C [redacted] said that he knows JOHN ROSELLI by sight, and that so far as he knew, ROSELLI had never stayed at that hotel. He feels sure ROSELLI was not individual who checked into the hotel on October 26, 1960, using name of J. W. HARRISON.

On 6/17/61 at Las Vegas, Nevada File # Las Vegas 139-1

b7C by SA's [redacted] & [redacted] /crw Date dictated 6/20/61

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b7C [redacted] advised that he is no longer employed at the Riviera Hotel. [redacted] b7C again advised that he does not think he would know the individuals who checked into the Riviera Hotel on or about October 26, 1960, using the names of ARTHUR BALLETTI and J. W. HARRISON.

Seven photographs, including the photographs of b7C JOHN RUSELLI, were exhibited to [redacted] and he advised that he could not recall having observed any of the individuals before and could not identify any of them as being identical with the individuals who checked into the Riviera Hotel using the names of BALLETTI or HARRISON.

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by SA [redacted] /mla Date dictated 6/26/61

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By communication, dated June 16, 1961, the Las Vegas Division requested the FBI Laboratory to compare the handwriting of JOHN ROSELLI, of Los Angeles, California, with the handwriting of UNKNOWN SUBJECT, also known as J. W. HARRISON.

By communication, dated June 27, 1961, the FBI Laboratory advised that the available known handwriting of JOHN ROSELLI is not sufficiently comparable with the handwriting and hand printing on the Riviera Hotel Registration Card No. 8009, Q1, to permit an adequate comparison. Consequently, it was not determined definitely whether ROSELLI did or did not prepare the written material on Q1 and Q2.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period
LOS ANGELES	LAS VEGAS	6/30/61	6/29/61

TITLE OF CASE	Report made by	Typed By:
ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka J. W. Harrison	[redacted] b7C	cey
	CHARACTER OF CASE: UPUC	

XXXX REFERENCES: Los Angeles airtel to Bureau dated 6/9/61.
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Report of: SA [redacted] b7C
Date: June 30, 1961

Office: LOS ANGELES

Field Office File No.: 139-77

Bureau File No.: 139-1201

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka J. W. Harrison

Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OR USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis: ROBERT MAHEU admitted JOHN ROSELLI is "JOHNNY" through whom he made contact with SAM GIANCANA and that he discussed plan to wire ROWAN's room with ROSELLI before it was done. Stated would stick with explanation previously given and added would not have ordered this done except for his connection with CIA. ROSELLI not located at Los Angeles apartment. X(u)

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DETAILS

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ROBERT MAHEU was interviewed at the Bel-Air Hotel, 701 Stone Canyon Road, West Los Angeles, California.

MAHEU was questioned regarding the identity of JOHNNY referred to in a previous interview as the person through whom he had made contact with SAM GIANCANA. MAHEU declined to name the individual but agreed to verify this person's identity if the agents named him. The name JOHN ROSELLI was given to MAHEU and he admitted that ROSELLI was the "JOHNNY" referred to and that ROSELLI was also identical to J. A. ROLLINS who registered with him at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida, in October, 1960. (u)

MAHEU admitted that he had discussed his plan to wire DAN ROWAN's room at the Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, with ROSELLI prior to ordering that this be done. (u)

It was pointed out to MAHEU that the explanation he gave in a previous interview for wiring ROWAN's room did not appear logical and was far removed from the purpose for which he was hired by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). He said he would stick to the explanation previously given and wished to add that he would never have ordered ROWAN's room wired except for his connection with CIA. (u)

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On 6/29/61 at West Los Angeles, California File # Los Angeles 139-77

by SA's [redacted] & [redacted]/cey Date dictated 6/30/61

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Efforts were made to locate JOHN ROSELLI for interview at his Los Angeles apartment, 1251 North Crescent Heights Boulevard, on June 29, 1961, with negative results.

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To: SAC, Los Angeles (139-77)

From: Director, FBI (139-1201) - 62

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ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI
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It is not clear whether Maheu's admission that he ordered Rowan's room wired included both the microphone installation and the telephone tap.

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TO DIRECTOR AND SAC LAS VEGAS

FROM SAC LOS ANGELES 300246 CONFIDENTIAL

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, ET AL, UPUC. OO LAS VEGAS. RE WASHINGTON FIELD TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR AND LOS ANGELES JUNE 28 LAST. ROBERT MAHEU LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED JUNE 29, IDENTIFIED JOHN ROSELLI AS JOHNNY THROUGH WHOM HE MADE ORIGINAL CONTACT WITH GIANCANA AND WHO REGISTERED WITH HIM AT KENILWORTH HOTEL AT MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, UNDER NAME J.A. ROLLINS. CLAIMS MET ROSELLI TWO YEARS AGO THROUGH HERMAN SPITZEL. ADMITTED HE DISCUSSED PLANS TO WIRE DAN ROWAN'S ROOM WITH ROSELLI BEFORE ORDERING IT DONE. STATED HE WOULD STICK TO EXPLANATION PREVIOUSLY GIVEN AND WOULD NOT HAVE ORDERED INSTALLATION IF HAD NOT BEEN WORKING FOR CIA. ROSELLI NOT AT LOS ANGELES APARTMENT AND BELIEVED TO BE IN LAS VEGAS. REPORT FOLLOWS.

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Memo Rosen to Belmont 6/30/61 EJM/mhm

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TO : Mr. Belmont *CIA Info Declassified Per John E. Bacon 8/27/80 DATE: June 30, 1961

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FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.
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This case involves a wire tap placed on the telephone of Dan Rowan of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin by Arthur James Balletti and one J. W. Harrison, not further identified. Balletti is employed by Edward DuBois, a former Bureau Agent who runs a private investigating agency in Miami, Florida. Balletti admits to having been assigned to surveil Rowan in Las Vegas, Nevada, and was accompanied by J. W. Harrison, not further known to him who was supplied by Robert Maheu, another former Bureau Agent. Dan Rowan is reportedly engaged to Phyllis McGuire of the McGuire Sisters trio, who is also reportedly a girlfriend of Sam Giancana who is under investigation by the Chicago Office as a top hoodlum.

Maheu has claimed that the coverage of Rowan was put on in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency's (CIA) efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana, which has had interests there. Maheu advised that he was put in contact with Giancana in connection with these intelligence activities through an individual known only to him as "Johnny." Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, CIA, advised that Maheu was used as an intermediary with Sam Giancana relative to CIA's anti-Castro activities. Colonel Edwards stated that since this was "dirty business" CIA could not be knowledgeable of Maheu's techniques and therefore he had no information as to whether a telephone tap was utilized in this matter.

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CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS

Maheu has now advised that the "Johnny", through whom he made original contact with Giancana, is John Roselli, who is under investigation as a top hoodlum by the Los Angeles Office and who registered with him at the Kenilworth Hotel at Miami Beach, Florida, under the name J. A. Rollins at about the time

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1 - Mr. Evans
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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

Balletti proceeded to Las Vegas to surveil Rowan, Balletti, Maheu and Dubois have continually denied knowing the identity of J. W. Harrison and other investigation to date has been unfruitful in this regard. It is possible that he is identical with Roselli. U

Maheu admits he discussed plans to wire Rowan's room with Roselli before ordering that it be done. He stated he would stick to his explanation previously given and would not have ordered the installation if he had not been working for CIA. Giancana is taking evasive action to avoid interview and his attorney has stated Giancana would not talk to FBI Agents. (U)

ACTION

The field is locating Roselli to interview him. Investigation is being vigorously pressed to ascertain the identity of J. W. Harrison and determine the full implication of Maheu, Giancana, Roselli and the other subjects in this case. U

We should vigorously press this.

7-5-61

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To: SACs, Las Vegas (139-1)
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EX 100 REC-6 139-1192-64

From: Director, FBI (139-1192)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.
UPUC

Re LA radiogram dated 6-30-61.

If not already done, Roselli should be immediately located and thoroughly interviewed for full details of his knowledge of this matter and appropriate offices advised in the event re-interviews with other subjects and suspects are indicated as a result of information furnished by Maheu and Roselli.

This matter must be vigorously pressed and completed and reports submitted to reach Bureau by 7-12-61.

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1 - Mr. Staffeld (Room 4708)

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TO DIRECTOR AND SAC LOS ANGELES

FROM SAC LAS VEGAS 062327

RE ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, ET AL. UPUC. RE LOS ANGELES RADIOGRAM JUNE 29. NUMEROUS EFFORTS TO LOCATE JOHN ROSELLI FOR INTERVIEW NON PRODUCTIVE. [redacted] ROSELLI WAS AT APARTMENT BUT WAS LEAVING FOR LOS ANGELES. IMMEDIATE EFFORT TO LOCATE NEGATIVE. LOS ANGELES LOCATE ROSELLI AT HIS APARTMENT AND INTERVIEW.

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From: Director, FBI (139-1201)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.
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In view of Maheu's admission that he ordered wiring of Rowan's room, Los Angeles should thoroughly interview him for the full details as to Roselli's role in the matter, how the plan was conceived and implemented, including identities of personnel involved. You should resolve the identity of J. W. Harrison and ascertain if DuBois and Balletti's story of how Balletti was supplied by DuBois and Harrison supplied by Maheu is substantiated by Maheu. U

The interview of Maheu should be thorough, searching and of such a nature as to resolve the complete planning and implementation of the wire tap and the implication of each of the subjects and suspects in this case. This interview must be conducted immediately and leads set out to other offices to resolve any questions or discrepancies noted on the basis of prior information developed. U EX-116 REC-74 139-1201-66

Based on the results of the above interview of Maheu, Los Angeles should attempt to reinterview Roselli and, if indicated, Miami should thoroughly reinterview Balletti and DuBois. U

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Airtel to SACs, LV, LA, MM, WFO and CG
Re: Arthur James Balletti, et al.

Chicago should advise if Giancana has changed his attitude and is making himself available for interview and, if so, thoroughly interview him relative to this matter.

This matter must be vigorously pressed to resolve any questions, results of interview with Maheu submitted immediately and leads developed from this interview completed and reports submitted within ten days of receipt of this airtel.

NOTE:

Case involves wire tap placed on phone of Dan Rowan, member of comedy team of Rowan and Martin and boy friend of Phyllis McGuire, songstress. Subject Balletti has stated tap placed by J. W. Harrison who was not further known to him. Robert Maheu, former BuAgent previously stated he ordered coverage of Rowan on behalf of CIA's anti-Castro activities but did not order phone tap. Now admits authorizing wiring of Rowan's room and discussed with John Roselli, top hoodlum, LA. Roselli on interview only admits knowing Maheu but refused to give any other information. Investigation indicated Sam Giancana and John Roselli (both under investigation as top hoodlums in CG and LA, respectively) were possibly involved. Investigation being vigorously pressed to ascertain Maheu's, Giancana's and Roselli's and other subjects' full implication in this matter.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 139-1201 AND SAC, LAS VEGAS 139-1

FROM SAC, LOS ANGELES 139-77 1 P

UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OR USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, ET AL. UPUC. RE LAS VEGAS RAD JULY SIX

LAST. JOHN ROSELLI CONTACTED TODAY IN BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF.

ADMITTED HE HAS KNOWN ROBERT MAHEU FOR ABOUT FIVE YEARS BUT

DECLINED TO ANSWER ANY OTHER QUESTIONS. REC 91 139-1201-67

LV TO BE ADVISED

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (139-1192)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (139-77)

RE: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; ET AL
UPUC
OO: Las Vegas

Re Buairtel 7/10/61 and 7/11/61.

MAHEU reinterviewed in Beverly Hills, California on 7/13/61.

MAHEU stated that in October, 1960, he requested EDWARD L. DUBOIS, JR., Miami Beach, Florida to institute technical surveillance on DAN ROWAN at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, but left details to DUBOIS. He claims he does not recall if he specified type of installation to be used but was interested only in conversation within ROWAN's room and had in mind the installation of a microphone and transmitter and not a telephone tap. He claims he definitely did not request a physical surveillance.

MAHEU stated he takes full responsibility for ordering this installation and that although he discussed installation with JOHN ROSELLI it was not made at ROSELLI's request or at the request of SAMUEL GIANCANA or for GIANCANA's benefit. He stated that this was his own decision based on reasons given in a previous interview.

MAHEU insists he does not know unknown subject, aka J. W. Harrison and denies he made a call to DUBOIS to substitute one of his own men as claimed by DUBOIS. Stated DUBOIS charged him for transportation and time for two men.

EX-116 REC. 21 [illegible]-68

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ROSELLI in Las Vegas, Nevada but MAHEU expects him to be in Los Angeles the first of next week.

Miami will reinterview BALLETTI and DUBOIS in an effort to identify unknown subject.

Los Angeles will attempt to reinterview ROSELLI on 7/17/61 if he is at his Los Angeles apartment.

Report being submitted.

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ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB, aka J. W. Harrison

Report made by [redacted] b7C

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Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; UNKNOWN SUBJECT, also known as J. W. Harrison

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Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis:

ROBERT MAHEU stated he requested technical surveillance on DAN ROWAN by DUBOIS, but does not recall specific instructions. Was interested only in conversation in room and had in mind microphone, not telephone, tap. Claims decision to order installation was his own and not made at the request or for benefit of GIANCANA or ROSELLI. Denied knowing identity of unsub. ROSELLI admits knowing MAHEU but declined to answer other questions.

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Date 7/17/61

ROBERT MAHEU was interviewed at 190 North Canon Drive, Beverly Hills, California, on July 13, 1961. MAHEU was informed of his right to an attorney and that he did not have to answer questions and that anything he did say could be used against him in a court of law. MAHEU stated that in connection with the confidential assignment for Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) he had been in contact with SAMUEL GIANCANA and had received valuable assistance from GIANCANA, which, in turn, was furnished to CIA. MAHEU had reason to believe that GIANCANA may have disclosed information regarding the project and, in view of the sensitive nature of the project, he, MAHEU, decided to determine whether or not GIANCANA had actually talked to unauthorized persons. He was aware that GIANCANA was very close in a romantic way with PHYLLIS MC GUIRE of the Mc Guire Sisters Trio. He said that if GIANCANA had disclosed this information regarding project to anyone, he would have disclosed it to PHYLLIS MC GUIRE. He said that he was also aware that in the fall of 1960 the relations between PHYLLIS MC GUIRE and GIANCANA were strained and that PHYLLIS was romantically involved with DAN ROWAN, who was appearing at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas. He considered it very vital to determine whether or not GIANCANA was reliable and decided to order an installation on DAN ROWAN's room in an effort to determine whether or not GIANCANA had disclosed any information regarding the project to PHYLLIS MC GUIRE.

MAHEU stated that this decision was his own and that GIANCANA had no knowledge that the installation was made. He said that he did discuss this with JOHN ROSELLI, since he felt obligated to discuss it with ROSELLI, as ROSELLI had been instrumental in putting him in contact with GIANCANA. MAHEU denied that the installation was made at the request of ROSELLI or GIANCANA or for the benefit of either ROSELLI or GIANCANA.

On 7/13/61 at Beverly Hills, California File # Los Angeles 139-77

by SA [redacted] and SAA [redacted] ALH Date dictated 7/17/61

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He said that he did discuss his decision with ROSELLI some time prior to ordering the installation but does not recall the specific date or place where he discussed the matter with ROSELLI. He pointed out that he does not recall whether or not this occurred during October, 1960, when they were both registered at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida. He pointed out that he had met with ROSELLI on a number of occasions and, therefore, does not recall the specific occasion in which he discussed his decision with ROSELLI. He does not recall what comment ROSELLI made when informed of his decision. U

MAHEU said that he requested EDWARD J. DUBOIS, Jr., a Miami Beach private investigator, to institute a technical surveillance of DAN ROWAN's room at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. He said that he does not recall what his specific requests were regarding the type of installation to be used, but had left this up to DUBOIS. He said that he was interested only in conversation within DAN ROWAN's room and had in mind the installation of a microphone and transmitter and not a telephone tap. He said, however, that he does not recall whether or not he specified not to make a telephone installation. He said that he does recall that he definitely did not request a physical surveillance of ROWAN. U

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MAHEU stated that he does not know the identity of the unknown subject, also known as J. W. Harrison. He said that he definitely did not contact DUBOIS and tell DUBOIS that he would send one of his men. He insisted that DUBOIS had furnished both men to handle this assignment in Las Vegas and that DUBOIS had charged him for transportation and time for two men. U

MAHEU repeated that he would take full responsibility for ordering the installation, that the installation was made for the reasons he had given above and in a previous interview, and definitely was not made at the request or for the benefit of JOHN ROSELLI or SAMUEL GIANCANA.

Date 7/13/61

JOHN ROSELLI was contacted at Drucker's Hairdressers for Men, 9744 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California. ROSELLI was informed of his right to have an attorney and that he did not have to say anything and that anything he did say could be used against him in a court of law.

ROSELLI admitted that he has known ROBERT MAHEU for approximately five years. When asked if he knew SAM GIANCANA, ROSELLI stated, "Let's discuss the weather. I do not care to answer any more questions." ROSELLI stated that he knew of nothing illegal that MAHEU had done, but for any additional information regarding his association with MAHEU, the Agents should talk with MAHEU himself.

On 7/7/61 at Beverly Hills, California File #Los Angeles 139-77

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b7C [redacted] ROSELLI was telephonically contacted by SA [redacted] at his Los Angeles apartment, 1251 Crescent Heights Boulevard, Los Angeles, on July 19, 1961, in an effort to arrange an interview. ROSELLI advised that he did not care to discuss his association with MAHEU at any time with the FBI.

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J. W. Harrison

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Synopsis:

SAMUEL M. GIANCANA interviewed at O'Hare International Airport, Chicago, 7/12/61, by Bureau Agents and refused to make any comment regarding ROBERT MAHEU and refused to admit that he was acquainted with DAN ROWAN stating that he had no comment.

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Date July 18, 1961

SAMUEL M. GIANCANA was interviewed at the O'Hare International Airport, commencing at 7:10 p.m. as he departed from American Airlines Flight 66, arriving from Phoenix, Arizona. GIANCANA was a passenger on this flight under the name of MOONEY CECOLA.

GIANCANA was approached by the Bureau Agents as he departed from the Airline. He brushed off the attempts of the Agents to identify themselves and stated that he was well aware of the fact that the Agents were representatives of the FBI. He stated that he had absolutely nothing to say to the Agents. From the very outset and throughout the interview, GIANCANA was alternately obscene, abusive, and sarcastic. At no time did he exhibit a friendly or cooperative attitude.

He asked relative to the reason for the interview and at this point was questioned concerning his knowledge of the wire tapping of the hotel room of DAN ROWAN in Las Vegas. GIANCANA replied that he had absolutely no comment and had absolutely nothing to say. He refused to admit that he is acquainted with the identity of ROWAN and repeatedly refused any comment concerning that situation. When asked whether he was acquainted with ROBERT MAHEU, GIANCANA very belligerently refused to make any comment or to indicate in any manner that he was aware of the identity of MAHEU.

GIANCANA became very abusive and obscene and very heatedly advised that he was well aware of the FBI's investigations of him. He stated that he is aware of the identity of SA [redacted] and aware of the fact that SA [redacted] has talked to numerous girlfriends, relatives, and other associates of his.

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At this point, GIANCANA requested the Agents to move away from him and leave him alone. It was pointed out to him that he was in the public waiting room of American Airlines and that the Agents had every right to be situated where they were. It was pointed out to GIANCANA that he was not under arrest and that the FBI had no interest in detaining him. It was made clear to him that he had every opportunity to leave his present location and that the FBI had absolutely

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On 7/12/61 at O'Hare Airport Chicago, Illinois File # CG 139-105 CG 92-349

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no objections to his reboarding his airplane en route to New York. It was pointed out to him that as far as the Agents were concerned there was absolutely no reason for his presence in Chicago and there was no objection to his leaving without plans to return.

At this point in the conversation, GIANCANA created a disturbance by accusing passengers who had disembarked from American Airlines Flight 66 of being FBI Agents.

At this point, GIANCANA requested the identity of b7C SA [redacted] and when told, advised he was well aware of SA [redacted] identity. When it was pointed out to him b7C that this seemed to be unusual since SA [redacted] has been in no way concerned with any investigation of GIANCANA, GIANCANA replied that he was aware of this and was also aware of the b7C individuals whom SA [redacted] has been investigating. He also b7C advised that he is aware of the fact that SA [redacted] is a "member of the Bar."

At this point, GIANCANA became very curious concerning PHYLISS MC GUIRE. He attempted to locate her but was unable to do so. He thereupon became very abusive and obscene, commenting that it is a sad situation when the government interfers with the normal relationship between a man and his girlfriend. He accused the Agents of taking Miss MC GUIRE away from him without her consent. He was advised that Miss MC GUIRE made absolutely no objection to leaving him and conversing with other Agents.

At this point, GIANCANA asked the Agents if they had ascertained how many men he had killed. GIANCANA was asked if he could furnish the Agents information in that regard and said that he could not remember; however, he thought he might have to be responsible for a killing shortly, looking at the Agents while making the remark. He was asked if that remark was a threat to the Agents and denied making any threats and said that it was not a threat.

GIANCANA referred again to investigations being conducted regarding his activites and made a remark "my b7C sister-in-law told me all about you [redacted] and about the threats

which you made if she refused to furnish information. She also told me that you told her that I had killed 13 men." The Agent emphatically denied the above remark by GIANCANA and asked him if he was referring to an interview conducted of Mrs. ROSE FLOOD, a sister-in-law of GIANCANA. GIANCANA shrugged his shoulders and merely replied "don't worry, I have it all down in writing."

At that point, GIANCANA then represented his ticket, and announced in a loud voice in the presence of everyone in the waiting room of American Airlines that he was "going to get the hell out of here and go to Cuba." GIANCANA thereupon reboarded American Airlines Flight 66 en route to New York City.

After approximately five minutes, when it apparently became obvious to GIANCANA that Miss MC GUIRE was not aboard the airline and apparently did not intend to board, GIANCANA again disembarked from the airline. He approached the Agents, again in the waiting room of American Airlines and in a loud voice again became very abusive and obscene concerning his inconveniences and the fact that Miss MC GUIRE had separated herself from him. He stated that the United States Government had lost all its fineness and that "American citizens might as well be in Russia" due to the treatment which he was receiving. It was again pointed out to GIANCANA that the Agents had no desire that he remain in Chicago and would be very happy if he remained on Flight 66 en route to New York City. It was again pointed out to him that he was not under arrest and the FBI had no interest in detaining him and he was free to come and go as he pleased.

GIANCANA again remarked "This country is getting just like Russia where a man is not free to escort a young lady where he pleases. Why don't you investigate these dope fiends." He was asked if that remark implied that he had information relating to narcotics and his reply to that question was "Why aren't you investigating the Communists." GIANCANA was asked if he was dissatisfied with this country and replied I love this country and I would sacrifice my life for it. He said "I proved this not long ago." He was asked to clarify the last remark and be refused to comment.

GIANCANA then sarcastically asked the Agents if they had found out that he owned 25 per cent of Marshall Fields, 20 per cent of Carsons, and 20 per cent of Goldblatts Department store to which the Agents asked if this were a statement on his part and he replied "Yes, I own all of these places" again in a sarcastic manner. He was asked if he had any interest in Las Vegas, Nevada, and he stated that "I own 99 per cent of Las Vegas." GIANCANA then sneeringly asked what the Agents desired to know and invited a question about his activities. The question then put to him was if he would confirm the allegations that he was the head of organized criminal activity in Chicago. He replied I'm not the head of anything and I don't know what you are talking about. After making this remark, GIANCANA uttered a few more obscenities.

GIANCANA then stated "If you want to talk to me give me a subpoena and I will appear before the Grand Jury and answer any and every question put to me." He was asked if he meant by this that he would answer every question truthfully or if this meant that he would stand on his Constitutional guarantee of the 5th Amendment. He replied "that all depends on the question."

GIANCANA advised the Agents that he was aware of the fact that the FBI would make every attempt to "frame" him into the penitentiary, at which point the Agents advised GIANCANA the FBI conducts its investigations on an impersonal, unbiased manner and that the history of this organization is not that of "framing" anyone and this is certainly not the intention or the purpose of this investigation. GIANCANA then referred to his prison sentences, stating "If I go to the penitentiary this time, I'll go like a man just like I did the other time and you know what I'm talking about." The Agents stated that they did not know what he was talking about and he replied "I went like a man then even though I was a victim of circumstances." He was asked how he was a victim of circumstances in the instances where he had been given jail terms and he refused to comment further about how he was victimized.

GIANCANA was asked if he was acquainted with JOHN D'ARCO, an Alderman of the First Ward of Chicago. At this point, GIANCANA said whose D'ARCO. It was pointed out to GIANCANA that Mr. D'ARCO had commented at one time recently that he was acquainted with Mr. GIANCANA and knew him well. At that point, GIANCANA directed an obscene remark to Mr. D'ARCO and requested the Agents to pass on the obscenity to Mr. D'ARCO. He was asked if he knew MURRAY HUMPHREYS and he stated he did not know MURRAY HUMPHREYS. He was asked if he knew GUS ALEX and he replied "No, I don't know GUS ALEX. Do you think I know everyone in the world."

GIANCANA then indicated that he was aware that the Agents intended to report the results of this interview of him to their "boss", who in turn would report the results to their "super boss", who would thereupon report to his "super super boss". He was asked to whom he was referring to as "boss", "super boss", and "super super boss" and he said "you know who I mean, I mean the KENNEDYs." He then said " I know all about the KENNEDYs and PHYLISS (MC GUIRE) knows a lot more about the KENNEDYs and one of these days we are going to tell all." When asked for clarification of his comments in this regard. GIANCANA uttered an obscenity and refused further comment.

GIANCANA then made a reference to ADALI STEVENSON and vaguely criticized his conduct in office and the manner in which he has involved the United States in the Cuban situation. When asked for clarification in this regard, GIANCANA stated that he has knowledge that STEVENSON directed "that mess in Cuba" and stated that STEVENSON is a "book worm" who has no common sense.

GIANCANA then advised that the United States Government is not as smart as it would like to think it is. He stated that he knows that the United States Government made a deal with FIDEL CASTRO during the BATISTA Regime to furnish support to CASTRO and assist him in his assent to power in Cuba on the condition that when CASTRO came into power he would eliminate gambling in Cuba. GIANCANA stated "now that deal has boomeranged on you, hasn't it." When it was mentioned to GIANCANA that at least one good affect of the

above situation might have taken place in that his interest in Cuba were destroyed, GIANCANA then became very emotional and abusive and commented that he had never been in Cuba and had no interest in Cuba. When asked whether the individuals who ran gambling in Cuba during the BATISTA Regime were subordinates, GIANCANA refused to comment. He also refused to identify [redacted] as an associate of his.

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At this point, GIANCANA advised that it is his firm belief that he is being "persecuted" due to the fact that he is a member of the Italian nationality. When it was pointed out to him that the investigations by the FBI of MURRAY HUMPHREYS and GUS ALEX have been pursued just as vigorously as the investigation of him and that HUMPHREYS and ALEX are not Italians, GIANCANA then uttered a string of obscenities and indicated that by far the majority of the individuals investigated by the United States Government were of Italian descent. He pointed out that it was his opinion that the FBI "not only prosecutes but persecutes Italians." When asked for specifics concerning what he intended to indicate by this comment, GIANCANA again referred to the fact that he was not being allowed to associate with his girlfriends in a normal fashion. It was pointed out to GIANCANA again that Miss MC GUIRE accompanied other Agents for a purpose of interview entirely under her on volition.

On more than one occasion during the interview, GIANCANA advised that he did not intend to "take this thing sitting down." He very heatedly stated: "I'm going to light a fire under you guys and don't forget that." When asked for clarification of his comments, GIANCANA refused any further comment. When asked how he enjoyed his recent visit to Florida, GIANCANA very sarcastically said "yew, I have been in Florida and I own the Fountainbleau, The Americana, and The Diplomat." When asked whether it was true that he owned the Eden Roc, GIANCANA sarcastically affirmed the Eden Roc also.

When reqested whether he would desire that the Agents telephonically contact one BUTCH BLASI in order to provide him transportation from the airport, GIANCANA replied "yes, call Butch and tell him to bring two shotguns with him." When asked whether he intended that remark as a threat to the Agents, GIANCANA replied that he did not.

GIANCANA facetiously referred to the fact that in Russia if you commit a crime they merely shoot you rather than send you to prison. His next comment was that "I think I will kill myself. Why don't you give me a pistol so I can do this?" GIANCANA made remarks throughout the interview to the effect that he was going to kill himself. Regarding his general health, GIANCANA remarked that he "had a cancer"; however, he did not elaborate on this and stated "if you want to find out any more about my health,see my doctor." When asked as to the identity of the doctor, he refused to disclose his identity.

On frequent intervals during the conversation with GIANCANA, it was pointed out to him that he was not under arrest and that the FBI had no intention of detaining him. It was pointed out to him that the FBI did not desire to harass him or any of his associates and that he was entirely free to leave the area at his desire. It was also pointed out to him that he was under absolutely no obligation to converse with the Agents and that his Constitutional privileges were fully guaranteed

GIANCANA frequently during the conversation proclaimed in a loud voice scattered with obscenities "get away from me you (obscene) and quit bothering me. I don't want to talk to you." At each such instance, it was pointed out to GIANCANA that he was free to leave at any time, that he was in a public place and that he was not by any means being detained.

The conversation was terminated upon the appearance of Miss PHYLISS MC GUIRE whom GIANCANA had previously referred to during the conversation as "the Mrs." He was asked if he was married to Miss MC GUIRE and he said sarcastically "I married her a long time ago." Upon Miss MC GUIRE's appearance, GIANCANA stated to her in a loud and clear voice "Why didn't you tell them to go to hell like I did." GIANCANA, accompanied by Miss MC GUIRE, then left the interviewing Agents.

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Synopsis: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI and EDWARD L. DuBOIS, JR. reinterviewed and state they can furnish no additional information re identity Unknown Subject.

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FD-302 (Rev. 1-25-60) FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 8/1/61

On July 31, 1961, EDWARD DuBOIS was interviewed at his office in the Ainsley Building, Miami.

At the outset of the interview, Mr. DuBOIS was advised that he did not have to make a statement and that if he did make a statement, it could be used against him in a court of law. He was advised of his right to an attorney.

Mr. DuBOIS said that he has no additional information to furnish re the identity of J. W. HARRISON. Mr. DuBOIS added that he furnished all information he had in this case to the FBI in previous interviews.

On 7/31/61 at Miami, Florida File # MM 139-63

by Special Agent [redacted] b7C :ush Date dictated 8/1/61

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FD-302 (Rev. 1-25-60) FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 8/1/61

On August 1, 1961, ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI was interviewed at his office in the Ainsley Building, Miami.

At the outset of the interview Mr. BALLETTI was advised he did not have to make a statement and that if he did make a statement it could be used against him in a court of law. He was advised of his right to an attorney.

Mr. BALLETTI stated that he only knows the operator who was with him at Las Vegas as J. W. HARRISON. BALLETTI stated he has no additional information concerning HARRISON's identity and that if he does get additional information, he will furnish it to the FBI.

On 8/1/61 at Miami, Florida 67C File # MM 139-63

by Special Agent [redacted]ush Date dictated 8/1/61

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Date: 8/3/61

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (139-1202)

FROM : SAC, LAS VEGAS (139-1)

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SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, ET AL
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OO: LAS VEGAS

RE Bureau aritel dated 7/27/61.

All investigation in Las Vegas Division has been completed. This matter was discussed with USA HOWARD W. BABCOCK at Las Vegas on 8/2/61, relative to presentment to a FGJ. Mr. BABCOCK stated after reviewing all the investigative reports, that he is not certain in his mind, that it can be proven that any information received by BALLETTI, and UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Aka, J. W. HARRISON was ever disseminated, hence all necessary elements of violation would not be present.

Mr. BABCOCK stated that he is also concerned about possibility of information becoming known of ROBERT MAHEU performing work for CIA, and of his contact with SAMUEL M. GIANCANA. Mr. BABCOCK stated that it could conceivably cause embarrassment to the CIA and of course the US Government.

He stated that he still has the matter under consideration but feels somewhat reluctant to present the matter to FGJ since it appears doubtful that a True Bill would be

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returned.

Mr. BABCOCK said however, that he has not made a definite decision and would appreciate receiving the views of the Bureau and the Department, after consideration of the entire results of the investigation.

The Bureau is requested to obtain views of the Department on this matter in order that same can be discussed with Mr. BABCOCK, and this matter be brought to a logical conclusion.

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ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.
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The decision as to whether prosecutive action should be taken in these matters is within the province of the Department and therefore you should suggest to the U. S. Attorney that he may desire to discuss his views with the Criminal Division directly.

If all logical investigation is completed, you should immediately submit a closing report for referral to the Department and conduct no further investigation UACB.

NOTE:

After review of reports USA cannot make up his mind as to action to be taken relative to prosecution and would appreciate views of Bureau and Department. Since reports of all investigation have been furnished to U. S. Attorney and Department and decision as to prosecution is within province of Department, USA should discuss directly with Department.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (139-1202)

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (139-1)

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; aka,
Et Al
UPUC
OO: LAS VEGAS

Re Las Vegas airtel dated 8/3/61 and Bureau airtel dated 8/3/61.

Current status regarding this matter set forth in re Las Vegas airtel. Further action being held in abeyance, pending reply from Bureau.

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Reporting Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period	Typed By:
LAS VEGAS	LAS VEGAS	8/16/61	8/2/61 - 8/16/61	

Report made by [redacted] b7C MBP:mds

TITLE OF CASE

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Aka
J. W. Harrison

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REFERENCES:

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Report of SA [redacted] dated 6/29/61 at Las Vegas;
Report of SA [redacted] dated 6/30/61 at Los Angeles;
Report of SA [redacted] JR. dated 7/19/61 at Chicago;
Report of SA [redacted] dated 7/20/61 at Los Angeles;
Report of SA [redacted] dated 8/1/61 at Miami;
Las Vegas airtel to Bureau dated 8/3/61;
Bureau airtel to Las Vegas dated 8/10/61.

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ADMINISTRATIVE DATA:

Upon return of USA HOWARD W. BABCOCK, who will be on vacation until about 9/1/61, it will be suggested to him that he might desire to discuss his views in this matter directly with the Criminal Division of the Department.

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Approved JHW

Special Agent In Charge

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FD-204 (Rev. 3-8-59)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

TOP SECRET

Copy to: 1 - USA, Reno

Report of: [redacted] b7C

Office: Las Vegas, Nevada

Date: 8/16/61

Field Office File No.: Las Vegas (139-1)

Bureau File No.: (139-1201)

Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Aka, J. W. Harrison

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Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis: USA, Las Vegas, Nevada, advised not certain violation exists in this matter, and is reluctant to present matter to FGJ since it does not appear a true bill could be obtained, and in view of possible embarrassment to the U. S. Government in view of CIA action. X(u)

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ON 3/9/81 FOIPA # 22,330

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES

DETAILS:

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA:

On August 2, 1961, the facts in this matter were discussed with United States Attorney, HOWARD W. BABCOCK, relative to presentment to a Federal Grand Jury. He advised that he is not certain in his mind that it can be proven that any information received by BALLETTI and Unknown Subject, also known as J. W. HARRISON, was ever disseminated; hence, all necessary elements of violation would not be present.

Mr. BABCOCK also advised that he is very concerned about the possibility of information becoming known of ROBERT MAHEU performing work for the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA),

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and his contact with SAMUEL M. GIANCANA. Mr. BABCOCK stated that it could conceivably cause much embarrassment to CIA, and of course, to the U. S. Government. X(u)

Mr. BABCOCK said he is reluctant to present the matter to a Federal Grand Jury since it appears doubtful that a true bill would be returned. He said he would appreciate receiving views of the Department of Justice in this matter.

Assistant U. S. Attorney, RAYMOND E. SUTTON, advised on August 15, 1961, that Mr. BABCOCK is presently on vacation and would not return to duty until around September 1, 1961.

8-17-61

Airtel

To: SAC, Las Vegas (139-1202) 139-1201

From: Director, FBI (139-1)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, aka, et al.
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OO:LV

Reurairtel 8-3-61 and Bureau airtel 8-10-61.

You should ascertain from USA whether he desired any further investigation in this case and if so and logical, advise the Bureau by airtel and conduct it on UACB basis allowing the Bureau sufficient time to review request.

Advise Bureau of results of contact with USA and if no additional investigation requested surep indicating so.

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To: SAC, Las Vegas (139-1)

From: Director, FBI (139-1202)

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Date: August 25, 1961

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (139-1202)

FROM : SAC, LAS VEGAS (139-1)

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Aka;
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RE Bureau airtel to Las Vegas dated 8/23/61.

Closing report submitted by Las Vegas on 8/16/61 by SA [redacted]

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1 - Las Vegas

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August 30, 1961

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To: SAC, Las Vegas (139-1)

From: Director, FBI (139-1202)

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
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ReBuairtels 8-17,23-61, urep 8-16-61 and urairtel 8-25-61.

Rerep sets forth observations of USA as to prosecutive merits of this case but does not indicate whether the USA desires any further investigation in this matter.

In order to be certain that all avenues of logical investigation have been completed and the USA desires no further investigation, you should contact him in accordance with instructions in Buairtel 8-17-61.

Advise Bureau within two days of receipt of this airtel and if no further investigation desired by USA, surep immediately after contact reflecting this.

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Date: September 5, 1961

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (139-1202)

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (139-1)

RE: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka;
UPUC

Re Bureau airtel 8/30/61.

USA, HOWARD W. BABCOCK was contacted on 9/5/61, the first day of his return to Las Vegas, and he advised after careful review of this matter that he desires no further investigation conducted, inasmuch as it appears that all logical investigation has been completed.

Mr. BABCOCK stated that after careful review of the matter, he had decided not to present the matter to a Federal Grand Jury, inasmuch as he strongly feels no true bill could be obtained.

Mr. BABCOCK stated, however, that he was writing to the department of his decision in this matter.

In view of the above, no further investigation is being conducted and a closing report is being submitted.

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LAS VEGAS	LAS VEGAS	9/7/61	9/5/61	nlw

Report made by [redacted] b7C

TITLE OF CASE

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka;
J. W. Harrison

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCES:

b7C Report of SA [redacted] at Las Vegas 8/16/61.

Bureau airtel to Las Vegas 8/30/61.

Las Vegas airtel to Bureau, 9/5/61.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Copy to: 1 - USA, Reno

Report of: b7C [redacted]
Date: 9/7/61

Office: Las Vegas, Nevada

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Title: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; UNKNOWN SUBJECT,

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Character: UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis: USA, Las Vegas, advised he has decided not to present matter to Federal Grand Jury, since he does not believe indictment could be obtained. U

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DETAILS:

On September 5, 1961, Mr. HOWARD W. BABCOCK, District of Nevada, was contacted relative to this matter, and he advised he had decided not to present the facts in this matter to a Federal Grand Jury, inasmuch as he does not believe a true bill would be returned because no information, which would prove dissemination was ever developed. U

Mr. BABCOCK again reiterated that he is very concerned about the possibility of information becoming known of ROBERT MAHEU performing work for the Central Intelligence Agency and his contact with SAMUEL M. GIANCANA. Mr. BABCOCK again stated that it could cause much embarrassment to the Central Intelligence Agency, and of course, to the United States Government. X (U)

Mr. BABCOCK stated he was writing a letter to the Department of Justice, setting forth the fact that he did not intend to present the matter to a Grand Jury and that in his opinion, all logical investigation had been completed and that he desires no further investigation.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: October 9 1961

HJM:BJA:cf

FROM : Herbert J. Miller, Jr., Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

82-46-5

SUBJECT: Arthur James Balletti; Unknown Subject,
aka J. W. Harrison
Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications

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Reference is made to your memorandum of September 11, 1961, transmitting a copy of the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated September 7, 1961, at Las Vegas.

We are taking up this matter with the United States Attorney at Reno. We will advise you in the near future whether further investigation is desired.

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To: SAC, Las Vegas (139-1)
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b7C Rerep of SA [redacted] dated 9-7-61 at Las Vegas.

There is enclosed herewith for your information a copy of a memorandum dated 10-9-61 from the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice wherein it is stated that the Department is taking up this matter with the USA, Reno.

Enclosure

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NOTE: The USA, LV, advised on 9-5-61 that he had decided not to present this case to the Federal grand jury as he did not believe an indictment could be obtained. This information was furnished to the Department. The Department now advises that they are to take up this matter with the USA, Reno, and will advise in the event further investigation is desired.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TOP SECRET

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: January 31 1962

HJM:BJA:cf

FROM : Herbert J. Miller, Jr., Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

82-46-5

SUBJECT: Arthur James Balletti;
Unknown Subject, aka J. W. Harrison
Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications

Reference is made to your memorandum of May 22, 1961, regarding the interview of Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency, regarding the captioned matter. (u)

It would be appreciated if you would reinterview Colonel Edwards to determine whether the Central Intelligence Agency would object to the institution of a criminal prosecution in which Robert Maheu might be a defendant. (u)

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
Re: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI

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It is recommended that the Liaison Agent with CIA reinterview Colonel Edwards in accordance with the Department's request.

ADDENDUM 2-8-62 (SJP:ban):

On February 7, 1962, Colonel Edwards advised the Liaison Agent that his agency would object to any prosecution which would necessitate the use of CIA personnel or CIA information. He pointed out that an introduction of any evidence concerning the CIA operation would be most embarrassing to the U. S. Government.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: February 2, 1962

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, Et al.
UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OR USE
OF COMMUNICATIONS

TOP SECRET

This case involves a wire tap placed on the telephone of Dan Rowan of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin by Arthur James Balletti and J. W. Harrison. Balletti was employed by Edward DuBois, a former Bureau Agent who runs a private investigating agency in Miami, Florida. Balletti admits to having been assigned to surveil Rowan in Las Vegas, Nevada, and was accompanied by J. W. Harrison, not further known to him who was supplied by Robert Maheu, another former Bureau Agent. Dan Rowan was reportedly engaged to Phyllis McGuire of the McGuire Sisters trio, who was also reportedly a girl friend of Sam Giancana. Giancana is under investigation by the Chicago Office as a top hoodlum.

Maheu claimed that he ordered coverage of Rowan in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency's (CIA) efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana, which had interest there. Maheu said he was put in contact with Giancana in connection with these intelligence activities through John Roselli, a Los Angeles top hoodlum. Maheu authorized wiring of Rowan's room and discussed this matter with John Roselli.

Colonel John Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, CIA, on 5/3/61 advised that Maheu was used as an intermediary with Sam Giancana, relative to CIA's anti-Castro activities. Colonel Edwards said that since this was "dirty business," CIA could not be knowledgeable of Maheu's techniques and therefore had no information as to whether a telephone tap was authorized.

CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS

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The Department, by memorandum dated 1/31/62, has requested that we reinterview Colonel Edwards to determine whether the CIA would object to the institution of a criminal prosecution in which Robert Maheu might be a defendant.

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1- Mr. Evans
1- Liaison Section

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February 9, 1962

Mr. Herbert J. Miller, Jr.
Assistant Attorney General

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Director, FBI 139-1201-83

EX 101

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.
UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OR USE
OF COMMUNICATIONS

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Reference is made to your memorandum of January 31, 1962.

Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), was contacted regarding this matter on February 7, 1962. Colonel Edwards advised that his agency would object to any prosecution which would necessitate the use of CIA personnel or CIA information. He pointed out that an introduction of any evidence concerning the CIA operation would be most embarrassing to the United States Government.

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NOTE: This case involves a wire tap placed on the telephone of Dan Rowan of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin by Arthur James Balletti and J. W. Harrison. Robert Maheu, a former Bureau Agent, is a possible subject in this case in that he claimed he ordered the coverage of Rowan in behalf of the CIA's efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba. Colonel Sheffield Edwards on 5-3-61 advised that Maheu was used by the CIA as an intermediary with Sam Giancana relative to CIA's anti-Castro activities. The Department by memorandum dated 1-31-62 requested that we reinterview Colonel Edwards to determine whether the CIA would object to the institution of criminal prosecution in which Robert Maheu might be a defendant.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: March 19 1962

FROM : Herbert J. Miller, Jr., Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

HJM:JWB:cf

82-46-5

SUBJECT: Arthur James Balletti;
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Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications

Reference is made to your memorandum of February 9, 1962.

It is requested that the facts of this matter be made available to the Central Intelligence Agency and that that Agency be requested to advise specifically whether it would or would not object to the institution of criminal prosecution against the subjects, Balletti, Maheu, and an unknown subject (aka J. W. Harrison), for conspiracy to violate the "Wire Tapping Statute".

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 3/23/62

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka J. W. Harrison
UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OR USE
OF COMMUNICATIONS

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This case involves a wire tap placed on the telephone of Dan Rowan by Arthur James Balletti and J. W. Harrison. Robert Maheu, a former Bureau Agent, is a possible subject in that he claimed he ordered coverage of Rowan in behalf of the Central Intelligence Agency's (CIA) efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba and CIA verified that Maheu had been retained by them. The Department requests that we contact CIA to determine specifically whether that agency would object to the institution of criminal prosecution against subjects Balletti, Maheu and an unknown subject (aka J. W. Harrison) for conspiracy to violate the "Wire Tapping Statute."

On 2/7/62, at the specific request of the Department, personal contact was made with CIA to determine whether CIA would object to prosecution of Maheu. A CIA spokesman said at that time that CIA would object to any prosecution which would necessitate the use of CIA personnel or CIA information. He added that the Government would be embarrassed by the introduction of any evidence concerning CIA's operation.

ACTION

Since prosecutive policy is involved and in view of CIA's previous indication that the Government could be embarrassed, it is felt that this should be resolved in writing. Attached for approval is a letter to CIA. The letter is to be delivered by liaison.

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FBI/DOJ

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
Re: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI

BACKGROUND

An extensive investigation has been conducted by the Bureau concerning a telephone tap placed on the telephone of Dan Rowan of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin by Arthur James Balletti and J. W. Harrison.

Balletti, who is employed by a private investigating agency admitted to having been assigned to surveil Rowan in Las Vegas, Nevada, and was accompanied by J. W. Harrison, not further known to him, who was supplied by Robert Maheu, a former Bureau Agent. Rowan was reportedly engaged to Phyllis McGuire of the McGuire Sisters trio who was allegedly a girl friend of Sam Giancana. Giancana is under investigation as a top hoodlum by the Chicago Office.

Maheu, who reportedly authorized the wiring of Rowan's room, claimed that he ordered coverage of Rowan in behalf of the CIA's efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana, who had interests in Cuba. Colonel Edwards of the CIA on 5/3/61 advised that Maheu was used as an intermediary with Sam Giancana relative to CIA's anti-Castro activities.

Department on 1/31/62 requested that we contact Colonel Edwards to determine whether the CIA would object to institution of a criminal prosecution in which Robert Maheu might be a defendant. CIA replied that they would object to any prosecution which would necessitate the use of CIA personnel or CIA information.

The Department now requests that we recontact Colonel Edwards to determine specifically whether the CIA would or would not object to the institution of criminal prosecution against the subjects Balletti, Maheu and Harrison for conspiracy to violate the "Wire Tapping Statute."

BY LIAISON

139-1201-85

REC-44

Date: March 23, 1962

To: Director
Central Intelligence Agency

Attention: Director of Security

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, Et al.
UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OR USE
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This case involves a wire tap placed on the telephone of Dan Rowan of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin by Arthur James Balletti and J. W. Harrison. Balletti was employed by Edward DuBois, who runs a private investigating agency in Miami, Florida. Balletti admits to having been assigned to surveil Rowan in Las Vegas, Nevada, and was accompanied by one J. W. Harrison, not further identified, who was supplied by Robert Maheu, who also conducts private investigations. Dan Rowan was reportedly engaged to Phyllis McGuire of the McGuire Sisters trio, who was also reportedly a girl friend of Sam Giancana. Giancana is a hoodlum.

Maheu claimed that he ordered coverage of Rowan in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency's (CIA) efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana, which had interests there. Maheu said he was put in contact with Giancana in connection with these intelligence activities through John Roselli, a Los Angeles hoodlum. Maheu authorized wiring of Rowan's room and discussed this matter with John Roselli.

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Note: See memo Rosen to Belmont, 3/23/62, HWH:mc.

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Director
Central Intelligence Agency

At the request of the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice, this matter was discussed with the CIA Director of Security on February 7, 1962, and we were advised that your agency would object to any prosecution which would necessitate the use of CIA personnel or CIA information. We were also informed that introduction of evidence concerning the CIA operation would be embarrassing to the Government.

The Criminal Division has now requested that CIA specifically advise whether it would or would not object to the initiation of criminal prosecution against the subjects, Balletti, Maheu, and the individual known as J. W. Harrison for conspiracy to violate the "Wire Tapping Statute."

An early reply will be appreciated in order that we may promptly inform the Criminal Division of CIA's position in this matter.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. SULLIVAN

DATE: April 5, 1962

FROM : D. J. BRENNAN

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, ET. AL.
UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OR USE
OF COMMUNICATIONS

Reference is made to Bureau letter to Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) dated March 23, 1962. This case involves a wire tap placed on the telephone of Dan Rowan of the comedy team of Rowen and Martin by Arthur James Balletti and J. W. Harrison. Robert Maheu, former Bureau Agent, is a possible subject in this case in that he claimed he ordered the coverage of Rowan in behalf of CIA's efforts to obtain intelligence information on Cuba. We were informed by CIA in May, 1961, that Maheu was used by that Agency as an intermediary relative to CIA's anti-Castro activities. On February 7, 1962, Colonel Sheffield Edwards, CIA, advised us that his Agency would object to any prosecution in this matter if CIA personnel or CIA information were to be used. He pointed out that an introduction of any evidence concerning the CIA operation would be most embarrassing to the U. S. Government.

On April 2, 1962, Colonel Edwards advised the Liaison Agent that he had no desire to impose any restriction which might hinder efforts to prosecute any individual but he is firmly convinced that prosecution of Maheu undoubtedly would lead to exposure of most sensitive information relating to the abortive Cuban invasion of April, 1961, and would result in most damaging embarrassment to the U. S. Government. He stated that in view of this his Agency objects to prosecution of Maheu.

This is an outrage.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Investigative Division.

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1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Papich

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Mr. Herbert J. Miller, Jr.
Assistant Attorney General

April 10, 1962

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Director, FBI

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.
UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OR
USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Reference is made to your memorandum dated March 19, 1962, your file number 82-46-5.

Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency, has now advised that he has no desire to impose any restriction which might hinder efforts to prosecute any individual, but he is firmly convinced that prosecution of Maheu undoubtedly would lead to exposure of most sensitive information relating to the abortive Cuban invasion in April, 1961, and would result in most damaging embarrassment to the United States Government. He added that in view of this his agency objects to the prosecution of Maheu.

It is suggested that should you have any further inquiry in this regard you may wish to communicate directly with the Central Intelligence Agency. No further action will be taken by the FBI unless specifically requested by the Department.

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NOTE: Prepared in accordance with Brennan to Sullivan memo 4/5/62.

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TO : MR. SULLIVAN

DATE: April 13, 1962

FROM : D. J. BRENNAN

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, ET. AL.
UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OR USE
OF COMMUNICATIONS

Reference is made to my memorandum dated April 5, 1962, advising that Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) was opposed to prosecution of Robert Maheu since such action could lead to exposure of most sensitive information relating to the Cuban invasion of April, 1961, and could result in damaging embarrassment to the U. S. Government.

For your information, Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, CIA, advised that his Agency was giving serious consideration to conferring with the Department of Justice concerning this matter. It is Edwards' understanding that if this is done contact will be made with the Attorney General or Mr. Herbert J. Miller, Jr., of the Criminal Division.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the General Investigative Division.

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1 - Mr. Belmont
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1 - Mr. Papich

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Memorandum

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: March 19 1963

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82-46-5

FROM : Herbert J. Miller, Jr.,
Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

SUBJECT: Arthur James Balletti, et al.
Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications

Subsequent to our latest correspondence on the captioned subject this Division learned that the Central Intelligence Agency had placed a Top Secret classification on certain aspects of the matter. Also, it has been brought to my attention that some sensitive material may have been provided to your Bureau and other agencies on a non-classified basis. In view of this situation I have had the file reviewed to determine whether any of the material therein should be classified. As a result of this review I have concluded that the following materials should be classified as Top Secret to comport with the Central Intelligence Agency's classification.

1. Letterhead memorandum, dated April 20, 1961, captioned as above.

2. Your memorandum addressed to the Attorney General, dated May 22, 1961, and captioned as above.

3. Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated June 6, 1961, at Washington, D. C.

4. Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated July 20, 1961, at Los Angeles, California.

5. Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated July 20, 1961, at Los Angeles, California.

6. Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated August 16, 1961, at Las Vegas, Nevada.

7. Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated September 7, 1961, at Las Vegas, Nevada.

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8. My memorandum to you on this subject, dated January 31, 1962.

9. Your memorandum to me on this subject, dated February 9, 1962.

10. My memorandum to you on this subject, dated March 19, 1962.

11. Your memorandum to me on this subject, dated April 10, 1962.

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ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, AKA, ET AL.;
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Enclosed herewith for each office is a copy of a self-explanatory Departmental memorandum dated 3/19/63.

Each office should promptly place the "Top Secret" classification on the various communications as instructed by the Department. You are likewise responsible for advising other offices, such as USA, of the Department's instructions.

It will not be necessary to advise the Bureau that the Department's instructions have been complied with.

Enclosure

2 - Chicago (139-109) (Enclosure)
2 - Los Angeles (139-77) (Enclosure)
2 - Miami (139-63) (Enclosure)
2 - WFO (139-81) (Enclosure)

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NOTE: We conducted an extensive investigation concerning a telephone tap placed on the telephone of Dan Rowan of the Comedy team of Rowan and Martin. Our investigation developed that Robert Maheu, a former FBI Agent, ordered the coverage of Rowan in behalf of CIA in an effort to obtain intelligence info in Cuba. Rowan was reportedly engaged to Phyllis McGuire of the McGuire Sisters trio and she allegedly was a girlfriend of Sam Giancana. He is a top hoodlum under investigation by the Chicago Office and was believed to have many contacts in Cuba as a result of gambling interest there. Prosecution in this matter was not undertaken because there was a lack of sufficient evidence that info intercepted was ever disclosed and also due to the possible embarrassment of CIA. It is noted that CIA confirmed that Maheu had been retained for the purpose of developing intelligen info through Giancana.

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To: SAC, Las Vegas (139-1)

From: Director, FBI

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, AKA, ET AL.;
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ReBulet 3/21/63.

Reference is made to the Departmental memo dated 3/19/63 which was enclosed with referenced letter.

It is noted under Numbers 4 and 5 that the Department refers to the same report and it appears that Number 4 should have referred to the report of SA [redacted] dated 6/30/61 at Los Angeles. This matter has been discussed with the Department and the Department is presently reviewing its file and you will be advised of the results.

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1 - Los Angeles (139-77)
1 - Miami (139-63)
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NOTE: On 3/22/63, it was pointed out to Mr. Peterson of the Criminal Division that the Departmental memo under Nos. 4 and 5 referred to the same report. A review of the Bufiles indicates that the Department probably meant for No. 4 the report of SA [redacted] dated 6/30/61 which refers to CIA interest in this matter. Mr. Peterson advised that Departmental Attorney John Keeney is presently out of the city but he will have him review the matter upon his return and advise the Bureau.

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As pointed out in reairtel the Departmental memorandum dated 3/19/63, under numbers four and five were referring to the same report. The Department has reviewed its file and now advises that number four should have referred to the report of SA [redacted] b7C dated 6/30/61 at Los Angeles.

In accordance with Departmental instructions this report should also receive a TOP SECRET classification.

1 - Chicago (139-105)
1 - Los Angeles (139-77)
1 - Miami (139-63)
1 - Washington Field (139-31)

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NOTE: On 4/8/63 Departmental Attorney John Keeney advised the above information. This was pointed out to the Department on 3/22/63.

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (139-1201) DATE: 4/17/63

FROM : SAC, Las Vegas (139-1) -C-

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, aka; ETAL
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ReBulets 3/21/63 and 4/9/63.

The file in the Las Vegas Division in this matter has been reviewed and those communications set forth in Department Memorandum dated 3/19/63 have been stamped Top Secret.

Also a letter has been forwarded to the USA at Las Vegas listing those communications in his possession, with Department instructions that they should be classified as Top Secret.

For information of the Bureau, only the following listed items set forth in the Department Memorandum are in the Las Vegas file: ITEMS 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7.

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1 - Los Angeles (139-177)
1 - Miami (139-63)
1 - Washington Field (139-31)
1 - Las Vegas

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Gale
1 - Mr. Wick

TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: March 6, 1967

FROM : W. R. Wannall

1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Papich
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Inspector

SUBJECT: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S [illegible] TO CIA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

In accordance with instructions, attached letter has been prepared for Attorney General setting forth all data in our files concerning captioned matter. Briefly, information being furnished is as follows:

Matter first came to our attention in Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of violation of Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, arrested in Las Vegas, Nevada, by local authorities on wire tapping charge. Wire tap involved was on telephone of Dan Rowan, member of Rowan and Martin comedy team. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire, girl friend of top hoodlum Sam Giancana and member of McGuire Sisters singing trio.

Through our investigation we determined involvement of Robert A. Maheu, private detective, who stated coverage on Rowan instituted in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) efforts to obtain Cuban intelligence data through hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana. Maheu was in contact with Giancana through services of John Rosselli, another hoodlum, and Maheu authorized wiring of Rowan's room.

We checked matter with CIA on 5/3/61 and learned CIA was utilizing Maheu as intermediary with Sam Giancana relative to CIA's "dirty business" anti-Castro activities. CIA insisted it did not give Maheu any instructions relative to use of technical installations. By letter 5/22/61 we furnished former Attorney General Kennedy a memorandum containing a rundown on CIA's involvement in this. The originals of the letter and memorandum were returned to us for filing purposes. A copy of that memorandum is being attached to instant letter being sent to Attorney General.

On 5/9/62 Kennedy discussed with the Director a number of matters, including admission by CIA that Robert Maheu had been

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Memorandum for Mr. Sullivan
Re: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S
INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO
CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

hired by that Agency to approach Sam Giancana to have Castro assassinated at a cost of $150,000. Kennedy stated he had issued orders that CIA should never undertake such steps again without first checking with Department of Justice and stated because of this matter it would be difficult to prosecute Giancana or Maheu then or in the future.

We learned on 6/20/63 from CIA that its contacts with John Roselli (Maheu's link with Giancana) had continued up until that time, when they were reportedly cut off.

It appears Roselli is using his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. In May, 1966, when Bureau Agents endeavored to interview him he immediately flew to Washington and informed his former CIA intermediary. The current Director of Security, CIA, has advised through liaison channels that Roselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and Roselli would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA to serve his own interests. In furnishing this information we were asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis. We have, however, included it in the attached proposed letter to the Attorney General noting this CIA specific restriction.

We have two other references in our files to the over-all above information which we have included in the letter. One relates to a statement by Giancana in October, 1960, that he had met with an individual who was to assassinate Castro in November, 1960. The other is an article in the 8/16/63 issue of the "Chicago Sun Times" reporting that CIA agents had contacted Giancana to obtain Cuban intelligence.

ACTION:

If approved, attached letter will be sent to the Attorney General, with a copy for the Deputy Attorney General.

The Attorney General asked for [illegible] information on [illegible] 8/3/67

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1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Gale
1 - Mr. Wick
1 - Mr. Sullivan

The Attorney General

March 6, 1967

1 - Mr. Papich
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Inspector

Director, FBI

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S
INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO
CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

Our files contain the following information concerning the captioned matter, much of which has been furnished by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) on a strictly highly confidential "need-to-know" basis. In view of this, it is requested that it be handled on a most restrictive basis.

This matter first came to our attention in the Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of a violation of the Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, who had been arrested by local authorities in Las Vegas, Nevada, on a local wire tapping charge. Balletti and another unidentified individual in October, 1960, had reportedly placed a wire tap on the telephone of Dan Rowan, a member of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire of the well-known McGuire Sisters singing trio who was also known to be a girl friend of Sam Giancana, a top hoodlum.

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During the course of the Balletti investigation it was ascertained that Robert A. Maheu, a private detective, was involved. Maheu during interview claimed he ordered coverage of Rowan in behalf of CIA's efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana, which had interests there. Maheu said he was put in contact with Giancana in connection with these intelligence activities through John Roselli, a Los Angeles hoodlum. Maheu stated also that he authorized the wiring of Rowan's room and had discussed the matter with Roselli.

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The essence of the above was furnished to former Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy by letter dated May 22, 1961, which enclosed a memorandum of the same date containing data made available on May 3, 1961, by Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who at that time was Director of Security at CIA, regarding his utilization of Maheu in connection with anti-Castro activities. Files also show that Mr. Kennedy returned the original of our letter and its enclosed memorandum dated May 22, 1961.

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The Attorney General

to us for filing purposes, a copy of the May 22, 1961, memorandum is attached hereto for your information.

You will note that Colonel Edwards advised he personally contacted Robert Maheu during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Maheu as a "cutout" in contacts with Sam Giancana in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against Castro. Colonel Edwards stated that Giancana's activities were completely "backstopped" by Maheu, who would frequently report Giancana's actions and information to Edwards. No details or methods used by Maheu or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were reported to him, according to Edwards, as such involved "dirty business," of which Colonel Edwards could not afford to have knowledge. Accordingly, he said he had no prior knowledge of the above-mentioned wire tapping by Balletti.

Further with respect to this matter, I was informed of the following on a highly confidential basis by former Attorney General Kennedy during a conference in my office on May 9, 1962:

He indicated that a few days prior thereto he had been advised by CIA that Robert A. Maheu had been hired by CIA to approach Sam Giancana with a proposition of paying $150,000 to hire some gunmen to go into Cuba and kill Castro. He further stated CIA admitted having assisted Maheu in making the "bugging" installation in Las Vegas (referred to above) which uncovered this clandestine operation and for this reason CIA could not afford to have any action taken against Giancana or Maheu. Mr. Kennedy stated that upon learning CIA had not cleared its action in hiring Maheu and Giancana with the Department of Justice he issued orders that CIA should never again take such steps without first checking with the Department of Justice.

Mr. Kennedy further advised that because of this matter it would be very difficult to initiate any prosecution against Giancana, as Giancana could immediately bring out the fact the United States Government had approached him to arrange for the assassination of Castro. He stated the same was true concerning any action we might take against Maheu for any violation in which he might become involved.

On June 20, 1963, Mr. William Harvey, an official of CIA, advised that he had held a meeting with John Rosselli (referred to above as Maheu's link with Giancana) for the purpose of closing out the entire matter with which Rosselli had been involved. In this connection, Harvey stated that CIA had

The Attorney General

established contact with Rosselli in "early 1961" with respect to a sensitive operation against Castro. Harvey said that for all intents and purposes the operation was discontinued and canceled after the ill-fated Bay of Pigs invasion in April, 1961, but Rosselli had not been completely cut off, as he periodically indicated he was in a position to be of assistance.

It appears Rosselli has since that time, nevertheless, used his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. For example, in May, 1963, when contacted by Agents of this Bureau in connection with our current investigation of his activities he refused to talk and immediately flew to Washington, D. C., and consulted with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who is now retired from CIA. Colonel Edwards in turn advised CIA, which told us. Mr. Howard J. Osborn, the present Director of Security, CIA, freely has admitted to us that Rosselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and that he would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA if it served his own interests. In furnishing this information, Mr. Osborn asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis.

In light of the above information furnished us by CIA and former Attorney General Kennedy, it appears that data which came to our attention in October, 1960, possibly pertains to the captioned matter. At that time a source close to Giancana advised that during a conversation with several friends Giancana stated that Fidel Castro was "to be done away with very shortly." Giancana reportedly assured those present that Castro's assassination would occur in November, 1960, and that he had already met with the assassin-to-be on three occasions, the last meeting having taken place on a boat docked at the Fontainebleau Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. Reportedly, Giancana claimed that everything had been perfected for the killing and the "assassin" had arranged with a girl, not further described, to drop a "pill" in Castro's drink or food.

Also of possible interest is a news article carried in the August 16, 1963, issue of the "Chicago Sun Times." This article carried the headline, "CIA Sought Giancana's Help For Cuba Spying," and it was reported therein that CIA agents had contacted Giancana in an effort to obtain Cuban intelligence after Castro came into power.

Enclosure

1 - The Deputy Attorney General (Enclosure)

The Attorney Gemral

NOTE:

See cover memorandum Wannall to Sullivan, same caption, March 6, 1967, GCM:ams.

Classified "Top Secret" inasmuch as information contained herein is so classified by CIA.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

FILE NUMBER: 92-3267 CROSS-REFERENCES

FD-263 (Rev. 5-1-59)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
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CIA Info unclassed per John E. Bo[illegible] 8/27/80

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] dated 6/5/61, at Los Angeles.
Las Vegas airtel to Los Angeles, 6/1/61.

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ADMINISTRATIVE: The identity of the Special Agents who conducted physical surveillances reported herein can be obtained from the 1A Section of this file.

The following individuals furnished information reported herein concerning [redacted]

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Possible Involvement of JOHN ROSSELLI
in case entitled,
ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; UNSUB, aka,
J. W. Harrison, UPUC,
OO: Las Vegas
LA file 139-77, Bufile 139-1201

The following information concerning the captioned case is set out in the administrative section of this report inasmuch as it is not definitely known that ROSSELLI is actually involved in the above case. Facts indicating this possibility are set out below.

On October 31, 1960, ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI was arrested at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, at which time he admitted that he had received instructions from Investigations, Inc., Miami, Florida, to surveil and record telephone conversations of DAN ROWAN, who was then staying at the Riviera Hotel. Investigation revealed that an unknown individual using the name J. W. HARRISON assisted BALLETTI in the placing of telephone surveillance in DAN ROWAN's room; that PHYLLIS MC GUIRE of the MC GUIRE singing act, was then keeping company with DAN ROWAN and DAN ROWAN has indicated that he intends to marry PHYLLIS MC GUIRE. PHYLLIS MC GUIRE has been a girl friend of SAM GIANCANA in the past.

EDWARD L. DUBOIS of Investigations, Inc. advised he received a call from ROBERT MAHEU, a private investigator in Washington, D. C., requesting DUBOIS send two men to Las Vegas by October 26, 1960, for physical surveillance work.

[redacted]

Subsequently, according to DUBOIS, MAHEU told him to send only one man as he, MAHEU was going to send one man. Thereafter, DUBOIS sent BALLETTI and the unknown subject accompanied BALLETTI.

During October, specifically from October 11 to 29, 1961, ROBERT A. MAHEU and a J. A. ROLLINS were registered at the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, and ROLLINS accompanied MAHEU.

MAHEU has stated that ROLLINS is JOHN A. ROLLINS but refuses to further identify him. While at the hotel, ROLLINS was charged with two telephone calls to WH 3-1155, Chicago, Illinois, which is the telephone number of [redacted] a close friend and associate of JOHN ROSSELLI. He was also charged with a call to [redacted] telephone DI 7-6298, Woodland Hills, California. [redacted] is also a close friend and associate of ROSELLI.

ROLLINS was charged also with a call to the Desert Inn Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, telephone DU 2-6000. ROSSELLI has received many telephone calls in the past at the Desert Inn Hotel.

In view of the above calls, the possibility exists that ROSSELLI may be JOHN A. ROLLINS.

THOMAS FOLEY, Las Vegas, Nevada, attorney, in the latter part of October 1960, received a telephone call from JAMES P. CANTILLON of the law firm of Cantillon and Cantillon, Beverly Hills, California, requesting that FOLEY represent BALLETTI and arrange for his bond, and CANTILLON personally guaranteed FOLEY's fee. It is noted that JAMES P. CANTILLON is JOHN ROSSELLI's attorney and a close associate of ROSSELLI.

Information was received from Central Intelligence Agency that in their operation against FIDEL CASTRO in Cuba, ROBERT MAHEU in the fall of 1960 was contacted to act as a "cut out" in contacts with SAM GIANCANA on the basis that because of gambling activities in Cuba under the BATISTA government, GIANCANA might still have sources and contacts in

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Cuba which would be of value to CIA.

ROBERT MAHEU on interview on May 25, 1961, by Bureau Agents, stated that the original contact with GIANCANA in that matter was made by "JOHNNY" who MAHEU declined to identify. In this connection, it is noted that ROSSELLI is acquainted with a number of Chicago hoodlums and no doubt is acquainted with GIANCANA.

MAHEU said that while working with GIANCANA, information was received that his interests in the Cuban situation was being disclosed by GIANCANA to other individuals.

MAHEU stated that it was ascertained that GIANCANA was very much in love with PHYLLIS MC GUIRE of the MC GUIRE sisters act. It was believed, according to MAHEU that if GIANCANA had talked of MAHEU's interest in the Cuban situation that he might possibly have mentioned it to PHYLLIS MC GUIRE. It was also known that PHYLLIS MC GUIRE was a close personal friend of DAN ROWAN of the comedy team of ROWAN and MARTIN and he learned in October 1960 that ROWAN was working in Las Vegas and that PHYLLIS MC GUIRE was going to visit ROWAN in Las Vegas.

MAHEU stated that he decided to have microphone coverage installed in ROWAN's room in Las Vegas; that he made this decision himself, and he arranged to have Investigations, Inc. send two men to Las Vegas to install and operate microphone coverage of ROWAN. He said it was his intention to have only microphone coverage and that BALLETTI and the UNSUB went too far in installing telephone coverage of ROWAN.

Information appears in this report that on April 29, 1961, ROSSELLI was charged with telephone call to JE 3-9655, Falls Church, Virginia, which is a number called by CANTILLON on November 1, 1960, for BOB MAHEU. On 5/20/61 he was charged with a call to JE 3-7277, Falls Church, Va., which is also a telephone number of ROBERT MAHEU.

In connection with the BALLETTI investigation, leads have been set out to determine the subscribers to telephone numbers in Chicago, Illinois, and Miami, Florida, as set out in this report, which were charged to ROSSELLI during April 1961.

BALLETTI has advised that while in Las Vegas in October 1960, he received instructions from MAHEU to contact T.W. RICHARDSON at the New Frontier Hotel and RICHARDSON would pay him $1000 for the work being done by BALLETTI and the UNSUB in Las Vegas.

T. W. RICHARDSON has denied knowing BALLETTI or paying any money to BALLETTI or anyone else in connection with this matter. It is noted that ROSSELLI has in the past contacted T. W. RICHARDSON. ROSSELLI also in the past has contacted ROBERT MAHEU.

Leads are also outstanding in the BALLETTI investigation to reinterview MAHEU to determine if JOHN A. ROLLINS is identical with JOHN ROSSELLI. Also, leads have been set out to have ROSSELLI's handwriting compared by the FBI Lab with the signature of J. A. ROLLINS at the Kenilworth Hotel and the signature of J. W. HARRISON at the Riviera Hotel.

The results of this investigation will be set out in future ROSSELLI reports and in the event it is determined that ROSSELLI actually is involved in this matter, the information will be incorporated in the ROSSELLI reports.

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One copy of this report was furnished to Chicago for information purposes inasmuch as they have outstanding investigation to conduct.

LAS VEGAS

At Las Vegas, Nevada (1) Determine the subscribers to telephone numbers DU 2-3666 and DU. 4-2936 to which numbers ROSSELLI was charged with toll calls on 4/23/61.

(2) At Golf Manor, Paradise Road, and through usual sources will ascertain background information concerning [redacted] with whom ROSSELLI is currently associated in Los Angeles.

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(3) Will review the Las Vegas file in the case of ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, mentioned above, to determine whether or not telephone number JE 3-7277, Falls Church, Virginia, is assigned to ROBERT MAHEU.

LOS ANGELES

At Los Angeles, California, Will follow and report investigation currently being conducted by the Los Angeles Office concerning ROSSELLI's activity.

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Title: JOHN ROSELLI [redacted]

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Character: ANTIRACKETEERING

Synopsis: ROSSELLI currently resides Las Vegas, Nevada. He continues to travel between Las Vegas and Los Angeles, residing for short periods of time at each city in apartments maintained by him. ROBERT MAHEU, private investigator, advised that in latter part of 1960 ROSSELLI contacted SAMUEL GIANCANA at MAHEU's request in connection with an investigation MAHEU was conducting for Central Intelligence Agency. In 10/60 during this investigation a microphone was placed on telephone in DAN ROWAN's hotel room at Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas. MAHEU said he discussed microphone installation with ROSSELLI prior to its installation but denied microphone installed at request of ROSSELLI or GIANCANA. At time of installation, according to MAHEU, DAN ROWAN was romantically involved with PHYLLIS MC GUIRE, MC GUIRE Sisters, who has been close in a romantic way with GIANCANA. ROSSELLI refused to discuss this matter with Bureau Agents. [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, advised that he had no factual knowledge of ROSSELLI's interest in Las Vegas.

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ROSSELLI's name is spelled with a "ss" throughout this report because this is the spelling he currently uses. U

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Information Concerning the
Case Entitled "ARTHUR JAMES
BALLETTI; UNSUB aka
J. W. HARRISON; UPUC"

Information concerning this matter is being set out because ROSSELLI was involved in it.

On October 31, 1960, ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI was arrested at the Rivera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, at which time he admitted that he had received instructions from Investigations, Inc., Miami, Florida, to surveil and record telephone conversations of DAN ROWAN, who was then staying at the Rivera Hotel. Investigati revealed that an unknown individual using the name J. W. HARRISON participated in the placing of the telephone surveillance in [redacted] room.

It is noted that at this time ROWAN was keeping company with PHYLLIS MC GUIRE of the MC GUIRE Sister singing act and ROWAN later advised that he intended to marry PHILLIS MC GUIRE. PHYLLIS MC GUIRE had reportedly been the girl friend of SAMUEL GIANCANA of Chicago. Information received during July, 1960, from an informant in Las Vegas, indicates that GIANCANA is again keeping company with PHILLIS MC GUIRE.

EDWARD L. DUBOIS of Investigations, Inc. advised that in October, 1960, he received a telephone call from ROBERT MAHEU, a private investigator, Washington D.C., requesting that DUBOIS send two men to Las Vegas on October 26, 1961, for physical surveillance work. Subsequently, according to DUBOIS, MAHEU told him only to send one man as he, MAHEU, was going to send one man. Thereafter, DUBOIS sent BALLETTI and the unknown individual who used the name J. W. HARRISON accompanied BALLETTI.

During the period from October 11 to October 29, 1961, ROBERT A. MAHEU and a J. A. ROLLINS were registered at the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, and ROLLINS accompanied MAHEU. MAHEU informed SAs of the FBI that J. A. ROLLINS was JOHN A. ROLLINS but refused to further identify him.

Investigation disclosed that while at the Kenilworth Hotel, ROLLINS was charged with two telephone calls to telephone number WH. 3-1155 in Chicago, Illinois, which is the telephone number of [redacted] who has been identified in the ROSSELLI investigation as a close friend and associate of ROSSELLI.

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ROLLINS was also charged with a telephone call to telephone number DU. [redacted] California, which is the number of [redacted] who has also been identified as a close friend and associate of ROSSELLI.

ROLLINS was also charged with a telephone call to telephone number DU. 2-6000 which is the telephone number of the Desert Inn Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, where ROSSELLI had received many telephone calls in the past.

JAMES FOLEY, an attorney in Las Vegas, Nevada, advised that in the latter part of October, 1960, he received a telephone call from JAMES P. CANTILLON of the law firm of Cantillon and Cantillon, Beverly Hills, California, requesting that FOLEY represent BALLETTI and arrange for his bond. CANTILLON personally guaranteed FOLEY's fee. It is noted that JAMES P. CANTILLON is JOHN ROSSELLI's attorney and a close associate of ROSSELLI's.

Upon interview by SAs of the FBI, JAMES P. CANTILLON said that he first heard of the microphone incident when he received a call from a man in custody in Las Vegas whose name he did not recall. He said that the name BALLETTI was probably correct. He advised that he referred this man to THOMAS FOLEY an attorney in Las Vegas.

Further investigation revealed that Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in connection with their operations concerning FIDEL CASTRO in Cuba contacted ROBERT MAHEU to act as "cutout" in contacts with SAM GIANCANA on the theory that GIANCANA through his gambling activities in Cuba under the Batista Government might still have sources and contacts in Cuba who could be of value to CIA. According to officials of CIA, this organization did not authorize the microphone surveillance on DON ROWAN.

On May 25, 1961, MAHEU advised SAs of the FBI that the original contact with GIANCANA after MAHEU had been requested by CIA to make contact with GIANCANA was made by "JOHNNY" who he declined to further identify.

On June 29, 1961, MAHEU advised SAs [redacted] and [redacted] that he would verify "JOHNNY's" identity if the Agents named the man. When JOHN ROSSELLI's name was furnished to MAHEU he admitted that ROSSELLI was the "JOHNNY" he

referred to and that ROSSELLI was also identical to J. A. ROLLINS who registered with him at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida, in October, 1960.

FD-302 (Rev. 1-25-60) FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 7/17/61

ROBERT MAHEU was interviewed at 190 North Canon Drive, Beverly Hills, California, on July 13, 1961. MAHEU was informed of his right to an attorney and that he did not have to answer questions and that anything he did say could be used against him in a court of law. MAHEU stated that in connection with the confidential assignment for Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) he had been in contact with SAMUEL GIANCANA and had received valuable assistance from GIANCANA, which, in turn, was furnished to CIA. MAHEU had reason to believe that GIANCANA may have disclosed information regarding the project and, in view of the sensitive nature of the project, he, MAHEU, decided to determine whether or not GIANCANA had actually talked to unauthorized persons. He was aware that GIANCANA was very close in a romantic way with PHYLLIS MC GUIRE of the Mc Guire Sisters Trio. He said that if GIANCANA had disclosed this information regarding project to anyone, he would have disclosed it to PHYLLIS MC GUIRE. He said that he was also aware that in the fall of 1960 the relations between PHYLLIS MC GUIRE and GIANCANA were strained and that PHYLLIS was romantically involved with DAN ROWAN, who was appearing at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas. He considered it very vital to determine whether or not GIANCANA was reliable and decided to order an installation on DAN ROWAN's room in an effort to determine whether or not GIANCANA had disclosed any information regarding the project to PHYLLIS MC GUIRE. [redacted]

MAHEU stated that this decision was his own and that GIANCANA had no knowledge that the installation was made. He said that he did discuss this with JOHN ROSSELLI, since he felt obligated to discuss it with ROSSELLI, as ROSSELLI had been instrumental in putting him in contact with GIANCANA. MAHEU denied that the installation was made at the request of ROSSELLI or GIANCANA or for the benefit of either ROSSELLI or GIANCANA.

On 7/13/61 at Beverly Hills, California File # LA 92-113

by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] Date dictated 7/17/61

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He said that he did discuss his decision with ROSSELLI some time prior to ordering the installation but does not recall the specific date or place where he discussed the matter with ROSSELLI. He pointed out that he does not recall whether or not this occurred during October, 1960, when they were both registered at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida. He pointed out that he had met with ROSSELLI on a number of occasions and, therefore, does not recall the specific occasion in which he discussed his decision with ROSSELLI. He does not recall what comment ROSSELLI made when informed of his decision.

MAHEU said that he requested EDWARD L. DUBOIS, Jr , a Miami Beach private investigator, to institute a technical surveillance of DAN ROWAN's room at the Rivera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. He said that he does not recall what his specific requests were regarding the type of installation to be used, but had left this up to DUBOIS. He said that he was interested only in conversation within DAN ROWAN's room and had in mind the installation of a microphone and transmitter and not a telephone tap. He said, however, that he does not recall whether or not he specified not to make a telephone installation. He said that he does recall that he definitely did not request a physical surveillance of ROWAN.

MAHEU stated that he does not know the identity of the unknown subject, also known as J. W. Harrison. He said that he definitely did not contact DUBOIS and tell DUBOIS that he would send one of his men. He insisted that DUBOIS furnished both men to handle this assignment in Las Vegas and that DUBOIS had charged him for transportation and time for two men.

MAHEU repeated that he would take full responsibility for ordering the installation, that the installation was made for the reasons he had given above and in a previous interview, and definitely was not made at the request or for the benefit of JOHN ROSSELLI or SAMUEL GIANCANA.

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JOHN ROSSELLI was contacted at Drucker's Hairdressers for Men, 9740 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California. ROSSELLI was informed of his right to have an attorney and that he did not have to say anything and that anything he did say could be used against him in a court of law.

ROSSELLI admitted that he has known ROBERT MAHEU for approximately five years. When asked if he knew SAM GIANCANA, ROSSELLI stated, "Let's discuss the weather. I do not care to answer any more questions." ROSSELLI stated that he knew of nothing illegal that MAHEU had done, but for any additional information regarding his association with MAHEU, the Agents should talk with MAHEU himself.

On 7/7/61 at Beverly Hills, California File # LA 92-113

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ROSSELLI was telephonically contacted by SA [redacted] at his Los Angeles apartment, 1251 Crescent Heights Boulevard, Los Angeles, on July 19, 1961, in an effort to arrange an interview. ROSSELLI advised that he did not care to discuss his association with MAHEU at any time with the FBI.

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[redacted] ROSSELLI was in contact with ROBERT MAHEU (mentioned above in this report) and they discussed a 16 millimeter film which ROSSELLI identified as a "bare breast show". [redacted] this show had been tied up in some litigation.

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Some information is set out in the body of this report regarding matters discussed by JOHN ROSSELLI and SAM GIANCANA in Chicago, Illinois on December 6, 1961, as furnished by [redacted] Efforts were made to generalize the information to conceal this source. During this conversation, ROSSELLI and GIANCANA discussed latest electronic devices, which discussion is set out below, and it appears to be pertinent to this investigation, but not of such a nature that it should be set out in the body of the report.

ROSELLI: Oh, I gave [redacted] that thing to bring up to you.

GIANCANA: It's no good. It's not the kind I was looking for. I was looking for the kind for the room, that would fit anyplace, a little disc, that you could lay anywhere.

ROSELLI: Oh, Electronics.

GIANCANA: Yeah. It's all right for sending. No, it's a receiver, but it's not a sender.

ROSELLI: It's a sender too. The thing that you have you can put between the door. And then you tune them in across the street.

GIANCANA: What I want is something <u>really</u> small....

ROSELLI: All right, here's one, you put on a wall, you..... I got a guy out there, this is what he brought me.

GIANCANA: You can't take a big mike like this and put it in a flat.

ROSELLI: Sure. You take it apart.

GIANCANA: If you take it apart, you're dead. You won't get the volume. As clear as..

ROSELLI: Well, we'll play with it. We got a guy, an electronic guy.

GIANCANA: The main thing is....

ROSELLI: There is one thing, let me tell you what it is. The CIA has it, they have a thing, ...

GIANCANA: Like a cigarette.

ROSELLI: Yeah, but ... the FBI out there, somebody has got a portable....it takes conversations way out. The FBI has it. Electronics,..... spy system....Washington, now, and I told them, for Christ' sake, report on that thing. I gotta have it.....CIA.....

GIANCANA: If you can't get that, tell them to get the kind that you.....

ROSELLI: I got another guy in Los Angeles who's got an electronic cap kind of a thing... and he showed me that.....so I gotta find out what the smallest thing is. If you put it in there, you want to take it and get a receiver? And receive it where you're set up?

GIANCANA: Maybe a block, two blocks, three blocks.

ROSELLI: No, you can't go that far.

GIANCANA: We had one downtown about a year ago, a home made one, a little box, went to the hotel room (St. Clair Hotel) and stuck it in the guy's room, went down two blocks, you know where the St. Clair Hotel is at? Went two blocks away, sat in the car, then turned it on, and got all the conversation. Two blocks away. [redacted] had it.

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ROSELLI: How big was your receiver?

GIANCANA: Like a ..... that's all. Box was only this big, maybe three by three. We were talking, bla, bla, bla, ...picked it up.

GIANCANA: Think about it.

ROSELLI: Yeah. I'll work on it. BOBBY is in Washington...

GIANCANA: Well, JOHN, we'll see you tomorrow night.

ROSELLI: Wait a minute, now, you gonna be busy tomorrow?

GIANCANA: Yeah. Most of the day.

ROSELLI: Let me stay over, I'll send this guy back. Or maybe I'll keep him over an extra day.

GIANCANA: What the hell is the difference?

ROSELLI: All right, I'll meet with you tomorrow night. Seven o'clock. I want to tell you all these things, so you know. I can stay a week, a month, what do I care. But I'm trying to con this guy, that I'm staying over for him. Now, what I'll do is go downtown now. Do you know how to get in touch with me? I'm in 605, [redacted] Ambassador West. [redacted] Tomorrow you'll be busy all day.

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GIANCANA: Tomorrow afternoon, I'll call you and I'll come down.

ROSELLI: Come down tomorrow afternoon and I can go with him tomorrow night. See? I'll wait in the hotel. It's in the California Suite. Come down about two, three o'clock.

Apparently GIANCANA is interested in obtaining a very small microphone which he can place in a room or an apartment to pick up conversations. ROSELLI mentions the CIA and apparently has some contact with CIA who is in a position to furnish ROSELLI with the latest information and/or equipment used to pick up conversations and either exhibited photographs of these devices or the actual devices themselves to GIANCANA. The situation which GIANCANA refers to in the St. Clair Hotel was one reported by [redacted] some time ago whereby MURRAY HUMPHREYS, [redacted] and apparently himself rigged up a home-made microphone and receiver, and placed it in the meeting room of the St. Clair Hotel after which they

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sat in their car two blocks away and were able to pick up the conversation. ROSELLI then concluded by stating that he was staying at Room 605 at the Ambassador West Hotel with [redacted]

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The individuals who furnished information set out in FD-302's in this report are as follows:

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] was a guest at the Beverly Crest Hotel, occupying Room [redacted] from December 11 to December 14, 1961. He said that ROSSELLI was not a guest at the hotel during this period. He added that T. W. RICHARDSON, Riverside Hotel, Reno, Nevada, was also a guest at the hotel from December 11, 1961 to December 14, 1961, and that on December 11, 1961, RICHARDSON was charged with a telephone call to [redacted] at [redacted] at Las Vegas, Nevada.

Information has previously been set out in this investigation that T. W. RICHARDSON is an acquaintance of JOHN ROSSELLI and information was previously reported concerning a wire tap on the phone of DAN ROWAN in Las Vegas in which an individual named ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI was arrested and JOHN ROSSELLI was involved and interviewed. BALLETTI stated that he was told by ROBERT MAHEU, a private detective and friend of ROSSELLI that he, BALLETTI, was to contact T. W. RICHARDSON at the New Frontier Hotel, and that RICHARDSON would pay him $1,000. RICHARDSON, upon interview by Bureau Agents, denied this. It is noted that [redacted] has interests in the New Frontier Hotel.

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As set out above, in this report, [redacted] stated that on December 14, 1961, JOHN ROSSELLI picked up [redacted] at the Beverly Crest Hotel and was driving a 1961 black Lincoln Continental automobile. With regard to this car, it is noted that the information has been previously reported in this investigation that the law firm of Cantillon and Cantillon have a 1961 Lincoln Continental registered to them and it is possible that this may have been the car used by ROSSELLI.

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On 9/1/61 [redacted] furnished information that a man came to ROSELLI's apartment in Las Vegas and ROSELLI introduced this person as [redacted] his landlord (probably [redacted] attorney from Los Angeles who now owns the Diplomat Apartments). According to [redacted], ROSELLI told [redacted] that if the manager of the Diplomat Apartments left anyone in ROSELLI's apartment to "bug" it he will "sue the manager and the people who bug it".

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Later in the same day [redacted] and ROSELLI discussed the type of locks on ROSELLI's doors and ROSELLI said that he had two locks on both the back and front doors and that the maid is the only person with the keys. According to this source, ROSELLI apparently feels very secure in his apartment and ROSELLI told [redacted] that he did not believe anybody could get into the apartment until they drilled the locks in which event ROSELLI would know about it. [redacted] told ROSELLI that the locks were five pin tumbler type locks and could possibly be picked.

It may be that ROSELLI was referring to his Los Angeles apartment when he stated he has two locks on both the front and back doors. It is known that ROSELLI has two locks on the front door of his apartment in Los Angeles and that for some time the only person having a key was the maid.

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[redacted] furnished information that JOHN ROSELLI was in conference with SAM GIANCANA at Chicago, Illinois, on 12/6/61. During this conversation ROSELLI and GIANCANA discussed latest electronic devices, which discussion is set out below:

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ROSELLI: Oh, I gave [redacted] that thing to bring up to you.

GIANCANA: It's no good. It's not the kind I was looking for. I was looking for the kind for the room that would fit anyplace, a little disc, that you could lay anywhere.

ROSELLI: Oh, Electronics.

GIANCANA: Yeah. It's all right for sending. No, it's a receiver, but it's not a sender.

ROSELLI: It's a sender too. The thing that you have you can put between the door. And then you tune them in across the street.

GIANCANA: What I want is something <u>really</u> small....

ROSELLI: All right, here's one, you put on a wall, you.... I got a guy out there, this is what he brought me.

GIANCANA: You can't take a big mike like this and put it in a flat.

ROSELLI: Sure. You take it apart.

GIANCANA: If you take it apart, you're dead. You won't get the volume. As clear as...

ROSELLI: Well, we'll play with it. We got a guy, an electronic guy.

GIANCANA: The main thing is....

ROSELLI: There is one thing, let me tell you what it is. The CIA has it, they have a thing,...

GIANCANA: Like a cigarette.

ROSELLI: Yeah, but ... the FBI out there, somebody has got a portable....it takes conversations way out. The FBI has it. Electronics,..... spy system....Washington, now, and I told them, for Christ' sake, report on that thing. I gotta have it.....CIA....

GIANCANA: If you can't get that, tell them to get the kind that you.....

ROSELLI: I got another guy in Los Angeles who's got an electronic cap kind of a thing... and he showed me that....so I gotta find out what the smallest thing is. If you put it in there, you want to take it and get a receiver? And receive it where you're set up?

GIANCANA: Maybe a block, two blocks, three blocks.

ROSELLI: No, you can't go that far.

GIANCANA: We had one downtown about a year ago, a home made one, a little box, went to the hotel room (St. Clair Hotel) and stuck it in the guy's room, went down tow blocks, you know where the St. Clair Hotel is at? Went two blocks away, sat in the car, then turned it on, and got all the conversation. Two blocks away. b7C [redacted] had it.

ROSELLI: How big was your receiver?

GIANCANA: Like a..... that's all. Box was only this big, maybe three by three. We were talking, bla, bla, bla,.....picked it up.

GIANCANA: Think about it.

ROSELLI: Yeah, I'll work on it. BOBBY is in Washington.....

GIANCANA: Well, JOHN, we'll see you tomorrow night.

ROSELLI: Wait a minute, now, you gonna be busy tomorrow?

GIANCANA: Yeah. Most of the day.

ROSELLI: Let me stay over, I'll send this guy back. Or maybe I'll keep him over an extra day.

GIANCANA: What the hell is the difference?

ROSELLI: All right, I'll meet you tomorrow night. Seven o'clock. I want to tell you all these things, so you know. I can stay a week, a month, what do I care. But I'm trying to con this guy, that I'm staying over for him. Now, what I'll do is go downtown now. Do you know how to get in touch with me? I'm in 605, [redacted] Ambassador West. [redacted] Tomorrow you'll be busy all day.

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GIANCANA: Tomorrow afternoon, I'll call you and I'll come down.

ROSELLI: Come down tomorrow afternoon and I can go with him tomorrow night. See? I'll wait in the hotel. It's in the California Suite. Come down about two, three o'clock.

Apparently GIANCANA is interested in obtaining a very small microphone which he can place in a room or an apartment to pick up conversations. ROSELLI mentions the CIA and apparently has some contact with CIA who is in a position to furnish ROSELLI with the latest information and/or equipment used to pick up conversations and either exhibited photographs of these devices or the actual devices themselves to GIANCANA. The situattion b2 b7D which GIANCANA refers to in the St. Clair Hotel was one b7C reported by [redacted] some time ago whereby MURRAY HUMPHREYS, [redacted] and apparently himself rigged up a home-made microphone and receiver, and placed it in the meeting room of the St. Clair Hotel after which they sat in their car two blocks away and were able to pick up the conversation. ROSELLI then concluded by stating that he was staying at Room 605 at the Ambassador West b7C Hotel with [redacted]

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Title: JOHN ROSELLI

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: ROSSELLI, FBI No. 3339986, claims birth at Chicago, Illinois, on 7/4/04. FBI Laboratory examination of signatures on Report of Birth, filed in 1936, and on Affidavit of Birth, upon which Report of Birth is based, reveals signatures to be forgeries. ROSSELLI married WINIFRED JUNE VLASEK (actress JUNE LANG) in 1940, was divorced in 1943, and has not remarried. In 1950 ROSSELLI testified before Kefauver Committee and stated he engaged in buying and selling liquor in Los Angeles during prohibition era; that he was acquainted with AL CAPONE, and that he engaged in wire service for horse racing information in the late 1930's. He was convicted in Federal Court in New York City on 12/23/43 on charge of conspiracy to extort money from individuals in movie industry, sentenced to ten years imprisonment, and paroled in 1947. In 1957-1958, he was allegedly active in management of Tropicana Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, in an unofficial capacity. He obtained concessions from Tropicana Hotel but sold these in 1958 upon request of Nevada Gaming Control Board. He was officer in Monte Proser Productions, Inc., which produced floor shows at Tropicana Hotel, from 1957 until first part of 1959. Since 1959 has engaged in promoting and investing in various enterprises in Las Vegas area. He is currently engaged in producing motion picture of Las Vegas night life through Showcase Enterprises, Inc. He obtained contracts from all major hotels to shoot scenes in the casinos. Investigation indicates ROSSELLI may be handling various matters in Las Vegas for SAM GIANCANA, Chicago gambling figure. In December, 1961, he reported to

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GIANCANA concerning matters in Las Vegas. In latter part of 1961 he and GIANCANA involved in wire tap case in Las Vegas. He is in contact in Los Angeles with EDITH E. CAMPBELL who is friend of GIANCANA and who makes numerous telephone calls to GIANCANA's residence in Illinois. ROSSELLI has admitted he associates with highly controversial individuals who are friends, and said he would continue to associate with them. He allegedly stated he invests money for others in legitimate enterprises, but the money may be "illegitimate." He maintains apartments in Los Angeles and in Las Vegas and travels back and forth frequently.

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Robert Maheu 155 South Bristol Brentwood, Calif

Information has also been set out in this report under the heading "Criminal Activities" reflecting that in the latter part of 1960, ROBERT A. MAHEU was requested by CIA to contact SAM GIANCANA regarding Cuban matters, and that MAHEU got in touch with GIANCANA through JOHN ROSSELLI; that thereafter, a wire tap was placed on the telephone of DAN ROWAN at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, allegedly at the request of MAHEU, and according to MAHEU, to discover if there had been a leak of information through PHYLLIS MC GUIRE, a girl friend of SAM GIANCANA, who was then keeping company with DAN ROWAN. MAHEU advised that he had discussed some type of an installation with ROSSELLI prior to the time it was actually made.

Information is also set out in this report under the heading "Contacts and Associates" and specifically under the heading "JUDITH E. CAMPBE[redacted] reflecting that CAMPBELL, a friend of GIANCANA, has been in frequent contact with GIANCANA's residence in Chicago via telephone, and she has also been in contact with JOHN ROSSELLI.

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The records of the hotel reflect that during the period September 12 to 15, 1961, Rooms 405 and 407 were charged with a number of toll calls including the following. As set out previously in this investigation, the identity of the subscribers to these numbers was furnished by [redacted]

Telephone No.	Room	Date	Subscriber
[redacted]	[redacted]	9/13	[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	9/13	[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	9/14	[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	9/13	[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	9/12 9/14	[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	9/15	[redacted]
[redacted]	405	9/15	(no answer)
[redacted]	405 407	9/14	Four Trees Restaurant 7800 Sunset Blvd., [redacted]

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HO 1-9321	405 407	9/15 9/13 & 9/14	Zeman, Fuller Boyer & Goldberg - CPAs, 7833 West Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif.
[redacted]			
EX 5-8888	405	9/13 & 9/14	ROBERT A. MAHEU, 155 South Bristol, Brentwood, Calif.
39 5-8888	405	9/13 & 9/14	
[redacted]			
UP 0-3775	405	9/13 & 9/14	Showcase Enterprises, 8822 Washington Blvd., Culver City, Calif.
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On [redacted] ROSSELLI was not a guest at the hotel during this period, but on December 14, 1961 [redacted] observed ROSSELLI arrive at the hotel in a 1961 black Lincoln Continental automobile and pick up [redacted]

[redacted] stated T. W. RICHARDSON, Riverside Hotel, Reno, Nevada, was also a guest at the hotel from December 11 to 14, 1961 and on December 11, 1961, RICHARDSON was charged with a telephone call to [redacted] at [redacted] Las Vegas, Nevada.

Information will be set out later in this report that T. W. RICHARDSON is an acquaintance of JOHN ROSSELLI and that in the latter part of 1960, an investigation was conducted concerning a wire tap on the phone of DAN ROWAN at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas in which an individual

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named ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI was arrested by local authorities and in which JOHN ROSSELLI was involved. BALLETTI revealed that he was told by ROBERT MAHEU, a private detective and a friend of ROSSELLI, that he, BALLETTI, was to contact a Mr. T. W. RICHARDSON at the New Frontier Hotel in Las Vegas and RICHARDSON would pay him $1000. BALLETTI contacted RICHARDSON and received the $1000. RICHARDSON, upon interview by Bureau Agents, denied this.

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Information is also set out above concerning T. W. RICHARDSON, who allegedly paid ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI $1,000 in connection with the placing of a wire tap on the telephone of DAN ROWAN at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas.

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in Chicago. Through these connections, he controlled the Race Wire Services in Los Angeles, and subsequently, he was employed at Columbia Studios. He said that he recalls that the late HARRY COHN, President, Columbia Studios, called ROSSELLI and told him that the workers at Columbia were going to strike the following day. He said that ROSSELLI got up in the middle of the night and contacted WILLIE BIOFF and told BIOFF that he was not going to strike Columbia Pictures. He said that on the basis of this, ROSSELLI was convicted with BIOFF, BROWNE, et al, in the well-known motion picture extortion case. He insisted that he did not believe that ROSSELLI was personally involved in receiving pay-offs from the motion picture industry, but that his conviction was based on the fact that he had ordered that there would be no strike at Columbia Pictures. On the basis of this, it would appear that he had "pull" over the others involved in this shakedown.

POSSIBLE INVOLVEMENT IN WIRE TAPPING
AT RIVIERA HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

On October 31, 1960, ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI was arrested at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, at which time he admitted that he had received instructions from Investigations, Inc., Miami, Florida, to surveil and record telephone conversations of DAN ROWAN, who was then staying at the Riviera Hotel. BALLETTI stated that he had received instructions from ROBERT MAHEU to contact T. W. RICHARDSON at the New Frontier Hotel and RICHARDSON would pay him $1,000 for the work which was being done by BALLETTI. Investigation revealed that an unknown individual using the name J. W. HARRISON, participated in the placing of the telephone surveillance in DAN ROWAN'S room.

T. W. RICHARDSON, who is part owner of the New Frontier Hotel, upon interview denied knowing BALLETTI or paying any money to BALLETTI or anyone else in connection with this matter.

It is noted that at this time ROWAN was keeping company with PHYLLIS MC GUIRE of the MC GUIRE Sisters singing act and ROWAN later advised that he intended to marry PHYLLIS MC GUIRE.

PHYLLIS MC GUIRE had reportedly been the girl friend of SAMUEL GIANCANA of Chicago. Information received during July, 1960, from an informant in Las Vegas, indicates that GIANCANA is again keeping company with PHYLLIS MC GUIRE.

EDWARD L. DUBOIS of Investigations, Inc. advised that in October, 1960, he received a telephone call from ROBERT MAHEU, a private investigator, Washington, D.C., requesting that DUBOIS send two men to Las Vegas on October 26, 1960, for physical surveillance work. Subsequently, according to DUBOIS, MAHEU told him only to send one man as he, MAHEU, was going to send one man. Thereafter, DUBOIS sent BALLETTI and the unknown individual who used the name J. W. HARRISON accompanied BALLETTI.

During the period from October 11 to October 29, 1960, ROBERT A. MAHEU and a J. A. ROLLINS were registered at the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, and ROLLINS accompanied MAHEU. MAHEU informed SAs of the FBI that J. A. ROLLINS was JOHN A. ROLLINS but refused to further identify him.

Investigation disclosed that while at the Kenilworth Hotel, ROLLINS was charged with two telephone calls to telephone number [redacted] in Chicago, Illinois, which is the telephone number of [redacted] who has been identified in the ROSSELLI investigation as a close friend and associate of ROSSELLI. ROLLINS was also charged with a telephone call to telephone number [redacted] Woodland Hills, California, which is the number of [redacted] who has also been identified as a close friend and associate of ROSSELLI.

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ROLLINS was also charged with a telephone call to telephone number DU 2-6000 which is the telephone number of the Desert Inn Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, where ROSSELLI had received many telephone calls in the past.

JAMES FOLEY, an attorney in Las Vegas, Nevada, advised that in the latter part of October, 1960, he received a telephone call from JAMES P. CANTILLON of the law firm of Cantillon and Cantillon, Beverly Hills, California, requesting that FOLEY represent BALLETTI and arrange for his bond. CANTILLON personally guaranteed FOLEY's fee. It is noted

that JAMES P. CANTILLON is JOHN ROSSELLI's attorney and a close associate of ROSSELLI's.

Upon interview by SAs of the FBI, JAMES P. CANTILLON said that he first heard of the microphone incident when he received a call from a man in custody in Las Vegas whose name he did not recall. He said that the name BALLETTI was probably correct. He advised that he referred this man to THOMAS FOLEY an attorney in Las Vegas.

Further investigation revealed that Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in connection with their operations concerning FIDEL CASTRO in Cuba contacted ROBERT MAHEU to act as "cutout" in contacts with SAM GIANCANA on the theory that GIANCANA through his gambling activities in Cuba under the Batista Government might still have sources and contacts in Cuba who could be of value to CIA. According to officials of CIA, this organization did not authorize the microphone surveillance on DON ROWAN.

On May 25, 1961, MAHEU advised SAs of the FBI that the original contact with GIANCANA after MAHEU had been requested by CIA to make contact with GIANCANA was made by "JOHNNY" who he declined to further identify.

On June 29, 1961, MAHEU advised SAs [redacted] and [redacted] that he would verify "JOHNNY's" identity if the Agents named the man. When JOHN ROSSELLI's name was furnished to MAHEU he admitted that ROSSELLI was the "JOHNNY" he referred to and that ROSSELLI was also identical to J. A. ROLLINS who registered with him at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida, in October, 1960.

ROBERT MAHEU was interviewed at 190 North Canon Drive, Beverly Hills, California, on July 13, 1961. MAHEU was informed of his right to an attorney and that he did not have to answer questions and that anything he did say could be used against him in a court of law.

MAHEU stated that in connection with the confidential assignment for CIA he had been in contact with SAMUEL GIANCANA and had received valuable assistance from GIANCANA, which, in turn, was furnished to CIA. MAHEU had reason to believe that

GIANCANA may have disclosed information regarding the project and, in view of the sensitive nature of the project, he, MAHEU, decided to determine whether or not GIANCANA had actually talked to unauthorized persons. He was aware that GIANCANA was very close in a romatic way with PHYLLIS MC GUIRE of the Mc Guire Sisters Trio. He said that if GIANCANA had disclosed this information regarding project to anyone, he would have disclosed it to PHYLLIS MC GUIRE. He said that he was also aware that in the fall of 1960 the relations between PHYLLIS MC GUIRE and GIANCANA were strained and that PHYLLIS was romantically involved with DAN ROWAN, who was appearing at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas. He considered it very vital to determine whether or not GIANCANA was reliable and decided to order an installation on DAN ROWAN's room in an effort to determine whether or not GIANCANA had disclosed any information regarding the project to PHYLLIS MC GUIRE.

MAHEU stated that this decision was his own and that GIANACANA had no knowledge that the installation was made. He said that he did discuss this with JOHN ROSSELLI, since he felt obligated to discuss it with ROSSELLI, as ROSSELLI had been instrumental in putting him in contact with GIANCANA. MAHEU denied that the installation was made at the request of ROSSELLI or GIANCANA or for the benefit of either ROSSELLI or GIANCANA. He said that he did discuss his decision with ROSSELLI some time prior to ordering the installation but does not recall the specific date or place where he discussed the matter with ROSSELLI. He pointed out that he does not recall whether or not this occurred during October, 1960, when they were both registered at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida. He pointed out that he had met with ROSSELLI on a number of occasions and, therefore, does not recall the specific occasion in which he discussed his decision with ROSSELLI. He does not recall what comment ROSSELLI made when informed of his decision.

MAHEU said that he requested EDWARD L. DUBOIS, Jr., a Miami Beach private investigator, to institute a technical surveillance of DAN ROWAN's room at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. He said that he does not recall what his specific requests were regarding the

type of installation to be used, but had left this up to DUBOIS. He said that he was interested only in conversation within DAN ROWAN's room and had in mind the installation of a microphone and transmitter and not a telephone tap. He said, however, that he does not recall whether or not he specified not to make a telephone installation. He said that he does recall that he definitely did not request a physical surveillance of [redacted] ROWAN.

MAHEU stated that he does not know the identity of the unknown subject, also known as J. W. HARRISON. He said that he definitely did not contact DUBOIS and tell DUBOIS that he would send one of his men. He insisted that DUBOIS furnished both men to handle this assignment in Las Vegas and that DUBOIS had charged him for transportation and time for two men.

MAHEU repeated that he would take full responsibility for ordering the installation, that the installation was made for the reasons he had given above and in a previous interview, and definitely was not made at the request or for the benefit of JOHN ROSSELLI or SAMUEL GIANCANA.

JOHN ROSSELLI was contacted at Drucker's Hairdressers for Men, 9740 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California. ROSSELLI was informed of his right to have an attorney and that he did not have to say anything and that anything he did say could be used against him in a court of law.

ROSSELLI admitted that he has known ROBERT MAHEU for approximately five years. When asked if he knew SAM GIANCANA, ROSSELLI stated, "Let's discuss the weather. I do not care to answer any more questions." ROSSELLI stated that he knew of nothing illegal that MAHEU had done, but for any additional information regarding his association with MAHEU, the Agents should talk with MAHEU himself.

b1C [redacted] ROSSELLI was telephonically contacted by SA [redacted] at his Los Angeles apartment, 1251 Crescent Heights Boulevard, Los Angeles, on July 19, 1961, in an effort to

arrange an interview. ROSSELLI advised that he did not care to discuss his association with MAHEU at any time with the FBI.

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POSSIBLE EXTORTION IN CONNECTION
WITH SHOW "FLOWER DRUM SONG"
THUNDERBIRD HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

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Information received during 1958, 1959, 1960 and 1961 from various travel agencies in Los Angeles and Beverly Hills, California, from the Los Angeles Police Department, and from informants and sources of information in the Los Angeles and Las Vegas Offices, has shown that ROSSELLI usually travels back and forth between Las Vegas and Los Angeles, California, two, three or more times each month. As set out above, he maintains an apartment in Las Vegas and an apartment in Los Angeles, and when he travels between these two cities, he seldom carries luggage with him.

Information is set out above in this report regarding the wire tap at the Riviera Hotel in the fall of 1960; that from the period October 11 to October 29, 1960, ROBERT A. MAHEU and ROSSELLI, who was using the name J. A. ROLLINS, were registered at the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. MAHEU admitted that the person registering as J. A. ROLLINS was ROSSELLI.

In [redacted] furnished information that ROSSELLI was in Chicago for one, two or three days during the first part of December, 1961.

[redacted] that he had received information that ROSSELLI was then in Chicago, Illinois.

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[redacted] advised that he had received information that ROSSELLI was still in Chicago, Illinois, as of February 10, 1961.

[redacted] furnished information to Agents of the Miami Office that JOHN ROSSELLI was observed by him at the Fountainbleu Hotel in Miami in the company of a good-looking girl.

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Date: January 31, 1963

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REC-67

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3267)

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-113-E) (P)

RE : JOHN ROSELLI, aka.
AR

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b7D

The following is a summary of information received from [redacted] during the period from 1/15/63 to 1/30/63. u

On 1/15/63, ROSSELLI was at his apartment during the morning and engaged in a telephone conversation with an unknown person, but the subject matter of the conversation was not detailed enough to be intelligible. u

No information of pertinence was received on 1/16/63. ROSSELLI went to Las Vegas, Nevada, on 1/16/63, and did not return to Los Angeles until 1/21/63. Source furnished no information of value on 1/21/63. u

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OS

On 1/22/63, ROSSELLI had a long telephone conversation with a girl named [redacted] (probably [redacted]. The conversation for the most part dealt with ROSSELLI's accusations about [redacted] mercenary relationship with several men, including [redacted] u

ROSSELLI talked to an unknown person and remarked that they had a table for eight. He mentioned [redacted] in connection with this matter. (This probably refers to the dinner being held on the evening of 1/22/63, at the Friar's Club in Beverly Hills, to honor SAMMY DAVIS, JR.) u

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EX-102

3 - Bureau (92-3267) (Air Mail - Registered)
1 - Los Angeles (92-113-E)
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Approved: Special Agent in Charge Sent _____ M Per _____

ROSSELLI told the unknown person that he just returned to town the day before and that he was going back the next day. In this conversation, ROSSELLI mentioned buildings and property and the fact that he had tried to buy some land. He said he could have bought it for 385 and they paid 550 for it, and they could probably get about a million or a million and two for it now.

On 1/22/63, ROSSELLI made two calls trying to get in touch with ROBERT MAHEU and left a message as to where MAHEU could reach him.

On the same date, ROSSELLI called [redacted] and told her he was going away for a few days, and mentioned that "they are having a dinner tomorrow for [redacted] He wanted [redacted] to fly to Las Vegas with him, and indicated that [redacted] said he would be happy to get [redacted] started with his bank up there.

ROSSELLI told [redacted] on 1/22/63, that [redacted] had a ticket for [redacted] or the SAMMY DAVIS dinner.

On 1/23/63, ROSSELLI talked to an unknown person and told this person to get hold of LEO. He then mentioned that he was bringing [redacted] to Las Vegas and said, "Be sure to say nothing to him, I think he knows something." (This may refer to [redacted].

ROSSELLI left Los Angeles for Las Vegas on the afternoon of 1/23/63, with [redacted] and a man named [redacted]

As of 1/30/63, no information had been received that ROSSELLI had returned to Los Angeles.

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FBI

Date: 3/23/63

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(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3267)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-113C)

RE: JOHN ROSELLI, aka
AR

b2
b7D ROSSELLI returned to his Los Angeles apartment on evening of 3/20/63. According to [redacted] on the evening he returned, he talked to an unknown person and made an appointment to see the person about 12 o'clock. FISUR conducted on 3/21/63 revealed ROSSELLI did not leave his apartment until after one P.M. and then went directly to the Friar's Club in Beverly Hills, California.

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b7D [redacted] advised that the morning of 3/21/63 ROSSELLI called to talk to ROBERT MAHEU but MAHEU was not in and ROSSELLI left a message that he could be reached at the Friar's Club. MAHEU is a well known private investigator and former FBI Agent who is a friend of ROSSELLI and a person with whom ROSSELLI has had business dealings in the past.

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b7D [redacted] advised that ROSSELLI was observed by informant at the Friar's Club shortly after 3:00 P.M. on
b7C 3/21/63. ROSSELLI was with [redacted] and [redacted]
b7D [redacted] part owners of the New Frontier Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. [redacted]

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EX-102

D.C. Wick

Approved: NGS/BBH Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

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b7D [redacted] advised that on the morning of 3/22/63, ROSSELLI called [redacted] and made an appointment to meet [redacted] that day at the Friar's Club.

FISUR on 3/22/63 revealed ROSSELLI left his apartment about 10:30 A.M. and visited his tailor, MANNY DWARK and then went to Beverly Hills, California. He arrived at the Friar's Club shortly after 1:00 P.M. [redacted]
b7C automobile was observed parked on the street immediately in front of the Friar's Club. As of about 3:30 P.M. both
b7C ROSSELLI's and [redacted] cars were still parked at the club.

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TITLE OF CASE

JOHN ROSELLI, aka

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] b7C TYPED DHA

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] Los Angeles, 2/25/63. b7C

Las Vegas teletypes to Los Angeles, 2/23, 27, 3/1/63.

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Los Angeles letter to Chicago, 2/25/63.

Los Angeles letter to Newark, 2/25/63.

Los Angeles letter to Las Vegas, 2/25/63.

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It is noted that ROSSELLI was in Las Vegas on the evening of March 13, 1963 inasmuch as will be set out later in this report, [redacted] was in long-distance telephonic communication with ROSSELLI in Las Vegas at this time. b7C

On [redacted] furnished information that ROSSELLI returned to his apartment late in the evening on March 15, 1963.

On [redacted] stated that ROSSELLI had an appointment to meet an unknown individual at about 12:00 p.m. on that date.

On the basis of information furnished by [redacted] and observation by Special Agents of the FBI, ROSSELLI was not at his apartment nor was his car in the apartment garage from March 16, 1963 until the evening of March 20, 1963, when ROSSELLI returned. b2 b7D

On March 21, 1963, Special Agents of the FBI observed ROSSELLI leave his apartment alone shortly after 1:00 p.m. and proceed in his 1963 Ford Thunderbird to the Friars Club in Beverly Hills, California.

On [redacted] furnished information that ROSSELLI wanted to get in contact with ROBERT MAHEU. MAHEU has been previously identified in this investigation as being a private investigator and a friend of ROSSELLI.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3267)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-113E) (P)

RE: JOHN ROSELLI, aka
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The following is a summary of information received from [redacted] during the period 3/18/63 to 4/12/63. U

ROSSELLI was not in Los Angeles from 3/18/63 to 3/20/63. U

On 3/21/63 ROSSELLI left a message for ROBERT MAHEN (Private investigator and former FBI Agent) to call him at the Friar's Club about 1:30 p.m. U

On 2/22 and 23/63 ROSSELLI advised unknown persons that he would be at the Friar's Club on both these dates. U

On 2/24/63 ROSSELLI was complaining to an unknown individual that the intensified investigation being conducted regarding his income was "murder". U

On 3/25/63 ROSSELLI conversed with an unknown woman who had apparently been in an automobile accident and had been in a hospital. U

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On 3/27/63 ROSSELLI told [redacted] (a close friend) that he had to go see his tax man that day to see if his tax man can straighten out ROSSELLI's 1962 taxes. ROSSELLI told [redacted] he was going to drive up there (Las Vegas, Nevada) and asked [redacted] to go along so that [redacted] could see some individual there. U

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FBI

Date: 5/8/63

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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3267)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-113C)

RE: JOHN ROSELLI, aka.
AR

On 5/1/63 Las Vegas Office advised ROSSELLI residing Room 25, Desert Inn Hotel, Las Vegas.

[redacted] advised that on 4/30/63 ROSSELLI received telephone call from a Mr. MAHEU. ROSSELLI was not in and a message was left for him to call MAHEU, city not stated but probably in Los Angeles. MAHEU is probably ROBERT MAHEU, Private Investigator and former Bureau Agent with whom ROSSELLI has been in contact on numerous occasions in the past.

ROSSELLI probably returned to Los Angeles evening of 5/1/63. [redacted] advised that he was a passenger on Western Airlines Flight #24 for Las Vegas, which left Los Angeles at 10:30 AM on 5/2/63.

Las Vegas Office advised on 5/7/63 that ROSSELLI still in Las Vegas.

[redacted] advised that on 5/2/63 [redacted] and [redacted] both friends of ROSSELLI, left Los Angeles on that date on Western Airlines Flight 601, en route to Mexico City, and Acapulco, Mexico. [redacted] advised that [redacted] and [redacted] accompanied [redacted] and [redacted]

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1 - Los Angeles
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EX-108

C. C. Wick

53 MAY 20 1963

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5/29/63

Airtel

To: SAC, Los Angeles (92-113)

From: Director, FBI (92-3267)

JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Re your FD-143 dated 5/21/63.

A review of information furnished by [redacted] reveals that John Roselli left a message for Robert Maheu to contact him at the Friars Club.

In an effort to determine if Maheu has any contacts with hoodlum interests, you should discreetly obtain and review a record of all telephone toll calls made by Maheu for the past three months. Advise Bureau results of your inquiry.

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NOTE: See cover memo Evans to Belmont, same caption, dated 5/29/63, JEK:amr.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : MR. BELMONT

DATE: May 29, 1963

FROM : C. A. EVANS

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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In reviewing a summary of information received during the past ninety days from [redacted] a highly confidential source, it was noted that John Roselli had attempted to contact Robert Maheu and had requested that Maheu call him at the Friars Club in Los Angeles.

Maheu is apparently identical with the former Bureau Agent, currently a private investigator, who has been connected with CIA and Sam Giancana, the Chicago underworld leader.

Roselli, the subject of intensified investigation, divides his time between Los Angeles and Las Vegas. He is also known to be allied with Chicago underworld interests. The reason for Roselli's attempt to contact Maheu is not known.

ACTION:

If approved, the attached communication will be directed to the Los Angeles Office instructing discreet inquiry to obtain and review toll calls made by Maheu during the past three months to determine if he is in contact with hoodlum interests.

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1 - Administrative Division

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-113)

FROM: SAC, RICHMOND (92-New) -P-

JOHN ROSELLI, aka;
ANTI-RACKETEERING

(OO: LA)

The Los Angeles Division, during the late afternoon of 6/20/63, telephonically requested the Richmond Division to conduct a physical surveillance of subject, who was then en route to the Dulles International Airport, via Transworld Airlines, Flight 60, due to arrive at 8:15 pm. The flight originated in Los Angeles, Calif.

Physical surveillance at the Dulles International Airport revealed that subject arrived at 8:28 pm. He was met by a man and woman driving a 1963 Ford Fairlane Ranch Wagon, bearing Maryland license DF 78-69, registered to WILLIAM KING HARVEY of 28 W. Irving St., Chevy Chase 15, Montgomery Co., Maryland. The subject, with unknown man and woman, departed in above station wagon from Dulles International Airport at 8:35 pm and proceeded to WDC, where the automobile was parked in the 1700 block of Wisconsin Ave., N.W. The subject and his two companions were then observed as they entered Tino's Continental Restaurant at 9:13 pm. Richmond Agents continued the surveillance in this area until 10:50 pm, at which time the surveillance was turned over to Agents of the WFO Office.

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Special Agent in Charge

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SAC, Los Angeles (92-113) 6/25/63

Director, FBI (92-3267)

JOHN ROSELLI, aka
AR

Re Washington Field tel 6/21/63. U

The Bureau has determined from CIA that Roselli, during his recent trip to Washington, D. C., was in contact with a representative of that agency. CIA has advised that Roselli has periodically indicated that he was in a position to be of assistance regarding Cuban matters. It was also reported that this last meeting between Roselli and a representative of CIA was to close out this entire matter. CIA reports that Roselli has not been given any financial remuneration by that agency and CIA has never made any commitments to him.

This is for your confidential information and should not be set forth in investigative reports. U

NOTE: Brennan to Sullivan memo 6/21/63 sets forth information obtained from CIA. U

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : MR. BELMONT

DATE: June 21, 1963

FROM : C. A. EVANS

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

With reference to my previous memorandum indicating John Roselli had met with William K. Harvey of CIA last evening, Mr. Papich of the Liaison Section advised that Roselli is returning to Los Angeles this afternoon. This information was furnished to him by Harvey.

ACTION:

The Washington Field Office has been alerted, will cover Roselli's departure for the West Coast and will appropriately advise the Los Angeles Office which covers the activities of Roselli in California.

1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Papich

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TO : W. C. SULLIVAN

DATE: June 21, 1963

FROM : D. J. BRENNAN

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SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTIRACKETEERING

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To Ipa #22,330

On June 20, 1963, the following information was furnished to the Liaison Agent by William Harvey, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), concerning Harvey's meeting with the subject on the same date:

Harvey made reference to a sensitive CIA operation which was initiated in early 1961 against Castro. This particular operation involved the possible use of individuals who had contacts in Cuba through gambling figures. As a result of its planning, CIA established contact with Roselli who allegedly was in the position to be of assistance. According to Harvey the operation, for all intents and purposes, was discontinued and canceled after the Cuban invasion fiasco in April, 1961.

Harvey advised that after the invasion and the eventual reorganization in CIA, he became the head of the division handling Cuban matters. He learned that the operation involving Roselli had not been completely cut off because Roselli periodically indicated that he was in a position to be of assistance. Harvey stated that since this matter was very closely held within CIA, it became his responsibility to control any dealings with Roselli. He, therefore, held the meeting with the subject on June 20, 1963, for the purpose of closing-out the entire matter since he, Harvey, is leaving [redacted] He stated that CIA has not given Roselli any financial remuneration and has never made any commitments to him.

(b)(1)(b)(3) per CIA

He advised that if the Bureau needed any further details he would be glad to cooperate in every way possible.

ATION:

For information.

We have learned Roselli is returning to Los Angeles today.

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Evans
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. McAndrews
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Papich

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 6-21-63

FROM : C. A. Evans

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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John Roselli is a leading hoodlum in the Los Angeles area with important connections in Las Vegas gambling casinos. On the evening of June 20, 1963, the Los Angeles Office developed information indicating Roselli was departing from Los Angeles for Washington, D. C., under an assumed name of J. Ralston. Upon arrival in Washington, D. C., it was determined Roselli was met by an individual later identified as William K. Harvey, former Bureau Agent and now with Central Intelligence Agency (CIA).

The Liaison Section determined from CIA that CIA is utilizing Roselli in connection with Cuban matters.

It is known that CIA approximately two years ago had enlisted the aid of Chicago hoodlum Sam Giancana in a plan to neutralize Cuban leader Fidel Castro. In this connection we determined that former Bureau Agent Robert Maheu, presently conducting private investigations, was utilized by CIA as an intermediary. While we have no specific proof of this, we believe that the approach to Giancana by CIA was made by Maheu through Roselli.

ACTION:

Papich of the Liaison Section is obtaining full details of CIAs interest in Roselli this morning. You will be advised of further developments in this connection.

Follow closely.

1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Papich

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TITLE OF CASE

JOHN ROSELLI, aka

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] b7C

TYPED BY mjg

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Las Vegas teletype to Los Angeles 6/6/63.
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INFORMATION REGARDING
ROSSELLI'S TRIP TO
WASHINGTON, D. C.
6/20 - 21/63

As set out in the investigative section of this report, ROSSELLI traveled to Washington, D. C. from Los Angeles on 6/20/63 leaving at 1:00 p.m. on TWA Flight 60 and returned to Los Angeles the following day on United Airlines and on both trips he traveled under the name J. RALSTON.

The following information is contained in Richmond airtel to the Director dated 6/21/63:

The Los Angeles Division, during the late afternoon of 6/20/63, telephonically requested the Richmond Division to conduct a physical surveillance of subject, who was then enroute to the Dulles International Airport, via Transworld Airlines, Flight 60, due to arrive at 8:15 pm. The flight originated in Los Angeles, California.

Physical surveillance at the Dulles International Airport revealed that subject arrived at 8:28 pm. He was met by a man and woman driving a 1963 Ford Fairlane Ranch Wagon, bearing Maryland license DF 78-69, registered to WILLIAM KING HARVEY of 28 W. Irving St., Chevy Chase 15, Montgomery Co., Maryland. The subject, with unknown man and woman, departed in above station wagon from Dulles International Airport at 8:35 pm and proceeded to Washington, D.C., where the automobile was parked in the 1700 block of Wisconsin Ave., N.W. The subject and his two companions were then observed as they entered Tino's Continental Restaurant at 9:13 pm. Richmond Agents continued the surveillance in this area until 10:50 pm, at which time the surveillance was turned over to Agents of the WFO Office.

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The following investigation was conducted by WFO based on telephonic request received from Alexandria RA on 6/20/63.

WFO Agents assumed fisur of the subject at 10:50 P.M., 6/20/63. At that time WFO was advised that the subject, accompanied by unknown white male and white female, were dining in Tino's Continental, 1721 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C., and that they had proceeded there from Dulles Airport, Va., in a late model white Ford Ranch Wagon, bearing 1963 Maryland license DF 7869.

Records of the Maryland Motor Vehicle Bureau reflect that license DF 7869 is registered to WILLIAM KING HARVEY, 28 West Irving Street, Chevy Chase, Md. WILLIAM KING HARVEY is a former Bureau Agent and currently holds a high position with CIA.

Bureau Liaison determined that the subject would be a house guest of WILLIAM KING HARVEY on the night of 6/20/63 and that he planned to depart Washington, D. C. 6/21/63. It was further determined that the subject may be engaged in a CIA operation.

In view of the above WFO discontinued fisur at 11:20 P.M., 6/20/63.

By memo dated 6/25/63, the Bureau advised the Los Angeles Office that the Bureau had determined from CIA that during his recent trip to Washington, D. C., ROSSELLI was in contact with a representative of CIA and that CIA advised the Bureau that ROSSELLI has periodically indicated that he was in a position to be of assistance regarding Cuban matters. CIA also advised that this last meeting between ROSSELLI and a representative of CIA was to close out this entire matter. ROSSELLI has not been given any financial remuneration by CIA and CIA has never made any commitments to ROSSELLI.

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The Bureau advised that this was for the confidential information of the Los Angeles Office and should not be set forth in an investigative report.

By memo dated 6/27/63, the Bureau advised that WILLIAM KING HARVEY was the representative of CIA who handled contacts with ROSSELLI.

It is noted that when ROSSELLI made reservations to return to Los Angeles on 6/21/63, he left a number where he could be reached as OL 2-1829.

On 7/10/63, the Los Angeles City Public Library Information Service advised that the residence telephone number of WILLIAM KING HARVEY is OL 4-5178.

The WFO will be requested by separate communication to ascertain the subscriber to Telephone No. OL 2-1829.

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ROBERT A. MAHEU
642 Toyopa Drive
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Robert A. Maheu and Associates

Information has been previously set out that on March 21, 1963, ROSSELLI desired to get in touch with ROBERT MAHEU, and that on May 1, 1963, ROSSELLI was called at the Desert Inn Hotel in Las Vegas by a Mr. MAHEU who left telephone number of GRanite 8-1269, in Los Angeles.

The current Los Angeles telephone directory reflect that 478-1269 is listed to Robert A. Maheu and Associates, 10889 Wilshire Boulevard, West Los Angeles, California.

Information has been set out previously in this investigation reflecting that ROBERT MAHEU who operates a private investigative firm, is quite well acquainted with JOHN ROSSELLI.

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Date 6/19/63

The following information was made available [redacted]

ROBERT A. MAHEU, 155 South Bristol, Los Angeles, California, [redacted] EX 5-3523 [redacted] telephone number EX 5-8888, [redacted]

ROBERT A. MAHEU and Associates, 1125 19th Street, Northwest Washington, D. C.

ROBERT A. MAHEU [redacted] at 642 Toyopa Drive, Pacific Palisades, California. [redacted]

ROBERT A. MAHEU and Associates at the Washington, D. C. [redacted]

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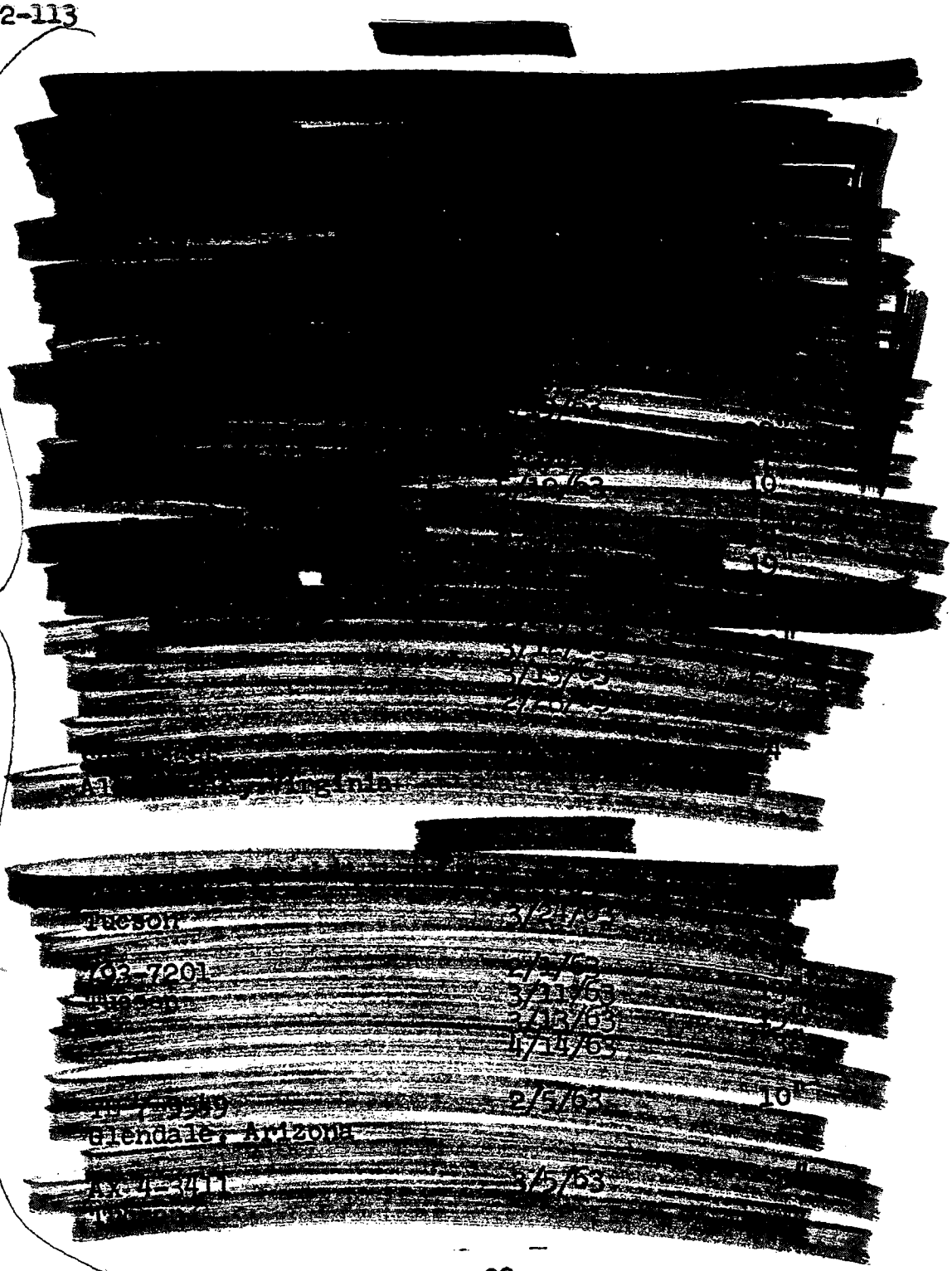

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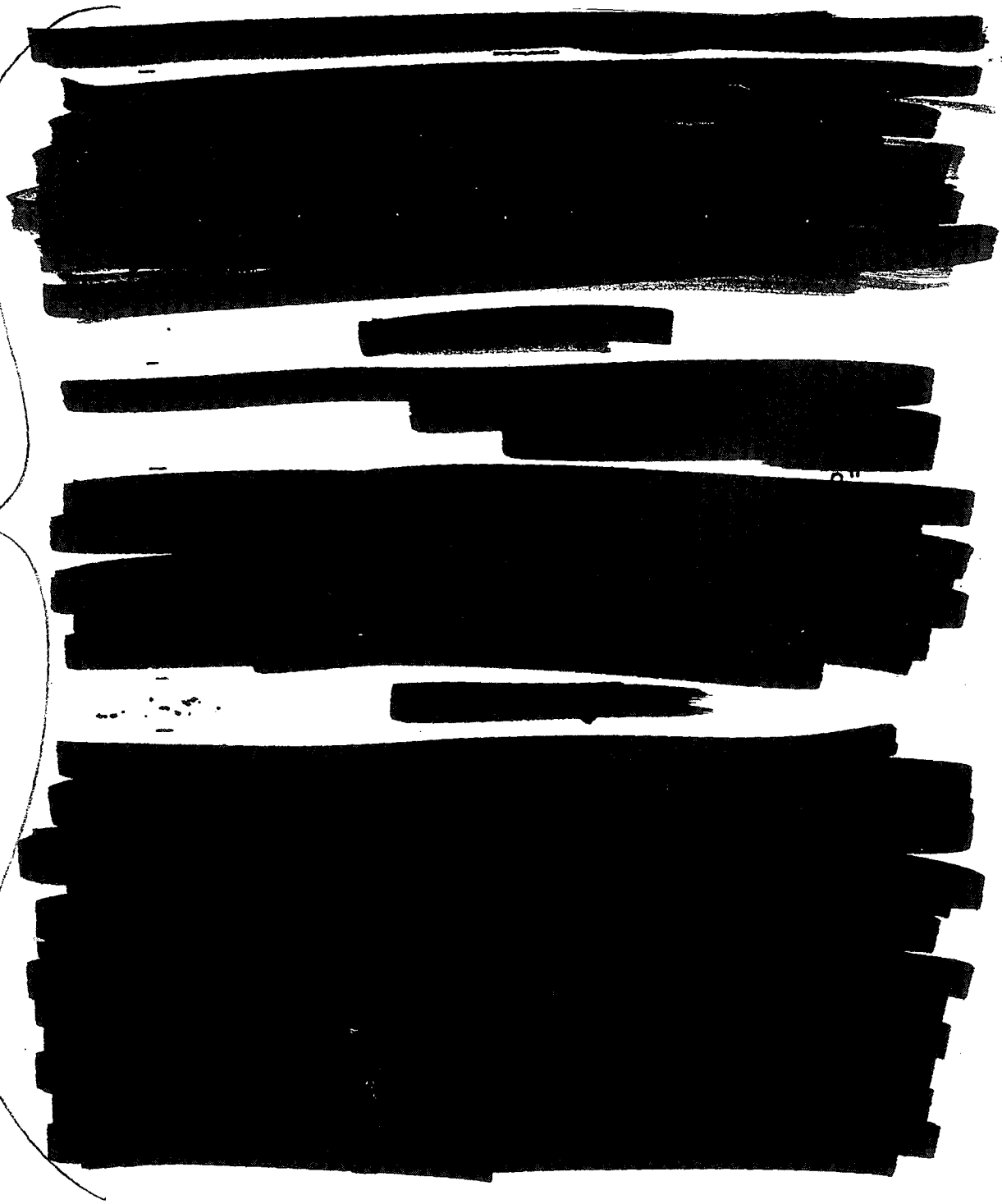

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ROBERT A. MAHEU
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The May, 1963 issue of a magazine entitled "Grapevine", which sets forth that it is the official publication of the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI, Inc. on Page 37 contains an article headed "Maheu Office Moves". The article then states "The Washington D. C. office of Robert A. Maheu Associates is moving to 900 17th Street, N.W., Washington 6, D. C., Suite 316 effective July 1.

"Society members ROBERT A. MAHEU and WILLIAM J. STATEN are at the Washington office of the firm which also has branches in Los Angeles and Tucson."

The same issue of this publication on Page 24 contains an article which reads as follows:

"Olsen In New Home"

"CHARLES H. OLSEN, who is with Robert A. Maheu Associates at the firm's Los Angeles office, is now residing at 648 Ocampo Drive, Pacific Palisades, California."

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Information concerning [redacted] ROBERT A. MAHEU and Robert A. Maheu Associates were set out previously in this investigation.

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Information has previously been set out in this investigation that FRANK DESIMONE of Los Angeles is a close friend of JOHN ROSSELLI and attended the "Apalachin meeting" in November, 1957.

ROBERT A. MAHEU
642 Toyopa Drive,
Pacific Palisadea, California
Robert A. Maheu & Associates

Information has been set forth previously in this investigation that ROSSELLI has on several occasions in the past been in contact with ROBERT A. MAHEU. In addition, [redacted] MAHEU's firm were set out. The following information pertains to the identity of the [redacted]

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BETHESDA, MARYLAND

SA [redacted] ascertained that the current Polk's Directory for the Montgomery County, Maryland, area, including Bethesda, Maryland, in the telephone index section reflects that Telephone No. [redacted] is listed to a [redacted]

The alphabetical and street sections of the same directory reflect a [redacted] occupation lawyer, wife [redacted] residing at [redacted] (Bethesda), Maryland.

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The 1962 edition of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company Directory for the Metropolitan Washington, D. C. area-Maryland edition, sets forth a listing for [redacted] Maryland, Telephone No. [redacted] business address [redacted], Washington, D. C., Telephone [redacted]

On August 28, 1963 a call placed to Telephone No. [redacted] determined that the number is still used by [redacted] an attorney in Washington, D. C.

Greeley, Colorado, advised there has never been any indication that this consulting engineering firm has had business relationships with persons engaged in criminal activities.

BOSTON

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The above information was furnished on a confidential basis and cannot be made public prior to the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

The Boston Office advised that Mrs. EPHREM MAHEU is the mother of former Special Agent ROBERT A. MAHEU.

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On 11/5/63, SA [redacted] discussed with AUSA TIMOTHY M. THORNTON any possible benefit that might be served if a Grand Jury were convened in Los Angeles to inquire into the facts concerning ROSSELLI's birth. The facts known, bearing on ROSSELLI's birth were reviewed with THORNTON.

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He stated that ROSSELLI would no doubt claim privilege under the 5th Amendment to any questions asked concerning his birth and thereafter the Grand Jury would have nothing to work on. THORNTON added that unless there is evidence of some current declaration by ROSSELLI in a Federal matter concerning his birth, there does not appear to be any jurisdiction and added that, if in fact, the birth records are false, it is really a violation against the state laws of Illinois.

INFORMATION CONCERNING [redacted] ROBERT A. MAHEU & ASSOCIATES

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For the past several months, at the request of the Bureau, [redacted] Robert A. Maheu & Associates have been obtained by the Los Angeles Office and the appropriate office [redacted] were located have furnished [redacted] In previous reports some of these [redacted] have been set forth. The purpose of ascertaining [redacted] was to determine if MAHEU was in contact with persons in the criminal element.

A review of the names of [redacted] and the information concerning them furnished by the other Offices which is quite voluminous, has revealed no instances where it is evident that MAHEU has contacted people engaged in criminal activities or having criminal backgrounds.

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In view of this, the material received from the other Offices concerning [redacted] will be indexed and maintained in instant file, but will not be reported in this report as it appears that it would serve no beneficial purpose. No further efforts are being made to obtain MAHEU's [redacted]

INVESTIGATION BY IRS
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

On 11/5/63, the agents from IRS who are conducting the ROSSELLI investigation, together with their supervisors, met with AUSAs TIMOTHY M. THORNTON and BENJAMIN S. FARBER, Special Prosecutive Section, U. S. Attorney's office, Los Angeles for the purpose of discussing the IRS investigation of ROSSELLI.

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Re Richmond letter to Bureau dated 9/27/63.

SA [redacted] on 11/29/63, was advised by [redacted] Governor Hill Apartments, 5111 S. 8th Road, Arlington, Va., that [redacted] with one [redacted] moved into those apartments during January, 1963. In the first part of April, 1963, they were having financial problems and sublet the apartment to three girls who resided there until August, 1963.

Presently, [redacted] and one [redacted] continue to occupy Apartment [redacted] at 5111 S. 8th Road, Arlington, Va. [redacted] is supposedly residing in the Seminary Towers Apartments, Alexandria, Va.

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] who was 21 years of age during January, 1963, was, at that time, an employee of the Bank of Commerce, Washington, D. C., and may possibly be employed there at the present time.

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The current Virginia edition of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Directory for the Washington, D. C.-Metropolitan area, reflects that one [redacted] resides at [redacted] Seminary Road, Alexandria, Virginia, where the telephone number is [redacted]. It should be noted that this is the address of the Seminary Towers Apartments in Alexandria, Virginia, and this individual is probably identical with the [redacted] who previously resided at 5111 S. 8th Road, Arlington, Va. U

[redacted] Secretary to the Director of Security Services for the Secretary of Defense, at the Pentagon Building, Arlington, Virginia, on 11/29/63, advised SA [redacted] that a check of various Defense Department Agencies was made by her office in an effort to identify [redacted] who maybe employed as a Communications Worker for the U. S. Government. These checks were made with negative results. [redacted] stated that in view of the fact that these checks were negative, it is the opinion of her office that [redacted] is not employed in any section of the Defense Department. She pointed out, however, that many of the services do have some independent personnel offices and it is possible for a person to be employed in the Department of Defense and this employment might not come to the attention of her office even when specific checks have been made.

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REQUEST OF BUREAU

[redacted]

The Bureau through liaison is requested to verify [redacted]

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

1. Is requested to contact the Bank of Commerce to determine whether or no [redacted] is still employed there. Will attempt to obtain detailed background information concerning him. U

2. Will contact U.S. Civil Service Commission to determine whether or not an individual by the name of [redacted] Falls Church, Va., is employed by the U. S. Government as a Communications Worker.

3. Will conduct a credit check concerning [redacted] to determine if any information has come to the attention of the [redacted] Bureau, Washington, D. C., concerning this individual.

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Unless advised to the contrary by the office of origin or the Bureau, the Richmond Division does not contemplate neighborhood inquiries concerning [redacted] and will take no further action to try and identify him at this time. Any additional inquiry concerning him should be requested by a further communication.

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Re Richmond letter 12/5/63. u

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1 - Richmond (92-264)

NOTE: Robert A. Maheu, former Bureau Agent, operates a private investigative agency in Los Angeles. His firm has been contacted in the past by subject Roselli and the Los Angeles Office has been checking toll calls charged to Maheu's firm to determine if Maheu was in contact with persons in the criminal element. One of these calls was made to an Arlington, Virginia, apartment occupied by [redacted] and [redacted] u

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3267)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-113-C)

JOHN ROSELLI, Aka
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The Bureau has been advised that ROSSELLI and a red-haired girl named [redacted], aka, were observed arriving in Las Vegas together on 4/28/64 [redacted] denied that she and ROSSELLI were traveling together and said that she had not been with ROSSELLI, although they were on the same plane. In this regard, information was also furnished the Bureau that on [redacted] ROSSELLI was in Santa Barbara with a woman. Photograph of [redacted] will be shown to [redacted] to determine if she is the girl who was with ROSSELLI.

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On 5/4/64 the Las Vegas Office advised that [redacted] furnished information that on 2/28/64 ROSSELLI called ROBERT MAHEW (phonetic), telephone number 454-6535, Santa Monica, California, (from the Desert Inn Hotel, Las Vegas). (This is the telephone number of ROBERT MAHEU, 642 Toyopa Drive, Pacific Palisades, California, and the Bureau is aware of MAHEU's identity and association with ROSSELLI.) [redacted] further advised that the arrival sheets reflecting guests checking into the Desert Inn Hotel reflects that a Mr. and Mrs. R. MAYHEW (phonetic) checked into this hotel on 4/28/64.

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JOHN ROSELLI, aka

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] b7C

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REFERENCES: Report of S[redacted] dated 3/26/64 at Los Angeles.
Las Vegas teletypes to Los Angeles 3/22/64; 4/2, 10, 16, 28/64; 5/11/64.
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TO BUREAU

Two (2) copies of a letterhead memorandum setting forth characterization of informants utilized in this report.

APPROVED: [signature] SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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On April 10, 1964, a Special Agent of the FBI observed a Lincoln Continental, sedan, bearing California license GWB 295, parked in front of 8116 Amore Road, at about 1:00 PM.

On April 13, 1964, the Department of Motor Vehicles, Los Angeles, furnished information that California license GWB 295, is listed to a 1962 Lincoln Continental, sedan, registered to U. S. U-Drive, 124 North Harbor Boulevard, Santa Ana, California.

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ROBERT A. MAHEU
642 Papaya Drive
Pacific Palisades, California

b2 b7D On [redacted] advised that on April 28, 1964, ROSSELLI made a telephone call to ROBERT MAHEU, (phonetic), at Santa Monica, California, telephone 454-6535, and that arrival sheets at the Desert Inn Hotel, reflect that a Mr. and Mrs. R. MAHEU, checked into the Desert Inn Hotel on April 28, 1964.

Information has been previously reported in this matter that telephone GL 4-6535, is a non-published number of ROBERT A. MAHEU, 642 Toyopa Drive, Pacific Palisades, California. Information has also been set out that MAHEU, a private investigator, and former FBI Agent, has been in contact with ROSSELLI on numerous occasions in the past.

[redacted]
Beverly Hills, California
telephone [redacted]

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On May 11, 1964, IC [redacted] ascertained that the [redacted] in Los Angeles has no record concerning [redacted]

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ON 3/4/81

To: SAC, Los Angeles (92-113)

CIA Info Declassed per let of John E. Bacon 8/27/80

From: Director, FBI (92-3267)

JOHN ROSELLI, aka
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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Re your airtel 5-16-66.

Enclosed for your confidential information is a copy of a memorandum from Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) reflecting a contact by Roselli with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, former Director of Security of CIA. This information should not be disseminated outside of your office. TS (u)

Obviously, the contact by Los Angeles Agents with Roselli touched a sensitive spot with Roselli and has apparently unnerved him. While protecting the confidential nature of this information you should be alert to the potential this development has in making any further contacts with Roselli. TS (u)

You should keep the Bureau promptly advised of further developments in this matter. u

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1 - Los Angeles (137-2602)
1 - Mr. J. E. Kelly, Jr.

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TO : Mr. DeLoach

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ON 3/4/81

DATE: May 23, 1966

FROM : J. H. Gale CIA Info declassed per Let John E. Bacon 8/27/80

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SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI, also known as ANTI-RACKETEERING

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The Central Intelligence Agency recently advised of a contact Roselli made with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, former Director of Security, now retired. Roselli, a member of the Chicago "family" of La Cosa Nostra who represents their interests in Las Vegas and on the west coast, was contacted by Agents of the Los Angeles Division shortly before this and they apparently touched a sensitive spot. Colonel Edwards, who obviously contacted Roselli in the past, thought he looked worried and distraught. The contact by our Los Angeles Agents flushed Roselli out and he went to the Central Intelligence Agency for protection. Central Intelligence Agency, in the past, compromised themselves by dealing with Roselli when they had him contact Sam Giancana, head of the Chicago "family" of La Cosa Nostra, to get someone to assassinate Castro. TS (U)

Los Angeles Agents recently selected Roselli as a target to develop him as a top echelon criminal informant and in the alternative to put pressure on him to develop information leading to his possible deportation. Los Angeles has developed information through a [redacted] that Roselli's true name is Felipe Sacco, that he was brought to the United States as a child and his mother, an alien, still resides in Boston, Massachusetts. In Roselli's youth, he assumed the name John Roselli, using this identity to the present time.

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On May 6, 1966, Agents in the Los Angeles Division contacted Roselli in Beverly Hills, California, and confronted him with compromising information concerning his true identity. The Agents suggested that Roselli secretly meet them to discuss this matter. About one hour after Roselli was contacted, James Cantillon, Roselli's attorney, called the Los Angeles Office and told the contacting Agent that if the FBI desired to

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interview Roselli, it would have to be done in Cantillon's presence. Cantillon was told we desired to interview Roselli, but not in the presence of an attorney. Shortly after the contact was made with Roselli, he suddenly departed Los Angeles, as now determined from Central Intelligence Agency, to secretly make contact with that agency. ~~XS~~ (U)

ACTION:

This matter will be followed with the Central Intelligence Agency through the Liaison Section. The Los Angeles Office will be advised of Roselli's contact with Central Intelligence Agency so they can capitalize on his inner turnmoil to develop him as a top echelon criminal informant regarding his vast knowledge of the Chicago La Cosa Nostra. ~~XS~~ (U)

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Via AIRTEL _____ AIR MAIL - REGISTERED (Priority)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3267)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-113)

RE: JOHN ROSELLI, aka
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Investigation has established that ROSELLI is an alien whose true identity is PHILIP or FILIPPO SACCO. For more than two years, investigation has been conducted to endeavor to uncover some crime committed by ROSELLI, which would have caused him to change his identity, and to locate witnesses who have knowledge of his true name. No evidence of a prosecutable crime was uncovered.

In May, 1966, ROSELLI was approached by Agents of the Los Angeles Office and was advised that the FBI had knowledge of his birth in Italy and the fact that his true name was PHILIP SACCO. After several contacts by ROSELLI's attorney concerning this matter, he agreed to permit ROSELLI to be interviewed by one Agent. This was done and his cooperation was solicited. The day following the interview ROSELLI's attorney advised ROSELLI would not be seeing Agents again.

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Since May, 1966, when ROSELLI was interviewed by Agents of the Los Angeles Office, information has been obtained from various sources that he has been concerned and worried; that he stays at his apartment much more than he formerly did; that he travels to Las Vegas less frequently, and on several of the trips he has taken to Las Vegas, he has been accompanied by his attorney, JAMES CANTILLON. Information has also been obtained by an informant that ROSELLI has indicated to a girl friend the possibility that he might be deported.

Subsequent to the receipt of the informant information concerning ROSELLI's true identity and over the course of the past two years, extensive investigative effort has been undertaken by the FBI exclusively in an effort to develop: (a) A Federal violation, (b) Locate witnesses in a position to testify concerning ROSELLI's true identity, and (c) To develop him as an informant for the FBI.

Los Angeles makes the following observations:

With regard to (a) above, Los Angeles deeply feels that the name change was to cover up a serious crime, for example a capital offense. Investigation has not established what this offense might be. If the name change was not as a result of a capital crime, his purpose, therefore, must have been to cover his alien status.

Therefore, Los Angeles recommends that based on investigation conducted, the following courses of action take place in the immediate future:

1) That the Bureau authorize the Washington Field Office to interview Colonel SHEFFIELD EDWARDS, the former Director of Security, CIA, who presently heads the firm Sheffield Edwards Associates, 1815 H Street, N.W., Washington,D.C.

For background, the Bureau by airtel to Los Angeles dated 5/24/66, enclosed a confidential report reflecting a contact JOHN ROSELLI made with Colonel SHEFFIELD EDWARDS,

former Director of Security, CIA, shortly after ROSELLI was contacted by Bureau Agents in Los Angeles in May, 1966. Among other things, ROSELLI told Colonel EDWARDS that the Agents gave him a picture of himself (ROSELLI) when he was about 4 years old. (Actually, ROSELLI was several years older than 4 when the picture was taken. This picture and a picture of his mother were left at his apartment house.) The picture of ROSELLI was actually a picture of PHILIP SACCO obtained from school records in Boston. ~~XS~~ (U)

The admission made by ROSELLI to Colonel EDWARDS would greatly assist in proving ROSELLI's identity as PHILIP SACCO. The Washington Field Office is being requested to interview Colonel EDWARDS, who stated he would be willing to be interviewed by representatives of the Bureau to obtain full details of his contact with ROSELLI. ~~XS~~ (U)

In addition to interviewing EDWARDS with regard to the admission made by ROSELLI to him, it is also suggested that Colonel EDWARDS be requested to telephonically contact ROSELLI following such interview, informing him of the contact by FBI Agents. This course of action is suggested because, as reported above, ROSELLI is extremely nervous as a result of FBI inquiries into his true identity and this contact might serve as the vehicle which could bring about ROSELLI's cooperation with an aim toward his development as an informant.

If this course of action is followed, it is suggested that in addition to EDWARDS prompt call to ROSELLI, he could at the time of the call report to interviewing Agents the reaction of ROSELLI which would also serve to advise the FBI that such call had been made. Washington Field should, thereafter, telephonically or by teletype, advise Los Angeles that the call was made and ROSELLI's reaction as reported by EDWARDS. Again, to carry this further, Los Angeles would, thereafter, make immediate contact with ROSELLI in Los Angeles, which would give this office an opportunity to develop him as an informant while he is still psychologically affected. For Washington Field's information, ROSELLI can be telephonically contacted through

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Los Angeles Telephone No. 474-4526, which number is listed to the Glen Towers, 1333 South Beverly Glen, Los Angeles, where ROSELLI resides.

To facilitate the interview of EDWARDS, there is enclosed herewith a copy of Bureau airtel to Los Angeles dated 5/24/66, and a confidential memo dated 5/18/66, which was sent to the Bureau by CIA setting forth Colonel EDWARDS' conversation with ROSELLI. ~~XS~~ (U)

2. That immediate legal action be taken or considered to expand ROSELLI's alien status by calling logical witnesses before a Federal Grand Jury, Los Angeles, California. U

It is noted that recently, AUSA RICHARD COLEMAN, Chief of the Organized Crime Division, Los Angeles, California was presented with a hypothetical case using the basic facts of the ROSELLI matter. AUSA COLEMAN indicated interest and stated he would bring a matter such as this before a Los Angeles Grand Jury. U

It is noted that a special Grand Jury is currently in session in Los Angeles inquiring into organized crime, which Grand Jury will be in session through January, 1967. Using this course of action, the Los Angeles Office would, in early January, advise the U. S. Attorney of the facts in the ROSELLI matter and, if agreeable with the U. S. Attorney, witnesses such as ROSELLI's friends, acquaintances, associates, and relatives, which could include a number of high ranking LCN members from Los Angeles, Chicago, New York and Boston, would be subpoenaed to appear. It was COLEMAN's opinion that while the Grand Jury could not indict ROSELLI for covering his alien status, the Federal Grand Jury would be effective in obtaining witnesses' statements under oath to be used in a future INS hearing and at the same time, afford the Government an opportunity to consider perjury on any witness who made perjurous statements. His main interest, however, is the disruptive tactics this course of action would have against organized criminals such as the known associates of the man described in the hypothetical case. U

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To facilitate this plan of approach, it is requested that the Bureau, through Legat Rome, recontact [redacted] ask him if he would consent to appear as a witness in Los Angeles, California to testify on statements furnished by him on ROSELLI's true identity, or if he would furnish a deposition of the material information he has provided concerning ROSELLI's identity. Legat Rome is also being requested to obtain exemplified copies of the birth certificates of FILIPPO SACCO, MARIA SACCO and VINCENZO SACCO. It is noted that in the past copies of these certificates have been obtained and forwarded to Los Angeles, however, they were not exemplified copies. (U)

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To facilitate the leads for Legat Rome, there are enclosed herewith for the Bureau an original and five copies of a letterhead memorandum [redacted]". (U)

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It is requested that the leads for Legat and Washington Field, if Bureau approved, be expeditiously handled to facilitate the possibility of utilization of information in January, 1967, before a Federal Grand Jury, Los Angeles, as outlined above. (U)

Copies of this communication are being furnished to both Miami and Boston, based on outstanding leads in their respective divisions. Leads in this matter should also be completed by these offices and forwarded to Los Angeles expeditiously, bearing in mind the possibility of a January target date. (U)

For the information of the Bureau, reference is made to the Bureau airtel to Los Angeles dated 5/24/66, which enclosed the CIA memo of 5/18/66. In the CIA memo, it was requested by this agency that ROSELLI not be informed that CIA had disseminated his contact with EDWARDS prior to contact with their agency for consideration of any implications it would cause CIA. (U)

As pointed out above in this communication, the statement ROSELLI made to former CIA employee EDWARDS that

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the photograph shown to him was a picture of him as a child is of extreme pertinence to establishing proof of the dual role ROSELLI has played. If at all possible, it is desired that EDWARDS be permitted to testify to this. Therefore, the Bureau is requested through liaison to apprise CIA of our desired action and obtain from them a clearance to subpoena and utilize Colonel EDWARDS in a future Federal Grand Jury or INS hearing. ~~XS~~ (U)

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To: SAC, Los Angeles (92-113)

From: Director, FBI (92-3267) CIA Info Declassed per John E. Bacon 8/27/80

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A review of your proposal concerning future action in the Roselli matter has been made and the following instructions are being furnished for your future action. U

Washington Field is not being instructed to interview Colonel Sheffield Edwards at this time as it is felt undesirable to draw CIA into this situation.

Los Angeles should immediately contact the United States Attorney's office in Los Angeles and proceed with the proposed grand jury inquiry into Roselli's alien status. It is felt that the potential for possible prosecution both to Roselli and to his hoodlum associates is the more desirable goal. U

Regarding Colonel Edwards, prior to any discussion with the United States Attorney's office concerning Edwards' possible appearance before the grand jury, the Bureau should be informed so that CIA can be advised in accordance with their request. Los Angeles should note that when CIA furnished

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NOTE: See memorandum J. H. Gale to DeLoach, same caption, ~~same date~~ 12-6-66 MER:skh.

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the original information concerning Roselli's contact with Edwards they requested that prior to this information being disseminated that their agency be advised of any action in that regard. (U)

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Concerning [redacted]. It is felt that because of the jeopardy in which his life would be placed, that he should be only called before the grand jury as a last resort. Your request to have exemplified copies of birth certificates for Roselli and other members of his family has been forwarded. (U)

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TO : Mr. DeLoach

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FROM : J. H. Gale

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SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
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Investigation has revealed that Roselli, a powerful La Cosa Nostra member residing in Los Angeles, California, who represents Chicago hoodlum hidden interests in Las Vegas casinos, has for many years carefully concealed his true identity as Filippo Sacco and his Italian birth. It is believed the purpose for assuming the alias of Roselli in 1922, was to conceal his identity following the commission of a serious crime and/or to hide his alien background. (U)

While our intensive investigation failed to uncover any prosecutable crime committed by Roselli, it has provided irrefutable evidence of his alien status which information was utilized by the Los Angeles Office to contact Roselli as a target under the Top Echelon Criminal Informant Program. To date, Roselli has failed to cooperate with us, however, it is known that he is extremely apprehensive concerning the information in the Bureau's possession and has indicated to associates that he fears he might be deported. (U)

In this regard, Roselli has been in contact with one Colonel Sheffield Edwards, a retired CIA official with whom Roselli has had previous dealings. During this contact, which Edwards reported to his successor at CIA, Roselli admitted his identity as Sacco. (U)

Los Angeles has proposed two future courses of action in regard to Roselli. The first is to have Bureau Agents interview Edwards regarding Roselli's admissions. Following his interview they would request Edwards to call Roselli and advise him of the FBI inquiry. Los Angeles' thinking here is that in view of Roselli's apprehensiveness over this situation, such an interview might have the effect of bringing about Roselli's cooperation.

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The second course of action is to commence legal action by calling local witnesses before a grand jury to expand on Roselli's alien status. In this regard, a set of hypothetical facts similar to those surrounding the Roselli situation have been presented to the Assistant United States Attorney in charge of the Organized Crime Section in Los Angeles who has indicated a desire to proceed on such a case. He had advised that while no indictment could be returned against Roselli based on his alien status, testimony received during such hearings could be utilized at a later date in immigration hearings and further that any statements made by friends, relatives and associates before such a grand jury could be the basis for perjury charges at some later date. In addition, it is felt such action would have an extremely disruptive effect on Roselli's hoodlum associates, many of whom would be called to testify before such a jury.

It is felt that Los Angeles should be instructed to proceed along the lines of the second course of action. Concerning Edwards, it is not felt desirable to have the CIA drawn into this matter which would necessarily be the case should Edwards be called upon to provide any service other than to restate the details of his contact with Roselli. Edwards could and should be called as a logical witness before the proposed grand jury after CIA notified.

The second course of action, of course, provides us with the desirable goal of possible prosecutive action emanating from the grand jury against not only Roselli, but additionally, certain of his hoodlum associates.

ACTION:

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That the attached airtel setting forth the Bureau's observations and instructions be approved and forwarded.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3267)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-113)

RE: JOHN ROSELLI, aka
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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF DECLASSIFIED 3/25/81 DATE

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From: Director, FBI (92-3267) — 731

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF Declassified 3-25-81 SH DATE

Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau 12/13/66. U

The Roselli situation has been discussed with officials of CIA who have requested that the Bureau reconsider calling Colonel Sheffield Edwards to testify before a grand jury concerning his meeting with Roselli. CIA advises that any such appearance by Edwards would immediately "open the door" to public exposure of an extremely sensitive intelligence operation. CIA officials admit that Roselli has that Agency in an unusually vulnerable position.

In view of the foregoing, Los Angeles is instructed to resubmit a letterhead memorandum for the [redacted] to determine if he would consent to appear as a witness in Los Angeles to testify concerning Roselli's true identity or, in lieu of his appearance, furnish a deposition containing this information. U

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NOTE: LA is preparing to hold a grand jury inquiry into the true identity of John Roselli, noted hoodlum with LV and CG associates. Investigation has revealed Roselli actually born Filippo Sacco. Reason for change of name unknown. To date [redacted] individuals have been located who can testify to Roselli's true identity, those being [redacted] nd Edwards of CIA. However, Edwards was Roselli's contact when CIA employed Sam Giancana, CG hoodlum, [redacted] CIA requests that Edwards not be called to testify for fear of embarrassment to that Agency. LA instructed to attempt to [redacted] appear before FGJ. U

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan

DATE: 12/22/66

FROM : S. J. Papich

1 - Mr. Rutland
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Papich

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
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Reference is made to memo from Mr. Gale to Mr. DeLoach dated December 12, 1966, and to Los Angeles airtel dated December 13, 1966.

On December 19, 1966, the Liaison Agent met with Howard J. Osborn, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), and briefly reviewed the meeting which Colonel Sheffield Edwards, former CIA Director of Security, held with the subject on May 12, 1966, as previously reported. Roselli told Edwards that the FBI had left an envelope at his apartment, and this envelope contained a photograph of the subject when he was a child. Osborn was told that consideration was being given to initiating legal action against Roselli by calling witnesses who could furnish information bearing on Roselli's alien status. The Liaison Agent asked if CIA would support such action. This question was posed since Edwards relationship with the subject was associated with a sensitive CIA intelligence operation. (U)

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Osborn advised that CIA could not permit Edwards to testify before a grand jury or any kind of judicial hearing regarding the meeting of May 12, 1966, or concerning any other phases of Edwards relationship with Roselli. Osborn stated that in the opinion of CIA any such appearance by Edwards would immediately "open the door" to public exposure of an extremely sensitive intelligence operation: that it is CIA's belief that there can be no real assurance that testimony would not leak; and that revelation of the intelligence operation would prove highly embarrassing to the United States Government. Osborn advised that CIA is of the strong opinion that if Edwards ever testified the subject would not hesitate to expose the intelligence operation. Osborn freely admitted that Roselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position.

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Osborn stated that CIA was also thinking of Edwards personal safety. He expressed concern that the subject and his associates no doubt have the capability to strike at Edwards.

In connection with the aforementioned meeting of May 12, 1966, Osborn wanted to highlight the fact that the subject never revealed to Edwards that his true name is Philip Sacco. According to Osborn, the subject did make it quite clear that he was having difficulty with the FBI, and he did refer to a photograph but did not volunteer any information regarding another identity. Osborn commented that in the opinion of CIA, subject very likely made the contact with Edwards on the assumption that Edwards would inform the FBI.

Osborn asked that his information be held within the Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis, and requested that he be advised if the Bureau insists on Edwards testifying before a grand jury or at any other type of judicial hearing. He stated that Edwards was instructed long ago not to discuss any aspect of this matter with anyone without first consulting with CIA Headquarters.

Osborn recognized that CIA has a duty to furnish all necessary cooperation, and he did not discount the possibility that CIA relationship with Roselli could be explored to possible advantage. He stated that if the Bureau has any ideas or plans apart from Edwards testimony the Agency will be glad to confer with us.

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OBSERVATION:

Roselli seems to have CIA in a "box." CIA, which has been the target of heavy Press attack, very definitely has the jitters and will do everything possible to avoid potential embarrassment. CIA is assuming that Roselli has no qualms about embarrassing CIA if it serves his interests. Roselli appears to have a powerful weapon by merely threatening to expose the sensitive operation.

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Memorandum to Mr. Brennan
Re: John Roselli

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence Unit of the Special Investigative Division. If we decide to go into this any further with CIA, it is suggested that the matter be handled via Liaison.

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FD-263 (Rev. 9-17-65)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
LOS ANGELES	LOS ANGELES	MAR 15 1967	2/6/67 - 3/7/67

TITLE OF CASE

CHANGED
JOHN ROSELLI, aka
Filippo Sacco (TN),
Fillippo Sacco,
Filipo Sacco,
Philippo Sacco,
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Phillipo Sacco,
Philip Sacco

REPORT MADE BY: SA [redacted] b7C

TYPED BY: llm

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The title of this case has been marked changed to add subject's true name of FILIPPO SACCO and to add the additional aliases of Fillippo Sacco, Filipo Sacco, Philippo Sacco, Phillippo Sacco, Phillipo Sacco, and Philip Sacco based on information set out in this report.

REFERENCE: Report of [redacted] b7C dated 1/31/67 at Los Angeles.

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FOR BUREAU

Two (2) copies of a letterhead memorandum setting forth characterization of informants used in this report.

Case has been: Pending over one year [X] Yes [ ] No; Pending prosecution over six months [ ] Yes [X] No

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APPROVED: [signature]

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Dissemination Record of Attached Report

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By	Section, Room 957			

5 MAR 1967

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On 5/26/66 Attorney JAMES CANTILLON telephonically contacted SA [redacted] and stated that he had had a long talk with JOHN ROSSELLI and that ROSSELLI will not meet Agents on 5/27/66. CANTILLON then said, "So we'll be seeing you, I guess." (U)

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On 5/17/66 during the conversation with CANTILLON he advised that on Tuesday afternoon, 5/10/66, he and ROSSELLI left Los Angeles by airplane for New York City and that CANTILLON returned on 5/12/66 and ROSSELLI returned on 5/13/66. CANTILLON did not state the reason for this trip. However, it is known that on 5/12/66 ROSSELLI contacted Colonel SHEFFIELD EDWARDS, former Director of Security of Central Intelligence Agency in Washington, D.C., and related to him the fact that he had been contacted by FBI Agents. He told Colonel EDWARDS that the FBI Agents left at his apartment a picture of a woman and of a child about four years old. He told Colonel EDWARDS that the child was himself at that age. Colonel EDWARDS tried to get more details concerning the woman but ROSSELLI was, according to Colonel EDWARDS, very touchy on this. ~~(S)~~ (U)

By airtel dated 12/28/66 the Bureau advised that Central Intelligence Agency feels that an appearance by Colonel EDWARDS as a witness would "open the door" to probable exposure of an extremely sensitive intelligence operation and that Central Intelligence Agency officials admit that ROSSELLI has that agency in an unusually vulnerable position.

It is noted that after the original approach to ROSSELLI on 5/5/66 a picture of ROSSELLI's mother and a picture of himself as a young boy in grade school were placed in an envelope and left at ROSSELLI's apartment. (U)

It is further noted that on 5/10/66 the day ROSSELLI and CANTILLON proceeded to New York City, [redacted] law firm of Vincent V. Welch and Edward P. Morgan, Washington, D.C. EDWARD P. MORGAN is a former inspector of the FBI. (U)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 5/4/67

1 - Mr. Gale
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. McAndrews
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Papich

FROM : D. J. Brennan, Jr.

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

The subject is a member of the Chicago "family" of La Cosa Nostra, who has represented their interests in Las Vegas and on the west coast. We previously have received information concerning past contacts between Roselli and representatives of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). This was an association which developed in connection with CIA's abortive plan to assassinate Fidel Castro. After CIA's involvement was embarrassingly exposed, the Agency allegedly discontinued any operational relationship with Roselli.

On 5/3/67, [redacted] Inspector General, CIA, advised the Liaison Agent that on 5/2/67 William Harvey of CIA received a telephone call from Roselli, who was on the west coast, at which time the subject stated that he was coming to Washington in the near future and that he would be in contact with Harvey. He furnished no further details. [redacted] advised that CIA has instructed Harvey to avoid contact with subject if possible. CIA realizes that Roselli may force a contact and it will be impossible for Harvey to evade the subject. [redacted] has advised that if contact is made Harvey is to furnish the results which will be passed on to the Bureau.

For your information, Harvey, former Bureau Agent, is currently on Sick Leave. At the termination of this leave, he goes into retirement. He, therefore, is essentially separated from Agency employment. He did have contacts with Roselli durdng some of the period that the Agency was involved with the subject.

As previously pointed out, CIA is in an extremely vulnerable position. Roselli and associates

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such as Sam Giancanna continue to be in a position to publicly embarrass CIA.

ACTION:

For your information. The Liaison Agent will follow with [redacted] in order to obtain the results of any contact which subject may have with Harvey.

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On 5/11/67, William Harvey, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), telephonically advised Special Agent Papich that he had received a telephone call from the subject about 10:00 a.m., 5/11/67. Roselli stated that he was in town and that he would like to meet with Harvey on the evening of 5/11/67. Harvey advised that he would meet with Roselli and would subsequently furnish the results. Harvey was not certain but it was his opinion that Roselli was stopping at the Madison Hotel, which hotel he has used in the past.

On 5/12/67, Harvey advised that he had met with Roselli. He stated that Roselli was very friendly, did not bring up any new propositions or angles, and made it quite clear that he was just dropping by to "say hello." During the course of the conversation, Roselli commented that he had a new attorney, Ed Morgan. Harvey advised that he had some additional observations which might be of interest and he would pass these to Agent Papich as soon as possible. Harvey indicated that he would be out of town for three or four days and would then contact Papich. With regard to Morgan, Roselli apparently is referring to Ed Morgan, former Bureau Inspector. We already know that he has been dealing with Roselli and his associates.

Harvey stated that Roselli did not volunteer any information which might explain the purpose of his trip to Washington, D. C. The subject did indicate that he would continue to be in the city through 5/12/67. Harvey suggested the possibility that Roselli was in town in connection with the recent arrests of several individuals in Las Vegas who were involved in violation of Nevade State gambling laws.

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ACTION:

As previously reported, Harvey fully understands that we are not requesting him to do anything in behalf of the Bureau. If approved, Agent Papich will continue to accept any information which Harvey may volunteer.

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Reference is made to my memorandum dated 5/4/67 indicating that the subject had telephonically contacted William Harvey, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), stating that he was coming to Washington in the near future and that he would be in contact with Harvey. On 5/5/67, Harvey volunteered the following information to the Liaison Agent:

Harvey briefly reviewed his association with Roselli, stating that he first met him in the Spring of 1962 pursuant to instructions of his CIA superiors. Roselli already had established and maintained contact with CIA in connection with the plan directed against Castro. After CIA's operation was compromised in the Spring of 1961, CIA decided to cut off relations with Roselli and Sam Giancanna but wanted to make certain that the severance was performed as smoothly as possible in order to avoid any adverse repercussions. Harvey inherited the assignment of the "phasing out" part of the operation in the Spring of 1962. His essential function was to neutralize any attempts by Giancanna or Roselli to embarrass CIA. In 1963, Harvey was told to avoid any further contact with Roselli and he has not seen him since. During the past year he has received three or four telephone calls from the subject, at which time Roselli brought up no problems and apparently was interested in only engaging in general chit-chat. The last call was on Sunday, 4/30/67 (not on 5/2/67 as previously reported). The subject stated he was coming to Washington in the near future and wanted to see Harvey. He did not furnish any further details.

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Harvey has learned that Roselli has occasion to confer with Robert Maheu but did not know the extent and the nature of the relationship between the two. Harvey stated that he personally has never been in contact with Giancanna. He further commented that none of the stories coming out of the Garrison investigation in New Orleans in any way relate to the CIA operation which was directed against Castro.

With regard to the recent call, Harvey stated that he will not seek Roselli but if Roselli comes to Washington Harvey will meet with him if he is contacted. He feels that acting to the contrary will only bring troubles for CIA. He stated that if he meets with Roselli he will carefully listen to all information volunteered and will make certain that the data is transmitted to the Bureau.

The Liaison Agent made it very clear that the Bureau was not requesting Harvey to take any action. Harvey fully understands as does CIA that the Agency and its personnel such as Harvey will be responsible for the consequences of any association maintained with the subject.

ACTION:

For information.

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SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to my memorandum to you dated 5/12/67. On 5/19/67, William Harvey, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), volunteered the following additional information concerning the meeting he had with Roselli on 5/11/67:

Harvey met the subject on a downtown Washington street after receiving a telephone call from Roselli on 5/11/67. The subject never did identify the hotel where he was staying, but Harvey assumed it was the Madison Hotel. Subject did not discuss the purpose of his stop in Washington, D. C., and merely indicated that he was calling on Harvey to "say hello" and renew their association, bearing in mind that they had not seen each other since 1963. They had dinner at Harvey's residence.

Harvey made brief reference to information appearing in one of Drew Pearson's columns and to news stories coming out of New Orleans indicating that CIA may have been involved in some kind of a plot to assassinate Castro. Harvey expressed concern that there may have been a leak concerning the CIA operation. Roselli stated that he was not concerned about any of the publicity and he discounted the New Orleans stories as having any connection with his past activities.

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The Liaison Agent asked Harvey for his opinion concerning the possibility of leaks stemming from people whom Roselli and Giancana may have been prepared to use in the CIA operation. Harvey commented that there was no reason to worry "about the Cubans." It is believed that this is the first information we have indicating that Roselli and Giancana planned to use Cubans in the operation. Harvey did not elaborate on this point.

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re: W. K. Harvey
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(See Bufile #62-117290)

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Memorandum D. J. Brennan, Jr. to W. C. Sullivan
RE: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Roselli made no mention of Giancana or this individual's present whereabouts. The subject talked in general about Hollywood and Las Vegas mentioning that he is very close to [redacted] and has occasion to confer with [redacted] He spoke very contemptuously of [redacted] and Bobby Kennedy. He indicated that he was doing well financially, and he appears to be involved in the booking of acts and shows in Las Vegas.

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He casually mentioned that the FBI was trying to prove he was not born in Chicago. He ridiculed the idea. He seems to be very self assured and confident.

He gave no indication of being closely involved with any one woman at the present time. In past conversations, he indicated that he may have been romantically involved with [redacted] of Chicago. He has also mentioned that he had been closely associated with [redacted] whom he has referred to as [redacted] one of his old girlfriends at one time was [redacted]" It is Harvey's recollection that he referred to her as [redacted]

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He briefly mentioned that Ed Morgan was serving as his lawyer but he did not elaborate. US.

It was Harvey's opinion that subject will never discuss his criminal activities. He has not done so in the past, and Harvey does not believe that his relationship is so close to influence subject to the contrary. Harvey made the observation that if he ever did ask any pointed question touching on this area, Roselli undoubtedly would reply "you should know better." Harvey has no plan to see the subject in the future but does not discount the possibility that Roselli could make a contact on his own initiative.

The Liaison Agent again reiterated that any involvement with the subject is strictly Harvey's responsibility and that he was on his own. Harvey stated that he fully realizes this and advised that he would furnish the Bureau the results of any meetings or contacts he might have with the subject.

ACTION: The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence - West Unit of the Special Investigative Division.

8/17/67

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To: SAC, Los Angeles

From: Director, FBI

JOHN ROSELLI, aka
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) officials were recontacted and the Roselli matter rediscussed as it pertains to the appearance of Colonel Sheffield Edwards as a witness before a Grand Jury sitting in Los Angeles. XS (U)

CIA officials reiterated their stand that the appearance of Colonel Edwards as a witness before any Grand Jury would involve the possibility of having to furnish information of such sensitivity that it could seriously jeopardize national security interests. XS (U)

In deference to CIA's desires on this matter, this information should not be furnished to Assistant United States Attorney Nissen so that he may attempt to proceed through the Department of Justice to obtain Edwards as a witness. Los Angeles should attempt to disprove Roselli's claim as to citizenship through the use of relatives and close friends. XS

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JOHN ROSELLI, AKA. AR.

IN THE INVESTIGATION OF CASE ENTITLED "JOHN ROSELLI, AKA; ET AL. ITAR-GAMBLING," BUFILE 163200, INVOLVING CROOKED GAMBLING AT FRIARS CLUB, BEVERLY HILLS, AUSA DAVID NISSEN PLANS TO ISSUE SUBPOENA FOR ROSELLI'S APPEARANCE BEFORE FGJ AUGUST 17 NEXT. IT IS EXPECTED ROSELLI WILL "TAKE THE FIFTH" ON ALL QUESTIONS. NISSEN THEN PLANS TO HAVE INS REPRESENTATIVES INTERVIEW ROSELLI AS HE LEAVES FGJ AND ASK HIM HIS NAME AND DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH. IF ROSELLI REFUSES TO ANSWER, NISSEN CLAIMS INS HAS AUTHORITY TO CONFINE ROSELLI UNTIL HE DOES ANSWER. IF ROSELLI CLAIMS BIRTH IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, NISSEN INTENDS TO ISSUE SUBPOENAS FOR ROSELLI'S RELATIVES AND OTHER WITNESSES FOR APPEARANCE BEFORE FGJ WITHIN IMMEDIATE FUTURE SEEKING AN

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INDICTMENT AGAINST ROSELLI FOR FALSELY CLAIMING CITIZENSHIP. U

IN MAY, 1966 SEE BUREAU AIRTEL TO LOS ANGELES MAY 24, 1966 ROSELLI CONTACTED COLONEL SHEFFIELD EDWARDS, FORMER DIRECTOR OF SECURITY, CIA, AND TOLD EDWARDS THAT FBI AGENTS, DURING INTERVIEW IN MAY 1966, GAVE ROSELLI A PICTURE OF HIMSELF WHEN HE WAS ABOUT FOUR YEARS OLD. THIS WAS A PHOTOGRAPH OF PHILIP SACCO OBTAINED FROM BOSTON SCHOOL RECORDS. EDWARDS WOULD BE EXTREMELY VALUABLE WITNESS TO PROVE ROSELLI'S TRUE IDENTITY. ~~S~~(U)

BUREAU AIRTEL TO LOS ANGELES DECEMBER 28 LAST REFLECTS CIA FELT APPEARANCE BY EDWARDS WOULD EXPOSE EXTREMELY SENSITIVE INTELLIGENCE OPERATION AND REQUESTED BUREAU RECONSIDER CALLING EDWARDS.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO RECONTACT CIA RE THEIR PRESENT ATTITUDE TO HAVING EDWARDS CALLED AS WITNESS. IF CIA STILL AGAINST SUCH APPEARANCE, LOS ANGELES REQUESTS BUREAU ADVISE WHETHER INFORMATION RE EDWARDS CAN BE FURNISHED AUSA NISSEN SO THAT NISSEN, IF HE DESIRES, CAN PROCEED THROUGH DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE IN EFFORT TO OBTAIN EDWARDS AS WITNESS.

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SAC, Los Angeles (92-113) 8/23/67

Director, FBI (92-3267)

JOHN ROSELLI, aka
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In May of 1966, Los Angeles Agents furnished to Roselli an envelope which contained a picture of a woman and a child about four years of age. Shortly thereafter, Roselli, in a discussion with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, former Central Intelligence Agency official, identified the child as being himself at that age. XS(u)

Los Angeles is requested to identify this photo. Advise if person actually Roselli, when taken, and where obtained. u

NOTE: Roselli, Los Angeles La Cosa Nostra figure, during contact in May of 1966, was given photograph by Bureau Agents. Photo was used to convince Roselli that Bureau aware of his true identity as Filippo Sacco and was in fact an alien illegal in this country. Los Angeles being requested to furnish information as to identity of persons in this photo and where same was obtained. u

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

DATE: 9/19/67

FROM : S. J. Papich

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

William Harvey, former Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) employee, telephonically advised Agent Papich on 9/19/67 that he had received a telephone call from the subject on the evening of 9/18/67. Roselli indicated that he would be coming to Washington, D. C. within the next few days and wanted to see Harvey. He made brief reference to a Grand Jury which was meeting on the West Coast and expressed some concern about this development. He did not furnish any further details.

Harvey stated that if the subject contacts him he will arrange a meeting and will report the results to Agent Papich.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence Unit of the Special Investigative Division.

1 - Mr. McAndrews
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Papich

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

DATE: 9/25/67

FROM : S. J. Papich

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William Harvey, former Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) employee, telephonically furnished the following information to SA Papich on 9/23/67.

The subject, calling from the West Coast, telephonically advised Harvey on the evening of 9/22/67 that his plans had been changed and that he would not be coming to Washington, D. C., in the near future. Roselli made brief reference to a "Grand Jury Session" and implied that there was no longer any reason to make a fast trip to Washington. He told Harvey that he would be in contact with him at some time in the future.

Agent Papich asked Harvey why Roselli called in the first place. Harvey replied that he could only conjecture. In his opinion Roselli apparently was in some kind of a difficulty and wanted to discuss his problems with Harvey. Inasmuch as Roselli cancelled his trip to Washington, Harvey is now of the opinion that Roselli's unidentified problems have now been lessened or alleviated.

Harvey made it clear that he will advise the Bureau immediately if he is ever contacted by the subject.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence Unit of the Special Investigative Division.

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1 - T. J. McAndrews
1 - Liaison
1 - S. J. Papich

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

DATE: 10/9/67

FROM : S. J. Papich

1 - Mr. McAndrews
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Papich

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to my memorandum dated 9/25/67. Howard Osborn, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), advised the Liaison Agent on 10/4/67 that he had met with William Harvey, former CIA employee on 10/3/67. Osborn explained that he has been instructed by Richard Helms, Director of CIA, to periodically contact Harvey in order to make certain that CIA interests are fully protected.

Harvey told Osborn that he had recently received a telephone call from the subject and the conversation lasted approximately one hour. Harvey indicated that not much of any significance came out of this conversation. Roselli told him that he was no longer concerned about a problem he was having with a Grand Jury. Subject did significantly mention to Harvey that he would never reveal his past relationship with CIA. Subject commented that he could never overlook the possibility that some "outsider" might "leak" Roselli's past connection with a CIA operation.

Harvey asked Osborn if CIA had any ties with Robert Maheu. Osborn told him that he did not know (Osborn informed the Liaison Agent that CIA is not in any way connected with Maheu). Harvey made no further comment on this particular item, but Osborn felt it was significant that Harvey brought up Maheu's name.

Harvey told Osborn that he was in the process of obtaining clearance for admittance into the D.C. Bar. He stated that Roselli made it clear that he could provide clients and Harvey could make as much as $100,000 per year. Harvey stated that he would never get involved with any clients recommended by subject.

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Memorandum S. J. Papich to D. J. Brennan, Jr.
RE: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

On 10/5/67, Harvey contacted Agent Papich and in substance furnished the same information as above. In addition, he stated that he learned from Roselli that subject had been scheduled to appear before a Grand Jury concerning a charge relating to his citizenship status. Roselli made the statement, "Someone claims I was not born in the United States." He told Harvey he was not worried. Subject also indicated there was an investigation regarding alleged illegal gambling operations at the Friars Club in Los Angeles, and an allegation had been made that subject was involved. Roselli stated that members of the club had absolved him of any involvement.

It should be noted that Harvey told Osborn and Papich that the conversation with Roselli lasted approximately one hour. The information volunteered by Harvey certainly does not suggest a conversation of that length. The observation is therefore being made that Harvey may not be divulging all that is taking place between him and Roselli. This is strictly speculation.

At the end of the meeting, Harvey stated that he will continue to report all contacts with Roselli. He emphasized that he was fully aware of the dangers involved in dealing with Roselli and that he was completely cognizant of Bureau interests and responsibilities. He commented that he certainly had no desire to make a fool of himself and he had every intention to fully cooperate with the Bureau.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence Unit of the Special Investigative Division.

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Date: 10/11/67

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3267)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-113)

RE: JOHN ROSELLI, aka
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OO: LOS ANGELES

Re Bureau airtel to Los Angeles dated 8/17/67, re the objections of CIA to the appearance of Colonel SHEFFIELD EDWARDS as a witness in the case involving the alien status of JOHN ROSELLI.

It is again noted that the appearance of Colonel EDWARDS as a witness would strengthen the case against ROSELLI tremendously. Although it is the plan of AUSA DAVID R. NISSEN to obtain an indictment against ROSELLI on Friday, 10/13/67, NISSEN has admitted that the case against ROSELLI is not "air tight" and investigation is continuing in an endeavor to locate additional witnesses.

The following is submitted for the Bureau's consideration:

It is the understanding of this office that Colonel EDWARDS is no longer with CIA, being described as "former Director of Security." If Colonel EDWARDS was a witness in this case, it would appear that he could, on the witness stand, furnish his name, his current employment, and the fact that he was acquainted with ROSELLI. Thereafter, he could testify concerning his meeting with ROSELLI, at ROSELLI's

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request, in Washington, D.C. in May, 1966, and to the fact that at this meeting ROSELLI stated that FBI Agents left at his residence in Los Angeles a picture of him as a young boy. It is recalled that this picture is, in fact, a picture of FILIPPO SACCO.

It does not appear that EDWARDS' former employment with CIA or ROSELLI's activity in a CIA operation would be either relevant or pertinent. The pertinent - relevant facts are that ROSELLI called him, made an appointment to see him, and admitted that the photograph was of him as a young boy.

It is requested that the Los Angeles Office be authorized to advise AUSA NISSEN of ROSELLI's conversation with Colonel EDWARDS and to obtain an opinion from him as to whether or not Colonel EDWARDS could appear as a witness and testify to the above mentioned facts without being required to give his former employment with CIA or ROSELLI's association with CIA.

An alternative would be for the Bureau to get an opinion from the Department of Justice concerning this matter.

Thereafter, if the opinion of the U. S. Attorney in Los Angeles or the Department of Justice was that Colonel EDWARDS could testify without the CIA background being disclosed, then CIA could again be approached for permission for Colonel EDWARDS to appear as a witness against ROSELLI.

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To: SAC, Los Angeles (92-113)

From: Director, FBI (92-3267) — 854

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JOHN ROSELLI, aka
ANTI-RACKETEERING
OO: LOS ANGELES

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The information developed through the contact between Sheffield Edwards and John Roselli was furnished to the Bureau by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in confidence with the request that it not be released outside the Bureau. It is classified "Top Secret" by the CIA. XS(U)

The Bureau again recontacted CIA officials on 10/18/67, at which time they reiterated the restrictions imposed upon release of this information outside the Bureau. CIA again emphasized that it would be inimical to national security interests to have Edwards testify before a grand jury where he would be exposed to the possibility of making statements relating to CIA's past relationship with the subject.

CIA further advised that there is some discrepancy between the information attributed to Edwards concerning the subject as reported to the Bureau in CIA letter 5/18/66, and statements recently made to CIA by Edwards. XS(U)

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Edwards is age 65, possesses a severe speech impediment and is in poor health.

In view of the foregoing, Los Angeles is not authorized to advise the United States Attorney's Office of Roselli's conversation with Edwards. In absence of additional developments, no inquiry of the Department will be initiated by the Bureau at this time in this matter.

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Airtel to SAC, Los Angeles
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Los Angeles should continue to attempt to disprove Roselli's claim to citizenship through other witnesses. U

Note: Roselli is leading LCN figure on West Coast. Bureau investigation has disclosed Roselli actually born Filippo Sacco in Italy. Roselli, during contact with CIA, developed close association with former CIA official Colonel Sheffield Edwards. In May of 1966, Roselli indicated indirectly to Edwards his true identity as Sacco and Los Angeles feels Edwards' testimony would assist in disproving Roselli's claim to American citizenship. CIA recontacted and still strongly against having its association with Roselli possibly brought to light for national security reasons. They also advise Edwards previous information, asset out in CIA letter to Bureau 5/18/66, is at variance with his recent statements to CIA. He is also in poor health. In view of above, Los Angeles must be advised not to disclose Edwards' identity and information to USA. (U)

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

DATE: 10/19/67

FROM : S. J. Papich

1 - T. J. McAndrews
1 - Mr. Kent
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Papich

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Howard Osborn, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), advised the Liaison Agent on 10/18/67 that the restrictions imposed by CIA for protecting CIA information as described in the Agency's communication of 8/14/67 are still in effect as far as CIA is concerned. Osborn emphasized that in the opinion of CIA it would be against national interests to have Colonel Sheffield Edwards testify before a Grand Jury or at any trial where Edwards would be exposed to making statements relating to CIA's past relationship with the subject.

Osborn further stated that there is also some discrepancy between the information attributed to Edwards and reported to the Bureau by CIA letter dated 5/18/66 and statements recently made to CIA by Edwards. CIA is submitting a letter to us to cover this particular point.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence Unit of the Special Investigative Division.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Sullivan

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 11/1/67

FROM : D. J. Brennan, Jr.

1 - Mr. Gale
1 - Mr. McAndrews
1 - Liaison
1 - S. J. Papich

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
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SYNOPSIS:

Subject, a top hoodlum, recently indicted and arrested on charges of failure to register as alien and failure to keep Attorney General advised of his whereabouts. Currently out on bail. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) established relationship with him about 1960 when Agency devised plan to assassinate Fidel Castro through utilization of hoodlum element. Plan never implemented. Its existence continues to be potential source of embarrassment to CIA if plan is publicly exposed. Roselli is in position to blackmail CIA. William Harvey, former Bureau Agent now retired from CIA, was one of CIA officials who established relationship with subject. Relationship continues. Harvey periodically volunteers information to Special Agent Papich. Harvey met with Richard Helms, CIA, 10/30/67 and advised subject is seeking help as result of indictment; apparently looking to CIA to intercede in his behalf. Harvey's role in this situation definitely questionable. Helms advised SA Papich 10/31/67 that he mistrusts Harvey; that he is not going to permit himself or CIA to be blackmailed by anybody; and he has no fear of any threats which may emanate from subject.

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SA Papich has been adhering to a line of accepting any information Harvey volunteers. No information is given to Harvey. If approved, Agent Papich will continue accepting Harvey's information as he volunteers it.

We must be very careful in any meetings with Harvey.

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We must be very careful in any meetings with Harvey.

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Right & vigorously press case against Roselli.

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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: JOHN ROSELLI

DETAILS:

The subject, a top hoodlum, was recently indicted and arrested on charges of failure to register as an alien and failure to keep the Attorney General advised of his whereabouts. He is currently out on bail. You previously have been informed concerning a relationship between the subject and the CIA which developed a few years ago when CIA concocted a plan to assassinate Fidel Castro. Utilization of certain U.S. hoodlum types was a key element of the plan which was never implemented.

William Harvey, former Bureau Agent and now retired from CIA, was one of the CIA officials who established a relationship with Roselli. From time to time Harvey has volunteered information to Special Agent Sam Papich, which data Harvey has obtained from what appears to be occasional contacts with subject. Harvey also contacts CIA officials and maintains that he has not been able to sever the relationship with the subject for fear that Roselli might become antagonized and consequently become a problem. In this connection Roselli is in a position to hurt CIA if he desires to expose his involvement with the Agency in the plot to assassinate Castro. He does have this hanging over CIA's head.

On 10/27/67 Harvey telephonically contacted Agent Papich from New York City and stated that he wanted to confer with the Bureau Agent when he returned to Washington on or about 10/31/67. Harvey contacted Agent Papich on the morning of 10/31/67 and asked for a meeting. The Agent has indicated that he would try to see him later in the week.

In the meantime, Harvey has been in contact with CIA. Howard Osborn, Director of Security, CIA, advised the Liaison Agent on 10/30/67 that Harvey had met that morning with Osborn and Richard Helms, Director, CIA. At that meeting, Harvey stated that he had received a communication from subject concerning his indictment

and arrest. According to Harvey, Roselli "is looking for help." Harvey told the CIA officials that subject obviously is probing to determine if CIA can intervene on his behalf. Harvey told Helms that he was seeking advice and guidance for his future contacts with subject. Helms told Harvey that he would give the matter some thought and would be in touch with him.

During the course of the conversation with the CIA officials, Harvey volunteered that he personally has had some contact with Ed Morgan, former Bureau Agent, who is practicing law in the D. C. area. Harvey explained that since he himself was admitted to the D. C. Bar in the very recent past, he was making a point of establishing contact with some lawyers in the area whom he personally knew. Harvey made the observation that Morgan obviously was very well informed concerning CIA's past relationship with Roselli. Harvey assumes that Morgan acquired this information from Robert Maheu, another former Bureau Agent, who was utilized by CIA when it initiated its contacts with the hoodlum elements for planning of the Castro assassination.

Osborn advised in strict confidence that he and Helms had very serious doubts that Harvey was divulging all information he possesses concerning subject. Osborn is confident that Harvey is holding out and possibly has become involved in some financial proposition with subject.

OBSERVATIONS:

Harvey has been fully apprised of the dangers stemming from any association he may maintain with subject. He very clearly knows that Roselli is a top hoodlum and subject of a Bureau investigation. Harvey has indicated that he has no intention of becoming involved in any illegal or criminal activities and that he wants to cooperate fully with the Bureau. He has not asked for any information but has been careful to report his contacts with subject. Whether or not he has reported adequately is a matter of conjecture. It

should be noted that instead of withdrawing from a relationship with Roselli, he seems to be getting in deeper. His role in this situation is definitely questionable.

On 10/31/67 Richard Helms furnished Agent Papich essentially the same information as that made available by Osborn of CIA. Helms made it emphatically clear that he mistrusts Harvey; that he is not going to permit himself or CIA to be blackmailed by anybody; and that he has no fear of any threats which may emanate from subject. Helms commented that as far as he is concerned the Bureau can treat Harvey as it sees fit.

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: November 7, 1967

FROM : D. J. Brennan, Jr.

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Gale
1 - Mr. McAndrews
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Papich

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

SYNOPSIS:

William Harvey, former Bureau Agent and retired Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) employee, met with Agent Papich on November 6, 1967. Harvey described his recent conversations with Roselli. Roselli asked Harvey to act as his legal counsel, and Harvey claims he turned him down. Subject did indicate that he might need somebody to intercede in his behalf in connection with the recent indictment returned against him. Harvey expressed opinion that case against subject was weak. He inquired if Agent could make any observations regarding case. Harvey was told that this definitely could not be done now or in the future. The subject may come to Washington, D. C., within the next week or two; Harvey states he will keep us advised regarding developments.

ACTION:

For information.

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DETAILS:

Reference is made to my memorandum dated November 1, 1967. Set forth are the results of a meeting which Special Agent Papich held with William Harvey on November 6, 1967.

Harvey stated that Roselli telephonically contacted him from Los Angeles on or about October 22, 1967, to advise that he was indicted on a charge of failure to register as an

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alien. Roselli wanted to know if Harvey could serve as his legal counsel. Harvey told subject that this was impossible. Subject made it quite clear that he was concerned and that he might need somebody to intercede in his behalf. Harvey subsequently received a newspaper clipping from subject which referred to the aforementioned indictment.

Roselli again contacted Harvey by telephone on or about October 27, 1967. Subject reiterated his concern but at the same time indicated that the case against him was weak. He left the impression with Harvey that this assessment of the case came from subject's attorney, Cantallon, (phonetic) in Los Angeles. Roselli stated that an attorney named "Breen" (phonetic) has been very helpful to Cantallon. Roselli again asked if Harvey could act as his legal counsel, and Harvey told him this could not be done. Roselli stated that he had been in contact with Ed Morgan, and Harvey surmises that Morgan will end up acting as Roselli's attorney in Washington, D. C.

Subject commented that he could not see why charges against him could not be dropped as they had been in the Government case against Robert Maheu. Roselli was referring to the wire tapping charge against Maheu which occurred a few years ago. Roselli stated that Ed Morgan was fully aware of the maneuvering which saved Maheu. Subject further indicated that Morgan obviously had been fully briefed concerning CIA's relationship with Roselli, and this had been done by Maheu.

Harvey volunteered his opinion (this could be his opinion or he could be furnishing the evaluation made by Roselli) that the case was weak; that the subject could easily establish there was no willful intent to violate any law; and that if subject had known that he had another identity, he easily could have rectified the situation by becoming a United States citizen after serving in the United States Army during World War II.

Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: JOHN ROSELLI

Harvey inquired if Agent Papich could make any observations regarding the current case against subject. Papich told Harvey that this very definitely could not be done; that the Agent had no idea regarding the nature of the evidence collected; and that he specifically had made a point of not having access to such information. The Agent emphasized that Harvey must clearly understand that his relationship with Roselli placed him in a quasi counsel position and that no Bureau Agent could discuss the substance of the case with Harvey. Harvey stated that he was not seeking any information, but he did want to know if there is anything that he could be told which might assist him in following developments with Roselli. The Agent reiterated that Harvey could not expect anything from him now or in the future, but Harvey was free to volunteer any information if he so desired. Harvey stated that he knew where he stood and that he would be guided accordingly.

Harvey stated that Roselli would be in town within the next week or two and that he would keep the Agent advised of any developments. Agent Papich inquired if Roselli was cognizant of Harvey's contact with a Bureau Agent. Harvey replied, "definitely not."

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

DATE: November 21, 1967

FROM : S. J. Papich

1 - Mr. McAndrews
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Papich

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

William Harvey telephonically furnished the following information to the Liaison Agent on November 20, 1967:

The subject has advised Harvey that he will arrive in Washington, D. C., on November 25 or November 26, 1967, and will remain for two or three days. Subject plans to be in contact with Harvey and indicated that he will also meet with his attorney, Ed Morgan.

Harvey advised that he did not have any additional information but that he would keep the Agent apprised of all developments.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence and Organized Crime Section of the Special Investigative Division.

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

DATE: December 12, 1967

1 - Mr. McAndrews
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Papich

FROM : S. J. Papich

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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On December 8, 1967, William Harvey advised the Liaison Agent that he had meetings with the subject on November 27, 28, and 29, 1967. Harvey advised that the meetings produced the following items:

1. Roselli stayed at the Madison Hotel and was registered in his own name.

2. He is currently negotiating to buy a radio station in San Jose, California. He conferred with Edward Morgan in Washington, D. C., in connection with this particular matter.

3. He made brief reference to his current girlfriend who is 21 years of age and allegedly "comes from a good family." Recently, Roselli was unsuccessful in having the girl join him at Palm Springs because of pressure put on the girl by her parents.

4. Roselli displayed to Harvey a copy of an application for membership to the Friars Club and a copy of his resignation from this same club. His application indicated that his character references were Dean Martin, Frank Sinatra, and George Jessel.

5. Roselli stated that the name of Phillippo Sacco has never meant anything to him and that nobody ever told him that he had any other identity.

6. Subject recently recovered from an attack of pneumonia. He claims that he was confined to his apartment for approximately three weeks.

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7. Subject stated that he has not seen Sam Giancana since 1965.

Harvey inquired if he personally could be informed whether or not there is any evidence that Roselli has not seen Giancana since 1965. He commented that if Roselli is definitely lying on this point, it would be most helpful to him, Harvey, in governing his relations with the subject.

ACTION:

The above information and Harvey's request are being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence and Organized Crime Section of the Special Investigative Division.

I advised Harvey we could not furnish him any info.
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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

DATE: January 2, 1968

FROM : S. J. Papich

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

William Harvey, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), furnished the following to the Liaison Agent on December 28, 1967:

The subject sent Harvey a brief letter enclosing a copy of his recent indictment. Subject referred to this development as a "sophisticated way of blackmail by indictment." Harvey advised that Roselli did not furnish any additional information and has not asked for any assistance from Harvey.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence and Organized Crime Section of the Special Investigative Division.

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

DATE: January 30, 1968

FROM : S. J. Papich

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTIRACKETEERING

William Harvey, former Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) employee, advised the Liaison Agent on January 26, 1968, that the subject had mailed him copies of motions which had been filed by Roselli's attorney. The subject did not ask for any assistance or for any comments from Harvey.

Harvey asked the Liaison Agent if he had read the indictment against the subject. The Agent replied in the negative. There was no further discussion on this item.

Harvey then volunteered the observation that if Roselli were deeply involved in organized crime, and he acknowledged that this undoubtedly was true, the subject undoubtedly was serving in the role of "advocato." He stated that he was using this Italian term which essentially meant that the subject would act as an arbitrator or mediator if and when "squabbles" or differences arose in "the organization." Harvey was convinced that Roselli was the type who could "fix" or correct any disruptive situations. He stated that this was strictly his own analysis based upon his brief association with the subject.

Harvey did not volunteer any additional information.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Crime Intelligence and Organized Crime Section of the Special Investigative Division.

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

DATE: March 20, 1968

FROM : S. J. Papich

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTIRACKETEERING

William Harvey, CIA, telephonically contacted me on the morning of March 20, 1968, and advised as follows:

Subject called Harvey on March 19, 1968, stating that he was in Washington, D. C., and wanted to talk to Harvey. They had a brief meeting on the afternoon of March 19, 1968, at which time subject gave "a fill-in on pleadings" relating to his case. Roselli did not ask for any assistance. He did not appear to be "deeply concerned" with his situation, but according to Harvey subject obviously is "irritated." Harvey will have another meeting with Roselli on the evening of March 21, 1968. He stated that he will contact me if anything of significance comes out of this meeting.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence and Organized Crime Section of the Special Investigative Division.

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 3/29/68

FROM : D. J. Brennan, Jr.

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
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You previously have been informed that in 1960, the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) established a relationship with the captioned hoodlum at which time the Agency had devised a plan to assassinate Fidel Castro through the utilization of the hoodlum element. The plan was never implemented, but CIA was left in a potentially embarrassing position bearing in mind that Roselli certainly had the capability of blackmailing CIA. William Harvey, former Bureau Agent and now retired from CIA, was one of the CIA officials who maintained a relationship with Roselli. Harvey has continued periodic contact with Roselli. He has periodically volunteered information to Special Agent Papich; this information has not been of any unusual significance.

On 3/28/68 Richard Helms, Director of CIA, advised the Liaison Agent that Harvey had called on him on 3/27/68. At that time Harvey briefly reviewed the background of CIA's involvement with the subject and then emphasized to Helms that Roselli's case on the West Coast was developing to a point which necessitated some serious thinking on the part of CIA. Harvey told Helms that Ed Morgan is now serving as legal counsel for the subject in Washington, D. C., and he pointed out that Morgan was fully aware of the background and details concerning CIA's involvement with Roselli. Harvey stated that he personally was not being retained as legal counsel for the subject but claimed that he had a responsibility of protecting CIA interests and at the same time was of the strong opinion that the Agency should try to help Roselli.

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Helms advised that he accepted Harvey's statements as a form of pressure, and he then made it very clear to Harvey that CIA was not making any kind of a deal with the subject or anybody else. He told Harvey that if he saw any necessity to discuss the matter in the future, he would contact him.

Helms confided to the Agent that he was not going to be squeezed into any position by Harvey, Roselli, or any other individuals. At this point he feels very strongly that if Roselli or any of his supporters are inclined to expose CIA's past involvement with the subject he, Helms, was prepared to take the consequences. He stated that he would much rather do this than inject himself in any kind of a negotiation with the subject.

Helms stated that he fully realizes that at some point it may become necessary to confer with the Attorney General. He does not want to do this for the time being. He is asking his subordinates to make a complete review of all CIA records relating to the above-described 1960 plan. He feels that he then would be in a much better position to discuss all aspects with somebody like the Attorney General.

As previously reported Agent Papich has met with Harvey from time to time, and this has always taken place at the request of Harvey, who indicated he had information to furnish the Bureau. So far this has not been a problem, but from now on you cannot exclude the possibility that Harvey truly does have a lawyer-client relationship with Roselli. If so it would not be prudent for a Bureau Agent to continue contact with Harvey on any matters dealing with the instant case.

ACTION:

If approved, Agent Papich will inform Harvey that because of the latter's relationship with the subject, the Liaison Agent will not be able to confer with him any more concerning any matters dealing with this case.

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ADDENDUM; SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION; 4/2/68; MER:skh

By way of background, Roselli is a 62 year old La Cosa Nostra member who resides in Los Angeles and who has been reported for many years as the representative on the West Coast of the Chicago La Cosa Nostra family.

Intensive investigation conducted into the background of Roselli revealed Roselli in actuality to be one Filippo Sacco. This investigation resulted in Roselli's arrest in October of 1967, as a result of his being indicted for Willful Failure To Apply For Registration As An Alien. In addition, this indictment charged five counts of Willfully Failing as an Alien to Give Written Notice to the United States Attorney General of his current addresses during January for the years 1963 through 1967. Roselli's trial on these charges commences April 2, 1968.

Roselli was indicted on gambling charges in December of 1967, resulting from the investigation of card cheating at the Friars Club in Beverly Hills, California. In this investigation Roselli was charged with one count of Interstate Transportation in Aid of Racketeering - Gambling; three counts of Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property; one count of General Conspiracy; one count Federal Communications Commission; and one count of Subscribing to a False Income Tax Return. Trial in this matter has been set for June, 1968.

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 4/5/68

FROM : D. J. Brennan, Jr.

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTIRACKETEERING

Reference is made to memorandum from Mr. Brennan to Mr. Sullivan dated 3/29/68. Set forth are additional developments which are being recorded for possible future reference.

On 4/3/68 William Harvey asked to meet with Special Agent Papich. This meeting was held at which time Harvey merely reported that motions filed by the subject's attorneys in Los Angeles were rejected by the court and a trial date was set. (All of this is already known to us.) Agent Papich then told Harvey that in view of what very definitely appeared to be a well-established relationship between Harvey and Roselli, the Agent would not further meet with Harvey to discuss any matters dealing directly or indirectly with the case of Roselli. Harvey was visibly shaken and asked, "What is behind this?" The Agent replied that he, Harvey, having a legal background, should fully realize that further contact with a Bureau Agent just did not make sense. The Agent further elaborated by commenting that regardless of Harvey's denial that he was acting as legal counsel for Roselli, there is no doubt whatsoever that a close relationship exists and this could not be disregarded. Harvey then stated that he fully accepted the position taken by the Agent although he regretted this development because he desired to remain in a position where he possibly could be of assistance to the Bureau. He claimed that he is not giving Roselli any legal advice; that he is not receiving any kind of compensation; and that his only objective is to protect the interests of the FBI and CIA (Central Intelligence Agency). He was extremely critical of

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Memorandum D. J. Brennan, Jr., to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: JOHN ROSELLI

CIA maintaining that the Agency does not fully appreciate the significance of exposure to potential embarrassment.

Harvey briefly commented that some people may forget that this is an election year. He followed by stating that Robert Kennedy was knowledgeable of the operation which had been devised by CIA with the collaboration of Roselli and his cohorts. Although he did not so state, Harvey definitely left the implication that Kennedy is in an extremely vulnerable position if it were ever publicized that he condoned an operation which involved U. S. Government utilization of hoodlum elements. Harvey stated that he was not certain if Kennedy was privy to the beginnings of the operation, but he definitely was cognizant of its existence in the late stages. He made it clear that this knowledge was in the possession of Kennedy while he was still Attorney General.

On 4/2/68 Richard Helms, Director of CIA, advised that he had received a call from Harvey indicating that motions filed by the subject's attorneys had been rejected. At that time, Harvey commented that the judge and the U. S. Attorney in Los Angeles undoubtedly were under considerable pressure from the Department of Justice. Helms stated that he made no comment regarding these statements, and he accepted Harvey's message as a further effort to convince Helms that the situation was becoming more critical for CIA. Helms stated that he is adhering to his position, namely, that he will not do anything to intercede in behalf of the subject.

Helms also confidentially advised that he has been in contact with the Attorney General concerning this matter, and he has specifically briefed the Attorney General concerning Harvey's contacts with the Agency. He did not elaborate any further on this.

ACTION:

For information.

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Keep pressure on Roselli case.

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1 - Mr. DeLoach
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To: SAC, Los Angeles (92-113)

From: Director, FBI (92-3267)

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Referenced Los Angeles teletypes to the Bureau April 10 and April 11, 1968.

For your information it has been ascertained that Roselli has in the past when visiting Washington, D.C., contacted William Harvey, formerly of CIA, who is now retired and practicing law in Washington, D.C. Harvey has on each occasion of a contact with Roselli advised CIA officials.

During the first week in April, 1968, a CIA official, knowing of the present prospects for prosecution of Roselli, alerted the Attorney General to the contacts which had been made by Roselli with Harvey. It has been ascertained from CIA that nothing will be done by that agency to intercede in behalf of the subject.

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It has been ascertained that Department Attorney Keeney in his contact with the United States Attorney's Office in Los Angeles merely was inquiring as to whether or not any pressures had been experienced by the United States Attorney's Office which might be interpreted as a desire for a dismissal or a reduction in the charges placed against Roselli. Keeney stated ~~he did not~~ desire to imply that overtures in this regard had been received in Washington, D.C.

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During the discussion with Keeney, the latter ~~was most~~ emphatic in stating that the Department desired to push all aspects of the prosecution of Roselli promptly and vigorously.

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In view of the above you should advise AUSA David R. Nissen that the Department is fully aware of the relationship between Roselli and CIA, and further that Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy was fully briefed by CIA after the Roselli-CIA relationship was established.

It should be tactfully suggested to AUSA Nissen that if he considers it necessary to obtain the information he desires from the CIA, he should obtain such through the Department of Justice.

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TO DIRECTOR (92-3267) ENCODE

FROM LOS ANGELES (92-113)

JOHN ROSELLI, AKA. AR. OO-LA.

RE LA TEL TO BUREAU APRIL TWO LAST AND BUREAU AIRTEL TO LA APRIL NINE LAST.

RE TEL SET FORTH DETAILS OF A MOTION BY DEFENSE FOR THE COURT TO REVIEW MATERIAL OBTAINED VIA ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE OF ROSELLI PRIOR TO TRIAL WHICH SCHEDULED TO BEGIN LA APRIL TWENTY THREE NEXT.

ON APRIL TWO LAST THE JUDGE RULED THAT THE ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE MATERIAL WOULD BE REVIEWED AFTER TRIAL IF ROSELLI FOUND GUILTY.

ON APRIL TEN LAST ROSELLI'S ATTORNEY JAMES P. CANTILLON IN THE ABSENCE OF TRIAL JUDGE PEIRSON M. HALL APPEARED BEFORE USDJ E. AVERY CRARY AND INTRODUCED A NEW

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MOTION FOR PRE TRIAL DISCOVERY WHICH IS TO BE ARGUED BEFORE JUDGE HALL APRIL FIFTEEN NEXT. CANTILLON'S NEW MOTION FOR THE MOST PART CALLS FOR DISCOVERY OF NUMEROUS FORMS OF EVIDENCE WHICH THE GOVERNMENT MIGHT HAVE BASED ON ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCES.

AUSA HANDLING ROSELLI'S CASE ADVISED THAT HE EXPECTS THAT USDJ HALL WILL DENY THE MOTION ON THE SAME GROUNDS THAT HE DENIED THE PRIOR MOTION AND ARGUE SAME AFTER TRIAL.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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TO DIRECTOR (92-3267) ENCODE

FROM LOS ANGELES (92-113)

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also known as Anti-racketeering
JOHN ROSELLI, AKA. AR. OO-LA.
Office of Origin

AS BUREAU AWARE IN EARLY NINETEEN SIXTIES ROSELLI CONTACTED BY CIA THROUGH ROBERT MAHEU AND REQUESTED TO CONTACT SAM GIANCANA, FOR PURPOSE OF LEARNING SOME OF GINACANA'S CONTACTS IN CUBA WHO COULD BE USED BY CIA. ROSELLI HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH CIA OFFICIALS ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS SINCE. WITHIN PAST SEVERAL YEARS CIA OFFICIALS ADVISED BUREAU ROSELLI NEVER AN EMPLOYEE CIA AND THEY WERE CONCLUDING CONTACTS WITH HIM.

Assistant United States Attorney
AUSA DAVID R. NISSEN ADVISED TODAY JOHN KEENEY, ASSISTANT IN CHARGE OF DEPARTMENT'S ORGANIZED CRIM SECTION, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT CIA OFFICIAL HAD CONTACTED DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WITH REQUEST INDICTMENT AGAINST

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ROSELLI PERTAINING TO HIS ALIEN STATUS BE QUASHED BECAUSE ROSELLI WAS CIA INFORMANT. KENNEY INFORMED NISSEN DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ADVISED CIA THAT WHEN CIA FIRST CONTACTED ROSELLI CIA KNEW HE WAS A HOODLUM FIGURE AND DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WILL NOT TAKE ANY ACTION TO QUASH CURRENT INDICTMENT AGAINST ROSELLI.

BUREAU REQUESTED ADVISE LA OF ANY ADDITIONAL INFO OBTAINED CONCERNING ABOVE.

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TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: April 12, 1968

FROM : J. H. Gale

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SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
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John Roselli is a West Coast hoodlum, a La Cosa Nostra member who represents the interest of the Chicago La Cosa Nostra "family" in that area. The Los Angeles Office has conducted extensive investigation with respect to his activities and those of a group of his hoodlum associates in cheating at cards at the Friars Club, Beverly Hills, California. As a result of FBI investigation, John Roselli now faces prosecution as an unregistered alien and also for violation of the Interstate Transportation in Aid of Racketeering - Gambling Statute.

It will be recalled in 1960 the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) established a relationship with Roselli at which time the CIA had devised a plan to assassinate Fidel Castro through the utilization of the hoodlum element. The plan was never implemented.

The CIA has recently been in contact with the Department to alert the latter to meetings recently initiated by Roselli in Washington, D. C., with William Harvey, formerly of CIA who is now retired and practicing law in Washington, D. C. Harvey, when with CIA, was familiar with the relationship between Roselli and CIA. Department Attorney Keeney, Assistant in Charge of Department's Organized Crime Section, has telephonically briefed Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) David R. Nissen of a former relationship between Roselli and CIA.

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AUSA Nissen has requested our Los Angeles Office to determine through liaison all background in CIA files pertaining to Roselli; the identity of the individual or individuals representing CIA who actually handled contacts with Roselli. In view of the fact that AUSA Nissen has claimed to have gained the impression that efforts have been initiated by CIA to quash prosecution, AUSA Nissen requested contact with the Department for identity of individuals requesting such action. Nissen also desired information from CIA files which may bear on true

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1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Sullivan
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1 - Mr. Bannon

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identity of Roselli and, therefore, of pertinence to alien registration trial scheduled for April 23, 1968.

With respect to the current request of AUSA Nissen, the Los Angeles Office has been instructed to take no action pending receipt of Bureau instructions.

CIA has stated that it has not in any way attempted to compromise this case and has no intention of doing so. Department Attorney Keeney has stated that the Department has been and is vigorously pressing for a prosecution of Roselli.

ACTION:

It would be inappropriate for the Bureau to solicit information from the CIA files with respect to the latter's relationship with Roselli. It is therefore, recommended that the attached airtel be forwarded to the Los Angeles Office instructing that AUSA Nissen be advised the Department is fully aware of the relationship which existed between Roselli and CIA, and further that Robert F. Kennedy, as Attorney General, was fully briefed by CIA after the CIA-Roselli relationship had been established. It should be tactfully suggested to AUSA Nissen that if he considers such information necessary, he obtain such through the Department of Justice.

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TO DIRECTOR (92-3267) ENCODE

FROM LOS ANGELES (92-113)

JOHN ROSELLI, AKA. AR, OO-LA.

RE LA TELS TO BUREAU MARCH FIFTEEN AND APRIL TEN LAST; WFO AIRTEL TO BUREAU APRIL TWO LAST AND BUREAU AIRTEL LA NOVEMBER SIX LAST. U

BY TEL DATED MARCH FIFTEEN LAST BUREAU WAS ADVISED OF INFO PROVIDED BY [redacted] THAT ROSELLI WAS GOING TO WASHINGTON, D.C. TO CONTACT ATTORNEY AND HIGH POLITICAL FIGURES IN EFFORT TO FIX HIS ALIEN INDICTMENT. U

ROSELLI HAS BEEN INDICTED FOR FAILURE TO REGISTER AS ALIEN BY CONCEALING HIS TRUE IDENTITY AND FEDERAL TRIAL IS SET LA APRIL TWENTY THREE NEXT. U 92-3267-954

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WFO DETERMINED THAT ROSELLI WAS IN FACT IN WASHINGTON D.C. AT MADISON HOTEL BETWEEN DATES MARCH NINETEEN AND TWENTY THREE LAST AND WFO CONDUCTED INTERVIEW WHICH DETERMIAYD VE ROSELLI WHILE IN WASHINGTON IN CONTACT WITH ROBERT MAHEU AND ATTORNEY EDWARD MORGAN.

AS BUREAU AWARE ROBERT MAHEU PERSONAL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO HOWARD HUGHES AND IN EARLY NINETEEN SIXTIES WAS INDIVIDUAL WHO INTRODUCED ROSELLI TO CIA.

LA TEL OF APRIL TEN LAST SET FORTH INFO THAT CIA HAD APPROACHED DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE REQUESTING THAT THE INDICTMENT OF ROSELLI BE QUASHED BECAUSE HE WAS CIA INFORMANT.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TELEPHONICALLY SUPPLIED THIS INFO TO USA LA WHO IS HANDLING ROSELLI TRIAL.

TODAY AUSA DAVID R. NISSEN ADVISED HE IS CONCERNED RE THIS INFO, WAS NOT AWARE OF RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ROSELLI AND CIA AND IS CONCERNED THAT DEFENSE MAY POSSIBLY UTILIZE THIS INFO TO ASSIST ROSELLI AT TIME OF TRIAL.

THEREFORE AUSA NISSEN HAS REQUESTED THE BUREAU THROUGH NORMAL LIAISON WASHINGTON DETERMINE THE FOLLOWING,

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THROUGH CONTACTS WITH CIA AND DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICIALS.

ONE. ALL BACKGROUND IN CIA FILES PERTAINING TO ROSELLI.

TWO. THE IDENTITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL OR INDIVIDUALS REPRESENTING CIA WHO ACTUALLY HANDLED CONTACTS WITH ROSELLI.

THREE. THE IDENTITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTING CIA WHO CONTACTED DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICIALS REQUESTING INDICTMENT BE QUASHED.

FOUR. THE IDENTITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL WHO REQUESTED THAT HE DO THIS.

FIVE. ANY INFORMATION IN POSSESSION OF ANY CIA PERSONNEL OR FILES HAVING BEARING ON THE TRUE IDENTITY OF ROSELLI AND OF PERTINENCE TO THE TRIAL TO BEGIN APRIL TWENTY THREE NEXT.

BUREAU REFER TO YOUR AIRTEL TO LA NOVEMBER SIX LAST WHEREIN INFO IS SET FORTH THAT ROSELLI IN CONVERSATION WITH FORMER CIA EMPLOYEE COLONEL SHEFFIELD EDWARDS ADVISED THAT HE HAD BEEN CONTACTED BY THE FBI CONCERNING HIS TRUE IDENTITY. (4)

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CIA REQUESTED THAT BUREAU NOT DISSEMINATE THIS INFO BECAUSE ROSELLI'S CONTACT WITH CIA EXTREMELY SENSITIVE AND COULD BE HARMFUL TO NATIONAL SECURITY INTERESTS. XS(W)

IN VIEW OF CIA'S ADMISSION TO DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OF RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ROSELLI AND THEIR AGENCY BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO RECONSIDER THIS RESTRICTION SO USA, LA CAN BE AGISSD AS TO IDENTITY OF SHEFFIELD EDWARDS FOR HIS CONSIDERATION IF EDWARDS COULD BE A PERTINENT WITNESS TO THE PROSECUTION OF ROSELLI.

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

DATE: June 28, 1968

FROM : S. J. Papich

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI, Also Known As
AR

Howard Osborn, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), furnished the following to the Liaison Agent on June 26, 1968:

About 1:30 p.m., June 26, 1968, [redacted] who has a questionable background, telephonically contacted [redacted], CIA. It should be noted that [redacted] was privy to some aspects of the intelligence operation which involved CIA and the subject. [redacted] met [redacted] At that time, Maheu was involved in the CIA operation [redacted] has not seen or been in contact with [redacted] since the meeting [redacted]

b3 per CIA

[redacted] told [redacted] on June 26, 1968, that he had been in touch with the subject, and the subject was interested in determining how contact could be established with [redacted] did not elaborate further. [redacted] told him that he could not understand why such a question was raised because his name is in the local Washington telephone directory. [redacted] did not make any further comment.

[redacted] volunteered that he had seen the subject in [redacted] a couple of months ago. He stated that Roselli had been "pushed pretty hard by the Bureau" but was holding up quite well. He further volunteered that he had seen Roselli a few weeks ago at the [redacted] Also present was the subject's attorney, [redacted]

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Osborn advised that [redacted] has received clear-cut instructions not to get involved with [redacted] or Roselli under any circumstances. Osborn admitted that CIA is disturbed over the [redacted] call because the purpose very definitely is not spelled out.

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1 - Mr. McAndrews
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Papich

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Memorandum S. J. Papich to Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.
RE: JOHN ROSELLI, Also Known As
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ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence and Organized Crime Section of the Special Investigative Division.

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

DATE: December 27, 1968

FROM : W. O. Cregar

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Howard Osborn, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), furnished the following to the Liaison Agent on December 27, 1968:

b3 per CIA

At about 2 p.m. on the afternoon of December 26, 1968, [redacted] Office of Security, CIA, received a telephone call from subject, who indicated he was at Washington National Airport having just arrived there from Florida. Roselli indicated he planned to contact Ed Morgan (former Bureau Agent and currently practicing law in Washington, D.C.) to discuss several appeals he desired Morgan to make. Following Roselli's conversation with Morgan, he expected to enplane for Newark, New Jersey, where he hoped to visit some friends.

b3 per CIA

The purpose of Roselli's call to [redacted] was to wish him a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The above information was telephonically furnished Supervisor Emery of the Criminal Intelligence and Organized Crime Section by the Liaison Agent.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence and Organized Crime Section of the Special Investigative Division for its information.

1 - A. A. Staffeld
1 - Liaison
1 - W. O. Cregar

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CORRELATION SUMMARY

Main File No: 92-3267
See also: 58-2000
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137-7907
166-3200

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Subject: John O Roselli
John Russell*
James Stewart*

Date Searched: 4/9/69

All logical variations of subject's name and aliases were searched and identical references were found as set out on page 2:

This is a summary of information obtained from a review of all "see" references to the subject in Bureau files under the names and aliases listed on page 2. All references under these names containing data identical with the subject have been included except any indicated at the end of this summary under the heading REFERENCES NOT INCLUDED IN THIS SUMMARY. References indicated in the block as SI contain the same information as the foregoing serial although the information may have been received from a different source.

THIS SUMMARY HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR USE AT THE SEAT OF GOVERNMEI AND IS NOT SUITABLE FOR DISSEMINATION. IT IS DESIGNED TO FURNISH A SYNOPSIS OF THE INFORMATION SET OUT IN EACH REFERENCE, AND IN MANY CASES THE ORIGINAL SERIAL WILL CONTAIN THE INFORMATION IN MORE DETAIL.

Analyst	Coordinator	Approved
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
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*Not completely searched. See page 83 on search slip.

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The following reference in the file captioned "Arthur James Balletti" indicated that John Roselli was possibly involved with Balletti in surveilling and recording telephone conversations of Dan Rowan, one of the partners in the Rowan and Martin comedy team, at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, in October, 1960. During the time Balletti proceeded to Las Vegas to surveil Rowan, Roselli was registered at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami. Roselli was uncorporative regarding an interview with the SAs in Los Angeles, on 7/19/61. Background data was also set out.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
139-1201-28 encl. p.2-5	(25 57 49 56 57 58 79 81)
-30	(73)
-31	(73 88)
-49 p.1-3	(25 49)
-69 p.1-6	(25)

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INDIVIDUAL	REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
[redacted]	[redacted]	(25)
[redacted]	[redacted]	(42)
[redacted]	[redacted]	(16)

[redacted] California on [redacted] advised that he had known John Roselli for about [redacted] years, having met him in the late [redacted] Roselli was in the motion picture business. He said that Roselli was not a good card player and played with the poorer players at the Friar's Club. He had heard that Roselli handled the distribution of all playing cards to the casinos in Nevada.

[redacted]

The following references on John Roselli appear in the file captioned "Assassination of President John F. Kennedy". These references set forth an interview of Attorney Edward Morgan of Washington, DC on 3/20/67 concerning alleged information in his possession regarding the assassination. Roselli was the connecting link between CIA and Robert Mahen who allegedly was hired by the CIA to approach Sam Giancana, hoodlum, to have Fidel Castro, Premier of Cuba, assassinated. Castro learned of the plot, and thereafter, dispatched a team of assassins to the US for the purpose of assassinating President Kennedy. On 5/9/67, Ed Reid, a former newspaperman from Las Vegas, indicated he had information concerning Roselli and wanted to trade it for the above information on Roselli.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
62-109060-4984 encl. p.4	(14)
-5589 p.2	(14)

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FBI

Date: 3/2/71

Transmit the following in _____ (Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3267)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-113)

RE: JOHN ROSELLI, aka
AR
OO: Los Angeles

Re Los Angeles teletype, 1/25/71.

As Bureau is aware, JOHN ROSELLI presently serving six months in custody of the Attorney General as a result of conviction in U.S. District Court, Los Angeles, in FBI handled alien case and five years in custody of the Attorney General as a result of his conviction in Los Angeles in the Friars Club case. ROSELLI presently incarcerated McNeil Island Penitentiary.

ROSELLI's attorney, ADRIAN MARSHALL, accompanied by Attorney TOM WADDEN, appeared before U.S. District Judge PIERSON M. HALL, U.S. District Court, Los Angeles, on 3/1/71, in an effort to obtain a hearing date for a modification of sentence for ROSELLI based on a series of articles written by syndicated columnist JACK ANDERSON. These articles allege that JOHN ROSELLI was involved with the CIA in clandestine operations involving Cuba.

U.S. District Judge HALL, who sentenced ROSELLI in the alien case, denied the hearing date and commented that even if the articles were true they would have no effect on his sentence and he would not alter the sentence.

The above is for the information of the Bureau.

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REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
LOS ANGELES	LOS ANGELES	3/17/71	1/11/71 - 3/10/71

TITLE OF CASE	REPORT MADE BY	TYPED BY
JOHN ROSELLI, aka.	[redacted] b7C	fsc
	CHARACTER OF CASE	
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REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] b7C dated 11/27/70, at Los Los Angeles. u

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ADMINISTRATIVE

This case is being maintained in a current status in the Los Angeles Office even though ROSELLI is presently incarcerated at Mac Neil Island Penitentiary. u

The Seattle Office is being requested by separate cover to monitor the activities of ROSELLI while at Mac Neil Island. In addition, ADRIAN MARSHALL, the attorney for JOHN ROSELLI, plans to request U. S. District Judge GRAY for a reduction in sentence based on ROSELLI's connections with the CIA. u

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					☒ NONE	ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☒ YES ☐ NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☒ NO

APPROVED [signature] SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Judge GRAY had previously sentenced ROSELLI to five years in custody of the Attorney General as a result of this conviction in the Friars Club case.

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LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: (1) Will continue to follow and report activities of JOHN ROSELLI while at Mac Neil Island Penitentiary.

(2) Will continue to follow and report the activities of ROSELLI's attorney in an effort to have ROSELLI released from prison.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 2 - USA, Los Angeles
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Report of: [redacted] b7C Office: Los Angeles, California

Date: 3/17/71

Field Office File #: 92-113 Bureau File #: 92-3867

Title: JOHN ROSELLI

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: ROSELLI surrendered USM, Los Angeles, 1/25/71, to begin sentence of six months which he received in Alien matter, USDC, Los Angeles, and the five-year sentence he received as a result of conviction in the Friars Club case. On 3/1/71, ROSELLI's attorney appeared before USDJ, Los Angeles, in an effort to obtain a hearing date for modification of sentence based on a series of articles written by JACK ANDERSON alleging ROSELLI was involved with CIA in clandestine operations involving Cuba. ANDERSON's affidavit set forth. Judge HALL denied a hearing date.

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DETAILS:

On January 18, 1971, ROSELLI appeared before U. S. District Judge PEIRSON M. HALL, at which time, the mandate of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals was ordered spread by Judge HALL on the conviction of ROSELLI in an Alien case in U. S. District Court. ROSELLI had received a six month sentence. ROSELLI was ordered to the custody of the U. S. Marshal immediately to begin serving the sentence, and ROSELLI was taken into the custody of the U. S. Marshal.

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Assistant U. S. Attorney DAVID R. NISSEN, U. S. Attorney's Office, Los Angeles, advised on January 20, 1971, that subsequent to ROSELLI being turned over to the U. S. Marshal, and subsequent to NISSEN's departure from the courtroom, JAMES P. CANTILLON, one of ROSELLI's attorneys, requested an appearance before Judge HALL, which was granted. Notice was not given the U. S. Attorney's Office of this appearance and no one appeared to represent the Government. Mr. NISSEN said that he learned the above on January 20, 1971, from Judge HALL's Secretary who further advised that CANTILLON requested a stay for ROSELLI until 12:00 noon on Monday, January 25, 1971, and also requested Judge HALL allow ROSELLI to serve his sentence at Federal Correctional Institution, Terminal Island, California. According to Mr. NISSEN, Judge HALL granted CANTILLON's request without a representative of the U. S. Government being present. Assistant U. S. Attorney NISSEN stated thathe had been in contact with the U. S. Marshal's Office, Los Angeles, and Mac Neil Island Penitentiary had been designated as the place of incarceration for ROSELLI.

On January 25, 1971, ROSELLI surrendered to the U. S. Marshal, Los Angeles, to begin serving six month and five years sentences as a result of his convictions, in an Alien case and the Friars Club case.

On January 25, 1971, U. S. District Judge WILLIAM P. GRAY, U. S. District Court, Los Angeles, spread the mandate of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in the Friars Club case.

On March 1, 1971, ADRIAN MARSHALL and TOM WADDEN, Attorneys for JOHN ROSELLI, appeared before U. S. District Judge PEIRSON M. HALL in an effort to obtain a hearing date for a modification of sentence for ROSELLI based on a series of articles written by syndicated columnist JACK ANDERSON. These articles alleged that JOHN ROSELLI

was involved with the CIA in clandestine operations involving Cuba. U. S. District Judge HALL denied the hearing date, and commented that even if the articles were true, that it would have no effect on his sentence, and he would not alter the sentence. The affidavits of JACK ANDERSON are as follows:

ADRIAN MARSHALL
WADDEN, WALL & RUDY
9601 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 400
Beverly Hills, California 90210

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Attorneys for Defendant

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

FILIPPO SACCO, also known as JOHN ROSSELLI,

Defendant.

NO. 1175 - PH

AFFIDAVITS OF JACK ANDERSON AND LESLIE WHITTEN IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR REDUCTION OF SENTENCE AND REQUEST FOR EVIDENTIARY HEARING.

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff-Appellee,	)	
v.	)	No. 1175 - PH
JOHN ROSSELLI (aka FILIPPO SACCO), Defendant-Appellant.	)	

AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR REDUCTION OF SENTENCE AND REQUEST FOR EVIDENTIARY HEARING

CITY OF WASHINGTON)
) ss.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA)

JACK ANDERSON, being duly sworn, deposes and says the following:

1. I am a nationally syndicated columnist writing under my own by-line. For many years prior to the death of Mr. Drew Pearson, he and I wrote a column known as the "Washington Merry-Go-Round".

2. I wrote the articles attached hereto as Exhibits A and B pertaining to certain activities performed by John Rosselli, the Defendant herein, on behalf of the United States Government.

3. The information contained in said articles was made available to me by persons employed by the United States Government who, in the past, have supplied me with accurate and truthful information as pertains to other subjects.

4. After receiving said basic information, my staff and I conducted an impartial and independent investigation regarding John Rosselli's activities as described in Exhibit A, which were performed at the behest of Agents of the United States Government.

5. The aforementioned investigation satisfied me that the facts set forth in Exhibit A are a truthful account of Mr. Rosselli's activities as described therein.

JACK ANDERSON

Sworn to before me this 17 day of February, 1971.

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My Commission Expires Nov. 14, 1972

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff-Appellee,	)	
v.	)	No. 1175 - PH
JOHN ROSSELLI (aka FILIPPO SACCO), Defendant-Appellant	)	

AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR REDUCTION OF SENTENCE AND REQUEST FOR EVIDENTIARY HEARING

CITY OF WASHINGTON)
) ss.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA)

LESLIE WHITTEN, being duly sworn, deposes and says the following:

1. I am employed as principal associate of nationally-syndicated columnist Jack Anderson, writer of "Washington Merry-Go-Round."

2. I worked on certain articles relating to John Rosselli, and services performed by him on behalf of the Central Intelligence Agency, an organ of the United States Federal government.

3. As part of my investigation, I twice called William K. Harvey, a retired Central Intelligence Agency official, now of Indianapolis.

4. On my first call, in January, I asked Harvey if it were not true that he had personally intervened with the Justice Department in order to mitigate the government's prosecution of Roselli on the basis that Roselli had done a formidable service for his country. Harvey said "this is a long story...I don't think it ought to be printed." I asked him whether it was not true that he had a high regard for Rosselli. "I still do," he earnestly replied.

5. In pursuing the story further, I called Harvey again in Indianapolis this date (February 17, 1971) and asked him whether he could comment on our story about Rosselli which by now has been published widely in the United States. He declined to comment. But

he twice reaffirmed his "high regard" for Rosselli. I advised him I was making an affidavit on Rosselli's behalf and he expressed concern for Rosselli, asked his present status and said he would "follow up" on Rosselli's behalf from his end.

6. Based on my part of the investigation, I am satisfied that the facts set down in Exhibit A, appended to the Affidavit of Jack Anderson, are a truthful account of Rosselli's activities on behalf of the United States.

Leslie Whitten
LESLIE WHITTEN

Sworn to before me this 17 day of February, 1971.

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6 CIA ATTEMPTS TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO REVEALED BY ANDERSON; HUGHES AIDE MAHEU & JUNE LANG'S EX FIGURED IN HUSHED PLOT; QUESTION: DID CASTRO GET OSWALD TO KILL KENNEDY IN REVENGE?

By Jack Anderson

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WASHINGTON--Locked in the darkest recesses of the Central Intelligence Agency is the story of six assassination attempts against Cuba's Fidel Castro.

For 10 years, only a few key people have known the terrible secret. They have sworn never to talk. Yet we have learned the details from sources whose credentials are beyond question.

The plot to knock off Castro began as part of the Bay of Pigs operation. The intent was to eliminate the Cuban dictator before the motley invaders landed on the island. Their arrival was expected to touch off a general uprising, which the communist militia would have had more trouble putting down without the charismatic Castro to lead them.

After the first attempt failed, five more assassination teams were sent to Cuba. The last team reportedly made it to a rooftop within shooting distance of Castro before members were apprehended. This happened around the last of February or first of March, 1963.

Nine months later, President Kennedy was gunned down in Dallas by Lee Harvey Oswald, a fanatic who previously had agitated for Castro in New Orleans and had made a mysterious trip to the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City.

Among those privy to the CIA conspiracy, there is still a nagging suspicion--unsupported by the Warren Commission's findings--that Castro became aware of the U.S. plot upon his life and somehow recruited Oswald to retaliate against President Kennedy.

To set up the Castro assassination, the CIA enlisted Robert Maheu, a former FBI agent with shadowy contacts, who had handled other undercover assignments for the CIA out of his Washington public relations office. He later moved to Las Vegas to head up billionaire Howard Hughes's Nevada operations.

Once, a Cuban patrol boat sank Roselli's [illegible] with a lucky shot but the occupants were quickly fished out of the murky water by the other boat. The assassination teams never got a shot at Castro, although the last group reached a rooftop within range. No doubt most of the infiltrators were picked up and tortured terribly.

Roselli, Harvey, O'Connell and company had taken precautions, however, to make sure not even the Cuban recruits knew the CIA was behind the plot. Roselli posed as a representative of big oil interests which sought revenge against Castro expropriating their holdings in Cuba. The weapons and other equipment were of foreign make, mostly Belgian, to prevent any link to the U.S.

All the equipment, including the two powerboats, were purchased out of Roselli's own pocket. The CIA paid only the expenses of its two agents Harvey and O'Connell.

--NO COMMENT--

The principals in the CIA conspiracy, sworn to deep secrecy, refused to comment on the caper. We got an admission out of Maheu only that he had handled special jobs for the CIA, but he refused to discuss them. Roselli responded with a flat "no comment."

My associate Les Whitten located Harvey, who left the CIA about two years ago, in Indianapolis. Asked about Roselli, Harvey said he had a high regard for him. Whitten then questioned Harvey about Roselli's daring work.

"This is a long story," replied the former CIA man, "I don't think it ought to be printed." Thereafter, he refused to acknowledge even that he had been a CIA operative.

We got an admission from "Big Jim" O'Connell, who is still with the CIA, that he had met Roselli through Maheu. But when we asked about Roselli's CIA mission, O'Connell also clammed up.

Finally we spoke to John McCone, who headed the CIA at the time of the assassination attempts. He acknowledged the idea had been discussed inside the CIA but insisted it had been "rejected immediately." He vigorously denied that the CIA had ever participated in any plot on Castro's life. Asked whether the attempts could have been made without his knowledge, he replied "It could not have happened."

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Maheu recruited John Roselli, a ruggedly handsome gambler with contacts in both the American and Cuban underworlds, to arrange the assassination. The dapper, hawk-faced Roselli, formerly married to movie actress June Lang, was a power in the movie industry until his conviction with racketeer Willie Bioff in a million-dollar Hollywood labor shakedown.

The CIA assigned two of its most trusted operatives, William Harvey and James "Big Jim" O'Connell, to the hush-hush murder mission. Using phony names, they accompanied Roselli on trips to Miami to line up the assassination teams.

The full story reads like the script of a James Bond movie, complete with secret trysts at glittering Miami Beach hotels and midnight powerboat dashes to secret landing spots on the Cuban coast. Once, Roselli's boat was shot out from under him.

For the first try, the CIA furnished Roselli with special poison capsules to slip into Castro's food. The poison was supposed to take three days to act. By the time Castro died, his system would throw off all traces of the poison, so he would appear to be the victim of a natural if mysterious ailment.

Roselli arranged with a Cuban, related to one of Castro's chefs, to plant the deadly pellets in the dictator's food. On March 13, 1961, Roselli delivered the capsules to his contact at Miami Beach's glamorous Fontainebleau Hotel.

A couple weeks later, just about the right time for the plot to have been carried out, a report out of Havana said Castro was ill. But he recovered before the Bay of Pigs invasion on April 17, 1961.

--WAS CASTRO POISONED?--

The Cuban who had sneaked the poison into Havana was never seen again. The CIA, unsure whether the plotters had failed or the poison simply hadn't been strong enough, decided to try again with a more powerful dose. Roselli arranged for triple-strength capsules to be slipped into Castro's food several weeks after the Bay of Pigs. But once again, the plot failed and the conspirators disappeared. -11

Four more attempts were made on Castro's life, using Cuban assassination teams equipped with high-powered rifles, explosives and two-way radios. At intervals in the dark of night, Roselli personally delivered the teams in twin powerboats to the Cuban shores. (more)

Jack Anderson Merry-Go-Round

DID PRESIDENT KENNEDY KNOW ABOUT CASTRO ASSASSINATION PLOT?

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DID CIA PLOT ASSASSINATIONS OF TRUJILLO AND NGO DINH DIEM?

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By Jack Anderson

WASHINGTON--The plot to kill Cuban dictator Fidel Castro, hidden for 10 years from the public, raises some ugly questions that high officials would rather keep buried deep inside the Central Intelligence Agency.

1. Has the CIA tried to assassinate any other leaders? John McCone, who headed the CIA during the six attempts to knock off Castro, denied emphatically that the CIA has tried to kill anyone. But ex-Senator George Smathers, one of John F. Kennedy's closest friends, told us the late President suspected that the CIA had arranged the shootings of the Dominican Republic's Rafael Trujillo in 1961 and South Vietnam's Ngo Dinh Diem in 1963.

2. Did President Kennedy personally sanction the plot against Castro? The preparations to assassinate the Cuban dictator began during the last months of the Eisenhower administration as part of the Bay of Pigs scheme. All six attempts, however, were made during 1961-63 when Kennedy occupied the White House. Smathers told us he once spoke to the late President about assassinating Castro. Kennedy merely rolled back his eyes, recalled Smathers, as if to indicate the idea was too wild to discuss. Subsequently, Kennedy told Smathers of his suspicion that the CIA may have been behind the Trujillo and Diem assassinations.

3. Did the late Robert Kennedy know about the assassination attempts? After the Bay of Pigs fiasco, President Kennedy swore to friends he would like "to splinter the CIA in a thousand pieces and scatter it to the winds." He put his brother, Robert, in charge of the CIA with instructions to shake it up. The CIA made five attempts on Castro's life after the Bay of Pigs while Robert Kennedy was riding herd on the agency.

4. Could the plot against Castro have backfired against President Kennedy? The late President was murdered nine months after the last assassination team was caught on a Havana rooftop with high-powered rifles. Presumably, they were subjected to fiendish tortures until they told all they knew. None of the assassination teams, however, had direct knowledge of the CIA involvement. The CIA instigators had represented themselves as oilmen seeking revenge against Castro for his seizure of oil holdings.

--DID PLOT BACKFIRE?--

Former associates recall that Robert Kennedy, deeply despondent, went into semi-seclusion after his brother's assassination. Could he have been tormented by more than natural grief? He certainly learned that the assassin, Lee Harvey Oswald, had been active in the pro-Castro movement and had traveled to Mexico to visit the Cuban Embassy a few weeks before the dreadful day in Dallas. Could Bob Kennedy have been plagued by the terrible thought that the CIA plot, which he must at least have condoned, put into motion forces that may have brought about his brother's martyrdom?

The last surviving brother, Senator Ted Kennedy, D-Mass., could give us no insight. His brothers had never spoken to him about any assassination attempts against Castro, he said. He was aware, he volunteered, only that Senator Smathers had talked to the late President about eliminating Castro.

Smathers told us that President Kennedy seemed "horrified" at the idea of political assassinations. "I remember him saying," recalled Smathers, "that the CIA frequently did things he didn't kow about, and he was unhappy about it. He complained that the CIA was almost autonomous.

"He told me he believed the CIA had arranged to have Diem and Trujillo bumped off. He was pretty well shocked about that. He thought it was a stupid thing to do, and he wanted to get control of what the CIA was doing."

But McCone, disagreeing vigorously, told us that "no plot was authorized or implemented" to assassinate Castro, Trujillo, Diem or anyone else.

--MCCONE'S RECOLLECTIONS--

"During those days of tension, there was a wide spectrum of plans ranging from one extreme to another," McCone admitted.. "Whenever this subject (assassinating Castro) was brough up--and it was--it was rejected immediately on two grounds. First, it would not be condoned by anybody. Second, it wouldn't have achieved anything."

There was also talk in high places, McCone acknowledged, of supporting a coup to oust Diem. The former CIA director said he had argued against this at a secret session with both Kennedy brothers. He had contended that there was no one strong enough to take Diem's place and that a coup, therefore, would bring "political upheaval."

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In the past, President Nixon has been reluctant to use his office to pressure labor and management to accept more moderate settlements. The inflation threat is so serious, however, that he is now changing his attitude. But, he still will not go so far as to press for wage and price controls.

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in the above entitled action; I have read the foregoing _____

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I certify (or declare), under penalty of perjury,* that the foregoing is true and correct.

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I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the county aforesaid; I am over the age of eighteen years and not a party to the within entitled action; my business address is:

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On Feb. 23, 1971, I served the within Affidavits of Jack Anderson and Leslie Whitten in Support of Motion for Reduction of Sentence and Request for Evidentiary Hearing

on the Plaintiff in said action, by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid, in the United States mail at Beverly Hills, California addressed as follows:

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David R. Nissen, Assistant U.S. Attorney
Chief, Criminal Division
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Los Angeles, California 90012

I certify (or declare), under penalty of perjury,* that the foregoing is true and correct.

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JOHN ROSELLI is presently serving a five year sentence at Mc Neil Island Penitentiary as a result of his conviction in United States District Court, Los Angeles, in the Friars Club case. United States District Judge WILLIAM P. GRAY has granted a hearing to ROSELLI in his court on 7/8/71, to hear arguments on a motion for a reduction in sentence. Judge GRAY has agreed to a request by ADRIAN MARSHALL, ROSELLI's attorney, that ROSELLI be readily available for consultation with him. Judge GRAY, after first suggesting the possibility that ROSELLI could be paroled to travel to Los Angeles, has issued an order that he be brought to Los Angeles by the Bureau of Prisons.

MARSHALL has previously indicated to Assistant United States Attorney DAVID R. NISSEN, United States Attorney's Office, Los Angeles, that he will call witnesses to this hearing. He also indicated the main issue will be the alleged cooperation by ROSELLI with Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in the Cuban situation. As the Bureau is aware, JACK ANDERSON, the syndicated columnist, in January 1971, at the time ROSELLI was to surrender to begin serving his sentences in the Alien and Friars Club cases, wrote several

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columns concerning alleged activities on the part of ROSELLI in behalf of the CIA in Cuba. Copies of these articles as well as affidavits signed by ANDERSON and LESLIE WHITTEN, an employee of ANDERSON's, have been sent to the Bureau in Los Angeles report of SA [redacted] dated 3/17/71, captioned as above.

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United States District Judge PIERSON M. HALL, trial judge in the Alien case, has previously denied a hearing to ROSELLI for a reduction in sentence in that case. This motion was also based on the same alleged CIA cooperation.

Assistant United States Attorney NISSEN has advised both MARSHALL and Judge GRAY that he will not agree to the mere filing of affidavits in a hearing for reduction of sentence. NISSEN is insisting that the person giving the affidavit appear in court so he will have the opportunity to cross examine them. MARSHALL has said he will call witnesses and NISSEN will insist on ANDERSON and his employees appearing in person if they submit affidavits.

BENJAMIN TEITELBAUM, convicted with ROSELLI and others in the Friars Club case, surrendered to the United States Marshal, Los Angeles, this date to begin serving his sentence. TEITELBAUM originally received a four-year sentence but this was reduced on 6/21/71, to three years by Judge GRAY. MANUEL JACOBS, who was also convicted in the Friars Club case has been granted an extension until 7/9/71, to begin serving his sentence because of minor surgery which has not healed completely.

The Bureau will be advised of pertinent developments in this matter.

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Set forth in the details of this report is information which has appeared in Los Angeles newspapers concerning an appearance by JOHN ROSELLI before a Special Senate Committee headed by Senator FRANK CHURCH on 6/24/75. This testimony allegedly reveals efforts by

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JOHN ROSELLI to assassinate FIDEL CASTRO on behalf of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA).

The connection between ROSELLI and the CIA first came to the attention of the Los Angeles Office in an investigation entitled, "ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; ET AL; UPUC, Los Angeles file 139-77, Bureau file 139-1201." BALLETTI had installed illegal microphones in the Suite of DAN ROWAN, one of the partners in the Rowan & Martin Comedy Team, at the Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas. ROWAN, at the time, was dating PHYLLIS MC GUIRE, who had been up until that time the girl friend of SAM GIANCANA, the "Boss" of the Chicago Family of the La Cosa Nostra (LCN).

During the course of the investigation of the above matter, interviews were conducted with ROBERT MAHEU, a former Special Agent of the FBI, who advised that he had been contacted during the latter part of 1960 by Colonel SHEFFIELD EDWARDS, Director of Security, CIA. According to MAHEU, EDWARDS requested him to contact SAM GIANCANA since gambling activities in Cuba had been controlled by GIANCANA and his associates in Cuba and the CIA believed that GIANCANA would still have sources and contacts in Cuba which could possibly be used by the CIA. MAHEU subsequently admitted that he had met with ROSELLI at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida, in October of 1960 regarding this matter. ROSELLI was using the name of J. A. ROLLINS at that time.

MAHEU advised that the reason the microphone had been put in DAN ROWAN's room was because he had received information that there had been leaks concerning his relationship with the CIA and he thought that these leaks might possibly be through SAM GIANCANA to PHYLLIS MC GUIRE to DAN ROWAN.

During the BALLETTI investigation, Colonel EDWARDS of the CIA was contacted and admitted that he had contacted MAHEU as a go-between in contacts with GIANCANA. EDWARDS admitted the reason for contacts with GIANCANA were because

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GIANCANA and his associates had formerly controlled gambling prior to CASTRO coming to power and the CIA was hopeful of using their sources and contacts. Colonel EDWARDS advised that the CIA had hoped to use these sources and contacts in connection with the CIA's clandestine efforts against the CASTRO Government. He did not explain this further.

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The Chicago Office advised on 12/11/61, that according to [redacted]ROSELLI and GIANCANA discussed electronic monitoring equipment during which time the CIA was mentioned.

On 6/20/63, JOHN ROSELLI was observed to depart Los Angeles for Washington, D.C. on TWA flight 60, under the name of J. RALSTON. Special Agents of the Richmond Division observed ROSELLI depart from this flight, at which time he was met by an individual driving an automobile registered to WILLIAM KING HARVEY of Montgomery County, Maryland. ROSELLI and the individual, subsequently identified as HARVEY, proceeded to Washington, D. C. HARVEY is a former Bureau Agent and in 1963 held a high position with the CIA. U

Subsequently, the CIA advised the Bureau that ROSELLI had been in contact with a representative of the CIA and that according to the CIA, ROSELLI had periodically indicated that he was in a position to be of assistance regarding Cuban Matters. The CIA informed the Bureau that this last meeting between ROSELLI and a representative of the CIA was to close out this entire matter. ROSELLI, according to the CIA, had not been given any financial remuneration and the CIA had never made any commitments to ROSELLI.

During May of 1966, efforts were made by the Los Angeles Office to develop ROSELLI as a C-TE. Within several days of the contact by FBI Agents. ROSELLI traveled to Washington, D. C., and contacted Colonel EDWARDS about his meeting with FBI Agents. ROSELLI told EDWARDS that he had been approached by two FBI Agents who told him that they

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wanted to talk to him alone and that it pertained to National Security. He told Colonel EDWARDS that the Agent attempted to give him an envelope which he refused to take. When ROSELLI returned home, he found this same envelope at his apartment reception desk and that it contained a picture of a woman and child. ROSELLI told him the picture of the child was himself at that age. According to Colonel EDWARDS, ROSELLI made no requests of him to make any inquiry or to do anything concerning this and he was merely informing Colonel EDWARDS of this information. ~~XS~~ (U)

Prior to a trial in U. S. District Court (USDC), Los Angeles, in early 1968, of ROSELLI on Alien Charges, efforts were made by the Bureau to secure the assistance of Colonel EDWARDS as a witness to the admissions made to him by ROSELLI. The CIA declined to allow Colonel EDWARDS to testify because it would immediately "open the door" to public exposure of an extremely sensitive intelligence operation. ~~XS~~ (U)

In April of 1968, information was received from the U. S. Attorney's Office, Los Angeles, that the Department of Justice had received a request from the CIA and the indictment of ROSELLI be quashed because he was a CIA informant. The indictment was not quashed and ROSELLI was subsequently convicted and sentenced to six months in custody of the Attorney General on these charges.

On 3/1/71, ADRIAN MARSHALL and TOM WADDEN, Attorneys for JOHN ROSELLI, appeared in USDC, Los Angeles, in an effort to obtain a hearing date for a modification of sentence for ROSELLI based on a series of articles written by syndicated columnist JACK ANDERSON. These articles alleged that JOHN ROSELLI was involved with the CIA in clandestine operations involving Cuba. The U. S. District Judge denied the hearings and commented that even if the articles were true, it would not have an effect on the sentence he imposed on ROSELLI. The affidavits of ANDERSON are set out in the Los Angeles report of SA [redacted], dated 3/17/71, in this matter. (U)

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ROSELLI's attorney, ADRIAN MARSHALL, appeared in another USDC, Los Angeles, in the Friars Club Case on 7/7/71, and attempted to argue for a reduction in sentence based on ROSELLI's alleged participation with the CIA in a plot to assassinate CASTRO. The U. S. District Judge interrupted MARSHALL prior to his finishing his argument and told MARSHALL that ROSELLI's cooperation with the CIA would not give ROSELLI any "brownie points" in his court room and that such an event would have been catastrophic in his opinion.

The above is a summary of the information contained in Los Angeles files regarding ROSELLI's association with the CIA and is being set out in this report in view of the information set out in the details of this report that ROSELLI had testified before a Senate Committee investigating the CIA.

LEADS

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA: Will continue to follow and report the results of ROSELLI's appeal to the Board of Immigration Appeals, Washington, D. C.

LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Will continue to follow and report the activities of ROSELLI.

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Title: JOHN ROSELLI

Character: ANTI - RACKETEERING

Synopsis: ROSELLI's appeal to the order deporting him to Italy on 1/10/75, is still under appeal in Washington, D. C. ROSELLI appeared before the CHURCH Senate Committee investigating CIA and allegedly testified to his involvement with CIA. SAM GIANCANA, close associate of ROSELLI, murdered in Chicago, Illinois, 6/19/75.

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DETAILS:

The Miami Office advised as follows on June 23, 1975:

b7C [redacted] Secretary, Office of the Trial Attorney, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Federal Building, Miami, Florida, advised on June 23, 1975, that subject's immigration case is still under appeal in Washington, D. C.

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Mr. DAVID W. WALTERS, Attorney, Suite 1001, 100 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, Florida, stated on June 23, 1975, that he was representing the subject in his immigration case, which is now under appeal. He said he also represents ROSELLI in litigation with the U. S. Army over ROSELLI's discharge from the Army in World War II. ROSELLI is contending that he is entitled to an honorable type discharge.

Mr. WALTERS said that he has no information relating to ROSELLI's connection with alleged attempts on the life of FIDEL CASTRO. He said ROSELLI never alluded to the allegation, although he, WALTERS, has been contacted by the press concerning ROSELLI's alleged part in the conspiracy. He said it was rumored by the press that ROSELLI would testify before a U. S. Senate Committee in the near future.

The 'Los Angeles Times,' the Los Angeles 'Herald Examiner', the 'New York Post', and the 'New York Times', all carried articles in their June 25, 1975, editions regarding JOHN ROSELLI and his testimony before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence which is chaired by Senator FRANK CHURCH. The article published by the 'New York Times' is as follows:

"WASHINGTON, June 24_, John Roselli, a former member of the Al Capone gang and an operative of the Mafia for most of his adult life, told a Senate committee today that he had been recruited by the Central Ingelligence Agency in a plot to kill Premier Fidel Castro of Cuba, according to members of the committee."

"Mr. Roselli, a tanned, stocky 69-year-old man, testified before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence under heavy guard in a closed session for some two hours. According to the committee chairman, Senator Frank Church, Democrat of Idaho, Mr. Roselli's testimony 'filled in, in much greater detail, (the plot) and did not depart from what has been published in the press.' "

"Earlier Mr. Church had said that the committee had evidence that the C.I.A. was involved in assassination plots and assassination attempts. Senator John G. Tower, Republican of Texas, who is the committee vice chairman, said that Mr. Roselli had provided 'details of contacts that were made,' adding, 'It doesn't throw any new light on the situation as I see it.' He said that as a result of Mr. Roselli's testimony and other evidence, the premise that the C.I.A. used the Mafia to try to kill Premier Castro 'is pretty well laid on the record.' "

"According to published reports, Mr. Roselli was recruited in late 1960 by Robert A. Maheu, acing on behalf of the C.I.A., in a plot to kill Mr. Castro. Mr. Maheu, according to authoritative sources, also recruited Sam Giancana, a Chicago rackets boss, in what was essentially a plan to poison the three top leaders of the Cuban Government and create a power vacuum in the new revolutionary state."

"Mr. Giancana was shot to death last Thursday in his Oak Park, Ill., home. His killers have not been apprenhended. The Chicago police have described the killing as a premeditated 'excution.' Senator Church said that the committee had planned to call Mr. Giancana as a witness."

"Mr. Giancana's death left Mr. Roselli as the only organized crime figure who is known to have been connected with the plot. Leslie Scherr, one of the two lawyers who accompanied Mr. Roselli to the hearing, said later that Mr. Giancana's death had not caused Mr. Roselli to fear for himself, but for members of his family."

"Another source said that Mr. Roselli was concerned about possible retaliation from Cuban nationalist groups rather than fearing an attack from organized crime elements."

"Whatever his fears, Mr. Roselli came before the committee under extraordinary security precautions. He was taken to and from the committee room by back stairs and elevators under the guard of the Capitol police. Photographers took pictures of several men who appeared to be Mr. Roselli."

"Photographs of Mr. Roselli have not been published for several years and many of the newsmen did not know what he looked like. According to Mr. Scherr, a practice attempt was made to mislead newsmen as to who Mr. Roselli was. Mr. Scherr said he did not believe any news agency had been successful in photographing Mr. Roselli and that he would 'urge any organization not to use the picture if they had it.' "

"Senator Church said that the committee had agreed to help Mr. Roselli in avoiding the press. He said that the committee had permitted Mr. Roselli to name only C.I.A. officials with whom he dealt and not to name private parties. Mr. Roselli was concerned about the safety of private parties if their names became known, Mr. Church said."

"Mr. Roselli was dressed in a well-tailored black suit, tailored shirt with cufflinks and conservative tie. He answered the committee's questions calmly, one member said, and appeared to be like 'anybody's grandfather.' "

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"Mr. Roselli gave his testimony in 'layman's terms' and used little gangland slang, the member said. Mr. Roselli was reportedly serious but occasionally displayed a wry sense of humor. When one committee member asked him how he could quickly identify a particular agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation the witness rejoined, 'because he followed me for three years. He was in charge of my case!'"

"Mr. Roselli's criminal career began in the nineteen-thirties when he was arrested 16 times on charges of carrying a gun while in the gang controlled by Al Capone. He served in the Army from 1942 to 1945, and received an undesirable discharge."

"It was while in the service that Mr. Roselli was convicted of a scheme to extort money from Hollywood figures that stemmed from activities before the war. He was not convicted again until 1969 when he was sentenced to five years in Prison for a card cheating scandal at the Friars Club in Los Angeles."

"The Government, at that time, began efforts to deport Mr. Roselli to Italy, where he was born in 1905. The case is being appealed. Mr. Roselli is; also suing to have his discharge changed from undesirable to honorable."

"In the next two days the committee is expected to hear testimony from Mr. Maheu and C.I.A. officials familiar with the plot."

The article by the 'Herald Examiner' contains a photograph of several individuals leaving the Senate after testifying before the Committee. Included in this photograph is a picture of JOHN ROSELLI and one of his attorneys, JAMES P. CANTILLON. It is noted that CANTILLON's name does not appear in any of the articles as the attorney representing ROSELLI before the Committee.

According to the local Los Angeles newspapers, SAM GIANCANA was shot and killed in his residence in the Chicago area on June 19, 1975.

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From: Director, FBI (92-3267) 1052

JOHN ROSELLI, aka
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Re Los Angeles letter to the Bureau 7/9/75.

Roselli's testimony before the Senate Committee was given in Executive Session and the Bureau is not privy to testimony of individuals furnished in Executive Session.

If, at a future date, the testimony is made available to the Bureau, you will be furnished a copy at such time.

NOTE: Los Angeles has requested a copy of John Roselli's testimony before the Special Investigative Committee, chaired by Senator Frank Churc concerning his appearance on 6/24/75 in which he testified relating to his relationship with the CIA. Los Angeles feels that if a copy of his testimony is available and furnished to them, it could be reviewed by an Agent of the Los Angeles Office in an effort to develop a perjury charge against Roselli. SA [redacted], Legal Counsel Division, was telephonically contacted by SA [redacted] on 7/21/75 and [redacted] advised that the Bureau does not have access to testimony given by Roselli and others because it was given in Executive Session before the Committee.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3267) DATE: 7/9/75

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SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI, aka
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As the Bureau is aware, JOHN ROSELLI has been under intensive investigation by the Bureau under the Bureau's former Top Hoodlum Program and the present Criminal Intelligence Program since 1957. In the early 1960's, ROSELLI was named by the Bureau as a subject for intensified investigation.

In 1968, ROSELLI was convicted in two separate cases initiated and investigated by the Los Angeles Office. He has served time as a result of these two convictions. Since ROSELLI's release from prison in October of 1973, he has moved to Florida but continues to spend some time in Los Angeles. In Florida ROSELLI has been ordered deported by an INS Hearing Officer and he is currently appealing this decision.

During the intensified investigation conducted by the Bureau on ROSELLI's activities, it was learned as early as 1960, that ROSELLI had an association with the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) through ROBERT MAHEU, a former FBI Agent. Several other instances of contacts between ROSELLI and the CIA were developed over the years, including a surveillance in 1963 when ROSELLI was picked up at Dulles Airport by a CIA agent, WILLIAM HARVEY. ROSELLI's attorney also attempted to use his alleged association with the CIA in efforts to have his sentences reduced in his conviction for being an illegal alien and for his conviction in the Friars Club Case; however, the judges in both instances refused to reduce the sentences.

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Following ROSELLI's convictions in the Alien and Friars Club Cases, he was granted immunity during the investigation into hidden interests by the Detroit La Cosa Nostra (LCN) in the Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, which eventually led to the convictions of ANTHONY ZERILLI, MICHAEL POLIZZI, and ANTHONY GIARDANO on ITAR - GAMBLING Charges. ROSELLI answered all questions put to him before the Federal Grand Jury by former Assistant U. S. Attorney DAVID R. NISSEN; however, he was found to be a very intelligent witness who was able to perjure himself in those areas he knew the Government would be unable to prove without divulging informants.

Newspaper articles in Los Angeles have revealed that ROSELLI has testified concerning his relationship with the CIA before the Special Senate Committee chaired by Senator FRANK CHURCH on 6/24/75. These articles revealed that ROSELLI allegedly furnished an interview with JACK ANDERSON concerning his testimony immediately following his testimony.

The Los Angeles Office feels that in view of the vast amount of information developed during the intensified investigation of ROSELLI, that ROSELLI's testimony should be reviewed by an Agent of the Los Angeles Office in an effort to develop a perjury case on him.

The Bureau, if not already done, is requested to obtain a copy of ROSELLI's testimony before this Senate Committee and furnish same to the Los Angeles Office.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
LOS ANGELES	LOS ANGELES	10/8/75	7/9/75 - 10/7/75

TITLE OF CASE	REPORT MADE BY	TYPED BY
JOHN ROSELLI, aka	[redacted] b7C	mtk
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REFERENCES: Los Angeles report of SA [redacted] b7C
[redacted] dated 7/9/75.
Los Angeles letter to the Bureau, dated 7/9/75.
Bureau letter to Los Angeles, dated 7/22/75.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

This matter is being placed in a pending inactive status for a period of six months, at which time it will be reactivated to report any changes in the appeal by ROSELLI

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to the INS Deportation Order in Miami, Florida.

By letter, dated 7/9/75, the Bureau was requested to attempt to obtain copies of ROSELLI's testimony before the Special Senate Committee chaired by Senator FRANK CHURCH. The Bureau advised on 7/22/75, that ROSELLI's testimony before this Committee was given an Executive Session and this Bureau is not privy to testimony of individuals furnished in Executive Sessions.

LEADS

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA: Will report any changes in ROSELLI's INS appeal to the Board of Immigration Appeals, Washington, D. C.

LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Will reactivate this matter after six months.

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Report of: [redacted] b7C Office: Los Angeles, California

Date: 10/8/75

Field Office File #: 92-113 Bureau File #: 92-3267

Title: JOHN ROSELLI

Character: ANTI - RACKETEERING

Synopsis: ROBERT MAHEW and RICHARD M. BISSELL testified before the Special Senate Committee chaired by Senator FRANK CHURCH as to their part in arranging for ROSELLI who worked for the CIA. Interview with JAMES CANTILLON, Former Attorney for ROSELLI, set forth.

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DETAILS:

It had been previously reported that JOHN ROSELLI on June 24, 1975, according to the "Los Angeles Times" and the "New York Times" appeared before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, which is chaired by Senator FRANK CHURCH and testified that he had been contacted by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) through ROBERT MAHEW, to try to kill Premier CASTRO of Cuba.

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According to the "Los Angeles Times" of July 30, 1975, RICHARD M. BISSELL, a former Chief of Clandestine Services for the CIA, testified before the CHURCH Committee that he personally had approved the CIA cooperation with "Mafia" figures to assassinate Cuban Premier CASTRO in 1960. BISSELL when questioned by reporters said arrangements with the Mafia had been handled by the office of the late Colonel SHEFFIELD EDWARDS, through ROBERT A. MAHEW. Colonel SHEFFIELD EDWARDS was the CIA's Director of Security. BISSELL told reporters that Colonel EDWARDS had arranged the highly secret cooperation with Underworld figures SAM GIANCANA and JOHN ROSELLI, but that he, BISSELL, had approved it.

BISSELL said that the arrangements with the Mafia began "in the last half of 1960" and might have been suggested to the CIA by GIANCANA or other Mafia figures because "they did have very large interests in Cuba that were totally eclipsed or destroyed by Castro." BISSELL also speculated that Underworld figures were seeking to build up credit with the U. S. Government against possible Federal prosecution in the future.

According to the "Los Angeles Times" and the "Los Angeles Herald Examiner" on July 31, 1975, ROBERT A. MAHEW testified before the CHURCH Committee on July 30, 1975. Following his two days of testimony behind closed doors he told reporters that he once helped the CIA develop plans to poison CASTRO because,"I felt we were involved in a just war." MAHEW told reporters that he had recruited ROSELLI and GIANCANA in 1960 at the suggestion of two CIA officials. The CIA had paid him $500.00 a month for private investigator work during the late 1950's. MAHEW said he was also approached on the CASTRO Matter in 1960 by JAMES J. O'CONNELL, a CIA Supervisor, who had previously served as his contact. MAHEW told reporters that O'CONNELL asked him to contact JOHN ROSELLI in Los Angeles and asked ROSELLI if he would assist the CIA in a program for removing CASTRO. MAHEW told reporters that ROSELLI was reluctant to participate but later agreed to help,"When I explained this would be on behalf of his Government, unpleasant as it may sound."

MAHEW told reporters that the value of ROSELLI and GIANCANA was their contacts and sources of information in Havana where they previously had interests in lucrative gambling casinos closed down by CASTRO. MAHEW said the assassination plan he knew about was a scheme to poison CASTRO that O'CONNELL discussed at a series of meetings at Miami's Fontainebleau Hotel in early 1961. ROSELLI was to deliver poison capsules to one of CASTRO's cooks or domestics, "who would be in a position to administor them if the CIA gave us the 'go' signal." MAHEW said that O'CONNELL showed him the capsules in a white envelope and stated that as far as he knew the CIA never gave the "go" signal. MAHEW said that after the CIA sponsored the Bay of Pigs Envasion in April of 1961, that he phased out his cooperation with the CIA.

JAMES CANTILLON, Los Angeles Attorney, who has represented JOHN ROSELLI in the past, was met casually on September 10, 1975, at a local Los Angeles restaurant. CANTILLON advised that ROSELLI was currently residing in the Miami area near his sister, EDITH DAGEL. He advised that ROSELLI is traveling between Miami and Washington, D.C., frequently as ROSELLI's attorney in Miami has determined that if ROSELLI can have his Army discharge changed from other than honorable to honorable, he will be a citizen automatically and his problem of being deported will be over. ROSELLI has taken steps to try to convince the Army that his discharge should be changed.

CANTILLON also commented that he had been in Washington, D. C., awaiting a call to testify before the CHURCH Committee when SAM GIANCANA was found shot to death in his Chicago residence. CANTILLON said as soon as he had received word of GIANCANA's death, he had called ROSELLI in the Miami area to be certain that ROSELLI knew of GIANCANA's death and also to be certain that ROSELLI was still alive. CANTILLON said that he actually talked to ROSELLI on this occasion. CANTILLON further stated that he had subsequently testified before the CHURCH Committee. He declined to comment as to what his testimony had been and remarked facetiously that he had testified about the agent.

It should be noted that ROSELLI was inducted into the U. S. Army on December 4, 1942 at Fort Mc Arthur, California, and had Army Serial Number 39547191. On December 23, 1942, he was transferred to the Fifth Armored Division, Camp Hook, California, and on May 25, 1943, he was transferred to Governor's Island, New York City. He remained at Governor's Island until he was confined by civil authorities on December 30, 1943. ROSELLI received a discharge, other than honorable on June 30, 1945, at Fort Mc Pherson, Georgia, under Provisions of Section 3AR615-366, because of his conviction of a crime by a Civil Court.

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] b7C dated 10/8/75, at Los Angeles.
Miami letters to Los Angeles, dated 11/19/75, and 4/6/76.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

This matter has been in a pending inactive status since the date of referenced report. It has been made pending to report results of ROSELLI's appeal to an Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) order that he be deported. This report is also to report the current activities of ROSELLI.

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This matter is again being placed in a pending inactive status for a period of six (6) months at which time it will again be reactivated to report any change in ROSELLI's INS deportation order.

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LEADS

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA: Will report any changes in ROSELLI's INS deportation order.

LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Will reactivate this matter after six months.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Report of: b7C [redacted] Office: Los Angeles, Californi

Date: 5/14/76

Field Office File #: 92-113 Bureau File #: 92-3267

Title: JOHN ROSELLI

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: ROSELLI's appeal to order of deportation imposed on him by INS, has been denied by the Immigration Court, Washington, D. C. INS is having difficulty finding a country who will accept ROSELLI. ROSELLI's attorney expects a modification of deportation order. ROSELLI visited Los Angeles area for approximately three (3) weeks during latter part of January and early February of 1976. Newspaper article regarding JUDITH CAMPBELL (now JUDITH EXNER) printed in 'New York Times' set forth.

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DETAILS:

The Miami Office advised as follows on April 6, 1976:

b7C On November 13, 1975, [redacted] Clerk, Immigration Court, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS),

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Miami, Florida, advised that JOHN ROSELLI's appeal for the order of deportation imposed on him had been denied by the Immigration Court in Washington, D. C., and the order of deportation was returned to INS, Miami, Florida, on October 10, 1975, for execution.

b1C [redacted] advised that ROSELLI's case presently is under the jurisdiction of the Deportation Section, INS, Miami.

Mr. DAVID WALTERS, Attorney, Suite 1001, 100 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, Florida advised on November 13, 1975, that his client, JOHN ROSELLI, was presently under a deportation process by the INS at Miami. Mr. WALTERS said deportation of ROSELLI will not take place in the forseeable future, since problems are being encountered in finding a country that would accept ROSELLI. He said also ROSELLI is over 70 years of age. His age could be a factor in modifying the deportation order. ROSELLI's case, according to Mr. WALTERS, as far as deporation is concerned, is presently under discussion with officials of the Deportation Section. No decision is expected in this matter in the immediate future.

On [redacted] advised that JOHN ROSELLI was planning on visiting the Los Angeles Office during January of 1976.

[redacted] ROSELLI was in Los Angeles staying at the Beverly Hilton Hotel. ROSELLI was allegedly in Los Angeles regarding his immigration problems. The informant advised that ROSELLI had been in contact with [redacted], and JAMES CANTILLON. [redacted] is a business partner of ROSELLI's in the gift shop at the Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada. [redacted], true name [redacted] is a well known hoodlum in the Los Angeles area. JAMES CANTILLON is an attorney and a long time friend of ROSELLI's.

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ROSELLI had returned to Miami. The informant advised that

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while in Los Angeles, ROSELLI spent [redacted] said that [redacted] lives on [redacted] California.

'The New York Times', Late City Edition of April 12, 1976, contained the following article regarding JUDITH CAMPBELL (now Mrs. JUDITH EXNER) and her association with ROSELLI, SAM GIANCANA, FRANK SINATRA, and the late President JOHN F. KENNEDY:

FD-350 (Rev. 7-16-63)

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Link of Kennedy Friend To Mafia Is Still a Puzzle

By NICHOLAS GAGE

The disclosure last December that President Kennedy and two major Mafia figures maintained close friendships with the same woman — Judith Campbell — has puzzled many private citizens, disturbed some law enforcement officials and aroused extensive speculation in and out of Government.

The speculation has been stimulated because the two inities on Intelligence, which investigated the C.I.A. plots, referred only briefly to Mrs. Campbell's relationships, devoting slightly more than a page to them in its 348-page report last December. The report did not identify Mrs. Campbell (now Mrs. Judith Exner) by name or sex, and left a number of questions unanswered.

Among them were whether Mrs. Campbell used her relationship with Mr. Kennedy to benefit the Mafia, and whether the President learned as a result of the Campbell friendship that the C.I.A. was working with the Mafia on a plot to kill Mr. Castro.

Interviews and Findings

During the last two months, The New York Times, in interviews with current and former Justice Department officials, participants in the C.I.A. plots and underworld figures, has examined these questions and found the following:

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

P.2 NEW YORK TIMES
NEW YORK, NY

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¶Several recommendations were made within the Justice Department in 1962 for a thorough investigation of Mrs. Campbell's Mafia ties, but no inquiry was ever conducted. When high Justice officials learned about her friendship with President Kennedy in early 1962, they looked upon it as a "domestic matter," as one of them put it, and merely passed information on her to the White House.

¶Sam Giancana—who was slain last June — and John Roselli boasted to fellow gangsters about sharing the affections of a woman who was seeing the President, but they do not appear to have benefited further from their knowledge of Mrs. Campbell's friendship with Mr. Kennedy.

¶While the Senate committee found no evidence that President Kennedy knew about the C.I.A.-Mafia plots to kill Mr. Castro, the possibility appears high to some former Justice officials that Robert F. Kennedy, then the Attorney General, told his brother about the plots in view of what he learned about the relationships of Mr. Giancana, Mr. Roselli and Mrs. Campbell in 1962 and early 1963.

¶When the Senate committee investigated Mrs. Campbell's friendships, not only did the committee not call Frank Sinatra, who introduced Mrs. Campbell both to President Kennedy and to Mr. Giancana, but other key individuals were merely interviewed rather than questioned under oath, even though a deeper inquiry might have produced information affecting the committee's conclusion that President Kennedy did not know about the C.I.A.-Mafia plots against Mr. Castro.

Staying Out of Sight

A spokesman for the committee, Spencer Davis, said that the panel's mandate was to determine whether Mrs. Campbell was involved in an intelligence operation and not to conduct a broad investigation of her Mafia ties.

"We found that she was not engaged in intelligence and that was that," he said.

A close friend of the two Mafia figures said that Mrs. Campbell's initial contact with the Mafia was with Mr. Roselli, who was born in Italy, immigrated to Boston as a child, joined the Mafia in Chicago and later became involved in labor racketeering in Los Angeles.

Mr. Roselli, who has been staying out of sight since Mr. Giancana was slain last year, has told friends that he first met Mrs. Campbell in 1951—she was then Judith Immoor—when she was 17 years old and "hanging around the studios" in Hollywood. Mr. Roselli, who had served three years in Federal prison for extorting money from the studios, was then associated with an independent production company. Miss Immoor had ambitions of becoming an actress.

Mr. Roselli stopped seeing her when she married William Campbell, an actor, a short time later, according to the friend of the two Mafia leaders.

The couple was divorced in 1958, and a year later she began to date Mr. Sinatra, she said in the outline for a book she plans to write. Mrs. Campbell said that she ended her affair with the singer because their tastes in sex differed, but continued to travel with the Sinatra crowd.

Sinatra's Reply

In reply to this assertion, Mr. Sinatra issued this statement: "Hell hath no fury like a hustler with a literary agent."

Mrs. Campbell said in the outline that Mr. Sinatra introduced her to John F. Kennedy on Feb. 7, 1960, in Las Vegas, Nev., and they made plans to meet in early March in New York, where they began to have an affair.

After her New York meeting with Mr. Kennedy, according to the outline, she accepted an invitation to meet Mr. Sinatra in Miami Beach, where he was performing at the Fontainebleau Hotel, and the entertainer introduced her there to Mr. Giancana.

Five months later Mr. Giancana and Mr. Roselli became involved with the C.I.A. in plots to kill Fidel Castro—recruiting Cuban agents who might be persuaded to poison Mr. Castro's food—but apparently they did not tell Mrs. Campbell about them. Mafia members traditionally do not confide in their women and Mr. Giancana and Mr. Roselli made no exception with Mrs. Campbell, according to the close friend of both men.

His contention is supported by participants in the plots, including Robert Maheu, who has acknowledged bringing together the Mafia and the C.I.A. Mrs. Campbell said in her book outline that she had "no knowledge of C.I.A. involvement with the Mafia."

The close friend of Mr. Giancana and Mr. Roselli said that, at that time, Mrs. Campbell was one of about 20 women, some of them well-known actresses, who were in the Sinatra crowd and were introduced to the entertainer's friends in public life and in the underworld.

"The difference with Judy was that she was pushy and reckless," the friend said. She'd go to Johnny's place and call everyone she knew from his phone, or she'd call Sam at his home and at the Armory Lounge in Chicago, where he hung out. So the Feds picked up her tracks.

"The other girls were careful. They didn't call Sam or Johnny because they knew their phones were tapped. And they didn't call the White House, for God's sake."

The Federal Bureau of Investigation first picked up Judith Campbell through electronic surveillance of Mr. Roselli in early 1961, according to Justice Department sources.

The F.B.I. checked out her long-distance calls over the next two years and found that she was in frequent contact with Mr. Roselli, Mr. Giancana and Mr. Sinatra.

For example, Government records show that during one four-week period, from June 8 to July 5, 1962, Mrs. Campbell called Mr. Giancana 23 times at his Chicago home and 37 times at the Armory Lounge from her Los Angeles residence at 8401 Fountain Avenue. During the same period, she called Mr. Sinatra 16 times at the Cal-Neva Lodge in Lake Tahoe, Nev., which he then owned.

70 Telephone Calls

Seven months before these calls, in November 1961, the F.B.I. found out that Mrs. Campbell had made two phone calls to the White House. They were followed by a third call early the following February. (The Senate committee found White House records showing that Mrs. Campbell had called a total of 70 times, but initially the F.B.I. knew of only three calls.)

On Feb. 27, 1962, J. Edgar Hoover, then director of the F.B.I., sent a memorandum to Attorney General Kennedy and to Kenneth O'Donnell, then special assistant to President Kennedy, saying that an investigation of Mr. Roselli disclosed that he had been in touch with a Judith Campbell. The memo also said that Mrs. Campbell was maintaining a relationship with Sam Giancana, "a prominent Chicago underworld figure," and that Mrs. Campbell had made calls to the White House from her home in Los Angeles.

It is not known how Robert Kennedy reacted to the memorandum, but a high official in the Justice Department at that time said that his staff did not take it very seriously.

"By that time a lot of stories were coming out of the Secret Service about the President's interest in women," one former official said. "We looked on it as a domestic matter and, as I recall, the whole thing was referred to Carmine Bellino, who handled personal stuff for the President."

Kennedy-Hoover Lunch

Another former Justice Department official also said that the matter was referred to Mr. Bellino, who was then a special consultant to the President. But Mr. Bellino said in an interview that he never heard of Mrs. Campbell until the recent articles in the press about her.

"The only personal matter I ever handled for the President was once when Jackie was spending too much money and he asked me to find out where it was all going," Mr. Bellino said.

The contradiction between the former Justice Department officials' recollections and Mr. Bellino's statement was never confronted by the Senate committee. The Justice officials who recall the matter being turned over to Mr. Bellino were not questioned under oath by the committee, but merely interviewed by staff members, whom they did not tell about Mr. Bellino.

Mr. Bellino, too, was never questioned under oath. But was merely interviewed at the committee's offices.

On March 22, less than a month after the Hoover memo was sent, President Kennedy and Mr. Hoover had lunch together, the Senate committee's report said. "According to White House logs," the report added, "the last telephone contact between the White House and the President's friend [Mrs. Campbell] occurred a few hours after the luncheon."

However, Mrs. Campbell said in her book outline that her relationship with the President continued for several months after that.

In the months following Mr. Hoover's memorandum of Feb. 27, the Justice Department received further information from the F.B.I. about Mrs. Campbell's close relationships with Mr. Giancana, Mr. Roselli and Mr. Sinatra.

The information was included in a series of reports prepared by Dougald McMillan, a Justice Department attorney studying the involvement of Mr. Sinatra with Mafia figures.

Mr. McMillan is still with the department and refused to discuss the matter, but former Justice officials who saw the reports said that they strongly recommended that Mrs. Campbell's relationships with the Mafia and with Mr. Sinatra be investigated.

Testimony Urged

They said that one of the reports urged that Mrs. Campbell be brought before a Federal grand jury, given immunity from prosecution and compelled to testify under oath about her Mafia contacts.

No action was taken on any of the recommendations by the Justice Department. Several officials who were asked about them said they did not remember reports specifically mentioning Mrs. Campbell.

But they said they did remember that several reports on Mr. Sinatra were prepared at the time, and it was in some of those reports that the recommendations about Mrs Campbell were included.

The Sinatra reports apparently were seen by Attorney General Kennedy, because everything about Mr. Sinatra developed by the department was sent up to him at his request, according to William G. Hundley, former chief of the department's Organized Crime Section. Thus, Attorney General Kennedy presumably saw everything included in the reports about Mrs. Campbell.

Robert Kennedy learned on Feb. 27, 1962, in the memorandum from Mr. Hoover, that a woman was calling the White House who had a relationship with Mr. Giancana, one of the top Mafia bosses in the country and a main target of his department.

Involved in Plots

Just 10 weeks later, on May 7, 1962, according to the Senate committee's report, he was informed in a conference with C.I.A. officials that their agency had been involved with Mr. Giancana in plots to assassinate Prime Minister Castro.

In view of these two discoveries and what Robert Kennedy later learned about Mrs. Campbell in the Sinatra reports, some of Mr. Kennedy's former associates at the Justice Department believe that he told the President what he knew about Mr. Giancana, the C.I.A. plots and Mrs. Campbell.

"He had to; he told Jack everything," one of the former associates said.

But others feel that he did not inform President Kennedy.

"Any man would tell his brother, one would suppose," said Herbert J. Miller, who was head of the Justice Department's Criminal Division under Attorney General Kennedy. "But you must remember that the C.I.A. lied to Bobby and told him the plots against Castro had been terminated. So there was no compelling need to tell the President."

That the C.I.A. lied to Robert Kennedy about ending the assassination plots against Mr. Castro was confirmed in the committee's report through testimony from former C.I.A. officials.

Even if President Kennedy learned everything his brother knew about Mrs. Campbell and her Mafia friends, however, there is no evidence available to indicate that his relationship with her benefited them.

Wiretaps on Mr. Giancana and Mr. Roselli, as well as underworld informants who were close to them, confirm that they boasted about their relationship with Mrs. Campbell. But neither of these sources offer any indication that the two Mafia figures received any benefits from the Government as a result of what they knew about her, as they did for their involvement with the C.I.A., which once intervened to block their indictment on wiretap charges.

The Times investigation found no law-enforcement official who investigated Mr. Giancana and Mr. Roselli who could offer any evidence that they used the knowledge of Mrs. Campbell's friendship with President Kennedy to their advantage.

August , 1976

Our Miami office advises that John J. Roselli, member of the Chicago "family" of LCN left his sister's residence 7/28/76, and has not been heard from since that time. He had no baggage or extra clothes and was expected to return the evening of 7/28/76. The sister believes that Roselli may have met with foul play.

According to sources, Roselli is the most powerful and influential member of LCN on the West Coast. He had been especially close to LCN "boss" Sam Giancana, who was murdered in June, 1975. Giancana and Roselli were reportedly involved in a plot with the CIA to assassinate Fidel Castro, Prime Minister of Cuba. In June, 1975, John Roselli testified before the Senate Special Investigative Committee chaired by Senator Frank Church. His testimony related to his relationship with the CIA. Los Angeles and Miami are contacting appropriate informants concerning Roselli's disappearance and you will be kept advised.

1 - Mr. Held
1 - Mr. Adams
1 - Mr. Gallagher
1 - Mr. Leavitt
1 - Mr. Moore

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GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Reference is made to R. J. Gallagher memo to Mr. Adams dated 8/4/76, which reported a call the Director received from U. S. Senator Howard Baker on 8/3/76, concerning the disappearance of John Roselli, who last testified before the original Senate Select Committee on 4/23/76, regarding plots to assassinate Fidel Castro. Senator Baker felt the Senate Committee on Intelligence has a continuing interest in Roselli and felt there was a possible Obstruction of Justice (because of his disappearance). AAG Thornburgh was briefed and advised there does not appear to be a Federal violation involved but requested Roselli's brother in-law (Joseph Daigle) be interviewed concerning his knowledge of Roselli and his location of Roselli's car on 7/30/76.

Attached from Miami Office advises Daigle, supra, interviewed and he (Daigle) last heard from Roselli 7/28/76, when Roselli left Daigle's residence (Plantation, Florida) wherein Roselli also resides. Daigle notified attorney David Walters (who represents Roselli in deportation proceedings) on 7/30/76. Daigle was advised by Walters to check hospitals, morgues, and the airport. Walters then offered to contact Sheriff, Broward County, Florida. Daigle recalled that Roselli had said in jest that if he was ever missing to check the parking lot of the airport. Daigle located Roselli's car at Miami Airport 7:00 p.m., 7/30/76, and then notified attorney Walters. Daigle states Roselli generally stayed close to his residence and could offer no reason for his disappearance.

The Department is being advised.

1 - Mr. Held
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Gallagher

FROM : L. E. Rhyne

DATE: 8/18/76

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
JOHN ROSELLI - VICTIM
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

1 - Mr. Held
1 - Mr. Adams
1 - Mr. Gallagher
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PURPOSE: This is to advise of the up-to-date status of investigation in this matter.

RECOMMENDATION: For information.

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DETAILS: Dade County Public Safety Department, Miami, Florida, advised that U. S. Senator Gary Hart, Colorado, member of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, accompanied by Committee Counsels Rick Inderforth and Michael Madigan, is expected to contact the Dade County Public Safety Department on 8/20/76 for the purpose of discussing Roselli's testimony before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. Senator Hart is expected to verbally brief the homicide investigators.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3267)

FROM LAS VEGAS (92-467) (P)

ATTN: SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION.

JOHN ROSELLI, AKA. AR. OO: LOS ANGELES.

REBUTELCALL, AUG. 10, 1976, AND LOS ANGELES TEL, AUG. 10, 1976. U

CONTACT WITH SOURCES, LAS VEGAS DIVISION, REFELCTS NO PERTINENT INFORMATION OF VALUE RELATIVE TO ROSELLI'S MURDER. U

SOURCES, LAS VEGAS DIVISION, IN THE EARLY 1970S WHILE ROSELLI WAS IN PRISON, INDICATED THAT ROSELLI HAD MADE SOME DEROGATORY STATEMENTS CONCERNING SOME OF HIS FORMER ASSOCIATES IN CHICAGO AND DETROIT AND THAT AS A RESULT ROSELLI'S FORMER ASSOCIATES WERE EXTREMELY UPSET WITH HIM AND WAS PROBABLY CONTEMPLATING TAKING SOME ACTION AGAINST HIM WHEN HE WAS RELEASED FROM JAIL. U

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[redacted] HAS BEEN CONTACTED TWICE SINCE FIRST NEWS REPORT OF ROSELLI'S DISAPPEARANCE. ON AUG. 9, 1976, [redacted] STATED HE HAD HAD NO CONTACT OR DIRECT INFORMATION FROM ROSELLI SINCE HE WAS RELEASED FROM JAIL. [redacted] STATED THAT HE KNOWS OF NO ONE IN LAS VEGAS WHO HAS BEEN CLOSE TO ROSELLI SUESEQUENT TO HIS RELEASE FROM PRISON WITH THE POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF JOE BREEN, ONE THIRD OWNER OF THE GIFT SHOP IN THE FRONTIER HOTEL WITH ROSELLI. [redacted] FURTHER STATED THAT HARRIET HAMILTON IN THE LAW FIRM OF POSTON, HAMILTON, AND FENSTER, BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA, WOULD BE THE INDIVIDUAL WHO WOULD HAVE MOST COMPLETE KNOWLEDGE OF ROSELLI'S ACTIVITIES DURING THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS.

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[redacted] STATED HE HAS NO SPECIFIC IDEA AS TO REASON FOR ROSELLI'S DEATH BUT STATED IN HIS OWN MIND HE BELIEVES IT IS A RESULT OF HIS TESTIMONY BEFORE A SENATE COMMITTEE ON THE ALLEGED PLOT TO KILL CASTRO [redacted] b7C b7D

CHICAGO, DETROIT, LOS ANGELES, MIAMI, AND SAN DIEGO ADVISED BY AIR MAIL.

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8:09PM NITEL AUGUST 4, 1976

TO DIRECTOR (92-3267)

FROM MIAMI (92-517) (P)

ATTENTION: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION.

JOHN ROSELLI, AKA, AR, OO: LOS ANGELES.

RE MIAMI TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, DATED AUGUST 3, 1976.

SUBJECT'S BROTHER-IN-LAW, JOSEPH DAIGLE, ADVISED JULY 30, 1976, INFORMED ATTORNEY DAVID WALTERS, MIAMI, FLORIDA, THAT ROSELLI HAD NOT BEEN HEARD FROM SINCE HE LEFT DAIGLE'S RESIDENCE ON THE AFTERNOON OF JULY 28, 1976. WALTERS THEN SUGGESTED THAT DAIGLE CALL ATTORNEY HARRIET HAMILTON IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, WHO REPRESENTED SUBJECT IN THAT AREA, TO DETERMINE IF SHE HAD ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING ROSELLI'S WHEREABOUTS. IN VIEW OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES, WALTERS ALSO SUGGESTED A CHECK OF HOSPITALS AND MORGUES IN THE MIAMI AREA. WALTERS THEN OFFERED TO CONTACT SHERIFF ED STACK, SHERIFF OF BROWARD COUNTY, FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AND HAVE HIS OFFICE CHECK THE MORGUES AND HOSPITALS TO WHICH DAIGLE AGREED. WALTERS ALSO SUGGESTED A CHECK OF THE AIRPORT AND BOTH MR. AND MRS. DAIGLE AT THAT TIME RECALLED THAT ROSELLI HAD SAID IN JEST, THAT IF HE WAS EVER MISSING, TO CHECK THE PARKING LOT OF THE

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DAIGLE CHECKED THE FT. LAUDERDALE AIRPORT AND MIAMI AIRPORT WHERE HE LOCATED THE CAR ROSELLI WAS DRIVING, AT 7:00 P.M., JULY 30, 1976. HE THEN NOTIFIED ATTORNEY WALTERS OF THE LOCATION OF THE CAR.

JOSEPH DAIGLE WAS INTERVIEWED ON AUGUST 3, 1976, AND STATED THAT ROSELLI HABITUALLY STAYED WITHIN THE CONFINES OF THE DAIGLE RESIDENCE, PLANTATION, FLORIDA, AND SPECIFICALLY SPENT MOST OF HIS TIME IN THE PATIO READING NUMEROUS PUBLICATIONS. HE SOCIALIZED ONLY WITH THE DAIGLES BY EATING OUT IN RESTAURANTS IN THE AREA, WHICH WERE CHOSEN BY THE DAIGLES. HE SAID ROSELLI WAS NOT A BAR-HOPPER, DID NOT FREQUENT ANY ONE RESTAURANT HABITUALLY, AND DID NOT KEEP LATE HOURS. HE REMAINED IN THE DAIGLE RESIDENCE USUALLY WATCHING TV DURING THE EVENING. ON OCCASION, WHEN ROSELLI DID LEAVE THE DAIGLE RESIDENCE, IT WAS FOR SHOPPING TRIPS AND RUNNING ERRANDS FOR HIS SISTER. HE OCCASIONALLY VISITED HIS LAWYER, DAVID WALTERS IN MIAMI, FLORIDA. DAIGLE RECALLED HE ALSO TRAVELLED

TO WASHINGTON, D.C. TO CONTACT HIS ATTORNEY THOMAS WADDEN. ROSELLI WAS IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA IN JANUARY, 1976, WHERE HE WAS IN CONTACT WITH HIS ATTORNEY HARRIET HAMILTON, AND HAD A CHECKUP IN A MEDICAL CLINIC IN SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA.

DAIGLE EMPHASIZED THAT ROSELLI DID NOT DISCUSS HIS AFFAIRS WITH DAIGLE OR MRS. DAIGLE. ROSELLI HAD HIS OWN ROOM, WHICH WAS EQUIPPED WITH TV, A TELEPHONE EXTENSION, AND WAS ADJACENT TO THE POOL-PATIO AREA, TO THE EXTENT THAT HE HAD A SEPARATE SUITE AT THE RESIDENCE.

DAIGLE HAD NO SPECIFICS AS TO THE REASON FOR ROSELLI'S DISAPPEARANCE. HE FELT THAT ROSELLI'S PREVIOUS HOODLUM ACTIVITIES PLUS BEING PUBLICLY IDENTIFIED WITH AN ALLEGED PLOT TO ASSASSINATE FIDEL CASTRO COULD HAVE BEEN CONTRIBUTING FACTORS TO ROSELLI'S DISAPPEARANCE.

HE SAID BOTH HE AND MRS. DAIGLE ARE EXTREMELY PESSIMISTIC THAT ROSELLI WOULD BE FOUND ALIVE, DUE TO THE INCREASING TIME SPAND WITH NO COMMUNICATION FROM HIM SINCE HIS DISAPPEARANCE ON JULY 28, 1976.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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1 - Mr. DeLoach
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TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: March 6, 1967

FROM : W. R. Wannall

1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Papich
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Inspector

SUBJECT: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

Classified by 6049
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11/28/77

TOP SECRET

In accordance with instructions, attached letter has been prepared for Attorney General setting forth all data in our files concerning captioned matter. Briefly, information being furnished is as follows: U

Matter first came to our attention in Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of violation of Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, arrested in Las Vegas, Nevada, by local authorities on wire tapping charge. Wire tap involved was on telephone of Dan Rowan, member of Rowan and Martin comedy team. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire, girl friend of top hoodlum Sam Giancana and member of McGuire Sisters singing trio. U

Through our investigation we determined involvement of Robert A. Maheu, private detective, who stated coverage on Rowan instituted in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) efforts to obtain Cuban intelligence data through hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana. Maheu was in contact with Giancana through services of John Roselli, another hoodlum, and Maheu authorized wiring of Rowan's room.

We checked matter with CIA on 5/3/61 and learned CIA was utilizing Maheu as intermediary with Sam Giancana relative to CIA's "dirty business" anti-Castro activities. CIA insisted it did not give Maheu any instructions relative to use of technical installations. By letter 5/22/61 we furnished former Attorney General Kennedy a memorandum containing a rundown on CIA's involvement in this. The originals of the letter and memorandum were returned to us for filing purposes. A copy of that memorandum is being attached to instant letter being sent to Attorney General. S(U)

On 5/9/62 Kennedy discussed with the Director a number of matters, including admission by CIA that Robert Maheu had been

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Memorandum for Mr. Sullivan
Re: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S
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hired by that Agency to approach Sam Giancana to have Castro assassinated at a cost of $150,000. Kennedy stated he had issued orders that CIA should never undertake such steps again without first checking with Department of Justice and stated because of this matter it would be difficult to prosecute Giancana or Maheu then or in the future.

We learned on 6/20/63 from CIA that its contacts with John Roselli (Maheu's link with Giancana) had continued up until that time, when they were reportedly cut off.

It appears Roselli is using his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. In May, 1966, when Bureau Agents endeavored to interview him he immediately flew to Washington and informed his former CIA intermediary. The current Director of Security, CIA, has advised through liaison channels that Roselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and Roselli would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA to serve his own interests. In furnishing this information we were asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis. We have, however, included it in the attached proposed letter to the Attorney General noting this CIA specific restriction. ~~(S)~~ (U)

We have two other references in our files to the over-all above information which we have included in the letter. One relates to a statement by Giancana in October, 1960, that he had met with an individual who was to assassinate Castro in November, 1960. The other is an article in the 8/16/63 issue of the "Chicago Sun Times" reporting that CIA agents had contacted Giancana to obtain Cuban intelligence.

ACTION:

If approved, attached letter will be sent to the Attorney General, with a copy for the Deputy Attorney General.

The Attorney General acted on this information on Friday, 3/3/67.

TOP SECRET

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

FILE NUMBER: 62-116464 CROSS-REFERENCES

1 - Mr. J. B. Adams
2 - Mr. J. A. Mintz
(1 - Mr. J. B. Hotis)
1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall

The Attorney General

September 10, 1975

1 - Mr. W. O. Cregar
1 - Mr. T. J. McNiff

Director, FBI

UNITED STATES HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES (HSC)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED 702pa #22,330 DATE 3/16/81 BY SP4 [illegible]

Reference is made to HSC letter dated July 22, 1975, requesting materials and documents previously provided to the United States Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities (SSC).

Enclosed for your approval and forwarding to the HSC is the original of a memorandum with enclosure which is submitted as a partial response to the above-cited request of the HSC.

It is noted that, in addition to the attached documents, material concerning the 1964 Democratic National Convention was made available to Mr. Richard Vermiere, HSC Staff Member, on August 25, 1975, for review. Mr. Vermiere requested the HSC be furnished with this material.

On August 21, 1975, the Deputy Special Counsel for Intelligence Coordination, Steven Blackhurst, advised Special Agent Paul V. Daly of this Bureau that the HSC was not to receive any material concerning the 1964 Democratic National Convention. Accordingly, those specific documents are not included with the attached.

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A copy of this memorandum is being furnished for your records.

Enclosures 4-ENCLOSURE "ENCLOSURE IN BULKY ROOM"

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1 - The Deputy Attorney General
Attention: Michael E. Shaheen, Jr.
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September 10, 1975

U. S. HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
ON INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES (HSC)

RE: REQUEST FOR ALL INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY MADE AVAILABLE BY THE FBI TO THE SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE (SSC)

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Reference is made to HSC letter dated July 22, 1975, requesting that the HSC be furnished copies of all documents and materials provided by the FBI to the SSC. Pursuant to an agreement reached August 19, 1975, by representatives of this Bureau, the Department of Justice and the HSC, all such material is being made available to HSC Staff Members for review at FBI Headquarters, and copies of material so designated by these Staff Members will be processed for delivery to the HSC. U

On August 25, 1975, upon completion of a partial review of the material previously furnished the SSC, Richard Vermiere, HSC Staff Member, requested that the HSC be furnished with documents previously given to SSC in the following categories: U

I. Liaison Functions; U

II. [redacted]

III. [redacted]

IV. Demonstration at Federal Building, Akron, Ohio, January 27, 1975;

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U. S. HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES (HSC)

RE: REQUEST FOR ALL INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY MADE AVAILABLE BY THE FBI TO THE SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE (SSC)

V. Electronic Devices;

VI. Investigation of Ku Klux Klan and other Hate Groups;

VII. Suggested Name Change, Crime Records Division;

VIII. CIA's Contact with Hoodlums Regarding Castro Assassination;

IX. Foreign Support for Revolutionary Protest Movements in the United States;

X. Departmental Letters Concerning Electronic Surveillance Activities.

In compliance with this request, attached are the requested documents.

Enclosure

1 - The Attorney General

NOTE:

This material, which is being furnished the HSC, is material previously furnished the SSC in response to their request of 5/14/75, Appendixes C, Item 10; Appendix B, Items 13 and 14; Appendix D, Items 6 and 2; Appendix A, Item 5(d); Appendix B, Part II, Items 12 and 15. Also, a portion of the material furnished in response to the SSC 5/12/75 request, att. 6/25/75 to the 5/14/75 request, and Appendix B, Item 4(a and b). This material was among documents which were reviewed by Richard Vermiere, HSC Staff Member, on 8/25/75, and following this review, he requested copies of these particular documents.

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U. S. HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES (HSC)

RE: REQUEST FOR ALL INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY MADE AVAILABLE BY THE FBI TO THE SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE (SSC)

NOTE CONTINUED:

No mention is being made in the LHM of the withheld documents concerning the 1964 Democratic National Convention. Since this was a Departmental decision, any inquiry received from HSC concerning same will be referred to the Department for response.

5-140 (Rev. 1-21-74) FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

Addressee: House Select Committee

☐ LTR ☒ LHM ☐ Memo ☐ Report dated 9/11/75

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Delivered by: Richard J. Taylor Date: 10/2/75

Received by: Jacqueline Hess

Title: Research Dir.

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1. HOW PROVIDED (check appropriate term. If a document was made available for review but not transmitted, so note.)

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HSC letter 7/22/75

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8. SUMMARY (see reverse side before completing this item)

HSC requested that they be furnished with documents previously given to SSC in the following categories: Liaison functions; [redacted] Demonstration at Federal Bldg Akron, Ohio 1/27/75; Electronic devices; Investigation of Ku Klux Klan and other Hate Groups; Suggested Name Change, Crime Records Division; CIA's Contact with Hoodlums Regarding Castro Assassination; Foreign Support for Revolutionary Protest Movements in the United States; Departmental Letters Concerning Electronic Surveillance Activities.

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The Attorney General U.S. HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE ACTVS (HSC)

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ReHSClet 7/22/75 req'ng materials & documnts previously provided SSC. Enclsd for ur aprvl & forwrd to HSC is orig of memo w/enclsr sbmtd as partial respns to abv-cited req of HSC. It noted that material cnrng 1964 Democratic Natnal Convntn made avail to Richard Vermiere, HSC, 8/25/75, for revw. He req'd furnshng this material. On 8/31/75, Deputy Specl Counsl for Intel Coordntn advsd Bu not to give material, & not included. CC for u.

VIII. CIA'S CONTACT WITH HOODLUMS REGARDING CASTRO ASSASSINATION

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

: W. C. Sullivan

DATE: March 6, 1967

CIA Info unclassed per John E. Bacon 8/27/80

FROM : W. R. Wannall

SUBJECT: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED FOIPA# 22,230 DATE 3/2/81 BY SP4 [illegible]

In accordance with instructions, attached letter has been prepared for Attorney General setting forth all data in our files concerning captioned matter. Briefly, information being furnished is as follows:

Matter first came to our attention in Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of violation of Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, arrested in Las Vegas, Nevada, by local authorities on wire tapping charge. Wire tap involved was on telephone of Dan Rowan, member of Rowan and Martin comedy team. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire, girl friend of top hoodlum Sam Giancana and member of McGuire Sisters singing trio.

Through our investigation we determined involvement of Robert A. Maheu, private detective, who stated coverage on Rowan instituted in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) efforts to obtain Cuban intelligence data through hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana. Maheu was in contact with Giancana through services of John Roselli, another hoodlum, and Maheu authorized wiring of Rowan's room.

We checked matter with CIA on 5/3/61 and learned CIA was utilizing Maheu as intermediary with Sam Giancana relative to CIA's "dirty business" anti-Castro activities. CIA insisted it did not give Maheu any instructions relative to use of technical installations. By letter 5/22/61 we furnished former Attorney General Kennedy a memorandum containing a rundown on CIA's involvement in this. The originals of the letter and memorandum were returned to us for filing purposes. A copy of that memorandum is being attached to instant letter being sent to Attorney General.

On 5/9/62 Kennedy discussed with the Director a number of matters, including admission by CIA that Robert Maheu had been

Memorandum for Mr. Sullivan
Re: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S
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hired by that Agency to approach Sam Giancana to have Castro assassinated at a cost of $150,000. Kennedy stated he had issued orders that CIA should never undertake such steps again without first checking with Department of Justice and stated because of this matter it would be difficult to prosecute Giancana or Maheu then or in the future.

We learned on 6/20/63 from CIA that its contacts with John Roselli (Maheu's link with Giancana) had continued up until that time, when they were reportedly cut off.

It appears Roselli is using his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. In May, 1966, when Bureau Agents endeavored to interview him he immediately flew to Washington and informed his former CIA intermediary. The current Director of Security, CIA, has advised through liaison channels that Roselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and Roselli would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA to serve his own interests. In furnishing this information we were asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis. We have, however, included it in the attached proposed letter to the Attorney General noting this CIA specific restriction.

We have two other references in our files to the over-all above information which we have included in the letter. One relates to a statement by Giancana in October, 1960, that he had met with an individual who was to assassinate Castro in November, 1960. The other is an article in the 8/16/63 issue of the "Chicago Sun Times" reporting that CIA agents had contacted Giancana to obtain Cuban intelligence.

ACTION:

If approved, attached letter will be sent to the Attorney General, with a copy for the Deputy Attorney General.

The Attorney General asked for this information on Friday. 8/3/67.
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

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May 22, 1961

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.

On May 3, 1961, Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) furnished the following information.

Colonel Edwards advised that in connection with CIA's operation against Castro he personally contacted Robert Maheu during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Maheu as a "cut-out" in contacts with Sam Giancana, a known hoodlum in the Chicago area. Colonel Edwards said that since the underworld controlled gambling activities in Cuba under the Batista government, it was assumed that this element would still continue to have sources and contacts in Cuba which perhaps could be utilized successfully in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against the Castro government. As a result, Maheu's services were solicited as a "cut-out" because of his possible entree into underworld circles. Maheu obtained Sam Giancana's assistance in this regard and according to Edwards, Giancana gave every indication of cooperating through Maheu in attempting to accomplish several clandestine efforts in Cuba. Edwards added that none of Giancana's efforts have materialized to date and that several of the plans still are working and may eventually "pay off."

Colonel Edwards related that he had no direct contact with Giancana; that Giancana's activities were completely "back stopped" by Maheu and that Maheu would frequently report Giancana's action and information to Edwards. No details or methods used by Maheu or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were ever reported to Edwards. Colonel Edwards said that since this is "dirty business" he could not afford to have knowledge of the actions of Maheu and Giancana in pursuit of any mission for CIA. Colonel Edwards added that he has neither given Maheu any instruction to use technical installations of any type nor has the subject of technical installations ever come up between Edwards and Maheu in connection with Giancana's activity.

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Colonel Edwards related that Maheu did come to him concerning the arrest in Las Vegas of Balletti for "wire tapping." Maheu cautioned Edwards that the Balletti arrest could cause CIA some embarrassment since Balletti was in Las Vegas attempting to obtain coverage on some "Hollywood people" in connection with Giancana's efforts for CIA. Edwards said that he did not know the facts of the Balletti case and Maheu claims "Balletti went too far" in his efforts to obtain information. Edwards added that he was unaware of any reason for this activity of Maheu or Giancana in Las Vegas and that Giancana's activity in furtherance of the anti-Castro activity was left completely in Maheu's hands.

Colonel Edwards advised that only Mr. Bissell (Deputy Director of Plans, CIA) and two others in CIA were aware of the Giancana - Maheu activity in behalf of CIA's program and that Allen Dulles was completely unaware of Edwards' contact with Maheu in this connection. He added that Mr. Bissell, during his recent briefings of General Taylor and the Attorney General in connection with their inquiries into CIA relating to the Cuban situation, told the Attorney General that some of CIA's associated planning included the use of Giancana and the underworld against Castro.

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The Attorney General

March 6, 1967

Director, FBI

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

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Our files contain the following information concerning the captioned matter, much of which has been furnished by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) on a strictly highly confidential "need-to-know" basis. In view of this, it is requested that it be handled on a most restrictive basis.

This matter first came to our attention in the Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of a violation of the Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, who had been arrested by local authorities in Las Vegas, Nevada, on a local wire tapping charge. Balletti and another unidentified individual in October, 1960, had reportedly placed a wire tap on the telephone of Dan Rowan, a member of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire of the well-known McGuire Sisters singing trio who was also known to be a girl friend of Sam Giancana, a top hoodlum.

During the course of the Balletti investigation it was ascertained that Robert A. Maheu, a private detective, was involved. Maheu during interview claimed he ordered coverage of Rowan in behalf of CIA's efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana, which had interests there. Maheu said he was put in contact with Giancana in connection with these intelligence activities through John Roselli, a Los Angeles hoodlum. Maheu stated also that he authorized the wiring of Rowan's room and had discussed the matter with Roselli.

The essence of the above was furnished to former Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy by letter dated May 22, 1961 which enclosed a memorandum of the same date containing data made available on May 3, 1961, by Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who at that time was Director of Security at CIA, regarding his utilization of Maheu in connection with anti-Castro activities. Since our files show that Mr. Kennedy returned the original of our letter and its enclosed memorandum dated May 22, 1961,

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The Attorney General

to us for filing purposes, a copy of the May 22, 1961, memorandum is attached hereto for your information.

You will note that Colonel Edwards advised he personally contacted Robert Mahou during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Mahou as a "cutout" in contacts with Sam Giancana in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against Castro. Colonel Edwards stated that Giancana's activities were completely "backstopped" by Mahou, who would frequently report Giancana's actions and information to Edwards. No details or methods used by Mahou or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were reported to him, according to Edwards, as such involved "dirty business," of which Colonel Edwards could not afford to have knowledge. Accordingly, he said he had no prior knowledge of the above-mentioned wire tapping by Ballotti.

Further with respect to this matter, I was informed of the following on a highly confidential basis by former Attorney General Kennedy during a conference in my office on May 9, 1962:

He indicated that a few days prior thereto he had been advised by CIA that Robert A. Mahou had been hired by CIA to approach Sam Giancana with a proposition of paying $150,000 to hire some gunmen to go into Cuba and kill Castro. He further stated CIA admitted having assisted Mahou in making the "bugging" installation in Las Vegas (referred to above) which uncovered this clandestine operation and for this reason CIA could not afford to have any action taken against Giancana or Mahou. Mr. Kennedy stated that upon learning CIA had not cleared its action in hiring Mahou and Giancana with the Department of Justice he issued orders that CIA should never again take such steps without first checking with the Department of Justice.

Mr. Kennedy further advised that because of this matter it would be very difficult to initiate any prosecution against Giancana, as Giancana could immediately bring out the fact the United States Government had approached him to arrange for the assassination of Castro. He stated the same was true concerning any action we might take against Mahou for any violation in which he might become involved.

On June 20, 1962, Mr. William Harvey, an official of CIA, advised that he had held a meeting with John Rosolli (referred to above as Mahou's link with Giancana) for the purpose of closing out the entire matter with which Rosolli had been involved. In this connection, Harvey stated that CIA had

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established contact with Rosselli in "early 1961" with respect to a sensitive operation against Castro. Harvey said that for all intents and purposes the operation was discontinued and canceled after the ill-fated Bay of Pigs invasion in April, 1961, but Rosselli had not been completely cut off, as he periodically indicated he was in a position to be of assistance.

It appears Rosselli has since that time, nevertheless, used his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. For example, in May, 1962, when contacted by Agents of this Bureau in connection with our current investigation of his activities he refused to talk and immediately flew to Washington, D. C., and consulted with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who is now retired from CIA. Colonel Edwards in turn advised CIA, which told us. Mr. Howard J. Osborn, the present Director of Security, CIA, freely has admitted to us that Rosselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and that he would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA if it served his own interests. In furnishing this information, Mr. Osborn asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis.

In light of the above information furnished us by CIA and former Attorney General Kennedy, it appears that data which came to our attention in October, 1960, possibly pertains to the captioned matter. At that time a source close to Giancana advised that during a conversation with several friends Giancana stated that Fidel Castro was "to be done away with very shortly." Giancana reportedly assured those present that Castro's assassination would occur in November, 1960, and that he had already met with the assassin-to-be on three occasions, the last meeting having taken place on a boat docked at the Fontainebleau Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. Reportedly, Giancana claimed that everything had been perfected for the killing and the "assassin" had arranged with a girl, not further described, to drop a "pill" in Castro's drink or food.

Also of possible interest is a news article carried in the August 16, 1963, issue of the "Chicago Sun Times." This article carried the headline, "CIA Sought Giancana's Help For Cuba Spying," and it was reported therein that CIA agents had contacted Giancana in an effort to obtain Cuban intelligence after Castro came into power.

Enclosure

1 - The Deputy Attorney General (Enclosure)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

FILE NUMBER: 105-212749 CROSS-REFERENCES

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GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3/11/71

FROM : SAC, TAMPA (105-New) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ALLEGED PLOT TO INVADE HAITI
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(OO: MIAMI)

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM. Two copies of this LHM are being designated for Miami. [redacted]

The source mentioned in the enclosed LHM is [redacted]

It should be pointed out that the enclosed LHM, which contains [redacted] reveals information that the Tampa Division is not in a position to properly evaluate. It would appear that the Miami Division would be in a position to more properly assess the information, and so this is the reason the LHM is being directed to that office.

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[redacted] does not want to be compromised with respect to any investigation that is conducted as a result of the material in this letter.

Tampa is conducting no inquiry in this matter.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Tampa, Florida
March 11, 1971

ALLEGED PLOT TO INVADE HAITI

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On [redacted] a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he had recently observed [redacted] and related newspaper clippings in the person of Donald Starr, a former reporter for the "St. Petersburg Times," a daily St. Petersburg, Florida, newspaper:

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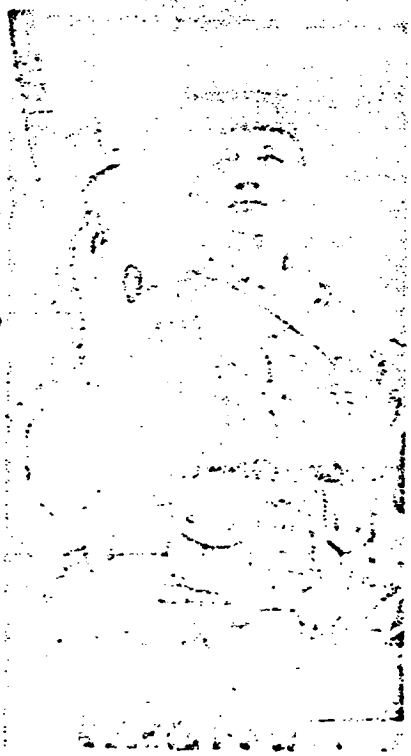

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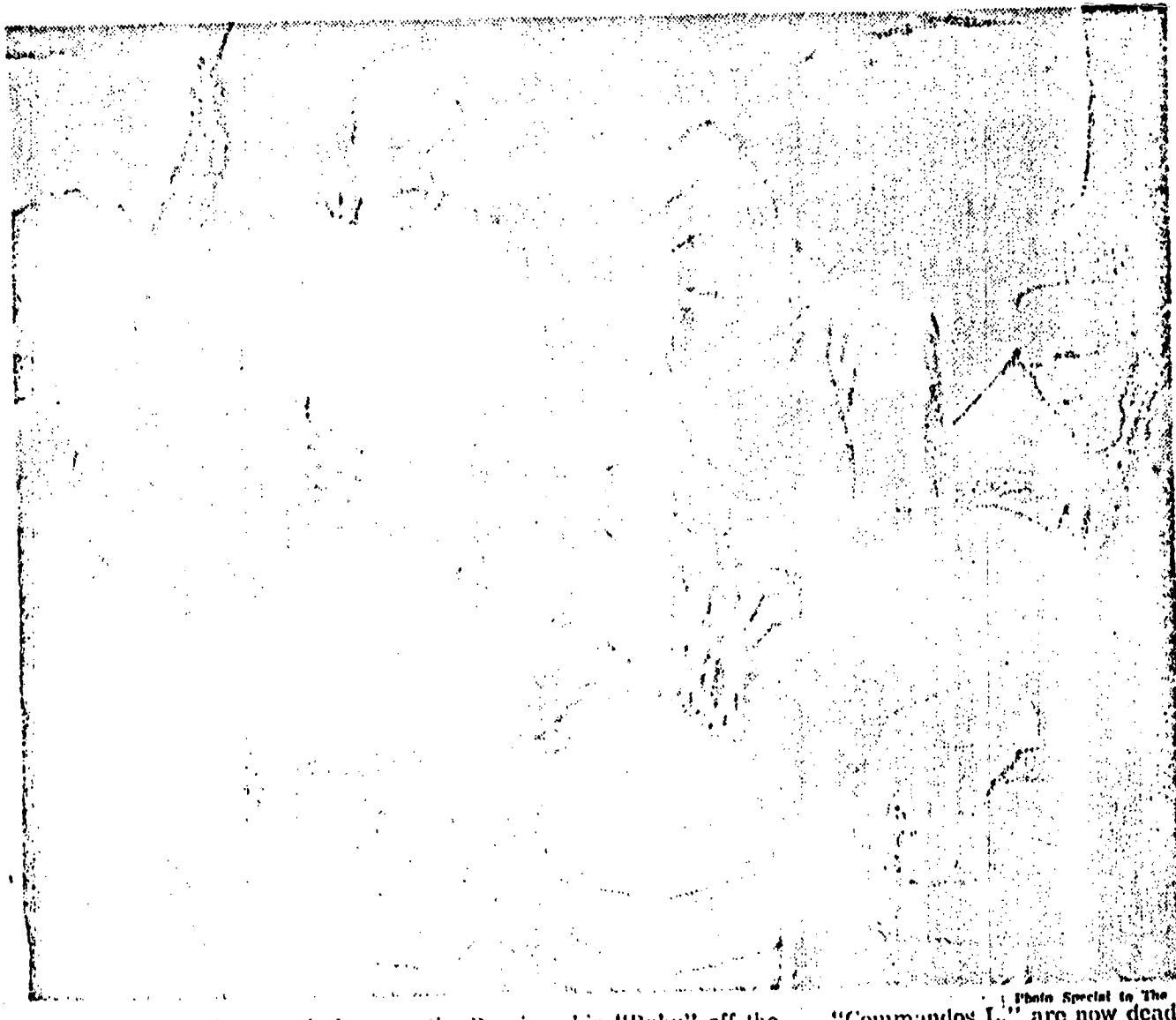
REVOLUTIONARY — Sgt. Edward I. Arthur, now stationed at Ft. Carson, as he looked while training Cuban revolutionary fighters on a British island in the Caribbean in 1964. The weapon is a Swedish Fall submachinegun.



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THE BOMB — Cuban revolutionaries working on the magnetic bomb they later used to blow up the Russian ship "Baku" off the coast of Cuba March 27, 1963. Most of these men, members of "Commandos L," are now dead, killed in later actions on the Cuban mainland.

By MIKE WALES

Assistant City Editor

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A twice-wounded Vietnam veteran stationed at Ft. Carson has revealed he spent six years as an intelligence liaison officer with a Cuban revolutionary group in Florida; ran guns from California to Miami for them; assisted in the defection of a Haitian consul-general and trained Cuban rebels in the Florida swamps.

After a SUN reporter unearthed the facts in a two-month investigation, Sgt. Edward I. Arthur, an instructor at Ft. Carson's Recondo (ranger) school, admitted to The SUN in an exclusive interview that in 1964 he picked up guns in Orange County, Calif., that were donated to the Cuban rebel movement by ex-Minutemen. Arthur said he later delivered them to Cubans in Miami, who then smuggled some of them on to the Cuban mainland where they were used in hit and run raids against Castro's army.

"I hauled over two tons of automatic weapons, including a Swedish 20mm Lahti cannon and 100 rounds of armor-piercing ammo, right through the South during the worst days of the civil rights movement down there," he said.

The Ft. Carson soldier said he first went to Cuba in 1954 on a visit, then later returned in 1956 when Fidel Castro made his first landing attempt. "They were all killed but about 16," he said. He said everybody in Cuba was caught up in the spirit of the revolution, admitting, "I went down there originally to fight with Castro against Batista . . . I was like a lot of people in Florida who supported that slob (Castro) and got burned."

Later, in 1958, Arthur again returned to Cuba. That was the year Castro came out of the mountains with his bearded, ragged band and captured the interest of the world. He captured Ed Arthur's interest too, and it wasn't until 1960, the year the Cuban revolutionary took over, that Arthur became disenchanted with the bearded leader. "When he proclaimed himself a Communist that did it," Arthur said.

Since 1960 the Ft. Carson soldier has been an implacable foe of the bearded, cigar-smoking Castro, working closely with a Florida-based Cuban rebel group calling themselves "Commandos L" and staging hit and run raids into Cuba. It was elements of this group that blasted the Russian ship "Baku" out of the water March 27, 1963, using a magnetic bomb built in Florida from parts smuggled across the country from half a dozen sources. Though Arthur may have played a large role in blowing up the Baku he isn't admitting it.

One thing is immediately evident in any conversation with the Ft. Carson instructor: He feels strongly about the Cubans' plight. He said he has long felt the Cuban problem is being handled badly and questions the wisdom of fighting a war against Communism (9,000) miles away (Vietnam) when the United States is standing under the threat of a Communist-controlled country, 90 miles from its southern shores.

"I was trying to tell people in 1963 that the Russians were building submarine pens in Cuba but no one would listen," he said, pointing out that now the U.S. government has belatedly recognized the possible danger in the pens and has publicly admitted they exist.

Recently, Newsweek published a story revealing the existence of the pens.

Arthur, whose contacts with the Florida-based Cuban rebels are as solid as they were in 1964, insists there are still Russian-made missile bases in Cuba and that they are manned by Russian technologists. "Some of the rebels who have pentrated the Cuban mainland have seen these bases," Arthur said.

He also revealed that at least two platoons of Cuban rebels recently departed Florida and are now operating near Matanza, inside Cuba.

The Ft. Carson soldier is an intensely patriotic man who feels deeply the threat to the U.S. inherent in Castro and his regime. He stated flatly that although he had once been offered a means of financing a full-scale invasion of the Cuban mainland he turned it down because "it would have embarrassed the United States and that is not my intention. I would rather arouse the public in this country to the danger down there than put the country into a position where it would have to become involved in spite of itself."

He sees the Cubans in America as an embattled people who were invited here by the government, then virtually abandoned. "All these people ever have wanted was a chance to fight their way back into their homeland," Arthur said.

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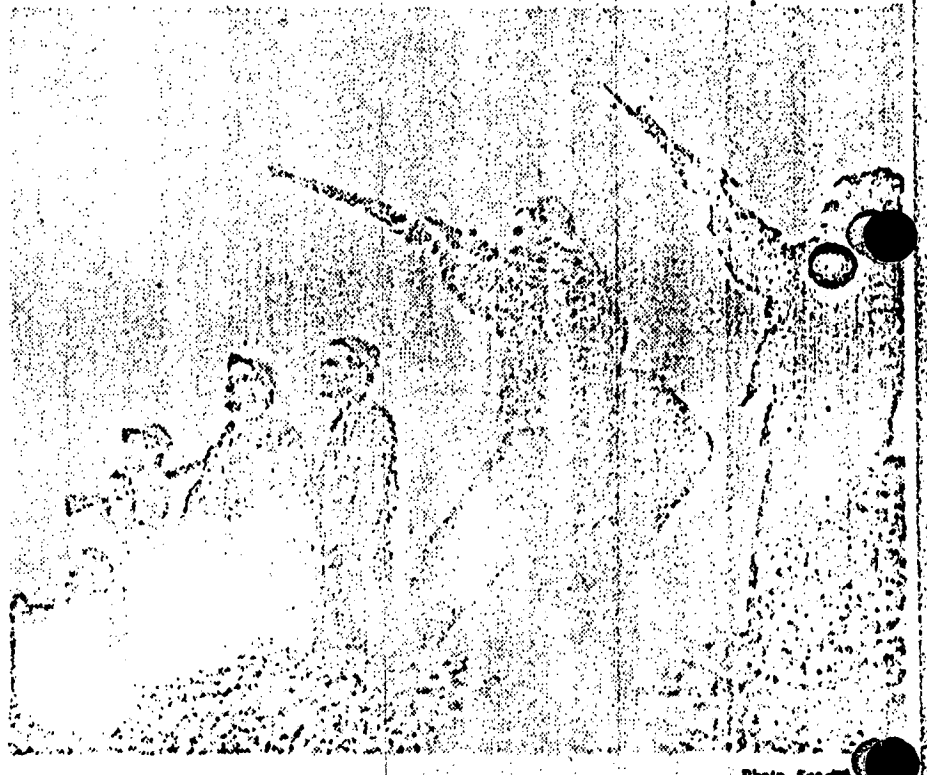

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TEST FIRING — Members of "Commandos L," a Cuban revolutionary group, test fire smuggled weapons on an island in the Caribbean. The w[illegible]ons are representative of several countries.

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Sergeant Reveals Part in Cuban Gun-Running

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In 1963 Arthur said he and his group thought they had found a way. Dr. Clemente Benoit, Haitian consul general to the Bahama Islands, suddenly defected to the United States, assisted by Commandos L and Ed Arthur, who acted as Benoit's aide, but was actually his bodyguard. "We wanted the narrow peninsula laying on the Windward Passage just 25 miles from the Cuban mainland and we saw Dr. Beniot as the possible key," Arthur said.

The Ft. Carson soldier explained the Beniot defection this way: "He (Benoit) defected from the government in Haiti and in doing so, wanted to enter the United States. My function, in the beginning, was to fly to the Bahamas and protect the man's life from the Ton-Ton Macoutes (Haitian president Dr. Francois Duvalier's infamous squad). They (The Macoutes) had landed some people in the Bahamas and I was called in to get Benoit into the U.S. in one piece, which I did.

"After we arrived in the United States certain factions, unbeknown to me, were setting up a little deal with Benoit to overthrow Duvalier so they could use Haiti to operate against Cuba. So it was the Cubans and the Haitians working out a deal together . . . the Cuban exiles and the Haitian exiles — to overthow both governments. We were convinced that the Kennedys and Johnson — the Kennedy administration — would do nothing against Fidel Castro. So the exiles took it upon themselves . . . to get out of U.S. territory, which would eliminate any CIA interference or from any other agency. I discovered all this after I got Benoit back to the U.S. in 1963."

History has recorded the fact that the attempted invasion of Haiti by Haitian exiles failed, but Arthur is convinced there'll be another attempt. In a letter to Arthur from Dr. Benoit the Haitian writes: "This is to certify that the Parti Revolutionaire Haitian in exile, which represents more than 3,000 Haitian refugees, has officially joined forces with Americans Por Libertad (Commandos L) under the command of Eddie Arthur.

"Our main goal is to fight against tyranny, terrorism and dictatorship.

"More than 500 members of the Haitian Revolutionary Parti are ready to go and fight Duvalier and it links with the Americans por Libertad."

The letter was signed by Dr. Benoit Sept. 12, 1963, in the Bahamas.

Arthur has another interesting letter in his possesion, this one from Gen. Claire Chennault, of Flying Tigers fame, in which the famous World War II general discusses the possibility of joining Arthur's group in an invasion of Cuba.

In August of 1964, Arthur left Florida driving an Oldsmobile touring car. Arriving in Los Angeles, he traded the car for a 1957 Chevrolet, heavy-duty pickup truck then drove it to the San Fernado Valley north of Los Angeles where he picked up a 20MM cannon and 100 rounds of armor-piercing ammo. The heavy weapon, he said, was donated to the Cuban exile's cause by a group that had splintered away from Minuteman Robert Depew's group because they were "too violent."

The weapon was boxed in a crate and labeled "surveying equipment" and Arthur then drove the truck to Columbus, Ohio, where he stored it in a garage. "The whole operation was arranged by Commandos L," he said.

It is at this point that Arthur's story becomes mysterious and he doesn't talk about what happened next. He left the United State and traveled to Czechoslovakia, arriving there in September. According to his passport he then traveled to France, Austria, East Germany, Yugoslava, Holland and Belgium, returning to the U.S. in early October. When asked what he was doing in Europe he said simply, "Taking pictures behind the Iron Curtain."

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After returning to the U.S., Arthur proceeded to St. Louis, Mo. where he met with ex-members of the Minutemen and picked up another load of weapons. Included were a number of automatic weapons such as a 50 cal. machinegun, a 308 cal. machinegun and a 30 cal. machinegun. Quite a number of M1 Army rifles and Colt .45s as well as a 9 mm. Browning Automatic rifle were include in this load. These were also boxed and labeded as "surveying equipment."

A receipt signed by Pedro Muina, civilian coordinator of Commandos L and Oscar C. de Tuya Jr., director, is still in existance and lists every weapon in his clandestine load.

Arthur left Columbus, Ohio, in November 1964 with his load of weapons, driving through most of the southern states on his way to Florida. In Mississippi he ran into a roadblock manned by 10 state troopers, who asked him what he was carrying. "I told them I had surveying equipment on the truck and was taking it to a construction company in Florida," Arthur said, adding ruefully, "This was during the Selma, Ala., race thing and I was thinking how funny it was that these troopers were out there on the highway trying to keep suspicious people away from Selma and here they let me pass right through with enough explosives in my truck to blow the town up."

He was stopped again just inside Florida and this time the troopers looked in the back of the truck but let him go on. The Ft. Carson soldier said he finally delivered his disguised load of armamet to his Cuban contacts in Florida and was stopped by the U.S. Immigration authorities shortly thereafter. "If they had been two hours earlier they would have had me cold," he said.

The most interesting thing about Ed Arthurs gun-run across the country was the fact that he was driving a truck with California plates, bound for Florida, and carrying an Ohio driver's license and yet not one of the troopers who stopped him thought it was odd.

A book, being written by Cleveland, Ohio, author Ulf Goebel, will, according to Arthur, be published within the next three months and will chronicle the Ft. Carson soldier's life and experiences in detail. In a telephone interview with Goebel, The SUN was told, "This book is going to come as a surprise to a lot of people in this country who think what happened, and has been happening, in Florida with the Cuban thing is strictly something the exiles are involved in. Quite a few Americans are involved in it too."

Today Ed Arthur lives quietly in a Colorado Springs suburb and trains men at the Ft. Carson Reconado School in the techniques of ranger warfare. There is probably no one at Ft. Carson with better qualifications. As he says: "I have been the route."

CIA Tried To Murder Castro

By JACK ANDERSON
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WASHINGTON — Locked in the darkest recesses of the Central Intelligence Agency is the story of six assassination attempts against Cuba's Fidel Castro.

For 10 years, only a few key people have known the terrible secret. They have sworn never to talk. Yet we have learned the details from sources whose credentials are beyond question.

The plot to knock off Castro began as part of the Bay of Pigs operation. The intent was to eliminate the Cuban dictator before the motely invaders landed on the island. Their arrival was expected to touch off a general uprising, which the communist militia would have had more trouble putting down without the charismatic Castro to lead them.

After the first attempt failed, five more assassination teams were sent to Cuba. The last team reportedly made it to a rooftop within shooting distance of Castro before members were apprehended. This happened around the last of February or first of March, 1963.

Nine months later, President Kennedy was gunned down in Dallas by Lee Harvey Oswald, a fanatic who previously had agitated for Castro in New Orleans and had made a mysterious trip to the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City.

Among those privy to the CIA conspiracy, there is still a nagging suspicion — unsupported by the Warren Commission's findings — that Castro became aware of the U.S. plot upon his life and somehow recruited Oswald to retaliate against President Kennedy.

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To set up the Castro assassination, the CIA enlisted Robert Maheu, a former FBI agent with shadowy contacts, who had handled other undercover assignments for the CIA out of his Washington public relations office. He later moved to Las Vegas to head up billionaire Howard Hughes's Nevada operations.

Maheu recruited John Roselli, a ruggedly handsome gambler with contacts in both the American and Cuban underworlds, to arrange the assassination. The dapper, hawk-faced Roselli, formerly married to movie actress June Lang, was a power in the movie industry until his conviction with racketeer Willie Bioff in a million-dollar Hollywood labor shakedown.

The CIA assigned two of its most trusted operatives, William Harvey and James "Big Jim" O'Connell, to the hush-hush murder mission. Using phony names, they accompanied Roselli on trips to Miami to line up the assassination teams.

The full story reads like the script of a James Bond movie, complete with secret trysts at glittering Miami Beach hotels and midnight powerboat dashes to secret landing spots on the Cuban coast. Once, Roselli's boat was shot out from under him.

For the first try, the CIA furnished Roselli with special posion capsules to slip into Castro's food. The poison was

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Did Castro Get Oswald To Kill JFK in Revenge?

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supposed to take three days to act. By the time Castro died, his system would throw off all traces of the poison, so he would appear to be the victim of a natural if mysterious ailment.

Roselli arranged with a Cuban, related to one of Castro's chefs, to plant the deadly pellets in the dictator's food. On March 13, 1961, Roselli delivered the capsules to his contact at Miami Beach's glamorous Fontainebleau Hotel.

A couple weeks later, just about the right time for the plot to have been carried out, a report out of Havana said Castro was ill. But he recovered before the Bay of Pigs invasion on April 17, 1961.

The Cuban who had sneaked the poison into Havana was never seen again. The CIA, unsure whether the plotters had failed or the poison simply hadn't been strong enough, decided to try again with a more powerful dose. Roselli arranged for triple-strength capsules to be slipped into Castro's food several weeks after the Bay of Pigs. But once again, the plot failed and the conspirators disappeared.

Four more attempts were made on Castro's life, using Cuban assassination teams equipped with high-powered rifles, explosive and two-way radios. At intervals in the dark of night, Roselli personally delivered the teams in twin powerboats to the Cuban shores.

Once, a Cuban patrol boat sank Roselli's boat with a lucky shot but the occupants were quickly fished out of the murky water by the other boat. The assassination teams never got a shot at Castro, although the last group reached a rooftop within range. No doubt most of the infiltrators were picked up and tortured terribly.

Roselli, Harvey, O'Connell and company had taken precautions, however, to make sure not even the Cuban recruits knew the CIA was behind the plot. Roselli posed as a representative of big oil interests which sought revenge against Castro expropriating their holdings in Cuba. The weapons and other equipment were of foreign make, mostly Belgian, to prevent any link to the U.S.

All the equipment, including the two powerboats, were purchased out of Roselli's own pocket. The CIA paid only the expenses of its two agents Harvey and O'Connell.

The principals in the CIA conspiracy, sworn to deep secrecy, refused to comment on the caper. We got an admission out of Maheu only that he had handled special jobs for the CIA, but he refused to discuss them. Roselli responded with a flat "no comment."

My associate Les Whitten located Harvey, who left the CIA about two years ago, in Indianapolis. Asked about Rosselli, Harvey said he had a high regard for him. Whitten then questioned Harvey about Roselli's daring work.

"This is a long story," replied the former CIA man, "I don't think it ought to be printed." Thereafter, he refused to acknowledge even that he had been a CIA operative.

We got an admission from "Big Jim" O'Connell, who is still with the CIA, that he had met Roselli through Maheu. But when we asked about Roselli's CIA mission, O'Connell also clammed up.

Finally we spoke to John McCone, who headed the CIA at the time of the assassination attempts. He acknowledged the idea had been discussed inside the CIA but insisted it had been "rejected immediately." He vigorously denied that the CIA had ever participated in any plot on Castro's life. Asked whether the attempts could have been made without his knowledge, he replied: "It could not have happened."

We have complete confidence, however, in our sources.

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Cuban Exile Group Involved in Plot?

By MIKE WALES
Assistant City Editor

The Jack Anderson column elsewhere on this page poses some questions. The SUN, in its recent investigation of ex-Cuban revolutionary Edward I. Arthur, an instructor at the Recondo School at Ft. Carson, may have found the answers.

The Anderson column mentions a number of assassination team attempts on the life of Fidel Castro in the early 1960s. During its investigation of Arthur, The SUN discovered through a number of Florida contacts that a Cuban exile group, the International Brigade, furnished the manpower for these aborted assassination attempts.

And, according to Rick Townly, ex-investigative reporter for Channel 7 television in Miami, Arthur received an invitation to a meet in the home of a highly-placed member of the Mafia in 1963. Arthur reportedly visited the home, a $200,000 mansion belonging to Mafia don Sam Giancana, where a number of Cubans and Italians were gathered. According to a statement made by James Buchanan of the Pompano Beach Sun-Sentinel, shortly after the 1963 meet, Giancana had offered Arthur a large sum of money to arrange the assassination of "that man in Cuba."

Arthur told Buchanan he refused the offer and walked out. It is highly probable, according to Buchanan, that one of the men at the meeting was John Rosselli, named in the Anderson column as the ringleader in the Castro assassination attempts.

According to Townly and at least one other Florida source, the go-between who handled the details set-

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Cuban Exile Group Part of Ploy?

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tiig up the several assassination attempts of Castro was a private detective who, at that time, was seen a number of times in the company of New Orleans crime boss Carlos Marcelo, and makes his headquarters in both Miami and New Orleans. Described as a "deadly man who carries a pearl-handled .38," the mysterious private eye was also on the scene when defecting Haitian counsel-general Clemente Beniot landed in Florida, escorted by Arthur, who was riding "shotgun" on the defector to protect him from Haitian Ton-Ton Macoutes (secret police), who, according to a statement made by Arthur at that time, were "attempting to do a job (murder)" on Beniot.

Arthur refused over the weekend to either comment on the Anderson column or answer further questions put by a SUN reporter.

Another figure who may have played a role in the assassination attempts is Frank Farini, who was active with the International Brigade at that time, a Florida source told The SUN.

Farini operated an import-export business in Havana in 1956, a business he abandoned to join Castro in the Escambra.

Manwhile Arthur had surfaced in Havana that same year and met soldier-of-fortune "Morgan (the only name he went by)" there. The two men left Havana and proceeded to Santa Lucia on the northwest end of the island, then wandered around Cuba for several weeks until Morgan suddenly left Arthur and went to join Castro.

Arthur's next appearance was in Florida where he was seen often around Miami Beach, Hollywood, and St. Petersburg. His fellow Americans, Farini and Morgan, were not so lucky. In 1959 Castro's brother, Raul, murdered Morgan when it was discovered he was part of a plot to assassinate the bearded leader. Morgan had reportedly become disenchanted with Castro after he announced for communism. Farini was tossed into prison by Castro and, in an operation that would be the envy of Agent 007, he escape[illegible] plane and flew to freedom [illegible] U.S. mainland. He reported[illegible] in Miami, possibly biding [illegible] until the next Cuban invasion.

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LHM not in form suitable for dissemination. First sentence of LHM is obviously incorrect. Pages two to nine consist of a barely readable Xerox copy of a rough draft letter which will require editing and copying before any dissemination will be made at Bureau. However, prior to Tampa's resubmitting LHM in acceptable form, attention is invited to the following:

Bureau files contain no information identifiable with Edward I. Arthur is [redacted] b7C

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For the information of Tampa, Arthur is a soldier of fortune [redacted] b7C

In the mid-1960s he was deeply involved with various anti-Castro and anti-Duvalier efforts and entertained ideas of military invasions of Haiti and Cuba to overthrow the existing governments. Arthur's motives appeared to be largely self-serving and it is clear he attempted to realize monetary gain from these efforts.

Miami should review the information in its files regarding [redacted] other individuals mentioned in referenced Tampa LHM and thereafter evaluate the content of the LHM based on Miami Office background in Cuban and Haitian matters and its knowledge of current developments in that area. Miami is then to recommend to the Bureau (by to Tampa) regarding the desirability of Tampa's editing resubmitting its information in a well-prepared and well-lized form suitable for dissemination. b7C

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Letter to Miami
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Tampa Office has submitted LHM obviously unsuitable for dissemination. Content is comprised of [redacted] several pages of newspaper clippings. Set forth is a rehash of past unsuccessful efforts to organize invasions of Cuba and Haiti by exiles and American soldiers of fortune. Included, however, is one statement that Cuban exiles in Florida are currently planning for invasion of Haiti, which is attributed to Edward Arthur, described in paragraph three. Bureau files contain no information to substantiate allegation and the reputation of the source mitigates against our taking any action.

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Castro Stalker Worked for the CIA

By Jack Anderson

The mystery man whom the Central Intelligence Agency recruited to assassinate Cuba's Fidel Castro has been laid up in the sick ward of the Los Angeles County jail.

He is handsome, hawk-faced John Roselli, once a dashing figure around Hollywood and Las Vegas, now a gray, 66-year-old inmate with a respiratory ailment.

Confidential FBI files identify him as "a top Mafia figure" who watched over "the concealed interests in Las Vegas casinos of the Chicago underworld."

Roselli has admitted to friends that he was a rum runner during the Roaring Twenties. Operating along the East Coast, he learned how to evade Coast Guard cutters and police patrols.

His name later became linked with the biggest names in the Chicago and Los Angeles underworlds. He also developed contacts in the Cuban underworld before Castro took over the Havana gambling casinos.

He had the right background for a hush-hush mission that the CIA was planning in 1961. As part of the Bay of Pigs invasion, the CIA hoped to knock off Castro and leave Cuba leaderless.

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Roselli was recruited for the job by Robert Maheu, a former FBI agent, who admitted to us that he had handled undercover assignments for the CIA. He refused, however, to discuss the details. This is the same Maheu, incidentally, who is now involved in a legal battle over phantom billionaire Howard Hughes' Nevada operations.

Roselli was so flattered over being asked to perform a secret mission for the U.S. government that he paid all his expenses out of his own pocket and risked his neck to land the assassination teams on the Cuban coast.

In James Bond fashion, he held whispered meetings in Miami Beach hotels with Cubans willing to make an attempt on Castro's life. Once, he called on Chicago racket boss Sam Giancana to line up a contact. The confidential files report that Giancana had "gambling interest and an interest in the shrimp business in Cuba." However, the Chicago gangster took no direct part in the assassination plot.

Roselli made midnight dashes to Cuba with his hired assassins in twin powerboats. Once a Cuban patrol ship turned its guns on his darkened boat, tore a hole in the bottom and sank the boat. Roselli was fished out of the water by the other boat, which escaped into the shadows.

In earlier columns, we reported how the CIA furnished Roselli with deadly poison capsules which he tried through a relative of Castro's chef to plant in the dictator's food. Later, marksmen armed with high-powered Belgian rifles attempted to infiltrate close enough to gun Castro down.

All told, six assassination attempts were made, the last in the spring of 1963. Throughout this period, Roselli worked under the direct supervision of two secret CIA agents, William Harvey and James (Big Jim) O'Connell.

Roselli's Reward

The FBI which got wind of the assassination plot, has tried to pump Roselli for information. But he was sworn to silence by the CIA, and up to this moment, he hasn't broken it.

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Meanwhile, the Justice Department, as part of its crackdown on organized crime, tried to nail Roselli. The FBI discovered that his Chicago birth records had been forged, that his name was really Filippo Sacco and that he had come to this country from Italy as a child. He was convicted for failing to register as an alien.

He was also convicted for conspiracy to rig card games at Los Angeles' exclusive Friar's Club.

Of Roselli's two CIA associates, Harvey has now retired to Indianapolis and O'Connell is still on the CIA payroll. Both admitted to us a friendship with Roselli but refused to discuss their CIA activities. Harvey said he had a "high regard" for Roselli and called the Friar's Club case a "bum rap." Said Harvey: "The Friar's Club indictment is phony. Roselli had no more to do with that than I had."

Roselli's lawyers are now trying to get clemency for their client, citing our stories about his secret CIA service.

Firearms Fiasco

Under pressure from the firearms lobby, the Treasury Department has failed to enforce a vital section of the 1968 federal firearms act.

The law was passed after the murders of Sen. Robert Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King. It authorizes the Treasury Secretary to require full reports of all firearms and ammunition sales.

For the two years that the law has been in force, the Treasury Department has ignored this key provision. The gun industry has complained it would be a bookkeeping nightmare.

The federal government, which would have to compile all the sales data, has also been reluctant to spend the $100 million it would cost for computers and staff to maintain the firearms files.

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SAMUEL M. GIANCANA

Samuel M. Giancana, Chicago racketeer, and his current romantic interest, Phyllis McGuire of the well-known McGuire singing trio, were interviewed separately at O'Hare International Airport by Agents of our Chicago Office on July 12, 1961. Our Agents had been forearmed with a grand jury subpoena for Miss McGuire. However, in view of her apparent cooperative attitude, the subpoena was not served pending verification of the information she provided.

Miss McGuire advised she has known Giancana for the past two years. She did not know the source of his income, but had been told by Giancana that he was a retired bookmaker. She admitted receiving approximately $5,000 in gifts from Giancana. However, she claims a 1961 Cadillac she recently obtained was paid for by herself, although all arrangements for receipt of this automobile were handled by Giancana. She denied being married or contemplating marriage to Giancana.

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Giancana was exceptionally belligerent and abusive during the interview by our Agents and frequently used obscene words in describing authorities who he believed were responsible for the investigation of him. He was extremely bitter regarding what he terms "persecution of the Italians" and said "he wasn't going to take this laying down," and "I am going to light a fire under you guys." Giancana also told interviewing Agents "now you can tell your superchief you talked to me and he can tell the super superchief all about it." When queried as to whom he was referring to by the term super superchief, he replied "the Kennedys, who else." Throughout the interview Giancana was extremely uncooperative and declined to furnish any information regarding his activities.

Following completion of the McGuire - Giancana interviews and upon meeting each other again, Giancana, directing a remark to Miss McGuire, said "I told them to go to hell, why didn't you so we could get out of here." Whereupon, Miss McGuire, commenting to our Agents, stated "I just want you to know that I am not like him, I am a lady."

NOTE: See CG teletypes to Director 7/12 and 7/13/61.

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The Attorney General

The consensus of the Agents participating in the above interview of Giancana was that Giancana was nervous, extremely shaken, appeared to exhibit psychotic tendencies and would explode with little or no provocation.

The above is being furnished for your information.

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Deputy Attorney General

1 - Assistant Attorney General
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Title: JOHN ROSELLI

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: ROSSELLI, FBI No. 3339986, claims birth at Chicago, Illinois, on 7/4/04. FBI Laboratory examination of signatures on Report of Birth, filed in 1936, and on Affidavit of Birth, upon which Report of Birth is based, reveals signatures to be forgeries. ROSSELLI married WINIFRED JUNE VLASEK (actress JUNE LANG) in 1940, was divorced in 1943, and has not remarried. In 1950 ROSSELLI testified before Kefauver Committee and stated he engaged in buying and selling liquor in Los Angeles during prohibition era; that he was acquainted with AL CAPONE, and that he engaged in wire service for horse racing informat in the late 1930's. He was convicted in Federal Court in New York City on 12/23/43 on charge of conspiracy to extort money from individuals in movie industry, sentenced to ten years imprisonment, and paroled in 1947. In 1957-1958, he wa allegedly active in management of Tropicana Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, in an unofficial capacity. He obtained concessions from Tropicana Hotel but sold these in 1958 upon request of Nevada Gaming Control Board. He was officer in Monte Proser Productions, Inc., which produced floor shows at Tropicana Hotel, from 1957 until first part of 1959. Since 1959 has engaged in promoting and investing in various enterprises in Las Vegas area. He is currently engaged in producing motion picture of Las Vegas night life through Showcase Enterprises Inc. He obtained contracts from all major hotels to shoot scenes in the casinos. Investigation indicates ROSSELLI ma be handling various matters in Las Vegas for SAM GIANCANA, Chicago gambling figure. In December, 1961, he reported to

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GIANCANA concerning matters in Las Vegas. In latter part of 1961 he and GIANCANA involved in wire tap case in Las Vegas. He is in contact in Los Angeles with JUDITH E. CAMPBELL, who is friend of GIANCANA and who makes numerous telephone calls to GIANCANA's residence in Illinois. ROSSELLI has admitted he associates with highly controversial individuals who are friends, and said he would continue to associate with them. He allegedly stated he invests money for others in legitimate enterprises, but the money may be "illegitimate." He maintains apartments in Los Angeles and in Las Vegas and travels back and forth frequently.

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Robert Maheu 155 South Bristol Brentwood, Cal.

Information has also been set out in this report under the heading "Criminal Activities" reflecting that in the latter part of 1960, ROBERT A. MAHEU was requested by CIA to contact SAM GIANCANA regarding Cuban matters, and that MAHEU got in touch with GIANCANA through JOHN ROSSELLI; that thereafter, a wire tap was placed on the telephone of [redacted] at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, allegedly at the request of MAHEU, and according to MAHEU, to discover if there had been a leak of information through [redacted] a girl friend of SAM GIANCANA, who was then [redacted] company with [redacted] MAHEU advised that he had discussed some type of an installation with ROSSELLI prior to the time it was actually made.

Information is also set out in this report under the heading "Contacts and Associates" and specifically under the heading "JUDITH E. CAMPBELL" reflecting that CAMPBELL, a friend of GIANCANA, has been in frequent contact with GIANCANA's residence in Chicago via telephone, and she has also been in contact with JOHN ROSSELLI.

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POSSIBLE INVOLVEMENT IN WIRE TAPPING
AT RIVIERA HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

On October 31, 1960, ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI was arrested at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, at which time he admitted that he had received instructions from Investigations, Inc., Miami, Florida, to surveil and record telephone conversations of DAN ROWAN, who was then staying at the Riviera Hotel. BALLETTI stated that he had received instructions from ROBERT MAHEU to contact T. W. RICHARDSON at the New Frontier Hotel and RICHARDSON would pay him $1,000 for the work which was being done by BALLETTI. Investigation revealed that an unknown individual using the name J. W. HARRISON, participated in the placing of the telephone surveillance in DAN ROWAN's room.

T. W. RICHARDSON, who is part owner of the New Frontier Hotel, upon interview denied knowing BALLETTI or paying any money to BALLETTI or anyone else in connection with this matter.

It is noted that at this time ROWAN was keeping c with PHYLLIS MC GUIRE of the MC GUIRE Sisters singing act a ROWAN later advised that he intended to marry PHYLLIS MC GUI

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PHYLLIS MC GUIRE had reportedly been the girl friend of SAMUEL GIANCANA of Chicago. Information received during [redacted] indicates that GIANCANA is again keeping company with PHYLLIS MC GUIRE.

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EDWARD L. DUBOIS of Investigations, Inc. advised that in October, 1960, he received a telephone call from ROBERT MAHEU, a private investigator, Washington, D.C., requesting that DUBOIS send two men to Las Vegas on October 26, 1960, for physical surveillance work. Subsequently, according to DUBOIS, MAHEU told him only to send one man as he, MAHEU, was going to send one man. Thereafter, DUBOIS sent BALLETTI and the unknown individual who used the name J. W. HARRISON accompanied BALLETTI.

During the period from October 11 to October 29, 1960, ROBERT A. MAHEU and a J. A. ROLLINS were registered at the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, and ROLLINS accompanied MAHEU. MAHEU informed SAs of the FBI that J. A. ROLLINS was JOHN A. ROLLINS but refused to further identify him.

Investigation disclosed that while at the Kenilworth Hotel, ROLLINS was charged with two telephone calls to telephone number WH 3-1155 in Chicago, Illinois, which is the telephone number of [redacted] who has been identified in the ROSSELLI investigation as a close friend and associate of ROSSELLI ROLLINS was also charged with a telephone call to telephone number DI 7-6203 Woodland Hills, California, which is the number of [redacted] who has also been identified as a close friend and associate of ROSSELLI.

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ROLLINS was also charged with a telephone call to telephone number DU 2-6000 which is the telephone number of the Desert Inn Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, where ROSSELLI had received many telephone calls in the past.

JAMES FOLEY, an attorney in Las Vegas, Nevada, advised that in the latter part of October, 1960, he received a telephone call from JAMES P. CANTILLON of the law firm of Cantillon and Cantillon, Beverly Hills, California, requesting that FOLEY represent BALLETTI and arrange for his bond. CANTILLON personally guaranteed FOLEY's fee. It is noted

that JAMES P. CANTILLON is JOHN ROSSELLI's attorney and a close associate of ROSSELLI's.

Upon interview by SAs of the FBI, JAMES P. CANTILLON said that he first heard of the microphone incident when he received a call from a man in custody in Las Vegas whose name he did not recall. He said that the name BALLETTI was probably correct. He advised that he referred this man to THOMAS FOLEY an attorney in Las Vegas.

Further investigation revealed that Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in connection with their operations concerning FIDEL CASTRO in Cuba contacted ROBERT MAHEU to act as "cutout" in contacts with SAM GIANCANA on the theory that GIANCANA through his gambling activities in Cuba under the Batista Government might still have sources and contacts in Cuba who could be of value to CIA. According to officials of CIA, this organization did not authorize the microphone surveillance on [redacted]

On May 25, 1961, MAHEU advised SAs of the FBI that the original contact with GIANCANA after MAHEU had been requested by CIA to make contact with GIANCANA was made by "JOHNNY" who he declined to further identify.

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On June 29, 1961, MAHEU advised SAs [redacted] and [redacted] that he would verify "JOHNNY's" identity if the Agents named the man. When JOHN ROSSELLI's name was furnished to MAHEU he admitted that ROSSELLI was the "JOHNNY" he referred to and that ROSSELLI was also identical to J. A. ROLLINS who registered with him at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida, in October, 1960.

ROBERT MAHEU was interviewed at 190 North Canon Drive, Beverly Hills, California, on July 13, 1961. MAHEU was informed of his right to an attorney and that he did not have to answer questions and that anything he did say could be used against him in a court of law.

MAHEU stated that in connection with the confidential assignment for CIA he had been in contact with SAMUEL GIANCANA and had received valuable assistance from GIANCANA, which, in turn, was furnished to CIA. MAHEU had reason to believe that

GIANCANA may have disclosed information regarding the project and, in view of the sensitive nature of the project, he, MAHEU, decided to determine whether or not GIANCANA had actually talked to unauthorized persons. He was aware that GIANCANA was very close in a romatic way with [redacted] He said that if GIANCANA had disclosed this information regarding project to anyone, he would have disclosed it to [redacted] He said that he was also aware that in the fall of 1960 the relations between [redacted] and GIANCANA were strained and that [redacted] was romantically involved with [redacted] He considered it very vital to determine whether or not GIANCANA was reliable and decided to order an installation on [redacted] room in an effort to determine whether or not GIANCANA had disclosed any information regarding theproject to [redacted]

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MAHEU stated that this decision was his own and that GIANACANA had no knowledge that the installation was made. He said that he did discuss this with JOHN ROSSELLI, since he felt obligated to discuss it with ROSSELLI, as ROSSELLI had been instrumental in putting him in contact with GIANCANA. MAHEU denied that the installation was made at the request of ROSSELLI or GIANCANA or for the benefit of either ROSSELLI or GIANCANA. He said that he did discuss his decision with ROSSELLI some time prior to ordering the installation but does not recall thespecific date or place where he discussed the matter with ROSSELLI. He pointed out that he does not recall whether or not this occurred during October, 1960, when they were both registered at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida. He pointed out that he had met with ROSSELLI on a number of occasions and, therefore, does not recall the specific occasion in which he discussed his decision with ROSSELLI. He does not recall what comment ROSSELLI made when informed of his decision.

MAHEU said that he requested EDWARD L. DUBOIS, Jr., a Miami Beach private investigator, to institute a technical surveillance of [redacted]oom at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. He said that he does not recall what his specific requests were regarding the

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type of installation to be used, but had left this up to DUBOIS. He said that he was interested only in conversation within [redacted] oom and had in mind the installation of a microphone and transmitter and not a telephone tap. He said, however, that he does not recall whether or not he specified not to make a telephone installation. He said that he does recall that he definitely did not request a physical surveillance of [redacted]

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MAHEU stated that he does not know the identity of the unknown subject, also known as J. W. HARRISON. He said that he definitely did not contact DUBOIS and tell DUBOIS that he would send one of his men. He insisted that DUBOIS furnished both men to handle this assignment in Las Vegas and that DUBOIS had charged him for transportation and time for two men.

MAHEU repeated that he would take full responsibility for ordering the installation, that the installation was made for the reasons he had given above and in a previous interview, and definitely was not made at the request or for the benefit of JOHN ROSSELLI or SAMUEL GIANCANA.

JOHN ROSSELLI was contacted at Drucker's Hairdressers for Men, 9740 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California. ROSSELLI was informed of his right to have an attorney and that he did not have to say anything and that anything he did say could be used against him in a court of law.

ROSSELLI admitted that he has known ROBERT MAHEU for approximately five years. When asked if he knew SAM GIANCANA, ROSSELLI stated, "Let's discuss the weather. I do not care to answer any more questions." ROSSELLI stated that he knew of nothing illegal that MAHEU had done, but for any additional information regarding his association with MAHEU, the Agents should talk with MAHEU himself.

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ROSSELLI was telephonically contacted by SA [redacted] at his Los Angeles apartment, 1251 Crescent Heights Boulevard, Los Angeles, on July 19, 1961, in an effort to

arrange an interview. ROSSELLI advised that he did not care to discuss his association with MAHEU at any time with the FBI.

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POSSIBLE EXTORTION IN CONNECTION
WITH SHOW "FLOWER DRUM SONG"
THUNDERBIRD HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

FILE NUMBER: 92-18113

1 - Mr. Held
1 - Mr. Adams

Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

August 6, 1976

1 - Mr. Gallagher
1 - Mr. O'Connell
1 - Mr. Rhyne
1 - Mr. Mitchell
1 - Mr. Fehl
1 - Mr. Mintz
1 - Mr. Moore

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Director, FBI

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JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING
MISSING PERSON

The following relates to the August 4, 1976, conferences held with you by Assistant Director Richard J. Gallagher, General Investigative Division of the FBI, and Mr. Gallagher's conference with William Lynch, Chief of the Organized Crime Section, Criminal Division, concerning the missing status of John Roselli.

David Walters, Attorney for John Roselli, Miami, Florida, advised the Miami FBI Office on August 2, 1976, that Mrs. Joseph Daigle, Plantation, Florida (Roselli's sister), had informed him that Roselli left the Daigle residence approximately 1:00 p.m., July 28, 1976, in Mrs. Daigle's automobile and has not been seen or heard from since that time. Roselli resided at the Daigle residence.

Walters also related that on July 30, 1976, Mrs. Daigle's automobile was located by her husband, Joseph Daigle, parked in a garage at the Miami International Airport. Walters said he was going to notify the Chief Counsel, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities (SSCIA) that Roselli has been missing since July 28, 1976. He also advised Mrs. Daigle to file a Missing Persons Report with the Broward County, Florida, authorities.

On the afternoon of August 3, 1976, U. S. Senator [redacted] Howard Baker, SSCIA, contacted [redacted] to advise [redacted] has a continuing interest in Roselli because [redacted] testimony [redacted] before Senator Baker felt there [redacted] instruction [redacted] Justice [redacted] disappearance.

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The Minority Staff Director, SSCIA, has advised Roselli testified before that committee on June 24, 1975, September 22, 1975, and April 23, 1976, in Executive Session. On the first two occasions Roselli's testimony regarded plots to assassinate Fidel Castro. On the last occasion Roselli testified pursuant to an investigation being conducted regarding the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. The SSCIA recommended that a subsequent SSCIA continue its investigation into the Castro assassination plots and the assassination plot of President Kennedy, [redacted] not issued subpoenas or made any agreements with any prospective witnesses to date.

Roselli's Attorneys, Thomas Wadden, Washington, D. C., and David Walters, Miami, Florida, and Joseph and Edith Daigle, brother-in-law and sister of Roselli, were interviewed, without success, for information regarding Roselli's disappearance. According to Joseph Daigle, Roselli normally used his wife's car. Attorney Walters suggested that he check the hospitals, morgues, and airports for any information regarding Roselli. Daigle also stated Roselli often said, in jest, if he was ever missing to check the airport parking lot. He said he located the car on July 30, 1976, at the Miami International Airport. He checked the car's interior and trunk and found nothing unusual except a grease mark on the left window, which could have been caused by an individual's head resting on the window. Daigle stated Roselli generally stayed close to his residence and could offer no reason for his disappearance.

No information has been developed that Roselli's disappearance is due to his testifying and no information has been developed that he was forcefully abducted. We are conducting no active investigation; however, are following closely with local authorities. Senator Baker is being so advised.

NOTE: See Rhyne to Gallagher memo dated 8/6/76 captioned, "John Roselli, Anti-Racketeering, Missing Person."

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Adams

FROM : R. J. Gallagher

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING
MISSING PERSON

DATE: 8/4/76

1 - Mr. Held
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PURPOSE: [redacted]

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DATE 3/9/81 BY SPL Jim/KDA

ACTION: Miami has been instructed to interview Joseph Daigle for complete details as to how he happened to be checking airports where the car used by Roselli was located, when he reported the disappearance to the local authoriti and what he knows about Roselli and his contacts.

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DETAILS: [redacted] testified before the original Senate Select Committee on 6/24/75, 9/22/75, and 4/23/76 [redacted] On the first two occasions he testified regarding plots to assassinate Fidel Castro. On the last occasion

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he testified pursuant to an investigation being conducted regarding the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. The original Senate Select Committee chaired by Senator Frank Church recommended to the new Senate Select Committee it continue its investigation into the Castro assassination plots and into the assassination plots of President Kennedy. [redacted] Roselli would be considered a critical witness into any investigation of these assassination plots. [redacted]

[redacted] SAC Stames, Washington Field Office, has advised that Agents have learned that Jack Anderson intends to run a column on the disappearance probably as early as August 5. [redacted]

Miami was first advised on August 2 by David Walters, an attorney who is representing Roselli in deportation appeals (he was ordered deported January 10, 1975), that Mrs. Edith Daigle advised him on July 30, 1976, that her brother had been missing since July 28. Walters said the sister had no

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communication with him since that time and felt that he met with foul play.

Attorney David Walters advised our Miami Office on 8/3/76 that he would advise Edith Daigle to file a missing persons report with local authorities.

On August 3, Mrs. Daigle was interviewed but furnished no additional pertinent information. On the same day, Attorney David Walters' secretary advised a Miami Agent that Attorney Thomas Wadden requested that Attorney Walters do nothing in the Roselli matter since he (Wadden) was handling the matter directly from the top.

On the afternoon of August 4, the above information was furnished to Assistant Attorney General Richard Thornburgh and to William Lynch, Chief of the Organized Crime Section, Criminal Division. Assistant Attorney General Thornburgh stated that there did not appear to be any violation of Federal law, that we had a missing persons case, and there would be no Obstruction of Justice. Mr. Lynch felt there would be no Obstruction of Justice unless there was some definite information to the effect that harm befell Roselli because of his testimony which in this case occurred many months ago. Mr. Thornburgh felt this case should be closely followed and that Joe Daigle be interviewed to find out when he advised the local authorities, why there was a delay, and how he happened to check airports and find the automobile. Mr. Thornburgh felt that this matter should be followed with local authorities but we should not at this time conduct a real active investigation.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

FILE NUMBER: 62-101325 CROSS-REFERENCES

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Wick

DATE: 3-29-67

FROM : M. A. Jones

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SUBJECT: ROBERT AIME MAHEU

The Director has requested that files be reviewed concerning captioned individual.

Maheu was born on October 30, 1917, at Waterville, Maine. He is a former Bureau Agent who entered on duty in 1940 and resigned in 1947. His services were entirely satisfactory. In 1952 and for a short time thereafter, Maheu was Director of Security and Compliance, Small Defense Plants Administration. Since at least the middle 1950's he has operated the Robert A. Maheu Associates, a private investigative and public relations firm which has offices at 900 17th Street, Northwest, Washington, D. This firm has had business dealings with a number of foreign officials and governments and as a result has frequently come to our attention. Maheu and his firm have frequently been reported as engaging in wiretapping activities in behalf of their clients.

[redacted] we have had circumspect dealings with Maheu. [redacted]

In 1961 we conducted investigation into an allegation that Arthur James Balletti had placed a wiretap at Las Vegas, Nevada, on a comedian who was then reportedly engaged to Phyllis McGuire, a girl friend of top hoodlum Sam Giancana. The investigation determined that Maheu was also involved, and when interviewed he claimed that the wiretap was placed in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) which was seeking intelligence information on Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Giancana. With regard to this activity, Maheu claimed he was placed in contact with Giancana through John Roselli, prominent Los Angeles hoodlum.

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Subsequently, a representative of CIA admitted contacting Maheu in the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using him as a "cutout" in contacts with Giancana who was being utilized by them in some "dirt-

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business" directed at Cuban Premier Fidel Castro. When Federal prosecution of Maheu was contemplated with regard to his wiretapping activities at Las Vegas, CIA objected, claiming that it would expose a sensitive operation of theirs that would bring damaging embarrassment to the United States Government. At the time, the Director noted, "This is an outrage."

In May, 1962, ~~former~~ Attorney General Kennedy advised us that he was informed by CIA that they had hired Maheu to approach Giancana with a proposition of paying the latter $150,000 to hire some gunmen to kill Castro. CIA admitted to Kennedy they assisted Maheu in making the "bugging" installation at Las Vegas (referred to above) and for this reason they could afford no action to be taken against either Maheu or Giancana. At the time, Kennedy issued orders that CIA should never again take such steps without first checking with the Department of Justice. It is noted that the above information relating to the association between CIA, Maheu and Giancana was furnished to the White House by letter dated March 21, 1967, under "Top Secret" classification, after information was received a few days earlier from attorney (and former Bureau Agent) Edward P. Morgan that he had clients (unnamed) who knew that Castro was aware of CIA's plot to assassinate him. According to Morgan, Castro responded by sending teams of assassins into the United States to kill former President Kennedy. Morgan, of course, suggested that these teams had assisted Oswald in the assassination of former President Kennedy.

Maheu has a long record of serving the interests of millionaire-industrialist Howard Hughes, who has been reported as one of his "angels." Maheu and other private investigators were retained by Hughes in 1947 to investigate former United States Senator Owen Brewster. In 1959, Maheu's investigative firm was reported to be keeping an eye on several of Hughes' girlfriends while assisting in the transfer of some of Hughes Industries operations from California to Arizona. In 1960, a New York City newspaper reported that Maheu and another former FBI Agent (Robert L. King) were representing the Hughes interests in Washington, D. C. Recently, information was received that Maheu is representing Hughes in the purchase of the Desert Inn Hotel at Las Vegas.

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For information.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

FILE NUMBER: 62-116391 CROSS-REFERENCES

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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1 - Mr. Adams
1 - Mr. J. A. Mintz

TO : Mr. J. B. Adams

DATE: 4/16/75

1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall
1 - Mr. L. F. Schwartz
1 - Mr. F. J. Cassidy

FROM : W. R. Wannall

SUBJECT: COMMISSION ON CIA ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE UNITED STATES (ROCKEFELLER COMMISSION)

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By letter dated 3/25/75 to Mr. James A. Wilderotter, Associate Deputy Attorney General, Mr. James N. Roethe, staff attorney of captioned Commission, levied a number of requests for FBI documents to be supplied to the Commission.

One of the requests was for "any notes or interoffice memoranda pertaining to the two letters of Mr. Papich to Mr. Hoover dated March 2, 1970, and November 6, 1967."

With the Director's approval the two Papich letters mentioned above were furnished to the Rockefeller Commission on 3/21/75.

With regard to the Papich letter of 11/6/67, the copies which were furnished to the Commission contained notations made on the letter by Mr. Hoover. A search of Bureau files reveals two additional documents which resulted from the Papich letter of 11/6/67; namely, a memorandum from C. D. DeLoach to Mr. Tolson, 11/8/67, which reported the results of an interview of Papich by DeLoach on that date. During this interview, according to the DeLoach memorandum, he explained to Papich the reasons for the prohibitions and the persons responsible for such prohibitions against utilization of the investigative techniques mentioned in the Papich letter of 11/6.

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The other communication which resulted from the Papich letter of 11/6 was a letter from Mr. Hoover to Mr. Papich dated 11/9/67 in which Mr. Hoover expressed his shock at the lack of understanding of key people concerning Departmental regulations as well as other influences beyond the Bureau's control which determine policy within the FBI.

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Prior Release was made to Rockefeller Commission

TO : The Director

DATE: 3/13/70 3/16/81

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FROM : SA Sam Papich

SUBJECT: RELATIONS WITH CIA

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE

CIA Info: on pg 21 & 22 only was Declassed per John E. Bacon 8/27/80

Reference is made to my letters dated March 2 and March 5, 1970. In my letter of March 5, 1970, I stated "it is important to emphasize that the Bureau can also produce an extensive list of justified grievances." It is my understanding that the Director desired that this list be identified. Enclosed herewith is a list of approximately 75 items.

This list should not be considered absolutely complete. Preparation was predicated on my personal recollection and a review of Bureau records. To make this list more complete and specifically accurate would necessitate the review of thousands of files. The enclosed list can be supported by Bureau records. What CIA records reflect on the same items is unknown. This also must be kept in mind in connection with our evaluation of the alleged CIA grievances which I previously listed.

I realize that it is presumptuous on my part, but if the Director feels that our Bureau work can benefit by a personal discussion between the Director and myself, I am available until April 3, 1970. I plan to leave the area immediately thereafter for an extended period.

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ACTION:

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Enclosure

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Papich

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On February 7, 1962, Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, CIA, informed the Liaison Agent that CIA was preparing a report containing extremely sensitive information. He stated that this information came from a sensitive source and he was not certain as to how it should be handled. As a result of a discussion with Edwards on February 26, 1962, [redacted] Edwards explained that he had been reluctant to identify this source at an earlier date because he feared that prosecution could have been jeopardized and, furthermore, he did not want his Agency embarrassed in the event the Bureau objected to CIA maintaining a capability such as technical surveillances. It was made emphatically clear to Edwards that it was absolutely necessary that we be provided with all the details and, furthermore, that CIA, at the outset, should have apprised us of the existence of the coverage. The Director made the notation, "I only wish we would eventually realize CIA can never be depended upon to deal forthrightly with us. Certainly my skepticism isn't based on prejudice nor suspicion, but on specific instances of all too many in number. Yet, there exists wishful belief that the 'leopard has changed his spots.' H." (Memorandum Brennan to Sullivan February 27, 1962, [redacted]) X (u)

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In February, 1962, the Liaison Agent was requested to discuss with CIA a case which, in our opinion, clearly indicated CIA had failed to keep us appropriately informed of developments. The Bureau's original interest was initiated in Miami as a result of a discussion with CIA personnel in that city. Attempts to get CIA replies via correspondence were negative. On February 13, 1962, the Liaison Agent discussed the matter with CIA and received a reply which did not adequately satisfy the Bureau's request. (Memorandum Donahoe to Sullivan, February 27, 1962, and Brennan to Sullivan, March 2, 1962; Bureau file [redacted]) X (u)

57. CIA WIRE TAPPING IN THE UNITED STATES

Sometime prior to the Bay of Pigs fiasco, CIA had become involved in a weird plan designed to bring about the assassination of Fidel Castro. One of the principal ingredients of this plan was to be the utilization of U.S. hoodlums. CIA established contact with Robert Mahcu, former Bureau Agent, who served as the intermediary in dealings with the notorious hoodlum, Sam Giancana. X (u)

The entire operation fell apart when we developed information indicating that Maheu was behind a wire tapping operation in Nevada. Potentially, there were elements for possible violation of unauthorized publication or use of communications. However, prosecution was out of the question because of the tainted involvement of CIA. (Arthur James Balletti, "Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications" and memorandum from the Director to Mr. Tolson, dated May 10, 1952) (U)

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Memorandum

1 - Mr. J. B. Adams
1 - Mr. J. A. Mintz

TO : Mr. J. B. Adams

DATE: 4/21/75

1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall
1 - Mr. F. J. Cassidy

FROM : W. R. Wannall

SUBJECT: COMMISSION ON CIA ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE UNITED STATES (ROCKEFELLER COMMISSION)

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My memorandum to you dated 4/8/75 (attached) advised of a request by Mr. James N. Roethe, staff attorney of captioned Commission, for "any documents in possession of the Bureau, including interoffice memoranda, showing a connection between CIA and known or suspected Mafia personalities specifically for, but not limited to, the period 1958 through 1965."

Our files revealed information pertaining to a connection between CIA and hoodlums John Roselli and Sam Giancana. All pertinent information is contained in the following documents: 1) memorandum W. R. Wannall to W. C. Sullivan, dated 3/6/67, captioned "Central Intelligence Agency's Intentions to Send Hoodlums to Cuba to Assassinate Castro"; 2) memorandum from the Director, FBI, to the Attorney General, dated 3/6/67, captioned as Item 1; 3) LHM dated 5/22/61, captioned "Arthur James Balletti, et al," which contained results of an interview with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who in 1961 was Director of Security, CIA; and, 4) two memoranda from the Director of Security, CIA, dated 5/18/66 and 5/27/66, reporting additional meetings between CIA personnel and Roselli.

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Referenced memorandum recommended that the above-mentioned documents be reviewed by the Special Investigative Division (SID) and if that Division interposed no objection the Intelligence Division (INTD) through liaison would obtain CIA clearance to furnish the information which originated with that Agency to the Commission. INTD would thereafter prepare cover communication necessary to transmit the documents to Mr. Roethe through the Department. This recommendation was approved. SID reviewed the attached documents and interposed no objection to the documents being furnished to the Commission.

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On 4/9/75 a copy of the 5/22/61 LHM captioned "Arthur James Balletti, et al," which contained the results of our interview of Colonel Sheffield Edwards, then Director of Security, CIA; a memorandum from

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Info unclassified per John E. Bacon 8/2780 #CIA #22330

Memorandum to Mr. J. B. Adams
Re: Commission on CIA Activities
Within the United States
(Rockefeller Commission)
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C. D. Brennan to W. C. Sullivan, dated 6/21/63, captioned "John Roselli," which contained the results of an interview of William Harvey, an official of CIA, as set forth in the 3/6/67 memorandum to the Attorney General which we propose to furnish the Commission; and the memoranda from the Director, CIA, dated 5/18/66 and 5/27/66 were furnished to CIA for the purpose of obtaining their concurrence in furnishing the information contained in these documents to the Commission. The above comprises all of the information which originated with CIA contained in the documents we propose to furnish to the Commission. On 4/16/75 [redacted] advised Liaison Supervisor L. F. Schwartz that CIA interposed no objection to our furnishing their memoranda of 5/18/66 and 5/27/66 to the Commission along with the results of our interview of Colonel Sheffield Edwards and Mr. Harvey.

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No sensitive sources are involved and the Bureau communications pertaining to this matter revealed that we acted promptly on receipt of information concerning CIA's involvement with the hoodlums in notifying the Attorney General. In view of this it is felt these documents should be furnished to the Commission for incorporation in the Commission's files.

RECOMMENDATION:

If you agree, the attached letter to the Deputy Attorney General enclosing a memorandum for the Commission with the documents mentioned above be sent.

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TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: March 6, 1967

FROM : W. R. Wannall

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SUBJECT: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

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ON 3/9/81 To IPA # 22,330

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In accordance with instructions, attached letter has been prepared for Attorney General setting forth all data in our files concerning captioned matter. Briefly, information being furnished is as follows: U

Matter first came to our attention in Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of violation of Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, arrested in Las Vegas, Nevada, by local authorities on wire tapping charge. Wire tap involved was on telephone of Dan Rowan, member of Rowan and Martin comedy team. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire, girl friend of top hoodlum Sam Giancana and member of McGuire Sisters singing trio. U

Through our investigation we determined involvement of Robert A. Maheu, private detective, who stated coverage on Rowan instituted in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) efforts to obtain Cuban intelligence data through hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana. Maheu was in contact with Giancana through services of John Roselli, another hoodlum, and Maheu authorized wiring of Rowan's room.

We checked matter with CIA on 5/3/61 and learned CIA was utilizing Maheu as intermediary with Sam Giancana relative to CIA's "dirty business" anti-Castro activities. CIA insisted it did not give Maheu any instructions relative to use of technical installations. By letter 5/22/61 we furnished former Attorney General Kennedy a memorandum containing a rundown on CIA's involvement in this. The originals of the letter and memorandum were returned to us for filing purposes. A copy of that memorandum is being attached to instant letter being sent to Attorney General. (U)

On 5/9/62 Kennedy discussed with the Director a number of matters, including admission by CIA that Robert Maheu had been

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Memorandum for Mr. Sullivan
Re: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S
INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO
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hired by that Agency to approach Sam Giancana to have Castro assassinated at a cost of $150,000. Kennedy stated he had issued orders that CIA should never undertake such steps again without first checking with Department of Justice and stated because of this matter it would be difficult to prosecute Giancana or Maheu then or in the future.

We learned on 6/20/63 from CIA that its contacts with John Roselli (Maheu's link with Giancana) had continued up until that time, when they were reportedly cut off.

It appears Roselli is using his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. In May, 1966, when Bureau Agents endeavored to interview him he immediately flew to Washington and informed his former CIA intermediary. The current Director of Security, CIA, has advised through liaison channels that Roselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and Roselli would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA to serve his own interests. In furnishing this information we were asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis. We have, however, included it in the attached proposed letter to the Attorney General noting this CIA specific restriction. ~~XS~~ (U)

We have two other references in our files to the over-all above information which we have included in the letter. One relates to a statement by Giancana in October, 1960, that he had met with an individual who was to assassinate Castro in November, 1960. The other is an article in the 8/16/63 issue of the "Chicago Sun Times" reporting that CIA agents had contacted Giancana to obtain Cuban intelligence.

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ACTION:

If approved, attached letter will be sent to the Attorney General, with a copy for the Deputy Attorney General.

The Attorney General asked for this information on Friday, 8/3/67.

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

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Our files contain the following information concerning the captioned matter, much of which has been furnished by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) on a strictly highly confidential "need-to-know" basis. In view of this, it is requested that it be handled on a most restrictive basis. X(u)

This matter first came to our attention in the Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of a violation of the Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, who had been arrested by local authorities in Las Vegas, Nevada, on a local wire tapping charge. Balletti and another unidentified individual in October, 1960, had reportedly placed a wire tap on the telephone of Dan Rowan, a member of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire of the well-known McGuire Sisters singing trio who was also known to be a girl friend of Sam Giancana, a top hoodlum. u

During the course of the Balletti investigation it was ascertained that Robert A. Maheu, a private detective, was involved. Maheu during interview claimed he ordered coverage of Rowan in behalf of CIA's efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana, which had interests there. Maheu said he was put in contact with Giancana in connection with these intelligence activities through John Roselli, a Los Angeles hoodlum. Maheu stated also that he authorized the wiring of Rowan's room and had discussed the matter with Roselli.

The essence of the above was furnished to former Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy by letter dated May 22, 1961 which enclosed a memorandum of the same date containing data made available on May 3, 1961, by Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who at that time was Director of Security at CIA, regarding his utilization of Maheu in connection with anti-Castro activities. Since our files show that Mr. Kennedy returned the original of our letter and its enclosed memorandum dated May 22, 1961,

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The Attorney General

to us for filing purposes, a copy of the May 22, 1961, memorandum is attached hereto for your information. (U)

You will note that Colonel Edwards advised he personally contacted Robert Mahou during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Mahou as a "cutout" in contacts with Sam Giancana in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against Castro. Colonel Edwards stated that Giancana's activities were completely "backstopped" by Mahou, who would frequently report Giancana's actions and information to Edwards. No details or methods used by Mahou or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were reported to him, according to Edwards, as such involved "dirty business," of which Colonel Edwards could not afford to have knowledge. Accordingly, he said he had no prior knowledge of the above-mentioned wire tapping by Ballotti. (U)

Further with respect to this matter, I was informed of the following on a highly confidential basis by former Attorney General Kennedy during a conference in my office on May 9, 1962:

He indicated that a few days prior thereto he had been advised by CIA that Robert A. Mahou had been hired by CIA to approach Sam Giancana with a proposition of paying $150,000 to hire some gunmen to go into Cuba and kill Castro. He further stated CIA admitted having assisted Mahou in making the "bugging" installation in Las Vegas (referred to above) which uncovered this clandestine operation and for this reason CIA could not afford to have any action taken against Giancana or Mahou. Mr. Kennedy stated that upon learning CIA had not cleared its action in hiring Mahou and Giancana with the Department of Justice he issued orders that CIA should never again take such steps without first checking with the Department of Justice.

Mr. Kennedy further advised that because of this matter it would be very difficult to initiate any prosecution against Giancana, as Giancana could immediately bring out the fact the United States Government had approached him to arrange for the assassination of Castro. He stated the same was true concerning any action we might take against Mahou for any violation in which he might become involved.

On June 20, 1963, Mr. William Harvey, an official of CIA, advised that he had held a meeting with John Rosselli (referred to above as Mahou's link with Giancana) for the purpose of closing out the entire matter with which Rosselli had been involved. In this connection, Harvey stated that CIA had

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established contact with Rosselli in "early 1961" with respect to a sensitive operation against Castro. Harvey said that for all intents and purposes the operation was discontinued and canceled after the ill-fated Bay of Pigs invasion in April, 1961, but Rosselli had not been completely cut off, as he periodically indicated he was in a position to be of assistance.

It appears Rosselli has since that time, nevertheless, used his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. For example, in May, 1963, when contacted by Agents of this Bureau in connection with our current investigation of his activities he refused to talk and immediately flew to Washington, D. C., and consulted with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who is now retired from CIA. Colonel Edwards in turn advised CIA, which told us. Mr. Howard J. Osborn, the present Director of Security, CIA, freely has admitted to us that Rosselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and that he would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA if it served his own interests. In furnishing this information, Mr. Osborn asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis. 7(D)

In light of the above information furnished us by CIA and former Attorney General Kennedy, it appears that data which came to our attention in October, 1960, possibly pertains to the captioned matter. At that time a source close to Giancana advised that during a conversation with several friends Giancana stated that Fidel Castro was "to be done away with very shortly." Giancana reportedly assured those present that Castro's assassination would occur in November, 1960, and that he had already met with the assassin-to-be on three occasions, the last meeting having taken place on a boat docked at the Fontainebleau Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. Reportedly, Giancana claimed that everything had been perfected for the killing and the "assassin" had arranged with a girl, not further described, to drop a "pill" in Castro's drink or food.

Also of possible interest is a news article carried in the August 16, 1963, issue of the "Chicago Sun Times." This article carried the headline, "CIA Sought Giancana's Help For Cuba Spying," and it was reported therein that CIA agents had contacted Giancana in an effort to obtain Cuban intelligence after Castro came into power. 4

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1 - The Deputy Attorney General (Enclosure)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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May 22, 1961

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ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.

On May 3, 1961, Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) furnished the following information.

Colonel Edwards advised that in connection with CIA's operation against Castro he personally contacted Robert Maheu during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Maheu as a "cut-out" in contacts with Sam Giancana, a known hoodlum in the Chicago area. Colonel Edwards said that since the underworld controlled gambling activities in Cuba under the Batista government, it was assumed that this element would still continue to have sources and contacts in Cuba which perhaps could be utilized successfully in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against the Castro government. As a result, Maheu's services were solicited as a "cut-out" because of his possible entree into underworld circles. Maheu obtained Sam Giancana's assistance in this regard and according to Edwards, Giancana gave every indication of cooperating through Maheu in attempting to accomplish several clandestine efforts in Cuba. Edwards added that none of Giancana's efforts have materialized to date and that several of the plans still are working and may eventually "pay off."

Colonel Edwards related that he had no direct contact with Giancana; that Giancana's activities were completely "back stopped" by Maheu and that Maheu would frequently report Giancana's action and information to Edwards. No details or methods used by Maheu or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were ever reported to Edwards. Colonel Edwards said that since this is "dirty business" he could not afford to have knowledge of the actions of Maheu and Giancana in pursuit of any mission for CIA. Colonel Edwards added that he has neither given Maheu any instruction to use technical installations of any type nor has the subject of technical installations ever come up between Edwards and Maheu in connection with Giancana's activity.

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Colonel Edwards related that Maheu did come to him concerning the arrest in Las Vegas of Balletti for "wire tapping." Maheu cautioned Edwards that the Balletti arrest could cause CIA some embarrassment since Balletti was in Las Vegas attempting to obtain coverage on some "Hollywood people" in connection with Giancana's efforts for CIA. Edwards said that he did not know the facts of the Balletti case and Maheu claims "Balletti went too far" in his efforts to obtain information. Edwards added that he was unaware of any reason for this activity of Maheu or Giancana in Las Vegas and that Giancana's activity in furtherance of the anti-Castro activity was left completely in Maheu's hands.

Colonel Edwards advised that only Mr. Bissell (Deputy Director of Plans, CIA) and two others in CIA were aware of the Giancana - Maheu activity in behalf of CIA's program and that Allen Dulles was completely unaware of Edwards' contact with Maheu in this connection. He added that Mr. Bissell, during his recent briefings of General Taylor and the Attorney General in connection with their inquiries into CIA relating to the Cuban situation, told the Attorney General that some of CIA's associated planning included the use of Giancana and the underworld against Castro.

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The Deputy Attorney General

April 22, 1975

Director, FBI

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1 - Mr. F. J. Cassidy

LETTER DATED MARCH 25, 1975, FROM JAMES N. ROETHE, STAFF ATTORNEY, COMMISSION ON CIA ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE UNITED STATES
REQUEST FOR BUREAU DOCUMENTS

Reference is made to the letter dated March 25, 1975, to Mr. James A. Wilderotter, Associate Deputy Attorney General, from James N. Roethe, staff attorney, Commission on CIA Activities within the United States, in which Roethe requested "any documents in possession of the Bureau, including interoffice memoranda, showing a connection between CIA and known or suspected Mafia personalities specifically for, but not limited to, the period 1958 through 1965."

Enclosed is a memorandum, captioned "Commission on CIA Activities within the United States," identifying the documents in the possession of the Bureau responsive to Mr. Roethe's request and a copy of each of these documents for transmittal to him.

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NOTE:

See memorandum W. R. Wannall to Mr. J. B. Adams, dated 4/21/75, captioned "Commission on CIA Activities within the United States (Rockefeller Commission)," prepared by FJC:aso.

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COMMISSION ON CIA ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE UNITED STATES

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A review of Bureau files reveals a number of documents pertaining to a connection between the CIA and hoodlums John Roselli and Sam Giancana. All pertinent information is contained in the following documents, copies of which are attached:

1) Memorandum W. R. Wannall to W. C. Sullivan, dated March 6, 1967, captioned "Central Intelligence Agency's Intentions to Send Hoodlums to Cuba to Assassinate Castro."

2) Memorandum from the Director, FBI, to the Attorney General, dated March 6, 1967, captioned as Item 1.

3) Memorandum dated May 22, 1961, captioned "Arthur James Balletti, et al," which contained results of an interview with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who in 1961 was Director of Security, CIA.

4) Two memoranda from the Director of Security, CIA, dated May 18, 1966, and May 27, 1966, reporting additional meetings between CIA personnel and Roselli.

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TO : Mr. J. A. Mintz

1 - Mr. J. A. Mintz
(Attn: Dennis Miller)
1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall
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1 - Mr. F. J. Cassidy

FROM : Mr. W. R. Wannall

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Reference is made to the routing slip from the Legal Counsel Division dated 5/1/75, attaching a letter to the Deputy Attorney General from Mr. David W. Belin, Executive Director, Commission on CIA Activities Within the United States, in which letter, captioned Commission requested any information in the Department of Justice files concerning any efforts on the part of CIA to intervene in the ordinary course of civil or criminal investigations or litigation undertaken by the Department. Referenced LCD routing slip requested any information INTD could furnish concerning this matter by close of business 5/2/75.

INTD personnel in a position to be aware of such activity on the part of CIA have been canvassed with negative results and a review has been made of the file captioned "Relations With CIA," Bureau file 62-80750.

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The only item developed which could be considered responsive to the Commission's request concerns information furnished to the Deputy Attorney General for transmittal to the Commission on 4/22/75. This item relates to an investigation by the Bureau in 1961 concerning an illegal wiretap which had been placed on the telephone of Dan Rowan of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin in Las Vegas, Nevada. It was determined the illegal wiretap was installed by one Arthur James Balletti. Balletti led us to former Special Agent Robert A. Maheu. On interview of Maheu, he stated the wiretap was installed on behalf of the CIA efforts to obtain Cuban intelligence data through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana. On contact with CIA, we learned of their involvement with Giancana and John Roselli, another top hoodlum, in connection with anti-Castro activities. We promptly disseminated the information to the Attorney General and Mr. Hoover was subsequently advised by then Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy that Kennedy had obtained the entire story from CIA and, because of CIA involvement, no prosecution was

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possible, as such action which would involve Maheu and Giancana would no doubt immediately bring out the fact that an agency of the United States Government had approached Giancana to arrange for the assassination of Castro. (U)

ACTION:

This memorandum will be referred to the Legal Counsel Division for their consideration in preparing a response to the Deputy Attorney General. (U)

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Memorandum

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TO : Mr. J. B. Adams

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SUBJECT: COMMISSION ON CIA ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE UNITED STATES (ROCKEFELLER COMMISSION)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 3/9/81 BY SP4-Jm/KS

CIA Info unclassed per John E. Bacon 8/27/80

By letter dated 3/25/75 to Mr. James A. Wilderotter, Associate Deputy Attorney General, Mr. James N. Roethe, staff attorney of captioned Commission, levied a number of requests for FBI documents to be supplied to the Commission.

One of the requests was for "any documents in possession of the Bureau, including interoffice memoranda, showing a connection between CIA and known or suspected Mafia personalities specifically for, but not limited to, the period 1958 through 1965."

A review of our files reveals a number of documents pertaining to a connection between the CIA and hoodlums John Roselli and Sam Giancana. All pertinent information is contained in the following documents: 1) memorandum W. R. Wannall to W. C. Sullivan, dated 3/6/67, captioned "Central Intelligence Agency's Intentions to Send Hoodlums to Cuba to Assassinate Castro"; 2) memorandum from Director, FBI, to the Attorney General, dated 3/6/67, captioned as Item 1; 3) LHM dated 5/22/61, captioned "Arthur James Balletti, et al," which contains the results of an interview with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who in 1961 was Director of Security, CIA.

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In brief, we investigated Balletti in 1961 for placing an illegal wiretap. During the course of the investigation we determined that former Special Agent Robert H. Maheu was involved. Interview of Maheu surfaced a relationship between John Roselli and Sam Giancana, top hoodlums, and the CIA.

In addition, our files contain a letter dated 5/18/66 and a letter 5/27/66 from the Director of Security of CIA which reported contacts between Roselli and CIA officials in 1966, which letters would appear pertinent to Mr. Roethe's request.

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Memorandum to Mr. J. B. Adams
Re: Commission on CIA Activities
Within the United States
(Rockefeller Commission)
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It is proposed that the above-mentioned communications be furnished to Mr. Roethe in response to his request. As the documents contain some information furnished to us by CIA on a strict need-to-know basis with a request that the information not be released outside the FBI without prior coordination with CIA, the Intelligence Division (INTD) through Liaison will obtain the necessary clearance from CIA to furnish same to the Commission.

The Special Investigative Division (SID) is requested to review the attached documents as the documents pertain to investigations of primary concern to SID and advise if SID interposes any objection to furnishing the documents to the Commission.

ACTION:

1. SID review the attached documents in line with the above.

2. If SID interposes no objection to furnishing the attached documents to the Commission, INTD through Liaison will obtain CIA clearance to furnish the documents to the Commission and thereafter prepare the necessary cover communication to transmit the documents to Mr. Roethe.

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ON 3/9/81 AO/Rec #22,350

The Attorney General March 6, 1967

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Director, FBI

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

Our files contain the following information concerning the captioned matter, much of which has been furnished by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) on a strictly highly confidential "need-to-know" basis. In view of this, it is requested that it be handled on a most restrictive basis. (U)

This matter first came to our attention in the Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of a violation of the Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, who had been arrested by local authorities in Las Vegas, Nevada, on a local wire tapping [illegible] in Las Vegas, Nevada, on a local wire tapping [illegible] in charge. Balletti and another unidentified individual in October, 1960, had reportedly placed a wire tap on the telephone of Dan Rowan, a member of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire of the well-known McGuire Sisters singing trio who was also known to be a girl friend of Sam Giancana, a top hoodlum.

During the course of the Balletti investigation it was ascertained that Robert A. Maheu, a private detective, was involved. Maheu during interview claimed he ordered coverage of Rowan in behalf of CIA's efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana, which had interest there. Maheu said he was put in contact with Giancana in connection with these intelligence activities through John Rosselli, a Los Angeles hoodlum. Maheu stated also that he authorized the wiring of Rowan's room and had discussed the matter with Rosselli.

The essence of the above was furnished to former Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy by letter dated May 22, 1961, which enclosed a memorandum of the same date containing data made available on May 3, 1961, by Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who at that time was Director of Security at CIA, regarding his utilization of Maheu in connection with anti-Castro activities. Since our files show that Mr. Kennedy returned the original of our letter and its enclosed memorandum dated May 22, 1961,

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The Attorney General

to us for filing purposes, a copy of the May 22, 1961, memorandum is attached hereto for your information. (W)

You will note that Colonel Edwards advised he personally contacted Robert Maheu during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Maheu as a "cutout" in contacts with Sam Giancana in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against Castro. Colonel Edwards stated that Giancana's activities were completely "backstopped" by Maheu, who would frequently report Giancana's actions and information to Edwards. No details or methods used by Maheu or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were reported to him, according to Edwards, as such involved "dirty business," of which Colonel Edwards could not afford to have knowledge. Accordingly, he said he had no prior knowledge of the above-mentioned wire tapping by Balletti. (W)

Further with respect to this matter, I was informed of the following on a highly confidential basis by former Attorney General Kennedy during a conference in my office on May 9, 1962:

He indicated that a few days prior thereto he had been advised by CIA that Robert A. Maheu had been hired by CIA to approach Sam Giancana with a proposition of paying $150,000 to hire some gunmen to go into Cuba and kill Castro. He further stated CIA admitted having assisted Maheu in making the "bugging" installation in Las Vegas (referred to above) which uncovered this clandestine operation and for this reason CIA could not afford to have any action taken against Giancana or Maheu. Mr. Kennedy stated that upon learning CIA had not cleared its action in hiring Maheu and Giancana with the Department of Justice he issued orders that CIA should never again take such steps without first checking with the Department of Justice.

Mr. Kennedy further advised that because of this matter it would be very difficult to initiate any prosecution again Giancana, as Giancana could immediately bring out the fact the United States Government had approached him to arrange for the assassination of Castro. He stated the same was true concerning any action we might take against Maheu for any violation in which he might become involved.

On June 20, 1963, Mr. William Harvey, an official of CIA, advised that he had held a meeting with John Rosselli (referred to above as Maheu's link with Giancana) for the purpose of closing out the entire matter with which Rosselli had been involved. In this connection, Harvey stated that CIA had

The Attorney General

established contact with Rosselli in "early 1961" with respect to a sensitive operation against Castro. Harvey said that for all intents and purposes the operation was discontinued and canceled after the ill-fated Bay of Pigs invasion in April, 1961, but Rosselli had not been completely cut off, as he periodically indicated he was in a position to be of assistance.

It appears Rosselli has since that time, nevertheless, used his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. For example, in May, 1963, when contacted by Agents of this Bureau in connection with our current investigation of his activities he refused to talk and immediately flew to Washington, D. C., and consulted with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who is now retired from CIA. Colonel Edwards in turn advised CIA, which told us. Mr. Howard J. Osborn, the present Director of Security, CIA, freely has admitted to us that Rosselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and that he would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA if it served his own interests. In furnishing this information, Mr. Osborn asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis. (4)

In light of the above information furnished us by CIA and former Attorney General Kennedy, it appears that data which came to our attention in October, 1960, possibly pertains to the captioned matter. At that time a source close to Giancana advised that during a conversation with several friends Giancana stated that Fidel Castro was "to be done away with very shortly." Giancana reportedly assured those present that Castro's assassination would occur in November, 1960, and that he had already met with the assassin-to-be on three occasions, the last meeting having taken place on a boat docked at the Fontainbleau Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. Reportedly, Giancana claimed that everything had been perfected for the killing and the "assassin" had arranged with a girl, not further described, to drop a "pill" in Castro's drink or food.

Also of possible interest is a news article carried in the August 13, 1963, issue of the "Chicago Sun Times." This article carried the headline, "CIA Sought Giancana's Help For Cuba Spying," and it was reported therein that CIA agents had contacted Giancana in an effort to obtain Cuban intelligence after Castro came into power.

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1 - The Deputy Attorney General

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NOTE:

See cover memorandum Wannall to Sullivan, same caption, March 6, 1967, GCM:ams.

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W. C. Sullivan

March 6, 1967

W. R. Wannall

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

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In accordance with instructions, attached letter has been prepared for Attorney General setting forth all data in our files concerning captioned matter. Briefly, information being furnished is as follows: U

Matter first came to our attention in Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of violation of Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, arrested in Las Vegas, Nevada, by local authorities on wire tapping charge. Wire tap involved was on telephone of Dan Rowan, member of Rowan and Martin comedy team. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire, girl friend of top hoodlum Sam Giancana and member of McGuire Sisters singing trio. U

Through our investigation we determined involvement of Robert A. Maheu, private detective, who stated coverage on Rowan instituted in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) efforts to obtain Cuban intelligence data through hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana. Maheu was in contact with Giancana through services of John Roselli, another hoodlum, and Maheu authorized wiring of Rowan's room.

We checked matter with CIA on 5/3/61 and learned CIA was utilizing Maheu as intermediary with Sam Giancana relative to CIA's "dirty business" anti-Castro activities. CIA insisted it did not give Maheu any instructions relative to use of technical installations. By letter 5/22/61 we furnished former Attorney General Kennedy a memorandum containing a rundown on CIA's involvement in this. The originals of the letter and memorandum were returned to us for filing purposes. A copy of that memorandum is being attached to instant letter being sent to Attorney General. (U)

On 5/9/63 Kennedy discussed with the Director a number of matters, including admission by CIA that Robert Maheu had been

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Memorandum for Mr. Sullivan
Re: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S
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hired by that Agency to approach Sam Giancana to have Castro assassinated at a cost of $150,000. Kennedy stated he had issued orders that CIA should never undertake such steps again without first checking with Department of Justice and stated because of this matter it would be difficult to prosecute Giancana or Maheu then or in the future.

We learned on 6/20/63 from CIA that its contacts with John Roselli (Maheu's link with Giancana) had continued up until that time, when they were reportedly cut off.

It appears Roselli is using his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. In May, 1966, when Bureau Agents endeavored to interview him he immediately flew to Washington and informed his former CIA intermediary. The current Director of Security, CIA, has advised through liaison channels that Roselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and Roselli would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA to serve his own interests. In furnishing this information we were asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis. We have, however, included it in the attached proposed letter to the Attorney General noting this CIA specific restriction. X(4)

We have two other references in our files to the over-all above information which we have included in the letter. One relates to a statement by Giancana in October, 1960, that he had met with an individual who was to assassinate Castro in November, 1960. The other is an article in the 8/18/63 issue of the "Chicago Sun Times" reporting that CIA agents had contacted Giancana to obtain Cuban intelligence.

ACTION:

If approved, attached letter will be sent to the Attorney General, with a copy for the Deputy Attorney General.

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May 22, 1961

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ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.

On May 3, 1961, Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) furnished the following information.

Colonel Edwards advised that in connection with CIA's operation against Castro he personally contacted Robert Maheu during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Maheu as a "cut-out" in contacts with Sam Giancana, a known hoodlum in the Chicago area. Colonel Edwards said that since the underworld controlled gambling activities in Cuba under the Batista government, it was assumed that this element would still continue to have sources and contacts in Cuba which perhaps could be utilized successfully in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against the Castro government. As a result, Maheu's services were solicited as a "cut-out" because of his possible entree into underworld circles. Maheu obtained Sam Giancana's assistance in this regard and according to Edwards, Giancana gave every indication of cooperating through Maheu in attempting to accomplish several clandestine efforts in Cuba. Edwards added that none of Giancana's efforts have materialized to date and that several of the plans still are working and may eventually "pay off."

Colonel Edwards related that he had no direct contact with Giancana; that Giancana's activities were completely "back stopped" by Maheu and that Maheu would frequently report Giancana's action and information to Edwards. No details or methods used by Maheu or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were ever reported to Edwards. Colonel Edwards said that since this is "dirty business" he could not afford to have knowledge of the actions of Maheu and Giancana in pursuit of any mission for CIA. Colonel Edwards added that he has neither given Maheu any instruction to use technical installations of any type nor has the subject of technical installations ever come up between Edwards and Maheu in connection with Giancana's activity.

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Colonel Edwards related that Maheu did come to him concerning the arrest in Las Vegas of Balletti for "wire tapping." Maheu cautioned Edwards that the Balletti arrest could cause CIA some embarrassment since Balletti was in Las Vegas attempting to obtain coverage on some "Hollywood people" in connection with Giancana's efforts for CIA. Edwards said that he did not know the facts of the Balletti case and Maheu claims "Balletti went too far" in his efforts to obtain information. Edwards added that he was unaware of any reason for this activity of Maheu or Giancana in Las Vegas and that Giancana's activity in furtherance of the anti-Castro activity was left completely in Maheu's hands.

Colonel Edwards advised that only Mr. Bissell (Deputy Director of Plans, CIA) and two others in CIA were aware of the Giancana - Maheu activity in behalf of CIA's program and that Allen Dulles was completely unaware of Edwards' contact with Maheu in this connection. He added that Mr. Bissell, during his recent briefings of General Taylor and the Attorney General in connection with their inquiries into CIA relating to the Cuban situation, told the Attorney General that some of CIA's associated planning included the use of Giancana and the underworld against Castro.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. J. B. Adams

DATE: 5/21/75

FROM : Legal Counsel

SUBJECT: STATUS OF RESPONSES TO CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE REQUESTS

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The purpose of this memorandum is to set forth in summary form the requests we have received from various Committees in Congress and the status of our replies.

Senate Select Committee on
Intelligence Activities - Church Committee

We have substantially complied with requests from the Committee contained in their letter of 3/19/75. The remaining aspects of these requests involve decisions by the Department of Justice concerning COINTELPRO and our recommendation that one particular document not be furnished the Committee.

Responses to the Senate Select Committee request of 4/30/75, which generally pertains to sections of the Manual of Rules and Regulations, the Manual of Instruction, Bureau forms, indexing information and classificati materials has been partially complied with. We have received Departmental approval to make sections of the Manual of Rules and Regulations and the Manual of Instruction available to the Committee. Responses to the other aspects of this particular request are in various stages of approval at Headquarters.

We have furnished a response to the Senate Select Committee of 4/28/75, concerning allegations of our possible involvement in the removal of documents from the residence of the late Director J. Edgar Hoover.

1 - Mrs. Metcalf
1 - Mr. Wannall (Attn: Mr. Cregar)
1 - Mr. Mintz
1 - Mr. Hotis
1 - Mr. Daly

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A request of this Committee dated 5/12/75, concerning allegations of CIA's involvement in a plot to kill Castro has been responded to in that we advised the Department that CIA would have to give clearance before these documents could be furnished the Committee. Concerning this particular request, CIA has contacted the Department and the Senate Select Committee has reviewed the material in the Department with the approval of CIA. This procedure was approved by Deputy Attorney General Tyler. The material was reviewed by Chief Counsel F. A. O. Schwarz and Minority Counsel Curtis Smothers.

By letter dated 5/14/75, we received a lengthy request from the Committee which pertains to among other things information concerning all wiretaps including their location and other requests which would amount to a complete reconstruction of Bureau files, as well as Inspection surveys for ten offices. Mark Gitenstein and John Elliff, of the Committee staff, both indicated that this particular request should be considered entirely negotiable, however K. William O'Connor, Deputy Assistant Attorney General of the Department, who indicated that he was going to negotiate with the Committee on this matter, has not contacted the Committee to engage in such negotiations. We are, however, going over this request and where necessary preparing the responses.

Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional
Rights of the House Judiciary Committee (Edwards Committee)

We have complied with all aspects of this Committee's request which was contained in their letter of 4/10/75 with the exception of one response pertaining to our authority to collect, retain and disseminate information which is in the process of receiving Bureau approval. In this regard it is to be noted that on 5/19/75, we received a complaint from Arden Schell, staff member of the Committee, that the Committee had not received our responses. We delivered our responses to the other aspects of the 4/10/75 request to the Department on 4/24/75 and 5/1/75, respectively. This matter has been brought to the attention of K. William O'Connor as well as Associate Deputy Attorney General Robert McDermott.

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2 - Mr. A. Mintz
(1 - Mr. J. B. Hotis)
1 - Mr. J. R. Wannall
1 - Mr. W. O. Cregar
1 - Mr. R. Dickson

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May 29, 1975

The Attorney General

Director, FBI

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UNITED STATES SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES

This is in response to a request on May 19, 1975, that we review our files for any information concerning possible U. S. Government involvement in a plot to assassinate the former Dominican Republic Dictator Raphael Leonidas Trujillo.

A review was conducted of logical files; however, no information was located indicating U. S. Government involvement in the assassination of Trujillo, with the exception of several recent newspaper articles which implicated the Central Intelligence Agency in the assassination of Trujillo.

62-116391 According to PV Daly, this was a Rockefeller Commission request, not that of SSC & should there be

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

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NOTE:

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Reference is made to Legal Counsel memorandum to Mr. J. B. Adams 5/20/75, captioned "SENSTUDY - 75," wherein it was indicated that on 5/19/75, it was requested that the Bureau determine through its files what information they might have concerning possible Government involvement in a plot to assassinate Dominican Republic Dictator Raphael Trujillo. Information re the 5/19/75 conversation furnished orally by Director to Mr. Adams.

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In this regard, all sections of the main file on Trujillo (109-485), as well as a Correlation Summary dated 9/26/74 prepared from a review of all "see" references to the subject, were reviewed with negative results. Additionally, in connection with a recent request from the Rockefeller Commission concerning any information in Bureau files which would show connection of CIA with Mafia personalities, a review was made by IS-3 of the CIA relations files, specifically directed to any information concerning CIA involvement in assassination attempts. Review failed to develop any information regarding CIA involvement in a plot to assassinate Rafael Trujillo.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

FILE NUMBER: 62-109060 CROSS-REFERENCES

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: March 22, 1967

FROM : A. Rosen

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. Shroder
1 - Mr. Raupach
1 - Mr. Sullivan

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY
NOVEMBER 22, 1963
DALLAS, TEXAS

The attached sets forth the results of an interview with Edward P. Morgan (former Bureau Inspector) on 3/20/67.

By way of background, during February, 1967, James J. Rowley, U. S. Secret Service, advised that Drew Pearson, contacted Chief Justice Warren concerning information in possession of Edward P. Morgan. The Chief Justice refused to see Morgan; however, it was determined Morgan alleged that former Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy organized a group to go to Cuba to kill Castro. All of this group were killed or imprisoned except one person who escaped, and subsequently, after Castro learning of the plot, decided to utilize the same procedure to kill President Kennedy and that he hired Oswald to do the job. This information allegedly came from a client of Morgan's. Secret Service made an appointment to talk to Morgan; however, he never showed up.

On 3/17/67, Mr. Watson at the White House advised that President Johnson desired the FBI to interview Morgan concerning any knowledge he might have had concerning the assassination of President Kennedy.

Morgan was interviewed on 3/20/67 by Washington Field Office Agents. Due to attorney-client relationship, Morgan would not identify the persons who furnished him information concerning the assassination. He stated his clients, while not directly involved in the assassination, had knowledge of the plot. Morgan alleges his clients were used by a Government Agency (obviously Central Intelligence Agency, CIA) to plot the assassination of Fidel Castro, and that Castro learned of the plot, and thereafter, dispatched teams of assassins to the U. S. for the purpose of assassinating President Kennedy. He said his clients were aware of the identity of some of these individuals, and he understood that two such individuals were

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Memorandum [redacted] to DeLoach
RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JFK [redacted]

Morgan also stated that one of the clients he represented was a high type individual of the Catholic faith. When he queried this individual as to why he became involved in such a project as the assassination of Castro, his client indicated the project was so highly patriotically motivated that this overrode personal ethical or moral considerations.

During 1961, we conducted an investigation of a violation of Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communication Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, arrested in Las Vegas, Nevada, by local authorities on a wire tapping charge. Our investigation determined this involved Robert A. Maheu,* private detective, that coverage was instituted in behalf of CIA's efforts to obtain Cuban intelligence data through hoodlum element. [redacted]

We checked with CIA and learned CIA was utilizing Maheu as an intermediary with Sam Giancana, relative to CIA's "dirty business" anti-Castro activities. On 5/22/61 we furnished the then Attorney General Kennedy a memorandum containing the rundown of CIA's involvement of this which involved Maheu who had been hired by CIA to approach Sam Giancana to have Castro assassinated at a cost of $150,000. On 5/9/62 Kennedy advised he had issued orders that CIA should never undertake such steps again without first checking with the Department of Justice. [redacted]

This information is briefly set forth in the enclosure as it appears to relate to information in Morgan's possession. Since CIA furnished information on a strictly highly confidential "need-to-know" basis and requested that it be handled on a most restrictive basis, this is being set forth in the communications attached.

ACTION:

Attached for approval is a letter to Mrs. Stegall at the White House, the Attorney General, and James J. Rowley, U. S. Secret Service, enclosing a memorandum setting forth the information furnished by Morgan, and information received from CIA. The enclosures to these communications are classified Top Secret.

*former Special Agent

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He related that when he first heard the story from his clients he did not believe it, but conducted enough inquiry to satisfy himself that his clients had some basis in fact for their position and he felt they were telling the truth. He pointed out he represented substantial citizens, people who loved their country and had a high regard for the then President. If their story came out now, they would be damaged by the resultant publicity, and some prosecutor of the same type as District Attorney Garrison of New Orleans could conceivably attempt to initiate prosecution against them. At this point he noted that the charge against them might well be conspiracy to kill, which is a crime, and in the case of his clients the Statute of Limitations has not run.

In explaining this remark he pointed out that if he were a Government investigator assigned to unravel all facets of the assassination of President Kennedy, he would first concern himself with reading the newspaper articles dealing with the topic of a Castro plot. He said he would examine the Castro plot to determine precisely what bearing it had on the assassination of the President. He indicated the newspaper articles had considerable merit and were on the right track in regard to the theory of the assassination.

Without making any factual representations, and continuing to theorize, he went on to relate that his clients, whom he again characterized as respectable citizens, were called upon by a Governmental agency to assist in a project which was said to have the highest Governmental approval. The project had as its purpose the assassination of Fidel Castro, Premier of Cuba. Elaborate plans involving many people were made. These plans included the infiltration of the Cuban Government and the placing of informants in key posts within Cuba. The project almost reached fruition when Castro became aware of it and arrested a number of suspects. By pressuring captured suspects he was able to learn the full details of the plot against him and decided "if that was the way President Kennedy wanted it, he too could engage in the same tactics." Castro thereafter employed teams of individuals who were dispatched to the United States for the purpose of assassinating President Kennedy. [redacted] further

March 21, 1967

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY
NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS

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On the evening of March 20, 1967, Attorney Edward P. Morgan, 300 Farragut Building, Washington, D. C., furnished the following information relating to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

He advised that while this covered a wide range or field, it probably arose as the result of comments he made during conversations in which he suggested Lee Harvey Oswald was not the only person involved in the crime. He stated that he did have information pertaining to the assassination which he considered pertinent and relevant. He said it was necessary for him, in his capacity of attorney, to invoke the attorney-client privilege, since the information in his possession was derived as a result of that relationship. He added that it was still possible for his clients to be prosecuted. He pointed out that he was not stating or implying his clients were either directly or indirectly involved in the death of President Kennedy or could be prosecuted in this regard. However, they definitely face possible prosecution for a crime not related to the assassination of Kennedy. Due to their participation in this crime, his clients learned of information pertaining to the President's assassination. Mr. Morgan said he represented these clients on this specific matter. He did not elaborate on when they sought his legal counsel and he indicated he could not fulfill his responsibility and identify them. He said he gave considerable thought to finding some way to make this information available to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, but as yet had not come up with a solution. He considered a possible waiver from his clients but decided against this because the type of protection they needed was for some competent authority to grant them complete immunity, not only from prosecution but from the publicity that would surely follow. If in the future it becomes possible to overcome all legal obstacles, he will immediately make this information available to the Government and, more particularly, the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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explained that his clients (here noting that he, Morgan, was employed by more than one of those involved) obtained information concerning Castro's dispatch of these assassins from "feed back" furnished by sources close to Castro. Continuing, he said his clients were aware of the identity of some of the individuals who came to the United States for this purpose and he understood that two such individuals were now in the State of New Jersey.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR

DATE: 3/27/67

FROM : CLYDE TOLSON

SUBJECT:

Please note page 4 of the memorandum dated March 21, 1967 which was sent to Mrs. Stegall at the White House by the attached letter of March 22, and which covers the negotiations between Robert A. Maheu, acting for CIA, and Sam Giancana.

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F/s to OCA to advise & request to inform SSC on Intelligence of Classification DEC/ [illegible] 4/27/77

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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY
NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS

On the evening of March 20, 1967, Attorney Edward P. Morgan, 320 Farragut Building, Washington, D. C., furnished the following information relating to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

He advised that while this covered a wide range or field, it probably arose as the result of comments he made during conversations in which he suggested Lee Harvey Oswald was not the only person involved in the crime. He stated that he did have information pertaining to the assassination which he considered pertinent and relevant. He said it was necessary for him, in his capacity of attorney, to invoke the attorney-client privilege, since the information in his possession was derived as a result of that relationship. He added that it was still possible for his clients to be prosecuted. He pointed out that he was not stating or implying his clients were either directly or indirectly involved in the death of President Kennedy or could be prosecuted in this regard. However, they definitely face possible prosecution for a crime not related to the assassination of Kennedy. Due to their participation in this crime, his clients learned of information pertaining to the President's assassination. Mr. Morgan said he represented these clients on this specific matter. He did not elaborate on when they sought his legal counsel and he indicated he could not fulfill his responsibility and identify them. He said he gave considerable thought to finding some way to make this information available to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, but as yet had not come up with a solution. He considered a possible waiver from his clients but decided against this because the type of protection they needed was for some competent authority to grant them complete immunity, not only from prosecution but from the publicity that would surely follow. If in the future it becomes possible to overcome all legal obstacles, he will immediately make this information available to the Government and, more particularly, the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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He related that when he first heard the story from his clients he did not believe it, but conducted enough inquiry to satisfy himself that his clients had some basis in fact for their position and he felt they were telling the truth. He pointed out he represented substantial citizens, people who loved their country and had a high regard for the then President. If their story came out now, they would be damaged by the resultant publicity, and some prosecutor of the same type as District Attorney Garrison of New Orleans could conceivably attempt to initiate prosecution against them. At this point he noted that the charge against them might well be conspiracy to kill, which is a crime, and in the case of his clients the Statute of Limitations has not run.

In explaining this remark he pointed out that if he were a Government investigator assigned to unravel all facets of the assassination of President Kennedy, he would first concern himself with reading the newspaper articles dealing with the topic of a Castro plot. He said he would examine the Castro plot to determine precisely what bearing it had on the assassination of the President. He indicated the newspaper articles had considerable merit and were on the right track in regard to the theory of the assassination.

Without making any factual representations, and continuing to theorize, he went on to relate that his clients, whom he again characterize as respectable citizens, were called upon by a Governmental agency to assist in a project which was said to have the highest Governmental approval. The project had as its purpose the assassination of Fidel Castro, Premier of Cuba. Elaborate plans involving many people were made. These plans included the infiltration of the Cuban Government and the placing of informants in key posts within Cuba. The project almost reached fruition when Castro became aware of it and arrested a number of suspects. By pressuring captured suspects he was able to learn the full details of the plot against him and decided "if that was the way President Kennedy wanted it, he too could engage in the same tactics." Castro thereafter employed teams of individuals who were dispatched to the United States for the purpose of assassinating President Kennedy. [redacted] further

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

Mr. DeLoach

DATE: May 15, 1967

FROM: A. Rosen

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. Shroder
1 - Mr. Wick
1 - Mr. Gale
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Raupach

SUBJECT: EDWARD REID,
AKA, ED REID
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Ed Reid, a former newspaperman from Las Vegas, who has written several books concerning the hoodlum element and in the past has been described as an irresponsible newspaperman guilty of dishonest reporting, contacted an Agent of our Los Angeles Office.

Initial contact was telephonically made on 5/6/67 at which time Reid indicated he had information concerning John Roselli. On 5/9/67, our Los Angeles Agent met Reid at which time Reid displayed a rough draft manuscript of his new book "Jungle U.S.A.," described as a history and study of organized crime. Reid refers to Carlos Marcello and indicated there was a meeting on 9/11/63 at Churchill Farms, outside New Orleans, Louisiana, attended by several people including Marcello and Reid's informant. Marcello was alleged to have said that in order to get Bobby Kennedy they would have to get the President, and they could not kill Bobby because the President would use the Army and the Marines to get them. The result of killing the President would cause Bobby to lose his power as Attorney General because of the new President. Reid reported in his book that a person who attended this alleged meeting was interviewed by Agents of our Los Angeles Office and furnished them the information. Reid described his informant as reliable, and after leaving New Orleans, his informant traveled to Dallas and Los Angeles and several days later was interviewed concerning the Billie Sol Estes case, at which time he allegedly related to our Agents what he heard at Churchill Farms. Reid said his informant identified our Agents as Jim Eldridge and L. Blanton.

Based on this information, Los Angeles reviewed JUL 26 1967 files concerning the Billie Sol Estes case which revealed Sas James E. Ethridge and Lanford L. Blanton interviewed Howard Nicholas Becker 11/26/62. In this interview, Marcello was mentioned, and other interviews contained no reference to Marcello. Therefore, it appeared that Becker is Reid's informant. In Becker's interview, Marcello was mentioned in connection with a business proposition

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and no mention was made of the Attorney General nor were other interviews conducted by these two Agents regarding this matter.

Agents who interviewed Reid told him that information regarding the Churchill Farms conversation was not received as he alleged. At this time, Reid refused to confirm or deny that Becker was his informant. It is noted Reid's informant indicated this information was received on 9/11/63; however, Becker's interview was conducted on 11/26/62, several months preceding. It is noted Edward Nicholas Becker is a private investigator in Los Angeles who in the past has had a reputation of being unreliable and known to misrepresent facts.

Reid declared although the FBI stated this information was not received from his informant, he intends to leave his story as it appears in his book as the book is now in the hands of his publisher.

In connection with John Roselli, Reid wanted to trade information concerning him which offer was refused. He mentioned he was concerned with Roselli's association with Attorney Edward Morgan of Washington, D. C. As you recall, Morgan was previously interviewed at the request of the White House concerning alleged information in his possession regarding the assassination. Also, Roselli was the connecting link between CIA and Robert Maheu who was hired by the CIA to approach Sam Giancana to have Castro assassinated. Roselli is also a member of the Chicago family of La Cosa Nostra who represents Chicago's interests on the West Coast and primarily in Las Vegas.

Carlos Marcello is a leading New Orleans hoodlum who was prosecuted in Federal Court for Fraud Against the Government - Conspiracy in connection with attempt to secure fraudulent birth records in Guatemala and was found not guilty 11/22/63.

The above information is set forth due to the fact the inaccurate information furnished by Reid will appear in a forthcoming publication.

ACTION:

For information.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

FILE NUMBER: 139-1201 CROSS-REFERENCES

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: February 2, 1962

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, Et al.
UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OR USE
OF COMMUNICATIONS

TOP SECRET

This case involves a wire tap placed on the telephone of Dan Rowan of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin by Arthur James Balletti and J. W. Harrison. Balletti was employed by Edward DuBois, a former Bureau Agent who runs a private investigating agency in Miami, Florida. Balletti admits to having been assigned to surveil Rowan in Las Vegas, Nevada, and was accompanied by J. W. Harrison, not further known to him who was supplied by Robert Maheu, another former Bureau Agent. Dan Rowan was reportedly engaged to Phyllis McGuire of the McGuire Sisters trio, who was also reportedly a girl friend of Sam Giancana. Giancana is under investigation by the Chicago Office as a top hoodlum. U

Maheu claimed that he ordered coverage of Rowan in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency's (CIA) efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana, which had interest there. Maheu said he was put in contact with Giancana in connection with these intelligence activities through John Roselli, a Los Angeles top hoodlum. Maheu authorized wiring of Rowan's room and discussed this matter with John Roselli. (U)

Colonel John Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, CIA, on 5/3/61 advised that Maheu was used as an intermediary with Sam Giancana, relative to CIA's anti-Castro activities. Colonel Edwards said that since this was "dirty business," CIA could not be knowledgeable of Maheu's techniques and therefore had no information as to whether a telephone tap was authorized.

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CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS

The Department, by memorandum dated 1/31/62, has requested that we reinterview Colonel Edwards to determine whether the CIA would object to the institution of a criminal prosecution in which Robert Maheu might be a defendant. (U)

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1- Mr. Evans
1- Liaison Section

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Date of Declassification Indefinite

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
Re: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI

ACTION

It is recommended that the Liaison Agent with CIA reinterview Colonel Edwards in accordance with the Department's request.

ADDENDUM 2-8-62 (SJP:ban):

On February 7, 1962, Colonel Edwards advised the Liaison Agent that his agency would object to any prosecution which would necessitate the use of CIA personnel or CIA information. He pointed out that an introduction of any evidence concerning the CIA operation would be most embarrassing to the U. S. Government.

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TO : MR. SULLIVAN

DATE: April 13, 1962

FROM : D. J. BRENNAN

SUBJECT: ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, ET. AL.
UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OR USE
OF COMMUNICATIONS

CONFIDENTIAL

Reference is made to my memorandum dated April 5, 1962, advising that Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) was opposed to prosecution of Robert Maheu since such action could lead to exposure of most sensitive information relating to the Cuban invasion of April, 1961, and could result in damaging embarrassment to the U. S. Government. (u)

For your information, Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, CIA, advised that his Agency was giving serious consideration to conferring with the Department of Justice concerning this matter. It is Edwards' understanding that if this is done contact will be made with the Attorney General or Mr. Herbert J. Miller, Jr., of the Criminal Division.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the General Investigative Division.

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1 - Mr. Belmont
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

FILE NUMBER: 62-116395 CROSS-REFERENCES

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: K. William O'Connor
Special Counsel for Intelligence Coordination

DATE: JUL 1 1975

FROM: John C. Keeney
Acting Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

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SUBJECT: Summaries of File #82-46-5

In response to your memorandum of June 30, 1975, in this matter, there is attached the requested summary of File Number 82-46-5. Also attached is a xerox copy of the May 14, 1962 memorandum from Sheffield Edwards of the CIA to the Attorney General.

While the attached file summary is more detailed and specific than we would ordinarily submit in response to a request of a Chairman of a Congressional Committee, nonetheless, in view of the background and previous access of the Committee representatives to this file, the more extended summary may be appropriate. We have not submitted the summary to the FBI, and I believe this should be done before it is sent to the Committee.

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SUBJECTS: Sam Giancana, Robert Maheu, Edward L. Dubois, Jr., Arthur James Balletti and Unknown Subject, aka J. W. Harrison
Conspiracy to Violate Title 47, U.S.C. §605 (Wiretapping)

Nevada

The following consists of a summary of the Bureau's investigation and the results of their investigation into the wiretapping of Dan Rowan's phone in his hotel room at the Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, in October 1960.

The Bureau's initial investigative report dated November 10, 1960, reflects the results of an interview with [redacted] Clark County Sheriff's Office on November 1, 1960, involving the arrest of Arthur Balletti on October 31, 1960 for bugging the telephone box in Dan Rowan's hotel room. A search of Balletti's hotel room reflected notes and notations which Balletti had written down dates and times on which he had recorded portions of Rowan's telephone conversations. A black suitcase in Balletti's room was opened and it contained a large quantity of electronic devices, including transmitters, receivers, wall plugs, a minifon wire recorder and a set of 17 professional-type lock picks. On his arrival at the Clark County Sheriff's Office, Balletti admitted that he had been hired by Investigations Incorporated of Miami, Florida, a company owned by former FBI Agent Edward DuBois, and that this company apparently had a client who had requested an investigation concerning Rowan's private life. Balletti admitted listening to and recording Rowan's telephone conversations since October 26, 1960. According to Balletti, one Fred T. Harris, an investigator from Miami, had entered Rowan's room and installed the listening device.

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In the course of questioning by [redacted], Dan Rowan advised that within an hour of discussing the wiretapping of his phone with Phyllis McGuire of the McGuire Sisters [redacted] asked Rowan if Sam Giancana, the Chicago hoodlum, who was known to have kept company with Phyllis McGuire in the recent past might have wanted to know what conversations Rowan and McGuire were having. Rowan replied, "How did you know about that?" and [redacted] stated, "You certainly could have the answer." On November 1, 1960, Rowan appeared at the Clark County Sheriff's Office and signed a release, stating that he desired that all charges against Balletti be dropped and that no action be taken by the Clark County Sheriff's Office with regard to the burglary and the intrusion of privacy by use of a listening device, stating that Balletti was only working for someone else.

Request for Investigation

By memorandum dated December 5, 1960, the Criminal Division requested the Federal Bureau of Investigation to conduct a full investigation, noting that the facts set forth in the report referred to above indicated a violation of the provisions of 47 U.S.C. §605, and a conspiracy by Arthur James Balletti, Fred T. Harris, and possibly Investigations, Inc., Edward DuBois and others.

Results of Bureau Investigation Conducted at Criminal Division Request

By a report dated December 23, 1960, at Miami, captioned, "Arthur James Balletti; J. W. Harrison Unauthorized Publication and Use of Communications," a Special Agent of the Bureau advised that Edward L. DuBois, Jr., was interviewed on December 13, 1960, in Miami, Florida, at which time he stated that he had handled certain matters for a Robert Maheu, who operates a private investigation organization in Washington, D.C. DuBois stated that on October 25, 1960, he received a telephone call from Maheu's principal assistant, one Walter Fitzpatrick, requesting him to send two men to Las Vegas, Nevada right away for physical surveillance work. Maheu subsequently instructed DuBois to send only one man to Las Vegas and advised DuBois that he had hired one J. W. Harrison to accompany whomever DuBois sent. DuBois advised that he sent Balletti to Las Vegas on October 26, 1960. DuBois next heard from Balletti when Balletti phoned stating that he had been arrested in Las Vegas as a result of a wiretap and DuBois added that Balletti had been hired strictly for a physical surveillance.

The above-mentioned report dated December 23, 1960, reflects that on December 13, 1960, Arthur James Balletti was interviewed in Miami, concerning his activities in Las Vegas, Nevada. Balletti stated that he would discuss his activities with great reluctance and that it was very probable that he would refuse to answer many questions. Balletti advised that on October 26, 1960 he had flown from Miami, Florida to Las Vegas on a physical surveillance assignment on the orders of his employer, Edward L. DuBois, and that it was his understanding that he was actually working for some other private

investigator who had requested the assistance of DuBois. According to Balletti, at the Miami International Airport he met an individual he identified as J. W. Harrison from a description previously given him and they flew together to Las Vegas. Balletti advised that while in Las Vegas he physically surveilled Dan Rowan and that Harrison apparently put some sort of wiretap in Rowan's room there and monitored Rowan's phone conversations and that he, Balletti, had nothing to do with the tap, did not see it installed and never did any monitoring. Balletti denied that he was accompanied to Las Vegas by one Fred T. Harris, stating that Harrison had used a ticket in the name of Harris and, for this reason, the police in Las Vegas apparently assumed Harrison was Harris. According to Balletti, Harrison left Las Vegas before Balletti was arrested on October 31, 1960. Balletti said he could not comment upon the electronic equipment found in his room.

An FBI investigative report dated December 22, 1960, at Los Angeles, reflects that on December 21, 1960, Dan Rowan furnished a signed statement to special agents of the Bureau at Los Angeles, California. According to Rowan, after originally signing a complaint against Balletti, he discussed the phone tapping incident with Harvey Silbert and Elias Atoll, members of the corporation which operates the Riviera Hotel and he, Rowan, decided that pressing charges against Balletti would inconvenience him. On November 1, 1960 at the Sheriff's Office, Rowan signed a release and dropped charges against Balletti. Rowan advised that he

did not give
/anyone authority to record telephone calls or to install listening devices in his Room No. 228 or No. 226 at the Riviera Hotel.

A Bureau investigative report dated December 30, 1960 at Salt Lake City reflects that on December 20, 1960, Lt. Carl Smith advised that Balletti had been charged with invasion of privacy, a felony; possession of burglary tools, a misdemeanor; and operating as a private detective without a license, a misdemeanor, with a preliminary hearing set for April 24, 1961 in Justice of the Peace Court, Las Vegas.

The manager of Trans World Airlines, Las Vegas, advised that company records reflect that one, F. T. Harris departed Las Vegas on Trans World Airlines Flight No. 292 at 10:30 a.m., on October 30, 1960, to St. Louis, Missouri, where he made connections with Trans World Airlines Flight No. 76 to Miami, Florida.

On December 22, 1960, the desk clerk at the Riviera Hotel was contacted and shown nine photographs, including one of Fred T. Harris. The desk clerk advised that he could not identify anyone whose photo had been exhibited as being identical with the individual who checked into the Hotel on October 26, 1960 under the name of J. W. Harrison. The desk clerk added that he did not think he would recognize either Balletti or Harrison if he should see them in person.

On December 21, 1960, at Las Vegas, Nevada, [redacted] Clark County Sheriff's Office, furnished a list of articles in Balletti's possession at the time of his arrest.

These included a telephone bug transmitter recovered from behind the bed in Room 228 at the Riviera Hotel; 17 lock picks; 2 telephone bug devices; one ear phone; one cigarette case containing a miniature transmitter; one Minox camera; one Minox film and other electronic and physical devices, equipment and tools, all enumerated on three typed pages of the foregoing investigative report dated December 30, 1960.

The hotel manager of the Riviera Hotel advised that hotel records reflect that from October 27 to November 5, 1960, Rowan made 15 long distance calls to Edgewood, Nevada, and that most of the calls had apparently been made to Phyllis McGuire.

The hotel manager also advised on December 21, 1960 at Las Vegas, Nevada, that according to hotel records, Arthur J. Balletti checked into the hotel on October 26, 1960 and was assigned Room 331 and that the registration card bears the notation, "in room with Harrison". Since Balletti's hotel bill was in excess of $100 and he was not known, the manager and the chief of security for the hotel went to Room 331 and no one was in the room when they entered. At this time, they observed a yellow pad with the notation of time and a date which referred to Dan Rowan and the hotel manager observed in the top desk drawer what appeared to be a recording device. After discussing the bill with Balletti and receiving a somewhat uncertain identification, the hotel manager subsequently notified the Clark County Sheriff's Office that he had observed what appeared to be a recording device in Balletti's room and suspected that a listening device might be installed in Rowan's room. The hotel manager and Deputy Sheriff Eversole

and another Deputy, name unrecalled, entered Rowan's room and the hotel manager observed what appeared to be some type of microphone taped to the rear headboard on the bed in Rowan's room with wires running to the telephone wall box. The hotel manager observed the Deputy Sheriff remove the article from the headboard.

This matter was discussed with Assistant United States Attorney Raymond Sutton on December 22, 1960, and he advised Special Agents of the Bureau that he desired to have the results of a full investigation prior to rendering a prosecutive opinion. Mr. Sutton stated that upon the receipt of results of full investigation he would, in all probability, present the matter to the next federal grand jury which meets in Las Vegas.

By letter dated January 19, 1964, the Assistant Attorney General of the Criminal Division advised the United States Attorney at Reno, Nevada, Mr. Howard W. Babcock, attention: Mr. Raymond Sutton, that the United States Attorney furnish the Criminal Division with his prosecutive opinion upon completion of the investigation and that he not institute criminal prosecution without our prior authorization, unless time is of the essence.

According to a Bureau report dated December 12, 1961, at Washington, D. C., Robert Maheu of Maheu and King Associates, Inc., Washington, D. C., advised on December 27, 1960 that he had received a call from a Los Angeles attorney asking Maheu to recommend someone to do investigative work in Las Vegas,

Nevada for a client. Maheu stated that he recommended Edward DuBois and that the Los Angeles attorney requested him to contact DuBois to make the necessary arrangements to handle the investigation in Las Vegas. Maheu stated that he could not recall if he or Walter Fitzpatrick, an associate of Maheu, had contacted DuBois regarding this request. He stated that his firm was not involved in this matter and that DuBois had been contacted only as a favor to the Los Angeles attorney. Maheu denied that he had made a second call to DuBois instructing him to send only one man to Las Vegas, adding that he does not know any J. W. Harrison and is not acquainted with Arthur James Balletti. Maheu advised that he did not desire to furnish the identity of the Los Angeles attorney who originally contacted him without the attorney's consent.

By letter dated January 27, 1961, Mr. Howard Babcock advised the Criminal Division that prior to any presentment that office would be furnished with a prosecutive opinion and noted that the Bureau investigation in this matter has not yet been completed.

An FBI investigative report dated February 8, 1961, at Salt Lake City, reflects that efforts to identify unknown subject, J. W. Harrison, have been unsuccessful.

The above report dated February 8, 1961 also reflects that on January 2, 1961, at New York City, Phyllis McGuire advised that she had not given authority to anyone to install a listening device on Dan Rowan at any time and had no prior knowledge that such a device had been used before the arrest of Arthur James Balletti.

The above report also reflects that Thomas Foley, Attorney-at-Law, advised on February 6, 1961, at Las Vegas, Nevada, that during the latter part of October 1960, he received a telephone call from James P. Cantillion, a Los Angeles attorney, requesting Foley to represent Arthur J. Balletti who had been arrested by the Clark County Sheriff's Office. Foley asked Cantillion about payment of the legal fee and Cantillion stated that he would personally guarantee its payment. Foley stated that he immediately contacted a bail bondsman and arranged bond for Balletti. Foley stated that he was of the opinion that James P. Cantillion is the son of father and son team, Cantillion and Cantillion, a law firm in Los Angeles, California. Foley advised that Balletti's trial on the local charge was set for April, 1961.

A Bureau investigative report dated January 28, 1961 at Miami, Florida, reflects that Fred T. Harris advised on January 24, 1961 that although he formerly worked as a private investigator for Investigations, Inc., from June 1960 until November 16, 1960, he did not work for Edward L. DuBois. However, since November 16, 1960, he has been back with DuBois almost full time. Harris stated he definitely did not accompany Balletti to Las Vegas and knew nothing of this affair and while he could not pinpoint his complete activities, he was certain that he was never out of Miami during the period from October 26 through 30, 1960. Harris also stated that he knew nothing of electronic devices and never had any sound training and would have no idea as how to install any sort of wiretap.

The same report reflects that Edward DuBois was interviewed on January 24, 1961, at Miami, Florida, stating again that Maheu had informed him that he could only send one man to Las Vegas, that he gave two round-trip tickets to Balletti who went to the Airport, met Maheu's man and travelled to Las Vegas. DuBois stated that Fred Harris definitely did not accompany Balletti to Las Vegas and did not work for him from June until the middle of November, 1960. DuBois stated he had no idea who had hired Maheu and that he had received $1,000 from Maheu for Balletti's services in Las Vegas. When he, DuBois, learned of Balletti's arrest, he contacted Maheu in Los Angeles and Maheu knew of Balletti's arrest and arranged for a Los Angeles attorney to defend him. Maheu indicated he had made these arrangements through a Los Angeles attorney whose identity he did not disclose.

According to the above-mentioned report, dated January 28, 1961, at Miami, Florida, the desk clerk of the Kenilworth Hotel advised, on January 25, 1961, that registration records reflect that Robert A. Maheu of Washington, D. C., was registered in Room 722 from October 11-29, 1960 and that he was accompanied by one J. A. Rollins, also of Washington, D. C., who stayed in Room 701 from October 11-30, 1960. It was the desk clerk's recollection that Maheu paid the bills for both of the rooms and she noted that it was possible that either Rollins or Maheu could have left the hotel for a few days and return and if the room was not given up, such information would not be reflected on the registration card.

A Bureau investigative report dated February 14, 1961, at Miami, Florida, reflects numerous long distance phone calls of Robert Maheu made in October 1960 from the Kenilworth Hotel and four such calls made by J.A. Rollins during October 1960.

A Bureau investigative report dated March 6, 1961, at Los Angeles, California, reflects the telephone listing for the Los Angeles number called by DuBois immediately after Balletti's arrest and the telephone listing for Los Angeles numbers called by Maheu and J.A. Rollins from Miami Beach in October 1960. In addition, the report reflects that James P. Cantillion, attorney, Los Angeles, California, advised on March 1, 1961, that his first knowledge of the microphone incident in Las Vegas, Nevada, came from a telephone call to him from a man in custody at Las Vegas whose name he could not recall. When given the name Balletti, Cantillion acknowledged that the name was probably correct but stated that he had no knowledge of Balletti prior to the call which came from a Lieutenant either from the Clarke County's Sheriff's Office or the Las Vegas City Jail. He claimed privilege for his conversation with Balletti but advised that he referred the caller to attorney Tom Foley in Las Vegas. Cantillion stated that he knew Robert Maheu. Cantillion denied telephoning or otherwise contacting Maheu in Washington, D. C., or elsewhere, to ask him to perform surveillance on Dan Rowan.

A Bureau memorandum dated March 13, 1961, at Los Angeles, California, reflects information concerning James P. Cantillion, including that one John Roselli stayed at the Beverly Hilton Hotel when he came to Los Angeles and he visits with an attorney,

James Cantillion of Beverly Hills, California. Records of the Los Angeles, California Police Department reflect that John Roselli, FBI # 3339986, was first arrested by the Los Angeles Police Department in 1924 for carrying concealed weapons, but the charge was dismissed. During the period from 1924 to 1932, he was arrested on several occasions on charges of suspicion of grand larceny, carrying concealed weapons and robbery. In testimony before the Kefauver Committee in October 1950, Roselli advised that he met Al Capone in Chicago and that he spent a day with Capone in Los Angeles, California, in about 1930. Records of the United States District Court indicate that on December 22, 1943, Roselli was found guilty of violation of Section 402A, Title 18, U.S.C., and sentenced to 10 years imprisonment. The charge involved extorting money from motion picture producers to insure the studios against labor strikes.

The above report reflects that Cantillion was apparently involved in business transactions with Roselli and had been visited by Roselli and one Louis J. Lederer, a close friend of Roselli and apparently linked to nationally-known hoodlum and gambler, Frank Costello, of New York. Cantillion, Lederer and Roselli were, according to the report, all involved in hotels and gambling operations in Las Vegas, Nevada.

A Bureau investigative report dated March 27, 1961, at Washington, D. C. reflects that on January 19 and January 30, 1961, Robert Maheu was interviewed and remained unable to supply the name of the Los Angeles attorney who had originally contacted him and requested him to contact Edward DuBois.

Maheu advised that he had stayed at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach during the latter part of October 1960, but denied that he had instructed DuBois to send only one man to Las Vegas and stated that his only involvement in the matter was to have DuBois contacted at the request of the Los Angeles attorney. Maheu identified the J.A. Rollins who was with him at the Kenilworth Hotel as John A. Rollins and would not identify him further, stating Rollins was working indirectly for him in Miami. Maheu denied that Rollins was the individual who went to Las Vegas to assist Balletti. Shortly after the interview, Mr. Maheu telephonically contacted a Special Agent of the Bureau at the Washington Field Office, stating that "he had just received a telephone call and if this matter could be held up for a few days, it would be all straightened out."

A Bureau report dated April 6, 1961, at Miami, Florida, reflects that Balletti was interviewed on March 29, 1961 at which time he denied ownership of the technical equipment confiscated in his hotel room aside from a tape recorder and cameras. Balletti stated that he did not recall telling the arresting officers at Las Vegas that J. W. Harrison was actually Fred Harris of Miami. Balletti stated that on October 30 or 31, 1960, he received a long distance telephone call from Robert Maheu who instructed him to contact T. W. Richardson at the New Frontier Hotel. Maheu advised Balletti

that Richardson would pay him $1,000 and that when Balletti contacted Richardson giving a password, Richardson gave him 10 one hundred dollar bills in a men's room. Balletti again denied that he knew the true identity of J. W. Harrison.

The same report reflects that on March 20, 1961, DuBois advised that Robert Maheu had paid him $1,000 in cash as his retainer. DuBois claimed that Balletti had told him that on October 31, 1960, he, Balletti, received a long distance telephone call from Maheu who claimed that he was calling from Los Angeles and instructed Balletti to contact a Mr. Richardson and that Richardson would pay him the retainer. DuBois was asked if he knew John A. Rollins and he stated that he did not know anyone by that name. DuBois was questioned regarding the equipment found in Room 331 of the Riviera Hotel at the time Balletti was arrested and DuBois denied that any of the technical equipment aside from the minifon tape recorder and the cameras belonged to his agency. DuBois assumed that the equipment belonged to J. W. Harrison. DuBois reiterated that he did not know the name of the principal in this case who contacted Maheu to have the surveillance conducted on Rowan.

A Bureau report dated April 11, 1961 reflects that a communication from the Washington Field Office dated February 13, 1961, advised that Maheu was still unable to secure permission from the attorney to divulge the attorney's name to the FBI. Maheu denied that Rollins was the individual who went to Las Vegas with Balletti, stating that the Kenilworth Hotel records

in Miami would reflect that Rollins was there during the period Balletti was in Las Vegas.

This report reflects that by communication dated March 28, 1961, the Riviera Hotel registration card, which contained the handwriting of the unknown subject, also known as J. W. Harrison, was submitted to the FBI Laboratory to be compared with the handwriting on the registration card from the Kenilworth Hotel at Miami Beach which bears the name J. A. Rollins.

According to a Bureau investigative report dated April 12, 1961 at Los Angeles, California, Dan Rowan telephonically contacted a special agent of the Bureau on April 5, 1961 at which time he advised that he did not believe that he had any information of pertinence to add. Rowan stated that he first heard of Sam Giancana from a [redacted] with the Clark County Sheriff's Office, Las Vegas, Nevada and stated that he had never met Giancana. [redacted] advised that he has discussed Giancana on one or two occasions with Phyllis McGuire, observing that she was hesitant to discuss Giancana and stated that her relationship with him took place long ago and she saw no reason to discuss it. McGuire stated that Giancana still sends her gifts and flowers, but that this is entirely his idea and she has nothing to do with him.

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CIA Involvement

A Bureau memorandum dated April 20, 1961 at Washington, D.C., reflects that on April 18, 1961, Maheu advised that following the recent invasion of Cuba by anti-Castro forces

he was now in a position to furnish additional information regarding the situation involving the subjects at Las Vegas, Nevada. At this time, Maheu offered his explanation (set forth in detail in a previous memorandum concerning Central Intelligence Agency involvement in this matter) that Rowan's hotel room was to be the subject of electronic surveillance in connection with determining the source of a leak of information on the part of an individual in the Chicago area. Maheu stated that his work could be verified by "Shef Edwards", Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, CIA.

The Director of the Bureau advised the Attorney General by memorandum dated May 22, 1961 that the full investigation requested in this matter is continuing, although the memo noted in view of the information regarding CIA's attempted utilization of the "hoodlum element" in connection with anti-Castro activities, CIA has requested that this information be handled on a "need-to-know" basis. The Bureau also attached to this memorandum the results of an interview on May 3, 1961 with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency, which has previously been set forth in detail in the memorandum setting forth the CIA's involvement in this matter.

By communication dated April 11, 1961, the FBI Laboratory advised that the handwriting on the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, registration card and the hand-printed name of J.A. Rollins was not comparable with the handwriting on the Riviera

Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, registration card bearing the signature of J.W. Harrison.

On May 13, 1961, records of the Clark County Sheriff's Office reflect that the State charges against Arthur James Balletti were dismissed on April 24, 1961, since the complaining witness did not desire to prosecute.

A Bureau investigative report dated June 6, 1961 at Washington, D. C. reflects that on May 25, 1961, Maheu again advised of his involvement with the Central Intelligence Agency in connection with their attempt to utilize Giancana in connection with the CIA's activities against the Castro government. Maheu stated that the original contact with Giancana was made by "Johnny" who Maheu declined to further identify. Maheu stated that it was his decision to have a microphone coverage installed in Rowan's room and he was extremely careful as he did not want to involve the CIA. Maheu advised that DuBois did not know the CIA's interest in this matter and in requesting DuBois to handle the assignment, he had used a pretext indicating to DuBois that a Los Angeles, California attorney had made the original request for coverage of Rowan. Maheu still denied that he had called DuBois instructing him to send only one man to Los Angeles and that he, Maheu, would supply the second man. Maheu subsequently advised that he had sent word to Sam Giancana as to the extent of the investigation following his Bureau interview on May 25, 1961.

An FBI report dated June 26, 1961 at Miami, Florida reflects that Edward DuBois and Arthur Balletti, after viewing a photo of John Roselli, said on June 20, 1961 that they did not recognize him and that they have not been in contact with him in connection with their investigation of Rowan at Las Vegas, Nevada. However, one employee of the Kenilworth Hotel advised that she believed the photograph of John Roselli was a photograph of J.A. Rollins, but could not make a positive identification without seeing the man in person. An FBI report dated June 29, 1961, at Las Vegas, Nevada, reflects that on June 17, 1961, the manager of the Riviera Hotel advised that he knows John Roselli by sight and that so far as he knew, Roselli had never stayed at that hotel and he felt sure that Roselli was not the individual who checked into the hotel on October 26, 1960, using the name J.W. Harrison.

According to a Bureau investigative report dated June 30, 1961, at Los Angeles, Robert Maheu advised on June 29, 1961 that the "Johnny" to whom he made contact with Sam Giancana was John Roselli and that he discussed the plan to wire Rowan's room with Roselli before it was done. It was pointed out to Maheu that the explanation he gave in a previous interview for wiring Rowan's room did not appear logical and was far removed from the purpose for which he was hired by the Central Intelligence Agency. Maheu stated that he would stick to the explanation previously given and wished to add that he would never have ordered Rowan's room wired except for his connection with the CIA.

An FBI investigative report dated July 19, 1961, at Chicago, reflects that Samuel M. Giancana was interviewed at O'Hare International Airport, Chicago, on July 12, 1961 by special agents of the Bureau and he refused to make any comment regarding Maheu and refused to admit that he was acquainted with Dan Rowan. In the course of the interview, Giancana became very abusive and obscene. During this time, Miss Phyllis McGuire, who apparently traveled with Giancana, was also interviewed by special agents of the Bureau, although the results of that interview were not reflected. The special agents' conversation with Giancana was terminated upon the appearance of Miss McGuire. Giancana left accompanied by Miss McGuire.

An FBI report dated July 20, 1961 at Los Angeles, California, reflects that Maheu was interviewed on July 15, 1961 and persisted in his story with respect to the bugging of Rowan's hotel room. Maheu denied that the installation of the device in Rowan's room was made at the request or for the benefit of Sam Giancana or John Roselli.

The same report reflects that Roselli was interviewed on July 7, 1961, and admitted that he had known Maheu for approximately 5 years. When asked if he knew Giancana, Roselli stated, "Let's discuss the weather. I do not care to answer any more questions."

On August 2, 1961, United States Attorney Howard W. Babcock, at Las Vegas, Nevada, advised that he is not certain that it could be proven that any information received by Balletti and the unknown subject was ever "disseminated" and also

he was very concerned about the possibility of information becoming known of Robert Maheu performing work for the CIA.

By letter dated October 13, 1961, Mr. Babcock noted that his successor assumes office on October 16, 1961 and, therefore, felt it appropriate that his successor review the file and investigative reports.

In response to a request from the Criminal Division dated January 31, 1962, the Bureau ascertained from the Director of Security of the Central Intelligence Agency, Col. Sheffield Edwards, that his Agency would object to any prosecution which would necessitate the use of CIA personnel or CIA information and that the introduction of any evidence concerning the CIA operation would be most embarrassing to the United States Government. This Bureau reply was dated February 9, 1962.

In response to an additional request from the Criminal Division dated March 19, 1962, the Bureau replied, by memorandum dated April 10, 1962, that Col. Edwards advised that Maheu's prosecution undoubtedly would lead to exposure of most sensitive information relating to the abortive Cuban invasion in April 1961 and in view of this, his Agency objects to the prosecution of Maheu.

By memorandum dated April 24, 1962, Mr. Herbert J. Miller, Jr., Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, advised the Attorney General that it is clear that the national interest will preclude any prosecution resulting from the Nevada wiretap case, adding at the conclusion of the memo that prosecutive action will be declined.

1 - Mr. J. B. Adams
1 - Mr. W. V. Cleveland

The Attorney General

September 3, 1975

2 - Mr. J. A. Mintz
(1 - Mr. J. B. Hotis)
1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall
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Director, FBI

UNITED STATES SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES (SSC)

Reference is made to the letter addressed to Mr. Shaheen from the SSC dated August 25, 1975, which requested staff access to "all memoranda written by Special Agent Sam Papich or Special Agent Mef Kurtz concerning contacts between any CIA personnel and (a) Robert Maheu; (b) Sam Giancana; (c) John Roselli; or (d) Santos Trafficante during the period 1960-1963."

Attached for your approval and forwarding to the SSC is the original of a memorandum which responds to the request contained in the above-mentioned SSC letter.

A copy of the memorandum is also being furnished for your records.

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1 - The Deputy Attorney General
Attention: Michael E. Shaheen, Jr.
Special Counsel for
Intelligence Coordination

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NOTE:

We have previously disseminated information to the SSC concerning information developed re CIA involvement with the hoodlum element as it concerns efforts to assassinate Fidel Castro. We first became aware of such CIA involvement in connection with our investigation of an Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications case involving one Arthur James Balletti

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in 1961. Prior to that investigation, we had developed information through a source that Sam Giancana was involved in an operation to assassinate Fidel Castro; however, that information did not concern involvement with any Government agency. Information developed in connection with the Balletti case surfaced CIA's involvement with Robert Maheu, Sam Giancana, and John Roselli, the latter two being hoodlums. We promptly disseminated this information to the Attorney General. All pertinent material has been made available to the SSC; however, they continue to seek underlying material on which our dissemination was based. One of the SSC investigators recently interviewed former SA Papich who indicated to the investigator he had dictated a number of memoranda concerning CIA's involvement with hoodlums. Apparently, based on that interview, the SSC has now made this additional request. Extensive file reviews of all individuals mentioned in the SSC request have been made and a number of memoranda dictated by Papich have been found. None of these memoranda shed any additional light on assassination attempts against Castro. They do show, however, continuing contact between representatives of the CIA and John Roselli during the period we were mounting an operation against Roselli. They further show that CIA officials did not consider attempting to interfere with our operations or prosecution of Roselli. Section Chief R. J. McCarthy, Criminal Intelligence and Organized Crime Section, Special Investigative Division, has advised that the Special Investigative Division interposes no objection to making the documents available for review by the SSC.

1 - Mr. J. B. Adams
1 - Mr. W. V. Cleveland
2 - Mr. J. A. Mintz
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1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall

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U. S. SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE TO STUDY GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS WITH RESPECT TO INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES (SSC)

RE: REQUEST FOR STAFF ACCESS TO UNDERLYING MATERIALS LOGICALLY RELATED TO INFORMATION IN FBI FILES CONCERNING ASSASSINATION ATTEMPTS AGAINST FIDEL CASTRO IN WHICH THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY WAS INVOLVED

Reference is made to the letter to Michael E. Shaheen, Jr., Special Counsel for Intelligence Coordination, Office of the Deputy Attorney General, U. S. Department of Justice, dated August 25, 1975, from John T. Elliff, Director, Domestic Intelligence Task Force, of captioned Committee. U

Referenced letter requested Committee access to "all memoranda written by Special Agent Sam Papich or Special Agent Mef Kurtz concerning contacts between any CIA personnel and (a) Robert Maheu; (b) Sam Giancana; (c) John Roselli; or (d) Santos Trafficante during the period 1960-1963." U

The "Mef Kurtz" mentioned above is identical with former Special Agent Meffert W. Kuhrtz, who retired from the FBI on November 21, 1962. U

For your information, Mr. Kuhrtz served on the Domestic Liaison staff of the FBI until May 29, 1961, when he was transferred to the Inspection Division of the FBI. From November 16, 1961, until January 4, 1962, he was temporarily assigned to the FBI Domestic Liaison staff to handle duties of former Special Agent Sam Papich, who was on a special assignment. U

Extensive file reviews, including our complete holdings on Maheu, Giancana, Roselli, and Trafficante, as well as our holdings on anti-Castro activities, have again been made and the only memorandum written by Mr. Kuhrtz concerning the subject matter of interest is the memorandum

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dated May 4, 1961, captioned "Arthur James Balletti, et al., Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications," which reported his interview of Colonel Sheffield Edwards, then Director of Security of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), on May 3, 1961. Staff access to this document was provided to Messrs. Epstein and Postal on August 20, 1975.

With regard to memoranda written by Mr. Papich concerning the subject matter of interest during the period 1960-1963, extensive file review has located the following documents:

Addendum to a memorandum dated February 2, 1962, captioned "Arthur James Balletti, et al., Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications," which reported a Papich contact of Colonel Sheffield Edwards on February 7, 1962, at Department of Justice instruction, to determine if CIA would object to the institution of a criminal prosecution in which Robert Maheu might be a defendant. Messrs. Epstein and Postal reviewed this document on August 20, 1975.

Memorandum dated April 5, 1962, captioned "Arthur James Balletti, et al., Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications," which reported a contact of Colonel Edwards by Papich on April 2, 1962, at the request of the Department of Justice. This memorandum was reviewed by Messrs. Epstein and Postal on August 20, 1975.

Memorandum dated April 13, 1962, captioned "Arthur James Balletti, et al., Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications," which reported that Colonel Edwards advised Papich that CIA was giving serious consideration to conferring with the Department of Justice concerning possible proposed prosecutive action by the Department against Robert Maheu and the resultant damaging embarrassment such action could cause the U. S. Government. Mr. Edwards indicated it was his understanding that if such contact was made it would be with the Attorney General or Mr. Herbert J. Miller, Jr., Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division of the Department.

Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities (SSC)

Re: Request for Staff Access to Underlying Materials Logically Related to Information in FBI Files Concerning Assassination Attempts Against Fidel Castro in which the Central Intelligence Agency Was Involved

Memorandum dated June 21, 1963, which reported a Papich interview of William Harvey, a CIA employee, charged with closing out the relationship between CIA and John Roselli. According to Harvey he had met with Roselli on June 20, 1963, for that purpose.

The pertinent portions of this interview were reported in our dissemination to the Attorney General, dated March 6, 1967, captioned "Central Intelligence Agency's Intentions to Send Hoodlums to Cuba to Assassinate Castro."

A copy of the above-mentioned communication has been provided to your Committee.

Extensive file review has located a number of documents which, while not in the time frame of your request, do have a bearing on the subject of interest. These memoranda were prepared by Mr. Papich between the years 1966-1968 and for the most part concern contacts between John Roselli and William Harvey. Harvey was charged with winding up the relationship between Roselli and CIA. One memorandum, dated June 3, 1966, concerns advice from CIA that that Agency had terminated its working arrangement with Robert Maheu.

The above-mentioned documents are available for review in Room 4171, J. Edgar Hoover Building, by appropriate personnel of the Committee staff.

1 - The Attorney General

5-140 (Rev. 1-21-74) FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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8. SUMMARY (see reverse side before completing this item)

Made available to appropriate personnel of the SSC Staff for review at FBIHQ, memorandum prepared by Sam Papich between years 1966-68 and for the most part concern contacts between John Roselli and William Harvey. Harvey was charged with winding up the relationship between Roselli and CIA. One memorandum 6/3/66 concerng advice from CIA that that Agency had terminated its working arrangement with Robert Maheu.

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September 16, 1975

The Attorney General

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U. S. SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES (SSC)

Reference is made to the letter to the Attorney General from Senator John Tower, Vice Chairman, SSC, which enclosed two letters from John T. Elliff, Director, Domestic Intelligence Task Force, SSC, both dated September 11, 1975. One of these letters contained 26 requests, the second 8 requests, all of which requests relate to SSC interest in CIA involvement with the hoodlum element in connection with plans to assassinate Fidel Castro.

With regard to Item 6 in the letter containing eight requests, we believe that the document requested is in the Department's Giancana correspondence file, as we have no such file designated as such, nor could we locate such a document in our files. Further, we feel the Phil White referred to in the request was connected with the Department.

Enclosed is a memorandum for your approval and forwarding to the Committee in response to the above-mentioned letters of September 11, 1975.

Also enclosed for your records is a copy of the memorandum prepared for the Committee.

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1 - The Deputy Attorney General
Attention: Michael E. Shaheen, Jr.
Special Counsel for
Intelligence Coordination

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The Attorney General

NOTE:

The SSC requests were directed to the Attorney General by letter from Senator Tower, Vice Chairman, SSC, who asked that the furnishing of the material requested be afforded the highest priority. In forwarding the request, the Department has requested that the material be made available by 9/16/75. The requests, copies of which are attached, deal mainly with communications concerning John Rosselli and Sam Giancana, top hoodlums who were utilized by CIA through a cutout in efforts to assassinate Fidel Castro. The FBI has promptly disseminated any and all information received concerning this subject at the time of its occurrence specifically to then Attorney General Robert Kennedy and the Committee has been so advised. It appears that the majority members of the Committee are attempting to prove that the Kennedys were unaware of the CIA assassination plot while the minority members are attempting to prove otherwise. As the majority of the information being requested by the Committee concerns the hoodlum element, the documents being furnished have been reviewed by representatives of the Special Investigative Division and they interpose no objection to the transmission of these documents to the Committee.

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1 - Mr. J. B. Adams
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September 16, 1975
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U. S. SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE TO
STUDY GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS WITH
RESPECT TO INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES (SSC)

Reference is made to the two letters, both dated September 11, 1975, to Michael E. Shaheen, Special Counsel for Intelligence Coordination.

The letter containing 26 requests will hereinafter be referred to as request #1. The second letter containing 8 requests will be referred to as request #2.

The materials requested in the above-mentioned letters have been processed and will be delivered to the Committee on September 16, 1975, with this communication.

It is noted that Item 6, request #1, and Item 5, request #2, are identical requests.

With regard to Item 5 of request #1 which refers to an "FBI Report of November 11, 1962 re: Crime Conditions in Los Angeles," we can find no such report; however, we have located such a report dated November 15, 1962. Please advise if that is the report of interest to you.

With regard to Item 10 of request #1 identified as an FBI memorandum of February 6, 1962, from Rosen to Belmont, your letter states that Mr. Postal of your staff had previously reviewed this memorandum. The memorandum which Mr. Postal reviewed was dated February 2, 1962. A copy of this memorandum is being furnished.

With regard to Item 12 of request #1 identified as an FBI report of October 10, 1961, contained in Bureau file 92-3267, we can locate no such report in that file; however, we did locate a report in that file dated October 16, 1961, a copy of which is being furnished.

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U. S. Senate Select Committee On Intelligence Activities (SSC)

With regard to Item 24 of request #1, our indices contain no references to a [redacted]. One reference concerning a [redacted] and one reference to a [redacted] were located. A Xerox copy of each of these indices cards is being furnished.

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With regard to Item 25 of request #1 which requested advice as to whether there is any information contained in the John Rosselli electronic surveillance logs concerning 18 individuals or situations, a check of our electronic surveillance indices revealed references to three of the individuals; namely, Sam Giancana, [redacted] and Robert Maheu, as having been overheard through electronic surveillance coverage on John Rosselli. Without further advice as to the identity of "any White House person" or "any DOJ person" no logical search of electronic surveillance indices can be made.

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With regard to Item 26 of request #1 in which you requested to be advised if six individuals had been the subject of electronic surveillance, our files reveal that two of the six named were the subjects of such coverage; namely, Sam Giancana and Santos Trafficante.

In view of the fact that some of the information contained in the material being furnished originates from sensitive FBI sources in the criminal field and because of privacy considerations of individuals referred to in this material, it is requested that access be restricted to those persons having an absolute need to know.

1 - The Attorney General

SEP 12 1975

TO: Richard L. Thornburgh
Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

John A. Mintz, Assistant Director
Legal Counsel Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation

FROM: Michael E. Shaheen, Jr.
Special Counsel for Intelligence
Coordination

SUBJECT: Senate Select Committee Requests

Attached for your attention and priority response are two letters from the Senate Select Committee.

One letter makes 26 numbered requests. Requests numbered 11, 19 thru 23, invite Criminal Division response. All other requests seek Bureau response. (I have also attached a letter from Senator Tower to the Attorney General in which he asks that the Attorney General assign these requests the highest priority.)

The second letter contains 8 numbered requests, all of which are addressed to the Bureau. (You will note they involve the same area of inquiry as those for which Senator Tower requests priority treatment.)

Please arrange for the prompt preparation of responses.

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cc: Paul Daly

Recd 9:25 AM 9/15/75

5-140 (Rev. 1-21-74) FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

Addressee: Senate Select Committee

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Caption of Document: Re two letters both dated 9/11/75. Contained 26 requests & 8 requests relating to CIA involvement with hoodlum element in connection with plans assassinate Castro.

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FROM: FBI

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Information furnished relates to communications concerning John Rosselli and Sam Giancana, top hoodlums utilized by CIA in efforts to assassinate Fidel Castro.

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Memorandum reporting results of an interview by SSC Staff Member of incumbent SA Fred J. Cassidy

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(PURSUANT TO S. RES. 21, 94TH CONGRESS)
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

September 11, 1975

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Honorable Edward H. Levi
Attorney General
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20530

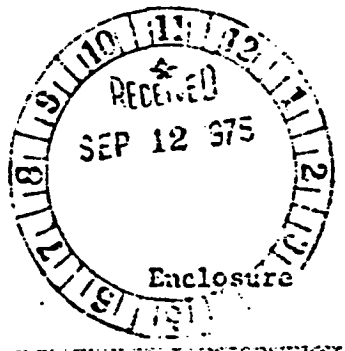
Dear Mr. Attorney General:

You are doubtless aware of the fact that this Committee is completing its work on an interim report on the assassination question. Evidence relating to critical aspects to the report have recently come to the attention of our staff. It appears that certain documentary and other evidence in the possession of your Department has direct and material bearing upon our ability to fully explore these new matters.

In consultation with the Chairman, it has been determined that these matters should be assigned the highest priority. Accordingly, it is requested that you provide such assistance as may be appropriate to facilitate production of the materials called for by the attached document request which has been transmitted to Mr. Michael E. Shaheen, Jr., your Special Counsel for Intelligence Coordination. It is anticipated that witnesses having information relative to these new matters under investigation will be interviewed as early as Tuesday of the coming week.

While it is with the greatest reluctance that the Committee must request this further burdening of your resources, it is hoped that the specificity of this request will expedite compliance.

Your continuing cooperation in support of our mandate is greatly appreciated.



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Sincerely,

John Tower

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Vice Chairman

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Michael E. Shaheen, Jr., Esquire
Special Counsel for Intelligence
Coordination
Office of the Deputy Attorney General
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20530

Dear Mr. Shaheen:

The following list of documents and materials contained in the FBI and Justice Department files are hereby requested by the Senate Select Committee on Government Operations with Respect to Intelligence Activities:

1. Memorandum of February 27, 1962 from Director, FBI to Attorney General re: John Rosselli.

2. FBI Report of January 3, 1962 contained in Bureau file #92-3171.

3. Memorandum of January 12, 1962 from Director, FBI to Attorney General re: Nevada Cambling Industry.

4. FBI Report of October 17, 1962 contained in Bureau file #92-3267.

5. FBI Report of November 11, 1962 re: Crime Conditions in Los Angeles contained in field file #94-250 Los Angeles.

6. Memorandum of July 9, 1963 from Director, FBI to Attorney General re: Samuel Giancana.

7. FBI Report of July 15, 1963 contained in Bureau file #92-3267.

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8. FBI Report of August 5, 1963 contained in Bureau file #92-3171.

Items 9 and 10 are contained in documents previously made available for inspection by A. Postal.

9. FBI Memorandum of April 5, 1968 from Brennan to Sullivan.

10. FBI Memorandum of February 6, 1962 from Rosen to Belmont.

11. Letter from Department of Army, Security Division, received April 3, 1962, and contained in the Samuel Giancana correspondence file, in Organized Crime and Racketeering Section, Criminal Division.

12. FBI Report of October 10, 1961 contained in Bureau file #92-3267.

13. FBI Report of November 22, 1961 contained in Bureau file #92-3267.

14. FBI Report of August 4, 1961 contained in Bureau file #92-3267.

15. Memorandum of March 7, 1961 from Director, FBI to Attorney General in abovementioned Giancana correspondence file.

16. Memorandum of May 18, 1961 from Director, FBI to Attorney General.

17. Letter to Attorney General from Director, FBI of December 11, 1961, re: Giancana or Rosselli.

18. Letter from Director, FBI to Attorney General of November 24, 1961, re: Giancana or Rosselli.

19. FBI Report of January 28, 1961 contained in DOJ file #82-46-5.

20. FBI Report of July 18, 1961 contained in DOJ file #82-46-5.

21. Memorandum re: AUSA in Las Vegas of August 16, 1961, and contained in DOJ file #82-46-5.

22. Note of October 6, 1961 contained in DOJ file #82-46-5.

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23. Access to Criminal Division file #71-4-16-27 re: anti-Castro activities.

24. Xerox copies of name index cards, and subject of each file identified on:

[redacted]

25. The Committee wishes to be advised whether there is any information contained in the John Rosselli electronic surveillance logs concerning:

a. Castro
b. CIA
c. Judy Campbell
d. Robert Maheu
e. [redacted]
f. Balletti Wiretap Case
g. [redacted]
h. Bill Harvey
i. Sheffield Edwards
j. Samuel Giancana
k. Santos Trafficante
l. [redacted]
m. [redacted]
n. [redacted]
o. [redacted]
p. Balletti
q. any White House person
r. any DOJ person

26. The Committee wishes to be advised whether there was any electronic surveillance on Judy Campbell, [redacted] Samuel Giancana, Robert Maheu, [redacted] or Santos Trafficante.

Sincerely,

John T. Elliff

John T. Elliff
Director
Domestic Intelligence Task Force

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Michael E. Shaheen, Jr., Esquire
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Washington, D. C. 20530

Dear Mr. Shaheen:

The following list of documents and materials contained in the FBI and Justice Department files are hereby requested by the Senate Select Committee on Government Operations with Respect to Intelligence Activities:

1. FBI Memorandum of November 1, 1967 from Brennan to Sullivan.

2. FBI Memorandum of May 8, 1967 from Brennan to Sullivan.

3. FBI Memorandum of June 21, 1963 from Brennan to Sullivan.

4. FBI Report of March 10, 1962 contained in Bureau file #92-3267.

5. Letter of July 9, 1963 from Director, FBI to Attorney General, contained in abovementioned Giancana correspondence file.

6. Letter from Robert Plummer to Phil White of February 6, 1962, contained in abovementioned Giancana correspondence file.

7. Memorandum of July 14, 1961 from Director, FBI to Attorney General, re: Giancana or Rosselli.

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(8) Memorandum of July 26, 1961 from Director, FBI to Attorney General, re: Giancana or Rosselli.

Sincerely,

John T. Elliff

John T. Elliff
Director
Domestic Intelligence Task Force

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

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Memorandum

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

SUBJECT: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (CIA)
ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES

DATE: 7/2/65

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Branigan
1 - Mr. R. W. Smith
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Cotter
1 - Personnel File of Robert Mah
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1 - Mr. Papich

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Maheu is a former Bureau Agent who entered on duty in 1940 ar resigned in 1947. For several years he has been operating a private investigative agency which has included the handling of public relatior business. The Bureau has been most circumspect in its dealings with Maheu since 1953 [redacted] In 1961, he was a possible subject of case involving a telephone wire tap but he claimed that he had ordered this technical coverage in behalf of CIA efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba. We did verify that CIA had utilized Maheu as an intermediary in their operations directed against Castro. In April, 1962, CIA objected to prosecution of Maheu, taking the position that su action might lead to the exposure of sensitive information relating to the abortive Cuban invasion of April, 1961, and would result in damagir embarrassment to the U.S. Government. The Director made the notation a this time "this is an outrage. H."

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1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Gale
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1 - Mr. Sullivan

The Attorney General

March 6, 1967

Director, FBI

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1 - Mr. Papich
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Inspector

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

Our files contain the following information concerning the captioned matter, much of which has been furnished by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) on a strictly highly confidential "need-to-know" basis. In view of this, it is requested that it be handled on a most restrictive basis.

This matter first came to our attention in the Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of a violation of the Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, who had been arrested by local authorities in Las Vegas, Nevada, on a local wire tapping charge. Balletti and another unidentified individual in October, 1960, had reportedly placed a wire tap on the telephone of Dan Rowan, a member of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire of the well-known McGuire Sisters singing trio who was also known to be a girl friend of Sam Giancana, a top hoodlum.

During the course of the Balletti investigation it was ascertained that Robert A. Maheu, a private detective, was involved. Maheu during interview claimed he ordered coverage of Rowan in behalf of CIA's efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana, which had interests there. Maheu said he was put in contact with Giancana in connection with these intelligence activities through John Roselli, a Los Angeles hoodlum. Maheu stated also that he authorized the wiring of Rowan's room and had discussed the matter with Roselli.

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The essence of the above was furnished to former Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy by letter dated May 22, 1961, which enclosed a memorandum of the same date containing data made available on May 3, 1961, by Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who at that time was Director of Security at CIA, regarding his utilization of Maheu in connection with anti-Castro activities. Since our files show that Mr. Kennedy returned the original of our letter and its enclosed memorandum dated May 22, 1961,

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The Attorney General

to us for filing purposes, a copy of the May 22, 1961, memorandum is attached hereto for your information. (U)

You will note that Colonel Edwards advised he personally contacted Robert Maheu during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Maheu as a "cutout" in contacts with Sam Giancana in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against Castro. Colonel Edwards stated that Giancana's activities were completely "backstopped" by Maheu, who would frequently report Giancana's actions and information to Edwards. No details or methods used by Maheu or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were reported to him, according to Edwards, as such involved "dirty business," of which Colonel Edwards could not afford to have knowledge. Accordingly, he said he had no prior knowledge of the above-mentioned wire tapping by Balletti. (U)

Further with respect to this matter, I was informed of the following on a highly confidential basis by former Attorney General Kennedy during a conference in my office on May 9, 1962:

He indicated that a few days prior thereto he had been advised by CIA that Robert A. Maheu had been hired by CIA to approach Sam Giancana with a proposition of paying $150,000 to hire some gunmen to go into Cuba and kill Castro. He further stated CIA admitted having assisted Maheu in making the "bugging" installation in Las Vegas (referred to above) which uncovered this clandestine operation and for this reason CIA could not afford to have any action taken against Giancana or Maheu. Mr. Kennedy stated that upon learning CIA had not cleared its action in hiring Maheu and Giancana with the Department of Justice he issued orders that CIA should never again take such steps without first checking with the Department of Justice.

Mr. Kennedy further advised that because of this matter it would be very difficult to initiate any prosecution against Giancana, as Giancana could immediately bring out the fact the United States Government had approached him to arrange for the assassination of Castro. He stated the same was true concerning any action we might take against Maheu for any violation in which he might become involved.

On June 20, 1963, Mr. William Harvey, an official of CIA, advised that he had held a meeting with John Roselli (referred to above as Maheu's link with Giancana) for the purpose of closing out the entire matter with which Roselli had been involved. In this connection, Harvey stated that CIA had

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established contact with Roselli in "early 1961" with respect to a sensitive operation against Castro. Harvey said that for all intents and purposes the operation was discontinued and canceled after the ill-fated Bay of Pigs invasion in April, 1961, but Roselli had not been completely cut off, as he periodically indicated he was in a position to be of assistance.

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In light of the above information furnished us by CIA and former Attorney General Kennedy, it appears that data which came to our attention in October, 1960, possibly pertains to the captioned matter. At that time a source close to Giancana advised that during a conversation with several friends Giancana stated that Fidel Castro was "to be done away with very shortly." Giancana reportedly assured those present that Castro's assassination would occur in November, 1960, and that he had already met with the assassin-to-be on three occasions, the last meeting having taken place on a boat docked at the Fontainebleau Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. Reportedly, Giancana claimed that everything had been perfected for the killing and the "assassin" had arranged with a girl, not further described, to drop a "pill" in Castro's drink or food.

Also of possible interest is a news article carried in the August 16, 1963, issue of the "Chicago Sun Times." This article carried the headline, "CIA Sought Giancana's Help For Cuba Spying," and it was reported therein that CIA agents had contacted Giancana in an effort to obtain Cuban intelligence after Castro came into power. U

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Memorandum

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Gale
1 - Mr. Wick

TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: March 6, 1967

FROM : W. R. Wannall

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1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Papich
1 - Mr. Wannall
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SUBJECT: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

"CIA Info Declassified" per let of John E. Bacon 8/27/80

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ON 3/2/81 TO IPA# 22,330

In accordance with instructions, attached letter has been prepared for Attorney General setting forth all data in our files concerning captioned matter. Briefly, information being furnished is as follows:

Matter first came to our attention in Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of violation of Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, arrested in Las Vegas, Nevada, by local authorities on wire tapping charge. Wire tap involved was on telephone of Dan Rowan, member of Rowan and Martin comedy team. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire, girl friend of top hoodlum Sam Giancana and member of McGuire Sisters singing trio.

Through our investigation we determined involvement of Robert A. Maheu, private detective, who stated coverage on Rowan instituted in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) efforts to obtain Cuban intelligence data through hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana. Maheu was in contact with Giancana through services of John Roselli, another hoodlum, and Maheu authorized wiring of Rowan's room.

We checked matter with CIA on 5/3/61 and learned CIA was utilizing Maheu as intermediary with Sam Giancana relative to CIA's "dirty business" anti-Castro activities. CIA insisted it did not give Maheu any instructions relative to use of technical installations. By letter 5/22/61 we furnished former Attorney General Kennedy a memorandum containing a rundown on CIA's involvement in this. The originals of the letter and memorandum were returned to us for filing purposes. A copy of that memorandum is being attached to instant letter being sent to Attorney General.

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hired by that Agency to approach Sam Giancana to have Castro assassinated at a cost of $150,000. Kennedy stated he had issued orders that CIA should never undertake such steps again without first checking with Department of Justice and stated because of this matter it would be difficult to prosecute Giancana or Maheu then or in the future.

We learned on 6/20/63 from CIA that its contacts with John Roselli (Maheu's link with Giancana) had continued up until that time, when they were reportedly cut off.

It appears Roselli is using his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. In May, 1966, when Bureau Agents endeavored to interview him he immediately flew to Washington and informed his former CIA intermediary. The current Director of Security, CIA, has advised through liaison channels that Roselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and Roselli would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA to serve his own interests. In furnishing this information we were asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis. We have, however, included it in the attached proposed letter to the Attorney General noting this CIA specific restriction. ~~(5)~~ (4)

We have two other references in our files to the over-all above information which we have included in the letter. One relates to a statement by Giancana in October, 1960, that he had met with an individual who was to assassinate Castro in November, 1960. The other is an article in the 8/16/63 issue of the "Chicago Sun Times" reporting that CIA agents had contacted Giancana to obtain Cuban intelligence.

ACTION:

If approved, attached letter will be sent to the Attorney General, with a copy for the Deputy Attorney General.

The Attorney General asked for this info. on Friday, 3/3/67.

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Memorandum

1 - Mr. W.C. Sullivan
1 - Mr. J.H. Gale
1 - Mr. T.E. Bishop

TO : Mr. C. D. Brennan

DATE: 1/18/71

FROM : W. R. Wannall

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Memorandum concerns Jack Anderson's column in 1/18/71 "Washington Post," which indicates Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) made six attempts to assassinate Premier Fidel Castro. U

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Memorandum W. R. Wannall to Mr. C. D. Brennan
Re: Central Intelligence Agency's Involvement in Attempts to Assassinate Castro

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In February, 1967, Secret Service advised columnist Drew Pearson contacted former Chief Justice Warren concerning information in possession of Attorney Edward P. Morgan, former Bureau Inspector. Morgan alleged former Attorney General Kennedy organized group to kill Castro. Subsequently, after Castro learned of plot, he decided to utilize same procedure to kill President Kennedy and hired Oswald to do the job. On 3/17/67, White House requested Bureau interview Morgan concerning assassination of President Kennedy.

Morgan was interviewed on 3/20/67. Due to attorney-client relationship, Morgan would not identify persons who furnished information concerning assassination. Morgan alleged his clients were used by a Government Agency (obviously CIA) to plot assassination of Castro and that Castro learned of plot and thereafter dispatched teams of assassins to U. S. to assassinate President Kennedy. He stated that the information attributed to Drew Pearson probably arose as a result of comments Morgan made suggesting that Lee Harvey Oswald "was not the only person involved" in the assassination of President Kennedy. Morgan furnished no information to the effect Castro hired Oswald to assassinate Kennedy and we developed no such information during our extensive investigation of the Kennedy assassination. Results of our interview with Morgan together with the information we previously had concerning CIA's involvement in plot to assassinate Castro, was furnished White House, Attorney General, and Secret Service on 3/22/67.

We have no information concerning the other five CIA alleged assassination plots against Castro.

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Castro Plot Raises Ugly Questions

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By Jack Anderson

The plot to kill Cuban dictator Fidel Castro, hidden for 10 years from the public, raises some ugly questions that high officials would rather keep buried deep inside the Central Intelligence Agency.

1. Has the CIA tried to assassinate any other leaders? John McCone, who headed the CIA during the six attempts to knock off Castro, denied emphatically that the CIA has tried to kill anyone. But ex-Sen. George Smathers, one of John F. Kennedy's closest friends, told us the late President suspected that the CIA had arranged the shootings of the Dominican Republic's Rafael Trujillo in 1961 and South Vietnam's Ngo Dinh Diem in 1963.

2. Did President Kennedy personally sanction the plot against Castro? The preparations to assassinate the Cuban dictator began during the last months of the Eisenhower administration as part of the Bay of Pigs scheme. All six attempts, however, were made during 1961-63 when Mr. Kennedy occupied the White House. Smathers told us he once spoke to the late President about assassinating Castro. Mr. Kennedy merely rolled back his eyes, recalled Smathers, as if to indicate the idea was too wild to discuss. Subsequently, Mr. Kennedy told Smathers of his suspicion that the CIA may have been behind the Trujillo and Diem assassinations.

3. Did the late Robert Kennedy know about the assassination attempts? After the Bay of Pigs fiasco, President Kennedy swore to friends he would like "to splinter the CIA in a thousand pieces and scatter it to the winds." He put his brother, Robert, in charge of the CIA with instructions to shake it up. The CIA made five attempts on Castro's life after the Bay of Pigs while Robert Kennedy was riding herd on the agency.

4. Could the plot against Castro have backfired against President Kennedy? The late President was murdered nine months after the last assassination team was caught on a Havana rooftop with high-powered rifles. Presumably, they were subjected to fiendish tortures until they told all they knew. None of the assassination teams, however, had direct knowledge of the CIA involvement. The CIA instigators had represented themselves as oilmen seeking revenge against Castro for his seizure of oil holdings.

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Former associates recall that Robert Kennedy, deeply despondent, went into semi-seclusion after his brother's assassination. Could he have been tormented by more than natural grief? He certainly learned that the assassin, Lee Harvey Oswald, had been active in the pro-Castro movement and had traveled to Mexico to visit the Cuban Embassy a few weeks before the dreadful day in Dallas. Could Bob Kennedy have been plagued by the terrible thought that the CIA plot, which he must at least have condoned, put into motion forces that may have brought about his brother's martyr-

The last surviving brother, Sen. Ted Kennedy (D-Mass), could give us no insight. His brothers had never spoken to him about any assassination attempts against Castro, he said. He was aware, he volunteered, only that Sen. Smathers had talked to the late President about eliminating Castro.

Smathers told us that President Kennedy seemed "horrified" at the idea of political assassinations. "I remember him saying," recalled Smathers, "that the CIA frequently did things he didn't know about, and he was unhappy about it. He complained that the CIA was almost autonomous.

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"He told me he believed the CIA had arranged to have Diem and Trujillo bumped off. He was pretty well shocked about that. He thought it was a stupid thing to do, and he wanted to get control of what the CIA was doing."

But McCone, disagreeing vigorously, told us that "no plot was authorized or implemented" to assassinate Castro, Trujillo, Diem or anyone else.

"During those days of tension, there was a wide spectrum of plans ranging from one extreme to another," McCone admitted. "Whenever this subject (assassinating Castro) was brought up—and it was — it was rejected immediately on two grounds. First, it would not be condoned by anybody. Second, it wouldn't have achieved anything."

There was also talk in high places, McCone acknowledged, of supporting a coup to oust Diem. The former CIA director said he had argued against this at a secret session with both Kennedy brothers. He had contended that there was no one strong enough to take Diem's place and that a coup, therefore, would bring "political upheaval."

"I told the President and Bobby (ogether," recalled McCone, "that if I were running a baseball team and had only one pitcher, I wouldn't take him out of the game."

The November, 1963, coup caught the United States completely by surprise, he said. While the plotters were moving on the palace, he said, then-Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge was visiting Diem. Adm. Ulysses Sharp, then our Pacific commander, had also been present, but had left early to go to the airport.

McCone said President Diem escaped through a tunnel but was caught in nearby Cholon and "shot in a station wagon."

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Our files contain the following information concerning the captioned matter, much of which has been furnished by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) on a strictly highly confidential "need-to-know" basis. In view of this, it is requested that it be handled on a most restrictive basis. (U)

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During the course of the Balletti investigation it was ascertained that Robert A. Maheu, a private detective, was involved. Maheu during interview claimed he ordered coverage of Rowan in behalf of CIA's efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana, which had interests there. Maheu said he was put in contact with Giancana in connection with these intelligence activities through John Roselli, a Los Angeles hoodlum. Maheu stated also that he authorized the wiring of Rowan's room and had discussed the matter with Roselli.

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The essence of the above was furnished to former Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy by letter dated May 22, 1961, which enclosed a memorandum of the same date containing data made available on May 3, 1961, by Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who at that time was Director of Security at CIA, regarding his utilization of Maheu in connection with anti-Castro activities. Since our files show that Mr. Kennedy returned the original of our letter and its enclosed memorandum dated May 22, 1961,

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The Attorney General

to us for filing purposes, a copy of the May 22, 1961, memorandum is attached hereto for your information. (u)

You will note that Colonel Edwards advised he personally contacted Robert Maheu during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Maheu as a "cutout" in contacts with Sam Giancana in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against Castro. Colonel Edwards stated that Giancana's activities were completely "backstopped" by Maheu, who would frequently report Giancana's actions and information to Edwards. No details or methods used by Maheu or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were reported to him, according to Edwards, as such involved "dirty business," of which Colonel Edwards could not afford to have knowledge. Accordingly, he said he had no prior knowledge of the above-mentioned wire tapping by Balletti. (u)

Further with respect to this matter, I was informed of the following on a highly confidential basis by former Attorney General Kennedy during a conference in my office on May 9, 1962:

He indicated that a few days prior thereto he had been advised by CIA that Robert A. Maheu had been hired by CIA to approach Sam Giancana with a proposition of paying $150,000 to hire some gunmen to go into Cuba and kill Castro. He further stated CIA admitted having assisted Maheu in making the "bugging" installation in Las Vegas (referred to above) which uncovered this clandestine operation and for this reason CIA could not afford to have any action taken against Giancana or Maheu. Mr. Kennedy stated that upon learning CIA had not cleared its action in hiring Maheu and Giancana with the Department of Justice he issued orders that CIA should never again take such steps without first checking with the Department of Justice.

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established contact with Roselli in "early 1961" with respect to a sensitive operation against Castro. Harvey said that for all intents and purposes the operation was discontinued and canceled after the ill-fated Bay of Pigs invasion in April, 1961, but Roselli had not been completely cut off, as he periodically indicated he was in a position to be of assistance.

It appears Roselli has since that time, nevertheless, used his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. For example, in May, 1966, when contacted by Agents of this Bureau in connection with our current investigation of his activities he refused to talk and immediately flew to Washington, D. C., and consulted with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who is now retired from CIA. Colonel Edwards in turn advised CIA, which told us. Mr. Howard J. Osborn, the present Director of Security, CIA, freely has admitted to us that Roselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and that he would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA if it served his own interests. In furnishing this information, Mr. Osborn asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis. ~~X~~S(u)

In light of the above information furnished us by CIA and former Attorney General Kennedy, it appears that data which came to our attention in October, 1960, possibly pertains to the captioned matter. At that time a source close to Giancana advised that during a conversation with several friends Giancana stated that Fidel Castro was "to be done away with very shortly." Giancana reportedly assured those present that Castro's assassination would occur in November, 1960, and that he had already met with the assassin-to-be on three occasions, the last meeting having taken place on a boat docked at the Fontainebleau Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. Reportedly, Giancana claimed that everything had been perfected for the killing and the "assassin" had arranged with a girl, not further described, to drop a "pill" in Castro's drink or food.

Also of possible interest is a news article carried in the August 16, 1963, issue of the "Chicago Sun Times." This article carried the headline, "CIA Sought Giancana's Help For Cuba Spying," and it was reported therein that CIA agents had contacted Giancana in an effort to obtain Cuban intelligence after Castro came into power. U

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On May 3, 1961, Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) furnished the following information.

Colonel Edwards advised that in connection with CIA's operation against Castro he personally contacted Robert Maheu during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Maheu as a "cut-out" in contacts with Sam Giancana, a known hoodlum in the Chicago area. Colonel Edwards said that since the underworld controlled gambling activities in Cuba under the Batista government, it was assumed that this element would still continue to have sources and contacts in Cuba which perhaps could be utilized successfully in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against the Castro government. As a result, Maheu's services were solicited as a "cut-out" because of his possible entree into underworld circles. Maheu obtained Sam Giancana's assistance in this regard and according to Edwards, Giancana gave every indication of cooperating through Maheu in attempting to accomplish several clandestine efforts in Cuba. Edwards added that none of Giancana's efforts have materialized to date and that several of the plans still are working and may eventually "pay off."

Colonel Edwards related that he had no direct contact with Giancana; that Giancana's activities were completely "back stopped" by Maheu and that Maheu would frequently report Giancana's action and information to Edwards. No details or methods used by Maheu or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were ever reported to Edwards. Colonel Edwards said that since this is "dirty business" he could not afford to have knowledge of the actions of Maheu and Giancana in pursuit of any mission for CIA. Colonel Edwards added that he has neither given Maheu any instruction to use technical installations of any type nor has the subject of technical installations ever come up between Edwards and Maheu in connection with Giancana's activity.

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Colonel Edwards related that Maheu did come to him concerning the arrest in Las Vegas of Balletti for "wire tapping." Maheu cautioned Edwards that the Balletti arrest could cause CIA some embarrassment since Balletti was in Las Vegas attempting to obtain coverage on some "Hollywood people" in connection with Giancana's efforts for CIA. Edwards said that he did not know the facts of the Balletti case and Maheu claims "Balletti went too far" in his efforts to obtain information. Edwards added that he was unaware of any reason for this activity of Maheu or Giancana in Las Vegas and that Giancana's activity in furtherance of the anti-Castro activity was left completely in Maheu's hands.

Colonel Edwards advised that only Mr. Bissell (Deputy Director of Plans, CIA) and two others in CIA were aware of the Giancana - Maheu activity in behalf of CIA's program and that Allen Dulles was completely unaware of Edwards' contact with Maheu in this connection. He added that Mr. Bissell, during his recent briefings of General Taylor and the Attorney General in connection with their inquiries into CIA relating to the Cuban situation, told the Attorney General that some of CIA's associated planning included the use of Giancana and the underworld against Castro.

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