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SUBJECT: MEYER LANSKY

FILE NUMBER: 92-2831 SECTION 21

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MIAMI	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MIAMI	DATE 12/14/77	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 4/13/77 - 11/18/77
TITLE OF CASE MEYER LANSKY, Aka.		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED] b7c	TYPED /vy
		CHARACTER OF CASE ANTI-RACKETEERING	

REFERENCES:

Miami report of SA [REDACTED] dated 3/22/77, b7c
 Miami teletype to the Bureau dated 10/12/77.

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LEADS:

MIAMIAt Miami, Florida

Will continue to follow LANSKY's activities.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					☒ NONE	ACQUIT- TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	PRETRIAL DIVERSION	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☒ YES ☐
							PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☒

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - STRIKE FORCE, MIAMI, FLORIDA

Report of: SA [REDACTED] b7c
Date: DECEMBER 14, 1977

Office: MIAMI

Field Office File #: MM 92-102

Bureau File #: 92-2831 1645

Title: MEYER LANSKY

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: LANSKY continues to reside at the Imperial House, 5255 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida. Spot checks at LANSKY's residence, Eden Roc Hotel, and 13105 Ortega Lane, negative. On 6/30/77, RICHARD B. SCHWARTZ, LANSKY's step-son, was arrested for killing CRAIG TERIACCA. On 10/12/77, SCHWARTZ was shot and killed on Bay Harbor Island behind his place of business, the Inside Restaurant.

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DETAILS:

On April 13, 1977, MEYER LANSKY was observed in front of his residence, the Imperial House, located at 5255 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida.

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On August 24 and September 13, 1977, a spot check was conducted in the vicinity of the Eden Roc Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, and MEYER LANSKY was observed having breakfast with his brother, JACK, and two other unidentified males on both of these occasions.

On October 12, 1977, RICHARD SCHWARTZ, step-son of MEYER LANSKY, was found shot to death at 9:12 a.m., next to his automobile in the parking lot behind his restaurant,

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the Inside Restaurant, 1009 Kane Concourse, Bay Harbor Island, Miami Beach, Florida. Investigation at the scene reflected that both front windows of the automobile were shattered. Dade County Public Safety Department, Homicide Division, is handling the investigation in this matter.

On October 14, 1977, RICHARD SCHWARTZ' funeral and burial took place. SCHWARTZ was buried in a family plot in New York City, New York.

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On November 10, 1977, MEYER LANSKY was observed in front of his residence, the Imperial House, 5255 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MIAMI	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MIAMI	DATE 3/30/78	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 12/5/77 - 3/28/78
TITLE OF CASE MEYER LANSKY, aka		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY jgm
		CHARACTER OF CASE ANTI-RACKETEERING	

REFERENCES

Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 12/14/77.
 at Miami.
 Miami letter to Dallas, dated 1/17/78.
 Dallas letter to Miami, dated 2/6/78.
 New York letter to Cincinnati, dated 3/15/78.

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							PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☒ YES ☐ NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☒ NO

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - Strike Force, Miami, Florida

Report of: SA [REDACTED] b7c
Date: March 30, 1978

Office: Miami, Florida

Field Office File #: 92-102

Bureau File #: 92-2831

Title: MEYER LANSKY

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: LANSKY continues to reside at the Imperial House, 5255 Collins Ave., Miami Beach, Fla. Spot checks at his residence, the Eden Roc Hotel and 13100 Ortega Lane, were non-productive. Subject lost this third attempt to enter Israel.

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DETAILS:

The following newspaper article appeared in the "Miami Herald" on January 6, 1978:

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Lansky Loses Third Bid to Enter Israel

By RON LABRECQUE
Herald Staff Writer

Late Thursday afternoon, Meyer Lansky sat in his comfortable Miami Beach apartment overlooking the ocean and covered his disappointment with a joke.

"Maybe I'm an excommunicated Jew," he said, laughing.

The premier underworld financier had just learned that, for the third time, the Israeli government had refused him entry under rules that normally welcome almost all Jews automatically.

CALLED THE Law of Return, it smooths the way for Jewish immigrants to the tiny Zionist state. But not Lansky, declared a danger to public safety by the Israeli Supreme Court.

"I'm not a threat to Jews or society," Lansky said. "I'm a Jew, and I want to go to Israel just as any other Jew would."

Last September, Israeli authorities refused Lansky permission even to visit for a 10-day vacation.

He is 75 now, and for several years, according to his doctors, has been in extremely poor health. He has prepared for death by purchasing two gravesites in the centuries-old Mount of Olives Cemetery in Jerusalem.

When Israel rejected him last year, he told his rabbi, "I'll be there anyway," in a reference to the gravesites.

"I DID it on my own," Lansky said Thursday about his decision to try again two weeks ago. Without help from the lawyers who have protected him or the rabbi who sometimes has guided him, Lansky said, he wrote a letter to Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

Begin quickly turned the letter over to an old Lansky foe in Israel, Interior Minister

Yosef Burg.

Burg five years ago headed an intensive investigation that led to Lansky's deportation from Israel, where he had lived more than a year with his wife, Thelma.

In his letter to Begin, Lansky said he wanted to live out his life in Israel.

Burg again said no.

Lansky wasn't surprised. "I know his position," Lansky said. He said he didn't mind that Begin didn't personally make a decision. "I don't care who (the letter) was given to."

THE AGING Lansky, who acts like a kindly grandfather in public, always has discounted law enforcement reports about his supposed prominence in organized crime.

"I don't care what people think about me, just the people who have dealt with me," he said.

"They can't indict me unless they frame me, like they did on that tax case," he said,

referring to his 1972 federal indictment for income tax evasion. A Miami jury in 1973 chose not to believe Mafia member-turned-informant Vincent (Big Vinnie) Teresa and acquitted Lansky.

LAW ENFORCEMENT authorities estimate that Lansky — who operated a gambling syndicate in Florida 25 years ago, was involved in pre-Castro Havana casino night-life and allegedly has had hidden connections with Las Vegas and European casinos — made many millions of dollars and rose to mob prominence through illegal gambling.

"I hope you stop gambling," he said, facetiously, referring to the current debate over legalization of casino gambling in Florida.

"You make such an issue of it, but it's something just like the noses on our faces. It won't go away," he said. "Why not stop it all then? Why run betting odds in the newspaper? Why don't you stop making cards?"

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Meyer Lansky
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On February 9, 1978, LANSKY was observed at his residence, the Imperial House, 5255 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida.

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On December 21, 1977, and March 28, 1978, spot checks were conducted in the vicinity of the Eden Roc Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, and at these times MEYER LANSKY was not observed.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2831)

DATE: 8/17/78

FROM : *BWD* SAC, MIAMI (92-102) (P)

SUBJECT: *g* MEYER LANSKY, aka
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Re Miami report of SA [REDACTED] to
Bureau dated 3/30/78. *b1c*

For information of the Bureau, a letter is being
prepared in lieu of a report and will be continued in the
future UACB.

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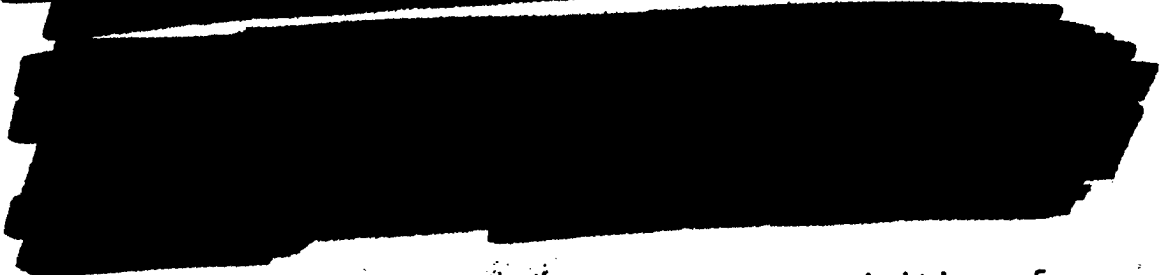
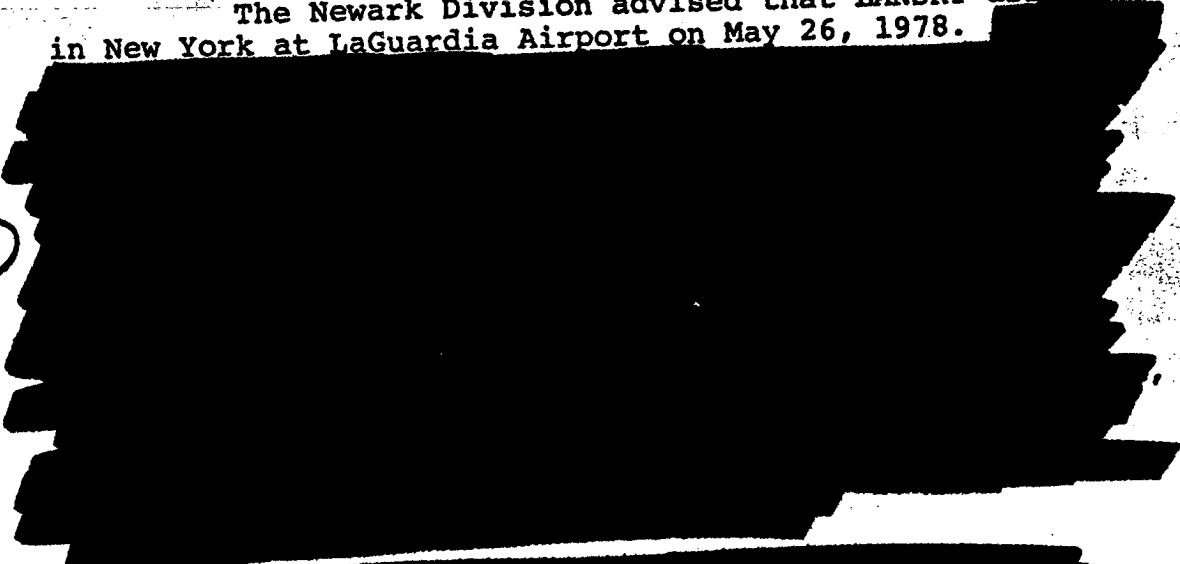
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The Newark Division advised that LANSKY arrived
in New York at LaGuardia Airport on May 26, 1978.



Miami will closely follow the activities of
MEYER LANSKY through logical investigation 
