

## MEMORANDUM

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Subject: Organized Crime ELSUR During the Early 1960's

Date: March 11, 1997

The ARRB staff wishes to determine whether (and, if so, to what extent) we should make formal requests for FBI ELSUR material on particular persons reputedly associated with organized crime during the early 1960's. This question depends largely on the extent to which potentially relevant persons were the subject of identical requests made of the FBI by the HSCA. If, pursuant to HSCA requests, the FBI searched the ELSUR index for "overhears" of, or references to, particular individuals, and the FBI has identified as assassination records all materials responsive to the HSCA request, then we have no desire to duplicate this work.

In order to get a sense of the scope of pertinent HSCA requests and the materials provided in response to them, we have reviewed the HSCA records we could *readily* identify as relevant to this question. Copies of these records are enclosed. We request that you review whatever records are *readily* available to you to see if you can supplement the information enclosed by:

- (a) identifying additional HSCA requests for organized crime ELSUR information; or
- (b) clarifying the results of particular ELSUR index searches performed in the 1970's upon receipt of HSCA requests.

I emphasize that we are *not* asking that comprehensive research be done on each of the individuals on the enclosed lists of requests. Our immediate purpose in making this request is to obtain whatever additional relevant information is available *without* devoting significant time and resources to new

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research, with the ultimate goal of ensuring, efficiently as possible, that relevant information from organized crime ELSUR is included in the JFK Collection.

Also, please advise if the FBI has a list or other means of *readily* identifying all targets of electronic surveillance in organized crime investigations during the early 1960's.

Thank you for your assistance on this point. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Enclosures