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From: Director, FBI

STEWART OGILVIE;
JOHN GLEASON;
GEORGE LEVINE;
FRANK CRISONA;
FRA - CONSPIRACY;
(OO: Washington Field)

Re New York letter 12/4/63 and New York airtel 12/5/63.

For the information of Washington Field, re communications furnished information received from NY 3936-C concerning allegations that John Gleason, son of Teddy Gleason, President, International Longshoremen's Association (ILA), controls 50% of ILA Welfare Fund premiums through GBM Brokerage Corp., New York City, and substantial amounts of these premiums are deposited in a Washington, D. C., banking institution, with which Stewart Ogilvie is associated. This arrangement reportedly enabled Gleason to obtain loans from this institution through Ogilvie and Ogilvie allegedly received a commission on each loan he approved. Ogilvie reportedly approved a \$500,000 loan to Rock Hill Lodge, Inc., (Rock Hill), in which Frank Crisona, attorney and brother of former Democratic Queens County Borough President, James Crisona; Gleason and George Levine, associate of Salvatore Granello, New York hoodlum and shylock, were interested.

Source informed that sometime in the past, a team of auditors or bank examiners reviewed loans approved by Ogilvie at this banking institution and found they were not in accordance with good practice. As a result Ogilvie reportedly was discharged and the bank pressed for payment on the Rock Hill loan. According to source, efforts are being made to obtain a loan from a bank in Montreal, Canada, to repay Rock Hill's loan to the Washington bank.

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Airtel to SACs, NY & WFO
RE: STEWART OGILVIE

Based on information furnished by source, it is not possible to identify the Washington bank from which Rock Hill obtained the loan. It is also noted that one Stuart S. Ogilvie is listed as Senior Vice President, The First National Bank, Washington, D. C., in the 1963 edition of Rand-McNally International Bankers Directory.

New York and Washington Field open case utilizing caption of this communication, however, before any active investigation is conducted regarding the possible FRA violation, New York should recontact its source in an effort to further identify location of Rock Hill and thereafter, through established reliable contacts, attempt to determine identity of the Washington bank which financed this project.

Washington Field should review its office files for pertinent information concerning Ogilvie and for any references to a recently disclosed irregularity at First National Bank, Washington, D. C., of the type alleged by the source.

Until the Washington bank is identified and more specific facts are known concerning a possible Federal violation, no open investigation is to be conducted in this matter. Extreme care should be exercised in handling any inquiries to avoid compromising the source. If open investigation is later initiated, no reference is to be made to the Rock Hill loan due to the source's involvement in this loan, however, investigation can be concentrated on other loan irregularities allegedly committed by Ogilvie. Three copies of all reports are to be designated for the Bureau and no copies furnished to any USA at this time. No dissemination or discussion relating to this case is to be made to Department or U. S. Attorneys without prior Bureau authority. New York, in its predication of this case, avoid reference to Rock Hill and appropriately paraphrase to conceal identity of the source.

This inquiry is to receive expeditious handling and significant developments furnished the Bureau by airtel. New York and Washington Field surep results of requested investigation by 1/10/64.