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In January, 1956, NY 1449-C was questioned concerning the activities of MEYER LANSKY. The informant advised that LANSKY is presently the head man of a syndicate which runs the following 3 hotels in Cuba: the Tropicana, the Nacional, and Sans Souci. The informant stated that the combination consists of most of the top hoodlums in the US including FRANK COSTELLO, PHIL KASTEL, of New Orleans and LEFTY CLARK, of Chicago. He stated that these men controlled all gambling, including the Bolita (number game) which, according to the informant, operates only on Saturday and takes in between \$175,000.00 and \$300,000.00.

The informant advised that since gambling has been legalized in Cuba, 3 chartered planes fly daily via National Airlines from Miami to Havana. These planes carry 68 passengers a piece.

The informant also stated that General BATISTA has given all control of gambling in Havana to LANSKY. Informant stated that BATISTA replaced BEN MARDEN when MARDEN attempted to swindle BATISTA out of \$100,000.00. Reportedly BATISTA receives a cut of a game known as Chemin de Fer, as well as the Cuban gambling tax income.

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