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New York airtel to Bureau, 11/13/62.

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Two copies of letterhead memorandum concerning characterizations of informants.

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In connection with VITO SABIA, a highly confidential source has been developed which is designated as NH 413-C*.

In connection with RALPH TROPIANO, serious efforts have been made to develop a highly confidential source in the newly constructed residence of WILLIAM PHILIP GRASSO, the closest associate with TROPIANO in the operation of his numbers business. There was a gang style killing in New Haven, Conn. on or about 11/24/62, and at the present time, TROPIANO and GRASSO are considered the prime suspects. In view of the "heat" on TROPIANO and GRASSO by police authorities investigating this matter, efforts to develop a highly confidential source in connection with TROPIANO's operations have been temporarily discontinued.

It has also been recently learned that because of the above-mentioned "heat" by police authorities, the office for the TROPIANO operation has been moved to Bridgeport, Conn., and for the time being, is being operated by JOSEPH "SHORTY" GAMBARDILLA, another trusted employee of TROPIANO.

In connection with FRANK LEWIS PICCOLO, some efforts are being made to develop a highly confidential source in the alleged office of PICCOLO and DAVID IACOVETTI at Newtown, Conn. Set forth in this report is information in connection with their opening a drive-in restaurant to be known as the "Straw Hat", which will possibly also be used for PICCOLO's gambling activities.

INFORMANTS

NH T-1 is NH 3368-C-TE

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NH T-2 is NY 2151-C

NH T-3 is report of SA JAMES P. FLYNN dated 6/29/62 at New York City entitled, The Criminal "Commission" ETAL, AR-CONSPIRACY.

NH T-4 is NY 3461-C-TE

NH T-5 is PCI NH 420-C

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NH T-6 is Detective STEVE ALLERN, New Haven, Conn. Police Department.

NH T-7 is Detective JOHN WIDMANN, New Haven, Conn. Police Department.

NH T-8 is New Haven PCI.

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NH T-9 is ANTHONY E. TESTO, PCI, New Haven Division.

NH T-10 is Captain JOHN CARROLL, Vice Squad, Bridgeport, Conn. Police Department.

NH T-11 is Detective JOSEPH JASONIS, Conn. State Police, Westport, Conn. Barracks.

NH T-12 is NH 415-PC.

NH T-13 is MM 802-C*.

NH T-14 is NH 413-C*.

NH T-15 is NH 398-C.

NH T-16 is Trooper EDWARD LEONARD, Conn. State Police, Westport, Conn. Barracks.

NH T-17 is Report of SA JAMES P. FLYNN dated 12/19/62 at New York.

LEAD

NEW HAVEN

At New Haven, Connecticut

No specific investigative leads are being set out in this report at the present time; however, it is noted that individual investigative files are maintained on PICCOLO, SABIA and TROPIANO, and their activities are reported in the individual files.

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