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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr. *[Signature]*

DATE: 9/19/67

FROM : S. J. Papich *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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William Harvey, former Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) employee, telephonically advised Agent Papich on 9/19/67 that he had received a telephone call from the subject on the evening of 9/18/67. Roselli indicated that he would be coming to Washington, D. C. within the next few days and wanted to see Harvey. He made brief reference to a Grand Jury which was meeting on the West Coast and expressed some concern about this development. He did not furnish any further details.

Harvey stated that if the subject contacts him he will arrange a meeting and will report the results to Agent Papich.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence Unit of the Special Investigative Division. *[Handwritten mark: u]*

- 1 - Mr. McAndrews
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. Papich

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr. *AM*

DATE: 9/25/67

FROM : S. J. Papich *P*

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SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
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M'Andrews

William Harvey, former Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) employee, telephonically furnished the following information to SA Papich on 9/23/67.

The subject, calling from the West Coast, telephonically advised Harvey on the evening of 9/22/67 that his plans had been changed and that he would not be coming to Washington, D. C., in the near future. Roselli made brief reference to a "Grand Jury Session" and implied that there was no longer any reason to make a fast trip to Washington. He told Harvey that he would be in contact with him at some time in the future.

Agent Papich asked Harvey why Roselli called in the first place. Harvey replied that he could only conjecture. In his opinion Roselli apparently was in some kind of a difficulty and wanted to discuss his problems with Harvey. Inasmuch as Roselli cancelled his trip to Washington, Harvey is now of the opinion that Roselli's unidentified problems have now been lessened or alleviated.

Harvey made it clear that he will advise the Bureau immediately if he is ever contacted by the subject.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence Unit of the Special Investigative Division. *u*

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- 1 - T. J. McAndrews
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - S. J. Papich *P*

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr. *JMB* DATE: 10/9/67

FROM : S. J. Papich *SJP* 1 - Mr. McAndrews
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Papich

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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Reference is made to my memorandum dated 9/25/67. Howard Osborn, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), advised the Liaison Agent on 10/4/67 that he had met with William Harvey, former CIA employee on 10/3/67. Osborn explained that he has been instructed by Richard Helms, Director of CIA, to periodically contact Harvey in order to make certain that CIA interests are fully protected.

Harvey told Osborn that he had recently received a telephone call from the subject and the conversation lasted approximately one hour. Harvey indicated that not much of any significance came out of this conversation. Roselli told him that he was no longer concerned about a problem he was having with a Grand Jury. Subject did significantly mention to Harvey that he would never reveal his past relationship with CIA. Subject commented that he could never overlook the possibility that some "outsider" might "leak" Roselli's past connection with a CIA operation.

Harvey asked Osborn if CIA had any ties with Robert Maheu. Osborn told him that he did not know (Osborn informed the Liaison Agent that CIA is not in any way connected with Maheu). Harvey made no further comment on this particular item, but Osborn felt it was significant that Harvey brought up Maheu's name.

Harvey told Osborn that he was in the process of obtaining clearance for admittance into the D.C. Bar. He stated that Roselli made it clear that he could provide clients and Harvey could make as much as \$100,000 per year. Harvey stated that he would never get involved with any clients recommended by subject.

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Memorandum S. J. Papich to D. J. Brennan, Jr.
RE: JOHN ROSELLI
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On 10/5/67, Harvey contacted Agent Papich and in substance furnished the same information as above. In addition, he stated that he learned from Roselli that subject had been scheduled to appear before a Grand Jury concerning a charge relating to his citizenship status. Roselli made the statement, "Someone claims I was not born in the United States." He told Harvey he was not worried. Subject also indicated there was an investigation regarding alleged illegal gambling operations at the Friars Club in Los Angeles, and an allegation had been made that subject was involved. Roselli stated that members of the club had absolved him of any involvement.

It should be noted that Harvey told Osborn and Papich that the conversation with Roselli lasted approximately one hour. The information volunteered by Harvey certainly does not suggest a conversation of that length. The observation is therefore being made that Harvey may not be divulging all that is taking place between him and Roselli. This is strictly speculation.

At the end of the meeting, Harvey stated that he will continue to report all contacts with Roselli. He emphasized that he was fully aware of the dangers involved in dealing with Roselli and that he was completely cognizant of Bureau interests and responsibilities. He commented that he certainly had no desire to make a fool of himself and he had every intention to fully cooperate with the Bureau.

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The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence Unit of the Special Investigative Division. W

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Date: 10/11/67

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3267)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-113)
RE: JOHN ROSELLI, aka
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Re Bureau airtel to Los Angeles dated 8/17/67, re the objections of CIA to the appearance of Colonel SHEFFIELD EDWARDS as a witness in the case involving the alien status of JOHN ROSELLI.

It is again noted that the appearance of Colonel EDWARDS as a witness would strengthen the case against ROSELLI tremendously. Although it is the plan of AUSA DAVID R. NISSEN to obtain an indictment against ROSELLI on Friday, 10/13/67, NISSEN has admitted that the case against ROSELLI is not "air tight" and investigation is continuing in an endeavor to locate additional witnesses.

The following is submitted for the Bureau's consideration:

It is the understanding of this office that Colonel EDWARDS is no longer with CIA, being described as "former Director of Security." If Colonel EDWARDS was a witness in this case, it would appear that he could, on the witness stand, furnish his name, his current employment, and the fact that he was acquainted with ROSELLI. Thereafter, he could testify concerning his meeting with ROSELLI, at ROSELLI's

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request, in Washington, D.C. in May, 1966, and to the fact that at this meeting ROSELLI stated that FBI Agents left at his residence in Los Angeles a picture of him as a young boy. It is recalled that this picture is, in fact, a picture of FILIPPO SACCO.

It does not appear that EDWARDS' former employment with CIA or ROSELLI's activity in a CIA operation would be either relevant or pertinent. The pertinent - relevant facts are that ROSELLI called him, made an appointment to see him, and admitted that the photograph was of him as a young boy.

It is requested that the Los Angeles Office be authorized to advise AUSA NISSEN of ROSELLI's conversation with Colonel EDWARDS and to obtain an opinion from him as to whether or not Colonel EDWARDS could appear as a witness and testify to the above mentioned facts without being required to give his former employment with CIA or ROSELLI's association with CIA.

An alternative would be for the Bureau to get an opinion from the Department of Justice concerning this matter. U

Thereafter, if the opinion of the U. S. Attorney in Los Angeles or the Department of Justice was that Colonel EDWARDS could testify without the CIA background being disclosed, then CIA could again be approached for permission for Colonel EDWARDS to appear as a witness against ROSELLI.

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To: SAC, Los Angeles (92-113)

From: Director, FBI (92-3267) — 854

JOHN ROSELLI, aka
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The information developed through the contact between Sheffield Edwards and John Roselli was furnished to the Bureau by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in confidence with the request that it not be released outside the Bureau. It is classified "Top Secret" by the CIA. JS(u)

The Bureau again recontacted CIA officials on 10/18/67, at which time they reiterated the restrictions imposed upon release of this information outside the Bureau. CIA again emphasized that it would be inimical to national security interests to have Edwards testify before a grand jury where he would be exposed to the possibility of making statements relating to CIA's past relationship with the subject.

CIA further advised that there is some discrepancy between the information attributed to Edwards concerning the subject as reported to the Bureau in CIA letter 5/18/66, and statements recently made to CIA by Edwards. JS(u)

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Edwards is age 65, possesses a severe speech impediment and is in poor health.

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In view of the foregoing, Los Angeles is not authorized to advise the United States Attorney's Office of Roselli's conversation with Edwards. In absence of additional developments, no inquiry of the Department will be initiated by the Bureau at this time in this matter. REK

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Airtel to SAC, Los Angeles
Re: JOHN ROSELLI, aka.
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Los Angeles should continue to attempt to disprove Roselli's claim to citizenship through other witnesses. U

Note: Roselli is leading LCN figure on West Coast. Bureau investigation has disclosed Roselli actually born Filippo Sacco in Italy. Roselli, during contact with CIA, developed close association with former CIA official Colonel Sheffield Edwards. In May of 1966, Roselli indicated indirectly to Edwards his true identity as Sacco and Los Angeles feels Edwards' testimony would assist in disproving Roselli's claim to American citizenship. CIA recontacted and still strongly against having its association with Roselli possibly brought to light for national security reasons. They also advise Edwards previous information, asset out in CIA letter to Bureau 5/18/66, is at variance with his recent statements to CIA. He is also in poor health. In view of above, Los Angeles must be advised not to disclose Edwards' identity and information to USA. AS(u)

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr. *[Handwritten initials]*

DATE: 10/19/67

FROM : S. J. Papich *[Handwritten initials]*

- 1 - T. J. McAndrews *[Handwritten initials]*
- 1 - Mr. Kent *[Handwritten initials]*
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. Papich *[Handwritten initials]*

SUBJECT: **JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING**

Howard Osborn, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), advised the Liaison Agent on 10/18/67 that the restrictions imposed by CIA for protecting CIA information as described in the Agency's communication of 8/14/67 are still in effect as far as CIA is concerned. Osborn emphasized that in the opinion of CIA it would be against national interests to have Colonel Sheffield Edwards testify before a Grand Jury or at any trial where Edwards would be exposed to making statements relating to CIA's past relationship with the subject. *[Handwritten initials]*

Osborn further stated that there is also some discrepancy between the information attributed to Edwards and reported to the Bureau by CIA letter dated 5/18/66 and statements recently made to CIA by Edwards. CIA is submitting a letter to us to cover this particular point.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence Unit of the Special Investigative Division. *[Handwritten mark]*

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : D. J. Brennan, Jr. *DJB*

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Sullivan

DATE: 11/1/67

1 - Mr. Gale
1 - Mr. McAndrews
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SYNOPSIS:

Subject, a top hoodlum, recently indicted and arrested on charges of failure to register as alien and failure to keep Attorney General advised of his whereabouts. Currently out on bail. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) established relationship with him about 1960 when Agency devised plan to assassinate Fidel Castro through utilization of hoodlum element. Plan never implemented. Its existence continues to be potential source of embarrassment to CIA if plan is publicly exposed. Roselli is in position to blackmail CIA. William Harvey, former Bureau Agent now retired from CIA, was one of CIA officials who established relationship with subject. Relationship continues. Harvey periodically volunteers information to Special Agent Papich. Harvey met with Richard Helms, CIA, 10/30/67 and advised subject is seeking help as result of indictment; apparently looking to CIA to intercede in his behalf. Harvey's role in this situation definitely questionable. Helms advised SA Papich 10/31/67 that he mistrusts Harvey; that he is not going to permit himself or CIA to be blackmailed by anybody; and he has no fear of any threats which may emanate from subject.

ACTION:

SA Papich has been adhering to a line of accepting any information Harvey volunteers. No information is given to Harvey. If approved, Agent Papich will continue accepting Harvey's information as he volunteers it.

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We must be very careful in any meetings with Harvey.

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press case against
Roselli.*

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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: JOHN ROSELLI

DETAILS:

The subject, a top hoodlum, was recently indicted and arrested on charges of failure to register as an alien and failure to keep the Attorney General advised of his whereabouts. He is currently out on bail. You previously have been informed concerning a relationship between the subject and the CIA which developed a few years ago when CIA concocted a plan to assassinate Fidel Castro. Utilization of certain U.S. hoodlum types was a key element of the plan which was never implemented.

William Harvey, former Bureau Agent and now retired from CIA, was one of the CIA officials who established a relationship with Roselli. From time to time Harvey has volunteered information to Special Agent Sam Papich, which data Harvey has obtained from what appears to be occasional contacts with subject. Harvey also contacts CIA officials and maintains that he has not been able to sever the relationship with the subject for fear that Roselli might become antagonized and consequently become a problem. In this connection Roselli is in a position to hurt CIA if he desires to expose his involvement with the Agency in the plot to assassinate Castro. He does have this hanging over CIA's head.

On 10/27/67 Harvey telephonically contacted Agent Papich from New York City and stated that he wanted to confer with the Bureau Agent when he returned to Washington on or about 10/31/67. Harvey contacted Agent Papich on the morning of 10/31/67 and asked for a meeting. The Agent has indicated that he would try to see him later in the week. ~

In the meantime, Harvey has been in contact with CIA. Howard Osborn, Director of Security, CIA, advised the Liaison Agent on 10/30/67 that Harvey had met that morning with Osborn and Richard Helms, Director, CIA. At that meeting, Harvey stated that he had received a communication from subject concerning his indictment

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and arrest. According to Harvey, Roselli "is looking for help." Harvey told the CIA officials that subject obviously is probing to determine if CIA can intervene on his behalf. Harvey told Helms that he was seeking advice and guidance for his future contacts with subject. Helms told Harvey that he would give the matter some thought and would be in touch with him.

During the course of the conversation with the CIA officials, Harvey volunteered that he personally has had some contact with Ed Morgan, former Bureau Agent, who is practicing law in the D. C. area. Harvey explained that since he himself was admitted to the D. C. Bar in the very recent past, he was making a point of establishing contact with some lawyers in the area whom he personally knew. Harvey made the observation that Morgan obviously was very well informed concerning CIA's past relationship with Roselli. Harvey assumes that Morgan acquired this information from Robert Maheu, another former Bureau Agent, who was utilized by CIA when it initiated its contacts with the hoodlum elements for planning of the Castro assassination.

Osborn advised in strict confidence that he and Helms had very serious doubts that Harvey was divulging all information he possesses concerning subject. Osborn is confident that Harvey is holding out and possibly has become involved in some financial proposition with subject.

OBSERVATIONS:

Harvey has been fully apprised of the dangers stemming from any association he may maintain with subject. He very clearly knows that Roselli is a top hoodlum and subject of a Bureau investigation. Harvey has indicated that he has no intention of becoming involved in any illegal or criminal activities and that he wants to cooperate fully with the Bureau. He has not asked for any information but has been careful to report his contacts with subject. Whether or not he has reported adequately is a matter of conjecture. It

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should be noted that instead of withdrawing from a relationship with Roselli, he seems to be getting in deeper. His role in this situation is definitely questionable.

On 10/31/67 Richard Helms furnished Agent Papich essentially the same information as that made available by Osborn of CIA. Helms made it emphatically clear that he mistrusts Harvey; that he is not going to permit himself or CIA to be blackmailed by anybody; and that he has no fear of any threats which may emanate from subject. Helms commented that as far as he is concerned the Bureau can treat Harvey as it sees fit.

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: November 7, 1967

FROM : D. J. Brennan, Jr. *[Handwritten initials]*

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - Mr. McAndrews
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. Papich

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

SYNOPSIS:

William Harvey, former Bureau Agent and retired Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) employee, met with Agent Papich on November 6, 1967. Harvey described his recent conversations with Roselli. Roselli asked Harvey to act as his legal counsel, and Harvey claims he turned him down. Subject did indicate that he might need somebody to intercede in his behalf in connection with the recent indictment returned against him. Harvey expressed opinion that case against subject was weak. He inquired if Agent could make any observations regarding case. Harvey was told that this definitely could not be done now or in the future. The subject may come to Washington, D. C., within the next week or two; Harvey states he will keep us advised regarding developments. *[Handwritten 'u' and 'na']*

ACTION:

For information. *[Handwritten 'u']*

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DETAILS:

Reference is made to my memorandum dated November 1, 1967. Set forth are the results of a meeting which Special Agent Papich held with William Harvey on November 6, 1967. *[Handwritten 'u']*

Harvey stated that Roselli telephonically contacted him from Los Angeles on or about October 22, 1967, to advise that he was indicted on a charge of failure to register as an

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alien. Roselli wanted to know if Harvey could serve as his legal counsel. Harvey told subject that this was impossible. Subject made it quite clear that he was concerned and that he might need somebody to intercede in his behalf. Harvey subsequently received a newspaper clipping from subject which referred to the aforementioned indictment. U

Roselli again contacted Harvey by telephone on or about October 27, 1967. Subject reiterated his concern but at the same time indicated that the case against him was weak. He left the impression with Harvey that this assessment of the case came from subject's attorney, Cantallon, (phonetic) in Los Angeles. Roselli stated that an attorney named "Breen" (phonetic) has been very helpful to Cantallon. Roselli again asked if Harvey could act as his legal counsel, and Harvey told him this could not be done. Roselli stated that he had been in contact with Ed Morgan, and Harvey surmises that Morgan will end up acting as Roselli's attorney in Washington, D. C. U

Subject commented that he could not see why charges against him could not be dropped as they had been in the Government case against Robert Maheu. Roselli was referring to the wire tapping charge against Maheu which occurred a few years ago. Roselli stated that Ed Morgan was fully aware of the maneuvering which saved Maheu. Subject further indicated that Morgan obviously had been fully briefed concerning CIA's relationship with Roselli, and this had been done by Maheu.

Harvey volunteered his opinion (this could be his opinion or he could be furnishing the evaluation made by Roselli) that the case was weak; that the subject could easily establish there was no willful intent to violate any law; and that if subject had known that he had another identity, he easily could have rectified the situation by becoming a United States citizen after serving in the United States Army during World War II. U

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Harvey inquired if Agent Papich could make any observations regarding the current case against subject. Papich told Harvey that this very definitely could not be done; that the Agent had no idea regarding the nature of the evidence collected; and that he specifically had made a point of not having access to such information. The Agent emphasized that Harvey must clearly understand that his relationship with Roselli placed him in a quasi counsel position and that no Bureau Agent could discuss the substance of the case with Harvey. Harvey stated that he was not seeking any information, but he did want to know if there is anything that he could be told which might assist him in following developments with Roselli. The Agent reiterated that Harvey could not expect anything from him now or in the future, but Harvey was free to volunteer any information if he so desired. Harvey stated that he knew where he stood and that he would be guided accordingly. \

Harvey stated that Roselli would be in town within the next week or two and that he would keep the Agent advised of any developments. Agent Papich inquired if Roselli was cognizant of Harvey's contact with a Bureau Agent. Harvey replied, "definitely not." \

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr. *[Handwritten initials]*

DATE: November 21, 1967

FROM : S. J. Papich *[Handwritten initials]*

- 1 - Mr. McAndrews
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- 1 - Mr. Papich *[Handwritten initials]*

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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William Harvey telephonically furnished the following information to the Liaison Agent on November 20, 1967:

The subject has advised Harvey that he will arrive in Washington, D. C., on November 25 or November 26, 1967, and will remain for two or three days. Subject plans to be in contact with Harvey and indicated that he will also meet with his attorney, Ed Morgan.

Harvey advised that he did not have any additional information but that he would keep the Agent apprised of all developments.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence and Organized Crime Section of the Special Investigative Division.

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr. *MB*

DATE: December 12, 1967

FROM : S. J. Papich *SP*

- 1 - Mr. McAndrews
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. Papich

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

9-McAndrews

On December 8, 1967, William Harvey advised the Liaison Agent that he had meetings with the subject on November 27, 28, and 29, 1967. Harvey advised that the meetings produced the following items: *u*

1. Roselli stayed at the Madison Hotel and was registered in his own name. *u*
2. He is currently negotiating to buy a radio station in San Jose, California. He conferred with Edward Morgan in Washington, D. C., in connection with this particular matter. *u*
3. He made brief reference to his current girlfriend who is 21 years of age and allegedly "comes from a good family." Recently, Roselli was unsuccessful in having the girl join him at Palm Springs because of pressure put on the girl by her parents. *u*
4. Roselli displayed to Harvey a copy of an application for membership to the Friars Club and a copy of his resignation from this same club. His application indicated that his character references were Dean Martin, Frank Sinatra, and George Jessel. *u*
5. Roselli stated that the name of Phillipppo Sacco has never meant anything to him and that nobody ever told him that he had any other identity. *u*
6. Subject recently recovered from an attack of pneumonia. He claims that he was confined to his apartment for approximately three weeks. *u*

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RE: JOHN ROSELLI

7. Subject stated that he has not seen Sam Giancana since 1965. ✓

Harvey inquired if he personally could be informed whether or not there is any evidence that Roselli has not seen Giancana since 1965. He commented that if Roselli is definitely lying on this point, it would be most helpful to him, Harvey, in governing his relations with the subject. ✓

ACTION:

The above information and Harvey's request are being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence and Organized Crime Section of the Special Investigative Division. ✓

I advised Harvey we couldn't
furnish him any info.

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12/19/67

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- Tele. Room _____
- Holmes _____
- Gandy _____

TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr. *[Handwritten initials]*

DATE: January 2, 1968

FROM : S. J. Papich *[Handwritten initials]*

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

[Handwritten signatures and initials: "Staff", "Sullivan", "M. DeLoach"]

William Harvey, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), furnished the following to the Liaison Agent on December 28, 1967: *[Handwritten "u"]*

The subject sent Harvey a brief letter enclosing a copy of his recent indictment. Subject referred to this development as a "sophisticated way of blackmail by indictment." Harvey advised that Roselli did not furnish any additional information and has not asked for any assistance from Harvey. *[Handwritten "u"]*

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence and Organized Crime Section of the Special Investigative Division. *[Handwritten "u"]*

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- 1 - Mr. McAndrews
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. Papich

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr. *[Handwritten initials]*

DATE: January 30, 1968

FROM : S. J. Papich *[Handwritten initials]*

SUBJECT: ^① JOHN ROSELLI
ANTIRACKETEERING

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William Harvey, former Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) employee, advised the Liaison Agent on January 26, 1968, that the subject had mailed him copies of motions which had been filed by Roselli's attorney. The subject did not ask for any assistance or for any comments from Harvey. *[Handwritten mark]*

Harvey asked the Liaison Agent if he had read the indictment against the subject. The Agent replied in the negative. There was no further discussion on this item. *[Handwritten mark]*

Harvey then volunteered the observation that if Roselli were deeply involved in organized crime, and he acknowledged that this undoubtedly was true, the subject undoubtedly was serving in the role of "advocato." He stated that he was using this Italian term which essentially meant that the subject would act as an arbitrator or mediator if and when "squabbles" or differences arose in "the organization." Harvey was convinced that Roselli was the type who could "fix" or correct any disruptive situations. He stated that this was strictly his own analysis based upon his brief association with the subject. *[Handwritten mark]*

Harvey did not volunteer any additional information. *[Handwritten mark]*

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Crime Intelligence and Organized Crime Section of the Special Investigative Division. *[Handwritten mark]*

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- 1 - Mr. McAndrews
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. Papich

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Holmes	_____
Gandy	_____

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr. *[Signature]*

DATE: March 20, 1968

FROM : S. J. Papich *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTIRACKETEERING

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William Harvey, CIA, telephonically contacted me on the morning of March 20, 1968, and advised as follows: *u*

Subject called Harvey on March 19, 1968, stating that he was in Washington, D. C., and wanted to talk to Harvey. They had a brief meeting on the afternoon of March 19, 1968, at which time subject gave "a fill-in on pleadings" relating to his case. Roselli did not ask for any assistance. He did not appear to be "deeply concerned" with his situation, but according to Harvey subject obviously is "irritated." Harvey will have another meeting with Roselli on the evening of March 21, 1968. He stated that he will contact me if anything of significance comes out of this meeting. *u*

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence and Organized Crime Section of the Special Investigative Division. *u*

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- 1 - Mr. McAndrews
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. Papich

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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- Holmes _____
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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WCS*

DATE: 3/29/68

FROM : D. J. Brennan, Jr. *DJB*

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTIRACKETEERING

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You previously have been informed that in 1960, the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) established a relationship with the captioned hoodlum at which time the Agency had devised a plan to assassinate Fidel Castro through the utilization of the hoodlum element. The plan was never implemented, but CIA was left in a potentially embarrassing position bearing in mind that Roselli certainly had the capability of blackmailing CIA. William Harvey, former Bureau Agent and now retired from CIA, was one of the CIA officials who maintained a relationship with Roselli. Harvey has continued periodic contact with Roselli. He has periodically volunteered information to Special Agent Papich; this information has not been of any unusual significance.

On 3/28/68 Richard Helms, Director of CIA, advised the Liaison Agent that Harvey had called on him on 3/27/68. At that time Harvey briefly reviewed the background of CIA's involvement with the subject and then emphasized to Helms that Roselli's case on the West Coast was developing to a point which necessitated some serious thinking on the part of CIA. Harvey told Helms that Ed Morgan is now serving as legal counsel for the subject in Washington, D. C., and he pointed out that Morgan was fully aware of the background and details concerning CIA's involvement with Roselli. Harvey stated that he personally was not being retained as legal counsel for the subject but claimed that he had a responsibility of protecting CIA interests and at the same time was of the strong opinion that the Agency should try to help Roselli.

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. McAndrews
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. Papich

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Memorandum D. J. Brennan, Jr., to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: JOHN ROSELLI

Helms advised that he accepted Harvey's statements as a form of pressure, and he then made it very clear to Harvey that CIA was not making any kind of a deal with the subject or anybody else. He told Harvey that if he saw any necessity to discuss the matter in the future, he would contact him.

Helms confided to the Agent that he was not going to be squeezed into any position by Harvey, Roselli, or any other individuals. At this point he feels very strongly that if Roselli or any of his supporters are inclined to expose CIA's past involvement with the subject he, Helms, was prepared to take the consequences. He stated that he would much rather do this than inject himself in any kind of a negotiation with the subject.

Helms stated that he fully realizes that at some point it may become necessary to confer with the Attorney General. He does not want to do this for the time being. He is asking his subordinates to make a complete review of all CIA records relating to the above-described 1960 plan. He feels that he then would be in a much better position to discuss all aspects with somebody like the Attorney General.

As previously reported Agent Papich has met with Harvey from time to time, and this has always taken place at the request of Harvey, who indicated he had information to furnish the Bureau. So far this has not been a problem, but from now on you cannot exclude the possibility that Harvey truly does have a lawyer-client relationship with Roselli. If so it would not be prudent for a Bureau Agent to continue contact with Harvey on any matters dealing with the instant case. U

ACTION:

If approved, Agent Papich will inform Harvey that because of the latter's relationship with the subject, the Liaison Agent will not be able to confer with him any more concerning any matters dealing with this case. U

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ADDENDUM; SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION; 4/2/68; MER:skh

By way of background, Roselli is a 62 year old La Cosa Nostra member who resides in Los Angeles and who has been reported for many years as the representative on the West Coast of the Chicago La Cosa Nostra family. U

Intensive investigation conducted into the background of Roselli revealed Roselli in actuality to be one Filippo Sacco. This investigation resulted in Roselli's arrest in October of 1967, as a result of his being indicted for Willful Failure To Apply For Registration As An Alien. In addition, this indictment charged five counts of Willfully Failing as an Alien to Give Written Notice to the United States Attorney General of his current addresses during January for the years 1963 through 1967. Roselli's trial on these charges commences April 2, 1968. U

Roselli was indicted on gambling charges in December of 1967, resulting from the investigation of card cheating at the Friars Club in Beverly Hills, California. In this investigation Roselli was charged with one count of Interstate Transportation in Aid of Racketeering - Gambling; three counts of Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property; one count of General Conspiracy; one count Federal Communications Commission; and one count of Subscribing to a False Income Tax Return. Trial in this matter has been set for June, 1968. U

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Memorandum

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 4/5/68

FROM : D. J. Brennan, Jr. *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTIRACKETEERING

Reference is made to memorandum from Mr. Brennan to Mr. Sullivan dated 3/29/68. Set forth are additional developments which are being recorded for possible future reference. *[Handwritten mark]*

On 4/3/68 William Harvey asked to meet with Special Agent Papich. This meeting was held at which time Harvey merely reported that motions filed by the subject's attorneys in Los Angeles were rejected by the court and a trial date was set. (All of this is already known to us.) Agent Papich then told Harvey that in view of what very definitely appeared to be a well-established relationship between Harvey and Roselli, the Agent would not further meet with Harvey to discuss any matters dealing directly or indirectly with the case of Roselli. Harvey was visibly shaken and asked, "What is behind this?" The Agent replied that he, Harvey, having a legal background, should fully realize that further contact with a Bureau Agent just did not make sense. The Agent further elaborated by commenting that regardless of Harvey's denial that he was acting as legal counsel for Roselli, there is no doubt whatsoever that a close relationship exists and this could not be disregarded. Harvey then stated that he fully accepted the position taken by the Agent although he regretted this development because he desired to remain in a position where he possibly could be of assistance to the Bureau. He claimed that he is not giving Roselli any legal advice; that he is not receiving any kind of compensation; and that his only objective is to protect the interests of the FBI and CIA (Central Intelligence Agency). He was extremely critical of

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. McAndrews
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. Papich

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Memorandum D. J. Brennan, Jr., to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: JOHN ROSELLI

CIA maintaining that the Agency does not fully appreciate the significance of exposure to potential embarrassment.

Harvey briefly commented that some people may forget that this is an election year. He followed by stating that Robert Kennedy was knowledgeable of the operation which had been devised by CIA with the collaboration of Roselli and his cohorts. Although he did not so state, Harvey definitely left the implication that Kennedy is in an extremely vulnerable position if it were ever publicized that he condoned an operation which involved U. S. Government utilization of hoodlum elements. Harvey stated that he was not certain if Kennedy was privy to the beginnings of the operation, but he definitely was cognizant of its existence in the late stages. He made it clear that this knowledge was in the possession of Kennedy while he was still Attorney General.

On 4/2/68 Richard Helms, Director of CIA, advised that he had received a call from Harvey indicating that motions filed by the subject's attorneys had been rejected. At that time, Harvey commented that the judge and the U. S. Attorney in Los Angeles undoubtedly were under considerable pressure from the Department of Justice. Helms stated that he made no comment regarding these statements, and he accepted Harvey's message as a further effort to convince Helms that the situation was becoming more critical for CIA. Helms stated that he is adhering to his position, namely, that he will not do anything to intercede in behalf of the subject.

Helms also confidentially advised that he has been in contact with the Attorney General concerning this matter, and he has specifically briefed the Attorney General concerning Harvey's contacts with the Agency. He did not elaborate any further on this.

ACTION:

For information. U

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Keep pressure on Roselli case. *al*

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Airtel

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - Mr. McAndrews
- 1 - Mr. Bannon

To: SAC, Los Angeles (92-113)

From: Director, FBI (92-3267)

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JOHN ROSELLI, aka
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Referenced Los Angeles teletypes to the Bureau April 10 and April 11, 1968. u

For your information it has been ascertained that Roselli has in the past when visiting Washington, D.C., contacted William Harvey, formerly of CIA, who is now retired and practicing law in Washington, D.C. Harvey has on each occasion of a contact with Roselli advised CIA officials.

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COMM-FBI

During the first week in April, 1968, a CIA official, knowing of the present prospects for prosecution of Roselli, alerted the Attorney General to the contacts which had been made by Roselli with Harvey. It has been ascertained from CIA that nothing will be done by that agency to intercede in behalf of the subject.

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It has been ascertained that Department Attorney Keeney in his contact with the United States Attorney's Office in Los Angeles merely was inquiring as to whether or not any pressures had been experienced by the United States Attorney's Office which might be interpreted as a desire for a dismissal or a reduction in the charges placed against Roselli. Keeney stated ~~he did not~~ desire to imply that overtures in this regard had been received in Washington, D.C. u

APR 15 1968

During the discussion with Keeney, the latter ~~was most~~ emphatic in stating that the Department desired to push all aspects of the prosecution of Roselli promptly and vigorously.

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Airtel to Los Angeles
Re: John Roselli

In view of the above you should advise AUSA David R. Nissen that the Department is fully aware of the relationship between Roselli and CIA, and further that Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy was fully briefed by CIA after the Roselli-CIA relationship was established.

It should be tactfully suggested to AUSA Nissen that if he considers it necessary to obtain the information he desires from the CIA, he should obtain such through the Department of Justice. U

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WASH DC --1--
1124AM URGENT 4-12-68 SMS
TO DIRECTOR (92-3267) ENCODE
FROM LOS ANGELES (92-113)

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JOHN ROSELLI, AKA. AR. OO-LA.

RE LA TEL TO BUREAU APRIL TWO LAST AND BUREAU
AIRTEL TO LA APRIL NINE LAST.

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RE TEL SET FORTH DETAILS OF A MOTION BY DEFENSE
FOR THE COURT TO REVIEW MATERIAL OBTAINED VIA ELECTRONIC
SURVEILLANCE OF ROSELLI PRIOR TO TRIAL WHICH SCHEDULED TO
BEGIN LA APRIL TWENTY THREE NEXT.

ON APRIL TWO LAST THE JUDGE RULED THAT THE ELECTRONIC
SURVEILLANCE MATERIAL WOULD BE REVIEWED AFTER TRIAL IF
ROSELLI FOUND GUILTY.

ON APRIL TEN LAST ROSELLI'S ATTORNEY JAMES P.
CANTILLON IN THE ABSENCE OF TRIAL JUDGE PEIRSON M. HALL
APPEARED BEFORE USDJ E. AVERY CRARY AND INTRODUCED A NEW

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MOTION FOR PRE TRIAL DISCOVERY WHICH IS TO BE ARGUED BEFORE
JUDGE HALL APRIL FIFTEEN NEXT. CANTILLON'S NEW MOTION
FOR THE MOST PART CALLS FOR DISCOVERY OF NUMEROUS FORMS
OF EVIDENCE WHICH THE GOVERNMENT MIGHT HAVE BASED ON
ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCES.

AUSA HANDLING ROSELLI'S CASE ADVISED THAT HE EXPECTS
THAT USDJ HALL WILL DENY THE MOTION ON THE SAME GROUNDS THAT
HE DENIED THE PRIOR MOTION AND ARGUE SAME AFTER TRIAL.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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APR 20 1968
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Mr. Tolson	_____
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DATE 3/6/81

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331PM URGENT 4-10-68 SMS
TO DIRECTOR (92-3267)
FROM LOS ANGELES (92-113)

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also known as Anti-rocketeering
JOHN ROSELLI, AKA. AR. OO-LA.
Office of Origin

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AS BUREAU AWARE IN EARLY NINETEEN SIXTIES ROSELLI
CONTACTED BY CIA THROUGH ROBERT MAHEU AND REQUESTED TO
CONTACT SAM GIANCANA, FOR PURPOSE OF LEARNING SOME OF
GINACANA'S CONTACTS IN CUBA WHO COULD BE USED BY CIA.
ROSELLI HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH CIA OFFICIALS ON NUMEROUS
OCCASIONS SINCE. WITHIN PAST SEVERAL YEARS CIA OFFICIALS
ADVISED BUREAU ROSELLI NEVER AN EMPLOYEE CIA AND THEY WERE
CONCLUDING CONTACTS WITH HIM.

Assistant United States Attorney
AUSA DAVID R. NISSEN ADVISED TODAY JOHN KEENEY,
ASSISTANT IN CHARGE OF DEPARTMENT'S ORGANIZED CRIM SECTION,
TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT CIA OFFICIAL HAD CONTACTED
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WITH REQUEST INDICTMENT AGAINST

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ROSELLI PERTAINING TO HIS ALIEN STATUS BE QUASHED BECAUSE
ROSELLI WAS CIA INFORMANT. KENNEY INFORMED NISSEN
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ADVISED CIA THAT WHEN CIA FIRST
CONTACTED ROSELLI CIA KNEW HE WAS A HOODLUM FIGURE AND
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WILL NOT TAKE ANY ACTION TO QUASH
CURRENT INDICTMENT AGAINST ROSELLI.

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OBTAINED CONCERNING ABOVE. U

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FBI WASH DC

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: April 12, 1968

FROM : J. H. Gale

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DATE 3/6/81 BY SP4 Jm/ks
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John E. Bacon 8/27/80*

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
also known as
ANTI-RACKETEERING

John Roselli is a West Coast hoodlum, a La Cosa Nostra member who represents the interest of the Chicago La Cosa Nostra "family" in that area. The Los Angeles Office has conducted extensive investigation with respect to his activities and those of a group of his hoodlum associates in cheating at cards at the Friars Club, Beverly Hills, California. As a result of FBI investigation, John Roselli now faces prosecution as an unregistered alien and also for violation of the Interstate Transportation in Aid of Racketeering - Gambling Statute.

It will be recalled in 1960 the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) established a relationship with Roselli at which time the CIA had devised a plan to assassinate Fidel Castro through the utilization of the hoodlum element. The plan was never implemented.

The CIA has recently been in contact with the Department to alert the latter to meetings recently initiated by Roselli in Washington, D. C., with William Harvey, formerly of CIA who is now retired and practicing law in Washington, D. C. Harvey, when with CIA, was familiar with the relationship between Roselli and CIA. Department Attorney Keeney, Assistant in Charge of Department's Organized Crime Section, has telephonically briefed Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) David R. Nissen of a former relationship between Roselli and CIA.

AUSA Nissen has requested our Los Angeles Office to determine through liaison all background in CIA files pertaining to Roselli; the identity of the individual or individuals representing CIA who actually handled contacts with Roselli. In view of the fact that AUSA Nissen has claimed to have gained the impression that efforts have been initiated by CIA to quash prosecution, AUSA Nissen requested contact with the Department for identity of individuals requesting such information. Nissen also desired information from CIA files which may bear on true

Enc. sent 4-15-68

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Sullivan

1 - Mr. Gale

1 - Mr. McAndrews
1 - Mr. Bannon

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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach
Re: John Roselli

identity of Roselli and, therefore, of pertinence to alien registration trial scheduled for April 23, 1968.

With respect to the current request of AUSA Nissen, the Los Angeles Office has been instructed to take no action pending receipt of Bureau instructions. \

CIA has stated that it has not in any way attempted to compromise this case and has no intention of doing so. Department Attorney Keeney has stated that the Department has been and is vigorously pressing for a prosecution of Roselli.

ACTION:

It would be inappropriate for the Bureau to solicit information from the CIA files with respect to the latter's relationship with Roselli. It is therefore, recommended that the attached airtel be forwarded to the Los Angeles Office instructing that AUSA Nissen be advised the Department is fully aware of the relationship which existed between Roselli and CIA, and further that Robert F. Kennedy, as Attorney General, was fully briefed by CIA after the CIA-Roselli relationship had been established. It should be tactfully suggested to AUSA Nissen that if he considers such information necessary, he obtain such through the Department of Justice.

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VIA TELETYPE
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JOHN ROSELLI, AKA. AR, OO-LA.

RE LA TELS TO BUREAU MARCH FIFTEEN AND APRIL TEN
 LAST; WFO AIRTEL TO BUREAU APRIL TWO LAST AND BUREAU
 AIRTEL LA NOVEMBER SIX LAST. *u*

BY TEL DATED MARCH FIFTEEN LAST BUREAU WAS ADVISED
 OF INFO PROVIDED BY [REDACTED]
 THAT ROSELLI WAS GOING TO WASHINGTON, D.C. TO CONTACT
 ATTORNEY AND HIGH POLITICAL FIGURES IN EFFORT TO FIX HIS ALIEN
 INDICTMENT. *u*

ROSELLI HAS BEEN INDICTED FOR FAILURE TO REGISTER
 AS ALIEN BY CONCEALING HIS TRUE IDENTITY AND FEDERAL TRIAL
 IS SET LA APRIL TWENTY THREE NEXT. *u*

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
 AND FIELD OFFICES
 ADVISED BY ROUTING
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WFO DETERMINED THAT ROSELLI WAS IN FACT IN WASHINGTON D.C. AT MADISON HOTEL BETWEEN DATES MARCH NINETEEN AND TWENTY THREE LAST AND WFO CONDUCTED INTERVIEW WHICH DETERM^{VE}IA^{YD} ROSELLI WHILE IN WASHINGTON IN CONTACT WITH ROBERT MAHEU AND ATTORNEY EDWARD MORGAN. U

AS BUREAU AWARE ROBERT MAHEU PERSONAL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO HOWARD HUGHES AND IN EARLY NINETEEN SIXTIES WAS INDIVIDUAL WHO INTRODUCED ROSELLI TO CIA.

LA TEL OF APRIL TEN LAST SET FORTH INFO THAT CIA HAD APPROACHED DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE REQUESTING THAT THE INDICTMENT OF ROSELLI BE QUASHED BECAUSE HE WAS CIA INFORMANT. .

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TELEPHONICALLY SUPPLIED THIS INFO TO USA LA WHO IS HANDLING ROSELLI TRIAL. U

TODAY AUSA DAVID R. NISSEN ADVISED HE IS CONCERNED RE THIS INFO, WAS NOT AWARE OF RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ROSELLI AND CIA AND IS CONCERNED THAT DEFENSE MAY POSSIBLY UTILIZE THIS INFO TO ASSIST ROSELLI AT TIME OF TRIAL. '

THEREFORE AUSA NISSEN HAS REQUESTED THE BUREAU THROUGH NORMAL LIAISON WASHINGTON DETERMINE THE FOLLOWING,
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THROUGH CONTACTS WITH CIA AND DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICIALS.

ONE. ALL BACKGROUND IN CIA FILES PERTAINING TO ROSELLI.

TWO. THE IDENTITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL OR INDIVIDUALS REPRESENTING CIA WHO ACTUALLY HANDLED CONTACTS WITH ROSELLI.

THREE. THE IDENTITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTING CIA WHO CONTACTED DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICIALS REQUESTING INDICTMENT BE QUASHED.

FOUR. THE IDENTITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL WHO REQUESTED THAT HE DO THIS. *u*

FIVE. ANY INFORMATION IN POSSESSION OF ANY CIA PERSONNEL OR FILES HAVING BEARING ON THE TRUE IDENTITY OF ROSELLI AND OF PERTINENCE TO THE TRIAL TO BEGIN APRIL TWENTY THREE NEXT.

BUREAU REFER TO YOUR AIRTEL TO LA NOVEMBER SIX LAST WHEREIN INFO IS SET FORTH THAT ROSELLI IN CONVERSATION WITH FORMER CIA EMPLOYEE COLONEL SHEFFIELD EDWARDS ADVISED THAT HE HAD BEEN CONTACTED BY THE FBI CONCERNING HIS TRUE IDENTITY. *XS(u)*

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CIA REQUESTED THAT BUREAU NOT DISSEMINATE THIS
INFO BECAUSE ROSELLI'S CONTACT WITH CIA EXTREMELY SENSITIVE AND
COULD BE HARMFUL TO NATIONAL SECURITY INTERESTS. ~~XS~~(u)

IN VIEW OF CIA'S ADMISSION TO DEPARTMENT OF
JUSTICE OF RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ROSELLI AND THEIR AGENCY
BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO RECONSIDER THIS RESTRICTION SO
USA, LA CAN BE AGISSD AS TO IDENTITY OF SHEFFIELD EDWARDS
FOR HIS CONSIDERATION IF EDWARDS COULD BE A PERTINENT
WITNESS TO THE PROSECUTION OF ROSELLI.

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr. *[Handwritten initials]*

DATE: June 28, 1968

FROM : S. J. Papich *[Handwritten initials]*

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI, Also Known As
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Howard Osborn, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), furnished the following to the Liaison Agent on June 26, 1968:

About 1:30 p.m., June 26, 1968, [redacted] who has a questionable background, telephonically contacted [redacted], CIA. It should be noted that [redacted] was privy to some aspects of the intelligence operation which involved CIA and the subject. [redacted] met [redacted] At that time, Maheu was involved in the CIA operation [redacted] has not seen or been in contact with [redacted] since the meeting [redacted]

[redacted] told [redacted] on June 26, 1968, that he had been in touch with the subject, and the subject was interested in determining how contact could be established with [redacted] [redacted] did not elaborate further. [redacted] told him that he could not understand why such a question was raised because his name is in the local Washington telephone directory. [redacted] did not make any further comment.

[redacted] volunteered that he had seen the subject in [redacted] a couple of months ago. He stated that Roselli had been "pushed pretty hard by the Bureau" but was holding up quite well. He further volunteered that he had seen Roselli a few weeks ago at the [redacted] Also present was the subject's attorney, [redacted]

Osborn advised that [redacted] has received clear-cut instructions not to get involved with [redacted] or Roselli under any circumstances. Osborn admitted that CIA is disturbed over the [redacted] call because the purpose very definitely is not spelled out.

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Memorandum S. J. Papich to Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.
RE: JOHN ROSELLI, Also Known As
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ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the
attention of the Criminal Intelligence and Organized Crime
Section of the Special Investigative Division. 4

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr. *[Signature]*

DATE: December 27, 1968

FROM : W. O. Cregar *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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Howard Osborn, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), furnished the following to the Liaison Agent on December 27, 1968:

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At about 2 p.m. on the afternoon of December 26, 1968, [redacted] Office of Security, CIA, received a telephone call from subject, who indicated he was at Washington National Airport having just arrived there from Florida. Roselli indicated he planned to contact Ed Morgan (former Bureau Agent and currently practicing law in Washington, D.C.) to discuss several appeals he desired Morgan to make. Following Roselli's conversation with Morgan, he expected to enplane for Newark, New Jersey, where he hoped to visit some friends.

b3 per CIA

The purpose of Roselli's call to [redacted] was to wish him a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The above information was telephonically furnished Supervisor Emery of the Criminal Intelligence and Organized Crime Section by the Liaison Agent.

ACTION:

The above information is being directed to the attention of the Criminal Intelligence and Organized Crime Section of the Special Investigative Division for its information. *u*

- 1 - A. A. Staffeld
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - W. O. Cregar

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Subject: John Roselli
John Russell*
James Stewart*

Date Searched: 4/9/69

All logical variations of subject's name and aliases were searched and identical references were found as set out on page 2:

This is a summary of information obtained from a review of all "see" references to the subject in Bureau files under the names and aliases listed on page 2. All references under these names containing data identical with the subject have been included except any indicated at the end of this summary under the heading REFERENCES NOT INCLUDED IN THIS SUMMARY. References indicated in the block as SI contain the same information as the foregoing serial although the information may have been received from a different source.

THIS SUMMARY HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR USE AT THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT AND IS NOT SUITABLE FOR DISSEMINATION. IT IS DESIGNED TO FURNISH A SYNOPSIS OF THE INFORMATION SET OUT IN EACH REFERENCE, AND IN MANY CASES THE ORIGINAL SERIAL WILL CONTAIN THE INFORMATION IN MORE DETAIL.

Analyst

Coordinator

Approved

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The following reference in the file captioned "Arthur James Balletti" indicated that John Roselli was possibly involved with Balletti in surveilling and recording telephone conversations of Dan Rowan, one of the partners in the Rowan and Martin comedy team at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, in October, 1960. During the time Balletti proceeded to Las Vegas to surveil Rowan, Roselli was registered at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami. Roselli was uncorporative regarding an interview with the SAs in Los Angeles, on 7/19/61. Background data was also set out.

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[REDACTED] California on [REDACTED] advised that he had known John Roselli for about [REDACTED] years, having met him in the late [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Roselli was in the motion picture business. He said that Roselli was not a good card player and played with the poorer players at the Friar's Club. He had heard that Roselli handled the distribution of all playing cards to the casinos in Nevada.

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The following references on John Roselli appear in the file captioned "Assassination of President John F. Kennedy". These references set forth an interview of Attorney Edward Morgan of Washington, DC on 3/20/67 concerning alleged information in his possession regarding the assassination. Roselli was the connecting link between CIA and Robert Mahen who allegedly was hired by the CIA to approach Sam Giancana, hoodlum, to have Fidel Castro, Premier of Cuba, assassinated. Castro learned of the plot, and thereafter, dispatched a team of assassins to the US for the purpose of assassinating President Kennedy. On 5/9/67, Ed Reid, a former newspaperman from Las Vegas, indicated he had information concerning Roselli and wanted to trade it for the above information on Roselli.

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Date: 3/2/71

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3267)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-113)
RE: JOHN ROSELLI, aka
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OO: Los Angeles

Re Los Angeles teletype, 1/25/71.

As Bureau is aware, JOHN ROSELLI presently serving six months in custody of the Attorney General as a result of conviction in U.S. District Court, Los Angeles, in FBI handled alien case and five years in custody of the Attorney General as a result of his conviction in Los Angeles in the Friars Club case. ROSELLI presently incarcerated McNeil Island Penitentiary.

ROSELLI's attorney, ADRIAN MARSEALL, accompanied by Attorney TOM WADDEN, appeared before U.S. District Judge PIERSON M. HALL, U.S. District Court, Los Angeles, on 3/1/71, in an effort to obtain a hearing date for a modification of sentence for ROSELLI based on a series of articles written by syndicated columnist JACK ANDERSON. These articles allege that JOHN ROSELLI was involved with the CIA in clandestine operations involving Cuba.

U.S. District Judge HALL, who sentenced ROSELLI in the alien case, denied the hearing date and commented that even if the articles were true they would have no effect on his sentence and he would not alter the sentence.

The above is for the information of the Bureau.

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TITLE OF CASE JOHN ROSELLI, AKA.		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] b7C	TYPED BY fsc
		CHARACTER OF CASE AR	

REFERENCE: Report of SA **[REDACTED] b7C** dated 11/27/70, at Los Los Angeles. u

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ADMINISTRATIVE

This case is being maintained in a current status in the Los Angeles Office even though ROSELLI is presently incarcerated at Mac Neil Island Penitentiary. u

The Seattle Office is being requested by separate cover to monitor the activities of ROSELLI while at Mac Neil Island. In addition, ADRIAN MARSHALL, the attorney for JOHN ROSELLI, plans to request U. S. District Judge GRAY for a reduction in sentence based on ROSELLI's connections with the CIA. u

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APPROVED *[Signature]* SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Judge GRAY had previously sentenced ROSELLI to five years in custody of the Attorney General as a result of this conviction in the Friars Club case. u

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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: (1) Will continue to follow and report activities of JOHN ROSELLI while at Mac Neil Island Penitentiary. u

(2) Will continue to follow and report the activities of ROSELLI's attorney in an effort to have ROSELLI released from prison. u

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 2 - USA, Los Angeles
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Report of: [REDACTED] b7c
Date: 3/17/71

Office: Los Angeles, California

Field Office File #: 92-113
Bureau File #: 92-267

Title: JOHN ROSELLI

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: ROSELLI surrendered USM, Los Angeles, 1/25/71, to begin sentence of six months which he received in Alien matter, USDC, Los Angeles, and the five-year sentence he received as a result of conviction in the Friars Club case. On 3/1/71, ROSELLI's attorney appeared before USDJ, Los Angeles, in an effort to obtain a hearing date for modification of sentence based on a series of articles written by JACK ANDERSON alleging ROSELLI was involved with CIA in clandestine operations involving Cuba. ANDERSON's affidavit set forth. Judge HALL denied a hearing date. u

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DETAILS:

On January 18, 1971, ROSELLI appeared before U. S. District Judge PEIRSON M. HALL, at which time, the mandate of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals was ordered spread by Judge HALL on the conviction of ROSELLI in an Alien case in U. S. District Court. ROSELLI had received a six month sentence. ROSELLI was ordered to the custody of the U. S. Marshal immediately to begin serving the sentence, and ROSELLI was taken into the custody of the U. S. Marshal. u

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Assistant U. S. Attorney DAVID R. NISSEN, U. S. Attorney's Office, Los Angeles, advised on January 20, 1971, that subsequent to ROSELLI being turned over to the U. S. Marshal, and subsequent to NISSEN's departure from the courtroom, JAMES P. CANTILLON, one of ROSELLI's attorneys, requested an appearance before Judge HALL, which was granted. Notice was not given the U. S. Attorney's Office of this appearance and no one appeared to represent the Government. Mr. NISSEN said that he learned the above on January 20, 1971, from Judge HALL's Secretary who further advised that CANTILLON requested a stay for ROSELLI until 12:00 noon on Monday, January 25, 1971, and also requested Judge HALL allow ROSELLI to serve his sentence at Federal Correctional Institution, Terminal Island, California. According to Mr. NISSEN, Judge HALL granted CANTILLON's request without a representative of the U. S. Government being present. Assistant U. S. Attorney NISSEN stated that he had been in contact with the U. S. Marshal's Office, Los Angeles, and Mac Neil Island Penitentiary had been designated as the place of incarceration for ROSELLI. U

On January 25, 1971, ROSELLI surrendered to the U. S. Marshal, Los Angeles, to begin serving six month and five years sentences as a result of his convictions, in an Alien case and the Friars Club case. U

On January 25, 1971, U. S. District Judge WILLIAM P. GRAY, U. S. District Court, Los Angeles, spread the mandate of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in the Friars Club case. U

On March 1, 1971, ADRIAN MARSHALL and TOM WADDEN, Attorneys for JOHN ROSELLI, appeared before U. S. District Judge PEIRSON M. HALL in an effort to obtain a hearing date for a modification of sentence for ROSELLI based on a series of articles written by syndicated columnist JACK ANDERSON. These articles alleged that JOHN ROSELLI

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was involved with the CIA in clandestine operations involving Cuba. U. S. District Judge HALL denied the hearing date, and commented that even if the articles were true, that it would have no effect on his sentence, and he would not alter the sentence. The affidavits of JACK ANDERSON are as follows: u

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Attorneys for Defendant

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
Plaintiff,
vs.
FILIPPO SACCO, also known
as JOHN ROSSELLI,
Defendant.

NO. 1175 - PH
AFFIDAVITS OF JACK ANDERSON
AND LESLIE WHITTEN
IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR
REDUCTION OF SENTENCE
AND REQUEST FOR EVIDENTIARY
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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Plaintiff-Appellee,
v.
JOHN ROSSELLI
(aka FILIPPO SACCO),
Defendant-Appellant.

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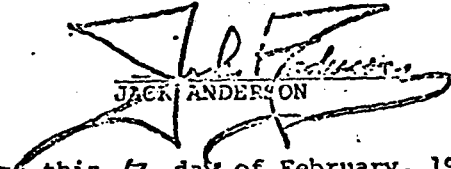
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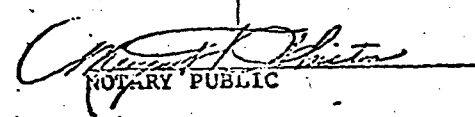
JACK ANDERSON, being duly sworn, deposes and says
the following:

1. I am a nationally syndicated columnist writing under my own by-line. For many years prior to the death of Mr. Drew Pearson, he and I wrote a column known as the "Washington Merry-Go-Round".
2. I wrote the articles attached hereto as Exhibits A and B pertaining to certain activities performed by John Rosselli, the Defendant herein, on behalf of the United States Government.
3. The information contained in said articles was made available to me by persons employed by the United States Government who, in the past, have supplied me with accurate and truthful information as pertains to other subjects.
4. After receiving said basic information, my staff and I conducted an impartial and independent investigation regarding John Rosselli's activities as described in Exhibit A, which were performed at the behest of Agents of the United States Government.

5. The aforementioned investigation satisfied me that the facts set forth in Exhibit A are a truthful account of Mr. Rosselli's activities as described therein.


JACK ANDERSON

Sworn to before me this 17 day of February, 1971.


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My Commission Expires Nov. 14, 1971

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
)
Plaintiff-Appellee,)
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v.)
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JOHN ROSSELLI)
(aka FILIPPO SACCO),)
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Defendant-Appellant)

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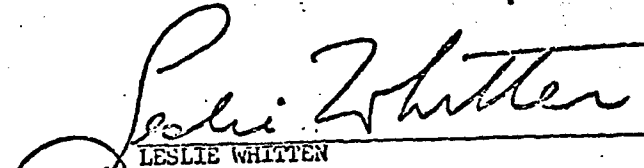
CITY OF WASHINGTON)
) ss.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA)

LESLIE WHITTEN, being duly sworn, deposes and says the following:

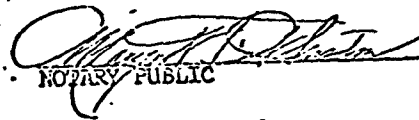
1. I am employed as principal associate of nationally-syndicated columnist Jack Anderson, writer of "Washington Merry-Go-Round."
2. I worked on certain articles relating to John Rosselli, and services performed by him on behalf of the Central Intelligence Agency, an organ of the United States Federal government.
3. As part of my investigation, I twice called William K. Harvey, a retired Central Intelligence Agency official, now of Indianapolis.
4. On my first call, in January, I asked Harvey if it were not true that he had personally intervened with the Justice Department in order to mitigate the government's prosecution of Roselli on the basis that Roselli had done a formidable service for his country. Harvey said "this is a long story...I don't think it ought to be printed." I asked him whether it was not true that he had a high regard for Rosselli. "I still do," he earnestly replied.
5. In pursuing the story further, I called Harvey again in Indianapolis this date (February 17, 1971) and asked him whether he could comment on our story about Rosselli which by now has been published widely in the United States. He declined to comment. But

he twice reaffirmed his "high regard" for Rosselli. I advised him I was making an affidavit on Rosselli's behalf and he expressed concern for Rosselli, asked his present status and said he would "follow up" on Rosselli's behalf from his end.

6. Based on my part of the investigation, I am satisfied that the facts set down in Exhibit A, appended to the Affidavit of Jack Anderson, are a truthful account of Rosselli's activities on behalf of the United States.


LESLIE WHITTEN

Sworn to before me this 17 day of February, 1971.


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NY Commission Expires Nov. 14, 1971

Jack Anderson Merry-Go-Round

6 CIA ATTEMPTS TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO REVEALED BY ANDERSON;
HUGHES AIDE MAHEU & JUNE LANG'S EX FIGURED IN HUSHED PLOT;
QUESTION: DID CASTRO GET OSWALD TO KILL KENNEDY IN REVENGE?

By Jack Anderson

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WASHINGTON--Locked in the darkest recesses of the Central Intelligence Agency is the story of six assassination attempts against Cuba's Fidel Castro.

For 10 years, only a few key people have known the terrible secret. They have sworn never to talk. Yet we have learned the details from sources whose credentials are beyond question.

The plot to knock off Castro began as part of the Bay of Pigs operation. The intent was to eliminate the Cuban dictator before the motley invaders landed on the island. Their arrival was expected to touch off a general uprising, which the communist militia would have had more trouble putting down without the charismatic Castro to lead them.

After the first attempt failed, five more assassination teams were sent to Cuba. The last team reportedly made it to a rooftop within shooting distance of Castro before members were apprehended. This happened around the last of February or first of March, 1963.

Nine months later, President Kennedy was gunned down in Dallas by Lee Harvey Oswald, a fanatic who previously had agitated for Castro in New Orleans and had made a mysterious trip to the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City.

Among those privy to the CIA conspiracy, there is still a nagging suspicion--unsupported by the Warren Commission's findings--that Castro became aware of the U.S. plot upon his life and somehow recruited Oswald to retaliate against President Kennedy.

To set up the Castro assassination, the CIA enlisted Robert Maheu, a former FBI agent with shadowy contacts, who had handled other undercover assignments for the CIA out of his Washington public relations office. He later moved to Las Vegas to head up billionaire Howard Hughes's Nevada operations.

Once, a Cuban patrol boat sank Roselli's boat with a lucky shot but the occupants were quickly fished out of the murky water by the other boat. The assassination teams never got a shot at Castro, although the last group reached a rooftop within range. No doubt most of the infiltrators were picked up and tortured terribly.

Roselli, Harvey, O'Connell and company had taken precautions, however, to make sure not even the Cuban recruits knew the CIA was behind the plot. Roselli posed as a representative of big oil interests which sought revenge against Castro expropriating their holdings in Cuba. The weapons and other equipment were of foreign make, mostly Belgian, to prevent any link to the U.S.

All the equipment, including the two powerboats, were purchased out of Roselli's own pocket. The CIA paid only the expenses of its two agents Harvey and O'Connell.

--NO COMMENT--

The principals in the CIA conspiracy, sworn to deep secrecy, refused to comment on the caper. We got an admission out of Maheu only that he had handled special jobs for the CIA, but he refused to discuss them. Roselli responded with a flat "no comment."

My associate Les Whitten located Harvey, who left the CIA about two years ago, in Indianapolis. Asked about Roselli, Harvey said he had a high regard for him. Whitten then questioned Harvey about Roselli's daring work.

"This is a long story," replied the former CIA man, "I don't think it ought to be printed." Thereafter, he refused to acknowledge even that he had been a CIA operative.

We got an admission from "Big Jim" O'Connell, who is still with the CIA, that he had met Roselli through Maheu. But when we asked about Roselli's CIA mission, O'Connell also clammed up.

Finally we spoke to John McCone, who headed the CIA at the time of the assassination attempts. He acknowledged the idea had been discussed inside the CIA but insisted it had been "rejected immediately." He vigorously denied that the CIA had ever participated in any plot on Castro's life. Asked whether the attempts could have been made without his knowledge, he replied "It could not have happened."

... complete confidence, however, in our sources.

Maheu recruited John Roselli, a ruggedly handsome gambler with contacts in both the American and Cuban underworlds, to arrange the assassination. The dapper, hawk-faced Roselli, formerly married to movie actress June Lang, was a power in the movie industry until his conviction with racketeer Willie Bioff in a million-dollar Hollywood labor shakedown.

The CIA assigned two of its most trusted operatives, William Harvey and James "Big Jim" O'Connell, to the hush-hush murder mission. Using phony names, they accompanied Roselli on trips to Miami to line up the assassination teams.

The full story reads like the script of a James Bond movie, complete with secret trysts at glittering Miami Beach hotels and midnight powerboat dashes to secret landing spots on the Cuban coast. Once, Roselli's boat was shot out from under him.

For the first try, the CIA furnished Roselli with special poison capsules to slip into Castro's food. The poison was supposed to take three days to act. By the time Castro died, his system would throw off all traces of the poison, so he would appear to be the victim of a natural if mysterious ailment.

Roselli arranged with a Cuban, related to one of Castro's chefs, to plant the deadly pellets in the dictator's food. On March 13, 1961, Roselli delivered the capsules to his contact at Miami Beach's glamorous Fontainebleau Hotel.

A couple weeks later, just about the right time for the plot to have been carried out, a report out of Havana said Castro was ill. But he recovered before the Bay of Pigs invasion on April 17, 1961.

--WAS CASTRO POISONED?--

The Cuban who had sneaked the poison into Havana was never seen again. The CIA, unsure whether the plotters had failed or the poison simply hadn't been strong enough, decided to try again with a more powerful dose. Roselli arranged for triple-strength capsules to be slipped into Castro's food several weeks after the Bay of Pigs. But once again, the plot failed and the conspirators disappeared. 11

Four more attempts were made on Castro's life, using Cuban assassination teams equipped with high-powered rifles, explosives and two-way radios. At intervals in the dark of night, Roselli personally delivered the teams in twin powerboats to the Cuban shores. (more)

Jack Anderson Merry-Go-Round

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DID CIA PLOT ASSASSINATIONS OF TRUJILLO AND NGO DINH DIEM?

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By Jack Anderson

WASHINGTON--The plot to kill Cuban dictator Fidel Castro, hidden for 10 years from the public, raises some ugly questions that high officials would rather keep buried deep inside the Central Intelligence Agency.

1. Has the CIA tried to assassinate any other leaders? John McCone, who headed the CIA during the six attempts to knock off Castro, denied emphatically that the CIA has tried to kill anyone. But ex-Senator George Smathers, one of John F. Kennedy's closest friends, told us the late President suspected that the CIA had arranged the shootings of the Dominican Republic's Rafael Trujillo in 1961 and South Vietnam's Ngo Dinh Diem in 1963.

2. Did President Kennedy personally sanction the plot against Castro? The preparations to assassinate the Cuban dictator began during the last months of the Eisenhower administration as part of the Bay of Pigs scheme. All six attempts, however, were made during 1961-63 when Kennedy occupied the White House. Smathers told us he once spoke to the late President about assassinating Castro. Kennedy merely rolled back his eyes, recalled Smathers, as if to indicate the idea was too wild to discuss. Subsequently, Kennedy told Smathers of his suspicion that the CIA may have been behind the Trujillo and Diem assassinations.

3. Did the late Robert Kennedy know about the assassination attempts? After the Bay of Pigs fiasco, President Kennedy swore to friends he would like "to splinter the CIA in a thousand pieces and scatter it to the winds." He put his brother, Robert, in charge of the CIA with instructions to shake it up. The CIA made five attempts on Castro's life after the Bay of Pigs while Robert Kennedy was riding herd on the agency.

4. Could the plot against Castro have backfired against President Kennedy? The late President was murdered nine months after the last assassination team was caught on a Havana rooftop with high-powered rifles. Presumably, they were subjected to fiendish tortures until they told all they knew. None of the assassination teams, however, had direct knowledge of the CIA involvement. The CIA instigators had represented themselves as oilmen seeking revenge against Castro for his seizure of oil holdings.

--DID PLOT BACKFIRE?--

Former associates recall that Robert Kennedy, deeply despondent, went into semi-seclusion after his brother's assassination. Could he have been tormented by more than natural grief? He certainly learned that the assassin, Lee Harvey Oswald, had been active in the pro-Castro movement and had traveled to Mexico to visit the Cuban Embassy a few weeks before the dreadful day in Dallas. Could Bob Kennedy have been plagued by the terrible thought that the CIA plot, which he must at least have condoned, put into motion forces that may have brought about his brother's martyrdom?

The last surviving brother, Senator Ted Kennedy, D-Mass., could give us no insight. His brothers had never spoken to him about any assassination attempts against Castro, he said. He was aware, he volunteered, only that Senator Smathers had talked to the late President about eliminating Castro.

Smathers told us that President Kennedy seemed "horrified" at the idea of political assassinations. "I remember him saying," recalled Smathers, "that the CIA frequently did things he didn't know about, and he was unhappy about it. He complained that the CIA was almost autonomous.

"He told me he believed the CIA had arranged to have Diem and Trujillo bumped off. He was pretty well shocked about that. He thought it was a stupid thing to do, and he wanted to get control of what the CIA was doing."

But McCone, disagreeing vigorously, told us that "no plot was authorized or implemented" to assassinate Castro, Trujillo, Diem or anyone else.

--MCCONE'S RECOLLECTIONS--

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however, if he acquiesced to a price increase by the steel companies. In the past, President Nixon has been reluctant to use his office to pressure labor and management to accept more moderate settlements. The inflation threat is so serious, however, that he is now changing his attitude. But, he still will not go so far as to press for wage and price controls.

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JOHN ROSELLI is presently serving a five year sentence at Mc Neil Island Penitentiary as a result of his conviction in United States District Court, Los Angeles, in the Friars Club case. United States District Judge WILLIAM P. GRAY has granted a hearing to ROSELLI in his court on 7/8/71, to hear arguments on a motion for a reduction in sentence. Judge GRAY has agreed to a request by ADRIAN MARSHALL, ROSELLI's attorney, that ROSELLI be readily available for consultation with him. Judge GRAY, after first suggesting the possibility that ROSELLI could be paroled to travel to Los Angeles, has issued an order that he be brought to Los Angeles by the Bureau of Prisons. *u*

MARSHALL has previously indicated to Assistant United States Attorney DAVID R. NISSEN, United States Attorney's Office, Los Angeles, that he will call witnesses to this hearing. He also indicated the main issue will be the alleged cooperation by ROSELLI with Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in the Cuban situation. As the Bureau is aware, JACK ANDERSON, the syndicated columnist, in January 1971, at the time ROSELLI was to surrender to begin serving his sentences in the Alien and Friars Club cases, wrote several

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columns concerning alleged activities on the part of ROSELLI in behalf of the CIA in Cuba. Copies of these articles as well as affidavits signed by ANDERSON and LESLIE WHITTEN, an employee of ANDERSON's, have been sent to the Bureau in Los Angeles report of SA [REDACTED] dated 3/17/71, captioned as above. u

United States District Judge PIERSON M. HALL, trial judge in the Alien case, has previously denied a hearing to ROSELLI for a reduction in sentence in that case. This motion was also based on the same alleged CIA cooperation. J

Assistant United States Attorney NISSEN has advised both MARSHALL and Judge GRAY that he will not agree to the mere filing of affidavits in a hearing for reduction of sentence. NISSEN is insisting that the person giving the affidavit appear in court so he will have the opportunity to cross examine them. MARSHALL has said he will call witnesses and NISSEN will insist on ANDERSON and his employees appearing in person if they submit affidavits. u

BENJAMIN TEITELBAUM, convicted with ROSELLI and others in the Friars Club case, surrendered to the United States Marshal, Los Angeles, this date to begin serving his sentence. TEITELBAUM originally received a four-year sentence but this was reduced on 6/21/71, to three years by Judge GRAY. MANUEL JACOBS, who was also convicted in the Friars Club case has been granted an extension until 7/9/71, to begin serving his sentence because of minor surgery which has not healed completely. u

The Bureau will be advised of pertinent developments in this matter. u

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Set forth in the details of this report is information which has appeared in Los Angeles newspapers concerning an appearance by JOHN ROSELLI before a Special Senate Committee headed by Senator FRANK CHURCH on 6/24/75. This testimony allegedly reveals efforts by

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JOHN ROSELLI to assassinate FIDEL CASTRO on behalf of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). U

The connection between ROSELLI and the CIA first came to the attention of the Los Angeles Office in an investigation entitled, "ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; ET AL; UPUC, Los Angeles file 139-77, Bureau file 139-1201." BALLETTI had installed illegal microphones in the Suite of DAN ROWAN, one of the partners in the Rowan & Martin Comedy Team, at the Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas. ROWAN, at the time, was dating PHYLLIS MC GUIRE, who had been up until that time the girl friend of SAM GIANCANA, the "Boss" of the Chicago Family of the La Cosa Nostra (LCN). U

During the course of the investigation of the above matter, interviews were conducted with ROBERT MAHEU, a former Special Agent of the FBI, who advised that he had been contacted during the latter part of 1960 by Colonel SHEFFIELD EDWARDS, Director of Security, CIA. According to MAHEU, EDWARDS requested him to contact SAM GIANCANA since gambling activities in Cuba had been controlled by GIANCANA and his associates in Cuba and the CIA believed that GIANCANA would still have sources and contacts in Cuba which could possibly be used by the CIA. MAHEU subsequently admitted that he had met with ROSELLI at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida, in October of 1960 regarding this matter. ROSELLI was using the name of J. A. ROLLINS at that time. (S)

MAHEU advised that the reason the microphone had been put in DAN ROWAN's room was because he had received information that there had been leaks concerning his relationship with the CIA and he thought that these leaks might possibly be through SAM GIANCANA to PHYLLIS MC GUIRE to DAN ROWAN.

During the BALLETTI investigation, Colonel EDWARDS of the CIA was contacted and admitted that he had contacted MAHEU as a go-between in contacts with GIANCANA. EDWARDS admitted the reason for contacts with GIANCANA were because

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GIANCANA and his associates had formerly controlled gambling prior to CASTRO coming to power and the CIA was hopeful of using their sources and contacts. Colonel EDWARDS advised that the CIA had hoped to use these sources and contacts in connection with the CIA's clandestine efforts against the CASTRO Government. He did not explain this further.

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The Chicago Office advised on 12/11/61, that according to [REDACTED] ROSELLI and GIANCANA discussed electronic monitoring equipment during which time the CIA was mentioned.

On 6/20/63, JOHN ROSELLI was observed to depart Los Angeles for Washington, D.C. on TWA flight 60, under the name of J. RALSTON. Special Agents of the Richmond Division observed ROSELLI depart from this flight, at which time he was met by an individual driving an automobile registered to WILLIAM KING HARVEY of Montgomery County, Maryland. ROSELLI and the individual, subsequently identified as HARVEY, proceeded to Washington, D. C. HARVEY is a former Bureau Agent and in 1963 held a high position with the CIA. U

Subsequently, the CIA advised the Bureau that ROSELLI had been in contact with a representative of the CIA and that according to the CIA, ROSELLI had periodically indicated that he was in a position to be of assistance regarding Cuban Matters. The CIA informed the Bureau that this last meeting between ROSELLI and a representative of the CIA was to close out this entire matter. ROSELLI, according to the CIA, had not been given any financial remuneration and the CIA had never made any commitments to ROSELLI.

During May of 1966, efforts were made by the Los Angeles Office to develop ROSELLI as a C-TE. Within several days of the contact by FBI Agents. ROSELLI traveled to Washington, D. C., and contacted Colonel EDWARDS about his meeting with FBI Agents. ROSELLI told EDWARDS that he had been approached by two FBI Agents who told him that they

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wanted to talk to him alone and that it pertained to National Security. He told Colonel EDWARDS that the Agent attempted to give him an envelope which he refused to take. When ROSELLI returned home, he found this same envelope at his apartment reception desk and that it contained a picture of a woman and child. ROSELLI told him the picture of the child was himself at that age. According to Colonel EDWARDS, ROSELLI made no requests of him to make any inquiry or to do anything concerning this and he was merely informing Colonel EDWARDS of this information. ~~XS~~ (u)

Prior to a trial in U. S. District Court (USDC), Los Angeles, in early 1968, of ROSELLI on Alien Charges, efforts were made by the Bureau to secure the assistance of Colonel EDWARDS as a witness to the admissions made to him by ROSELLI. The CIA declined to allow Colonel EDWARDS to testify because it would immediately "open the door" to public exposure of an extremely sensitive intelligence operation. ~~XS~~ (u)

In April of 1968, information was received from the U. S. Attorney's Office, Los Angeles, that the Department of Justice had received a request from the CIA and the indictment of ROSELLI be quashed because he was a CIA informant. The indictment was not quashed and ROSELLI was subsequently convicted and sentenced to six months in custody of the Attorney General on these charges.

On 3/1/71, ADRIAN MARSHALL and TOM WADDEN, Attorneys for JOHN ROSELLI, appeared in USDC, Los Angeles, in an effort to obtain a hearing date for a modification of sentence for ROSELLI based on a series of articles written by syndicated columnist JACK ANDERSON. These articles alleged that JOHN ROSELLI was involved with the CIA in clandestine operations involving Cuba. The U. S. District Judge denied the hearings and commented that even if the articles were true, it would not have an effect on the sentence he imposed on ROSELLI. The affidavits of ANDERSON are set out in the Los Angeles report of SA [REDACTED], dated 3/17/71, in this matter. ^{b7c} u

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ROSELLI's attorney, ADRIAN MARSHALL, appeared in another USDC, Los Angeles, in the Friars Club Case on 7/7/71, and attempted to argue for a reduction in sentence based on ROSELLI's alleged participation with the CIA in a plot to assassinate CASTRO. The U. S. District Judge interrupted MARSHALL prior to his finishing his argument and told MARSHALL that ROSELLI's cooperation with the CIA would not give ROSELLI any "brownie points" in his court room and that such an event would have been catastrophic in his opinion. u

The above is a summary of the information contained in Los Angeles files regarding ROSELLI's association with the CIA and is being set out in this report in view of the information set out in the details of this report that ROSELLI had testified before a Senate Committee investigating the CIA. u

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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA: Will continue to follow and report the results of ROSELLI's appeal to the Board of Immigration Appeals, Washington, D. C. u

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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Will continue to follow and report the activities of ROSELLI. u

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ROSELLI's appeal to the order deporting him to Italy on 1/10/75, is still under appeal in Washington, D. C. ROSELLI appeared before the CHURCH Senate Committee investigating CIA and allegedly testified to his involvement with CIA. SAM GIANCANA, close associate of ROSELLI, murdered in Chicago, Illinois, 6/19/75. u

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DETAILS:

The Miami Office advised as follows on June 23, 1975: u

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[REDACTED] Secretary, Office of the Trial Attorney, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Federal Building, Miami, Florida, advised on June 23, 1975, that subject's immigration case is still under appeal in Washington, D. C. u

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Mr. DAVID W. WALTERS, Attorney, Suite 1001, 100 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, Florida, stated on June 23, 1975, that he was representing the subject in his immigration case, which is now under appeal. He said he also represents ROSELLI in litigation with the U. S. Army over ROSELLI's discharge from the Army in World War II. ROSELLI is contending that he is entitled to an honorable type discharge. U

Mr. WALTERS said that he has no information relating to ROSELLI's connection with alleged attempts on the life of FIDEL CASTRO. He said ROSELLI never alluded to the allegation, although he, WALTERS, has been contacted by the press concerning ROSELLI's alleged part in the conspiracy. He said it was rumored by the press that ROSELLI would testify before a U. S. Senate Committee in the near future. U

The 'Los Angeles Times,' the Los Angeles 'Herald Examiner', the 'New York Post', and the 'New York Times', all carried articles in their June 25, 1975, editions regarding JOHN ROSELLI and his testimony before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence which is chaired by Senator FRANK CHURCH. The article published by the 'New York Times' is as follows: U

"WASHINGTON, June 24, John Roselli, a former member of the Al Capone gang and an operative of the Mafia for most of his adult life, told a Senate committee today that he had been recruited by the Central Intelligence Agency in a plot to kill Premier Fidel Castro of Cuba, according to members of the committee." U

"Mr. Roselli, a tanned, stocky 69-year-old man, testified before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence under heavy guard in a closed session for some two hours. According to the committee chairman, Senator Frank Church, Democrat of Idaho, Mr. Roselli's testimony 'filled in, in much greater detail, (the plot) and did not depart from what has been published in the press.'" U

"Earlier Mr. Church had said that the committee had evidence that the C.I.A. was involved in assassination plots and assassination attempts. Senator John G. Tower, Republican of Texas, who is the committee vice chairman, said that Mr. Roselli had provided 'details of contacts that were made,' adding, 'It doesn't throw any new light on the situation as I see it.' He said that as a result of Mr. Roselli's testimony and other evidence, the premise that the C.I.A. used the Mafia to try to kill Premier Castro 'is pretty well laid on the record.'" u

"According to published reports, Mr. Roselli was recruited in late 1960 by Robert A. Maheu, acting on behalf of the C.I.A., in a plot to kill Mr. Castro. Mr. Maheu, according to authoritative sources, also recruited Sam Giancana, a Chicago rackets boss, in what was essentially a plan to poison the three top leaders of the Cuban Government and create a power vacuum in the new revolutionary state." u

"Mr. Giancana was shot to death last Thursday in his Oak Park, Ill., home. His killers have not been apprehended. The Chicago police have described the killing as a premeditated 'execution.' Senator Church said that the committee had planned to call Mr. Giancana as a witness." u

"Mr. Giancana's death left Mr. Roselli as the only organized crime figure who is known to have been connected with the plot. Leslie Scherr, one of the two lawyers who accompanied Mr. Roselli to the hearing, said later that Mr. Giancana's death had not caused Mr. Roselli to fear for himself, but for members of his family." u

"Another source said that Mr. Roselli was concerned about possible retaliation from Cuban nationalist groups rather than fearing an attack from organized crime elements." u

"Whatever his fears, Mr. Roselli came before the committee under extraordinary security precautions. He was taken to and from the committee room by back stairs and elevators under the guard of the Capitol police. Photographers took pictures of several men who appeared to be Mr. Roselli." u

"Photographs of Mr. Roselli have not been published for several years and many of the newsmen did not know what he looked like. According to Mr. Scherr, a practice attempt was made to mislead newsmen as to who Mr. Roselli was. Mr. Scherr said he did not believe any news agency had been successful in photographing Mr. Roselli and that he would 'urge any organization not to use the picture if they had it.' " u

"Senator Church said that the committee had agreed to help Mr. Roselli in avoiding the press. He said that the committee had permitted Mr. Roselli to name only C.I.A. officials with whom he dealt and not to name private parties. Mr. Roselli was concerned about the safety of private parties if their names became known, Mr. Church said." u

"Mr. Roselli was dressed in a well-tailored black suit, tailored shirt with cufflinks and conservative tie. He answered the committee's questions calmly, one member said, and appeared to be like 'anybody's grandfather.' " u

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"Mr. Roselli gave his testimony in 'layman's terms' and used little gangland slang, the member said. Mr. Roselli was reportedly serious but occasionally displayed a wry sense of humor. When one committee member asked him how he could quickly identify a particular agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation the witness rejoined, 'because he followed me for three years. He was in charge of my case.'" u

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"Mr. Roselli's criminal career began in the nineteen-thirties when he was arrested 16 times on charges of carrying a gun while in the gang controlled by Al Capone. He served in the Army from 1942 to 1945, and received an undesirable discharge." U

"It was while in the service that Mr. Roselli was convicted of a scheme to extort money from Hollywood figures that stemmed from activities before the war. He was not convicted again until 1969 when he was sentenced to five years in Prison for a card cheating scandal at the Friars Club in Los Angeles." U

"The Government, at that time, began efforts to deport Mr. Roselli to Italy, where he was born in 1905. The case is being appealed. Mr. Roselli is; also suing to have his discharge changed from undesirable to honorable." U

"In the next two days the committee is expected to hear testimony from Mr. Maheu and C.I.A. officials familiar with the plot." U

The article by the 'Herald Examiner' contains a photograph of several individuals leaving the Senate after testifying before the Committee. Included in this photograph is a picture of JOHN ROSELLI and one of his attorneys, JAMES P. CANTILLON. It is noted that CANTILLON's name does not appear in any of the articles as the attorney representing ROSELLI before the Committee. U

According to the local Los Angeles newspapers, SAM GIANCANA was shot and killed in his residence in the Chicago area on June 19, 1975. U

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From: Director, FBI (92-3267)

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OO: Los Angeles

Re Los Angeles letter to the Bureau 7/9/75.

Roselli's testimony before the Senate Committee was given in Executive Session and the Bureau is not privy to testimony of individuals furnished in Executive Session.

If, at a future date, the testimony is made available to the Bureau, you will be furnished a copy at such time.

NOTE: Los Angeles has requested a copy of John Roselli's testimony before the Special Investigative Committee, chaired by Senator Frank Church concerning his appearance on 6/24/75 in which he testified relating to his relationship with the CIA. Los Angeles feels that if a copy of his testimony is available and furnished to them, it could be reviewed by an Agent of the Los Angeles Office in an effort to develop a perjury charge against Roselli.

SA [redacted], Legal Counsel Division, was telephonically contacted by SA [redacted] on 7/21/75 and [redacted] advised that the Bureau does not have access to testimony given by Roselli and others because it was given in Executive Session before the Committee.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

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SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI, aka
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As the Bureau is aware, JOHN ROSELLI has been under intensive investigation by the Bureau under the Bureau's former Top Hoodlum Program and the present Criminal Intelligence Program since 1957. In the early 1960's, ROSELLI was named by the Bureau as a subject for intensified investigation.

In 1968, ROSELLI was convicted in two separate cases initiated and investigated by the Los Angeles Office. He has served time as a result of these two convictions. Since ROSELLI's release from prison in October of 1973, he has moved to Florida but continues to spend some time in Los Angeles. In Florida ROSELLI has been ordered deported by an INS Hearing Officer and he is currently appealing this decision.

During the intensified investigation conducted by the Bureau on ROSELLI's activities, it was learned as early as 1960, that ROSELLI had an association with the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) through ROBERT MAHEU, a former FBI Agent. Several other instances of contacts between ROSELLI and the CIA were developed over the years, including a surveillance in 1963 when ROSELLI was picked up at Dulles Airport by a CIA agent, WILLIAM HARVEY. ROSELLI's attorney also attempted to use his alleged association with the CIA in efforts to have his sentences reduced in his conviction for being an illegal alien and for his conviction in the Friars Club Case; however, the judges in both instances refused to reduce the sentences.

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Following ROSELLI's convictions in the Alien and Friars Club Cases, he was granted immunity during the investigation into hidden interests by the Detroit La Cosa Nostra (LCN) in the Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, which eventually led to the convictions of ANTHONY ZERILLI, MICHAEL POLIZZI, and ANTHONY GIARDANO on ITAR - GAMBLING Charges. ROSELLI answered all questions put to him before the Federal Grand Jury by former Assistant U. S. Attorney DAVID R. NISSEN; however, he was found to be a very intelligent witness who was able to perjure himself in those areas he knew the Government would be unable to prove without divulging informants. u

Newspaper articles in Los Angeles have revealed that ROSELLI has testified concerning his relationship with the CIA before the Special Senate Committee chaired by Senator FRANK CHURCH on 6/24/75. These articles revealed that ROSELLI allegedly furnished an interview with JACK ANDERSON concerning his testimony immediately following his testimony. u

The Los Angeles Office feels that in view of the vast amount of information developed during the intensified investigation of ROSELLI, that ROSELLI's testimony should be reviewed by an Agent of the Los Angeles Office in an effort to develop a perjury case on him. u

The Bureau, if not already done, is requested to obtain a copy of ROSELLI's testimony before this Senate Committee and furnish same to the Los Angeles Office. u

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ADMINISTRATIVE

This matter is being placed in a pending inactive status for a period of six months, at which time it will be reactivated to report any changes in the appeal by ROSELLI.

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to the INS Deportation Order in Miami, Florida. u

By letter, dated 7/9/75, the Bureau was requested to attempt to obtain copies of ROSELLI's testimony before the Special Senate Committee chaired by Senator FRANK CHURCH. The Bureau advised on 7/22/75, that ROSELLI's testimony before this Committee was given an Executive Session and this Bureau is not privy to testimony of individuals furnished in Executive Sessions. u

LEADS

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA: Will report any changes in ROSELLI's INS appeal to the Board of Immigration Appeals, Washington, D. C. u

LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Will reactivate this matter after six months. u

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Title:

JOHN ROSELLI

Character:

ANTI - RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

ROBERT MAHEW and RICHARD M. BISSELL testified before the Special Senate Committee chaired by Senator FRANK CHURCH as to their part in arranging for ROSELLI who worked for the CIA. Interview with JAMES CANTILLON, Former Attorney for ROSELLI, set forth. u

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DETAILS:

It had been previously reported that JOHN ROSELLI on June 24, 1975, according to the "Los Angeles Times" and the "New York Times" appeared before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, which is chaired by Senator FRANK CHURCH and testified that he had been contacted by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) through ROBERT MAHEW, to try to kill Premier CASTRO of Cuba. u

According to the "Los Angeles Times" of July 30, 1975, RICHARD M. BISSELL, a former Chief of Clandestine Services for the CIA, testified before the CHURCH Committee that he personally had approved the CIA cooperation with "Mafia" figures to assassinate Cuban Premier CASTRO in 1960. BISSELL when questioned by reporters said arrangements with the Mafia had been handled by the office of the late Colonel SHEFFIELD EDWARDS, through ROBERT A. MAHEW. Colonel SHEFFIELD EDWARDS was the CIA's Director of Security. BISSELL told reporters that Colonel EDWARDS had arranged the highly secret cooperation with Underworld figures SAM GIANCANA and JOHN ROSELLI, but that he, BISSELL, had approved it. \

BISSELL said that the arrangements with the Mafia began "in the last half of 1960" and might have been suggested to the CIA by GIANCANA or other Mafia figures because "they did have very large interests in Cuba that were totally eclipsed or destroyed by Castro." BISSELL also speculated that Underworld figures were seeking to build up credit with the U. S. Government against possible Federal prosecution in the future. \

According to the "Los Angeles Times" and the "Los Angeles Herald Examiner" on July 31, 1975, ROBERT A. MAHEW testified before the CHURCH Committee on July 30, 1975. Following his two days of testimony behind closed doors he told reporters that he once helped the CIA develop plans to poison CASTRO because, "I felt we were involved in a just war." MAHEW told reporters that he had recruited ROSELLI and GIANCANA in 1960 at the suggestion of two CIA officials. The CIA had paid him \$500.00 a month for private investigator work during the late 1950's. MAHEW said he was also approached on the CASTRO Matter in 1960 by JAMES J. O'CONNELL, a CIA Supervisor, who had previously served as his contact. MAHEW told reporters that O'CONNELL asked him to contact JOHN ROSELLI in Los Angeles and asked ROSELLI if he would assist the CIA in a program for removing CASTRO. MAHEW told reporters that ROSELLI was reluctant to participate but later agreed to help, "When I explained this would be on behalf of his Government, unpleasant as it may sound."

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MAHEW told reporters that the value of ROSELLI and GIANCANA was their contacts and sources of information in Havana where they previously had interests in lucrative gambling casinos closed down by CASTRO. MAHEW said the assassination plan he knew about was a scheme to poison CASTRO that O'CONNELL discussed at a series of meetings at Miami's Fontainebleau Hotel in early 1961. ROSELLI was to deliver poison capsules to one of CASTRO's cooks or domestics, "who would be in a position to administer them if the CIA gave us the 'go' signal." MAHEW said that O'CONNELL showed him the capsules in a white envelope and stated that as far as he knew the CIA never gave the "go" signal. MAHEW said that after the CIA sponsored the Bay of Pigs Invasion in April of 1961, that he phased out his cooperation with the CIA. ✓

JAMES CANTILLON, Los Angeles Attorney, who has represented JOHN ROSELLI in the past, was met casually on September 10, 1975, at a local Los Angeles restaurant. CANTILLON advised that ROSELLI was currently residing in the Miami area near his sister, EDITH DAGEL. He advised that ROSELLI is traveling between Miami and Washington, D.C., frequently as ROSELLI's attorney in Miami has determined that if ROSELLI can have his Army discharge changed from other than honorable to honorable, he will be a citizen automatically and his problem of being deported will be over. ROSELLI has taken steps to try to convince the Army that his discharge should be changed. ✓

CANTILLON also commented that he had been in Washington, D. C., awaiting a call to testify before the CHURCH Committee when SAM GIANCANA was found shot to death in his Chicago residence. CANTILLON said as soon as he had received word of GIANCANA's death, he had called ROSELLI in the Miami area to be certain that ROSELLI knew of GIANCANA's death and also to be certain that ROSELLI was still alive. CANTILLON said that he actually talked to ROSELLI on this occasion. CANTILLON further stated that he had subsequently testified before the CHURCH Committee. He declined to comment as to what his testimony had been and remarked facetiously that he had testified about the agent. ✓

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It should be noted that ROSELLI was inducted into the U. S. Army on December 4, 1942 at Fort Mc Arthur, California, and had Army Serial Number 39547191. On December 23, 1942, he was transferred to the Fifth Armored Division, Camp Hook, California, and on May 25, 1943, he was transferred to Governor's Island, New York City. He remained at Governor's Island until he was confined by civil authorities on December 30, 1943. ROSELLI received a discharge, other than honorable on June 30, 1945, at Fort Mc Pherson, Georgia, under Provisions of Section 3AR615-366, because of his conviction of a crime by a Civil Court. u

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [REDACTED] **b7C**, dated 10/8/75, at Los Angeles. Miami letters to Los Angeles, dated 11/19/75, and 4/6/76.

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This matter has been in a pending inactive status since the date of referenced report. It has been made pending to report results of ROSELLI's appeal to an Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) order that he be deported. This report is also to report the current activities of ROSELLI.

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This matter is again being placed in a pending inactive status for a period of six (6) months at which time it will again be reactivated to report any change in ROSELLI's INS deportation order. ~

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LEADS

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA: Will report any changes in ROSELLI's INS deportation order. ~

LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Will reactivate this matter after six months. ~

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Report of: **b7C** [REDACTED] Office: Los Angeles, California
Date: 5/14/76

Field Office File #: 92-113 Bureau File #: 92-3267

Title: JOHN ROSELLI


Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: ROSELLI's appeal to order of deportation imposed on him by INS, has been denied by the Immigration Court, Washington, D. C. INS is having difficulty finding a country who will accept ROSELLI. ROSELLI's attorney expects a modification of deportation order. ROSELLI visited Los Angeles area for approximately three (3) weeks during latter part of January and early February of 1976. Newspaper article regarding JUDITH CAMPBELL (now JUDITH EXNER) printed in 'New York Times' set forth. 

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DETAILS:

The Miami Office advised as follows on April 6, 1976:

b7C On November 13, 1975,  Clerk, Immigration Court, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS),

Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past except where otherwise noted.

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Miami, Florida, advised that JOHN ROSELLI's appeal for the order of deportation imposed on him had been denied by the Immigration Court in Washington, D. C., and the order of deportation was returned to INS, Miami, Florida, on October 10, 1975, for execution.

b7C [redacted] advised that ROSELLI's case presently is under the jurisdiction of the Deportation Section, INS, Miami.

Mr. DAVID WALTERS, Attorney, Suite 1001, 100 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, Florida advised on November 13, 1975, that his client, JOHN ROSELLI, was presently under a deportation process by the INS at Miami. Mr. WALTERS said deportation of ROSELLI will not take place in the foreseeable future, since problems are being encountered in finding a country that would accept ROSELLI. He said also ROSELLI is over 70 years of age. His age could be a factor in modifying the deportation order. ROSELLI's case, according to Mr. WALTERS, as far as deporation is concerned, is presently under discussion with officials of the Deportation Section. No decision is expected in this matter in the immediate future.

On [redacted] advised that JOHN ROSELLI was planning on visiting the Los Angeles Office during January of 1976.

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OS [redacted] ROSELLI was in Los Angeles staying at the Beverly Hilton Hotel. ROSELLI was allegedly in Los Angeles regarding his immigration problems. The informant advised that ROSELLI had been in contact with [redacted], and JAMES CANTILLON. [redacted] is a business partner of ROSELLI's in the gift shop at the Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada. [redacted], true name [redacted] is a well known hoodlum in the Los Angeles area. JAMES CANTILLON is an attorney and a long time friend of ROSELLI's. W.D.S.A.

[redacted] ROSELLI had returned to Miami. The informant advised that

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b7C while in Los Angeles, ROSELLI spent [REDACTED]

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'The New York Times', Late City Edition of April 12, 1976, contained the following article regarding JUDITH CAMPBELL (now Mrs. JUDITH EXNER) and her association with ROSELLI, SAM GIANCANA, FRANK SINATRA, and the late President JOHN F. KENNEDY: u

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Link of Kennedy Friend To Mafia Is Still a Puzzle

By NICHOLAS GAGE

The disclosure last December that President Kennedy and two major Mafia figures maintained close friendships with the same woman — Judith Campbell — has puzzled many private citizens, disturbed some law enforcement officials and aroused extensive speculation in and out of Government.

The speculation has been stimulated because the two Intelligence, which investigated the C.I.A. plots, referred only briefly to Mrs. Campbell's relationships, devoting slightly more than a page to them in its 348-page report last December. The report did not identify Mrs. Campbell (now Mrs. Judith Exner) by name or sex, and left a number of questions unanswered.

Among them were whether Mrs. Campbell used her relationship with Mr. Kennedy to benefit the Mafia, and whether the President learned as a result of the Campbell friendship that the C.I.A. was working with the Mafia on a plot to kill Mr. Castro.

Interviews and Findings

During the last two months, The New York Times, in interviews with current and former Justice Department officials, participants in the C.I.A. plots and underworld figures, has examined these questions and found the following:

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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Several recommendations were made within the Justice Department in 1962 for a thorough investigation of Mrs. Campbell's Mafia ties, but no inquiry was ever conducted. When high Justice officials learned about her friendship with President Kennedy in early 1962, they looked upon it as a "domestic matter," as

one of them put it, and merely passed information on her to the White House.

Sam Giancana—who was slain last June — and John Roselli boasted to fellow gangsters about sharing the affections of a woman who was seeing the President, but they do not appear to have benefited further from their knowledge of Mrs. Campbell's friendship with Mr. Kennedy.

While the Senate committee found no evidence that President Kennedy knew about the C.I.A.-Mafia plots to kill Mr. Castro, the possibility appears high to some former Justice officials that Robert F. Kennedy, then the Attorney General, told his brother about the plots in view of what he learned about the relationships of Mr. Giancana, Mr. Roselli and Mrs. Campbell in 1962 and early 1963.

When the Senate committee investigated Mrs. Campbell's friendships, not only did the committee not call Frank Sinatra, who introduced Mrs. Campbell both to President Kennedy and to Mr. Giancana, but other key individuals were merely interviewed rather than questioned under oath, even though a deeper inquiry might have produced information affecting the committee's conclusion that President Kennedy did not know about the C.I.A.-Mafia plots against Mr. Castro.

Staying Out of Sight

A spokesman for the committee, Spencer Davis, said that the panel's mandate was to determine whether Mrs. Campbell was involved in an intelligence operation and not to conduct a broad investigation of her Mafia ties.

"We found that she was not engaged in intelligence and that was that," he said.

A close friend of the two Mafia figures said that Mrs. Campbell's initial contact with the Mafia was with Mr. Roselli, who was born in Italy, immigrated to Boston as a child, joined the Mafia in Chicago and later became involved in labor racketeering in Los Angeles.

Mr. Roselli, who has been staying out of sight since Mr. Giancana was slain last year, has told friends that he first met Mrs. Campbell in 1951—she was then Judith Immoor—when she was 17 years old and "hanging around the studios" in Hollywood. Mr. Roselli, who had served three years in Federal prison for extorting money from the studios, was then associated with an independent production company. Miss Immoor had ambitions of becoming an actress.

Mr. Roselli stopped seeing her when she married William Campbell, an actor, a short time later, according to the friend of the two Mafia leaders.

The couple was divorced in 1958, and a year later she began to date Mr. Sinatra, she said in the outline for a book she plans to write. Mrs. Campbell said that she ended her affair with the singer because their tastes in sex differed, but continued to travel with the Sinatra crowd.

"The difference with Judy was that she was pushy and reckless," the friend said. She'd go to Johnny's place and call everyone she knew from his phone, or she'd call Sam at his home and at the Armory Lounge in Chicago, where he hung out. So the Feds picked up her tracks.

Sinatra's Reply

In reply to this assertion, Mr. Sinatra issued this statement: "Hell hath no fury like a hustler with a literary agent." Mrs. Campbell said in the outline that Mr. Sinatra introduced her to John F. Kennedy on Feb. 7, 1960, in Las Vegas, Nev., and they made plans to meet in early March in New York, where they began to have an affair.

After her New York meeting with Mr. Kennedy, according to the outline, she accepted an invitation to meet Mr. Sinatra in Miami Beach, where he was performing at the Fontainebleau Hotel, and the entertainer introduced her there to Mr. Giancana.

Five months later Mr. Giancana and Mr. Roselli became involved with the C.I.A. in plots to kill Fidel Castro—recruiting Cuban agents who might be persuaded to poison Mr. Castro's food—but apparently they did not tell Mrs. Campbell about them. Mafia members traditionally do not confide in their women and Mr. Giancana and Mr. Roselli made no exception with Mrs. Campbell, according to the close friend of both men.

His contention is supported by participants in the plots, including Robert Maheu, who has acknowledged bringing together the Mafia and the C.I.A. Mrs. Campbell said in her book outline that she had "no knowledge of C.I.A. involvement with the Mafia."

The close friend of Mr. Giancana and Mr. Roselli said that, at that time, Mrs. Campbell was one of about 20 women, some of them well-known actresses, who were in the Sinatra crowd and were introduced to the entertainer's friends in public life and in the underworld.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation - Kennedy-Hoover Lunch

First on first picked up Judith Campbell through electronic surveillance of Mr. Roselli in early 1961, according to Justice Department sources.

The F.B.I. checked out her long-distance calls over the next two years and found that she was in frequent contact with Mr. Roselli, Mr. Giancana and Mr. Sinatra.

For example, Government records show that during one four-week period, from June 8 to July 5, 1962, Mrs. Campbell called Mr. Giancana 23 times at his Chicago home and 37

times at the Armory Lounge from her Los Angeles residence at 8491 Fountain Avenue. During the same period, she called Mr. Sinatra 16 times at the Cal-Neva Lodge in Lake Tahoe, Nev., which he then owned.

70 Telephone Calls

Seven months before these calls, in November 1961, the F.B.I. found out that Mrs. Campbell had made two phone calls to the White House. They were followed by a third call early the following February. (The Senate committee found White House records showing that Mrs. Campbell had called a total of 70 times, but initially the F.B.I. knew of only three calls.)

On Feb. 27, 1962, J. Edgar Hoover, then director of the F.B.I., sent a memorandum to Attorney General Kennedy and to Kenneth O'Donnell, then special assistant to President Kennedy, saying that an investigation of Mr. Roselli disclosed that he had been in touch with a Judith Campbell. The memo also said that Mrs. Campbell was maintaining a relationship with Sam Giancana, "a prominent Chicago underworld figure," and that Mrs. Campbell had made calls to the White House from her home in Los Angeles.

It is not known how Robert Kennedy reacted to the memorandum, but a high official in the Justice Department at that time said that his staff did not take it very seriously.

"By that time a lot of stories were coming out of the Secret Service about the President's interest in women," one former official said. "We looked on it as a domestic matter and, as I recall, the whole thing was referred to Carmine Bellino, who handled personal staff for the President."

Another former Justice Department official also said that the matter was referred to Mr. Bellino, who was then a special consultant to the President. But Mr. Bellino said in an interview that he never heard of Mrs. Campbell until the recent articles in the press about her. "The only personal matter I ever handled for the President was once when Jackie was spending too much money and he asked me to find out where it was all going," Mr. Bellino said.

The contradiction between the former Justice Department officials' recollections and Mr. Bellino's statement was never confronted by the Senate committee. The Justice officials who recall the matter being turned over to Mr. Bellino were not questioned under oath by the committee, but merely interviewed by staff members, whom they did not tell about Mr. Bellino.

Mr. Bellino, too, was never questioned under oath, but was merely interviewed at the committee's offices.

On March 22, less than a month after the Hoover memo was sent, President Kennedy and Mr. Hoover had lunch together, the Senate committee's report said. "According to White House logs," the report added, "the last contact between the White House and the President's friend [Mrs. Campbell] occurred a few hours after the lunch session."

However, Mrs. Campbell said in her book outline that her relationship with the President continued for several months after that.

In the months following Mr. Hoover's memorandum of Feb. 27, the Justice Department received further information from the F.B.I. about Mrs. Campbell's close relationships with Mr. Giancana, Mr. Roselli and Mr. Sinatra.

The information was included in a series of reports prepared by Dougald McMillan, a Justice Department attorney studying the involvement of Mr. Sinatra with Mafia figures.

Mr. McMillan is still with the department and refused to discuss the matter, but former Justice officials who saw the reports said that they strongly recommended that Mrs. Campbell's relationships with the Mafia and with Mr. Sinatra be investigated.

Testimony Urged

They said that one of the reports urged that Mrs. Campbell be brought before a Federal grand jury, given immunity from prosecution and compelled to testify under oath about her Mafia contacts.

No action was taken on any of the recommendations by the Justice Department. Several officials who were asked about them said they did not remember reports specifically mentioning Mrs. Campbell.

But they said they did remember that several reports on Mr. Sinatra were prepared at the time, and it was in some of those reports that the recommendations about Mrs. Campbell were included.

Involved in Plots

The Times investigation found no law-enforcement officials who investigated Mr. Giancana and Mr. Roselli who could offer any evidence that they used the knowledge of Mrs. Campbell's friendship with President Kennedy to their advantage.

In view of these two discoveries and what Robert Kennedy later learned about Mrs. Campbell in the Sinatra reports, some of Mr. Kennedy's former associates at the Justice Department believe that he told the President what he knew about Mr. Giancana, the C.I.A. plots and Mrs. Campbell.

"He had to; he told Jack everything," one of the former associates said.

But others feel that he did not inform President Kennedy.

"Any man would tell his brother, one would suppose," said Herbert J. Miller, who was head of the Justice Department's Criminal Division under Attorney General Kennedy. "But you must remember that the C.I.A. lied to Bobby and told him the plots against Castro had been terminated. So there was no compelling need to tell the President."

That the C.I.A. lied to Robert Kennedy about ending the assassination plots against Mr. Castro was confirmed in the committee's report through testimony from former C.I.A. officials.

Even if President Kennedy learned everything his brother knew about Mrs. Campbell and her Mafia friends, however, there is no evidence available to indicate that his relationship with her benefited them.

Wiretaps on Mr. Giancana and Mr. Roselli, as well as underworld informants who were close to them, confirm that they boasted about their relationship with Mrs. Campbell. But neither of these sources offer any indication that the two Mafia figures received any benefits from the Government as a result of what they knew about her, as they did for their involvement with the C.I.A., which once intervened to block their indictment on wiretap charges.

Our Miami Office advises that John J. Roselli, member of the Chicago "family" of LCN, left his sister's residence 7/28/76, and has not been heard from since that time. He had no baggage or extra clothes and was expected to return the evening of 7/28/76. The sister believes that Roselli may have met with foul play.

According to sources, Roselli is the most powerful and influential member of LCN on the West Coast. He had been especially close to LCN "boss" Sam Giancana, who was murdered in June, 1975. Giancana and Roselli were reportedly involved in a plot with the CIA to assassinate Fidel Castro, Prime Minister of Cuba. In June, 1975, John Roselli testified before the Senate Special Investigative Committee chaired by Senator Frank Church. His testimony related to his relationship with the CIA. Los Angeles and Miami are contacting appropriate informants concerning Roselli's disappearance and you will be kept advised.

- 1 - Mr. Held
- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. Gallagher
- 1 - Mr. Leavitt
- 1 - Mr. Moore

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8/5/76
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Reference is made to R. J. Gallagher memo to Mr. Adams dated 8/4/76, which reported a call the Director received from U. S. Senator Howard Baker on 8/3/76, concerning the disappearance of John Roselli, who last testified before the original Senate Select Committee on 4/23/76, regarding plots to assassinate Fidel Castro. Senator Baker felt the Senate Committee on Intelligence has a continuing interest in Roselli and felt there was a possible Obstruction of Justice (because of his disappearance). AAG Thornburgh was briefed and advised there does not appear to be a Federal violation involved but requested Roselli's brother in-law (Joseph Daigle) be interviewed concerning his knowledge of Roselli and his location of Roselli's car on 7/30/76. ✓

Attached from Miami Office advises Daigle, supra, interviewed and he (Daigle) last heard from Roselli 7/28/76, when Roselli left Daigle's residence (Plantation, Florida) wherein Roselli also resides. Daigle notified attorney David Walters (who represents Roselli in deportation proceedings) on 7/30/76. Daigle was advised by Walters to check hospitals, morgues, and the airport. Walters then offered to contact Sheriff, Broward County, Florida. Daigle recalled that Roselli had said in jest that if he was ever missing to check the parking lot of the airport. Daigle located Roselli's car at Miami Airport 7:00 p.m., 7/30/76, and then notified attorney Walters. Daigle states Roselli generally stayed close to his residence and could offer no reason for his disappearance. ✓

The Department is being advised. ✓

- 1 - Mr. Held
- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. Fehl
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 1 - Mr. Moore

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TO : Mr. Gallagher *JG*

DATE: 8/18/76

FROM : L. E. Rhyne *LR*

- 1 - Mr. Held
- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. Gallagher
- 1 - Mr. O'Connell
- 1 - Mr. Rhyne
- 1 - Mr. Fisher
- 1 - Mr. Fehl
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 1 - Mr. Moore

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
JOHN ROSELLI - VICTIM
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

PURPOSE: This is to advise of the up-to-date status of investigation in this matter.

RECOMMENDATION: For information.

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DETAILS: Dade County Public Safety Department, Miami, Florida, advised that U. S. Senator Gary Hart, Colorado, member of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, accompanied by Committee Counsels Rick Inderforth and Michael Madigan, is expected to contact the Dade County Public Safety Department on 8/20/76 for the purpose of discussing Roselli's testimony before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. Senator Hart is expected to verbally brief the homicide investigators.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3267)
FROM LAS VEGAS (92-467) (P)
ATTN: SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION.
JOHN ROSELLI, AKA. AR. GO: LOS ANGELES.

REBUTELCALL, AUG. 10, 1976, AND LOS ANGELES TEL, AUG. 10,
1976. U

CONTACT WITH SOURCES, LAS VEGAS DIVISION, REFELCTS
NO PERTINENT INFORMATION OF VALUE RELATIVE TO ROSELLI'S
MURDER. U

SOURCES, LAS VEGAS DIVISION, IN THE EARLY 1970S WHILE
ROSELLI WAS IN PRISON, INDICATED THAT ROSELLI HAD MADE SOME
DEROGATORY STATEMENTS CONCERNING SOME OF HIS FORMER ASSOCIATES
IN CHICAGO AND DETROIT AND THAT AS A RESULT ROSELLI'S FORMER
ASSOCIATES WERE EXTREMELY UPSET WITH HIM AND WAS PROBABLY
CONTEMPLATING TAKING SOME ACTION AGAINST HIM WHEN HE WAS
RELEASED FROM JAIL. U

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[REDACTED] HAS BEEN CONTACTED TWICE SINCE FIRST NEWS REPORT OF ROSELLI'S DISAPPEARANCE. ON AUG. 9, 1976, [REDACTED] STATED HE HAD HAD NO CONTACT OR DIRECT INFORMATION FROM ROSELLI SINCE HE WAS RELEASED FROM JAIL. [REDACTED] STATED THAT HE KNOWS OF NO ONE IN LAS VEGAS WHO HAS BEEN CLOSE TO ROSELLI SUESEQUENT TO HIS RELEASE FROM PRISON WITH THE POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF JOE BREEN, ONE THIRD OWNER OF THE GIFT SHOP IN THE FRONTIER HOTEL WITH ROSELLI. [REDACTED] FURTHER STATED THAT HARRIET HAMILTON IN THE LAW FIRM OF FOSTON, HAMILTON, AND FENSTER, BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA, WOULD BE THE INDIVIDUAL WHO WOULD HAVE MOST COMPLETE KNOWLEDGE OF ROSELLI'S ACTIVITIES DURING THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS. U

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[REDACTED] STATED HE HAS NO SPECIFIC IDEA AS TO REASON FOR ROSELLI'S DEATH BUT STATED IN HIS OWN MIND HE BELIEVES IT IS A RESULT OF HIS TESTIMONY BEFORE A SENATE COMMITTEE ON THE ALLEGED PLOT TO KILL CASTRO [REDACTED]

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CHICAGO, DETROIT, LOS ANGELES, MIAMI, AND SAN DIEGO ADVISED BY AIR MAIL. U
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TO DIRECTOR (92-3267)

FROM MIAMI (92-517) (P)

ATTENTION: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION.

JOHN ROSELLI, AKA, AR, OO: LOS ANGELES.

RE MIAMI TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, DATED AUGUST 3, 1976.
 SUBJECT'S BROTHER-IN-LAW, JOSEPH DAIGLE, ADVISED JULY 30,
 1976, INFORMED ATTORNEY DAVID WALTERS, MIAMI, FLORIDA, THAT
 ROSELLI HAD NOT BEEN HEARD FROM SINCE HE LEFT DAIGLE'S
 RESIDENCE ON THE AFTERNOON OF JULY 28, 1976. WALTERS THEN
 SUGGESTED THAT DAIGLE CALL ATTORNEY HARRIET HAMILTON IN LOS
 ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, WHO REPRESENTED SUBJECT IN THAT AREA,
 TO DETERMINE IF SHE HAD ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING ROSELLI'S
 WHEREABOUTS. IN VIEW OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES, WALTERS ALSO
 SUGGESTED A CHECK OF HOSPITALS AND MORGUES IN THE MIAMI AREA.
 WALTERS THEN OFFERED TO CONTACT SHERIFF ED STACK, SHERIFF OF
 BROWARD COUNTY, FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AND HAVE HIS OFFICE
 CHECK THE MORGUES AND HOSPITALS TO WHICH DAIGLE AGREED. WALTERS
 ALSO SUGGESTED A CHECK OF THE AIRPORT AND BOTH MR. AND MRS.
 DAIGLE AT THAT TIME RECALLED THAT ROSELLI HAD SAID IN JEST, 24 AUG 17 1976
 THAT IF HE WAS EVER MISSING, TO CHECK THE PARKING LOT OF THE _____

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USED IN CRIMES, INCLUDING MURDERS. U

DAIGLE CHECKED THE FT. LAUDERDALE AIRPORT AND MIAMI
AIRPORT WHERE HE LOCATED THE CAR ROSELLI WAS DRIVING, AT
7:00 P.M., JULY 30, 1976. HE THEN NOTIFIED ATTORNEY WALTERS
OF THE LOCATION OF THE CAR. U

JOSEPH DAIGLE WAS INTERVIEWED ON AUGUST 3, 1976, AND
STATED THAT ROSELLI HABITUALLY STAYED WITHIN THE CONFINES
OF THE DAIGLE RESIDENCE, PLANTATION, FLORIDA, AND SPECIFICALLY
SPENT MOST OF HIS TIME IN THE PATIO READING NUMEROUS PUBLICA-
TIONS. HE SOCIALIZED ONLY WITH THE DAIGLES BY EATING OUT IN
RESTAURANTS IN THE AREA, WHICH WERE CHOSEN BY THE DAIGLES.
HE SAID ROSELLI WAS NOT A BAR-HOPPER, DID NOT FREQUENT ANY
ONE RESTAURANT HABITUALLY, AND DID NOT KEEP LATE HOURS.
HE REMAINED IN THE DAIGLE RESIDENCE USUALLY WATCHING TV
DURING THE EVENING. ON OCCASION, WHEN ROSELLI DID LEAVE THE
DAIGLE RESIDENCE, IT WAS FOR SHOPPING TRIPS AND RUNNING ERRANDS
FOR HIS SISTER. HE OCCASIONALLY VISITED HIS LAWYER, DAVID
WALTERS IN MIAMI, FLORIDA. DAIGLE RECALLED HE ALSO TRAVELLED

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TO WASHINGTON, D.C. TO CONTACT HIS ATTORNEY THOMAS WADDEN.
ROSELLI WAS IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA IN JANUARY, 1976, WHERE HE
WAS IN CONTACT WITH HIS ATTORNEY HARRIET HAMILTON, AND HAD A
CHECKUP IN A MEDICAL CLINIC IN SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA. u

DAIGLE EMPHASIZED THAT ROSELLI DID NOT DISCUSS HIS AFFAIRS
WITH DAIGLE OR MRS. DAIGLE. ROSELLI HAD HIS OWN ROOM, WHICH
WAS EQUIPPED WITH TV, A TELEPHONE EXTENSION, AND WAS ADJACENT
TO THE POOL-PATIO AREA, TO THE EXTENT THAT HE HAD A SEPARATE
SUITE AT THE RESIDENCE. u

DAIGLE HAD NO SPECIFICS AS TO THE REASON FOR ROSELLI'S
DISAPPEARANCE. HE FELT THAT ROSELLI'S PREVIOUS HOODLUM ACTIVITIES
PLUS BEING PUBLICLY IDENTIFIED WITH AN ALLEGED PLOT TO ASSASSINATE
FIDEL CASTRO COULD HAVE BEEN CONTRIBUTING FACTORS TO ROSELLI'S
DISAPPEARANCE. u

HE SAID BOTH HE AND MRS. DAIGLE ARE EXTREMELY PESSIMISTIC
THAT ROSELLI WOULD BE FOUND ALIVE, DUE TO THE INCREASING TIME
SPAND WITH NO COMMUNICATION FROM HIM SINCE HIS DISAPPEARANCE
ON JULY 28, 1976. u

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TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: March 6, 1967

FROM : W. R. Wannall

- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Papich
- 1 - Mr. Wannall
- 1 - Inspector

SUBJECT: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

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 11/23/77
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In accordance with instructions, attached letter has been prepared for Attorney General setting forth all data in our files concerning captioned matter. Briefly, information being furnished is as follows: u

Matter first came to our attention in Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of violation of Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, arrested in Las Vegas, Nevada, by local authorities on wire tapping charge. Wire tap involved was on telephone of Jan Rowan, member of Rowan and Martin comedy team. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire, girl friend of top hoodlum Sam Giancana and member of McGuire Sisters singing trio. u

Through our investigation we determined involvement of Robert A. Maheu, private detective, who stated coverage on Rowan instituted in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) efforts to obtain Cuban intelligence data through hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana. Maheu was in contact with Giancana through services of John Roselli, another hoodlum, and Maheu authorized wiring of Rowan's room.

We checked matter with CIA on 5/3/61 and learned CIA was utilizing Maheu as intermediary with Sam Giancana relative to CIA's "dirty business" anti-Castro activities. CIA insisted it did not give Maheu any instructions relative to use of technical installations. By letter 5/22/61 we furnished former Attorney General Kennedy a memorandum containing a rundown on CIA's involvement in this. The originals of the letter and memorandum were returned to us for filing purposes. A copy of that memorandum is being attached to instant letter being sent to Attorney General. (S)(u)

On 5/9/62 Kennedy discussed with the Director a number of matters, including admission by CIA that Robert Maheu had been

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Memorandum for Mr. Sullivan
Re: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S
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hired by that Agency to approach Sam Giancana to have Castro assassinated at a cost of \$150,000. Kennedy stated he had issued orders that CIA should never undertake such steps again without first checking with Department of Justice and stated because of this matter it would be difficult to prosecute Giancana or Maheu then or in the future.

We learned on 6/20/63 from CIA that its contacts with John Roselli (Maheu's link with Giancana) had continued up until that time, when they were reportedly cut off.

It appears Roselli is using his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. In May, 1966, when Bureau Agents endeavored to interview him he immediately flew to Washington and informed his former CIA intermediary. The current Director of Security, CIA, has advised through liaison channels that Roselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and Roselli would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA to serve his own interests. In furnishing this information we were asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis. We have, however, included it in the attached proposed letter to the Attorney General noting this CIA specific restriction. X5(u)

We have two other references in our files to the over-all above information which we have included in the letter. One relates to a statement by Giancana in October, 1960, that he had met with an individual who was to assassinate Castro in November, 1960. The other is an article in the 8/16/63 issue of the "Chicago Sun Times" reporting that CIA agents had contacted Giancana to obtain Cuban intelligence.

ACTION:

If approved, attached letter will be sent to the Attorney General, with a copy for the Deputy Attorney General. V

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The Attorney General
asked for this information
on Friday, 3/3/67.
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

FILE NUMBER: 62-116464 CROSS-REFERENCES

- 1 - Mr. J. B. Adams
- 2 - Mr. J. A. Mintz
(1 - Mr. J. B. Hotis)
- 1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall

September 10, 1975

The Attorney General

Director, FBI

- 1 - Mr. W. O. Cregar
- 1 - Mr. T. J. McNiff

UNITED STATES HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
ON INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES (HSC)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED ^{702pa} #22,330
DATE 3/16/81 BY SP4 Qmilk82

Reference is made to HSC letter dated July 22, 1975, requesting materials and documents previously provided to the United States Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities (SSC). *u*

Enclosed for your approval and forwarding to the HSC is the original of a memorandum with enclosure which is submitted as a partial response to the above-cited request of the HSC. *u*

It is noted that, in addition to the attached documents, material concerning the 1964 Democratic National Convention was made available to Mr. Richard Verniere, HSC Staff Member, on August 25, 1975, for review. Mr. Verniere requested the HSC be furnished with this material. *u*

On August 21, 1975, the Deputy Special Counsel for Intelligence Coordination, Steven Blackhurst, advised Special Agent Paul V. Daly of this Bureau that the HSC was not to receive any material concerning the 1964 Democratic National Convention. Accordingly, those specific documents are not included with the attached. *u*

A copy of this memorandum is being furnished for your records. *u*

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The Deputy Attorney General
Attention: Michael E. Shaheen, Jr.
Special Counsel for
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- 1 - Mr. T. J. McNiff

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September 10, 1975

**U. S. HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
ON INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES (HSC)**

**RE: REQUEST FOR ALL INFORMATION
PREVIOUSLY MADE AVAILABLE BY
THE FBI TO THE SENATE SELECT
COMMITTEE (SSC)**

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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*CIA info unclassified per
John E. Bacon 8/27/80*

Reference is made to HSC letter dated July 22, 1975, requesting that the HSC be furnished copies of all documents and materials provided by the FBI to the SSC. Pursuant to an agreement reached August 19, 1975, by representatives of this Bureau, the Department of Justice and the HSC, all such material is being made available to HSC Staff Members for review at FBI Headquarters, and copies of material so designated by these Staff Members will be processed for delivery to the HSC. *u*

On August 25, 1975, upon completion of a partial review of the material previously furnished the SSC, Richard Verniers, HSC Staff Member, requested that the HSC be furnished with documents previously given to SSC in the following categories: *u*

- I. Liaison Functions; *u*
- II. [REDACTED]
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IV. Demonstration at Federal Building, Akron, Ohio
January 27, 1975;

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U. S. HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES (HSC)

**RE: REQUEST FOR ALL INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY MADE AVAILABLE BY
THE FBI TO THE SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE (SSC)**

V. Electronic Devices;

**VI. Investigation of Ku Klux Klan and other
Hate Groups;**

VII. Suggested Name Change, Crime Records Division;

**VIII. CIA's Contact with Hoodlums Regarding
Castro Assassination;**

**IX. Foreign Support for Revolutionary Protest
Movements in the United States;**

**X. Departmental Letters Concerning Electronic
Surveillance Activities.**

In compliance with this request, attached are the
requested documents.

Enclosure

1 - The Attorney General

NOTE:

This material, which is being furnished the HSC,
is material previously furnished the SSC in response to
their request of 5/14/75, Appendixes C, Item 10; Appendix B,
Items 13 and 14; Appendix D, Items 6 and 2; Appendix A,
Item 5(d); Appendix B, Part II, Items 12 and 15. Also, a
portion of the material furnished in response to the SSC
5/12/75 request, att. 6/25/75 to the 5/14/75 request, and
Appendix B, Item 4(a and b). This material was among
documents which were reviewed by Richard Verniere, HSC Staff
Member, on 8/25/75, and following this review, he requested
copies of these particular documents.

U. S. HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES (HSC)

**RE: REQUEST FOR ALL INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY MADE AVAILABLE BY
THE FBI TO THE SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE (SSC)**

NOTE CONTINUED:

No mention is being made in the LHM of the withheld documents concerning the 1964 Democratic National Convention. Since this was a Departmental decision, any inquiry received from HSC concerning same will be referred to the Department for response.

5-140 (Rev. 1-21-74) FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

House Select Committee

Addressee: _____

LTR LHM Memo Report dated 9/11/75

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Originating Office: FBI 257

Delivered by: Richard J. Hunter Date: 10/2/75

Received by: Frederick Hess

Title: Research Dir.

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The Attorney General U.S. HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
ON INTELLIGENCE ACTVS (HSC)

K.Y.

ReHSClet 7/22/75 req'ng materials & documnts previously provided SSC. Enclsd for ur aprvl & forwrd to HSC is orig of memo w/enclsr sbmtd as partial respns to abv-cited req of HSC. It noted that material cnrng 1964 Democratic Natnal Convntn made avail to Richard Vermiere, HSC, 8/25/75, for revw. He req'd furnshng this material. On 8/31/75, Deputy Specl Counsl for Intel Coordntn advsd Bu not to give material, & not included. CC for u.

VIII. CIA'S CONTACT WITH HOODLUMS REGARDING
CASTRO ASSASSINATION

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VIII

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: March 6, 1967

FROM : W. R. Wannall

*CIA info unclassified per
John E. Bacon 8/27/80*

SUBJECT: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S
INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO
CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

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In accordance with instructions, attached letter has been prepared for Attorney General setting forth all data in our files concerning captioned matter. Briefly, information being furnished is as follows:

Matter first came to our attention in Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of violation of Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, arrested in Las Vegas, Nevada, by local authorities on wire tapping charge. Wire tap involved was on telephone of Dan Rowan, member of Rowan and Martin comedy team. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire, girl friend of top hoodlum Sam Giancana and member of McGuire Sisters singing trio.

Through our investigation we determined involvement of Robert A. Maheu, private detective, who stated coverage on Rowan instituted in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) efforts to obtain Cuban intelligence data through hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana. Maheu was in contact with Giancana through services of John Roselli, another hoodlum, and Maheu authorized wiring of Rowan's room.

We checked matter with CIA on 5/3/61 and learned CIA was utilizing Maheu as intermediary with Sam Giancana relative to CIA's "dirty business" anti-Castro activities. CIA insisted it did not give Maheu any instructions relative to use of technical installations. By letter 5/22/61 we furnished former Attorney General Kennedy a memorandum containing a rundown on CIA's involvement in this. The originals of the letter and memorandum were returned to us for filing purposes. A copy of that memorandum is being attached to instant letter being sent to Attorney General.

On 5/9/62 Kennedy discussed with the Director a number of matters, including admission by CIA that Robert Maheu had been

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hired by that Agency to approach Sam Giancana to have Castro assassinated at a cost of \$150,000. Kennedy stated he had issued orders that CIA should never undertake such steps again without first checking with Department of Justice and stated because of this matter it would be difficult to prosecute Giancana or Maheu then or in the future.

We learned on 6/20/63 from CIA that its contacts with John Roselli (Maheu's link with Giancana) had continued up until that time, when they were reportedly cut off.

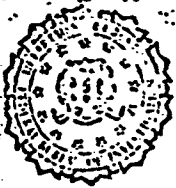
It appears Roselli is using his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. In May, 1966, when Bureau Agents endeavored to interview him he immediately flew to Washington and informed his former CIA intermediary. The current Director of Security, CIA, has advised through liaison channels that Roselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and Roselli would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA to serve his own interests. In furnishing this information we were asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis. We have, however, included it in the attached proposed letter to the Attorney General noting this CIA specific restriction.

We have two other references in our files to the over-all above information which we have included in the letter. One relates to a statement by Giancana in October, 1960, that he had met with an individual who was to assassinate Castro in November, 1960. The other is an article in the 8/16/63 issue of the "Chicago Sun Times" reporting that CIA agents had contacted Giancana to obtain Cuban intelligence.

ACTION:

If approved, attached letter will be sent to the Attorney General, with a copy for the Deputy Attorney General.

*The Attorney General
asked for this information
on Friday, 2/3/67.
V. P. W.*



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply, Please Refer to
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May 22, 1961

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.

On May 3, 1961, Colonel Sheffield Edwards,
Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA)
furnished the following information.

Colonel Edwards advised that in connection with
CIA's operation against Castro he personally contacted Robert
Maheu during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Maheu
as a "cut-out" in contacts with Sam Giancana, a known hoodlum
in the Chicago area. Colonel Edwards said that since the
underworld controlled gambling activities in Cuba under the
Batista government, it was assumed that this element would
still continue to have sources and contacts in Cuba which
perhaps could be utilized successfully in connection with
CIA's clandestine efforts against the Castro government.
As a result, Maheu's services were solicited as a "cut-out"
because of his possible entree into underworld circles.
Maheu obtained Sam Giancana's assistance in this regard and
according to Edwards, Giancana gave every indication of
cooperating through Maheu in attempting to accomplish several
clandestine efforts in Cuba. Edwards added that none of
Giancana's efforts have materialized to date and that several
of the plans still are working and may eventually "pay off."

Colonel Edwards related that he had no direct
contact with Giancana; that Giancana's activities were
completely "back stopped" by Maheu and that Maheu would
frequently report Giancana's action and information to
Edwards. No details or methods used by Maheu or Giancana
in accomplishing their missions were ever reported to
Edwards. Colonel Edwards said that since this is "dirty
business" he could not afford to have knowledge of the actions
of Maheu and Giancana in pursuit of any mission for CIA.
Colonel Edwards added that he has neither given Maheu any
instruction to use technical installations of any type nor has
the subject of technical installations ever come up between
Edwards and Maheu in connection with Giancana's activity.

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Colonel Edwards related that Maheu did come to him concerning the arrest in Las Vegas of Balletti for "wire tapping." Maheu cautioned Edwards that the Balletti arrest could cause CIA some embarrassment since Balletti was in Las Vegas attempting to obtain coverage on some "Hollywood people" in connection with Giancana's efforts for CIA. Edwards said that he did not know the facts of the Balletti case and Maheu claims "Balletti went too far" in his efforts to obtain information. Edwards added that he was unaware of any reason for this activity of Maheu or Giancana in Las Vegas and that Giancana's activity in furtherance of the anti-Castro activity was left completely in Maheu's hands.

Colonel Edwards advised that only Mr. Bissell (Deputy Director of Plans, CIA) and two others in CIA were aware of the Giancana - Maheu activity in behalf of CIA's program and that Allen Dulles was completely unaware of Edwards' contact with Maheu in this connection. He added that Mr. Bissell, during his recent briefings of General Taylor and the Attorney General in connection with their inquiries into CIA relating to the Cuban situation, told the Attorney General that some of CIA's associated planning included the use of Giancana and the underworld against Castro.

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The Attorney General

March 6, 1967

Director, FBI

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Our files contain the following information concerning the captioned matter, much of which has been furnished by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) on a strictly highly confidential "need-to-know" basis. In view of this, it is requested that it be handled on a most restrictive basis.

This matter first came to our attention in the Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of a violation of the Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, who had been arrested by local authorities in Las Vegas, Nevada, on a local wire tapping charge. Balletti and another unidentified individual in October, 1960, had reportedly placed a wire tap on the telephone of Dan Rowan, a member of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire of the well-known McGuire Sisters singing trio who was also known to be a girl friend of Sam Giancana, a top hoodlum.

During the course of the Balletti investigation it was ascertained that Robert A. Mahou, a private detective, was involved. Mahou during interview claimed he ordered coverage of Rowan in behalf of CIA's efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana, which had interests there. Mahou said he was put in contact with Giancana in connection with these intelligence activities through John Roselli, a Los Angeles hoodlum. Mahou stated also that he authorized the wiring of Rowan's room and had discussed the matter with Roselli.

The essence of the above was furnished to the Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy by letter dated May 22, 1961 which enclosed a memorandum of the same date containing data made available on May 3, 1961, by Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who at that time was Director of Security at CIA, regarding his utilization of Mahou in connection with anti-Castro activities. Since our files show that Mr. Kennedy returned the original of our letter and its enclosed memorandum dated May 22, 1961,

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The Attorney General

to us for filing purposes, a copy of the May 22, 1961, memorandum is attached hereto for your information.

You will note that Colonel Edwards advised he personally contacted Robert Mahou during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Mahou as a "cutout" in contacts with Sam Giancana in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against Castro. Colonel Edwards stated that Giancana's activities were completely "backstopped" by Mahou, who would frequently report Giancana's actions and information to Edwards. No details or methods used by Mahou or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were reported to him, according to Edwards, as such involved "dirty business," of which Colonel Edwards could not afford to have knowledge. Accordingly, he said he had no prior knowledge of the above-mentioned wire tapping by Ballotti.

Further with respect to this matter, I was informed of the following on a highly confidential basis by former Attorney General Kennedy during a conference in my office on May 9, 1962:

He indicated that a few days prior thereto he had been advised by CIA that Robert A. Mahou had been hired by CIA to approach Sam Giancana with a proposition of paying \$150,000 to hire some gunmen to go into Cuba and kill Castro. He further stated CIA admitted having assisted Mahou in making the "bugging" installation in Las Vegas (referred to above) which uncovered this clandestine operation and for this reason CIA could not afford to have any action taken against Giancana or Mahou. Mr. Kennedy stated that upon learning CIA had not cleared its action in hiring Mahou and Giancana with the Department of Justice he issued orders that CIA should never again take such steps without first checking with the Department of Justice.

Mr. Kennedy further advised that because of this matter it would be very difficult to initiate any prosecution against Giancana, as Giancana could immediately bring out the fact the United States Government had approached him to arrange for the assassination of Castro. He stated the same was true concerning any action we might take against Mahou for any violation in which he might become involved.

On June 20, 1962, Mr. William Harvey, an official of CIA, advised that he had held a meeting with John Rosolli (referred to above as Mahou's link with Giancana) for the purpose of closing out the entire matter with which Rosolli had been involved. In this connection, Harvey stated that CIA had

The Attorney General

established contact with Roselli in "early 1961" with respect to a sensitive operation against Castro. Harvey said that for all intents and purposes the operation was discontinued and canceled after the ill-fated Bay of Pigs invasion in April, 1961, but Roselli had not been completely cut off, as he periodically indicated he was in a position to be of assistance.

It appears Roselli has since that time, nevertheless, used his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. For example, in May, 1966, when contacted by Agents of this Bureau in connection with our current investigation of his activities he refused to talk and immediately flew to Washington, D. C., and consulted with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who is now retired from CIA. Colonel Edwards in turn advised CIA, which told us. Mr. Howard J. Osborn, the present Director of Security, CIA, freely has admitted to us that Roselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and that he would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA if it served his own interests. In furnishing this information, Mr. Osborn asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis.

In light of the above information furnished us by CIA and former Attorney General Kennedy, it appears that data which came to our attention in October, 1960, possibly pertains to the captioned matter. At that time a source close to Giancana advised that during a conversation with several friends Giancana stated that Fidel Castro was "to be done away with very shortly." Giancana reportedly assured those present that Castro's assassination would occur in November, 1960, and that he had already met with the assassin-to-be on three occasions, the last meeting having taken place on a boat docked at the Fontainebleau Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. Reportedly, Giancana claimed that everything had been perfected for the killing and the "assassin" had arranged with a girl, not further described, to drop a "pill" in Castro's drink or food.

Also of possible interest is a news article carried in the August 10, 1963, issue of the "Chicago Sun Times." This article carried the headline, "CIA Sought Giancana's Help For Cuba Spying," and it was reported therein that CIA agents had contacted Giancana in an effort to obtain Cuban intelligence after Castro came into power.

Enclosure

1 - The Deputy Attorney General. (Enclosure)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

**FILE NUMBER: 105-212749 CROSS-
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3/11/71

FROM: SAC, TAMPA (105-New) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ALLEGED PLOT TO INVADE HAITI
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Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM. Two copies of this LHM are being designated for Miami.

The source mentioned in the enclosed LHM is

[REDACTED]

It should be pointed out that the enclosed LHM which contains [REDACTED] reveals information that the Tampa Division is not in a position to properly evaluate. It would appear that the Miami Division would be in a position to more properly assess the information, and so this is the reason the LHM is being directed to that office.

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does not want to be compromised with respect to any investigation that is conducted as a result of the material in this letter.

Tampa is conducting no inquiry in this matter.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Tampa, Florida
March 11, 1971

In Reply, Please Refer to
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ALLEGED PLOT TO INVADE HAITI

670 { On [REDACTED] a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he had recently observed [REDACTED] and related newspaper clippings in the person of Donald Starr, a former reporter for the "St. Petersburg Times," a daily St. Petersburg, Florida, newspaper:

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Carson Sergeant Reveals Part in Cuban Gun-Runs

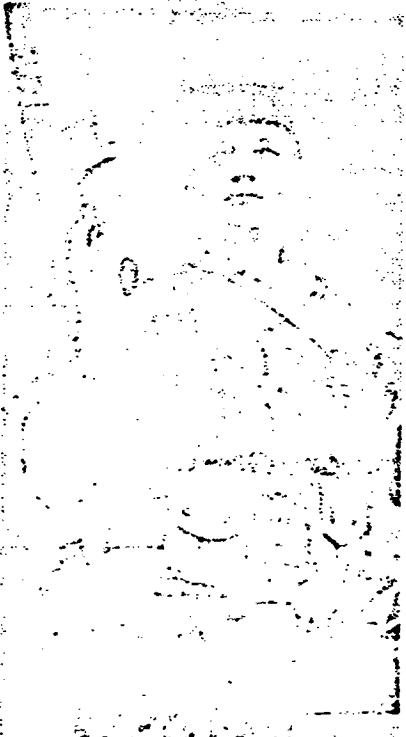
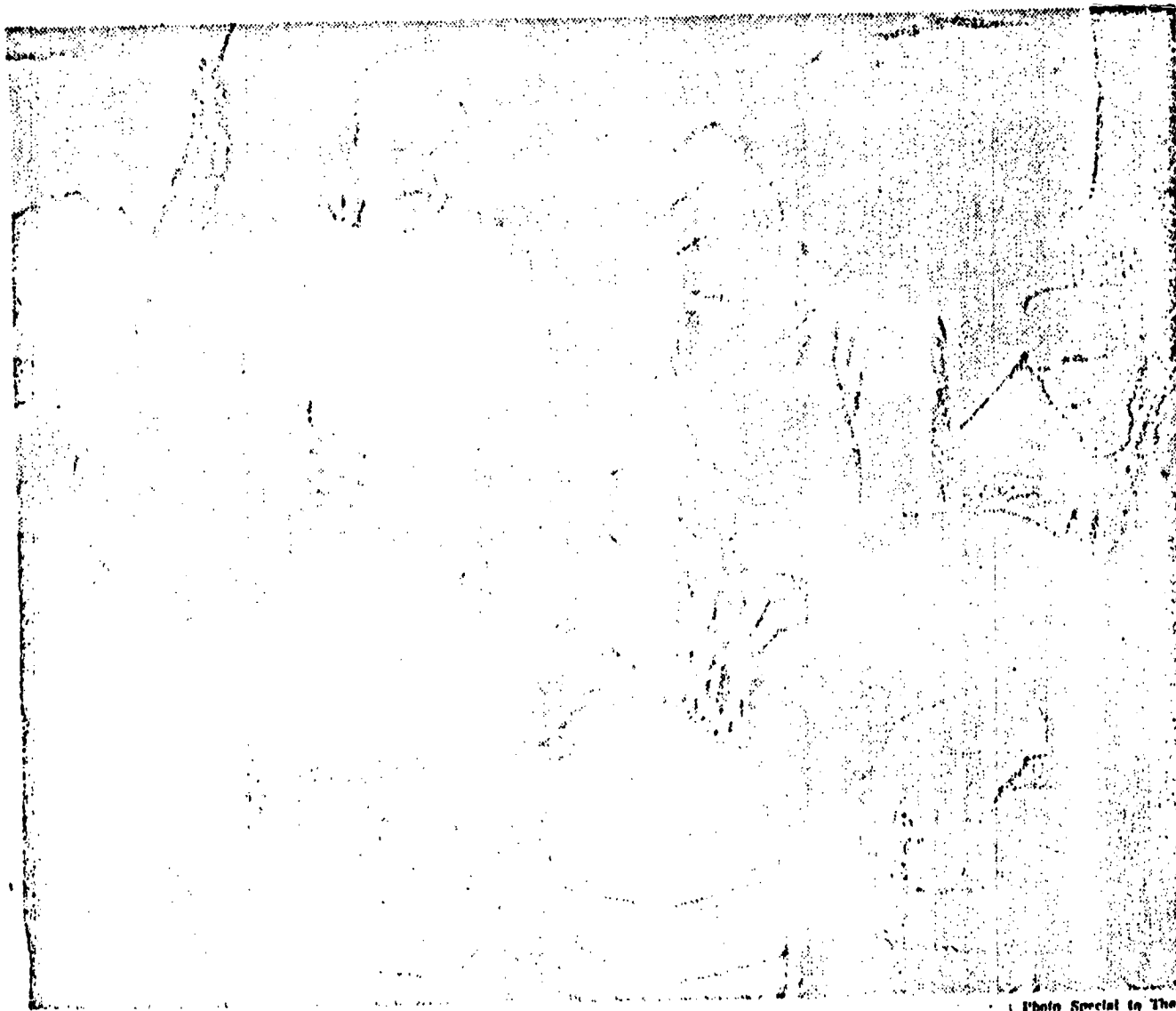


Photo Special to The SUN
REVOLUTIONARY — Sgt. Edward I. Arthur, now stationed at Ft. Carson, as he looked while training Cuban revolutionary fighters on a British island in the Caribbean in 1964. The weapon is a Swedish Fall submachinegun.



THE BOMB — Cuban revolutionaries working on the magnetic bomb they later used to blow up

the Russian ship "Baku" off the coast of Cuba March 27, 1963. Most of these men, members of

Photo Special to The SUN
"Commandos L," are now dead, killed in later actions on the Cuban mainland.

By MIKE WALES

Assistant City Editor
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A twice-wounded Vietnam veteran stationed at Ft. Carson has revealed he spent six years as an intelligence liaison officer with a Cuban revolutionary group in Florida; ran guns from California to Miami for them; assisted in the defection of a Haitian consul-general and trained Cuban rebels in the Florida swamps.

After a SUN reporter unearthed the facts in a two-month investigation, Sgt. Edward I. Arthur, an instructor at Ft. Carson's Recondo (ranger) school, admitted to The SUN in an exclusive interview that in 1964 he picked up guns in Orange County, Calif., that were donated to the Cuban rebel movement by ex-Minutemen. Arthur said he later delivered them to Cubans in Miami, who then smuggled some of them on to the Cuban mainland where they were used in hit and run raids against Castro's army.

"I hauled over two tons of automatic weapons, including a Swedish 20mm Lahti cannon and 100 rounds of armor-piercing ammo, right through the South during the worst days of the civil rights movement down there," he said.

The Ft. Carson soldier said he first went to Cuba in 1954 on a visit, then later returned in 1955 when Fidel Castro made his first landing attempt. "They were all killed but about 16," he said. He said everybody in Cuba was caught up in the spirit of the revolution, admitting, "I went down there originally to fight with Castro against Batista . . . I was like a lot of people in Florida who supported that slob (Castro) and got burned."

Later, in 1958, Arthur again returned to Cuba. That was the year Castro came out of the mountains with his bearded, ragged band and captured the interest of the world. He captured Ed Arthur's interest too, and it wasn't until 1960, the year the Cuban revolutionary took over, that Arthur became disenchanted with the bearded leader. "When he proclaimed himself a Communist that did it," Arthur said.

Since 1960 the Ft. Carson soldier has been an implacable foe of the bearded, cigar-smoking Castro, working closely with a Florida-based Cuban rebel group calling themselves "Commandos L" and staging hit and run raids into Cuba.

It was elements of this group that blasted the Russian ship "Baku" out of the water March 27, 1963, using a magnetic bomb built in Florida from parts smuggled across the country from half a dozen sources. Though Arthur may have played a large role in blowing up the Baku he isn't admitting it.

One thing is immediately evident in any conversation with the Ft. Carson instructor: He feels strongly about the Cubans' plight. He said he has long felt the Cuban problem is being handled badly and questions the wisdom of fighting a war against Communism (9,000 miles away (Vietnam) when the United States is standing under the threat of a Communist-controlled country, 90 miles from its southern shores.

"I was trying to tell people in 1963 that the Russians were building submarine pens in Cuba but no one would listen," he said, pointing out that now the U.S. government has belatedly recognized the possible danger in the pens and has publicly admitted they exist.

Recently, Newsweek published a story revealing the existence of the pens.

Arthur, whose contacts with the Florida-based Cuban rebels are as solid as they were in 1964, insists there are still Russian-made missile bases in Cuba and that they are manned by Russian technologists. "Some of the rebels who have penetrated the Cuban mainland have seen these bases," Arthur said.

He also revealed that at least two platoons of Cuban rebels recently departed Florida and are now operating near Matanza, inside Cuba.

The Ft. Carson soldier is an intensely patriotic man who feels deeply the threat to the U.S. inherent in Castro and his regime. He stated flatly that although he had once been offered a means of financing a full-scale invasion of the Cuban mainland he turned it down because "it would have embarrassed the United States and that is not my intention. I would rather arouse the public in this country to the danger down there than put the country into a position where it would have to become involved in spite of itself."

He sees the Cubans in America as an embattled people who were invited here by the government, then virtually abandoned. "All these people ever have wanted was a chance to fight their way back into their homeland," Arthur said.

(See Sergeant, Page 2)

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TEST FIRING — Members of "Commandos L," a Cuban revolutionary group, test fire smuggled weapons on an island

Photo Sp... in the Caribbean. The weapons are representative of several countries.

Special Section: Rebel Training

Sergeant Reveals Part in Cuban Gun-Running

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"Our main goal is to fight against tyranny, terrorism and dictatorship."

In 1951 Arthur said he and his group thought they had found a way. Dr. Clemente Benoit, Haitian consul general to the Bahama Islands, suddenly defected to the United States, assisted by Commandos L and Ed Arthur, who acted as Benoit's aide, but was actually his bodyguard. "We wanted the narrow peninsula laying on the Windward Passage just 25 miles from the Cuban mainland and we saw Dr. Benoit as the possible key," Arthur said.

The Ft. Carson soldier explained the Benoit defection this way: "He (Benoit) defected from the government in Haiti and in doing so, wanted to enter the United States. My function in the beginning, was to fly to the Bahamas and protect the man's life from the Ton-Ton Macoutes (Haitian president Dr. Francois Duvalier's infamous squad). They had landed some people in the Bahamas and I was called in to get Benoit into the U.S. in one piece, which I did.

The letter was signed by Dr. Benoit Sept. 12, 1963, in the Bahamas. Arthur has another interesting letter in his possession, this one from Gen. Claire Chennault, of Flying Tigers fame, in which the famous World War II general discusses the possibility of joining Arthur's group in an invasion of Cuba.

In August of 1964, Arthur left Florida driving an Oldsmobile touring car. Arriving in Los Angeles, he traded the car for a 1957 Chevrolet, heavy-duty pickup truck then drove it to the San Fernando Valley north of Los Angeles where he picked up a 20MM cannon and 100 rounds of armor-piercing ammo. The heavy weapon, he said, was donated to the Cuban exile cause by a group that had splintered away from Minute Man Robert Depeu's group because they were "too violent."

The weapon was boxed in a crate and labeled "surveying equipment" and Arthur then drove the truck to Columbus, Ohio, where he stored it in a garage. "The whole operation was arranged by Commandos L," he said.

It is at this point that Arthur's story becomes mysterious and he doesn't talk about what happened next. He left the United States and traveled to Czechoslovakia, arriving there in September. According to his passport he then traveled to France, Austria, East Germany, Yugoslavia, Holland and Belgium, returning to the U.S. in early October. When asked what he was doing in Europe he said simply, "Taking pictures behind the Iron Curtain."

History has recorded the fact that the attempted invasion of Haiti by Haitian exiles failed, but Arthur is convinced there'll be another attempt. In a letter to Arthur from Dr. Benoit the Haitian writes: "This is to certify that the Parti Revolutionnaire Haitian in exile, which represents more than 3,000 Haitian refugees, has officially joined forces with Americans For Libertad (Commandos L) under the command of Eddie Arthur.

Arthur.

After returning to the U.S., Arthur proceeded to St. Louis, Mo. where he met with ex-members of the Minutemen and picked up another load of weapons. Included were a number of automatic weapons such as a 50 cal. machinegun, a 30S cal. machinegun and a 30 cal. machinegun. Quite a number of M1 Army rifles and Colt .45s as well as a 9 mm. Browning Automatic rifle were include in this load. These were also boxed and labeled as "surveying equipment."

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A receipt signed by Pedro Muina, civilian coordinator of Commandos L and Oscar C. de Tuya Jr., director, is still in existence and lists every weapon in his clandestine load.

Arthur left Columbus, Ohio, in November 1964 with his load of weapons, driving through most of the southern states on his way to Florida. In Mississippi he ran into a roadblock manned by 10 state troopers, who asked him what he was carrying. "I told them I had surveying equipment on the truck and was taking it to a construction company in Florida," Arthur said, adding ruefully, "This was during the Selma, Ala., race thing and I was thinking how funny it was that these troopers were out there on the highway trying to keep suspicious people away from Selma and here they let me pass right through with enough explosives in my truck to blow the town up."

California plates, bound for Florida, and carrying an Ohio driver's license, and yet not one of the troopers who stopped him thought it was odd. A book, being written by Cleveland, Ohio, author Ulf Goebel, will, according to Arthur, be published within the next three months and will chronicle the Ft. Carson soldier's life and experiences in detail. In a telephone interview with Goebel, The SUN was told, "This book is going to come as a surprise to a lot of people in this country who think what happened, and has been happening, in Florida with the Cuban thing is strictly something the exiles are involved in. Quite a few American contacts in Florida and was stopped by the U.S. Immigration authorities shortly after. "If they had been two hours earlier they would have had me cold," he said. Today Ed Arthur lives quietly in a Colorado Springs suburb and trains men at the Ft. Carson Reconado School in the techniques of ranger warfare. There is probably no one at Ft. Carson with better qualifications. As he says: "I have been the route."

CIA Tried To Murder Castro

By JACK ANDERSON

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WASHINGTON — Locked in the darkest recesses of the Central Intelligence Agency is the story of six assassination attempts against Cuba's Fidel Castro.

For 10 years, only a few key people have known the terrible secret. They have sworn never to talk. Yet we have learned the details from sources whose credentials are beyond question.

The plot to knock off Castro began as part of the Bay of Pigs operation. The intent was to eliminate the Cuban Dictator before the motley invaders landed on the island. Their arrival was expected to touch off a general uprising, which the communist militia would have had more trouble putting down without the charismatic Castro to lead them.

After the first attempt failed, five more assassination teams were sent to Cuba. The last team reportedly made it to a rooftop within shooting distance of Castro before members were apprehended. This happened around the last of February or first of March, 1963.

Nine months later, President Kennedy was gunned down in Dallas by Lee Harvey Oswald, a fanatic who previously had agitated for Castro in New Orleans and had made a mysterious trip to the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City.

Among those privy to the CIA conspiracy, there is still a nagging suspicion — unsupported by the Warren Commission's findings — that

Castro became aware of the U.S. plot upon his life and somehow recruited Oswald to retaliate against President Kennedy.

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To set up the Castro assassination, the CIA enlisted Robert Maheu, a former FBI agent with sordid contacts, who had handled other undercover assignments for the CIA out of his Washington public relations office. He later moved to Las Vegas to head up billionaire Howard Hughes's Nevada operations.

Maheu recruited John Roselli, a ruggedly handsome gambler with contacts in both the American and Cuban underworlds, to arrange the assassination. The dapper, hawk-faced Roselli, formerly married to movie actress June Lang, was a power in the movie industry until his conviction with racketeer Willie Bioff in a million-dollar Hollywood labor shakedown.

The CIA assigned two of its most trusted operatives, William Harvey and James "Big Jim" O'Connell, to the hush-hush murder mission. Using phony names, they accompanied Roselli on trips to Miami to line up the assassination teams.

The full story reads like the script of a James Bond movie, complete with secret trysts at glittering Miami Beach hotels and midnight powerboat dashes to secret landing spots on the Cuban coast. Once, Roselli's boat was shot out from under him.

For the first try, the CIA furnished Roselli with special poison capsules to slip into Castro's food. The poison was

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Did Castro Get Oswald To Kill JFK in Revenge?

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supposed to take three days to act. By the time Castro died, his system would throw off all traces of the poison, so he would appear to be the victim of a natural if mysterious ailment.

Roselli arranged with a Cuban, related to one of Castro's chefs, to plant the deadly pellets in the dictator's food. On March 13, 1961, Roselli delivered the capsules to his contact at Miami Beach's glamorous Fontainebleau Hotel.

A couple weeks later, just about the right time for the plot to have been carried out, a report out of Havana said Castro was ill. But he recovered before the Bay of Pigs invasion on April 17, 1961.

The Cuban who had sneaked the poison into Havana was never seen again. The CIA, unsure whether the plotters had failed or the poison simply hadn't been strong enough, decided to try again with a more powerful dose. Roselli arranged for triple-strength capsules to be slipped into Castro's food several weeks after the Bay of Pigs. But once again, the plot failed and the conspirators disappeared.

Four more attempts were made on Castro's life, using Cuban assassination teams equipped with high-powered rifles, explosive and two-way radios. At intervals in the dark of night, Roselli personally delivered the teams in twin powerboats to the Cuban shores.

Once, a Cuban patrol boat sank Roselli's boat with a lucky shot but the occupants were quickly fished out of the murky water by the other boat. The assassination teams never got a shot at Castro, although the last group reached a rooftop within range. No doubt most of the infiltrators were picked up and tortured terribly.

Roselli, Harvey, O'Connell and company had taken precautions, however, to make sure not even the

Cuban recruits knew the CIA was behind the plot. Roselli posed as a representative of big oil interests which sought revenge against Castro expropriating their holdings in Cuba. The weapons and other equipment were of foreign make, mostly Belgian, to prevent any link to the U.S.

All the equipment, including the two powerboats, were purchased out of Roselli's own pocket. The CIA paid only the expenses of its two agents Harvey and O'Connell.

The principals in the CIA conspiracy, sworn to deep secrecy, refused to comment on the caper. We got an admission out of Maheu only that he had handled special jobs for the CIA, but he refused to discuss them. Roselli responded with a flat "no comment."

My associate Les Whitten located Harvey, who left the CIA about two years ago, in Indianapolis. Asked about Roselli, Harvey said he had a high regard for him. Whitten then questioned Harvey about Roselli's daring work.

"This is a long story," replied the former CIA man, "I don't think it ought to be printed." Thereafter, he refused to acknowledge even that he had been a CIA operative.

We got an admission from "Big Jim" O'Connell, who is still with the CIA, that he had met Roselli through Maheu. But when we asked about Roselli's CIA mission, O'Connell also clammed up.

Finally we spoke to John McConc, who headed the CIA at the time of the assassination attempts. He acknowledged the idea had been discussed inside the CIA but insisted it had been "rejected immediately." He vigorously denied that the CIA had ever participated in any plot on Castro's life. Asked whether the attempts could have been made without his knowledge, he replied: "It could not have happened."

We have complete confidence, however, in our sources.

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Cuban Exile Group Involved in Ploy?

By MIKE WALES

Assistant City Editor

The Jack Anderson column elsewhere on this page poses some questions. The SUN, in its recent investigation of ex-Cuban revolutionary Edward I. Arthur, an instructor at the Recondo School at Ft. Carson, may have found the answers.

The Anderson column mentions a number of assassination team attempts on the life of Fidel Castro in the early 1950s. During its investigation of Arthur, The SUN discovered through a number of Florida contacts that a Cuban exile group, the International Brigade, furnished the money for these aborted assassination attempts.

And, according to Rick Townly, an investigative reporter for Channel 7 television in Miami, Arthur received an invitation to a meet in the home of a highly-placed member of the

Mafia in 1963. Arthur reportedly visited the home, a \$200,000 mansion belonging to Mafia don Sam Giancana, where a number of Cubans and Italians were gathered. According to a statement made by James Buchanan of the Pompano Beach Sun-Sentinel, shortly after the 1963 meet, Giancana had offered Arthur a large sum of money to arrange the assassination of "that man in Cuba."

Arthur told Buchanan he refused the offer and walked out. It is highly probable, according to Buchanan, that one of the men at the meeting was John Roselli, named in the Anderson column as the ringleader in the Castro assassination attempts.

According to Townly and at least one other Florida source, the go-between who handled the details set-

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Cuban Exile Group Part of Ploy?

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tiling up the several assassination attempts of Castro was a private detective who, at that time, was seen a number of times in the company of New Orleans crime boss Carlos Marcelo, and makes his headquarters in both Miami and New Orleans. Described as a "deadly man who carries a pearl-handled .38," the mysterious private eye was also on the scene when defecting Haitian counsel-general Clemente Beniot landed in Florida, escorted by Arthur, who was riding "shotgun" on the defector to protect him from Haitian Ten-Ton Macoutes (secret police), who, according to a statement made by Arthur at that time, were "attempting to do a job (murder)" on Beniot.

Arthur refused over the weekend to either comment on the Anderson column or answer further questions put by a SUN reporter.

Another figure who may have played a role in the assassination attempts is Frank Farini, who was active with the International Brigade at that time, a Florida source told The SUN.

Farini operated an import-export business in Havana in 1956, a business he abandoned to join Castro in the Escamabra.

Meanwhile Arthur had surfaced in Havana that same year and met soldier-of-fortune "Morgan (the only name he went by)" there. The two men left Havana and proceeded to Santa Lucia on the northwest end of the island, then wandered around Cuba for several weeks until Morgan suddenly left Arthur and went to join Castro.

Arthur's next appearance was in Florida where he was seen often around Miami Beach, Hollywood, and St. Petersburg. His fellow Americans, Farini and Morgan, were not so lucky. In 1959 Castro's brother, Raul, murdered Morgan when it was discovered he was part of a plot to assassinate the bearded leader. Morgan had reportedly become disenchanted with Castro after he announced for communism. Farini was tossed into prison by Castro and, in an operation that would be the envy of Agent 007, he

escaped in a plane and flew to freedom on the U.S. mainland. He reportedly lives in Miami, possibly biding his time until the next Cuban invasion.

And he may be sooner than anyone thinks. According to information in The SUN, an invasion scheduled for next year calls for an attack upon the Cuban mainland within the next two years.

That Giancana and Marcellos operated in the Florida cloak-and-suit games involving Castro and Cuban exiles is not surprising. Giancana has held an IOU from the days of his takeover. He reportedly gave him a \$100,000 bribe to allow them to continue as usual in Havana, where the family notables as "Luciano" operated swank nightclubs and high-rolling gambling dead-end of honoring the bribe. Castro, upon the arrest of several top figures, incarcerated them and then threw them out of the country. taken from their gambling joints and clo

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For the information of Tampa, Arthur is a soldier of fortune [redacted]

In the mid-1960s he was deeply involved with various anti-Castro and anti-Duvalier efforts and entertained ideas of military invasions of Haiti and Cuba to overthrow the existing governments. Arthur's motives appeared to be largely self-serving and it is clear he attempted to realize monetary gain from these efforts.

Miami should review the information in its files regarding [redacted] other individuals mentioned in referenced Tampa LHM and thereafter evaluate the content of the LHM based on Miami Office background in Cuban and Haitian matters and its knowledge of current developments in that area. Miami is then to recommend to the Bureau (by Tampa) regarding the desirability of Tampa's editing and submitting its information in a well-prepared and well-organized form suitable for dissemination.

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[REDACTED] several pages of newspaper clippings. Set forth is a rehash of past unsuccessful efforts to organize invasions of Cuba and Haiti by exiles and American soldiers of fortune. Included, however, is one statement that Cuban exiles in Florida are currently planning for invasion of Haiti, which is attributed to Edward Authur, described in paragraph three. Bureau files contain no information to substantiate allegation and the reputation of the source mitigates against our taking any action.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

FILE NUMBER: 137-7907 CROSS-REFERENCES

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The Washington Merry-Go-Round

Castro Stalker Worked for the CIA

By Jack Anderson

The mystery man whom the Central Intelligence Agency recruited to assassinate Cuba's Fidel Castro has been laid up in the sick ward of the Los Angeles County jail.

He is handsome, hawk-faced John Roselli, once a dashing figure around Hollywood and Las Vegas, now a gray, 66-year-old inmate with a respiratory ailment.

Confidential FBI files identify him as "a top Mafia figure" who watched over "the concealed interests in Las Vegas casinos of the Chicago underworld."

Roselli has admitted to friends that he was a rum runner during the Roaring Twenties. Operating along the East Coast, he learned how to evade Coast Guard cutters and police patrols.

His name later became linked with the biggest names in the Chicago and Los Angeles underworlds. He also developed contacts in the Cuban underworld before Castro took over the Havana gambling casinos.

He had the right background for a hush-hush mission that the CIA was planning in 1961. As part of the Bay of Pigs invasion, the CIA hoped to knock off Castro and leave Cuba leaderless.

Risks Neck

Roselli was recruited for the job by Robert Maheu, a former FBI agent, who admitted to us that he had handled undercover assignments for the CIA. He refused, however, to discuss the details. This is the same Maheu, incidentally, who is now involved in a legal battle over phantom billionaire Howard Hughes' Nevada operations.

Roselli was so flattered over being asked to perform a secret mission for the U.S. government that he paid all his expenses out of his own pocket and risked his neck to land the assassination teams on the Cuban coast.

In James Bond fashion, he held whispered meetings in Miami Beach hotels with Cubans willing to make an attempt on Castro's life. Once, he called on Chicago racket boss Sam Giancana to line up a contact. The confidential files report that Giancana had "gambling interest and an interest in the shrimp business in Cuba." However, the Chicago gangster took no direct part in the assassination plot.

Roselli made midnight dashes to Cuba with his hired assassins in twin powerboats. Once a Cuban patrol ship turned its guns on his darkened boat, tore a hole in the bottom and sank the boat. Roselli was fished out of the water by the other boat, which escaped into the shadows.

In earlier columns, we reported how the CIA furnished Roselli with deadly poison capsules which he tried through a relative of Castro's chef to plant in the dictator's food. Later, marksmen armed with high-powered Belgian rifles attempted to infiltrate close enough to gun Castro down.

All told, six assassination attempts were made, the last in the spring of 1963. Throughout this period, Roselli worked under the direct supervision of two secret CIA agents, William Harvey and James (Big Jim) O'Connell.

Roselli's Reward

The FBI which got wind of the assassination plot, has tried to pump Roselli for information. But he was sworn to silence by the CIA, and up to this moment, he hasn't broken it.

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Meanwhile, the Justice Department, as part of its crack-down on organized crime, tried to nail Roselli. The FBI discovered that his Chicago birth records had been forged, that his name was really Filippo Sacco and that he had come to this country from Italy as a child. He was convicted for failing to register as an alien.

He was also convicted for conspiracy to rig card games at Los Angeles' exclusive Friar's Club.

Of Roselli's two CIA associates, Harvey has now retired to Indianapolis and O'Connell

is still on the CIA payroll. Both admitted to us a friendship with Roselli but refused to discuss their CIA activities. Harvey said he had a "high regard" for Roselli and called the Friar's Club case a "bum rap." Said Harvey: "The Friar's Club indictment is phony. Roselli had no more to do with that than I had."

Roselli's lawyers are now trying to get clemency for their client, citing our stories about his secret CIA service.

Firearms Fiasco

Under pressure from the firearms lobby, the Treasury Department has failed to enforce a vital section of the 1968 federal firearms act.

The law was passed after the murders of Sen. Robert Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King. It authorizes the Treasury Secretary to require full reports of all firearms and ammunition sales.

For the two years that the law has been in force, the Treasury Department has ignored this key provision. The gun industry has complained it would be a bookkeeping nightmare.

The federal government, which would have to compile all the sales data, has also been reluctant to spend the \$100 million it would cost for computers and staff to maintain the firearms files.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

FILE NUMBER: 92-3171 CROSS-REFERENCES

The Attorney General

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SAMUEL M. GIANCANA

Samuel M. Giancana, Chicago racketeer, and his current romantic interest, Phyllis McGuire of the well-known McGuire singing trio, were interviewed separately at O'Hare International Airport by Agents of our Chicago Office on July 12, 1961. Our Agents had been forearmed with a grand jury subpoena for Miss McGuire. However, in view of her apparent cooperative attitude, the subpoena was not served pending verification of the information she provided.

Miss McGuire advised she has known Giancana for the past two years. She did not know the source of his income but had been told by Giancana that he was a retired bookmaker. She admitted receiving approximately \$5,000 in gifts from Giancana. However, she claims a 1961 Cadillac she recently obtained was paid for by herself, although all arrangements for receipt of this automobile were handled by Giancana. She denied being married or contemplating marriage to Giancana.

Giancana was exceptionally belligerent and abusive during the interview by our Agents and frequently used obscene words in describing authorities who he believed were responsible for the investigation of him. He was extremely bitter regarding what he terms "persecution of the Italians" and said "he wasn't going to take this laying down," and "I am going to light a fire under you guys." Giancana also told interviewing Agents "now you can tell your superchief you talked to me and he can tell the super superchief all about it." When queried as to whom he was referring to by the term super superchief, he replied "the Kennedys, who else." Throughout the interview Giancana was extremely uncooperative and declined to furnish any information regarding his activities.

Following completion of the McGuire & Giancana interviews and upon meeting each other again, Giancana, directing a remark to Miss McGuire, said "I told them to go to hell, why didn't you so we could get out of here." Whereupon Miss McGuire, commenting to our Agents, stated "I just want you to know that I am not like him, I am a lady."

NOTE: See CG teletypes to Director 7/12 and 7/13/61.

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The Attorney General

The consensus of the Agents participating in the above interview of Giancana was that Giancana was nervous, extremely shaken, appeared to exhibit psychotic tendencies and would explode with little or no provocation. u

The above is being furnished for your information. u

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ROSELLI, FBI No. 3339986, claims birth at Chicago, Illinois, on 7/4/04. FBI Laboratory examination of signatures upon Report of Birth, filed in 1936, and on Affidavit of Birth, upon which Report of Birth is based, reveals signatures to be forgeries. ROSSELLI married WINIFRED JUNE VLASEK (actress JUNE LANG) in 1940, was divorced in 1943, and has not remarried. In 1950 ROSSELLI testified before Kefauver Committee and stated he engaged in buying and selling liquor in Los Angeles during prohibition era; that he was acquainted with AL CAPONE, and that he engaged in wire service for horse racing information in the late 1930's. He was convicted in Federal Court in New York City on 12/23/43 on charge of conspiracy to extort money from individuals in movie industry, sentenced to ten years imprisonment, and paroled in 1947. In 1957-1958, he was allegedly active in management of Tropicana Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, in an unofficial capacity. He obtained concessions from Tropicana Hotel but sold these in 1958 upon request of Nevada Gaming Control Board. He was officer in Monte Proser Productions, Inc., which produced floor shows at Tropicana Hotel, from 1957 until first part of 1959. Since 1959 has engaged in promoting and investing in various enterprises in Las Vegas area. He is currently engaged in producing motion picture of Las Vegas night life through Showcase Enterprises, Inc. He obtained contracts from all major hotels to shoot scenes in the casinos. Investigation indicates ROSSELLI may be handling various matters in Las Vegas for SAM GIANCANA, Chicago gambling figure. In December, 1961, he reported to

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GIANCANA concerning matters in Las Vegas. In latter part of 1961 he and GIANCANA involved in wire tap case in Las Vegas. He is in contact in Los Angeles with JUDITH E. CAMPBELL, who is friend of GIANCANA and who makes numerous telephone calls to GIANCANA's residence in Illinois. ROSSELLI has admitted he associates with highly controversial individuals who are friends, and said he would continue to associate with them. He allegedly stated he invests money for others in legitimate enterprises, but the money may be "illegitimate." He maintains apartments in Los Angeles and in Las Vegas and travels back and forth frequently.

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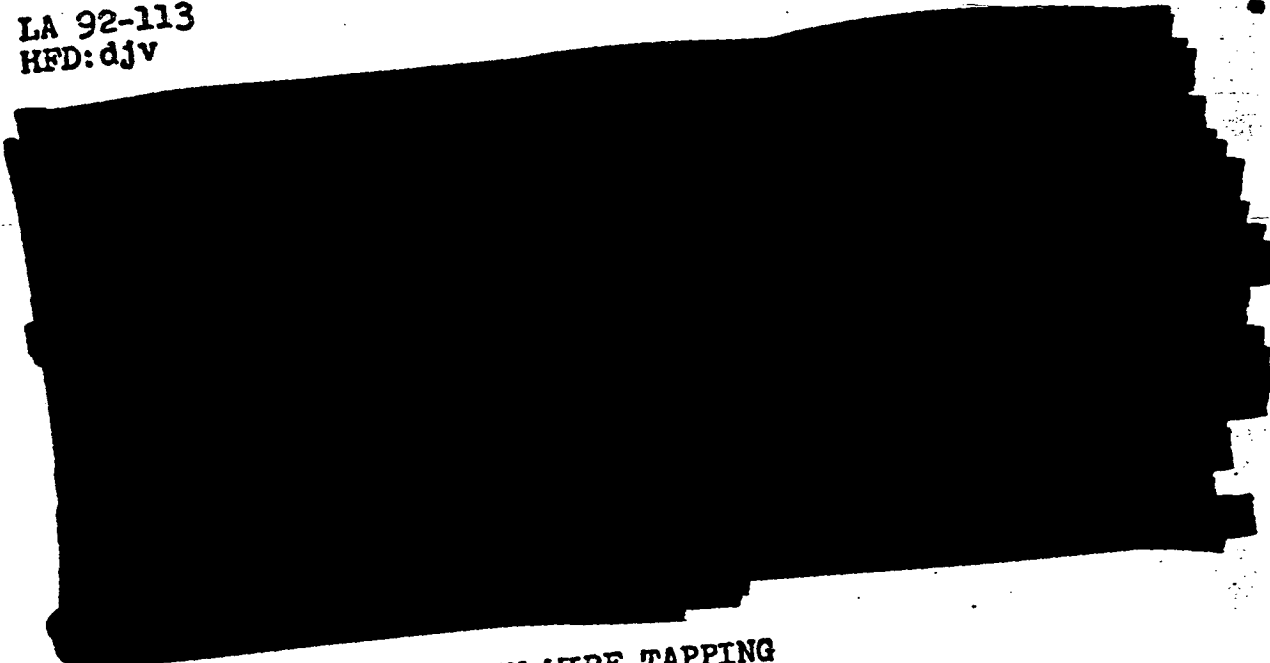
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Information has also been set out in this report under the heading "Criminal Activities" reflecting that in the latter part of 1960, ROBERT A. MAHEU was requested by CIA to contact SAM GIANCANA regarding Cuban matters, and that MAHEU got in touch with GIANCANA through JOHN ROSSELLI; that thereafter, a wire tap was placed on the telephone of [redacted] at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, allegedly at the request of MAHEU, and according to MAHEU, to discover if there had been a leak of information through [redacted] a girl friend of SAM GIANCANA, who was then in company with [redacted]. MAHEU advised that he had discussed some type of an installation with ROSSELLI prior to the time it was actually made.

Information is also set out in this report under the heading "Contacts and Associates" and specifically under the heading "JUDITH E. CAMPBELL" reflecting that CAMPBELL, a friend of GIANCANA, has been in frequent contact with GIANCANA's residence in Chicago via telephone, and she has also been in contact with JOHN ROSSELLI.

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POSSIBLE INVOLVEMENT IN WIRE TAPPING
AT RIVIERA HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

On October 31, 1960, ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI was arrested at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, at which time he admitted that he had received instructions from Investigations, Inc., Miami, Florida, to surveil and record telephone conversations of DAN ROWAN, who was then staying at the Riviera Hotel. BALLETTI stated that he had received instructions from ROBERT MAHEU to contact T. W. RICHARDSON at the New Frontier Hotel and RICHARDSON would pay him \$1,000 for the work which was being done by BALLETTI. Investigation revealed that an unknown individual using the name J. W. HARRISON, participated in the placing of the telephone surveillance in DAN ROWAN's room.

T. W. RICHARDSON, who is part owner of the New Frontier Hotel, upon interview denied knowing BALLETTI or paying any money to BALLETTI or anyone else in connection with this matter.

It is noted that at this time ROWAN was keeping company with PHYLLIS MC GUIRE of the MC GUIRE Sisters singing act and ROWAN later advised that he intended to marry PHYLLIS MC GUIRE.

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PHYLLIS MC GUIRE had reportedly been the girl friend of SAMUEL GIANCANA of Chicago. Information received during [redacted] indicates that

b7D- GIANCANA is again keeping company with PHYLLIS MC GUIRE.

EDWARD L. DUBOIS of Investigations, Inc. advised that in October, 1960, he received a telephone call from ROBERT MAHEU, a private investigator, Washington, D.C., requesting that DUBOIS send two men to Las Vegas on October 26, 1960, for physical surveillance work. Subsequently, according to DUBOIS, MAHEU told him only to send one man as he, MAHEU, was going to send one man. Thereafter, DUBOIS sent BALLETTI and the unknown individual who used the name J. W. HARRISON accompanied BALLETTI.

During the period from October 11 to October 29, 1960, ROBERT A. MAHEU and a J. A. ROLLINS were registered at the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, and ROLLINS accompanied MAHEU. MAHEU informed SAs of the FBI that J. A. ROLLINS was JOHN A. ROLLINS but refused to further identify him.

b7C Investigation disclosed that while at the Kenilworth Hotel, ROLLINS was charged with two telephone calls to telephone number WH 3-1155 in Chicago, Illinois, which is the telephone number of [redacted] who has been identified in the ROSSELLI investigation as a close friend and associate of ROSSELLI. ROLLINS was also charged with a telephone call to telephone number DI 7-6222 Woodland Hills, California, which is the number of [redacted] who has also been identified as a close friend and associate of ROSSELLI.

ROLLINS was also charged with a telephone call to telephone number DU 2-6000 which is the telephone number of the Desert Inn Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, where ROSSELLI had received many telephone calls in the past.

JAMES FOLEY, an attorney in Las Vegas, Nevada, advised that in the latter part of October, 1960, he received a telephone call from JAMES P. CANTILLON of the law firm of Cantillon and Cantillon, Beverly Hills, California, requesting that FOLEY represent BALLETTI and arrange for his bond. CANTILLON personally guaranteed FOLEY's fee. It is noted

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that JAMES P. CANTILLON is JOHN ROSSELLI's attorney and a close associate of ROSSELLI's.

Upon interview by SAs of the FBI, JAMES P. CANTILLON said that he first heard of the microphone incident when he received a call from a man in custody in Las Vegas whose name he did not recall. He said that the name BALLETTI was probably correct. He advised that he referred this man to THOMAS FOLEY an attorney in Las Vegas.

Further investigation revealed that Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in connection with their operations concerning FIDEL CASTRO in Cuba contacted ROBERT MAHEU to act as "cutout" in contacts with SAM GIANCANA on the theory that GIANCANA through his gambling activities in Cuba under the Batista Government might still have sources and contacts in Cuba who could be of value to CIA. According to officials of CIA, this organization did not authorize the microphone surveillance on [REDACTED]

On May 25, 1961, MAHEU advised SAs of the FBI that the original contact with GIANCANA after MAHEU had been requested by CIA to make contact with GIANCANA was made by "JOHNNY" who he declined to further identify.

b7c On June 29, 1961, MAHEU advised SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] that he would verify "JOHNNY's" identity if the Agents named the man. When JOHN ROSSELLI's name was furnished to MAHEU he admitted that ROSSELLI was the "JOHNNY" he referred to and that ROSSELLI was also identical to J. A. ROLLINS who registered with him at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida, in October, 1960.

ROBERT MAHEU was interviewed at 190 North Canon Drive, Beverly Hills, California, on July 13, 1961. MAHEU was informed of his right to an attorney and that he did not have to answer questions and that anything he did say could be used against him in a court of law.

MAHEU stated that in connection with the confidential assignment for CIA he had been in contact with SAMUEL GIANCANA and had received valuable assistance from GIANCANA, which, in turn, was furnished to CIA. MAHEU had reason to believe that

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b7C { GIANCANA may have disclosed information regarding the project and, in view of the sensitive nature of the project, he, MAHEU, decided to determine whether or not GIANCANA had actually talked to unauthorized persons. He was aware that GIANCANA was very close in a romantic way with [REDACTED]. He said that if GIANCANA had disclosed this information regarding project to anyone, he would have disclosed it to [REDACTED]. He said that he was also aware that in the fall of 1960 the relations between [REDACTED] and GIANCANA were strained and that [REDACTED] was romantically involved with [REDACTED]. He considered it very vital to determine whether or not GIANCANA was reliable and decided to order an installation on [REDACTED] room in an effort to determine whether or not GIANCANA had disclosed any information regarding the project to [REDACTED].

MAHEU stated that this decision was his own and that GIANCANA had no knowledge that the installation was made. He said that he did discuss this with JOHN ROSSELLI, since he felt obligated to discuss it with ROSSELLI, as ROSSELLI had been instrumental in putting him in contact with GIANCANA. MAHEU denied that the installation was made at the request of ROSSELLI or GIANCANA or for the benefit of either ROSSELLI or GIANCANA. He said that he did discuss his decision with ROSSELLI some time prior to ordering the installation but does not recall the specific date or place where he discussed the matter with ROSSELLI. He pointed out that he does not recall whether or not this occurred during October, 1960, when they were both registered at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida. He pointed out that he had met with ROSSELLI on a number of occasions and, therefore, does not recall the specific occasion in which he discussed his decision with ROSSELLI. He does not recall what comment ROSSELLI made when informed of his decision.

MAHEU said that he requested EDWARD L. DUBOIS, Jr., a Miami Beach private investigator, to institute a technical surveillance of [REDACTED] room at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. He said that he does not recall what his specific requests were regarding the

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b7C type of installation to be used, but had left this up to DUBOIS. He said that he was interested only in conversation within [redacted] room and had in mind the installation of a microphone and transmitter and not a telephone tap. He said, however, that he does not recall whether or not he specified not to make a telephone installation. He said that he does recall that he definitely did not request a physical surveillance of [redacted]

b7C MAHEU stated that he does not know the identity of the unknown subject, also known as J. W. HARRISON. He said that he definitely did not contact DUBOIS and tell DUBOIS that he would send one of his men. He insisted that DUBOIS furnished both men to handle this assignment in Las Vegas and that DUBOIS had charged him for transportation and time for two men.

MAHEU repeated that he would take full responsibility for ordering the installation, that the installation was made for the reasons he had given above and in a previous interview, and definitely was not made at the request or for the benefit of JOHN ROSSELLI or SAMUEL GIANCANA.

JOHN ROSSELLI was contacted at Drucker's Hair-dressers for Men, 9740 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California. ROSSELLI was informed of his right to have an attorney and that he did not have to say anything and that anything he did say could be used against him in a court of law.

ROSSELLI admitted that he has known ROBERT MAHEU for approximately five years. When asked if he knew SAM GIANCANA, ROSSELLI stated, "Let's discuss the weather. I do not care to answer any more questions." ROSSELLI stated that he knew of nothing illegal that MAHEU had done, but for any additional information regarding his association with MAHEU, the Agents should talk with MAHEU himself.

b7C ROSSELLI was telephonically contacted by SA [redacted] at his Los Angeles apartment, 1251 Crescent Heights Boulevard, Los Angeles, on July 19, 1961, in an effort to

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arrange an interview. ROSSELLI advised that he did not care to discuss his association with MAHEU at any time with the FBI.

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POSSIBLE EXTORTION IN CONNECTION
WITH SHOW "FLOWER DRUM SONG"
THUNDERBIRD HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

FILE NUMBER: 92-18113

1 - Mr. Held
1 - Mr. Adams

Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

August 6, 1976

Director, FBI

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1 - Mr. Gallagher
1 - Mr. O'Connell
1 - Mr. Rhyne
1 - Mr. Mitchell
1 - Mr. Fehl
1 - Mr. Mintz
1 - Mr. Moore

JOHN ROSELLI
ANTI-RACKETEERING
MISSING PERSON

The following relates to the August 4, 1976, conferences held with you by Assistant Director Richard J. Gallagher, General Investigative Division of the FBI, and Mr. Gallagher's conference with William Lynch, Chief of the Organized Crime Section, Criminal Division, concerning the missing status of John Roselli.

David Walters, Attorney for John Roselli, Miami, Florida, advised the Miami FBI Office on August 2, 1976, that Mrs. Joseph Daigle, Plantation, Florida (Roselli's sister), had informed him that Roselli left the Daigle residence approximately 1:00 p.m., July 28, 1976, in Mrs. Daigle's automobile and has not been seen or heard from since that time. Roselli resided at the Daigle residence.

Walters also related that on July 30, 1976, Mrs. Daigle's automobile was located by her husband, Joseph Daigle, parked in a garage at the Miami International Airport. Walters said he was going to notify the Chief Counsel, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities (SSCIA) that Roselli has been missing since July 28, 1976. He also advised Mrs. Daigle to file a Missing Persons Report with the Broward County, Florida, authorities.

On the afternoon of August 3, 1976, U. S. Senator Ward Baker, SSCIA, contacted the Director of the FBI to advise him that he had a personal interest in Roselli because of testimony before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities (SSCIA) that Roselli had been missing since July 28, 1976. Senator Baker felt the disappearance of Roselli was a violation of the Espionage Act.

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The Minority Staff Director, SSCIA, has advised Roselli testified before that committee on June 24, 1975, September 22, 1975, and April 23, 1976, in Executive Session. On the first two occasions Roselli's testimony regarded plots to assassinate Fidel Castro. On the last occasion Roselli testified pursuant to an investigation being conducted regarding the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. The SSCIA recommended that a subsequent SSCIA continue its investigation into the Castro assassination plots and the assassination plot of President Kennedy. ~~SSCIA has not issued subpoenas or made any agreements with any prospective witnesses to date.~~

Roselli's Attorneys, Thomas Wadden, Washington, D. C., and David Walters, Miami, Florida, and Joseph and Edith Daigle, brother-in-law and sister of Roselli, were interviewed, without success, for information regarding Roselli's disappearance. According to Joseph Daigle, Roselli normally used his wife's car. Attorney Walters suggested that he check the hospitals, morgues, and airports for any information regarding Roselli. Daigle also stated Roselli often said, in jest, if he was ever missing to check the airport parking lot. He said he located the car on July 30, 1976, at the Miami International Airport. He checked the car's interior and trunk and found nothing unusual except a grease mark on the left window, which could have been caused by an individual's head resting on the window. Daigle stated Roselli generally stayed close to his residence and could offer no reason for his disappearance.

No information has been developed that Roselli's disappearance is due to his testifying and no information has been developed that he was forcefully abducted. We are conducting no active investigation; however, are following closely with local authorities. Senator Baker is being so advised.

NOTE: See Rhyne to Gallagher memo dated 8/6/76 captioned, "John Roselli, Anti-Racketeering, Missing Person."

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Adams
FROM : R. J. Gallagher
SUBJECT: JOHN ROSELLI
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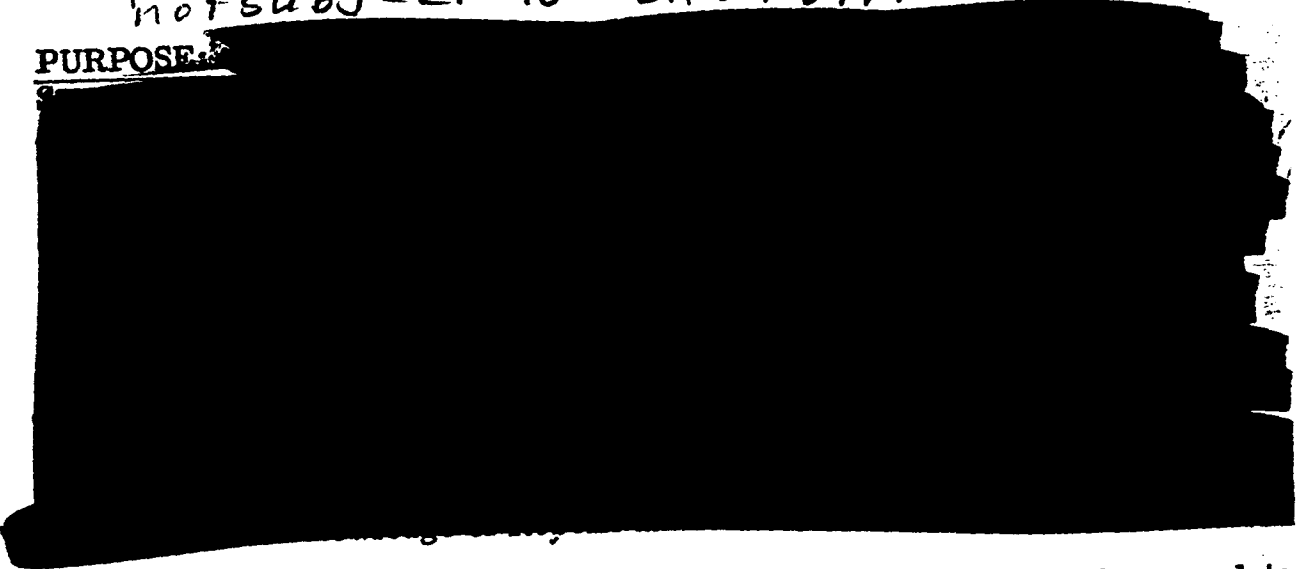
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ACTION: Miami has been instructed to interview Joseph Daigle for complete details as to how he happened to be checking airports where the car used by Roselli was located, when he reported the disappearance to the local authorities and what he knows about Roselli and his contacts.

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and Roselli testified before the original Senate Select Committee on 6/24/75, 9/22/75, and 4/23/76. On the first two occasions he testified regarding plots to assassinate Fidel Castro. On the last occasion

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he testified pursuant to an investigation being conducted regarding the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. The original Senate Select Committee chaired by Senator Frank Church recommended to the new Senate Select Committee it continue its investigation into the Castro assassination plots and into the assassination plots of President Kennedy.

[REDACTED] Roselli would be considered a critical witness into any investigation of these assassination plots. *W + MAS*

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[REDACTED] SAC Stames, Washington Field Office, has advised that Agents have learned that Jack Anderson intends to run a column on the disappearance probably as early as August 5. [REDACTED]

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Miami was first advised on August 2 by David Walters, an attorney who is representing Roselli in deportation appeals (he was ordered deported January 10, 1975), that Mrs. Edith Daigle advised him on July 30, 1976, that her brother had been missing since July 28. Walters said the sister had no

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communication with him since that time and felt that he met with foul play. U

Attorney David Walters advised our Miami Office on 8/3/76 that he would advise Edith Daigle to file a missing persons report with local authorities. U

On August 3, Mrs. Daigle was interviewed but furnished no additional pertinent information. On the same day, Attorney David Walters' secretary advised a Miami Agent that Attorney Thomas Wadden requested that Attorney Walters do nothing in the Roselli matter since he (Wadden) was handling the matter directly from the top. U

On the afternoon of August 4, the above information was furnished to Assistant Attorney General Richard Thornburgh and to William Lynch, Chief of the Organized Crime Section, Criminal Division. Assistant Attorney General Thornburgh stated that there did not appear to be any violation of Federal law, that we had a missing persons case, and there would be no Obstruction of Justice. Mr. Lynch felt there would be no Obstruction of Justice unless there was some definite information to the effect that harm befell Roselli because of his testimony which in this case occurred many months ago. Mr. Thornburgh felt this case should be closely followed and that Joe Daigle be interviewed to find out when he advised the local authorities, why there was a delay, and how he happened to check airports and find the automobile. Mr. Thornburgh felt that this matter should be followed with local authorities but we should not at this time conduct a real active investigation. U

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION**

SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

FILE NUMBER: 62-101325 CROSS-REFERENCES

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Mr. Wick

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FROM :

M. A. Jones

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SUBJECT :

ROBERT AIME MAHEU

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 DATE OF [Signature] 3-29-87

The Director has requested that files be reviewed concerning captioned individual.

Maheu was born on October 30, 1917, at Waterville, Maine. He is a former Bureau Agent who entered on duty in 1940 and resigned in 1947. His services were entirely satisfactory. In 1952 and for a short time thereafter, Maheu was Director of Security and Compliance, Small Defense Plants Administration. Since at least the middle 1950's he has operated the Robert A. Maheu Associates, a private investigative and public relations firm which has offices at 900 17th Street, Northwest, Washington, D. This firm has had business dealings with a number of foreign officials and governments and as a result has frequently come to our attention. Maheu and his firm have frequently been reported as engaging in wiretapping activities in behalf of their clients. *u*

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[Redacted] we have had circumspect dealings with Maheu. [Redacted]

In 1961 we conducted investigation into an allegation that Arthur James Balletti had placed a wiretap at Las Vegas, Nevada, on a comedian who was then reportedly engaged to Phyllis McGuire, a girl friend of top hoodlum Sam Giancana. The investigation determined that Maheu was also involved, and when interviewed he claimed that the wiretap was placed in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) which was seeking intelligence information on Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Giancana. With regard to this activity, Maheu claimed he was placed in contact with Giancana through John Roselli, prominent Los Angeles hoodlum.

Subsequently, a representative of CIA admitted contacting Maheu in the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using him as a "cutout" in contacts with Giancana who was being utilized by them in some "dirt" *REC-52* *12-101375-51*

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business" directed at Cuban Premier ~~Castro~~ Castro. When Federal prosecution of Maheu was contemplated with regard to his wiretapping activities at Las Vegas, CIA objected, claiming that it would expose a sensitive operation of theirs that would bring damaging embarrassment to the United States Government. At the time, the Director noted, "This is an outrage." (e) u

In May, 1962, former Attorney General Kennedy advised us that he was informed by CIA that they had hired Maheu to approach Giancana with a proposition of paying the latter \$150,000 to hire some gunmen to kill Castro. CIA admitted to Kennedy they assisted Maheu in making the "bugging" installation at Las Vegas (referred to above) and for this reason they could afford no action to be taken against either Maheu or Giancana. At the time, Kennedy issued orders that CIA should never again take such steps without first checking with the Department of Justice. It is noted that the above information relating to the association between CIA, Maheu and Giancana was furnished to the White House by letter dated March 21, 1967, under "Top Secret" classification, after information was received a few days earlier from attorney (and former Bureau Agent) Edward P. Morgan that he had clients (unnamed) who knew that Castro was aware of CIA's plot to assassinate him. According to Morgan, Castro responded by sending teams of assassins into the United States to kill former President Kennedy. Morgan, of course, suggested that these teams had assisted Oswald in the assassination of former President Kennedy. (e) u

Maheu has a long record of serving the interests of millionaire-industrialist Howard Hughes, who has been reported as one of his "angels." Maheu and other private investigators were retained by Hughes in 1947 to investigate former United States Senator Owen Brewster. In 1959, Maheu's investigative firm was reported to be keeping an eye on several of Hughes' girlfriends while assisting in the transfer of some of Hughes Industries operations from California to Arizona. In 1960, a New York City newspaper reported that Maheu and another former FBI Agent (Robert L. King) were representing the Hughes interests in Washington, D. C. Recently, information was received that Maheu is representing Hughes in the purchase of the Desert Inn Hotel at Las Vegas. u

RECOMMENDATION:

For information. u

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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SUBJECT: FIDEL CASTRO

FILE NUMBER: 62-116391 CROSS-REFERENCES

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TO : Mr. J. B. Adams

DATE: 4/16/75

FROM : W. R. Wannall *WRW*

- 1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall
- 1 - Mr. L. F. Schwartz
- 1 - Mr. F. J. Cassidy

SUBJECT: COMMISSION ON CIA
ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE
UNITED STATES
(ROCKEFELLER COMMISSION)

Hutchinson

By letter dated 3/25/75 to Mr. James A. Wilderotter, Associate Deputy Attorney General, Mr. James N. Roethe, staff attorney of captioned Commission, levied a number of requests for FBI documents to be supplied to the Commission.

One of the requests was for "any notes or interoffice memoranda pertaining to the two letters of Mr. Papich to Mr. Hoover dated March 2, 1970, and November 6, 1967."

With the Director's approval the two Papich letters mentioned above were furnished to the Rockefeller Commission on 3/21/75.

With regard to the Papich letter of 11/6/67, the copies which were furnished to the Commission contained notations made on the letter by Mr. Hoover. A search of Bureau files reveals two additional documents which resulted from the Papich letter of 11/6/67; namely, a memorandum from C. D. DeLoach to Mr. Tolson, 11/8/67, which reported the results of an interview of Papich by DeLoach on that date. During this interview, according to the DeLoach memorandum, he explained to Papich the reasons for the prohibitions and the persons responsible for such prohibitions against utilization of the investigative techniques mentioned in the Papich letter of 11/6/67.

The other communication which resulted from the Papich letter of 11/6 was a letter from Mr. Hoover to Mr. Papich dated 11/9/67 in which Mr. Hoover expressed his shock at the lack of understanding of key people concerning Departmental regulations as well as other influences beyond the Bureau's control which determine policy within the FBI.

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TO : The Director

DATE: 3/13/70

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FROM : SA Sam Papich

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John E. Bacon 8/27/80*

Reference is made to my letters dated March 2 and March 5, 1970. In my letter of March 5, 1970, I stated "it is important to emphasize that the Bureau can also produce an extensive list of justified grievances." It is my understanding that the Director desired that this list be identified. Enclosed herewith is a list of approximately 75 items.

This list should not be considered absolutely complete. Preparation was predicated on my personal recollection and a review of Bureau records. To make this list more complete and specifically accurate would necessitate the review of thousands of files. The enclosed list can be supported by Bureau records. What CIA records reflect on the same items is unknown. This also must be kept in mind in connection with our evaluation of the alleged CIA grievances which I previously listed.

I realize that it is presumptuous on my part, but if the Director feels that our Bureau work can benefit by a personal discussion between the Director and myself, I am available until April 3, 1970. I plan to leave the area immediately thereafter for an extended period.

ACTION:

For information.

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
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On February 7, 1962, Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, CIA, informed the Liaison Agent that CIA was preparing a report containing extremely sensitive information. He stated that this information came from a sensitive source and he was not certain as to how it should be handled. As a result of a discussion with Edwards on February 26, 1962, [REDACTED]

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Edwards explained that he had been reluctant to identify this source at an earlier date because he feared that prosecution could have been jeopardized and, furthermore, he did not want his Agency embarrassed in the event the Bureau objected to CIA maintaining a capability such as technical surveillances. It was made emphatically clear to Edwards that it was absolutely necessary that we be provided with all the details and, furthermore, that CIA, at the outset, should have apprised us of the existence of the coverage. The Director made the notation, "I only wish we would eventually realize CIA can never be depended upon to deal forthrightly with us. Certainly my skepticism isn't based on prejudice nor suspicion, but on specific instances of all too many in number. Yet, there exists a widespread belief that the 'leopard has changed his spots.' H." (Memorandum Brennan to Sullivan February 27, 1962, [REDACTED]) X (u)

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In February, 1962, the Liaison Agent was requested to discuss with CIA a case which, in our opinion, clearly indicated CIA had failed to keep us appropriately informed of developments. The Bureau's original interest was initiated in Miami as a result of a discussion with CIA personnel in that city. Attempts to get CIA replies via correspondence were negative. On February 13, 1962, the Liaison Agent discussed the matter with CIA and received a reply which did not adequately satisfy the Bureau's request. (Memorandum Donahoe to Sullivan, February 27, 1962, and Brennan to Sullivan, March 2, 1962; Bureau file [REDACTED]) X (u)

57. CIA WIRE TAPPING IN THE UNITED STATES

Sometime prior to the Bay of Pigs fiasco, CIA had become involved in a weird plan designed to bring about the assassination of Fidel Castro. One of the principal ingredients of this plan was to be the utilization of U.S. hoodlums. CIA established contact with Robert Mahcu, former Bureau Agent, who served as the intermediary in dealings with the notorious hoodlum, Sam Giancana. X (u)

The entire operation fell apart when we developed information indicating that Mahou was behind a wire tapping operation in Nevada. Potentially, there were elements for possible violation of unauthorized publication or use of communications. However, prosecution was out of the question because of the tainted involvement of CIA. (Arthur James Balletti, "Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications" and memorandum from the Director to Mr. Tolson, dated May 10, 1952) (u)

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- 1 - Mr. J. B. Adams
- 1 - Mr. J. A. Mintz

DATE: 4/21/75

- 1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall
- 1 - Mr. F. J. Cassidy

TO : Mr. J. B. Adams

FROM : W. R. Wannall

SUBJECT: COMMISSION ON CIA ACTIVITIES
WITHIN THE UNITED STATES
(ROCKEFELLER COMMISSION)

My memorandum to you dated 4/8/75 (attached) advised of a request by Mr. James N. Roethe, staff attorney of captioned Commission, for "any documents in possession of the Bureau, including interoffice memoranda, showing a connection between CIA and known or suspected Mafia personalities specifically for, but not limited to, the period 1958 through 1965."

Our files revealed information pertaining to a connection between CIA and hoodlums John Roselli and Sam Giancana. All pertinent information is contained in the following documents: 1) memorandum W. R. Wannall to W. C. Sullivan, dated 3/6/67, captioned "Central Intelligence Agency's Intentions to Send Hoodlums to Cuba to Assassinate Castro"; 2) memorandum from the Director, FBI, to the Attorney General, dated 3/6/67, captioned as Item 1; 3) LHM dated 5/22/61, captioned "Arthur James Balletti, et al," which contained results of an interview with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who in 1961 was Director of Security, CIA; and, 4) two memoranda from the Director of Security, CIA, dated 5/18/66 and 5/27/66, reporting additional meetings between CIA personnel and Roselli.

Referenced memorandum recommended that the above-mentioned documents be reviewed by the Special Investigative Division (SID) and if that Division interposed no objection the Intelligence Division (INTD) through liaison would obtain CIA clearance to furnish the information which originated with that Agency to the Commission. INTD would thereafter prepare cover communication necessary to transmit the documents to Mr. Roethe through the Department. This recommendation was approved. SID reviewed the attached documents and interposed no objection to the documents being furnished to the Commission.

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On 4/9/75 a copy of the 5/22/61 LHM captioned "Arthur James Balletti, et al," which contained the results of our interview of Colonel Sheffield Edwards, then Director of Security, CIA; a memorandum from

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per John E. Bacon 8/27/80

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Memorandum to Mr. J. B. Adams
Re: Commission on CIA Activities
Within the United States
(Rockefeller Commission)
62-116391

C. D. Brennan to W. C. Sullivan, dated 6/21/63, captioned "John Roselli," which contained the results of an interview of William Harvey, an official of CIA, as set forth in the 3/6/67 memorandum to the Attorney General which we propose to furnish the Commission; and the memoranda from the Director, CIA, dated 5/18/66 and 5/27/66 were furnished to CIA for the purpose of obtaining their concurrence in furnishing the information contained in these documents to the Commission. The above comprises all of the information which originated with CIA contained in the documents we propose to furnish to the Commission. On 4/16/75 [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised Liaison Supervisor L. F. Schwartz that CIA interposed no objection to our furnishing their memoranda of 5/18/66 and 5/27/66 to the Commission along with the results of our interview of Colonel Sheffield Edwards and Mr. Harvey.

No sensitive sources are involved and the Bureau communications pertaining to this matter revealed that we acted promptly on receipt of information concerning CIA's involvement with the hoodlums in notifying the Attorney General. In view of this it is felt these documents should be furnished to the Commission for incorporation in the Commission's files.

RECOMMENDATION:

If you agree, the attached letter to the Deputy Attorney General enclosing a memorandum for the Commission with the documents mentioned above be sent.

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Memorandum

1 - [redacted]
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TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: March 6, 1967

FROM : W. R. Wannall

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SUBJECT: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S
INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO
CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

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ON 3/9/81 TO IPA# 22,330 Per John E. Bacon 8/2/80

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In accordance with instructions, attached letter has been prepared for Attorney General setting forth all data in our files concerning captioned matter. Briefly, information being furnished is as follows: U

Matter first came to our attention in Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of violation of Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, arrested in Las Vegas, Nevada, by local authorities on wire tapping charge. Wire tap involved was on telephone of Dan Rowan, member of Rowan and Martin comedy team. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire, girl friend of top hoodlum Sam Giancana and member of McGuire Sisters singing trio. U

Through our investigation we determined involvement of Robert A. Maheu, private detective, who stated coverage on Rowan instituted in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) efforts to obtain Cuban intelligence data through hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana. Maheu was in contact with Giancana through services of John Roselli, another hoodlum, and Maheu authorized wiring of Rowan's room.

We checked matter with CIA on 5/3/61 and learned CIA was utilizing Maheu as intermediary with Sam Giancana relative to CIA's "dirty business" anti-Castro activities. CIA insisted it did not give Maheu any instructions relative to use of technical installations. By letter 5/22/61 we furnished former Attorney General Kennedy a memorandum containing a rundown on CIA's involvement in this. The originals of the letter and memorandum were returned to us for filing purposes. A copy of that memorandum is being attached to instant letter being sent to Attorney General. U

On 5/9/62 Kennedy discussed with the Director a number of matters, including admission by CIA that Robert Maheu had been

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Memorandum for Mr. Sullivan
Re: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S
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hired by that Agency to approach Sam Giancana to have Castro assassinated at a cost of \$150,000. Kennedy stated he had issued orders that CIA should never undertake such steps again without first checking with Department of Justice and stated because of this matter it would be difficult to prosecute Giancana or Maheu then or in the future.

We learned on 6/20/63 from CIA that its contacts with John Roselli (Maheu's link with Giancana) had continued up until that time, when they were reportedly cut off.

It appears Roselli is using his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. In May, 1966, when Bureau Agents endeavored to interview him he immediately flew to Washington and informed his former CIA intermediary. The current Director of Security, CIA, has advised through liaison channels that Roselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and Roselli would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA to serve his own interests. In furnishing this information we were asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis. We have, however, included it in the attached proposed letter to the Attorney General noting this CIA specific restriction. ~~XS~~(u)

We have two other references in our files to the over-all above information which we have included in the letter. One relates to a statement by Giancana in October, 1960, that he had met with an individual who was to assassinate Castro in November, 1960. The other is an article in the 8/16/63 issue of the "Chicago Sun Times" reporting that CIA agents had contacted Giancana to obtain Cuban intelligence.

ACTION:

If approved, attached letter will be sent to the Attorney General, with a copy for the Deputy Attorney General.

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The Attorney General
asked for this information
on Friday, 8/3/67.
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March 6, 1967

The Attorney General
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 ON 3/9/81 70184# 229330

Director, FBI
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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S
 INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO
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Our files contain the following information concerning the captioned matter, much of which has been furnished by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) on a strictly highly confidential "need-to-know" basis. In view of this, it is requested that it be handled on a most restrictive basis. (u)

This matter first came to our attention in the Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of a violation of the Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur Joseph Balletti, who had been arrested by local authorities in Las Vegas, Nevada, on a local wire tapping charge. Balletti and another unidentified individual in October, 1960, had reportedly placed a wire tap on the telephone of Dan Rowan, a member of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire of the well-known McGuire Sisters singing trio who was also known to be a girl friend of Sam Giancana, a top hoodlum. (u)

During the course of the Balletti investigation it was ascertained that Robert A. Maheu, a private detective, was involved. Maheu during interview claimed he ordered coverage of Rowan in behalf of CIA's efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana, which had interests there. Maheu said he was put in contact with Giancana in connection with these intelligence activities through John Roselli, a Los Angeles hoodlum. Maheu stated also that he authorized the wiretap on Rowan and had discussed the matter with Roselli.

The essence of the above was furnished to former Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy by letter dated May 22, 1961 which enclosed a memorandum of the same date containing data made available on May 3, 1961, by Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who at that time was Director of Security at CIA, regarding his utilization of Maheu in connection with anti-Castro activities. Since our files show that Mr. Kennedy returned the original of our letter and its enclosed memorandum dated May 22, 1961,

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to us for filing purposes, a copy of the May 22, 1961, memorandum is attached hereto for your information. ~~(u)~~

You will note that Colonel Edwards advised he personally contacted Robert Mahou during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Mahou as a "cutout" in contacts with Sam Giancana in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against Castro. Colonel Edwards stated that Giancana's activities were completely "backstopped" by Mahou, who would frequently report Giancana's actions and information to Edwards. No details or methods used by Mahou or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were reported to him, according to Edwards, as such involved "dirty business," of which Colonel Edwards could not afford to have knowledge. Accordingly, he said he had no prior knowledge of the above-mentioned wire tapping by Ballotti. ~~(u)~~

Further with respect to this matter, I was informed of the following on a highly confidential basis by former Attorney General Kennedy during a conference in my office on May 9, 1962:

He indicated that a few days prior thereto he had been advised by CIA that Robert A. Mahou had been hired by CIA to approach Sam Giancana with a proposition of paying \$150,000 to hire some gunmen to go into Cuba and kill Castro. He further stated CIA admitted having assisted Mahou in making the "bugging" installation in Las Vegas (referred to above) which uncovered this clandestine operation and for this reason CIA could not afford to have any action taken against Giancana or Mahou. Mr. Kennedy stated that upon learning CIA had not cleared its action in hiring Mahou and Giancana with the Department of Justice he issued orders that CIA should never again take such steps without first checking with the Department of Justice.

Mr. Kennedy further advised that because of this matter it would be very difficult to initiate any prosecution against Giancana, as Giancana could immediately bring out the fact the United States Government had approached him to arrange for the assassination of Castro. He stated the same was true concerning any action we might take against Mahou for any violation in which he might become involved.

On June 20, 1963, Mr. William Harvey, an official of CIA, advised that he had held a meeting with John Roselli (referred to above as Mahou's link with Giancana) for the purpose of closing out the entire matter with which Roselli had been involved. In this connection, Harvey stated that CIA had

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established contact with Roselli in "early 1961" with respect to a sensitive operation against Castro. Harvey said that for all intents and purposes the operation was discontinued and canceled after the ill-fated Bay of Pigs invasion in April, 1961, but Roselli had not been completely cut off, as he periodically indicated he was in a position to be of assistance.

It appears Roselli has since that time, nevertheless, used his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. For example, in May, 1960, when contacted by Agents of this Bureau in connection with our current investigation of his activities he refused to talk and immediately flew to Washington, D. C., and consulted with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who is now retired from CIA. Colonel Edwards in turn advised CIA, which told us. Mr. Howard J. Osborn, the present Director of Security, CIA, freely has admitted to us that Roselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and that he would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA if it served his own interests. In furnishing this information, Mr. Osborn asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis. X5(u)

In light of the above information furnished us by CIA and former Attorney General Kennedy, it appears that data which came to our attention in October, 1960, possibly pertains to the captioned matter. At that time a source close to Giancana advised that during a conversation with several friends Giancana stated that Fidel Castro was "to be done away with very shortly." Giancana reportedly assured those present that Castro's assassination would occur in November, 1960, and that he had already met with the assassin-to-be on three occasions, the last meeting having taken place on a boat docked at the Fontainebleau Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. Reportedly, Giancana claimed that everything had been perfected for the killing and the "assassin" had arranged with a girl, not further described, to drop a "pill" in Castro's drink or food.

Also of possible interest is a news article carried in the August 16, 1963, issue of the "Chicago Sun Times." This article carried the headline, "CIA Bought Giancana's Help For Cuba Spying," and it was reported therein that CIA agents had contacted Giancana in an effort to obtain Cuban intelligence after Castro came into power. u

Enclosure

1 - The Deputy Attorney General (Enclosure)



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply, Please Refer to
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John E. Bacon 8/27/80 ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.

On May 3, 1961, Colonel Sheffield Edwards,
Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA)
furnished the following information.

Colonel Edwards advised that in connection with
CIA's operation against Castro he personally contacted Robert
Maheu during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Maheu
as a "cut-out" in contacts with Sam Giancana, a known hoodlum
in the Chicago area. Colonel Edwards said that since the
underworld controlled gambling activities in Cuba under the
Batista government, it was assumed that this element would
still continue to have sources and contacts in Cuba which
perhaps could be utilized successfully in connection with
CIA's clandestine efforts against the Castro government.
As a result, Maheu's services were solicited as a "cut-out"
because of his possible entree into underworld circles.
Maheu obtained Sam Giancana's assistance in this regard and
according to Edwards, Giancana gave every indication of
cooperating through Maheu in attempting to accomplish several
clandestine efforts in Cuba. Edwards added that none of
Giancana's efforts have materialized to date and that several
of the plans still are working and may eventually "pay off."

Colonel Edwards related that he had no direct
contact with Giancana; that Giancana's activities were
completely "back stopped" by Maheu and that Maheu would
frequently report Giancana's action and information to
Edwards. No details or methods used by Maheu or Giancana
in accomplishing their missions were ever reported to
Edwards. Colonel Edwards said that since this is "dirty
business" he could not afford to have knowledge of the actions
of Maheu and Giancana in pursuit of any mission for CIA.
Colonel Edwards added that he has neither given Maheu any
instruction to use technical installations of any type nor has
the subject of technical installations ever come up between
Edwards and Maheu in connection with Giancana's activity.

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Colonel Edwards related that Maheu did come to him concerning the arrest in Las Vegas of Balletti for "wire tapping." Maheu cautioned Edwards that the Balletti arrest could cause CIA some embarrassment since Balletti was in Las Vegas attempting to obtain coverage on some "Hollywood people" in connection with Giancana's efforts for CIA. Edwards said that he did not know the facts of the Balletti case and Maheu claims "Balletti went too far" in his efforts to obtain information. Edwards added that he was unaware of any reason for Maheu's activity of Maheu or Giancana in Las Vegas and that Giancana's activity in furtherance of the anti-Castro activity was left completely in Maheu's hands.

Colonel Edwards advised that only Mr. Bissell (Deputy Director of Plans, CIA) and two others in CIA were aware of the Giancana - Maheu activity in behalf of CIA's program and that Allen Dulles was completely unaware of Edwards' contact with Maheu in this connection. He added that Mr. Bissell, during his recent briefings of General Taylor and the Attorney General in connection with their inquiries into CIA relating to the Cuban situation, told the Attorney General that some of CIA's associated planning included the use of Giancana and the underworld against Castro.

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The Deputy Attorney General

April 22, 1975

Director, FBI

- 1 - Mr. J. B. Adams
- 1 - Mr. J. A. Mintz
- 1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall
- 1 - Mr. F. J. Cassidy

LETTER DATED MARCH 25, 1975, FROM
 JAMES N. ROETHE, STAFF ATTORNEY,
 COMMISSION ON CIA ACTIVITIES
 WITHIN THE UNITED STATES
 REQUEST FOR BUREAU DOCUMENTS

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Reference is made to the letter dated March 25, 1975, to Mr. James A. Wilderotter, Associate Deputy Attorney General, from James N. Roethe, staff attorney, Commission on CIA Activities within the United States, in which Roethe requested "any documents in possession of the Bureau, including interoffice memoranda, showing a connection between CIA and known or suspected Mafia personalities specifically for, but not limited to, the period 1958 through 1965."

Enclosed is a memorandum, captioned "Commission on CIA Activities within the United States," identifying the documents in the possession of the Bureau responsive to Mr. Roethe's request and a copy of each of these documents for transmittal to him.

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NOTE:

See memorandum W. R. Wannall to Mr. J. B. Adams, dated 4/21/75, captioned "Commission on CIA Activities within the United States (Rockefeller Commission)," prepared by FJC:aso.

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**COMMISSION ON CIA
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- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 1 - Mr. Wannall
- 1 - Mr. Cassidy

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A review of Bureau files reveals a number of documents pertaining to a connection between the CIA and hoodlums John Roselli and Sam Giancana. All pertinent information is contained in the following documents, copies of which are attached:

- 1) Memorandum W. R. Wannall to W. C. Sullivan, dated March 6, 1967, captioned "Central Intelligence Agency's Intentions to Send Hoodlums to Cuba to Assassinate Castro."
- 2) Memorandum from the Director, FBI, to the Attorney General, dated March 6, 1967, captioned as Item 1.
- 3) Memorandum dated May 22, 1961, captioned "Arthur James Balletti, et al," which contained results of an interview with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who in 1961 was Director of Security, CIA.
- 4) Two memoranda from the Director of Security, CIA, dated May 18, 1966, and May 27, 1966, reporting additional meetings between CIA personnel and Roselli.

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**Commission on CIA
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NOTE:

See memorandum W. R. Wannall to Mr. J. B. Adams, dated 4/21/75, captioned "Commission on CIA Activities within the United States (Rockefeller Commission)," prepared by FJC:aso. v

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Memorandum

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- 1 - Mr. J. A. Mintz
(Attn: Dennis Miller)
- 1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall
- 1 - Mr. F. J. Cassidy

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TO : Mr. J. A. Mintz *JE 10/11*

DATE: 5/2/75

FROM : Mr. W. R. Wannall *(W)*

SUBJECT: COMMISSION ON CIA ACTIVITIES
WITHIN THE UNITED STATES
(ROCKEFELLER COMMISSION)

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ON *3/9/81 70249422,330*
**CIA info declassified per:
John E. Bacon 8/6/80*

Reference is made to the routing slip from the Legal Counsel Division dated 5/1/75, attaching a letter to the Deputy Attorney General from Mr. David W. Belin, Executive Director, Commission on CIA Activities Within the United States, in which letter, captioned Commission requested any information in the Department of Justice files concerning any efforts on the part of CIA to intervene in the ordinary course of civil or criminal investigations or litigation undertaken by the Department. Referenced LCD routing slip requested any information INTD could furnish concerning this matter by close of business 5/2/75.

INTD personnel in a position to be aware of such activity on the part of CIA have been canvassed with negative results and a review has been made of the file captioned "Relations With CIA," Bureau file 62-80750.

The only item developed which could be considered responsive to the Commission's request concerns information furnished to the Deputy Attorney General for transmittal to the Commission on 4/22/75. This item relates to an investigation by the Bureau in 1961 concerning an illegal wiretap which had been placed on the telephone of Dan Rowan of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin in Las Vegas, Nevada. It was determined the illegal wiretap was installed by one Arthur James Balletti. Balletti led us to former Special Agent Robert A. Maheu. On interview of Maheu, he stated the wiretap was installed on behalf of the CIA efforts to obtain Cuban intelligence data through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana. On contact with CIA, we learned of their involvement with Giancana and John Roselli, another top hoodlum, in connection with anti-Castro activities. We promptly disseminated the information to the Attorney General and Mr. Hoover was subsequently advised by then Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy that Kennedy had obtained the entire story from CIA and, because of CIA involvement, no prosecution was

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Memorandum to Mr. J. A. Mintz

Re: Commission on CIA Activities Within the United States (Rockefeller Commission)
62-116391

possible, as such action which would involve Maheu and Giancana would
no doubt immediately bring out the fact that an agency of the United States
Government had approached Giancana to arrange for the assassination of
Castro. ~~AS~~ (u)

ACTION:

This memorandum will be referred to the Legal Counsel Division for
their consideration in preparing a response to the Deputy Attorney General. U

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. J. B. Adams

FROM : W. R. Wannall

SUBJECT: COMMISSION ON CIA ACTIVITIES
WITHIN THE UNITED STATES
(ROCKEFELLER COMMISSION)

- 1 - Mr. J. B. Adams
 - 1 - Mr. W. V. Cleveland
 - 1 - Mr. J. A. Mintz
- DATE: 4/8/75
- 1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall
 - 1 - Mr. L. F. Schwartz
 - 1 - Mr. F. J. Cassidy

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DATE 3/9/81 BY SP4-Jm/ks
*CIA info unclassified per
John E. Bacon 8/27/80*

By letter dated 3/25/75 to Mr. James A. Wilderotter, Associate Deputy Attorney General, Mr. James N. Roethe, staff attorney of captioned Commission, levied a number of requests for FBI documents to be supplied to the Commission.

One of the requests was for "any documents in possession of the Bureau, including interoffice memoranda, showing a connection between CIA and known or suspected Mafia personalities specifically for, but not limited to, the period 1958 through 1965."

A review of our files reveals a number of documents pertaining to a connection between the CIA and hoodlums John Roselli and Sam Giancana. All pertinent information is contained in the following documents:
1) memorandum W. R. Wannall to W. C. Sullivan, dated 3/6/67, captioned "Central Intelligence Agency's Intentions to Send Hoodlums to Cuba to Assassinate Castro"; 2) memorandum from Director, FBI, to the Attorney General, dated 3/6/67, captioned as Item 1; 3) LHM dated 5/22/61, captioned "Arthur James Balletti, et al," which contains the results of an interview with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who in 1961 was Director of Security, CIA.

In brief, we investigated Balletti in 1961 for placing an illegal wiretap. During the course of the investigation we determined that former Special Agent Robert H. Maheu was involved. Interview of Maheu surfaced a relationship between John Roselli and Sam Giancana, top hoodlums, and the CIA.

In addition, our files contain a letter dated 5/18/66 and a letter 5/27/66 from the Director of Security of CIA which reported contacts between Roselli and CIA officials in 1966, which letters would appear pertinent to Mr. Roethe's request.

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Memorandum to Mr. J. B. Adams
Re: Commission on CIA Activities
Within the United States
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It is proposed that the above-mentioned communications be furnished to Mr. Roethe in response to his request. As the documents contain some information furnished to us by CIA on a strict need-to-know basis with a request that the information not be released outside the FBI without prior coordination with CIA, the Intelligence Division (INTD) through Liaison will obtain the necessary clearance from CIA to furnish same to the Commission.

The Special Investigative Division (SID) is requested to review the attached documents as the documents pertain to investigations of primary concern to SID and advise if SID interposes any objection to furnishing the documents to the Commission. u

ACTION:

1. SID review the attached documents in line with the above. u
2. If SID interposes no objection to furnishing the attached documents to the Commission, INTD through Liaison will obtain CIA clearance to furnish the documents to the Commission and thereafter prepare the necessary cover communication to transmit the documents to Mr. Roethe. u

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ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

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The Attorney General

March 6, 1967

Director, FBI

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

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Our files contain the following information concerning the captioned matter, much of which has been furnished by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) on a strictly highly confidential "need-to-know" basis. In view of this, it is requested that it be handled on a most restrictive basis. (u)

This matter first came to our attention in the Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of a violation of the Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Balletti, who had been arrested by local authorities in Las Vegas, Nevada, on a local wire tapping charge. Balletti and another unidentified individual in October, 1960, had reportedly placed a wire tap on the telephone of Dan Rowan, a member of the comedy team of Rowan and Martin. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire of the well-known McGuire Sisters singing trio who was also known to be a girl friend of Sam Giancana, a top hoodlum.

During the course of the Balletti investigation it was ascertained that Robert A. Mahen, a private detective, was involved. Mahen during interview claimed he ordered coverage of Rowan in behalf of CIA's efforts to obtain intelligence information in Cuba through the hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana, which had interest there. Mahen said he was put in contact with Giancana in connection with these intelligence activities through John Roselli, a Los Angeles hoodlum. Mahen stated also that he authorized the wiring of Rowan's room and had discussed the matter with Roselli.

The essence of the above was furnished to former Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy by letter dated May 22, 1961, which enclosed a memorandum of the same date containing data made available on May 3, 1961, by Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who at that time was Director of Security at CIA, regarding his utilization of Mahen in connection with anti-Castro activities. Since our files show that Mr. Kennedy returned the original of our letter and its enclosed memorandum dated May 22, 1961,

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The Attorney General

to us for filing purposes, a copy of the May 22, 1963, memorandum is attached hereto for your information. X (u)

You will note that Colonel Edwards advised he personally contacted Robert Mahou during the Fall of 1960 for the purpose of using Mahou as a "cutout" in contacts with Sam Giancana in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against Castro. Colonel Edwards stated that Giancana's activities were completely "backstopped" by Mahou, who would frequently report Giancana's actions and information to Edwards. No details or methods used by Mahou or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were reported to him, according to Edwards, as such involved "dirty business," of which Colonel Edwards could not afford to have knowledge. Accordingly, he said he had no prior knowledge of the above-mentioned wire tapping by Balletti. X (u)

Further with respect to this matter, I was informed of the following on a highly confidential basis by former Attorney General Kennedy during a conference in my office on May 9, 1963:

He indicated that a few days prior thereto he had been advised by CIA that Robert A. Mahou had been hired by CIA to approach Sam Giancana with a proposition of paying \$100,000 to hire some gunmen to go into Cuba and kill Castro. He further stated CIA admitted having assisted Mahou in making the "bugging" installation in Las Vegas (referred to above) which uncovered this clandestine operation and for this reason CIA could not afford to have any action taken against Giancana or Mahou. Mr. Kennedy stated that upon learning CIA had not cleared its action in hiring Mahou and Giancana with the Department of Justice he issued orders that CIA should never again take such steps without first checking with the Department of Justice.

Mr. Kennedy further advised that because of this matter it would be very difficult to initiate any prosecution against Giancana, as Giancana could immediately bring out the fact the United States Government had approached him to arrange for the assassination of Castro. He stated the same was true concerning any action we might take against Mahou for any violation in which he might become involved.

On June 20, 1963, Mr. William Harvey, an official of CIA, advised that he had held a meeting with John Roselli (referred to above as Mahou's link with Giancana) for the purpose of closing out the entire matter with which Roselli had been involved. In this connection, Harvey stated that CIA had

The Attorney General

established contact with Roselli in "early 1961" with respect to a sensitive operation against Castro. Harvoy said that for all intents and purposes the operation was discontinued and canceled after the ill-fated Bay of Pigs invasion in April, 1961, but Roselli had not been completely cut off, as he periodically indicated he was in a position to be of assistance.

It appears Roselli has since that time, nevertheless, used his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. For example, in May, 1966, when contacted by Agents of this Bureau in connection with our current investigation of his activities he refused to talk and immediately flew to Washington, D. C., and consulted with Colonel Sheffield Edwards, who is now retired from CIA. Colonel Edwards in turn advised CIA, which told us. Mr. Howard J. Osborn, the present Director of Security, CIA, freely has admitted to us that Roselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and that he would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA if it served his own interests. In furnishing this information, Mr. Osborn stated that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis. ~~(u)~~

In light of the above information furnished us by CIA and former Attorney General Kennedy, it appears that data which came to our attention in October, 1960, possibly pertains to the captioned matter. At that time a source close to Giancana advised that during a conversation with several friends Giancana stated that Fidel Castro was "to be done away with very shortly." Giancana reportedly assured these present that Castro's assassination would occur in November, 1960, and that he had already met with the assassin-to-be on three occasions, the last meeting having taken place on a boat docked at the Fontainebleau Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. Reportedly, Giancana claimed that everything had been perfected for the killing and the "assassin" had arranged with a girl, not further described, to drop a "pill" in Castro's drink or food.

Also of possible interest is a news article carried in the August 13, 1963, issue of the "Chicago Sun Times." This article carried the headline, "CIA Sought Giancana's Help For Cuba Spying," and it was reported therein that CIA agents had contacted Giancana in an effort to obtain Cuban intelligence after Castro came into power.

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The Attorney General

NOTE:

See cover memorandum Wannall to Sullivan, same caption,
March 6, 1967, GCM:ams. ~

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S
INTENTIONS TO SEND HOODLUMS TO
CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

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In accordance with instructions, attached letter has been prepared for Attorney General setting forth all data in our files concerning captioned matter. Briefly, information being furnished is as follows: ~

Matter first came to our attention in Spring of 1961 in connection with our investigation of violation of Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications Statute on the part of Arthur James Dalletti, arrested in Las Vegas, Nevada, by local authorities on wire tapping charge. Wire tap involved was on telephone of Dan Rowan, member of Rowan and Martin comedy team. Rowan at the time reportedly was engaged to Phyllis McGuire, girl friend of top hoodlum Sam Giancana and member of McGuire Sisters' singing trio. ~

Through our investigation we determined involvement of Robert A. Mahou, private detective, who stated coverage on Rowan instituted in behalf of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) efforts to obtain Cuban intelligence data through hoodlum element, including Sam Giancana. Mahou was in contact with Giancana through services of John Roselli, another hoodlum, and Mahou authorized wiring of Rowan's room. ~

We checked matter with CIA on 5/3/61 and learned CIA was utilizing Mahou as intermediary with Sam Giancana relative to CIA's "dirty business" anti-Castro activities. CIA insisted it did not give Mahou any instructions relative to use of technical installations. By letter 5/22/61 we furnished former Attorney General Kennedy a memorandum containing a rundown on CIA's involvement in this. The originals of the letter and memorandum were returned to us for filing purposes. A copy of that memorandum is being attached to instant letter being sent to Attorney General. X(u)

On 5/9/63 Kennedy discussed with the Director a number of matters, including admission by CIA that Robert Mahou had been

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Memorandum for Mr. Sullivan:

Re: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY'S
INTENTIONS TO SEND ROOPLUMS TO
CUBA TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO

hired by that Agency to approach Sam Giancana to have Castro assassinated at a cost of \$150,000. Kennedy stated he had issued orders that CIA should never undertake such steps again without first checking with Department of Justice and stated because of this matter it would be difficult to prosecute Giancana or Mahou then or in the future.

We learned on 6/20/63 from CIA that its contacts with John Roselli (Mahou's link with Giancana) had continued up until that time, when they were reportedly cut off.

It appears Roselli is using his prior connections with CIA to his best advantage. In May, 1966, when Bureau Agents endeavored to interview him he immediately flew to Washington and informed his former CIA intermediary. The current Director of Security, CIA, has advised through liaison channels that Roselli has CIA in an unusually vulnerable position and Roselli would have no qualms about embarrassing CIA to serve his own interests. In furnishing this information we were asked that it be held within this Bureau on a strictly need-to-know basis. We have, however, included it in the attached proposed letter to the Attorney General noting this CIA specific restriction. *X (u)*

We have two other references in our files to the over-all above information which we have included in the letter. One relates to a statement by Giancana in October, 1960, that he had met with an individual who was to assassinate Castro in November, 1950. The other is an article in the 8/16/63 issue of the "Chicago Sun Times" reporting that CIA agents had contacted Giancana to obtain Cuban intelligence.

ACTION:

If approved, attached letter will be sent to the Attorney General, with a copy for the Deputy Attorney General. *u*

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May 22, 1961

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ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, et al.

On May 3, 1961, Colonel Sheffield Edwards, Director of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) furnished the following information.

Colonel Edwards advised that in connection with CIA's operation against Castro he personally contacted Robert Mahou during the Fall of 1959 for the purpose of using Mahou as a "cut-out" in contacts with Sam Giancana, a known hoodlum in the Chicago area. Colonel Edwards said that since the underworld controlled gambling activities in Cuba under the Batista government, it was assumed that this element would still continue to have sources and contacts in Cuba which perhaps could be utilized successfully in connection with CIA's clandestine efforts against the Castro government. As a result, Mahou's services were solicited as a "cut-out" because of his possible entree into underworld circles. Mahou obtained Sam Giancana's assistance in this regard and according to Edwards, Giancana gave every indication of cooperating through Mahou in attempting to accomplish several clandestine efforts in Cuba. Edwards added that none of Giancana's efforts have materialized to date and that several of the plans still are working and may eventually "pay off."

Colonel Edwards related that he had no direct contact with Giancana; that Giancana's activities were completely "back stopped" by Mahou and that Mahou would frequently report Giancana's action and information to Edwards. No details or methods used by Mahou or Giancana in accomplishing their missions were ever reported to Edwards. Colonel Edwards said that since this is "dirty business" he could not afford to have knowledge of the actions of Mahou and Giancana in pursuit of any mission for CIA. Colonel Edwards added that he has neither given Mahou any instruction to use technical installations of any type nor has the subject of technical installations ever come up between Edwards and Mahou in connection with Giancana's activity.

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Colonel Edwards related that Kahou did come to him concerning the arrest in Las Vegas of Balletti for "wire tapping." Kahou cautioned Edwards that the Balletti arrest could cause CIA some embarrassment since Balletti was in Las Vegas attempting to obtain coverage on some "Hollywood people" in connection with Giancana's efforts for CIA. Edwards said that he did not know the facts of the Balletti case and Kahou claims "Balletti went too far" in his efforts to obtain information. Edwards added that he was unaware of any reason for this activity of Kahou or Giancana in Las Vegas and that Giancana's activity in furtherance of the anti-Castro activity was left completely in Kahou's hands.

Colonel Edwards advised that only Mr. Bissell (Deputy Director of Plans, CIA) and two others in CIA were aware of the Giancana - Kahou activity in behalf of CIA's program and that Allen Dulles was completely unaware of Edwards' contact with Kahou in this connection. He added that Mr. Bissell, during his recent briefings of General Taylor and the Attorney General in connection with their inquiries into CIA relating to the Cuban situation, told the Attorney General that some of CIA's associated planning included the use of Giancana and the underworld against Castro.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. J. B. Adams

DATE: 5/21/75

FROM : Legal Counsel *JMA*

SUBJECT: STATUS OF RESPONSES TO
CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE REQUESTS

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JMA

The purpose of this memorandum is to set forth in summary form the requests we have received from various Committees in Congress and the status of our replies. U

Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities - Church Committee

We have substantially complied with requests from the Committee contained in their letter of 3/19/75. The remaining aspects of these requests involve decisions by the Department of Justice concerning COINTELPRO and our recommendation that one particular document not be furnished the Committee. U

Responses to the Senate Select Committee request of 4/30/75, which generally pertains to sections of the Manual of Rules and Regulations, the Manual of Instruction, Bureau forms, indexing information and classification materials has been partially complied with. We have received Departmental approval to make sections of the Manual of Rules and Regulations and the Manual of Instruction available to the Committee. Responses to the other aspects of this particular request are in various stages of approval at Headquarters. U

We have furnished a response to the Senate Select Committee of 4/28/75, concerning allegations of our possible involvement in the removal of documents from the residence of the late Director J. Edgar Hoover.

- 1 - Mrs. Metcalf
- 1 - Mr. Wannall (Attn: Mr. Cregar)
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 1 - Mr. Hotis
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Memorandum to Mr. Adams

Re: Status of Responses to Congressional Committee Requests

A request of this Committee dated 5/12/75, concerning allegations of CIA's involvement in a plot to kill Castro has been responded to in that we advised the Department that CIA would have to give clearance before these documents could be furnished the Committee. Concerning this particular request, CIA has contacted the Department and the Senate Select Committee has reviewed the material in the Department with the approval of CIA. This procedure was approved by Deputy Attorney General Tyler. The material was reviewed by Chief Counsel F. A. O. Schwarz and Minority Counsel Curtis Smothers.

By letter dated 5/14/75, we received a lengthy request from the Committee which pertains to among other things information concerning all wiretaps including their location and other requests which would amount to a complete reconstruction of Bureau files, as well as Inspection surveys for ten offices. Mark Gitenstein and John Elliff, of the Committee staff, both indicated that this particular request should be considered entirely negotiable, however K. William O'Connor, Deputy Assistant Attorney General of the Department, who indicated that he was going to negotiate with the Committee on this matter, has not contacted the Committee to engage in such negotiations. We are, however, going over this request and where necessary preparing the responses. ~

Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional
Rights of the House Judiciary Committee (Edwards Committee)

We have complied with all aspects of this Committee's request which was contained in their letter of 4/10/75 with the exception of one response pertaining to our authority to collect, retain and disseminate information which is in the process of receiving Bureau approval. In this regard it is to be noted that on 5/19/75, we received a complaint from Arden Schell, staff member of the Committee, that the Committee had not received our responses. We delivered our responses to the other aspects of the 4/10/75 request to the Department on 4/24/75 and 5/1/75, respectively. This matter has been brought to the attention of K. William O'Connor as well as Associate Deputy Attorney General Robert McDermott. ~