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2. Will maintain close contact with LEON POWERS (NA) Assistant Chief of Police, Irving, Texas, who is attempting to institute an intensified investigation on subject MATTHEWS who is presently living at Irving, Texas.

3. Will maintain contact with informants, sources, and reliable law enforcement officers concerning MATTHEWS' activities.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Investigation to date by Dallas Division has failed to indicate a possible violation on the part of MATTHEWS involving the Federal Gambling Statutes; however, it is noted investigation is still outstanding in the Oklahoma City Division. In the event the Oklahoma City investigation is negative concerning a violation, UACB, Dallas will close the 166 file with letterhead memorandum and re-open Dallas file captioned RUSSELL DOUGLAS MATTHEWS, AR, Dallas file 92-213, Bufile 92-4587.

On 7/30/63 and subsequent dates, PCI JACK RITTER of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, advised SA ROBERT W. KNIGHT that he had no information concerning GEORGE EDWARD BARNES having any interests in the gambling clubs in the Dallas - Fort Worth area. RITTER advised that although BARNES had interest in gambling clubs in Oklahoma City area, he had no information revealing BARNES' interest in the Dallas - Fort Worth area.

On 9/24/63, DL 185-C-TE advised that the subject, who is believed to be part owner of the Redman Club located at 1606 Young Street, Dallas, had been recently observed by the informant having lunch at the Club Montmartre with notorious Dallas bookmaker JOHN L. STONE. Informant stated that he has been advised that MATTHEWS is being used by STONE for the collection of unpaid gambling debts.

DL 185-C-TE advised that on the night of 10/21/63 that a local Dallas gambler and hoodlum GLEN BURNETT had taken MATTHEWS to Mistys, a gambling club located at 4208 Live Oak, Dallas. After MATTHEWS departed with another individual, BURNETT was upset over the fact that when he picked MATTHEWS up at the Redman Club, 1606 Young Street, MATTHEWS placed a pistol and a sawed-off shotgun in BURNETT's car. BURNETT related that when he departed Mistys, MATTHEWS had left the weapons in the car and BURNETT feared that the local authorities might stop him and find the guns.

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On 10/28/63, the above informant advised that RUSSELL DOUGLAS MATTHEWS is no longer employed at the Redman Club and believed that he was presently booking football bets on telephone number BL 4-2584.

On 11/13/63, the informant advised that he had heard that MATTHEWS and a JOSEPH "SOFIE" GEBRON were operating a bookmaking operation together. Informant previously advised that on the night of 11/6/63, BURNETT, GEBRON, and MATTHEWS had been in Fort Worth, Texas, together on the night of 11/3/63. Informant obtained this information from a conversation with BURNETT.

Texas

On 11/8/63, DL 170-C advised that MATTHEWS was presently residing at 2207 Greenbrier Street, Irving, Texas, and that MATTHEWS had recently purchased his new 1964 white over blue Oldsmobile bearing Texas license RA 6568 from the Musser Motors, Terrell, Texas. Informant stated that the cost of the car was \$3,900 with MATTHEWS having had a \$525 equity in his 1962 Oldsmobile and that MATTHEWS added \$600 cash to this transaction. The car is financed through the American National Bank, Terrell, Texas, with balance of \$100 per month for 36 months. CI stated that MATTHEWS can usually be located through contacting his daughter at 4509 Southern, Dallas.

MR. LEON POWERS (NA), Assistant Chief of Police, Irving, Texas, was advised of the presence of MATTHEWS in Irving, Texas. He advised that he would immediately institute an investigation on the subject with efforts being made to intensify the investigation to learn of MATTHEWS' contacts and associates. He stated that he would keep the FBI advised of all pertinent information received.

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