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# Memorandum

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**DIRECTOR, FBI (166-925)**

**DATE: 7/2/65**

**SAC, NEWARK (166-208)**

**THOMAS EBOLI, aka. ET AL  
ITAR-GAMBLING**

**RE: Newark letter dated 6/8/65  
0-1 dated 6/29/65**

The information in the Newark file concerning captioned matter has been furnished by Criminal Informants and Highly Confidential Sources.

Newark has conducted no open investigation in this case, since there has been no indication of violation of Federal Gambling Statutes. Further reason for no investigation is that New Jersey State Police contemplates a raid of the game as soon as their investigation justifies that action.

Two Newark Informants (NK 2381-C-TE and NK 2181-C) have attended this game in the past and efforts are being made to have one of these sources visit the game again in order to assist the New Jersey State Police in obtaining a search warrant.

In view of no apparent Federal violation and the fact that information available precludes submission of an intelligent report in the 166 classification, this case is being placed in a closed status.

This matter will be re-opened as a 162 - IGA classification and a report will be submitted by 7/16/65/

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FROM: SAC, NEWARK (166-208)

SUBJECT: THOMAS EBOLI, aka.  
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ITAR - GAMBLING

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Re Newark radiogram, 4/29/65.

This matter has been discussed with Major FRANK HALLEY, Deputy Superintendent, New Jersey State Police, on several occasions since date of referenced communication. HALLEY stated that his men have noticed little or no activity in the vicinity of the game in recent weeks. He stated that the raid in East Newark, N.J., during April, may have caused the operators of the game to discontinue temporarily or at least to increase security precautions. HALLEY stated that he plans to have his men spot-check the location on a periodic basis for any pertinent activity.

Newark plans to have NK 2381-C verify the continued operation of the game and also to attend the game in order to obtain details of the physical layout of the building.

Informant is presently ill, but is expected to handle above assignment in the near future.

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The Bureau will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

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 FROM NEWARK 291550

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THOMAS EBOLI, AKA., ET AL. ITAR-GAMBLING.

RE: NEWARK LETTER JULY 1, 1964.

ON APRIL 21 LAST, MAJOR FRANK HALLEY, DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT, NJSTATE POLICE, ADVISED THAT HE HAS TWO UNDERCOVER MEN ASSIGNED TO AN INVESTIGATION OF INSTANT MATTER. HALLEY STATED THAT HE HAS BEEN AWARE OF THE EXISTENCE OF THIS GAME FOR SEVERAL MONTHS, BUT THUS FAR HIS MEN HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO GAIN ADMISSION TO THE GAME IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE EVIDENCE NECESSARY FOR A RAID.

DURING THE EVENINGS OF APRIL 25 AND 26 LAST, NEWARK 2381 C TE ATTENDED THE GAME AND ESTIMATED THAT APPROXIMATELY 70 PLAYERS WERE PRESENT.

ON APRIL 29 INSTANT, HALLEY WAS ADVISED THAT AN INFORMANT OF THIS OFFICE WAS IN RECENT ATTENDANCE AT THE GAME AND THAT AN AGENT OF THIS OFFICE WOULD BE WILLING TO FURNISH AN AFFIDAVIT TO THE EFFECT THAT AN FBI INFORMANT HAS OBSERVED A CRAP GAME IN PROGRESS AT THE PERTINENT LOCATION IN UNION CITY, NJ.

HALLEY STATED THAT HE WILL DISCUSS THIS MATTER WITH ASSISTANT NJ ATTORNEY GENERAL EVAN W. JAHOS, THIS DATE, AND ADVISE THIS OFFICE AS TO THE POSSIBILITY OF A RAID ON THE GAME

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DATE: 7/1/64

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (166-208) (C)

SUBJECT: THOMAS EBOLI, aka.; ET AL  
ITAR - GAMBLING

On 4/15/64, Detective Captain GEORGE ROMANO, Union City, New Jersey, Police Department, advised SA JAMES F. SNIDER that MATTY SABATO has operated a card game at 606 Paterson Plank Road, Union City, New Jersey, for several years. SABATO's clientele have been businessmen from the immediate area.

ROMANO stated that he has received a number of complaints concerning SABATO's game and attempted to catch the game in operation. However, there are four doors to enter before reaching the game and by that time the players are either sitting around watching TV or playing pinochle.

ROMANO further stated that his investigation has disclosed no indication of anyone from out of state participating in SABATO's game.

On 4/24/64, MATTY SABATO was interviewed at his residence, 519 Eighth Street, Union City, New Jersey, by SAs FRANK H. DONNELLY and JAMES F. SNIDER in connection with another investigation. SABATO stated he is President and only officer of the Sportsman Club, Inc., 606 Paterson Plank Road, Union City, N.J. He said that he operates card games at this club on Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday, where seven card stud poker is played. He never shoots dice and only individuals known to him are admitted to the game. All players are from the Union City and Jersey City area. SABATO advised that he was aware of the FBI's jurisdiction in these matters.

SABATO is presently under development as a PCI of Newark.

On 5/26/64, Detective Captain GEORGE ROMANO, Union City, New Jersey, Police Department, advised SA JOHN J. CREAMER, JR. that his men have been to the Sportsman Club on several occasions but have been unable to catch anyone shooting crap.

- 3 - Bureau
- 1 - 92-5962 (THOMAS EBOLI)
- 3 - New York
- 1 - 92-1569 (THOMAS EBOLI)
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NK 2181-C was contacted on 5/22/64 and NK 2288-C on 6/26/64 and they were unable to furnish any information that there is any interstate activity involved in the game in the Sportsman Club.

Newark has conducted no active investigation of this case since there is no evidence of an interstate violation and since the Union City Police Department and New Jersey State Police have been conducting investigation in this matter.

This case is being considered closed until such time as information is received indicating a Federal violation. The matter is being followed in the separate AR investigations of subjects.