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TITLE OF CASE SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., aka		REPORT MADE BY SA JOHN A. AMBLER	TYPED BY bjm
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REFERENCES: Report of SA JOHN A. AMBLER, Tampa, dated 1/8/69, Jacksonville letter to Tampa, dated 2/7/69.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

On 2/3/69 TP 120-C advised SA AMBLER that during the week of 1/20-24/69, there had been a sum of money, amounting to approximately \$4,000.00, mostly in fairly new appearing \$100 bills at the TRAFFICANTE, Tampa, Florida residence. Source stated that the money was in a wallet and described the wallet as being of the type used by truck drivers, that is a large flat type wallet with a buckled-over flap.

On 2/6/69 TP 349-C-TE, advised SA PATRICK T. LAFFEY that he had been present at a brief conversation which occurred ~~1/24/68~~ between FRANK DIECIDUE and the

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NONE	ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:	
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES			PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
								PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	

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widow of PRIMO LAZZARA. During the conversation, Mrs. LAZZARA related to DIECIDUE how she had been entertained while in New Orleans by the MARCELLOS and how the MARCELLOS had paid all of her bills. Source stated that DIECIDUE was curious as to whether the MARCELLOS plan to visit Tampa and was advised that the MARCELLOS had no plans to come to Tampa and that they had given depositions in New York in a civil suit involving FRANK RAGANO and Time Magazine.

Due to the sensitive nature of the two sources, extreme care should be taken in any dissemination of the information furnished.

On 2/5/69 TP 402-C advised that ALICE LAZZARA, widow of PRIMO LAZZARA, returned to Tampa on 1/19/69 from having visited JOE MARCELLO in New Orleans and claimed that while in New Orleans, the MARCELLOS were very curious as to whether anyone was helping her financially and indicated had spoken with SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., who claims to the MARCELLOS that he is/in a position to help anyone financially at this time as his many legal expenses are keeping him broke.

New Orleans has advised that during the first week of February, information was developed that TRAFFICANTE's, attorney FRANK RAGANO met with MARCELLO at the Elmwood Plantation on 1/30/69 with the purpose of the meeting believed to concerning investments in a race track in Florida. It is noted that RAGANO was physically observed in the company of SANTO TRAFFICANTE in Tampa by SAs LAFFEY and AMBLER until as late as approximately 6:00 PM on the evening of 1/29/69. New Orleans has further advised that on 2/3/69 FRANK RAGANO was believed to be in New Orleans to meet with MARCELLO and subsequently that RAGANO departed New Orleans 2/6/69 and that MELVIN BELLI, a prominent West Coast attorney had been with RAGANO. It is again noted that RAGANO was physically observed by SA AMBLER along with BELLI approximately 10:00 AM, 2/3/69, U.S. District Court, Tampa, Florida.

Information from records of the General Telephone Company of Florida was made available by Mr. HOWARD K. RUTHERFORD, Security Department, General Telephone Company of Florida.

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LEADS:

TAMPA DIVISION

AT LAKE LAND, FLORIDA

Will at Lakeland General Hospital, contact appropriate official and thereafter review all available records concerning JOSEPHINE TRAFFICANTE's recent confinement including details as to amount of money paid and manner in which paid.

AT ORLANDO, FLORIDA

1. Will contact State Attorney ROBERT EAGAN for any information he may possess concerning alleged recent visit of TRAFFICANTE to Kissimmee.

2. Will contact FBLE for same purpose.

AT TAMPA, FLORIDA

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