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GERALD J. COVELLI.
COVELLI is a former burglar in the City of Chicago who was arrested by Bureau Agents in Houston late last summer and has been furnishing information to the Houston Office since that time.

Information furnished to SA JAMES J. O'CONNOR of the Houston Office, 8/7/59

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INFORMANT COVERAGE

The following informants are furnishing current information regarding ALEX:

- CG 6343-C*
- CG 6272-C

The following informants have furnished recent information concerning ALEX, but none during the period covered by the instant report:

- CG 5973-C
- CG 6021-C
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Synopsis:

ALEX continues to reside in apartment 1001, 4300 North Marine Drive, Chicago, with his wife, MARIANNE RYAN ALEX, however, ALEX has spent very little time in Chicago since June. ALEX returned to Mayo Clinic in the middle of November and obviously is in very poor health. Information from four independent sources indicates ALEX continues to rule the First Ward of the City of Chicago, including the Loop, for the Chicago Crime Syndicate. ALEX is associated with JOHN D'ARCO, Alderman of the First Ward and reportedly with Captain FRANK PAPE, Commander of the Central Police District, Chicago Police Department, in his role as "Boss of the Loop" for the Crime Syndicate. During his prolonged absence from Chicago ALEX's operations have been handled for him by FRANKIE FERRARO, his chief aide and by LOUIE BRIATTA, his gambling boss. The authority of ALEX is necessary in order to operate handbooks and girls in the Loop. FERRARO recently "fixed" the State trial of his brother, who was on trial for shooting his sons, through the efforts of a Chicago politician who apparently "got to" the local judge trying the case. In the middle of November, the son of AL CAPONE requested \$24,000 from the Chicago Crime Syndicate. Four leaders of the Syndicate voted on this matter and after some debate, followed the lead of ALEX in denying CAPONE's request. ALEX has been eliminated as a suspect in the \$100,000 St. Moritz, Switzerland

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jewel robbery. ALEX is close to the affairs of Local 134 International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. Eight associates identified and characterized herein, including millionaire; California businessman; Chicago labor attorney; New Mexico restaurateur; attorney who heads one of Los Angeles' largest law firms; ALEX's bodyguard; California hoodlum; California gambler and Democratic National Committeeman from California. Indications are that ALEX recently returned from another European vacation. ALEX SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS DUE TO HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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Obviously SONNY CAPONE is a son of AL CAPONE. RALPH CAPONE is a brother of AL CAPONE. The reference to PAUL is to PAUL RICCA, former Chicago top hoodlum, now incarcerated in Terre Haute Federal Prison. The reference to AL is to AL CAPONE. The reference to JACK is to JAKE GUZIK. The reference to GUSSIE is to GUS ALEX. FRANKIE is apparently FRANK FERRARO. MOE is SAM GIANCANA, Chicago top hoodlum and the individual who is a number one man in the Chicago Crime Syndicate. JOE FISH is obviously JOE FISCHETTI, prominent Chicago, New York and Miami hoodlum and brother of ROCCO FISCHETTI, former Chicago top hoodlum. MIMI is MEME CAPONE, a brother of AL CAPONE and MATTY CAPONE is another brother of AL CAPONE.

**B. Suspected Participation of
ALEX in \$100,000 Jewel Robbery
In St. Moritz, Switzerland**

It is noted that it is previously reported that ALEX was suspected by the Swiss Central Police Bureau as being involved in a \$100,000 jewel robbery which occurred in St. Moritz, Switzerland in March, 1959.

This matter was recently discussed by a Bureau Agent in Paris, France with FRANCIS GUERON, Swiss Central Police Bureau, Bern, Switzerland, on October 16, 1959. He advised that investigation at St. Moritz, Switzerland, has been completed and that no further pertinent information was obtained which would indicate that the subject was involved in the burglary at St. Moritz. Mr. GUERON advised that their file has been closed and no further investigation is being conducted regarding ALEX.

III. ILLEGAL LABOR UNION ACTIVITIES

**Local 134, International Brotherhood
of Electrical Workers**

On November 12, 1959, CG T-2, above, advised that FRANK FERRARO, the chief Lieutenant of GUS ALEX in the Chicago Crime Syndicate, JACKIE CERONE, a Syndicate leader on the

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