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Name File

Investigative Report re Dalton Smith: concerns the activities and association of Smith with Joseph Merola

Also Merola's FBI Identification record

Dalton Carl Smith W.M DOB 8/27/24 (Slidell, La.) FBI #290-0927 G SSN 436-04-6013 Res: 8515 Cliffridge Ave. LaJolla City

Business: Algernon Inc. 7744 Say St. La Jolla, Calif. Claims to be General Manager

Joseph Raymond Merola

Aka Joseph Maurice; Joseph Manola W.M DOB 10/9/25 Pittsburg, PA FBI #4989299

SSN 191-14-1649

Res: 730 N.E. 120th St. Miami

Bus: owner, Salesman and licensed pilot OPA Locka Aviation, Inc. Building 407, Opa Locka Airport, Fla.

Information from Florida Law Enforcement

Merola was in San Diego to commit Armed Robbery on 3/3/73.

Arrested 3/3/73 at the Summerhouse Inn for possession of narcotics.

At the time of the arrest he stated he was there to see Dalton Smith and form a corporation called Alegernon, Inc.

Norma Seid--DOB 9/17/32 resides in Penn. Accompanied Merola -- Seid claimed no knowledge of Merola business--upon dept. of police immediately called Smith.

Merola in daily contact with Smith.

- 2/18/72 Merola flew to San Diego
- 3/28/73? Flew to N.Y. to face trial for \$10,000 armed roberry.

Smith paid the Hotel bill of \$1,500.00

4/73 Merola returned to Miami after a trial and conviction. 3 years probation.

During April --Bi-weekly telephone conversation with Smith.