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SAM MONDELLO. Will thereafter cause a check to be made of all toll calls on her phone for the past six months.

Will interview DINO CELLINI and MARTIN FOX and establish, not only subject's present location, but establish through these persons the identities of individuals operating casinos in the Caribbean. Establish through these sources the location of BENNY FERNANDEZ, whom it is alleged is operating a gambling casino with SAM MONDELLO for subject.

Will obtain the same information set out above from AUGUSTIN CARBALLO MILLIAN, a political refugee who was associated with the gambling establishments in Cuba, and who was contacted by SA WILLIAM G. FRIEDEMANN.

Will report results of thorough investigation conducted in the neighborhood of 7136 Bonita Dr., Apt. 6, where subject was last known to be residing.

Will report the telephone toll calls requested on the pay phone near 7136 Bonita Drive, which phone a witness recalled subject may have used.

Will note that subject had allegedly a gambling establishment in operation according to TP 41-PCI and the location of this establishment should be established.

#### SAN JUAN OFFICE

The San Juan Office will again make contact with SAC CONTACT DIETIERLE to establish a check of the hotel at the Island of Aruba, noting that a source again alleges that RALPH RUBIO, JR., may be operating in gambling for subject in Aruba, and that RUBIO shares some responsibility with BENNY FERNANDEZ.

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TAMPA OFFICEAT TAMPA, FLORIDA

Will continue efforts to establish confidential Bureau coverage of subject's residence, subject's brother's residences, as well as subject's close associates.

Will maintain liaison with Intelligence Unit, IRS, concerning their "crash" investigation of subject.

Will maintain contact with informants, and continue to develop quality informants so as to be able to closely follow and be aware of subject's current activities and knowing his contact whereabouts.

INFORMANTS

TP T-1, is TP 50 PCI whose identity is known to Bureau.  
TP T-2, is Hav. 33 whose identity is known to Bureau.  
TP T-3, is TP 8-C whose identity is known to Bureau.  
TP T-4, is FRED GRAHAM, Agent, Intelligence Unit, IRS., Tampa.  
TP T-5, is TP 41-C whose identity is known to Bureau.  
TP T-6, is [REDACTED] PCI.  
TP T-7, is DANIEL J. O'CONNOR, District Commercial Manager, General Telephone Company of Florida.  
TP T-8, is CS TP 51-C whose identity is known to Bureau.  
TP T-9, is [REDACTED] PCI who operates Service Station patronized by subject's family.  
TP T-10, is [REDACTED] PCI.  
TP T-11, EDGAR ADAIR, Agent, Intelligence Unit, IRS., Tampa.

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TP T-3, advised SA JAMES P.O'NEIL on October 4, and 6, 1961, that SAM MONDELLO, JR., had bragged of bringing cash back out of Cuba for SANTO TRAFFICANTE at the time the Cuban operation was falling apart due to the CASTRO rise to power. Source noted MONDELLO had lived in Cuba for about three years with a prostitute and he was apparently still residing with this prostitute in Miami. Source further noted that he did not know the reason for MONDELLO's being in Miami or what MONDELLO was doing, but he did describe MONDELLO as being a strong-arm man rather than having the finesse to direct any phase of an operation.

3. ~~RALPH~~ RUBIO, JR.

TP T-3, advised SA O'NEIL on October 4, and 6, 1961, that RUBIO was operating some sort of a gambling operation for TRAFFICANTE outside the United States and he understands that this operation is in Aruba, Netherlands West Indies. Source stated according to his sources, RUBIO and BENNY FERNANDEZ are sharing the responsibility, apparently with the two alternating for a period of time, with the other man returning to report and probably bringing proceeds. Source noted that RUBIO had a reputation of talking, and if he were operating in Aruba, RUBIO may be approached. He noted RUBIO and FERNANDEZ are receiving \$1500.00 a month plus expenses for their activities.

4. IRVING CAREY (deceased)  
Miami, Florida.

TP T-4, advised October 4, 1961, [REDACTED]

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MRS.

5. CASIMIRO B. ~~X~~ HERNANDEZ,  
wife, RUTH ~~X~~ HERNANDEZ,  
161 Bosphorus, Davis Island  
Tampa, Florida  
8-3796

CASIMIRO ~~X~~ HERNANDEZ

It is noted a Mrs. LAWRENCE HERNANDEZ is also listed in the Tampa telephone Directory at 161 Bosphorus with the same telephone number.

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PANIELLO allegedly continues to be employed by Bay Distributors, Inc. He has during the period of this report driven almost daily his 1960 light blue Ford from his residence to various and sundry liquor outlets in pursuit of his occupation of liquor salesman.

TP T-8, made available the information to SA's WILLIAM C. HAY and STEPHEN J. LABADIE on October 16, 1961, that an unknown person at 2505 Bristol Avenue, apparently had some connection with Eastern Airlines Flight 154 from Miami, Florida to Tampa, Florida, inasmuch as source indicated some person had used an Eastern Airlines baggage check 81-16-10 which had apparently been purchased at Eastern Airlines, October 15, 1961, ticket Office, Miami, Florida.

During the period of this report, contact has been maintained with sources in a position to know of subject's being in Tampa, and all sources have advised subject is reportedly in Miami.

TP T-9, advised SA LIONEL E. BELANGER on October 9, 1961, that subject had not been seen at his usual automobile service station when he is in Tampa, since he was last at such establishment in August, 1961.

TP T-10, advised SA LABADIE on October 13, 1961, that subject had not been seen nor reported in Tampa. It is noted this source has known subject all his life.

TP T-11, advised SA LABADIE on October 5, 1961, that

JFK Law 11(a)

Concerning the telephone number in Miami, Florida PL. 1-0585 called from the Dream Bar, the Miami Office has advised this number is listed to the Columbia Bar and Grill, 1050 N. Miami Avenue, and ANDY LLANES, Manager of this bar for the past ten years stated subject was in this bar approximately one year ago.

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CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

- TP T-1, is a businessman long associated with racket figures in Tampa in a position to know of criminal activity but who is not in a position to testify.
- TP T-2, is a confidential source abroad.
- TP T-3, is a businessman long associated with rackets in the Greater Tampa area in a position to know of criminal activities but who is not in a position to testify.
- TP T-4, is connected with another Government agency.
- TP T-5, is a businessman long associated with racket figures in Tampa, but who is not in a position to testify.
- TP T-6, is a businessman formerly closely associated in the numbers racket in Tampa, but who is not in a position to testify.
- TP T-7, is a businessman in a public utility.
- TP T-8, is in a position to know of activities at 2505 Bristol Avenue, and is unavailable to testify.
- TP T-9, is a businessman in a position to furnish intimate knowledge concerning subject vehicles.
- TP T-10, is a businessman closely associated with old time Italian families, who is in a position to furnish intimate knowledge of financial arrangements, but who is not in a position to testify.
- TP T-11, is connected with another Government agency.