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LEADS

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CHICAGO

At Chicago, Illinois:

Will maintain contact with PCI [redacted] CG6656-PC-TE as well as any other informants or sources who know of ALDERISIO's activity for indications of reaction on his part since he apparently suspects the investigation is under way and also for any indications of his method of interstate travel to or from Miami about May or June, 1962.

DENVER

At Denver, Colorado:

Will re-interview EGAN, who Departmental Attorney HARRINGTON states appears to be considerably more relaxed now that he feels confident he will not be indicted on this matter. However, because of EGAN's severe heart condition, he should not be interviewed extensively, and all reasonable consideration should be given him since it appears he is now cooperative, and, therefore, anything that might excite him or tax his health should be avoided. EGAN should be interviewed for all data he might possess to establish the date of the meeting in KAY's office at Miami Beach, which meeting BRAY indicated was probably in late May, 1962, or sometime in early June, 1962. In the event EGAN was a guest at the Nautilus Hotel on any dates later than those listed in this report, the approximate dates should be ascertained. If EGAN is able to recall the hotel where he was staying when he met ALDERISIO in KAY's office, it might be possible to establish the date of this meeting. Also, EGAN mentioned he would search his records at home since he might have check stubs or travel coupons to show the date of his travel to Miami Beach about late May or early June, 1962. Since BRAY has apparently been in contact with EGAN since EGAN returned from the Miami Grand Jury, EGAN should be interviewed to determine what data he learned from BRAY.

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2. Will maintain close contact with Departmental Attorneys PELOQUIN and HARRINGTON to determine the results of their interviews with BRAY in New Orleans and other places.

At Miami Beach, Florida:

Will re-interview SAM KAY in an effort to determine from him the exact date ALDERISIO threatened EGAN in KAY's office.

At North Miami, Florida:

Will re-interview HARRY BROOK and exhibit photograph of EGAN to him to determine if he recalls seeing EGAN in KAY's office when ALDERISIO was there.

ADMINISTRATIVE

When Departmental Attorney HARRINGTON telephonically advised SA LENIHAN on 7/26/63 of the fact that he and PELOQUIN had interviewed BRAY, SA LENIHAN was engaged full time in a lengthy trial on case captioned "MICHAEL ROSA, aka. et al, ITSP; CONSPIRACY," Bureau file No. 87-69249. Therefore, there was no opportunity to immediately interview HARRINGTON to determine the results of his interview with BRAY.

INFORMANTS

On 7/8/63, former MM 722-C advised SA PRUE C. CLINKSCALES he had just learned of a severe fire at the Fireside Restaurant in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, in which that restaurant was completely burned. Source advised that he had been in Chicago during the period from mid June to July 2, 1963, and while there was in almost daily contact with Bureau Agents of the Chicago Office. He said that he learned of an intensified investigation being made by the Chicago FBI Office believed to be at the specific request of the Department of Justice, concerning the fires at several large restaurants in the Chicago area in which arson was suspected. Such restaurants in Chicago are

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reportedly owned by numerous "syndicate" or "outfit" boys who are suspected of burning such restaurants because of business failure.

Source advised that as best he can learn "Milwaukee Phil," whose correct name he could not furnish immediately but who is well-known to various FBI Offices, reportedly had a financial interest in one or more of the restaurants in Chicago which had burned and according to information he had received, "Milwaukee Phil" also had a financial interest in the Fireside Restaurant, at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, which burned either the night of 7/6 or 7/7/63. Source continued that it is entirely possible that "Milwaukee Phil" is not the owner or partner "of record" but is merely a silent or hidden partner in the Fireside Restaurant which burned.

PCI [ ] and CG6656-PC-TE both advised that they are familiar with ALDERISIO's current activities. Both of these individuals stated that it is impossible to determine as to whether ALDERISIO was in Miami, Florida, in March or April, 1962, because in dealing with ALDERISIO no one asks him any questions or delves into his business.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

1 - United States Attorney, Miami, Florida  
Attention: Departmental Attorney  
ROBERT D. PELOQUIN

Report of:  
Date:

JOHN P. LENIHAN  
August 2, 1963

Office: Miami, Florida

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Title:

CHARLES WILLIAM BRAY; FELIX ANTHONY  
ALDERISIO; SANTO TRAFFICANTE, Jr.;  
PAN AMERICAN BANK OF MIAMI, FLORIDA - VICTIM

Character:

INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY;  
MAIL FRAUD; INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID  
OF RACKETEERING (ACCOUNTING AND FRAUD SECTION)

Synopsis:

JAMES WILLIAM EGAN and SAM KAY no longer carried as subjects  
as Departmental Attorney declined prosecution on 7/6/63 and

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ITAR prosecution considered against ALDERISIO  
and TRAFFICANTE.

ALDERISIO SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND  
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HOLSTER. TRAFFICANTE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND  
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ACTIVITIES.

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DETAILS

On July 6, 1963, Departmental Attorneys ROBERT D.  
PELOQUIN and EDWARD HARRINGTON stated that on July 2, 1963,

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they journeyed to Denver, after making a telephonic appointment with EGAN, who agreed to meet them at the Denver Airport. They related that they advised EGAN that their plan was to present the case [redacted] before the Federal Grand Jury sitting at [redacted] on [redacted] and desired to find out if it might be possible to have EGAN testify before this [redacted] Grand Jury. They related EGAN provided detailed data regarding the \$125,000.00 loan made in July 1961 in his name at the Pan American Bank, Miami, Florida. EGAN stated he also still had the envelope BRAY mailed the forged \$125,000.00 bond in. EGAN added that KAY's Brazilian deal related to buying commodities in Brazil and paying for them with pre-Castro pesos; however, EGAN stated KAY's deal had not yet been consummated.

EGAN related that about April 1962, or possibly some time between March and July 1962, he was in SAM KAY's office at Miami Beach when he met FELIX ANTHONY ALDERISIO. ALDERISIO put EGAN on notice he was cutting himself in for one-third of EGAN's expected profit on KAY's deal and when EGAN was not agreeable to this ALDERISIO implied threats on EGAN's teenage daughter. Mr. PELOQUIN and Mr. HARRINGTON stated at their discussions with SAM KAY at Miami Beach they had also advised him of their plan to present the case [redacted] to the Federal Grand Jury on [redacted] KAY was agreeable to testifying [redacted]

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KAY related that he has been contacted by SANTO TRAFFICANTE a few times on behalf of ALDERISIO to determine what the status was of KAY's Brazilian deal.

Mr. PELOQUIN pointed out that if EGAN and others testified to the details of ALDERISIO's threatening EGAN unless he was given either thirty per cent or one-third of EGAN's profit on KAY's deal and interstate transportation could be shown on the part of ALDERISIO, it might be possible to charge him with Interstate Transportation in Aid of Racketeering, in that he was attempting to extort money from



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"their mortgage, in reality their money would be coming out first. EGAN stated that the mortgage company acceded to ALDERISIO's request. It should be noted that FBI, Miami Intelligence reports indicate the possibility of an undisclosed ownership interest in the motel by ALDERISIO at the present time.

EGAN stated that at the present time he has in his possession:

1. The two \$56,000 checks issued by CHARLES BRAY;
2. The envelope in which the two United Benefit Surety Bonds were received by him on July 11, 1961, in Miami having been mailed in Chicago by BRAY and;
3. The united Benefit Surety Bond in the amount of \$115,000.

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An anonymous letter post marked April 30, 1962, at 2:00 P.M. in Chicago, Illinois. addressed to Honorable ROBERT F. KENNEDY, United States Attorney General, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. was received in the Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. This envelope bore the return address, Moore, Case, Lyman, and Hubbard, 175 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois; however, Chicago telephone directories do not list this firm. This letter and envelope were both typed and contained the following data:

"The Irwin Weiner-American Bonding Agency-  
Teamsters Bond-Guaranty Bank-Bray-Central  
Casualty-Crime Syndicate tieups

In 1959 the bond required of the Teamsters Union officials and employees under the terms of the Magnum-Griffin Act was written by the Summitt Insurance Company.

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"(For example, WEINER has boasted, and those who were in the know in Cuba have confirmed, that for his services to PHIL ALDERISIO--SANTOS TRAFFICANTE, etc. he was given a substantial interest in the Deauville Gambling Casino and the Capri Gambling Casino in Havana. When WEINER last talked about this he was crying about his loss of a vast fortune occasioned by CASTRO.)

The lard business in Chicago, which had such unusual methods of forcing sales on restaurants, was apparently a similar payoff.

There certainly seems to be tie-ins of importance to the Kefauver Committee, the McClellan Committee, the Department of Justice and the Treasury Department."

On the morning of [redacted] before the Federal Grand Jury sitting at [redacted] He was agreeable to having his photograph taken and was transported from the Federal Building to the Federal Bureau of Investigation Office, where his photograph was taken. Immediately thereafter he was taken to the Moulin Rouge Hotel where he stated he was staying with his wife and daughter, and they expected to vacation in Miami for a few days. [redacted] added he was taking it very easy because of [redacted] and was trying to work one half day each day and possibly would occasionally work one entire day in a week. [redacted] added that he had met HARRY BROOK many times and he presumed BROOK would recall him very well.

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On July 11, 1963, a discussion was had with the Departmental Attorneys ROBERT D. PELOQUIN and EDWARD HARRINGTON in their office in Room 1604 in the Congress Building. Mr. PELOQUIN stated that he was having the transcript of the Grand Jury proceedings on [redacted] typed up and had made arrangements with the Grand Jury that the transcript would be available to the Federal Bureau of Investigation since he desired additional investigation conducted on this matter. Mr. PELOQUIN stated this same Grand Jury will meet again on about [redacted]. By that date PELOQUIN hopes that sufficient evidence might have been located that possibly an indictment might be returned [redacted]. Mr. PELOQUIN stated that it is quite unlikely that sufficient evidence might be obtained through investigation between now and August 6, 1963, to consider returning an indictment against ALDERISIO and/or TRAFFICANTE but that if an Interstate Transportation in Aid of Racketeering violation is developed ultimately an indictment might be returned against either or both.

Mr. PELOQUIN stated that [redacted]

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[REDACTED]

Mr. PELOQUIN stated he desired, if possible, that the record of BRAY's travel to and from Chicago at the time he made the trip and changed the Central Casualty stock so that it appeared in EGAN's name rather than his name be determined. He also requested that, if possible, the public stenographer BRAY and EGAN contacted about June of 1961, to have the bond typed up, be contacted. It was pointed out to Mr. PELOQUIN that the record of Central Casualty Company public stenographic bill in the amount of \$6.00 for stenographic services rendered on May 11, 1961, from an address of 69 N. W. 26th Avenue, was found. Mr. PELOQUIN advised it is quite possible that this is the contact with the public stenographer that EGAN said might have occurred in June of 1961.

Mr. PELOQUIN stated that if the travel date BRAY made this trip to Chicago and back could be determined, it is his plan to prepare an indictment against BRAY and possibly present it to the next session of this Grand Jury which is expected to meet on or about [REDACTED] in [REDACTED]

Mr. PELOQUIN stated that an Interstate Transportation in Aid of Racketeering violation against ALDERISIO and TRAFFICANTE would require considerably more work and, therefore, he did not expect to be able to have an indictment returned against either or both of these individuals in the next session of this Grand Jury. Mr. PELOQUIN pointed out that it would be necessary to prove the interstate travel on the part of ALDERISIO and/or TRAFFICANTE in connection with the threats ALDERISIO made to EGAN. Mr. PELOQUIN stated since the exact dates of these threats have not yet been ascertained it is his hope, through recontact with EGAN and BRAY, contact with the Fontainebleau Hotel and possibly a check of ALDERISIO's travels about June of 1962, to be able to show ALDERISIO making interstate travel prior to the time he threatened EGAN.

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EGAN seemed quite confident that on the morning he went to Miami International Airport to meet BRAY on BRAY's return from Chicago, they met a mutual friend of theirs named MELVIN BOLDT who operates Melvin Boldt Associates firm in Glenview, Illinois. EGAN's recollection was that MELVIN BOLDT stated he had been in Miami to attend a convention of Zenith dealers and EGAN understood from BOLDT that he had been staying at the Diplomat Hotel in Hallandale, Florida.

After BRAY returned from Chicago and had the Central Casualty Company stock issued in the name of EGAN, he related to EGAN that he had some trouble getting into the Central Casualty Company office when he tried to get in there about midnight. EGAN's recollection is that BRAY mentioned that either CELESTE RUDDY or some other Central Casualty Company employee was contacted by BRAY and in some way assisted BRAY to get into the company office. EGAN presumed BRAY was talking about getting into the main office of Central Casualty Company, which he believed was then located at 208 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois.

EGAN added that at the time he met ALDERISIO in KAY's office he estimated it was probably in the spring of 1962 and although he could not recall the date, he believed at the time he was staying at the Nautilus Hotel on Miami Beach. EGAN added that just about all the travel and hotel expenses EGAN as well as BRAY incurred during the period when Central Casualty Company was operating were charged to the Central Casualty Company. EGAN stated he might have some records at his residence in Denver that would show the dates of his travel to Miami after Central Casualty went out of business since his recollection is he paid for these trips himself.

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On July 26, 1963, Departmental Attorney EDWARD HARRINGTON advised that he and Mr. PELOQUIN had recently been in contact with BRAY who related that his best estimate is that EGAN's meeting with ALDERISIO in KAY's Miami Beach office probably occurred about the first week in June, 1962. Mr. HARRINGTON also advised that ALDERISIO sometimes uses the name Mr. PHILLIPS when he travels.

On July 30, 1963, the Greater Miami, Florida, Numerical Telephone Directories dated September, 1960, September, 1961, and September, 1962, were checked to determine who had service at the phone numbers called from the room that BRAY and EGAN had at the Airport Hotel in May, 1961. It appears that FRANKLIN 3-0441 was service for Delta Air Lines, NEWTON 4-3511 was service for Eastern Airlines, NEWTON 3-6411 was service for Northeast Air Lines, and NEWTON 3-6501 was service for Northwest Air Lines. Highland 8-1771 was apparently service for Traurig Insurance Agency of 3031 Coral Way, Miami. Through a check of these directories it was not possible to determine who had phone service at Highland 4-0781 in May, 1961.

On August 1, 1963, Departmental Attorney EDWARD HARRINGTON advised that when [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Grand Jury, he indicated he was in periodic contact with BRAY. EGAN indicated that BRAY might be agreeable to talking to Government representatives since he apparently was not too closely associated with ALDERISIO and some of ALDERISIO's cronies. Mr. HARRINGTON stated several days after EGAN returned to Denver, he phoned their office to say that BRAY might contact them, and some several days later BRAY did phone them and an appointment was made to meet them at a Miami motel during the week of July 22, 1963. BRAY indicated that he did not desire to discuss the Pan American Bank \$125,000 loan but that he would be willing to discuss some parts of his dealings with ALDERISIO and others.

BRAY related that soon after EGAN was threatened by ALDERISIO in KAY's office on Miami Beach about late May or early June, 1962, EGAN phoned BRAY to tell him about this. BRAY's recollection is that ALDERISIO had contacted him about two weeks earlier and asked BRAY if he wanted ALDERISIO to go to Miami Beach to try to collect on the deal BRAY had with KAY.

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Mr. HARRINGTON related that their original plan was to present a three count indictment [redacted]

[redacted] before the Grand Jury meeting in [redacted] on [redacted] Since there is some chance of BRAY cooperating on matters relating to ALDERISIO and others, Mr. HARRINGTON stated they do not plan on presenting this indictment to the Grand Jury on [redacted] Mr. HARRINGTON stated the three counts they were considering indictment of [redacted]

Mr. HARRINGTON stated when he and Mr. PELOQUIN had the interview with BRAY they made arrangements to meet BRAY in various cities where he would go in the course of his business. Mr. HARRINGTON stated they made an appointment to meet BRAY in New Orleans on August 7, 1963, and Mr. HARRINGTON expected that WALTER J. SHERIDAN, Special Consultant to the Attorney General, as well as an Internal Revenue Service investigator who has been investigating ALLEN DORFMAN's tax returns for some time, would be there.

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