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Narrative of Offense

The Brockville Trust and Savings Company is located on the first floor, north half, of the Fulford Building, Courthouse Avenue, Brockville, Ontario, Canada. On either May 3, or May 4, 1958, this company was burglarized. Entry into the building is believed to have been gained through the front door, which is locked by a snap lock, and the burglary tools and equipment were brought into the bank building through the sidewalk grating leading to the basement. Entry was then forced into an office building directly over the bank, and a hole was cut into the bank ceiling permitting entry into the bank lobby behind a frosted glass enclosed office, thus the burglars were not visible from the street. large hole was then cut through the vault wall consisting of about one and a half feet of brick, cement, and steel. Acetylene torches were used to cut into the two safes containing bonds, causing some of them to be scorched. Thirty-four safety deposit boxes were also broken open and contents taken, the exact amount not being determined. The total amount of the burglary is unknown but believed to be \$3,500,000 of bearer bonds, \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000 of registered bonds, \$15,600 cash and \$40,000 jewelry.

Shortly after the burglary, RENE MARTIN (not identical to subject of this case, RENE ROBERT, also known as RENE MARTIN) was arrested in Montreal, Canada, having been traced through a bankbook and a car sales contract found at the scene of the crime. MARTIN had a key to a railroad station locker in Montreal, from which was recovered practically all of the registered bonds. MARTIN had been sentenced to twelve years in the penitentiary but had co-operated only to the extent of stating that four other men were involved in the burglary. No other arrests have been made for the burglary, and the Brockville Police Department advised that the burglary must have taken approximately four to five hours and was done by professionals.

A number of people have been arrested in the

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and DOLLYE TOMLINSON, a woman friend of RABIN, flew to New York City where RABIN cashed a \$20,000 cashier's check he had previously received from the Central National Bank as part of the proceeds of his bond pledging. While in New York City for two or three days, he met GEORGE ERIC ROSDEN at the airport and gave him \$3,500 worth of Canadian Government bonds which were later determined to be legitimate bonds issued in September, 1958.

RABIN and DOLLYE TOMLINSON then flew to Europe on a combination pleasure and business trip where he later met GEORGE ERIC ROSDEN. During the middle of October, 1958, RABIN and ROSDEN sold \$15,000 worth of Canadian Government bonds to a banking firm, Leu and Company, Zurich, Switzerland. These bonds were later determined to be legitimate. They thereafter entered into negotiations to pledge \$166,000 worth of Canadian bonds with Leu and Company. When Leu and Company insisted on checking the serial numbers of the securities, RABIN and ROSDEN withdrew them and stopped negotiations. They thereafter entered into negotiations with the Fides Trust Association, Basel, Switzerland, to pledge the bonds but were referred to the Swiss Credit Bank at Basel. Here on October 24, 1958, they pledged \$140,500 worth of Canadian Government bonds stolen in this burglary for a loan. The proceeds of this loan were credited to the Central Trust Corporation Limited, Vaduz, Liechtenstein. This company had been previously formed by RABIN and ROSDEN specifically for this purpose. On the same day they withdrew nearly all of this amount.

On November 1, 1958, the Swiss Credit Bank learned from their subsidiary company in Montreal, Canada, that all of the above pledged bonds had been stolen in this burglary.

GEORGE ROSDEN was contacted on November 1, 1958, by the Swiss Credit Bank, and he thereafter contacted RABIN to advise of the fact that the bonds were stolen. Both RABIN and ROSDEN entered into discussions with the Swiss Credit Bank by phone, letter, and in person in an

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effort to convince the bank that they were in good faith. RABIN repaid \$20,000 of the loan in two \$10,000 installments, one in December, 1958, and one in January, 1959.

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Accompanying RABIN on part of his European trip was one KENT TOMLINSON, a friend of RABIN, and husband of DOLLYE TOMLINSON. He has been interviewed on several occasions

indicates that the persons who formulated plans for the disposal of stolen Canadian Government bonds, along with RABIN, were SAM MANNARINO, New Kensington, Pennsylvania; NORMAN ROTHMAN, Surfside, Florida; GIUSEPPE COTRONI, Montreal, Quebec; and these people were aided by RENE ROBERT, Montreal, Quebec, and GEORGE ERIC ROSDEN, Washington, TOMLINSON did not know if ROSDEN had any guilty **D.** C. knowledge in this case at the time the bonds were pledged in Switzerland. According to TOMLINSON and corroborated by other investigation, RABIN made several trips to Canada during September, 1958, and again in November and December, 1958, and January, 1959. On one of these trips in the last week of December, 1958, RABIN and TOMLINSON flew to Montreal, where they met COTRONI and ROBERT, and all three flew to Miami, Florida, where they met with MANNARINO and ROTHMAN at the Sea Gull Hotel. The purpose of this meeting, according to TOMLINSON, was given by RABIN as the getting together of all the principals in this case to decide finally what should be done about the bonds pledged in Switzerland. MANNARINO, ROTHMAN, and COTRONI all accepted responsibility and pledged their support to RABIN.

On January 29, 1959, RABIN redeemed \$9,000 worth of bonds from those he had pledged at the Central National Bank. He subsequently concealed these bonds in a desk drawer where he maintained office space on South Michigan Boulevard, Chicago. These bonds were located through the assistance of RABIN and with his consent and are presently being held as evidence in this case.

The following timetable of events concerning RABIN's activities is supported by investigation and set

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forth in condensed form. It is noted that while RABIN was living at the North Park Hotel at Chicago, his telephone calls were recorded by the hotel switchboard. In order to show RABIN's whereabouts, it was noted that calls were made from his room on every day except those dates which are underlined below. It is further noted that according to KENT TOMLINSON, RABIN made many calls on TOMLINSON s credit card. These calls are noted below as "credit calls." The specific number called in these instances is not known and is not available.

September, 1958

RABIN and KENT TOMLINSON flew to Montreal, Canada, where they stayed at the Mount Royal Hotel until 8:54 a.m., September 11, 1958

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RABIN and TOMLINSON returned to Chicago

RABIN pledged bonds at Central National Bank of Chicago for \$10,000 loan RABIN in Washington, D. C. obtaining passports

for Mr. and Mrs. KENT TOMLINSON and himself

RABIN at Queen Elizabeth Hotel, Montreal, 10:37 p.m. until 11:04 a.m., September 21, 1958 Credit call WL to Bos

Credit call New York to Chicago; RABIN left Montreal hotel

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25 Credit call Chicago to Montreal; RABIN flew on Trans Canada Airlines to Montreal, which flight stops in Toronto; Credit call Toronto to Montreal; RABIN stayed at Queen Elizabeth Hotel, Montreal, 10:36 p.m. until 10:51 a.m., September 27, 1958

Credit call New York to Washington, D. C.

RABIN pledged bonds at Central National Bank for \$11,000 loan; Credit call Lansing, Illinois, to Montreal; RABIN and KENT TOMLINSON flew to Montreal from Lansing, Illinois, in TOMLINSON's private plane

Credit call Montreal to Chicago three times; RABIN arrived New York City from Montreal; Credit call New York to Chicago and New York to Washington, D. C.

October, 1958

Credit call New York to Chicago four times; Credit call New York to Liv (possibly Livingston Manor, New York where TOMLINSON had business interests); RABIN pledged bonds at Central National Bank for \$5,000 loan

- Credit call Chicago to Montreal twice; RABIN pledged bonds at Central National Bank for \$70,875 loan
- Credit call Chicago to Washington, D. C.; RABIN and DOLLYE TOMLINSON arrived in New York City and stayed at the Barkley Hotel until October 6, 1958 RABIN called ROSDEN from New York City hotel three times

RABIN cashed cashier's check for \$20,000 at the Chase Manhattan Bank, New York City; RABIN and DOLLYE TOMLINSON left for European trip; RABIN, prior to leaving, met ROSDEN at New York City airport and gave him \$3,500 worth of Canadian Government bonds (legitimate)

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RABIN and DOLLYE TOMLINSON arrived Frankfurt, Germany, and left on the same day for Zurich, Switzerland, arriving the same day; RABIN and DOLLYE registered Grand Hotel Dolder, Zurich, where he rented a safety deposit box at the hotel into which he placed fifteen to twenty packages which he had in a briefcase and which he told the hotel employee contained thousand dollar bank notes of a total value of \$4,000,000 to \$5,000,000; RABIN telephoned Doctor ROSDEN at Hotel George V, Paris, France RABIN and DOLLYE left the hotel but reserved three rooms for October 12, 1958; RABIN and DOLLYE went to Paris, France, where they met KENT TOMLINSON; These three persons then made a pleasure trip to Nice, France, and Monaco RABIN and Mr. and Mrs. TOMLINSON arrived Rome, Italy, and stayed at the Hotel Metropole until October 10, 1958 RABIN and Mrs. TOMLINSON left Rome by plane for Venice, but due to weather conditions landed at Milan, Italy, where they stayed overnight RABIN and Mrs. TOMLINSON took a train to Venice, Italy, where they stayed for two or three days prior to their return to Milan where they flew back to Zurich, Switzerland At Venice, Italy RABIN returned to Hotel Dolder, Zurich, where he removed valuables from hotel safe and

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- 13 RABIN returned to Hotel Dolder, Zurich, where he removed valuables from hotel safe and thereafter registered himself, along with ROSDEN and DOLLYE TOMLINSON at the Hotel Baur Au Lac, Zurich, Switzerland, where they stayed until October 16, 1958
- 14 RABIN, possibly accompanied by ROSDEN, gave Leu and Company, Zurich, \$15,000 worth of legitimate bonds which were sold and credited to RABIN's account
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RABIN and ROSDEN negotiated with Leu and Company for future bond pledge; RABIN, ROSDEN, and DOLLYE TOMLINSON left Hotel Baur Au Lac; RABIN, ROSDEN, and DOLLYE TOMLINSON arrived Munich, Germany, where they stayed at the Four Seasons Hotel until October 17, 1958

17	RABIN, ROSDEN, and Mrs. TOMLINSON left Munich hotel for unknown destination
18	KENT TOMLINSON called RABIN from Chicago at
	Paris, France
<u>19</u>	RABIN, ROSDEN, and Mrs. TOMLINSON registered Hotel Baur Au Lac, Zurich
20	RABIN and ROSDEN deposited \$166,000 worth of bonds at Leu and Company
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22	ROSDEN and RABIN had conference at Leu and Company and were told that bonds should be checked; RABIN, ROSDEN, and Mrs. TOMLINSON checked out of the Hotel Baur Au Lac
23	ROSDEN stopped negotiations with Leu and Company and picked up bonds previously left there
<u>24</u>	ROSDEN and RABIN pledged \$140,500 worth of bonds at the Swiss Credit Bank, Basel, Switzerland and withdrew nearly all of the proceeds of this loan from their account; RABIN returned to Chicago
25	Credit call Chicago to New Kensington, Pennsylvania
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27	Credit call Chicago to Cleveland
28	Credit call Chicago to Montreal; RABIN from hotel room called American, Trans World Airlines, Capital, and United Air Lines
<u>29</u>	RABIN and ROSDEN received and cashed a check for \$29,734.50 at New York City in exchange
•	for Swiss francs
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Swiss Credit Bank learned that bonds pledged by RABIN and ROSDEN were stolen; Swiss Bank notified ROSDEN of stolen nature of bonds;

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	ROSDEN telephonically contacted RABIN at Chicago concerning stolen bonds; Three credit calls to Montreal; Credit call to Washington; Credit call to St. Petersburg, Florida
2 3	Credit call to Washington
3 4	Credit call Toronto to Washington, D. C.
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	Washington, D. C. to Chicago Credit call Washington, D. C. to Chicago
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10	Credit call Chicago to Montreal
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16	RABIN called United Air Lines and Baltimore and Ohio Railroad; Credit call Louisville to Washington, D. C.
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	Credit call Chicago to Washington; RABIN signed guarantee Swiss Credit Bank
23	Credit calls to Montreal and Washington, D. C.
24	RABIN called Conrad Hilton Hotel;
25	Credit call Chicago to Montreal; RABIN flew Trans Canada Airlines from Chicago to Montreal; RABIN stayed at Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal, from November 25, 1958, until 10:33 a.m. on November 28, 1958

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19	Three credit calls from Chicago to New Kensington
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21	Two credit calls from Chicago to New Kensington
22	Five credit calls Chicago to New Kensington; One credit call Chicago to Washington, D. C.; ROSDEN at New York City called RABIN at Chicago; SAM MANNARINO registered into Room 326, Sea Gull Hotel under name SAM BOTTI of Pennsylvania
23	Credit call Chicago to New Kensington; RABIN's loan at Central National Bank of Chicago came due; RABIN called Capital Airlines
24	Credit call Chicago to Montreal; Credit call New York to Chicago
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26	RABIN called Trans Canada Airlines for reservation but later cancelled; RABIN renewed his loan at Central National Bank
27	RABIN and KENT TOMLINSON flew to Canada in ** TOMLINSON's private plane; registered Mount Royal , Hotel, Montreal with KENT TOMLINSON; Credit call Montreal to Washington, D. C.
28	RABIN, TOMLINSON, GIUSEPPE COTRONI, and RENE ROBERT left Montreal in TOMLINSON'S private plane and arrived at Buffalo, New York for customs check; TOMLINSON and three male passengers arrived Flushing Airport, Flushing, New York, 5:55 p.m. after radioing field to have a taxi ready to transport them to New York City; RABIN, TOMLINSON, COTRONI, and ROBERT flew commercial flight to Miami, Florida
<u>29</u>	Above four people registered Sea Gull Hotel, Niami, Florida 4:00 a.m., where, according to TOMLINSON, RABIN and COTRONI met MANNARINO in order to fix responsibility of these individuals in connection with the pledging of bonds in Switzerland
30	Records Pan American World Airways, reflect a NORMAN ROTHMAN, residence Edificio Focsa, Havana, Cuba, departed Miami on Flight 434
31	MANNARINO, RABIN, TOMLINSON, COTRONI, and ROBERT all checked out of the Sea Gull Hotel; RABIN called Capital Airlines from his Chicago residence
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1 2 Mr. and Mrs. RABIN registered at Warwick Hotel, New York City and stayed until January 4, 1959. (The Mrs. RABIN registered believed to be DOLLYE TOMLINSON) <u>3</u> 4 Credit call Chicago to New York City 5 6 Six credit calls Chicago to Montreal 7 Three credit calls Chicago to Montreal; Credit call Chicago to New York City; Four credit calls Chicago to Miami Beach 8 9 10 Two credit calls to New York City 11 According to U. S. Customs, RABIN bought gas at Dorvall Airport, Montreal; KENT TOMLINSON in Room 1634 at New York City, telephone CI 6-5000, ł. according to phone call records; RABIN, MANNARINO, and TOMLINSON checked into the Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal, and stayed until January 14, 1959 12 13 According to U. S. Customs records, RABIN, TOMLINSON, 14 and MANNARINO arrived Buffalo, New York, from Dorvall Airport 15 RABIN called ROSDEN at Pan American Airways Lounge, New York City 16 RABIN had reservation for two on Capital Airlines 🔅 from Chicago to New York City via Newark, however, records reflect only one passenger left 17 18 19 RABIN and MANNARINO flew to Montreal via Trans Canada Airlines

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20	RABIN and MANNARINO stayed at Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal, January 20 - 22, 1959
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21 22	CHARLOTTE ZUCKER sold bonds to New York City bank
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24	RABIN sent \$10,000 via Western Union to Munich, Germany
25	RABIN received a collect call from Miami
26	MANNARINO at Pittsburgh served with subpoena to appear before Federal Rackets Committee hearing; RABIN called Trans World Airlines
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27 28	Credit call from KENT TOMLINSON to RABIN at New York City, telephone PL 5-5800
29	RABIN redeemed \$9,000 worth of bonds he had
	previously pledged at the Central National Bank
х эх	of Chicago; Swiss Central Police, Bern, Switzerland, notified FBI of facts concerning RABIN and ROSDEN
	pledging bonds in Switzerland which started
	investigation in this phase of the case
30	RABIN called Eastern Airlines and made a reservation
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12	ROSDEN furnished a statement to FBI at Washington, D. C.
13	United States Attorney, Chicago, authorized
	arrest of RABIN at Washington, D. C. and filing
, °,	of complaint on following day; RABIN arrested Washington, D. C. and furnished statement to
	FBI at Washington, D. C.
14	Complaint filed before United States Commissioner
	at Chicago, charging RABIN with violation Section 2315, Title 18, United States Code; RABIN released
	on \$5,000 bond
15	RABIN furnished statement to FBI, New York City
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RENE ROBERT, former Montreal, Quebec, <u>Canada</u>, resident and chauffeur for <u>GIUSEPPE</u> COTRONI for narcotics violation, presently serving long sentence in Canadian penitentiary.

Prosecutive Action

On February 13, 1959, Assistant United States Attorney JAMES B. PARSONS authorized the arrest of WILLIAM W. RABIN and the filing of a complaint against RABIN on the following day.

On February 14, 1959, a complaint was filed before the United States Commissioner at Chicago charging RABIN with violation of Section 2315, Title 18, United States Code. He was arrested at Washington, D. C. on February 13, 1959, and released on bond the following day.

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On June 30, 1959, the Federal Grand Jury at Chicago returned an indictment against GIUSEPPE COTRONI, SAM MANNARINO, RABIN, RENE ROBERT, and NORMAN ROTHMAN, charging RABIN with five counts of violation of Title 18, Section 2315, United States Code and three counts of violation Title 18, Section 1343, United States Code. COTRONI and ROBERT were charged with aiding and abetting on all the above charges. MANNARINO and ROTHMAN were charged with aiding and abetting on one count of violation Title 18, Section 2315, United States Code, and all counts. of Title 18, Section 1343, United States Code. As a result of this indictment, subjects ROTHMAN and RABIN were arrested at Miami, Florida, on July 2, 1959, and released on \$5,000 bond. MANNARINO was arrested at New Kensington, Pennsylvania, on July 2, 1959, and released on \$5,000 bond.

On July 8, 1959, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police at Montreal, Quebec, Canada, arrested RENE ROBERT, and GIUSEPPE COTRONI in connection with their violation of the Narcotics Law.

On July 13, 1960, the Federal Grand Jury at

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Chicago returned a nine count superseding indictment in this case, naming all subjects of the previous Chicago indictment and adding GEORGE ERIC ROSDEN as a defendant. This indictment charged all subjects with violation of Title 18, Sections 1343 and 2315, United States Code. Subjects COTRONI and ROBERT were named in this indictment as co-conspirators, but not as defendants.

All subjects have appeared at Chicago and have been released on bond. No date has yet been set for \checkmark trial of this case.

Evidence Available to Prove the Theft

GORDON C. MC DONELL, Manager, Estates and Trusts Department, Brockville Trust and Savings Company, Brockville, Ontario, Canada (As of December 1, 1959, this company has been known as the Montreal Trust Company) can testify as to the following:

1) That he was present when an inspection of the vault was made subsequent to the robbery on May 4, 1958.

2) That he personally supervised the preparation of a list compiled from the original security cards maintained by the company, said list reflecting a full description and amounts of all securities in the vault at the time of the robbery and which were missing thereafter, excepting those securities held in safety deposit boxes rented by clients.

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3) All entries effecting the bond and stock ledger cards were made in the original course of the business of the bank by employees immediately upon the withdrawal out of or the transferring into the vault of any security. Securities other than those which were the property of the safety deposit box customers, **ei**ther transferred into or withdrawn from the vault, were subject to a physical inspection by at least two employees. A posting voucher was prepared immediately to reflect such movement of securities and was posted to the applicable bond or ledger card. CG 87–11127 EK: aaa

Corporal A. J. WART, Ontario Provincial Police, Perth, Ontario, Canada, under the direction of Detective Sergeant M. L. STERRITT of the Brockville Police Department, took twenty photographs of the interior and exterior of the Brockville Trust and Savings Company on May 4, 1958. Detective Sergeant M. L. STERRITT also conducted the investigation concerning this burglary and was present with Inspector LESLIE HOBBS of the Montreal Police Department when RENE MARTIN was arrested on May 5, 1958, for this burglary, and a large amount of registered bonds were recovered. Detective Sergeant STERRITT has previously testified in connection with this case at the trial of EDWARD BROWDER at Miami, Florida.

Evidence Available Against Each Defendant

WILLIAM W. RABIN

When RABIN was arrested by the FBI at Washington, D.C. on February 13, 1959, he was interviewed and furnished a signed statement to SAs GEORGE E. BANJAMIN and JAMES J. RYAN. He related considerable background information and details concerning his receiving \$2,500,000.00 in Canadian Government bonds from one ALFREDO GARCIA, a representative of Cuban rebels, which bonds were to be taken to Europe by RABIN. In Europe RABIN would deliver these bonds in three separate packages to secret agents who would identify themselves by the number 26. One package was to be delivered in Zurich, Switzerland, one in Rome, and one in Venice, Italy. For this RABIN received Italy, \$5,000.00 in cash and \$266,000.00 in Canadian Government bonds. RABIN likewise related details concerning his pledging of these bonds in Switzerland in October, 1958, and pledging bonds in Chicago just prior to his departure for Europe in October, 1958. He likewise indicated he returned \$28,000.00 worth of Canadian municipal bonds to GARCIA in Chicago during late October, 1958.

In reviewing RABIN's statements made at this time, the following inconsistencies were noted:

RABIN claimed to have met GARCIA around

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The trip to Canada can be verified by records of the Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal, which reflect that RABIN and TOMLINSON registered there on December 27, 1958, and left on December 28, 1958. Customs records at Buffalo, New York will verify the arrival there of KENT TOMLINSON's plane on December 28, 1958, with the passengers RABIN, COTRONI, and ROBERT aboard. Records of Flushing Airport, Flushing, New York, reflect the arrival of TOMLINSON's plane on December 28, 1958, with three passengers aboard. Records of the Sea Gull Hotel, Miami, Florida, which were made available by JOHN KEINAN, Manager, Sea Gull Hotel, reflect the following registrations of persons arriving at 4:00 AM on December 29, 1958, according to their registration cards:

> WM. W. RABIN 33 North La Salle Street, Chicago (Occupied room 611)

G. PETRONE 2210 North Clark Street Chicago, Illinois (Occupied room 611)

RENE ROBERTS 2210 North Clark Street Chicago, Illinois (Occupied room 612)

KENT TOMLINSON 835 West Wolfram, Chicago (Occupied room 612)

Sea Gull Hotel records also reflect one SAM BOTTI of Pennsylvania checked into this hotel on December 22, 1958, and was assigned room 326. The records further show that all five of the above guests checked out on December 31, 1958. A check of telephone calls from room 326 reflects that a call was placed to SAM MANNARINO's residence at New Kensington, Pennsylvania on December 23, 1958, and two calls to a telephone in New Kensington,

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The second form reflected this airplane arriving from Montreal, Quebec on January 14, 1959, and listed the following occupants:

> KENT TOMLINSON 835 Wolfram United States citizen Chicago

SAM MANNARINO, United States citizen

WM. W. RABIN, United States citizen

MYRON M. LIDDELL, Inspector of Customs, Buffalo, New York, can testify that he recalled receiving the above aircraft on December 28, 1958. He recognized JOSEPH COTRONI as one of the occupants, and therefore proceeded to take oral declarations from each occupant.

Sergeant GERARD HOULE, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Montreal, Quebec, advised that he is personally acquainted with GIUSEPPE COTRONI, who resides at 345 Emery Street, Montreal, and operates a restaurant at 2005 De Bullion Street, Montreal. COTRONI also rented apartment 104 at 3615 Ridgewood, Montreal, under the name of PAUL MANN, which had been occupied by one PETER STEPANOFF, who had been arrested previously in connection with the handling of bonds stolen from the Brockville Trust and Savings Company. At this latter address, in the basement locker, was located \$175,000.00 worth of stolen Canadian bonds taken in this burglary. Sergeant HOULE made available information taken from the files of the Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal, Canada, which reflected registrations there by RABIN, TOMLINSON, and MANNARINO. These records also reflect a number of phone calls made to points in the United States. Among these calls were calls to MANNARINO's residence and to NORMAN ROTHMAN's residence at Miami, Florida. Sergeant HOULE made available information identifying the subscribers to telephone numbers called by RABIN from the Hotel Edison at New York City in December, 1958. These listings were previously set forth

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in this report. Sergeant HOULE likewise advised that a check on toll calls emanating from the telephones in Montreal called by RABIN reflected the following calls:

> VI 4-9498, to New York City, Edison Motel, Room 925, one call on December 4, 1958, three calls on December 5, 1958, and one call on December 7, 1958. This telephone is described as COTRONI's business phone. Room 925 of the Edison Hotel is where RABIN was staying at the time.

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LA 6-8622, to New York City, Edison Motel, Room 925, three calls on December 5, 1958, and three calls on December 6, 1958.

Sergeant HOULE likewise directed Constable A.M. ANDERSON of the RCMP to conduct investigation at the Montreal Airport. This investigation reflected that KENT TOMLINSON made three visits to Montreal in his airplane, these visits being made on September 29, 1958, December 27, 1958, and January 11, 1959. These records did not reflect the names of other passengers in this airplane. It was noted, however, that on the January 14, 1959 trip a gasoline purchase invoice was signed by W.W. RABIN.

Lieutenant LESLIE HOBBS, Montreal Police Department, Quebec, Canada, advised that he has charge of a section in this department and has been assigned to handling a number of large bond thefts which have occurred in Canada over the past several years. He stated that as a result of the investigation by members of his department it has become generally known that GIUSEPPE COTRONI, a Montreal resident and restaurant operator, has been controlling the majority of bonds taken in these burglaries. He referred to RENE ROBERT as COTRONI's runner and chauffeur and the person who assists COTRONI in the disposing of these stolen bonds. He stated that while this opinion exists in his department concerning these individuals, there is little factual information to support this. He indicated, however, that the following information may be of some assistance;

RENE ROBERT on August 28, 1958, went to the Canadian Bank of Commerce, 1371 St. Catherine, West Montreal, Quebec, and attempted to cash eight Dominion of Canada Vestry Bonds valued at \$800 which were identified as stolen from the Brockville Trust and Savings Company. The bank after determing that the bonds were stolen advised the Montreal Police Department, and ROBERT was arrested. ROBERT was subsequently tried for possessing stolen property and at his trial indicated he had received these bonds as payment of a gambling debt. On March 20, 1959, ROBERT was acquitted after a jury trial.

Lieutenant HOBBS likewise stated that one LUIGI MARIANI, 6950 Outremont Avenue, Montreal, Quebec, is fearful of his life should he testify in any trial charging COTRONI with handling stolen bonds. Should he be used as a witness it would have to be cleared with him, and MARIANI should be given some type of protection. MARIANI could testify that in July, 1958, he was given \$8,300 worth of Canadian Government Bonds by COTRONI assisted by RENE ROBERT which he subsequently negotiated at the Canadian National Bank, 1001 St. Catherine Street, West Montreal, Quebec. These bonds were identified as having been stolen from the Brockville Trust and Savings Company. On July 9, 1959, ROBERT and COTRONI were arrested by members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in connection with their illegal trafficing in narcotics.

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On July 14, 1959, COTRONI was charged with the illegal possession of bonds in the value of \$10,000 which were stolen from the Brockville Trust and Sawings Company. At a preliminary hearing in this case MARIANI testified against COTRONI concerning his receiving the abovementioned stolen Brockville bonds. Since that time COTRONI and ROBERT have been sentenced to long terms in a Canadian penitentiary for the narcotics violation, and it is not known what disposition was made of the case involving stolen bonds.

J. NORBERT L'ABBE, Security Officer, Queen Elizabeth Hotel, Montreal, Quebec, has made available photostat copies of hotel records reflecting registrations at that hotel for WILLIAM W. RABIN on the following dates:

> September 19, 1958, to September 21, 1958 September 25, 1958, to September 27, 1958 September 29, 1958, to September 30, 1958

Records of this hotel also reflect that on September 20, 26, and 27, 1958, calls were made from RABIN's room to the residence of GEORGE ERIC ROSDEN at Washington, D.C.

JOHN MC GORUM, Supervisor of Canadian Airlines, Winnepeg, Manitoba, Canada, made available records reflecting trips to Montreal, Canada, as follows:

November 25, 1958, Chicago, to Montreal, Flight Number 310 by WILLIAM W. RABIN and return on November 28, 1958, Flight Number 307

September 25, 1958, on Flight 310 from Chicago, to Montreal, by WILLIAM W. RABIN

January 19, 1959, on Flight 314 from Chicago, to Standard Montreal, by WILLIAM W. RABIN and a person named MANNARINO

R. W. SMITH, Auditing Department, Shell Oil Company, 624, South Michigan Boulevard, made available records which reflect that KENT TOMLINSON purchased gasoline

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Hotel employees whose names are not known from the Grand Hotel Dolder, Zurich, Switzerland, are available to testify that upon RABIN's arrival at this hotel in October 7, 1958, he placed fifteen to twenty packages on the hotel safe which he described as four to five million dollars in bank notes. He later removed these from the safe upon his checking out of the botel on October 13, 1958. The hotel records reflect that WILLIAM W. RABIN, 33 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, and DOLLYE TOMLINSON, 835 Wolfram, Chicago, Illinois, registered in this hotel on October 7, 1958, into separate rooms and left the hotel on October 8, 1958, for an unknown destination. Before leaving RABIN reserved three rooms for October 12, 1958, however, he did not reappear until October 13, 1958, when he paid for the rooms but did not stay. On the evening of October 7, 1958, RABIN telephoned the Hotel George Viat Paris, France, after which he talked to Dr. ROSDEN. On October 8, 1958, Mrs. TOMLINSON made two telephone calls to the Hotel De Paris at Paris, France.

Hotel employees whose names are not known at the Hotel Baur au Lac, Zurich, Switzerland, can testify that RABIN reserved three rooms on October 13, 1958, without indicating the other two persons accompanying him. The other persons were identified further as Mrs. TOMLINSON and Dr. ROSDEN. While here on October 14, 1958, RABIN telephoned ROSDEN's residence at Washington, D.C. The three persons registered at this hotel left on October 16, 1958, for an unknown destination and returned on October 19, 1958, where they stayed until October 22, 1958. Upon their departure RABIN and ROSDEN reserved rooms at this hotel for November 6, 1958, but they did not return.

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LEO VOGELSANG, Nueschelsrstrasse 24, Zurich, Switzerland, a director of Leu and Company; Dr. EUGEN ROESLE, 106 Restelbergstrasse, Zurich, Switzerland, a director of Leu and Company; Dr. WALTER VON STOCKAR, 8 In Der Sommerau, Zurich, Switzerland, a director of Leu and Company; JOSEF FREI, 119 Noehrlieter, Zurich, Switzerland, attorney for Leu and Company, can all testify concerning ROSDEN's and RABIN'S attempting to pledge \$166,000 worth of Canadian Government Bonds at this bank in Zurich, Switzerland

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around October 20, to 22, 1958. They could also testify concerning \$15,000 worth of legitimate Canadian bonds sold by RABIN to the bank on October 14, 1958. They could also testify that statements were made by RABIN and ROSDEN that RABIN was a weathy American businessman who had accumulated large profits during the war and wanted to invest these profits which he had in Canadian Government bonds. They could further testify during the middle of October, 1958, after the bank officers suggested that these bonds which had been entrusted to them should be checked as to their authenticity through sources in Canada when RABIN and ROSDEN withdrew from negotiations with this bank. During conversations ROSDEN indicated that it was not proper to check these bonds and in fact did not want this done giving as a reason that RABIN had apparently not paid income tax on the profits he had accumulated and thus an inquiry might start the tax machinery in motion.

Dr. CHARLES KEMPF, 77 Elizabethenstrasse, Basel, Switzerland, a director of the Swiss Credit Bank, and ARTHUR MERZ, 50 Bruderholzrain, Binningen, Switzerland, a director of the Swiss Credit Bank, can testify concerning RABIN's and ROSDEN's being referred to them from the Fibes .-Trust Company, Basel, Switzerland, in connection with their subsequent pledging of \$140,500 worth of bonds on October 24, 1958. They can testify that RABIN and ROSDEN indicated to them that RABIN had bought these bonds in small quantities in Canada and kept them there in a safe. Dr. KEMPF can also testify concerning subsequent negotiations through the remainder of 1958, with RABIN and ROSDEN in order to settle the amount owing the Swiss Credit Bank.

Dr. HANS STREICHENBERG, 24 Kapellenstrasse, Basel, Switzerland, a former director of the Fides Trust Company, and Dr. ERNEST KIEFER, 10 Peter Merianstrasse, Basel, Switzerland, vice-director of the Fides Trust Company, can both testify concerning negotiations with RABIN and ROSDEN on October 23, and 24, 1958, to pledge bonds at the Swiss Credit Bank. Dr. STREICHENBERG can also testify that RABIN indicated he was expecting to return to Europe on November 7, 1958, with other bonds for additional business dealings. He can also testify that he was told by ROSDEN and RABIN that the bonds forged there had been in safes in

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Canada for about ten years. He likewise could testify concerning two payments of \$10,000 each which were forwarded to them by ROSDEN as partial repayment of the loan made to them on the Stolen Canadian Government bonds.

Files of the Tourist Bureau, Rome, Italy, Police Headquarters, reflect that ROSDEN and Mr. and Mrs. TOMLINSON stayed at the Metropole Hotel, Rome, Italy, on October 9, and 10, 1958.

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Information was received on May 1, 1959, that a telegram was directed to Lieutenant EMERSON, telephone number MOhawk 4-3200, Room 622. It is noted that this telephone number is listed to the North Park Hotel, where RABIN occupied Room Number 622 under the name of R. W. EMERSON.

PETER WELCH, Chief Special Agent, Western Union Telegraph Company, La Salle and Congress Streets, Chicago, advised that upon issuance of a subpoena duces tecum the above telegram could be produced in court. He stated that he has learned that the above telegram was sent from Duesseldorf, Germany, on May 1, 1959, and read as follows:

"New available institution too large with four million dollar capital. Stop. Suggest known firm owner New York. Signed, 'Eric'."

The Federal Police at Duesseldorf, Germany, advised that GEORGE ERIC ROSDEN stayed at the Breidenbacher Hof Hotel, Duesseldorf, Germany, from April 29 - May 1, 1959. They further advised that a handwritten copy of the above cable is available for evidence if necessary. (M) G-1

Concerning ROSDEN's financial status in the fall of 1958, it is noted that ROSDEN indicated when first interviewed in February, 1959, that he was badly in need of funds when RABIN approached him in September, 1958. Municipal Court records, Washington, D. C. show numerous suits filed against ROSDEN between December 30, 1955, and October 6, 1958, for money alleged to be owed by ROSDEN to creditors. Three of these suits filed in September and October, 1958, totaled \$976.

Arrest Records for Defendants

The following is the Identification Record of SAM MANNARINO, FBI Number 115840 as of July 2, 1959:

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