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TO : Mr. Parsons *APC*

DATE: March 13, 1961

FROM : C. A. Evans *✓*

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SUBJECT: SAMUEL M. GIANCANA
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PURPOSE To furnish current highlights of our investigation of Chicago hoodlum Samuel M. Giancana including information he owns part of ~~Frank Sinatra, Dinah Shore and Tony Bennett~~ and that operators of two Chicago cab companies, allegedly owned by Giancana, reported not to have a nickel a year ago and now living high and purchasing new cab equipment.

Informant Reports Giancana Has Interest in Celebrities

Chicago Informant 6443-C has advised that Giancana owns a part of several celebrities, including Frank Sinatra, Dinah Shore and Tony Bennett.

Operators of Cab Companies Allegedly Owned by Giancana Acquire Large Funds

A Chicago informant advised that ~~Sam Levine and Fred Bartoli~~, operators of the Red Top and Evanston Cab Companies, "did not have a nickel a year ago" now are living in high style and recently spent some half million dollars in purchase of new equipment for these cab companies. The informant continued that the Red Top and Evanston Cab Companies were actually owned by four or five Chicago hoodlums whose identities were unknown to him.

Corroboration of this report was received from Chicago Informant 6443-C who has advised that these cab companies are owned by partnership which includes Giancana. Chicago will interview the operators Levine and Bartoli for information concerning the cab companies and Giancana's connection therewith.

Internal Revenue Service Conducting Intensified Investigation of Giancana

JFK Law 11(a)

Burton Homa, an Agent of Internal Revenue Service, advised



1 - Mr. Rosen

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Memorandum to Mr. Parsons
Re: Samuel M. Giancana

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Special Departmental Attorney May Be
Sent to Chicago Re Giancana Investigation

Information has been received by our Chicago Office through the Internal Revenue Service to the effect that the Department contemplates sending a special Departmental attorney to Chicago. His assignment would be to coordinate all investigative efforts concerning Giancana's activities. 4

ACTION

Chicago is pursuing investigation to link Giancana with gambling activities at several locations. This inquiry is aimed at developing a possible violation in connection with Federal wagering tax laws. Chicago and all auxiliary offices are being followed closely to assure that this case is pursued vigorously and that every effort is being made on a day-to-day basis to establish any possible violation on Giancana which can become the basis for prosecution. 4

We are closely following and making probes into Giancana's alleged interest in the Thunderbolt Hotel and will continue to maintain close liaison with the Internal Revenue Service investigation attempting to link Giancana in the financial transactions in the trust of this hotel.

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