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T-5 is Philadelphia PCI

as in Philadelphia letter
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T-9 is AL CI 2889-C

T-46 is AL PCI FELIX ANTHONY JULIAN

T-54 is Legat Hanvana

T-69 is Philadelphia CI PH 526-C

T-116 is Havanna PCI GUIDO DE PHILLIPS, as in Legat letter to Director dated 2/19/59 (former bodyguard and personal chef of SANTO TRAFFICANTE, SR.)

T-132 is Miami CI MN 665-PC

T-133 is AL CI 3003-C

T-138 is Dallas CI DL 105-C

T-140 is Field Supervisor ERNEST GENTRY, Federal Bureau of Narcotics, Dallas, as in Dallas letter to Albany, 9/17/59

T-141 is Dallas PCI HODGES DUBOIS HAMILTON, Secretary to HARRY DAVID KAHN, as in Dallas letter to Albany, 9/17/59

T-142 is NY PCI described in New York letter to Albany, 8/5/59

T-143 is Philadelphia PCI ORLANDO MENCHI, as in Philadelphia letter to Albany, 9/29/59

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T-144 is Philadelphia PCI WILLIAM STRUBECK, as in above Philadelphia letter

T-145 -- This symbol number not used >-

T-146 is JOSEPH DI MAGGIO, General Manager, Joseph Cerrito's Lincoln-Mercury Sales, Los Gatos, California

T-147 is JOHN HENNESSEY, Intelligence Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Treasury Dept., Binghamton, New York

T-148 is Houston source described in Houston radiogram to Director and Albany, 11/9/59

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on September 22 and 28, 1959, and related that from further talks with various Italians in the Endicott, New York, area, they figured that RUSSELL BUFALINO, of Pittston, Pennsylvania, was the person who made all the arrangements for the meeting at BARBARA's on November 14, 1957, and then invited the hoodlums from the various parts of the country. He said they gathered they were just using JOSEPH BARBARA.

On October 6, 1959, Confidential Informant AL T-133 informed SA MUNLEY that ANTHONY FRANK GUARNIERI had been in his restaurant on several occasions lately for lunch and the informant reported that what he could get from his conversations with GUARNIERI led him to believe that RUSSELL BUFALINO had a lot to do about the planning of the meeting and inviting the people to attend. He said that he also gathered a similar impression from his talks with some of his friends in the Buffalo area.

In this connection, it is of interest to note that on March 10, 1955, Confidential Informant AL T-5 confidentially informed Agents at Philadelphia that not long after 1904, SANTO VOLPE, who came from Montedoro (in Sicily), settled in Pittston, Pennsylvania, and eventually became head of the Mafia in that area.

According to this informant, some years later, after VOLPE prospered in coal operations, his superiors realized that his personal business was put ahead of his Mafia business and he was eased out as head and one JOHN SCIANDRA was put in charge.

The informant said that SCIANDRA remained in charge of the Mafia in the area until his death, when one RUSSELL BUFALINO was made head of the organization in about 1947 or 1948. The informant said that BUFALINO (in 1955) was in charge of Mafia activities in the "anthracite area" and his immediate superior was JOSEPH BARBARA of Binghamton, New York. T-5 said he believed that BARBARA was in charge of activities in northern New York State and portions of Pennsylvania, with another man on a level with BARBARA operating out of either Philadelphia or Wilmington, Delaware. The informant said that CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO was and continued to be the head of the organization.

## D. FACILITIES OF HOODLUMS AT MEETING

Individual investigations of the hoodlums who attended captioned meeting, as previously reported, have determined that

#### RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

The following data were received by confidential confidential informants or potential confidential informants and thus, in accordance with instructions in SAC Letter 59-77, 12/15/59, Section H, "Criminal Intelligence Program," they are set out on the following cover pages. In previous reports T-symbol informant styling has been utilized and the following material would have been included in the details of former reports.

#### INTERVIEW PROGRAM

A definitive interview program was established in this case to insure that logical sources of information were interviewed as a supplement to the existing efforts of all interested offices to develop informants who could furnish information confirming data previously received in this case as to the purpose of instant meeting and possibly develop additional and new information about the meeting. This program was also to insure that information might be received in advance of any similar future meeting.

The initial chart on the results of the interview program is set out in the report of SA ARTHUR V. HART dated 5/21/59, at Albany, and additional interviews have been set forth in chart form in supplementary reports.

Set out below in chart form are additional results of the program:

Yes

#### POSSIBLE SOURCE INTERVIEWED? RESULT SUBJECT

VITO ANTHONY Old Orchard Country Club, GENOVESE Etontown, New (Newark) Jersey (hangout)

CHART

PCT bar and restaurant operator at club. advised in conver-

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sations GENOVESE never mentioned Apalachin meeting. PCI said relationship with GENOVESE

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#### SUBJECT

#### INTERVIEWED? POSSIBLE SOURCE

required that he be discreet and he did not feel he could bring up the topic with GENOVESE if GENOVESE did not volunteer.

GEORGE J. SULLIVAN, golf pro, identity concealed at his request) advised has known GENOVESE for twenty-eight years, friendly twenty years, visits at home. Said that in spite of this does not know anything about GENOVESE's associates or activities. No information pertinent to Apalachin meeting. Thinks GENOVESE derives income from a "bag" factory in New York City.

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JOSEPH SALVATORE RICCOBONO

(New York)

(weekly maid or cleaning woman)

PCI

348 Cary Street, Staten Island, New York, unable to

Interviewed by NYO

Agents; no informa-

furnish any pertinent information concerning the meeting.

tion.

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DOMINIC JOHN

MAX W-STEIN,

partner of

(Philadelphia)

ALAIMO and RUSSELL A.

BUFALINO

in AB&S Contracting Co.

RUSSELL A.

MAX W. STEIN

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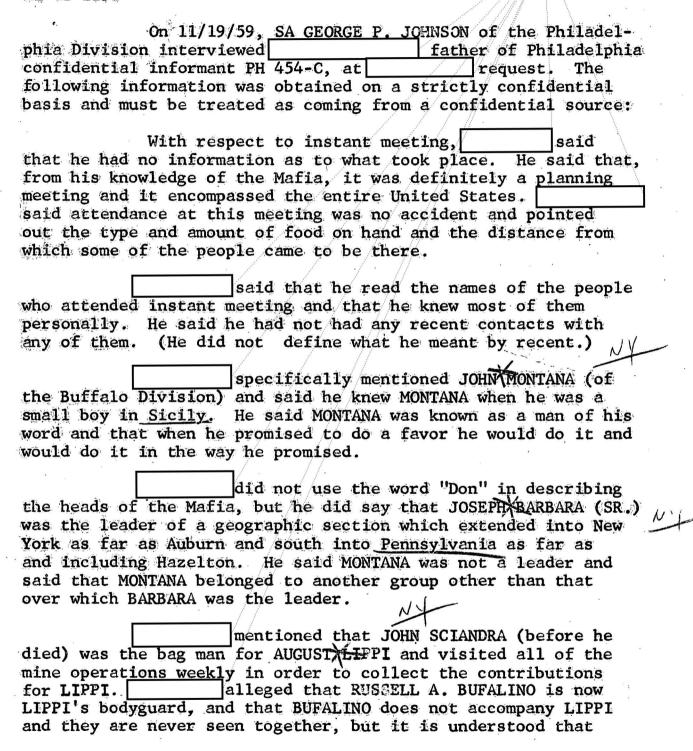
Yes

Interviewed by NYO Agents; no informa-

tion.

(PCI of Philadelphia)

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that if anything happens to LIPPI, BUFALINO will handle the reprisals.

Additional information furnished byis
not included herein as it is not pertinent to the meeting of
hoodlums at Apalachin. It is noted that is in his
late seventies although he gives the appearance of being much
younger. He was located for interview by SA JOHNSON in the
Board Room of J. H. Brooks and Company, a brokerage firm in
Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania. According to PH 454-C,
divides his time between Brooks and another brokerage house
(Bache and Company) where he watches his investments.
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#### Nevada Gambling

It has previously been reported (report of SA ARTHUR V. HART, 11/20/59, Albany, page 26) that GERALD COVELLI, subject in a car theft ring prosecuted at Houston, Texas, had advised the Houston Division that in contacts with JOSEPH "CEASAR" DI VARCO and JAMES "MONK" ALLEGRETTI (of Chicago, Illinois) and NICK DANOLFO and WILBUR SLARK (of the Desert Inn, Las Vegas, Nevada), he had obtained information indicating that the purpose of instant meeting was to finance acquisition of the Chicago control in the State of Nevada, thereby obtaining control of policy, gambling and prostitution.

It is noted that COVELLI entered a plea of guilty to a twenty-count indictment in an ITSMV ring case at Houston and is to be utilized as a witness against two Chicago attorneys who have been indicted for conspiracy in the case. He was interviewed on 10/29/59, and 11/3, 5 and 6/59.

On 11/5/59, the matter of the Apalachin meeting was again discussed with COVELLI. He had previously stated he was not familiar with the purpose of that meeting and it is not known why he furnished the following information after his supposed lack of information. COVELLI said that the purpose of the meeting was to gain control of gambling within the State of Nevada by financing acquisition of political control

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