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1.
AT IRVING, TEXAS./ Will ascertain the subscriber to telephone number 289-4240 and conduct appropriate investigation when determined.

2. Will maintain contact with informants concerning subject's current activities.

3. Will follow and report Federal prosecution of subject under IRS charge.

ADMINISTRATIVE

It is noted the investigative period of this report exceeds the date of the last report. This was due to the fact results were not received in time for inclusion in referenced report.

The San Antonio Office advised that a current investigation is being conducted to determine if WILLIAM NOBLE BATES has violated any gambling statutes, San Antonio file on BATES being 165-98, Dallas file 165-39.

The San Francisco Office advised that on 12/20/66, CS SF 50-X stated telephone number 351-5785 is listed to EDWARD RUTH, 14127 Maracaibo Street, San Leandro, California. RUTH is an electronics instructor for the Navy at Treasure Island. SF 2662-C, who is acquainted with individuals in the gambling element of the East Bay area advised that RUTH is unknown to him.

The El Paso Office reported that DUANE THOMPSON, Assistant Manager, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Midland, Texas, advised SA JOHN J. GORMAN on November 1, 1966, that telephone number MU 2-1480 is an unlisted number. He said the present subscriber to that number began service on 6/21/66, and their files do not reflect the identity of the subscriber who had that number on 5/13/66. On 10/21/66,

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records of the Mountain States Telephone Company, as furnished by NEIL U. HORSTMANN, Manager, showed El Paso telephone number 772-2090 as listed to F. O. SENTER, 7165 Alameda, El Paso. SENTER has had service since October, 1953, is self-employed, retired and operates a trailer sales lot.

By letter dated 12/28/66, the San Antonio Office furnished the following information:

On 12/14/66, [redacted], Austin, Texas, a PCI of the San Antonio Division, advised he is acquainted with subject as R. D. MATTHEWS and said that about six months ago subject was charged in Dallas with booking without a Federal Wagering Stamp. He advised that subject makes a few bets with him and occasionally calls him to get information concerning a "hot team." He said subject also inquires of the line of him.

[redacted] advised also that in the past few months he has called the subject, and these calls primarily were with regard to a "heist" of [redacted] poker game in Austin several months ago. He advised that subject was attempting to assist him in determining the identities of the perpetrators of the heist.

[redacted] advised that he has known subject only for about one year; however, he is acquainted with people who have known the subject for many years. He said that though the subject has an awful record in that he has had many arrests including, to PCI's understanding, several for murder, the subject is considered an honorable person among the gamblers. [redacted] advised that this meant that he would not welsh on a bet and that he was good pay.

San Antonio further advised that PCI operates a book in Austin, Texas, and utilizes phone numbers WA 6-1713, WA 6-4410, and WA 6-4411.

[redacted] advised that he had no knowledge of any Federal violations on the part of the subject in his gambling activities.

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On 11/25/66, DL 208-C advised SA JOHN K. EGAN that MATTHEWS and EDDY TOM GREEN, Dallas dice hustler-gambler, were at the Skyknight Club (Maple Street) Dallas, on the night of 11/24/66, and that from all indications MATTHEWS is doing nothing except run the club. CI advised that things are too hot now and that MATTHEWS is too well known to get away with anything.

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