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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (92-779) (RUC)

SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR.  
AR

OO: TAMPA

RE: PX tel to Bureau and recipient offices,  
9/28/67.

JONATHAN CURTIS, suffered second alleged epileptic fit while in Santa Cruz County Jail, Nogales, Arizona, 9/30/67. Santa Cruz County Deputy and County Attorney felt that due to lack of jail facilities and lack of funds for hospitalization of CURTIS, he should be released on his own recognizance in order that he might not suffer any injuries or possibly commit suicide while in jail.

CURTIS released 9/30/67 to return for preliminary hearing 10/6/67. He obtained telegraphic money order from his mother same date and settled lodging bill and bogus check charges at El Dorado Motel. CURTIS has left Nogales, Arizona, destination unknown, and it is believed highly unlikely he will return for preliminary hearing on 10/6/67.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- 3 - Bureau
- 1 - Las Vegas (Info)
- 1 - Miami (92-88) (Info)
- 1 - Tampa (92-1) (Info)
- 1 - New York (Info)
- 2 - Phoenix  
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Approved: WLD  
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Mr. Bishop	_____
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Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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FBI PHOENIX

1007AM URGENT 9-28-67 LEG  
TO DIRECTOR, LAS VEGAS, AND MIAMI (92-88)  
FROM PHOENIX (92-779) (1P)

SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., AR. OO TAMPA

RE PHOENIX RAD SEPTEMBER TWENTYSEVEN LAST.

JONATHAN CURTIS ARRESTED BY NOGALES PD SEPTEMBER TWENTYSEVEN  
LAST FOR FORGING AND PASSING SIXTY DOLLAR CHECK AT EL DORADO  
MOTEL, NOGALES, AND BEING HELD SANTA CRUZ COUNTY JAIL ON  
TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLAR BOND. CURTIS HAD EPILEPTIC FIT  
IN JAIL, BROKE WINDOWS, AND POSSIBLY ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

PRIOR TO ARREST, CURTIS HAD ADVISED BUREAU AGENT THAT HIS  
CONTACT AT NOGALES, SONORA, MEXICO, WAS NICK KYRIAKIS, SON OF  
OWNER OF CAVERN RESTAURANT, NOGALES, WHO IS WELL KNOWN TO BUREAU  
AGENT. KYRIAKIS INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED CURTIS NOT KNOWN TO HIM.  
IN VIEW OF ABOVE, NO FURTHER CONTACT ANTICIPATED WITH CURTIS.

TAMPA AND NEW YORK ADVISED AIRMAIL.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

RUC.

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URGENT 9-27-67

TO DIRECTOR, LAS VEGAS, AND MIAMI  
FROM PHOENIX

SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., AR. OO TAMPA.

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*9- [unclear]*  
*D.A. Schwartz*  
*Rm 5728*

RE MIAMI TEL SEPTEMBER 27 INSTANT.

AS BACKGROUND INFORMATION FOR LAS VEGAS, JONATHAN CURTIS, FORMER PCI AND CI FOR NEW YORK DIVISION, WHO PRESENTLY RESIDES 1500 BAY ROAD, MORTON TOWERS SOUTH, APARTMENT 1406, MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, IN CONTACT WITH PHOENIX DIVISION ON THREE RECENT OCCASIONS AND ADVISED SEPTEMBER 25 LAST PRESENTLY ON ASSIGNMENT FOR NORMAN ROTHMAN, OWNER ALBION HOTEL, LINCOLN ROAD, MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, WHO IS ACTING AS "BUFFER" BETWEEN SUBJECT AND CURTIS, TO BRING REPORTED \$6,000,000 IN "HOT" SECURITIES OR JEWELRY INTO THE UNITED STATES THROUGH NOGALES, ARIZONA, IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE. CURTIS CONTENDS WILL BE STAYING AT EL DORADO HOTEL, NOGALES, ARIZONA, AND IS TO AWAIT CONTACT FROM UNKNOWN

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

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INDIVIDUAL OR INDIVIDUALS WHOM HE IS TO ACT AS BODY GUARD FOR, IN BRINGING "HOT" ITEMS TO UNDISCLOSED DESTINATION IN UNITED STATES. CURTIS RECALLED HAS BEEN PAID \$2,000 TO DATE BY ROTHMAN AND ALLEGEDLY TO RECEIVED \$8,000 UPON COMPLETION OF ASSIGNMENT. CURTIS AVERRED ROTHMAN HAS BEEN GIVING HIM INSTRUCTIONS BY "BITS" AND THEREFORE NOT IN POSITION TO FURNISH ADDITIONAL DETAILS AT PRESENT.

NEW YORK DIVISION ADVISED CURTIS IN PAST HAS FURNISHED EXCELLENT INFORMATION IN CONNECTION WITH LCN MATTERS AND GENERAL CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES IN NEW YORK CITY AREA. MOREOVER, CURTIS IN LAST FEW YEARS HAS USED BARBITURATE DRUGS AND INVOLVED SELF IN IMPERSONATION OF POLICE OFFICER TO EXTORT MONEY FROM VICTIMS. NEW YORK DIVISION ADVISED IF CURTIS IN CONTACT WITH MIAMI OR TAMPA AGENTS, THIS MATTER NOT TO BE DISCUSSED WITH HIM. NEW YORK ALSO ADVISED THAT CURTIS IS "MONEY HUNGRY."

CURTIS, AT NOGALES, ARIZONA, INTERVIEWED EVENING OF SEPTEMBER 26 LAST, WHERE HE IS STAYING AT EL DORADO MOTEL. AGAIN CLAIMED THAT HIS "PRINCIPAL" GAVE HIM \$2,000 AS ADVANCE ON THIS

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DEAL, BUT CLAIMS THAT HE IS A COMPULSIVE GAMBLER AND THAT HE LOST MOST OF THE MONEY AT A DOG TRACK IN PHOENIX LAST WEEKEND. CURTIS AGAIN DEMANDED THAT BUREAU ADVANCE HIM MONEY IN THIS MATTER. HE WAS ADVISED THAT HE COULD ONLY BE PAID ON COD BASIS.

CURTIS THEN STATED HE PLANS TO FORGET THIS WHOLE DEAL AND WILL CALL HIS "PRINCIPAL" IN MIAMI AND TRY TO GIVE EXCUSE FOR ASKING HIM FOR MONEY TO ENABLE HIM TO RETURN TO MIAMI. STATES NO ONE HAS CONTACTED HIM TO DATE REGARDING THIS DEAL.

IN VIEW OF POSSIBLE CUSTOMS VIOLATION THIS MATTER BEING DISSEMINATED TO U. S. CUSTOMS, NOGALES, ARIZONA.

PHOENIX WILL ATTEMPT TO ASCERTAIN CURTIS' DEPARTURE AND DESTINATION.

TAMPA ADVISED AIRMAIL.

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9/27/67

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To: SAC, Phoenix

From: Director, FBI 100-2781-1233

SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR.  
AR  
(OO: TAMPA)

Re Phoenix radiogram 9/26/67.

In view of the background of Jonathan Curtis, Phoenix Office should follow this matter very closely. No commitments should be made to Curtis for any information which he may provide. The Bureau should be immediately advised of all significant developments in this matter.

- 1 - New York
- 1 - Miami
- 1 - Tampa

NOTE: Phoenix Office advised that Curtis, former PCI and CI of New York Office, <sup>stated he</sup> is on assignment to bring six million dollars in "hot" securities and/or jewelry into the United States through Nogales, Arizona. Assignment is for Norman Rothman, owner Albion Hotel, Miami Beach, who is acting on behalf of Trafficante. Curtis is at El Dorado Hotel, Nogales, awaiting contact by unknown individuals and advised he has been paid \$2,000 to date by Rothman. New York Office has advised that Curtis has in the past furnished excellent information on LCN matters but in last few years has used barbiturate drugs, has impersonated a police officer to extort money, and is "money hungry."

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URGENT 9-26-67

TO DIRECTOR MIAMI AND TAMPA  
FROM PHOENIX

SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR.    *ANTI RACKETEERING*  
AR. OO: TAMPA.

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*D.A. Schiflett*  
*Am 5728*

9-27-67 airtel to PHX  
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POTENTIAL CRIMINAL INFORMANT  
 [redacted] FORMER PCI AND CI FOR NEW YORK DIVISION, OTHER 4  
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 HUNGRY".

INSTANT MATTER WILL BE FOLLOWED CLOSELY BY THE PHOENIX

September 27 1967  
SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

An individual, who at one time in past provided information to New York Office, has alleged to our Phoenix Office that he has been engaged by a Miami Beach, Florida, individual to assist in bringing to the United States 6 million dollars in hot securities and jewelry. The source alleges the goods are being brought in on behalf of Florida La Cosa Nostra boss Trafficante. Source alleges he has only received bits of instructions and therefore can not provide full details at present.

In view of fact New York has indicated source to have used barbiturates in past, has impersonated an officer in extorting money and has been considered "money hungry," the Phoenix Office will be instructed to follow this matter closely but make no commitments to the source of information.

AAS:msm