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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (92-2781)

FROM : SAC, Tampa (66-231-sub 1)

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ReBulet 6/4/62 and TPlat 5/17/62.

The Tampa Office is most aware of the urgent need and necessity to develop highly confidential source coverage on subject and his associates and/or subordinates. TPlat of 5/17/62 did not intend to imply that we had stopped all efforts for confidential source coverage re subject; our letter was to inform Bureau concerning efforts for such coverage at subject's residence. Previous weekly airtels to Bureau have set out what steps we have been taking and continue to take toward confidential source coverage, all of which are directed toward subject and his associates.

In view of information set out in TPlat 5/17/62 that the problems encountered at subject's residence negate such confidential coverage, the Tampa Office took immediate aggressive action relative to authority received to survey the Dream Bar, 2801-03 Nebraska Avenue. Fisurs of the Dream Bar were conducted on May 29, 31, and June 1, 1962. This established that such business place was not vacated at any time and that after the Bar closes for business and FANO TRAFFICANTE leaves, a cleanup man stays on and remains in the building with all lights on.

In view of the fact, then, that entry with security could not be obtained at the Dream Bar, the Tampa Office has now initiated the following steps with an aggressive, determined, imaginative approach to accomplish our greatest desires, the installation of numerous highly confidential sources which will place the Tampa Office in a position to know the activities of numerous racket figures.

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1. The JOE R. DIEZ residence is to be entered and misur installed in the immediate future. JOE DIEZ is considered a racket figure (Bureau authority).

2. Survey of Ernesto's Bar and Package Store, 1901 - 12th Avenue, is under way, and this location is where numbers figures GINES RIVERO and ERNESTO ALVAREZ operate, as well as JOE R. DIEZ. Just as soon as the sound-trained Agent establishes what can be done, fisurs will be established for entry and installation. (Bureau authority received to survey.)

3. Bureau authority has been requested to survey Dixie Amusement Co., Inc., 702 West Columbus Drive, which is operated by TOM DIECIDUE and brother, FRANK DIECIDUE, the latter considered a racket figure.

4. Bureau authority has been requested to survey the Yellow House Bar, 15th Street and 11th Avenue, which is known to be a hangout for AUGUSTINE PRIMO LAZZARA and NICK FURCI, racket figures.

Relative to the above-identified targets, the following steps and procedures were initiated on June 1, 1962:

1. JOE R. DIEZ

A fisur was to be established by the Agent assigned the case so that entry could be accomplished with security and the sound-trained Agent and another Agent might accomplish installation. JOE DIEZ and his wife are known to be residing in the residence, and whenever they leave the residence they will be surveilled. Entry Agents will thereafter, with radio equipment, traverse several hundred yards of open space in rural area and gain entry to accomplish installation. A plant area has been secured approximately one-half mile from subject residence.

2. ERNESTO'S BAR AND PACKAGE STORE

As of June 1, 1962, it was ascertained thus far relative to this establishment that a pair on cable J is a "burglar loop" from Ernesto's to Tampa Signal Company. Above the area of the cafe, however, there is a social club of which a security confidential source was president as of July, 1961. Contact with this source was set for June 6, 1962, at which

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time the feasibility of this source's assistance would be determined concerning ingress to establishment. This matter is being aggressively followed so as to establish best approach for entry, and as soon as such is accomplished the best technical installation to be made can be determined and appropriate FD-142 submitted.

3. DIXIE AMUSEMENT CO., INC.

EARL E. FEY, operator of E. & L. Sign Company, located immediately adjacent to this establishment, has already been contacted and is cooperative. It is intended that his place of business will be used as a blind for Agents in securing subsequent entry into Dixie Amusement Co.

It is sincerely anticipated that the Bureau will not have to remind the Tampa Office that it does not have highly confidential source coverage, and that the immediate future will accomplish the above-cited installations, which are but few to the many needed and desired by Agents working the CIP in Tampa.

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