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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2781)
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 RE: SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., aka.
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WEEKLY AIRTEL SUMMARY

_____ PCI, advised on 9/10/62 that the subject and his wife departed Miami for Tampa on 9/8/62.

MM 834-C* advised on 9/14/62 that he had noticed no activity at the subject's residence, 523 N. E. 71st St., Miami, for about 1 week.

MM 768-C advised on 8/31/62 that during the past year he has been acquainted with LARRY DE JOSEPH. He said DE JOSEPH claims to have been an employee of SANTO TRAFFICANTE in the Sans Souci Hotel in Havana, prior to the Castro Revolution. DE JOSEPH has on a number of occasions stated he is a good friend of TRAFFICANTE and is in touch with him occasionally.

The informant, who had been previously advised of the Bureau's interest in TRAFFICANTE, advised that, in order to effect a meeting with TRAFFICANTE, he proposed to DE JOSEPH that TRAFFICANTE provide the financial backing for a gambling ship to be operated off the Fla. Keys. The informant would make all the necessary arrangements and would ask a percentage commission for his planning and arranging for a boat.

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As a result of this proposal, DE JOSEPH arranged a meeting between the informant and TRAFFICANTE. The informant, DE JOSEPH, and IRVING FEINBURG, an acquaintance of the informant who is connected with Escott Construction Co., Miami Beach, went to Sonny's Italian Restaurant, 247 23rd St., Miami Beach, on the night of 8/30/62.

According to the informant, FEINBURG went only at the informant's invitation and did not even know who TRAFFICANTE was. They were met at Sonny's Restaurant by TRAFFICANTE, LOU BRADY, and JUDITH SALVAT, who appeared to be the girlfriend of TRAFFICANTE.

At this meeting the proposed setting up of the gambling ship to be operated off the Fla. Keys was discussed by the informant, TRAFFICANTE, and BRADY. TRAFFICANTE agreed to consider arranging financing for the gambling ship and instructed the informant to give him more specific details, particularly as to arrangements that could be made for securing a suitable ship. They also discussed the possibility of constructing a hotel in Martinique, and Escott entered into this discussion. TRAFFICANTE, however, was not agreeable to this suggestion.

According to the informant BRADY did the majority of the talking for TRAFFICANTE and gave the impression that he was trying to impress TRAFFICANTE in the way he talked and discussed the matter with the informant.

The informant expects future meetings between himself and TRAFFICANTE, or one of his representatives, regarding this matter.

On 9/4/62, the informant advised that he has negotiated with LEWIS FRAZIER, owner of the motor vessel "Fleures" to buy this vessel and have it converted into a gambling ship. The ship is 180' in length and would be capable of handling about 100 gambling passengers. It now flies the Panamanian flag. The price of the ship would be \$35,000 and would cost \$65,000 to convert into a plush gambling ship. Informant said this had been discussed with DE JOSEPH and DE JOSEPH told him he would relay this on to his "associates."

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Inasmuch as the above information is known only to a very few individuals, and due to the closeness of the informant to the situation, it is recommended this information be reported only in the Administrative section.

[redacted], PCI, advised SA C. GRAHAM HURST on 9/5/62 that MARTIN FOX, who was an associate of TRAFFICANTE, has been very ill and in the hospital at Boston, Mass.

[redacted] advised he would again contact MARTIN FOX regarding TRAFFICANTE when FOX returns to Miami.

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