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RE: GUS ALEX, aka
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OO: CHICAGO

Re Chicago airtels to the Bureau, 1/24,25 and 31/61, and Bureau airtel to Chicago, 1/26/61.

Re Salt Lake City teletype to Los Angeles, dated 1/16/61, captioned "MORRIS B. DALITZ, AR" in which Los Angeles was advised that DALITZ, a top hoodlum national, had been away from Las Vegas, Nevada, for several days and on 1/14/61, had telephoned his wife from FIreside 6-6144, Palm Springs, Calif. Salt Lake City advised that on 1/11/61, ALLARD ROEN, General Manager, Desert Inn Hotel, Las Vegas, had telephonically contacted SID KORSHAK at the Racquet Club, Palm Springs, Cal., and on the same date, JOHN DREW, SU-TH, contacted ROEN from Palm Springs telephone 3241141. On 1/14/61, WILBUR CLARKE, also SU-TH, contacted RAY RYAN at this same telephone. RAY RYAN is sole owner of the El Mirador Hotel, Palm Springs.

Salt Lake City teletype continued to the effect that KORSHAK is reportedly acting as front man to work out a deal in Las Vegas for Chicago hoodlums to invest in Las Vegas gambling casinos.

Intensive investigation was conducted at Palm Springs in an effort to locate GUS ALEX without success.

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On 1/30/61, records of CHARLES FARRELL's Racquet Club, Palm Springs, were checked for the month of January, 1961. No information was located to indicate GUS ALEX had been there during that period. These records indicate that SID KORSHAK occupied Units 63, 64 and 65 from 12/26/60 through 1/1/61. KORSHAK again occupied Units 63, 64 and 65 from 1/11 through 15/61. Records indicate that MARIANNE RYAN was a guest of KORSHAK, occupying Unit 63 on 1/11 through 15/61.

PCI [redacted] Manager of CHARLES FARRELL's Racquet Club, was contacted on 1/31/61. He advised that he is well acquainted with SID KORSHAK and knows him to be a very successful attorney from Chicago, Illinois and of late, Los Angeles, California, and that KORSHAK has had considerable to do with union activities in Chicago. He said KORSHAK is a member of the Racquet Club and that he frequently stays at the club occupying two or three units. He specifically recalled that during the period 12/26/60 through 1/1/61, KORSHAK, his wife BERNICE and their children occupied units 63, 64 and 65. OTHER 4

Regarding the period 1/11 through 15/61, [redacted] recalled that Mr. and Mrs. KORSHAK and children occupied Units 64 and 65 while MARIANNE RYAN occupied Unit 63.

PCI [redacted] advised that he had no recollection of any guest at the Racquet Club using the name GUS ALEX or MICHAEL RYAN and was unable to identify a photograph of ALEX.

PCI [redacted] described MARIANNE RYAN as being a relative of KORSHAK's wife, possibly her sister, as he knew they had been closely associated in modeling in Chicago. PCI [redacted] also advised that Units 63, 64 and 65 had been occupied from 1/2 through 4/61 by JACK ENTRATTER, who is well known to the Salt Lake City and Los Angeles Offices as having an interest in Las Vegas hotels. ENTRATTER had as his guests Mr. and Mrs. L. PALIN and Mr. and Mrs. M. ABRAMSON.

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PCI [redacted] advised that Mrs. MARIANNE ALEX of 3460 Downing Avenue, Glendale, California, and Mrs. GEORGE E.Q. JOHNSON (CAROLE JOHNSON) of 7708 Luella, Chicago, Illinois, were guests at the hotel during the period 3/22 through 29/59. He said that a member of the Racquet Club, MAL CLARKE, had actually telephoned for reservations for these two individuals and that CLARKE made the reservations at the request of SIDNEY KORSHAK. OTHER 4

PCI [redacted] had no recollection of GUS ALEX visiting at the Racquet Club at that or any other time.

[redacted] advised that on 1/30/61, KORSHAK had been at poolside at the Racquet Club spending the major portion of the day but that he did not stay overnight. [redacted] had no information as to where KORSHAK might have stayed if he did remain at Palm Springs overnight, 1/30/61.

Suitable pretext telephone calls were made on 1/31 and 2/1/61 to the following major hotels in Palm Springs in an effort to locate GUS ALEX with negative results:

El Mirador
1150 North Indian Avenue

Ambassador Hotel
640 North Indian Avenue

Biltmore Hotel
1000 East Palm Canyon Drive

Crestview Hotel
950 North Indian Avenue

Ocotillo Lodge
1111 East Palm Canyon Drive

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