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Memorandum

TO

Mr. Belmont

DATE: October 8, 1963

FROM

A. Rosen

SUBJECT:

CHARLES WILLIAM BRAY
FELIX ANTHONY ALDERISIO
SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR. \
PAN AMERICAN BANK OF MIAMI, FLORIDA - VICTIM
INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY
MAIL FRAUD; INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION

IN AID OF RACKETEERING - EXTORTION

Assistant Attorney General Herbert J. Miller, Jr., Criminal Division, has requested that subject Alderisio be arrested on the morning of 10/9/63 by our Chicago, Illinois, Office on a warrant obtained on 10/2/63 by our Miami, Florida, Office which charged Alderisio with violating the Interstate Transportation in Aid of Racketeering (ITAR) - Extortion Statute. This warrant was issued following the filing of a complaint, authorized by the Criminal Divisi following the receipt of information by our Chicago Office indicating Alderisio has a passport and is arranging his personal business so tha he can leave the country. The Criminal Division did not desire that this warrant be served before this time because it expected that a grand jury indictment would be returned shortly; however, it has now been ascertained that there will be some additional delay in the retur of such indictment and it is feared Alderisio may go through with his plans to flee the country.

Alderisio, a well-known Chicago hoodlum, commonly referred t as "Milwaukee Phil," is an extremely close associate of top echelon hoodlums in the Milwaukee and Chicago areas. He is rumored to have been a gunman for the old Capone gang. The investigation on which the complaint was based developed that Alderisio and subject Traffican (a top hoodlum of our Tampa, Florida, Office) endeavored to "muscle in on the profits of a "South American deal" being operated by Sam Kay (a Miami Beach shylock millionaire); Charles William Bray (Chicago insurance broker); and James W. Egan (Denver, Colorado, banker). In early 1962, in Miami, Alderisio assaulted Egan and threatened Egan's teen-age daughter with bodily harm unless he, Alderisio, was given one-third of the profits of the "South American deal." Interstate travel for the purpose of committing extortion is a violation of the ITAR Statute.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont Re: Charles William Bray; et al.

Prosecution of Trafficante has not been authorized by the Criminal Division as there is no indication he plans to flee the country, and the evidence against him is not as clear-cut as that against Alderisio. Bray will be used as a witness against Alderisio and is now furnishing information in other Bureau investigations involving Teamsters Union bonding programs.

It is noted that the complaint filed on 10/2/63 at Miami, charging Alderisio with violating the ITAR - Extortion Statute, alleged that Alderisio travelled from Chicago to Miami with intent to commit an act of extortion against James W. Egan and in furtherance of this to commit assault and battery on him. It alleges also that on or about 3/9/62, Alderisio carried out the latter intent by assaulting Egan and further attempted to perform the unlawful act of extortion by threatening to harm Egan's daughter.

The foregoing is for your information. Our Chicago Office is being instructed to effect the arrest of Alderisio and contact Assistant Director DeLoach's office, which has been supplied with background data, when Alderisio is apprehended in order that an appropriate press release can be made at Chicago.

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