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Memorandum

JUNE

TO : Director, FBI (Bufile 92-2839) DATE: 9/28/64

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia (92-441 Sub A)

SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title RUSSELL A. BUFALINO

Character of Case AR
Field Office Philadelphia
Symbol Number PH 701-C*
Type of Surveillance: (~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Pa.
Microphone)

CONF. INFT.

1. Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:

RUSSELL A. BUFALINO, 304 East Dorrance Street, Kingston, Pa.

2. Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:

119 North Main Street, Pittston, Pa., second floor,
A. B. S. Contracting Company

3. Location of monitoring plant:

Central Monitoring Plant, Philadelphia.

4. Dates of initial authorization and installation:

Authorized - 6/5/64. Installed - 6/18/64.

5. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):

None.

6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:

a. Is a trunk line utilized?

b. Is the surveillance on a switchboard? NA

c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone?

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On 8/18/64 informant advised BUFALINO was in contact with one WILLIE (LNU). At this time BUFALINO set up a meeting with this person for Friday morning, 8/21/64.

On 8/21/64 informant advised BUFALINO was to meet WILLIAM BUFALINO, JR., of Detroit, who according to PH 665-C-TE, is the son of WILLIAM BUFALINO, a Detroit attorney who has some connection with JAMES HOFFA.

On 8/25/64 informant reported on BUFALINO's daily activities concerning his business, and stated that BUFALINO was in contact with a person identified as HARRY STROMBERG, New York, who is possibly HYMAN CHAIM STROMBERG, aka. This apparently involved some deal in connection with blouses manufactured by BUFALINO's company.

On 8/26/64 informant reported on BUFALINO's being interested in a new building on the main street in Pittston, Pa.

On 8/27/64 and 8/28/64 informant furnished information concerning BUFALINO making several long distance telephone calls.

On 9/3/64 informant furnished information concerning BUFALINO being interested in collecting old theater films.

On 9/4/64 informant furnished information that BUFALINO would be in Philadelphia on 9/9/64, at which time he would check to see if it was OK to file the "application now." The application was not further identified.

On 9/5/64 informant furnished voluminous information concerning BUFALINO's social activities and the names of several women with whom he is currently associating. In addition, the informant furnished information concerning BUFALINO's business activities, including a land deal in the Pocono Mountains in which BUFALINO claims to own three hundred acres which are very valuable. Informant indicated BUFALINO expected to make a large amount of money from this land.

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During the period 9/10/64 through 9/17/64 the informant reported on BUFALINO's activities in his office, including activity on 9/17/64 in which BUFALINO was interested in having papers concerning his marriage and other information taken to an attorney in Philadelphia. This was evidently in connection with BUFALINO's appeal.

* On 9/18/64 informant furnished information that three men believed to be ANGELO BUFALINO, cousin of RUSSELL BUFALINO; SAM COMETA; and a third unidentified person, possibly from Binghamton, N. Y., met in RUSSELL BUFALINO's office and discussed plans to murder an unidentified person suspected of being an informant. Context suggested victim to be NICHOLAS ALAIMO of Pittston, Pa., FBI #727 127. Informant could not furnish name of agency for which victim was supposed to be an informant. ALAIMO is not an FBI informant.

On 9/23/64 informant reported that according to ANGELO BUFALINO, RUSSELL BUFALINO was out of town and had not returned. It should be noted that PH 665-C-TE had reported BUFALINO was in New York City.

* Bureau, Albany, Buffalo and New York advised by coded teletype dated 9/21/64 captioned: "LA COSA NOSTRA; aka - AR; PHILA. DIVISION". (92-1027)

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