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TO DIRECTOR AND NEW YORK  
FROM NEW ORLEANS (92-784)

LA COSA NOSTRA, LA STELLA RESTAURANT MEETING, NEW YORK CITY, SEPTEMBER TWENTYTWO, SIXTYSIX, AR. *ARC: RACKETEERING*

RE NEW ORLEANS TELETYPE TO BUREAU APRIL SEVEN INSTANT.

SAMUEL J. RECILE, PRESIDENT, PLAZA TOWERS, INC., AND SOUTHERN LAND CORPORATION, BOTH NEW ORLEANS, LA., AGE THIRTY FIVE, BORN AND RAISED IN PLAQUENIMES PARISH, LA., HAS BEEN IN OIL LEASE BUSINESS AND REAL ESTATE SPECULATION AND DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS FOR PAST THIRTEEN YEARS.

STARTING IN OCTOBER, SIXTYSIX, NEW ORLEANS NEWSPAPERS BEGAN REPORTING RECILE IN FINANCIAL DIFFICULTY WITH PLAZA TOWERS, INC. PLAZA TOWERS, INC., A FORTYFIVE STORY OFFICE APARTMENT COMPLEX IN NEW ORLEANS, ABOUT EIGHTY PERCENT COMPLETE. MEADOWBROOK NATIONAL BANK AND MANUFACTURER'S HANOVER TRUST BANK, BOTH NEW YORK, NEW YORK, IN DECEMBER, SIXTYSIX, FORECLOSED ON THEIR TWENTYONE MILLION DOLLAR LOAN TO RECILE TO BUILD THIS STRUCTURE THROUGH HIS PLAZA TOWERS, INC. BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS UNDER CHAPTER TEN INSTITUTED

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COURT OF APPEALS ON APRIL FOUR, SIXTYSEVEN, TOOK UNDER ADVISEMENT RECILE'S APPEAL FROM THE DISMISSAL OF HIS PETITION SEEKING REORGANIZATION UNDER FEDERAL BANKRUPTCY LAW.

IN MARCH, SIXTYSEVEN, CIVIL SHERIFF, ORLEANS PARISH, SEIZED AND SOLD SEVERAL SMALL PARCELS OF REALTY OWNED BY RECILE IN THE FRENCH QUARTER OF NEW ORLEANS. THIS DONE TO SATISFY STATE REALTY TAXES LONG OVERDUE.

IN MARCH, SIXTYSEVEN, RECILE COMMENCED CONSTRUCTION OF A THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLAR HOME IN COVINGTON, LOUISIANA.

IN MARCH, SIXTYSEVEN, <sup>NEW ORLEANS</sup> N.O. ONE FOUR FIVE SEVEN DASH C DASH TE, ADVISED THAT RECILE IS A LONG TIME FRIEND AND BUSINESS ASSOCIATE OF CARLOS MARCELLO AND JOSEPH MARCELLO.

AS HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TO THE BUREAU, SINCE JUNE, SIXTYSIX, SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., HAS BEEN IN NEW ORLEANS ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS TO SEE CARLOS MARCELLO RELATIVE TO SOME BUSINESS TRANSACTION.

THIS, COUPLED WITH DATA FURNISHED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE, LEADS NEW ORLEANS TO BELIEVE RECILE SHOULD BE INTERVIEWED  
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