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FRANK JOHN VELOTTA 00: LOS ANGELES

Investigation was initiated in captioned case upon receipt of information from former SF 3001-PC that VELOTTA was interested in gaining admission into the LCN and had become closely associated with LCN members JIMMY FRATIANNO and FRANK BOMPENSIERO in order to accomplish this objective. This source, as well as SD 1064-C-TE, reported that VELOTTA, an expert safe burglar and his associates were actively engaged in safe burglaries.

Inasmuch as VELOTTA has, in the past, been a close associate of "MICHAEL ANTHONY PETRO, aka. AR," Bufile 92-5770, Los Angeles file 92-626, pertinent information developed concerning the activities of VELOTTA and his associates has been set forth in reports concerning PETRO.

In addition, information relating to VELOTTA's association with FRATIANNO and BOMPENSIERO has been reported in the case captioned, "LCN. AR - Conspiracy," Bufile 92-6054.

The Los Angeles Police Department, Burglary Detail, has had an extensive investigation relating to the activities of VELOTTA and his associates. The Los Angeles Police Department, Burglary Detail, has recently criticized investigators of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office because of a surveillance by these investigators of VELOTTA and his associates which they claim resulted in a premature arrest of VELOTTA and associates.

VELOTTA and other associates have recently been indicted by the Los Angeles County Grand Jury, charged with possession of burglary tools and conspiracy to commit burglary with explosives, and they are currently on bail.

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