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To : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-6054)

DATE: 8/9/68

From : SAC, SAN DIEGO (92-229) (P)

S.T. Subject: IA COSA NOSTRA
AR - CONSPIRACY
OO: New York

Re San Diego letter to the Bureau, 7/19/68.

SD 1064-C-TE was recontacted on 7/25/68 and furnished the following information on La Cosa Nostra (LCN) and other hoodlums:

1. LOS ANGELES DIVISION

1. Los Angeles LCN Leadership Meeting with Informant.

a. LCN Involvement in Gambling, Cabazon, California.

Informant advised on 7/23/68 he drove to Cabazon, California, in the vicinity of Palm Springs, and contacted NICK "The Greek" SIMPONIS, well-known hoodlum gambler and operator of the Desert Sands, a card gambling casino on the outskirts of Palm Springs. SIMPONIS advised him he was leaving the following day for Mexico City, where he sits in

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(Los Angeles Division advised that according to LA 4448-C-TE, CHARLIE DE MARCO, whom he has known for a number of years, is a tout and a gambler who frequents local race tracks, and he claims to be a "fixer" with contacts among local law enforcement people. He is a close associate of a well-known criminal attorney in Los Angeles, PAUL CARUSO. He is described as WMA, Italian (Neopolitan), about 55, 5'5", 160 pounds, full head of sandy gray hair, wears light gray glasses.)

Informant has been in contact several times recently with DE MARCO as DE MARCO is acquainted with ROBAN in the Cabazon, California, gambling picture.

Informant stated that in a recent conversation with DE MARCO, DE MARCO claimed he had "a man in the window" who works Hollywood Park and Santa Anita race tracks. DE MARCO indicated that this man handles a great deal of money during the racing season and is in an excellent position to switch bogus money or cash counterfeit or stolen money orders. DE MARCO told the informant that if he has any access to such items to contact him so that they can dispose of them through this contact.

5. (FNU) GIAMMONA

The informant stated that while having coffee with LICATA on the morning of 7/24/68, LICATA mentioned during the conversation that GIAMMONA had a heart attack and in addition had lost a leg. The informant did not ask any further questions and assumed it was JOE GIAMMONA, a former capo who is no longer active. Informant was asked if LICATA could have meant ANGELO GIAMMONA, to which the informant replied that now he was not sure to which GIAMMONA LICATA was referring.

II. THE SACRAMENTO DIVISION

Informant advised that he had been in telephonic contact on 7/25/68 with JIMMY "The Weasel" FRATIANNO and that FRATIANNO was upset with having recently been presented with papers reflecting he is being sued by the Mercantile National Bank of Chicago for \$640,000.00 as a result of the trucks financed by that bank. In addition to this, FRATIANNO told the informant he is broke and his landlady has given him three days notice to move out. FRATIANNO stated that he had