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On July 8, 1958 HIEC advised SA PHILLIP M. KING that after reading the morning St. Louis Globe-Democrat for July 8, 1958, which related that COSTELLO and JOHN HAGER were issued subpoenas inferring that the Senate Rackets Committee was going to investigate the GREENLEASE case and also that BARNEY BAKER had been subpoenaed in connection with the same matter, she telephoned TRAYNOR at approximately 2:00 a.m. and then read the article to TRAYNOR, whereupon she stated TRAYNOR became highly elated and advised her that if she were subpoenaed, she would tell everything about her association with COSTELLO, specifically mentioning the money she had loaned him on his house and business and about the money COSTELLO and his wife had stolen from her.

TRAYNOR stated she recalled that COSTELLO, on July 6, 1958, had warned her not to go down to the banks where her safety deposit boxes were as the FBI was watching her all the more and also told her to be careful what she said over the telephone as her phone was tapped. At this point TRAYNOR related that she hopes her phone is tapped and that the FBI is aware of what is going on.

The source also related that TRAYNOR said she would tell the Senate Committee about COSTELLO giving HAGER money the day before COSTELLO's family and TRAYNOR left Las Vegas to return to St. Louis from their vacation in 1957.

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In regard to BARNEY BAKER, TRAYNOR stated that she could tell things about BAKER and COSTELLO, and further related that MOLLIF BAKER, BARNEY BAKER's ex-wife, can also tell a lot about BAKER's connections with COSTELLO.

She related to the source that COSTELLO advised her on July 7, 1958, after she had told him about the FBI investigating her son, that the FBI was sending her son to her; that he was a "square john" and he could get TRAYNOR to make admissions to him and he, in turn, would tell the FBI.

TRAYNOR also related to source, in her conversation at 2:00 a.m., that inasmuch as COSTELLO has been subpoensed and the FBI is investigating her son, she expects the FBI to see her, and the source relates she firmly believes that TRAYNOR is ready to talk to Agents.