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April 24, 1967 # 15499 11-2-1-ALL INFORMATION CONT HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIE EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN In reply to your inquiry of April 12, 1967, a check of our records does not disclose any additional identifying information performance.

identifying information pertaining to J. Finke. As you have noted the date of birth listed for him in your memorandum differs from the date of birth of Samuel Benton, who was born on July 4, 1920. We have no information to indicate that Samuel Benton has ever spelled his last name Finke or that he has ever used the alias J. Finke.75 The last available description of Benton is that he is a white male, 6' tall, 180 pounds, with brown eyes and brown hair, and wears glasses.

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Accordingly, it is not possible on the basis of information presently at hand to determine [if J. Finke and Samuel Benton may be identical. (5)

Original and one delivered to Washington representative NOTE: based on of MI-5 on 4/24/67 by the request of MI-5.

See cover memorandum, J. H. Gale to Mr. DeLoach, NOTE: dated 4/21/67, captioned "Gambling Activities - Bahamas, Anti-Racketeering," ARW:dsa.

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10 MATE 1962-EFTION GSI GEN REG NO. 27 5010-106 Tolson UNITED STATES GO DeLoach ERNMENT Mohr Wick emorandum Casp Callá Cor Fel Ga TO DATE: April 21, 1967 Mr. DeLoach Sulliva ALL INFORMATION CONTAINEL Tavel Trotter HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED Tele, Room FROM J. H. Gale Holmes EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN Gandy 10 MOTHERWISE SUBJECT GAMBLING ACTIVITIÉS - BAHAMAS 111/45 ANTI-RACKETEERING Classified Dy-SFID Declassify on DADR MI-5 Representative has requested to be advised if one J. Finke could possibly be identical with Samuel Benton, who changed his name officially in 1943 to Samuel Fink.(S) Background information on this request is that in December, 1966, at the height of the political campaign in the Bahamas, allegations were received by British Intelligence officials that certain individuals connected with United States gambling interests were preparing to 7furnish money and weapons to the underdog, the Progressive Liberal Party. The allegation implied that hoodlum interests were determined to preserve their control of casino gambling operations in the Bahamas. To assist the British authorities in the identification of certain individuals alleged to be involved in this plot, we made available background information on one SzmulXFinkielman who changed his name to SamuelYFink and is now commonly known as Samuel Benton (s) Benton has the reputation of being associated with confidence men and swindlers and has been suspected of be ebeing involved in the theft of stock certificates. He CH Fis a private investigator, resident of Miami Beach, Florida, who was born on July 4, 1920, in Poland, and admitted to the United States in 1943 and became a naturalized citizen.= No record appears in Bureau files on the individual (A^{i}) -----Finke. Lit is noted that this individual, according to Ω_{A} J., 12 MI 5, was born on July 28, 1923, in Poland. (6) In the absence of additional identifying information, it is not possible to state if J. Finke is identical⁹ with Samuel Fink, also known as Samuel Benton. Enc. del **REC 29** 18 APR 25 1967 1 - Mr. McAndrews - Mr. DeLoãob. Foreign Liaison - Mr. Ware Mr. Gale 33 4 :dsadsa CONTINUED - OVER 5 4 MARY 2 1967

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> Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach Re: Gambling Activities - Bahamas

Because of the efforts of the British authorities to involve the FBI in the open Commission of Inquiry hearings being conducted in the Bahamas on all casino gambling operations, we are not furnishing any type of information to British authorities pertaining to such gambling activities. It would appear, however, that we should advise the representative of MI-5 in this instance that we are unable to determine from identifying information available to us whether J. Finke and Samuel Benton may be identical (s)

ACTION:

If you approve, attached is a blind memorandum advising MI-5 that it cannot be determined from the information presently at hand if J. Finke is identical with Samuel Benton. A brief description of Benton is included.



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