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2. If possible, identify CIVELLO's visitor from New York, named FRUZZIO (PH) who had previously been in the bakery business in New York City but is now in the grocery business in up-state New York.

DALLAS DIVISION AT TYLER, TEXAS

- 1. Contact local authorities for complete information re arrest of EDWARD ARTHUR STRICKLAND for Smith County authorities on 9/2/60 by Dallas SO.
- 2. Obtain descriptive data and photograph.

AT DALLAS, TEXAS

- 1. Contact PCI HODGES DUBOISE HAMILTON for additional information concerning CIVELLO's investments with HARRY DAVID KAHN in oil leases.
- 2. Will maintain contact with established sources; continue spot checks and surveillances and attempt to develop additional sources relative to CIVELLO's current activity.
- 3. Will continue to identify possible associates of CIVELLO and obtain background information concerning them.
- 4. Will recontact DL-105-C for more information concerning the identity of CHARLIE GORDON of Kansas City.
- 5. Will attempt to obtain more information concerning underworld investments in oil leases in Texas and more details concerning the legal or illegal activities of the "Italian group" from which CIVELLO allegedly derives 2% of the proceeds.
- 6. Obtain complete background information concerning FRANK TORTORIELLO.
- 7. Will contact officials at the Exchange Bank, Oak Cliff Savings and Loan Association and the Preston State Bank for any further information concerning financial affairs of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, ROSS MUSSO and any other individuals connected with CIVELLO.
- 8. Will discreetly review records of the Merchants State Bank for information concerning CIVELLO and/or associates.

ADMINISTRATIVE

INFORMANT COVERAGE

The following list of informants are being utilized in following the activities of CIVELLO:

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IDENTITY OF INFORMANTS

T-l is DL-1	05-C		
T-21 is PCI			
T-22 is Lt.	JACK REVILL,	Criminal	Intelligence
	Dallas PD		
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T-24 is PCI			7
T-25 is PCI		4 7 4 4 7	-
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Careful consideration was given to each source concealed by T symbols in this report and T symbols were utilized only where identities must be concealed. The above individuals have been known to furnish reliable information and have been in a position to furnish information concerning CIVELLO's activities.

Investigation has been conducted by Dallas with the objective of installing misur at the Airway Liquor Store, Egyptian Lounge or the L & S Used Car Lot, Mesquite, Texas. Investigation indicates the office located in the rear of the Egyptian Lounge would be the most productive place for a misur at this time. Practically all of CIVELLO's associates gather at this location to discuss gambling activities and other activities of Italians in the Dallas area. CIVELLO

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Informant stated that PHIL BOSCO is a chief in the numbers racket at the present time.

Dallas T-24 stated that JOE and SAM CAMPISI at the Egyptian Lounge have excellent contacts in the Police Department and Sheriff's Office in Dallas and can learn anything they need to know. They also have close contacts in the telephone company and follow through on any installations made. Informant mentioned that JOE CAMPISI used to be a pimp and still does a little pimping of high class stuff out of the restaurant. He also stated JOE CAMPISI has an extremely large sum of money stashed away and that he is a heavy gambler and thinks nothing of dropping two, three or four grand. JOE CAMPISI is close with W. O. BANKSTON and actually considers W. O. BANKSTON a god and that W. O. BANKSTON could actually lead JOE CAMPISI in any direction necessary.

On May 10, 1961, Dallas T-25 advised SAs MILTON L. NEWSOM and ROBERT M. BARRETT that he has been doing business with CIVELLO and CIVELLO's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. ROSS MUSSO for approximately 5 years. He said CIVELLO has also done business with ED BUTLER who operates a service station at 3040 West Mockingbird Lane, Dallas.

Informant recalled that on several occasions during his acquaintance with CIVELLO, the subject came into informant's station accompanied by an Italian looking individual who has given the impression he was from New York. He described this person as a white male about 50, 5'10", large build, large protruding eyes. Informant stated this person appears in Dallas with CIVELLO approximately once every three or four months and on each of these occasions, informant has observed that CIVELLO will go unshaven for two or three days and appear to be extremely busy. Dallas T-25 once asked CIVELLO what he was doing during one of these periods and CIVELLO stated he had a "game going" and mentioned Arlington and Rockwall, Texas as being the place where the game was taking place.

Dallas T-25 stated he can talk with Mrs. MUSSO as he feels he is better acquainted with her than with other members of the CIVELLO household. He feels he will