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Phoenix top echelon informant has been requested by Tucson, Arizona, hoodlum Battaglia to drive the latter and another hoodlum to Los Angeles, California, 9/15/67. Purpose of trip is allegedly to attend meeting where vote will be taken for designation of new boss of La Cosa Nostra "family" in Los Angeles. It will be recalled that Frank Desimone, the previous boss, died in August, 1967.

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FROM PHOENIX

LA COSA NOSTRA. AR-CONSPIRACY.

ON SEPTEMBER 6, 1967, PX 811-PC, NEW TOP ECHELON CRIMINAL INFORMANT UNDER DEVELOPMENT BY PHOENIX DIVISION, ADVISED HE IS SUPPOSED TO DRIVE CHARLES JOSEPH BATTAGLIA, JR. TO LOS ANGELES. CALIFORNIA ALONG WITH SALVATORE JOSEPH SPINELLI BEFORE SEPTEMBER 15 NEXT WHERE VOTING WILL TAKE PLACE FOR NEW "BOSS" OF LOS ANGELES "FAMILY" OF LCN, DUE TO RECENT DEATH OF FRANK DESIMONE. ACCORDING TO INFORMANT BATTAGLIA INDICATED WILL BE INVOLVED IN VOTING OF NEW "BOSS" AND DESIROUS TO SEE SON OF TOM DRAGNA SUCCEED DESIMONE. INFORMANT AVERRED BATTAGLIA PRESENTLY IN HOSPITAL TUCSON WITH WHAT IS CONSIDERED TO BE KIDNEY STONES.

INFORMANT HAD NO ADDITIONAL DATA AT THIS TIME. DETAILED INFO RECEIVED FROM INFORMANT FOLLOWS BY REGISTERED AIRMAIL A ***

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