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SD 1064-C-TE has previously furnished information identifying PETER DI LORENZO of Detroit, Michigan, as a member of the La Cosa Nostra (LCN). In connection with a previous investigation, information was received from the United States Narcotics Bureau in Detroit concerning activities of a number of Detroit LCN members who traveled to San Diego, California, in 1956 to visit one SALVATORE VITALE. Narcotics Bureau information reads as follows:

In 1956 SALVATORE VITALE, FBI #1209812, disappeared and his present whereabouts are unknown to the Bureau of Narcotics. Several months before VITALE's disappearance, information was received by the Bureau of Narcotics that JOHN PRIZIOLA, FBI #783659C, PETER DI LORENZO, JOSEPH ZERILLI, FBI #798171C, PETER LICAVOLI, FBI #237021, FRANK LIVORSI, FBI #792029, and JOHN ORMENTO, International List 253, visited SALVATORE VITALE in San Diego, California.

After SALVATORE VITALE's disappearance, it was reported that one FABIO DE GREGORIO told JOSEPH MATRANGA (SALVATORE VITALE's brother-in-law) to get word to JOHN PRIZIOLA to find out who murdered SALVATORE VITALE and to have JOHN PRIZIOLA pay Mrs. SALVATORE VITALE the money owed to her husband. It is alleged that JOHN PRIZIOLA told JOSEPH MATRANGA to mind his own business. (Note: The aforementioned JOSEPH MATRANGA, FBI #4582298, is married to JOHN PRIZIOLA's daughter, JOSEPHINE.)

Additional information received from the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) in Detroit indicated

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arrest on the current offense involves the largest confiscation of counterfeit money in the history of the State of Michigan.

SD 1064-C-TE has previously furnished a great deal of information concerning both PRIZIOLA and JOSEPH ZERILLI of Detroit, as well as concerning JOSEPH MATRANGA of San Diego who is PRIZIOLA's son-in-law. All of the above are mentioned in connection with the disappearance of SALVATORE VITALE in 1956. Also mentioned are FRANK LIVORSI and JOHN ORMENTO, both of New York City and both of whom are known to have had strong ties with the Detroit LCN family.

San Diego is requested to reinterview SD 1064-C-TE for any specific and detailed information he can furnish concerning the individuals or collective activities of any of the above-mentioned individuals, particularly with reference to their association with PETER DI LORENZO. The informant should be requested to relate in detail his knowledge of the association between any of the above-mentioned individuals including LIVORSI and ORMENTO.

A copy of this communication is being furnished the Kansas City Office inasmuch as it is expected that Kansas City will be requested to conduct an interview of DI LORENZO in the near future. Accordingly, San Diego is requested to furnish Kansas City with copies of any information developed through contacts with SD 1064-C-TE.