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Two (2) copies each of letterhead memorandum characterizing informants utilized in this report.

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CLEVELAND:

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

Will continue to develop information regarding the La Cosa Nostra (LCN), its members, and their activities in the Cleveland Division through contacts with informants and other sources.

Will attempt to identify additional members in Northern, Ohio and develop a breakdown on the Cleveland "femily" as to leadership, etc.

CINCINNATI, DETROIT, PITTSBURGH, KANSAS CITY AND SAN DIEGO:

Information copies of this report are being furnished to Cincinnati, Detroit, Pittsburgh, Kansas City and San Diego, since this report contains information regarding LCN activities in these divisions.

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Additional T symbols were assigned CV 421-C-TE in order to further protect this source.

PAUL ROMEO SR., and MIKE ROMEO SR., who are brothers from Youngstown, Ohio, are LCN members. CV 421-C-TE of Akron, Ohio, is a close associate of the ROMEOS. Information set out in this report relating to the LCN organization, membership and policy is attributed to CV 421-C-TE as the source, however, the information was obtained by the informant from several conversations he had with MIKE ROMEO. The information is set out in this method to further protect CV 421-C-TE.

With Bureau approval, the Cleveland office by letter dated 10/17/66, forwarded to the Los Angeles, Milwaukee, Phoenix, New York, Philadelphia and San Francisco offices, photographs of the twelve (12) suspected LCN members in the Cleveland Division

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with the request that these photographs be shown to LCN informants in order to determine if these individuals were LCN members. These offices subsequently advised that the following informants were contacted, however no information was obtained indicating that these suspected members were LCN members:

MI 623-C-TE Milwaukee Phoenix PX 777-C-TE New York NY 1839-C-TE NY 4018-C-TE NY 4857-C-TE MY 5526-C-TE NY 5542-C-TE NY 5042-C-TE MY 4336-C-TE Philadelphia -PH 672-C-TE FH 599-C-TE San Francisco SF 2354-C-TE SF 2550-C-TE SF 2689-C-TE SF 2745-C-TE LA 4448-C-TE Los Angeles LA 4412-C-TE

By letter dated 7/14/67, the Cleveland office forwarded to San Diego nine (9) photographs of LCN members and in addition three (3) photographs of suspected LCN members in the Cleveland area with the request that these be shown to San Diego informant SD 1064-C-TE.

By airtel dated 8/9/67, San Diego advised that SD 1064-C-TE had identified eight (8) of the LCN members, but was unable to identify the photograph of NICK SATULLO. In addition, SD 1064-C-TE identified AUGUST LCCCO also known as (aka), Gus Demma and ANTHONY MOLLICA who were suspected LCN members, as being members of the LCN. This informant was unable to identify suspected member JAMES LA FATCH. Cleveland at this time is not carrying LOCO or MOLLICA as LCN members and by letter dated 8/31/67, the San Diego office has been requested to recontact

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the informant for additional information regarding his basis for so identifying these individuals as LCN members and to furnish any specific information regarding LCN activities. Upon the receipt of this inquiry, Cleveland will make a determination whether these individuals shall be identified as LCN members.

Information had been received from Cleveland sources that NUNZIE DESTRO, an Akron, Ohio racket figure had been killed and his body disposed of. GV 421-G-TE was contacted on July 7, 1967, regarding this rumor and advised at that time that he had heard nothing regarding it. On July 14, 1967, CV 421-G-TE advised that he had made inquiries and had determined that the above rumor concerning DESTRO's death was false, however, according to this source, DESTRO was in serious trouble and probably could eventually be done away with.

Source stated that recently DESTRO had had a serious disagreement with one TED POPA, Akron, Ohio burglar, over the disposition of some burglary loot and POPA had become incensed because DESTRO had put a gun on POPA to settle this argument. Source added that DESTRO had a more serious problem since there were reports being circled that DESTRO had been smuggling narcotics in some manner to THOMAS "YONNIE" LICAVOLI (Detroit LCN member), who is serving a life sentence in the Ohio State Penitentiary (OSP), Columbus, Ohio. Source advised that this information came from ANTHONY BESASE, Toledo, Ohio LCN member and who has very close ties with the Detroit LCN "family". According to source, PETE LICAVOLI, LCN member of Detroit and a younger brother of YONNIE LICAVOLI, was extremely upset with DESTRO for furnishing these narcotics and to which "YONNIE" is allegedly now addicted. As a result PETE LICAVOLA gave out the word for a "hit" on DESTRO. Source further advised that DOMINIC POPA, Akron, Ohio and a friend of DESTRO, had interceded for him with ANTHONY BESASE and the "hit" was writ off temporarily.

Source stated that JOE ZERILLI, Detroit LCN leader was then out of Detroit and Talwas a the best when ZERILLI returns to Detroit he may again want DESTRO "hit" and this time BESASE would be unable to intercede. This information has been confidentially furnished to the authorities at the

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