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 MIAMI FIELD DIVISION  
 GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE INTELLIGENCE FILE  
 TOP HOODLUM COVERAGE

Re SAC Letter Number 53-58.

Enclosed will be found individual memoranda on each of the 50 persons who are currently classified as top hoodlums by the Miami Field Division, which memoranda contain information that has been brought to our attention regarding these persons in the past six months.

Copies of the memoranda prepared on VINCENT ALO, ANTHONY CARFANO, FRANK COSTELLO, JOSEPH A. DOTO, and MEYER LANSKY are being forwarded herewith to the New York Office inasmuch as those individuals have been classified as top hoodlums in the New York Field Division. For the same reason, copies of the memoranda on FRED ANGERSOLA, GEORGE J. ANGERSOLA, and JOHN ANGERSOLA are being furnished the Cleveland Division; memoranda on ANGELO DE CARLO, and JOSEPH A. DOTO, are being furnished to the Newark Field Division; memoranda on LOUIS RICCIARDI and HARRY S. SOSNICK are being furnished the Detroit Division; and a copy of the memorandum on JOHN ERMINIO CAPONE is being furnished the Chicago Field Division.

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RE: JOSEPH MASSEI, was.  
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GIIF (TOP HOODLUM COVERAGE)

#### PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

No new data relative to MASSEI's personal history and background has come to the attention of this office during the past six months.

#### CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

According to MM 334-C, NORMAN ~~ROTHMAN~~, FBI #152585B is still "fronting" the SansSouci Club, a gambling casino at Havana, Cuba, but he reportedly has a new bank roll man. In this regard MM 501-C related that it was rumored that the ~~Mannarino~~ <sup>HAVANA</sup> Gang of New Kensington, Pennsylvania, a group of ~~notorious~~ <sup>CUBA</sup> Italian hoodlums who formerly backed ROTHMAN, were getting out of the Sans Souci and that JOE MASSEI now has an interest in that club. Neither MM 334-C nor MM 501-C were able to furnish any further specific data to clarify the financial backing of this club.

#### ASSOCIATES

MASSEI continues to be the outstanding Italian hoodlum in the Greater Miami area and although he is frequently seen with the various nationally known underworld characters who either live in or visit this area no new data in this regard has come to the attention of this office during the past six months.

#### LEGITIMATE AND ILLEGITIMATE BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

No new specific information relative to business activities of MASSEI has come to the attention of this office during the past six months.

#### HANGOUTS AND PLACES OF AMUSEMENT FREQUENTED

MASSEI still maintains a penthouse at the Carib Hotel, 220 23rd Street, Miami Beach, Florida. He has used this as a meeting place and for conferences and if not at home can usually be located through the hotel, which for many years has been a notorious hoodlum hangout.

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