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ReSFtels, 3/10,14/69.

On 3/7/69, SF 3208-C-TE advised SAs KENT Q. BRISBY & RICHARD T. BRETZING that a man known to him as "FREDDY Red Shirt" was with PATSY ERA in Miami, Florida. FREDDY was a member of La Cosa Nostra (LCN) in the Genovese Family. He used to be big in narcotics, but went into bookmaking when the ruling against narcotics came out from the Commissione. The Informant advised he met FREDDY in 1945-56. He added that he met PATSY ERA in 1941 in Sing Sing Prison. ERA was made a LCN member after WWII, when the books were opened and a large influx of members took place.

The Informant mentioned hearing on the radio about a large roundup of LCN figures in Miami, Florida, this past week. He said he has never heard of any of the names mentioned on the air. He said it would not be unusual for the new "boss" of the GENOVESE family to be chosen in a meeting in Miami, but he added

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it would be very unusual for Kansas City people to be involved as the radio indicated they were. He acknowledged that the Chicago family pulls a lot of weight, but he did not believe this to be true of the Kansas City family. The Informant said a logical place for a new "boss" to be chosen was the Napoli di Notte, an Italian restaurant located off of Spring and Thompson in Manhattan. He described this place as very small and said it was used frequently for high level LCN meetings and to make new members. It is allegedly owned by the father of THOMAS EBOLI, aka Tommy Ryan, "acting boss" of the Genovese family.

The Informant advised that TONY PLATE (phonetic) is a member of the LCN, but he did not know which family. He described PLATE as white, male, Italian, 53 years of age, 5' 9", 180 lbs., black hair, wears glasses. He said PLATE runs a bar on McLean Avenue in Yonkers, N.Y., toward the Broadway end of the street. He is involved in shylocking, bookmaking, and has an interest in a milk company in New York City. According to the Informant, PLATE tried to get into the LCN under "BENNY the Bum" DE MARTINO, but did not make it. He was eventually made under another "regime" possibly in a separate "family."

SF 3208-C-TE advised that there is an emphasis in the LCN in New York toward penetrating legitimate businesses. He said many legitimate businessmen want to have LCN support because of some apparent advantages, including obtaining a better market because of the pressures brought to bear by the LCN partners on the competitors and customers. For instance, according to the Informant, a legitimate vending machine businessman may see that by entering into a partnership with an LCN figure he could expand his routes and customers by two or three times, simply because of the intimidation which the LCN figure could bring upon the customers. Other businessmen lose control of their businesses because of shylock indebtedness. The Informant identified the liquor store on 78th Street, between 1st and 2nd Avenues, New York City, as an example of an LCN-owned enterprise.

The Informant advised that many of the LCN members made after WW II never did get fully embroiled in the rackets and many are now legitimate working people. He added that they are still subject to the discipline of their family "boss" and their "capo decina." If their services are needed, they must

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respond or be killed themselves. The Informant said these men are frequently used to get into positions of influence in businesses and unions and then use this influence for the LCN.

The Informant cited an example of this by naming (FNU) CICCIALINNI (phonetic), a foreman of the Sicilian Asphalt Company, New York City. He is also an official in the labor union covering that activity. According to the Informant, CICCIALINNI is a "sleeper" member of the GENOVESE family, and may be a lieutenant or a "capo." The Informant met CICCIALINNI ten years ago, being introduced to him by TADO DE MARCO in CICCIALINNI's house in Brooklyn. The Informant described CICCIALINNI as "ice cold," extremely quiet, and a "mean S.O.B." He said CICCIALINNI is a "hit man" used only for very important killings and he said CICCIALINNI is very thorough in his assignments. The Informant was unaware of CICCIALINNI ever being arrested before. He said CICCIALINNI is not known to many LCN members as a member himself. He described CICCIALINNI as white, male, Italian, in his 60s, stocky build, 5' 7", appearing many years younger than he is, greying hair dyed black.

The Informant said TADO DE MARCO could be referred to as a "sleeper" also. He is influential in the GENOVESE family and is frequently used to handle big assignments. The Informant added that DE MARCO very seldom goes along on an assignment, especially a "hit," but generally handles the delegation of the assignment and the follow-up. DE MARCO owns a trucking firm in Tunisia and has a brother running it for him there. He also has extensive property in Sicily and owns some homes and apartment houses in the Bronx, New York area. However, DE MARCO himself lives very modestly and is reluctant to show his possession of wealth. He even requires his wife to work for one of the biscuit companies in Long Island City by the 59th Street Bridge. DE MARCO assertedly sold a 32-unit apartment house recently in the Bronx.

The Informant said DE MARCO holds meetings in a liquor store on 2nd Ave., between 105th and 106th Streets, on the west side of the street about two doors off of 106th Street. He last lived on 3rd Ave. between 116th and 117th Streets, on the east side of the street next to a real estate company, two stories above a TV Store.

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The Informant said the same year he was admitted to the LUCHESE family, about 1958, a split-up occurred in part of GENOVESE's family, with three men getting a "piece of the action." TADO DEL took over a "regime" in Brooklyn, N.Y., PETE DOLCE got a group, and MIKE MIRANDA retained the "cream of the crop." Not long after this, MIRANDA became a "consiglieri" in the GENOVESE family. MIKE maintains his office on the Southwest corner of Kenmare and Lafayette in New York City. Diagonally across the intersection on the Northeast corner is the New York City PD Headquarters for burglary. MIKE used this spot for meetings frequently.

SF 3208-C-TE identified another "sleeper" member of the LCN's DOMINIC (LNU), aka "Fat Dom." DOMINIC is about 48-50 years of age, 5'8", 220 lbs., heavy build. He owns and operates a string of private cabs in New York City. The Informant said DOMINIC is a sloppy dresser and dirty. DOMINIC's brother, SALLY (true name believed to be SALVATORE), is also a LCN member. SALLY is about 56 years of age, 5'8", 175-180, brown hair combed straight back. He is operating as a bookmaker. The Informant advised that 1 1/2 years ago, DOMINIC ran his business out of an office on Westchester Ave by Castlehill Ave in New York City. However, he has subsequently moved locations and the Informant does not know where he is presently located. SALLY used to use DOMINIC's office at the cab company as his bookmaking headquarters.

The Informant advised he is unaware of an arrest record for either of the brothers. He could not recall which families they belonged to, but he said they were originally pointed out to him as LCN members by TADO DE MARCO. He added that their membership was not generally known.

The Informant identified still another "sleeper" member of the LCN as the undertaker who owned the mortuary located on 109th Street between 1st and 2nd Avenues on the north side of the street. This person owns another mortuary in the Bronx. The Informant recalled this person belonging to the GAMBINO family, but he could not remember his name. His main purpose was to bail other members out of jail and he was not used for illegal purposes. The Informant said JOHNNY ANG pointed this person out to him and identified him as a member.

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In regard to the Roman Catholic priests who were allegedly members of the LCN in New York, the Informant said "BENNY the Bum" DE MARTINO made a statement that there were "quite a few priests that are with us." The Informant said he questioned BENNY as to whether he actually meant they were members, and BENNY replied in the affirmative. He said the priests have been used mainly for such as smuggling, although he stated they have been used on "hits" before, not specifying in what capacity they were used on these "hits." At no time did BENNY divulge the identities of these priests and the Informant said it would have been improper for him to ask. The Informant mentioned that ALBERT ANASTASIA's brother is a Catholic Priest, but he said he did not know any derogatory information about him.

The Informant mentioned JIMMY NAP (phonetic) as a LCN member who runs a cabaret in Jersey City, N.J., two blocks from 7th and Central. NAP assertedly hid SONNY FRANCHEESI (ph) from the authorities for a while after FRANCHEESI pulled a bank robbery. FRANCHEESI was hidden out in Brooklyn in the apartment used at the time by JIMMY as a residence. FRANCHEESI, who the Informant also identified as a LCN member, was finally arrested by the FBI on bank robbery charges.

SF 3208-C TE stated that one (FNU) CALANDRIA (ph), a New York State Assemblyman from the Bronx, is a close friend of BENNY DE MARTINEO. CALANDRIA is related to AL MINACCI, the owner of the Paramount Vending Company, and BENNY DE MARTINO has told the informant in the past that CALANDRIA is "in my pocket." The Informant said BENNY reserves the right to deal with CALANDRIA personally and is guarded over this relationship and what actually transpires between them. The Informant said BENNY has made sizeable contributions to CALANDRIA's political funds.

The Informant recalled a large gambling establishment which was operated outside of Palisades, New Jersey, between 1945-1947. This was LCN run and one PETEY MUGGINS (ph) was usually at the door to the place searching those who entered. PETEY was a member of what is now the GENOVESE family at the time. The Informant said he was personally in this establishment on a number of occasions and had Mayor HAGUE of Jersey City pointed out to him as a patron.

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Pn 3/12/69, SF 3208-C-TE was contacted again by SAs KENT Q. BRISBY and RICHARD T. BRETZING, for the purpose of showing some photographs of hoodlums in the New York area. No effort was made to show him all of the photos which the New York Office sent in this meeting, inasmuch as it has been noticed in the past that the Informant gets restless and tired after a number of photographs have been displayed to him, and he is more prone to dismiss photographs as unfamiliar without closely examining them when he is in that frame of mind. It should be borne in mind that the Informant has poor eyesight for reading and for distinguishing fine features close up and has, in the past, exhibited a poor recognition power of associates known to him, particularly if the photographs of these people shown to him are not completely clear.

The group of photographs taken during a photographic surveillance in New York were initially shown to the Informant. The four poses of CHARLES GIAMPAOLO, aka Charlie the Baker, failed to elicit any response of recognition from the Informant. He indicated this person did not even look familiar to him. A photograph of a single male individual standing in front of a parking meter and by two building pillars appeared to the Informant to be of one PHIL BRUNO, a numbers operator out of 145th Street & Brook Ave., where he operates a couple of bars. The Informant said he last knew BRUNO to be a "recruit" for membership in the LCN and has not heard whether he was ever made or not. In addition to numbers, BRUNO also operates some jukeboxes. He is known to many as "PHILLY from the Bronx," and is from Morris Avenue. The Informant said the background in the photo appeared to be 150th Street and Morris Ave., next to the barbershop.

The Informant said BRUNO was partners with JOEY FUSCO(ph) in the numbers operation. FUSCO was not known as a member to the Informant and was last known by him to be running a grocery store on either 150th or 151st Streets, between Morris Avenue and Park Avenue, Bronx, New York. The Informant said BRUNO was also aligned with his cousin, NICKY BRUNO, aka Baldy, until five years ago, when NICKY was gunned down in his car and killed. Now NICKY's brother is closely operating with PHIL BRUNO. The Informant said PHIL BRUNO's brother was the person he had previously identified as RUMMY DALE, who runs numbers out of a bar on the Southeast corner of 150th St. and Morris Ave. The Informant said most of PHIL BRUNO's numbers men are of Spanish or Puerto Rican descent.

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Other photos from the surveillance in New York which the Informant recognized included one of RUMMY DALE, taken after he had an operation on his eyes, according to the Informant. DALE used to wear glasses prior to the operation. The Informant said the location of this photograph appeared to be outside a club on Morris Avenue between 150th Street and 151st Street. Another of these photographs appeared similar to BLACKIE BOVIE (ph), who the Informant said was in jukeboxes and shylocking. BLACKIE is not known to the Informant as a LCN member. He used to live at 117th Street and 2nd Ave., but moved to 116th St. between 1st and 2nd Avenues, Manhattan. BLACKIE was known to the Informant as a "recruit" in the COLOMBO family. The Informant said BLACKIE's brother, MIKE BOVIE (ph), is a member of the COLOMBO family, having been made in 1957. He is a bartender by trade. The Informant said he personally disliked both BOVIE brothers and did not know any details about their operations or activities.

The Informant was visibly agitated with himself over not being able to recognize a photograph of FLORINDA ISABELLA, which he said was very familiar. The name of ISABELLA did not prompt his memory, but he said he probably knew him by a nickname. This photograph will be redisplayed at a future meeting to prompt his memory.

The Informant was shown a photo which appeared blurry and indistinct and he said it appeared to be of either ANGELO HOOKS, aka "Cockeyed Ang" or JOE HOOKS, his brother. ANGELO is a shylock, bookmaker, and LCN member under BENNY DE MARTINO. He hangs out at a bar on 151st or 152nd Streets and Morris Ave., on the Southwest corner, which is owned by JOE HOOKS, FAT FERRARA, CHINK (LNU) and SAL DIANO, all LCN members previously mentioned by the Informant.

The Informant advised that the following photographs were not familiar to him:

PETER VINCINI
RALPH PRISCIO
ERMIGLIA RIZZO
WILLIAM GOEDEL
GUY RUSSO (very old photograph)
VINCENZO PUCCIARIELLO

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The Informant was displayed a photograph of ALFRED LICARI and immediately identified him as (FNU) CICCIALINNI, the "sleeper hit man" he had mentioned on 3/7/69. However, after gazing at the photograph he became less positive (the photograph is dated 1943), but he still believes it to be CICCIALINNI.

The Informant identified a photograph of JOHN ANGELONE as being identical to JOHNNY ANG, LCN member of the GAMBINO family and a hi-jacker previously mentioned by the Informant. He stated JOHNNY's "capo" is "Papa DAVE," who hangs out at a club on Morris Park Avenue, one block north of White Plains Road, on the corner above a luncheonette.

The Informant was reminded of one, CARLO (LNU) aka Sally, who hangs out at the Bay 50 Club. CARLO is a member of the COLOMBO family and is a bookmaker and shylock. He used to hang out in the Seventeen-Seventeen Club, located on 17th Ave and 86th St in Brooklyn. The Informant said he met CARLO in 1956 and CARLO was already a member then.

The Informant was shown a photograph of RALPH POLLIZIO and identified him as a member of the GAMBINO family whom he knew as RALPHIE. The Informant first met POLLIZIO in Sing Sing in 1938-39. He was not a member of the LCN at this time, but was made after WW II. POLLIZIO is with GENE HARLOW (ph), another GAMBINO member, who is either a lieutenant or a "capo" according to the Informant. Both hang out in a small bar at 4th Ave and Union in Brooklyn.

The Informant observed a photograph of WILLIAM PILKINGTON and remarked that this person closely resembled a man known to the Informant as STUMPY. STUMPY is a "hit man" for the Morris Park mob, headed by JOE HOOKS. He is a LCN member, but the Informant was not sure in which family. STUMPY killed DANNY the Dip on 152nd St and Morris Ave with a pistol in 1946-47. DANNY had been attempting to cut in on JOHNNY FUTO's "action" and rumor had spread that a "hit" had been issued against him by FUTO. However, to dispel this rumor, a large banquet was thrown ostensibly to establish beyond all doubt that DANNY was acceptable among the "boys" and need not travel around in fear. After the dinner, STUMPY walked out with DANNY and when they were in the middle of the street, STUMPY shot and killed him and left his body there in the street.

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The Informant advised that MIKE MIRANDA, a "consiglieri" in the GENOVESE family, controls the bricklayers helpers union in Long Island from the union offices in Long Island City. He is assisted in controlling this union by FILIPPO LOMBARDO aka Benny Squint, and a family of Italians with a last name similar to CHARIZOLDA (ph). This family is referred to as the "CHERRY FAMILY."

SF 3208-C-Te advised that one of the brothers, GIGI CHERRY, was killed about six years ago in Long Beach, Long Island, New York, for getting out of line. GIGI was known as "The Squint." His father-in-law, DANNY HOGAN (true name believed to be DANNY SCALATO (ph)) was present when GIGI was killed and was believed to have set the murder victim up for the killing. SCALATO is an LCN member in BENNY SQUINT's regime.

The Informant advised that BENNY SQUINT and BOBBY CHERRY operated the union for several years. Prior to his knowledge of this, the Informant had made moves to cut in on the union himself. He had a meeting scheduled with the unknown union bosses at union headquarters. When the Informant arrived at the meeting, he found himself facing MIKE MIRANDA. When MIRANDA saw the Informant he reportedly laughed and asked if this was "the guy" who was cutting in. The Informant said he laughed too and told MIRANDA that he had no idea that MIRANDA was behind the union. The Informant said that no problem arose over this confrontation, largely because of his long-time association with MIRANDA, and the Informant backed off from the union deal. To the best of his knowledge, the Informant said MIRANDA still heads this union.

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An information copy is furnished to all offices who might have an interest in the information contained herein.

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NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK CITY, NY. Will continue to evaluate the information provided by this Informant and comment as to its accuracy and pertinence.

SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. Will maintain contact with SF 3208-C-TE and keep all interested offices advised of the information he provides.

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