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AUG 6 / 1956 TELETYPE

Mr. Holloman FBL MIAMI 9-50 PM EST 8-6-56 EVA DIRECTOR, FBI ... URGENT ... NORMAN ROTHMAN, ITGD, INFORMATION RECEIVED THIS DATE THAT A TRAILER LOADED WITH SLOT MACHINES WAS PRESENTLY AT THE TAMÉAMI TOURS, MIAMI, FLA. TYSON STEELE, MANAGER TAMIAMI TOURS ADVISED HE HAD RECEIVED WAY BILL INDICATING SHIPPER TO BE NORMAN ROTHMAN AND CONSIGNEE NORMAN ROTHMAN. HE BROKE SEAL TO DETERMINE WHERE MERCHANDISE SHOULD BE SENT, INASMUCH AS NO ADDRESS ON AFTER BREAKING SEAL HE OBSERVED TRAILER LOADED WITH WAY BILL. SLOT MACHINE PARTS AND IMMEDIATELY NOTIFIED SO. SO NOTIFIED MM OFFICE. INVESTIGATION FIRE REFLECTS THIRTYTWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED LBS. EQUIPMENT SHIPPED CHICAGO, ILL. TO MM. NO MARKING LISTED ON CARTONS INDICATING SHIPPPER OR CONSIGNEE. NO DESCRIPTIVE DATE RE CONTENTS OF CARTONS. USA GUILMARTIN AUTHORIZED SEIZURE EQUIPMENT. EQUIPMENT SEIZED BY SAC EQUIPMENT TO BE INVENTORIED EIGHT SEVEN NEXT AND CHARLES WEEKS. TURNED OVER TO USM. USA WITHHOLDING PROSECUTIVE OPINION ON ROTHMAN UNTIL DETERMINED IF ANY MACHINES COMPLETE **RECORDED** - 10 SO MM ESTIMATES VALUE MACHINES APPROX IMATELY FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS MACHINES TOTALS 9 1956 PER MACHINE AND APPROXIMATELY FOUR HUNDED RECOVERY VALUE TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING. CHICAGO ADVISED.

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NORMAN ROTHMAN

SAC Weeks advised that Rothman is undoubtedly identical with the Norman Rothman who has been in the past the manager of the Sans Souci nightclub and gambling casino in Havana until the latter part of 1955. Weeks stated that investigation is continuing to definitely establish the indicated identity, but in view of the Norman Rothman connected with the Sans Souci he feels he is identical with the consignee.

The Rothman previously connected with the Sans Souci has furnished information off and on of a general investigative intelligence nature to the Legal Attache. He has a New York City and Miami, Florida, background although he has spent the majority of his time in Havana since 1949. Earlier, while in New York in the 1930s, he was a bookmaker. He subsequently was in the Army in 1946. He went to Miami where he became interested in gambling in Cuba.

Weeks has advised that investigation is continuing end he will keep the Bureau fully informed.