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OFFICE OF THE CIVIL ATTACHE
EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
MEXICO CITY

September 20, 1946

Director, FBI

RE: RUBIN SHETSKY, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. No. 2023;
UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID
PROSECUTION (MURDER).

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to report of SIS #7206 dated 7/18/46 at Mexico City, setting out the results of investigation conducted at Ensenada and Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico, with reference to the location of the above captioned subject. Reference is also made to Bureau cable dated August 3, 1946, stating that an informant had related that the location of this fugitive may be known to LEO FRIEDMAN who was visiting EDWARD JONES, Chicago, Illinois, south side policy king, who was residing in Mexico City. Referenced cable requested that appropriate investigation be conducted for the purpose of ascertaining whether SHETSKY was in Mexico City in company with the above, and that, if necessary, LEO FRIEDMAN and EDWARD JONES be interviewed for the purpose of determining the location of this fugitive.

This is to advise that a physical surveillance was maintained on the residence of EDWARD JONES at Calle Patzcuaro No. 161 in Mexico, D.F., from August 15 to August 31, inclusive. The surveillance failed to reveal the presence of any individual bearing a likeness to instant subject. It likewise failed to reveal the presence of LEO FRIEDMAN in the residence of EDWARD JONES.

On September 7, 1946, EDWARD JONES was requested to present himself at the American Embassy and was interviewed by Special Agent Manuel A. Sanchez. In this interview he advised that he was acquainted with RUBIN SHETSKY, but that he had not seen SHETSKY for approximately one year. According to JONES, the last time he had seen SHETSKY was in Chicago, Illinois. He further stated that to the best of his knowledge SHETSKY is not in Mexico nor has he been in Mexico in the past. He advised that since his stay in Mexico the average hoodlum visiting

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Mexico from Chicago usually communicates with him and that none of those having done so, who would be in a position to know if SHETSKY were in Mexico, have stated that he is presently in this country.

With reference to ~~LEO~~ FRIEDMAN, he explained that LEO FRIEDMAN visited him in the latter part of July and remained at his home for approximately five days. According to JONES, during the time FRIEDMAN was in Mexico, he did not mention SHETSKY. Continuing, JONES related that FRIEDMAN is presently in Chicago again and although he does not know his present address, he can be reached through his brother who is known as "BIG SNEEZE" FRIEDMAN and is well known in Chicago.

It will be recalled that in the report of SIS #7206 dated 7/18/46 at Mexico City, it was indicated that subject was alleged to have stopped at the resort hotel in Ensenada, B. C., during May of 1946, although investigation during the month of July failed to reveal any information indicating the presence of SHETSKY in that area.

Continued investigation at both Tijuana and Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico, by Confidential Informant 7216-6 and JOAQUIN AGUILAR ROBLES, former Chief of Police at Tijuana and presently director of the magazine "Detective Internacional", has failed to reveal any information of value in instant case.

FRANCISCO ~~ORBE~~ GALEANA who is presently incarcerated in the Tijuana City Jail and who was interviewed in connection with the investigation of BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL and reactivation of the CAPONE Gang from September 1 to September 6, 1946, when questioned concerning SHETSKY stated that he was not acquainted with SHETSKY, nor did he ever recall MAX ~~COSSMAN~~, for whom he worked and who acted as SIEGEL's front man for illegal activities in Tijuana, ever mentioning that SHETSKY was in that area. According to GALEANA, he is certain that if SHETSKY had been in that area, he would have contacted COSSMAN, as nearly all the Chicago racketeers or west coast mobsters would visit COSSMAN whenever in Tijuana.

PAUL ROLAND ~~JONES~~, a member of the MARCUS ~~LIPSKY~~ Gang, Chicago, who was interviewed by a representative of this office on July 27 in connection with the investigation of the LIPSKY activities in Mexico, was also unable to furnish any information