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JAMES RIDDLE HOFFA., MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING.

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NY TWO THREE ZERO FIVE- C ADVISED HOFFA TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED

HIM THIS DATE FROM MIAMI AND ASKED HIM TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY  
 FOR RUNNING THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICE IN WASHINGTON , DC., ON A FULL  
 TIME BASIS. INFORMANT DECLINED BECAUSE OF HIS HEALTH STATUS. WHEN ASKED  
 ABOUT THE CURRENT FRICTION, HOFFA STATED IT WAS NOTHING AND COULD  
 PROBABLY BE PATCHED UP.

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[REDACTED] POT, ADVISED THIS DATE JOHN O'ROURKE, VICE PRESIDENT,  
 PRESIDENT, (IBT), RETURNED FROM MIAMI AND RELATED THE FOLLOWING.

M.D. HAROLD GIBBONS, INTERNATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT, IBT, DICK KAVNER, MO  
 GENERAL ORGANIZER FROM ST. LOUIS, PETE SAPP, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZER,  
 AND LABRY STEINBERG, ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT OF IBT, ALL TENDERED  
 RESIGNATIONS AS INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS OF IBT. POT WAS TOLD GIBBONS WOULD  
 REMAIN AS UNPAID VICE PRESIDENT IN ST. LOUIS AND OTHERS WOULD GO BACK  
 ON SALARY WITH THEIR LOCAL UNIONS. AFTER A CONFERENCE WITH  
 HOFFA, THEY WITHDREW THEIR RESIGNATIONS UNTIL AFTER HOFFA-S TRIAL  
 IN NASHVILLE. O- ROURKE SAID SERIOUS DIFFERENCES HAD BEEN BUILDING  
 UP AND WERE CLIMAXED BY THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY. AT THAT TIME  
 HOFFA MADE A STATEMENT TO THE EFFECT THAT THE PRESIDENT-S DEATH WAS  
 GOOD BECAUSE IT WOULD FINISH " LITTLE BROTHER BOBBY". O-ROURKE

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TOLD SOURCE GIBBONS AND STEINBERG RESENTED HOFFA-S ATTITUDE. GIBBONS SUBSEQUENTLY SENT A TELEGRAM OF CONDOLENCES AND STEINBERG CLOSED THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICES IN WASHINGTON, DC., OUT OF RESPECT FOR THE PRESIDENT. BOTH OF THESE ACTIONS BROUGHT ON VIOLENT ARGUMENTS WITH HOFFA. O-ROURKE TOLD THE SOURCE THAT GIBBONS AND THE OTHERS TOOK A FIRM POSITION BUT BACKED DOWN SO HE IS NOT TAKING SIDES AT PRESENT.

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~~PCT~~ SUBSEQUENTLY ADVISED THIS DATE THAT JOHN O-ROURKE TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED HIM AND TOLD HIM THAT HAROLD GIBBONS, DICK KAVNER, PETE SAFFO, LARRY STEINBERG, ~~YUKI KEATHLEY~~ <sup>U.S.A.</sup> AND ~~FERGESON KEATHLEY~~ <sup>U.S.A.</sup>, HAVE QUIT THEIR JOBS AS MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF. O-ROURKE SAID THESE RESIGNATIONS ARE FINAL. O- ROURKE TOLD THE SOURCE THAT HOFFA IS" ACTING LIKE A RAVING MADMAN", AND HE ANTICIPATES GIBBONS AND THE OTHERS WILL BRING HOFFA UP ON CHARGES BEFORE THE <sup>TEAMSTERS UNION</sup> (IBT) AND ATTEMPT TO HAVE HOFFA DISMISSED AS GENERAL PRESIDENT OF THE IBT. O- ROURKE DID NOT STATE HIS POSITION TO SOURCE OTHER THAN SAY HE IS " ON THE FENCE" AT THE PRESENT.

FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU, ~~SAM BARON~~ <sup>U.S.A.</sup> IS IN REGULAR CONTACT WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL , AND NY TWO THREE ZERO FIVE- C ADVISED HE RECENTLY LEARNED THAT HAROLD GIBBONS IS REGULARLY CONTACTING BARON.

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