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SALVATORE AMARENA AND OTHERS RACKETEER INFLUENCED AND CORRUPT ORGANIZATIONS

## ACTION MEMORANDUM

Our San Francisco office advises that a confidential source is furnishing them information regarding the current criminal activities of Salvatore Amarena, Aladena "Jimmy the Weasel" Fratianno, and other individuals. Amarena and the others are all notorious West Coast organized crime figures and allegedly they are involved in Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property, Extortionate Credit Transactions, and Hobbs Act violations.

This confidential source is present when these individuals have conversations regarding their criminal activities. The conversations occur at Amarena's place of business in San Francisco and also the confidential source's apartment.

The confidential source has advised that she is willing to cooperate and will testify in this matter. The confidential source is also agreeable to the installation of a microphone in her apartment to record her conversations between Amarena, Fratianno, and others. ≒

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Strike Force Attorney John Emerson advised that he feels the confidential source's conversations with these individuals should be recorded and he feels no entrapment is involved. Den. AD Adm.

> Your authority is requested for our San Francisco office to install a microphone in the apartment of this confidential source in San Francisco, California, for a period of 30 days based on the consent furnished by the

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NOTE: On 6/10/76, San Francisco requested emergency authority for use on 6/10/76 in this matter. After conferring with Robert F. Peterson, Legal Counsel Division, San Francisco was denied authority to use the consensual monitoring without Departmental approval on an emergency basis. Mr. Peterson, after reviewing pertinent Department of Justice instructions in regard to the granting of emergency authority, stated the facts presented by San Francisco did not warrant the granting of emergency authority.

San Francisco is requesting approval for consensual monitoring in the confidential source's apartment. This confidential source is a female. San Francisco will be advised if this request is approved that they are not to monitor listening or recording devices that would overhear or record any intimacies that would conceivably arise between Amarena, Fratianno, or others and the confidential source.