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followed effectively through the use of this source. This source should also prove to be a valuable addition to current coverage of mob activity in Brooklyn.

During this period since 8/15//8, NY 211-C furnished extensive information concerning ANTHONY SALERNO, wa. "Fat Tony", which, when coupled with information previously furnished by this informant and other available information, resulted in a NATION NEW case being opened on SALERNO.

It is noted that SALERNO is reputed to be MIKE COPPOLA'S representative in East Harlem, NYC, and among other activity, bosses the biggest numbers operation in the NY metropolitan area.

Concerning coverage of logical meeting places for hoodlums in NYC, a new PCI case has been opened on the manager of the Chateau Gardens, a lower East Side catering hall known to be used regularly by hoodlums for such gatherings as wedding receptions and christenings which have in the past been shown to be a convenient way for hoodlums to meet. The NYO has received this individual's full cooperation in obtaining discreet coverage of one gathering to date in which this office had an interest, and this PCI has indicated he will alert the NYO to future gatherings believed to be of interest to the Bureau.

NY 2412-C, a hoodlum recently qualified as a new CI, has for many years operated various rackets in Brooklyn such as bookmaking, numbers, shylocking, and was a well-known receiver of stolen merchandise on a large scale. This informant knows and has associated with many of the major hoodlums in Brooklyn, NY, and his recent development as a criminal informant should prove extremely valuable both to the Top Hoodlum Program and in hijacking and other criminal activity in which the NYO has an interest. Because of excellent underworld connections and respect built up over the years as boss of his own operation, this informant is

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in the desired strata in the NYC underworld which should enable him to develop information on the upper levels necessary in this program.

Another source currently being converted to a CI has furnished extensive information concerning the West Side NYC mob previously run by NYO top hoodlum JOHN MICHAEL EARLE, who was murdered in NYC in June, 1958. This source is regularly furnishing current information on the activities of the remmants of this mob and concerning the attempt by a member, EDDIE CROW, to take over the mob and sustain its operation. Of particular NYC importance with respect to the placement of this source is the tendency of members of the EARLE mob to participate in crimes within the Bureau's jurisdiction, it being noted that 6 members of this group are currently serving lengthy prison sentences in Atlanta Penitentiary, most of which were imposed in NYO bank robbery cases. This source has also been used recently by this mob to pass messages between the mob in NYC and the abovementioned members in the Atlanta Penitentiary.

NY 31-C has furnished information regarding NYO top hoodlum CARMINE GALANTE'S meeting two NYC judges, identified by Informant as HELDER and DI FALCO, in Paris, France, during 1957, and defraying their expenses on that occasion.

It has been determined that NYC Judges SAMUEL DI FALCO and LOUIS MELLER were registered at a Paris hotel at the same France time during Aug., 1957, and it was also determined that GALANTE and JOSEPH BONANNO, Phoenix top hoodlum, formerly from Brooklyn, My were in Paris together during Oct., 1957. GALANTE and BONANNO Arrican were subsequently in Italy in Nov., 1957, just prior to the Apalachin meeting, 11/14/57, which BONANNO was known to have attended. Frequent reports have also been received that GALANTE was present at this meeting although his presence went undetected.

With relation to the July, 1958, murder of CHRISTOFORO RUBINO, a hoodlum reportedly closely connected with LUCKY

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LUCIANO, and at the time of his murder under indictment in a Federal narcotics conspiracy case in the EDNY, information was received from NY 169-C regarding an allegation made by two Brooklyn hoodlums that members of the Brooklyn underworld had received information from a "DA" in connection with the narcotics case in which RUBINO was named as a defendant. During subsequent contacts by this informant with these hoodlums, information was developed that the "DA" was named SOVIERO. This informant also learned that members of the underworld had suspected that a few racket people might be ready to do some talking and that the killing of RUBINO was also to serve as a lesson to others who might have a tendency to inform.

It is noted that immediately following RUBINO'S murder, AUSA JOSEPH SOVIERO, JR., EDNY, issued a press release to the effect that RUBINO was scheduled to appear before a N. Y. Federal Grand Jury in Brooklyn within a week from the time he was murdered and was expected to be a cooperative witness regarding the operation of the narcotics ring in question.

NY 169-C later advised during Sept., 1958, that a source told informant that SOVIERO "got some heat from someone in the Government" and had left the USA'S office for fear of trouble and questioning. Informant was also told at this time that SOVIERO was going to work for the State of NY as an attorney. In the course of informant's conversation with his hoodlum sources, informant was told that SOVIERO had been given a quiet dinner a short time before in Manhattan, NY, at which time SOVIERO was given \$15,000. The informant was told that the money paid SOVIERO had been furnished directly by VITO GENOVESE.

It was subsequently determined that JOSEPH SOVIERO had resigned from the USA'S Office, EDNY, on 9/12/58 and took employment in the office of NY State Attorney General LOUIS J. LEFKOWITZ.

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With respect to information concerning locations frequented by NYC hoodlums, information has been received from NY 2151-C concerning a closed, member, Brooklyn social club, currently being frequented by NY hoodlums of importance, such as JOHN ODDO, wa. "Johnny Bathbeach", JOE SCHIPANI, and other hoodlum associates. Informant regularly frequents this club, and it is contemplated informant will be of assistance in the event the club lends itself to investigation by confidential installations.

In further attempts to obtain maximum coverage, certain closed informant files have been reviewed on a select basis and a number of these files have been reopened for use as sources in the top hoodlum program. This review determined that a certain percentage of these closed sources had furnished significant information concerning mob activity and GIIF information but had not furnished sufficient information in Bureau cases to sustain their status. These sources are being recontacted to determine their current value in this program. Also included in this particular category is former NY 956-C, who was released from a NY State prison during early Nov., 1958. This informant has previously furnished information concerning mob activity, and arrangements are being made to recontact him to determine if he will be in a position to furnish information of interest in this program.

The NYO also plans to use former San Juan 414-C who recently moved to NYC for the purpose of participating in the operation of a numbers bank. Initial contact has been made with this informant and a letter assigning him a NY symbol number is being prepared.

## Accomplishment (Dissemination)

In addition to a number of matters which have been disseminated to other agencies, which will not be discussed in detail here, is the following situation which is felt sufficiently noteworthy to be discussed briefly as follows: