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JAMÉS HOFFA and SALVATORE GRANELLO

Informant advised he had received information that SAL/GRANELLO aka Sally Burns, is presently attempting to settle some trouble for JIMMY HOFFA in NY. He said he had been told that JIMMY HOFFA is in trouble with the "wise guys" in NY and that if GRANELLO is able to settle this matter, he will be able to get anything he wants out of HOFFA. Informant was unable to pinpoint the source of the trouble HOFFA is having.

Informant learned that on 11/20/64, SALLY BURNS met with TONY PROVENZANO to negotiate loans from the Teamsters Pension Fund through PROVENZANO. He stated that in the event any positive action is taken, he will not be handling the loans for GRANELLO.

Informant has also received information that on the 13th of November, GRANELLO was supposed to pay an individual in Nassau County \$25,000 to fix his current extortion case in Nassau County. He stated, however, that GRANELLO was able to raise only \$10,000 of this amount and would make a payoff of that much. Informant does not know to whom these monies were to be paid.

Concerning the information above regarding an attempt of GRANELLO to fix his case in Nassau County, this information has been paraphrased and disseminated to the Nassau County DA's Office with proper caution to protect the identity of this informant.

The above information concerning the activities of MARTHA LOUIS, SALVATORE GRANELLO and JAMES HOFFA is furnished for the information of the Bureau and no investigation concerning any of the above is being considered by the NYO.

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Informant advised that PETE LACOVELLI from Phoenix, Arizona, is a close associate of JOE BONANNO, head of the BONANNO "family", of "La Cosa Nostra". LACOVELLI is presently attempting to handle a deal to get a Teamsters mortgage for the Highway House in Phoenix, Arizona. He stated that this Teamsters mortgage is being negotiated by JOHNKKEILLY, ARTHUR LUBELL, an attorney located in the Empire State Building and an individual named BERNIE ROBBINS, who is a front man for LACOVELLI. Informant advised that he was originally a participant in the negotiations to obtain the loan for this corporation and represented LOUXEASKY, a NY labor official who was also interested in negotiating this loan. Informant advised he heard that if the principals are successful in obtaining the loan, ARTHUR LUBELL will receive ten per cent of this loan by check and will probably disperse "under-the-counter" payments to Informant advised various individuals from this ten per cent. he and LASKY have withdrawn from the negotiations but the above information was obtained by the informant from EDDIE LANZIERRI aka EDDIE \star BUFF, alleged hoodlum figure in the NY area. EDDIE BUFF is a social acquaintance of the informant and the informant stated that information concerning the ten per cent is pure speculation on the part of EDDIE BUFF. The informant further advised that he has no personal knowledge of the current attempt of LACOVELLI to obtain a Teamster mortgage and stated he will not be in a position toget any further information in this matter unless this information is furnished to him by EDDIE BUFF without his asking about it.

In view of the paucity of information obtained and the indications that any possible illegal activity on the part ∂f individuals involved is speculation at this time, no investigation is being considered by the NYO.

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