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7. CORNELIUS J. JONES, Steubenville, Ohio, has been characterized as a member of the "Cleveland Syndicate." No record of arrests for JONES has been located.

8. CORNELIUS KRAUSNICK, FBI #1273307, is associated with the Desert Inn. His arrest record shows arrests from 1925 to 1947, primarily for gambling or possession of liquor.

9. RUBY KOLOD, FBI #198731, is the casino manager of the Desert Inn. His arrest record from 1929 to 1932 included unlawful entry for which he served three years at the New York State Reformatory; assault and robbery, disposition not shown; and violation of the National Prohibition Act, disposition not shown.

10. BERNARD JESS ROTHKOPH, another stockholder and shift boss at the Desert Inn, was previously associated with the Brady Lake Amusement Company, Brady Lake, Ohio. He is an associate of the "Cleveland Syndicate" mentioned previously. He has no known arrest record.

11. HERMAN MILTON GREENSPUN, FBI #290474A, is the owner and editor of the newspaper The Las Vegas Sun, Las Vegas, Nevada, and is a stockholder in the Desert Inn. GREENSPUN was convicted for the violation of the Neutrality Act for shipping arms to Israel.

Informant CL 157-C advised that the following individuals were members of the "Cleveland Syndicate" of which MORRIS DALITZ was one of the leaders:

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MORRIS KLINEMAN, aka. MORRIS KLEINMAN
~~ALFRED POLIZZI~~
~~CHARLES POLIZZI~~
 LOUIS ROTHKOPH, FBI #1128584 (deceased)
 SAMUEL "Game Boy" MILLER
 SAMUEL T. HAAS, lawyer and political fixer
 MORRIS WEXLER, gambler
 NATHAN WEISENBERG (deceased)
 MARTIN J. O'BOYLE, bank robber
 SAMUEL A. TUCKER

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~~JOHN VANCERSOLA~~, owner of Grand Hotel,
Miami, Florida; *Ohio*
~~JOHN SCALISE~~, FBI #348011, labor racketeer

B. How Influence or Control Acquired

WILBUR CLARK was a relatively unimportant gambler in California prior to 1947. In that year he came to Las Vegas where he started construction of a large hotel on the "strip," which is the highway just outside Las Vegas in the direction of Los Angeles. CLARK formed a corporation under the name Wilbur Clark, Incorporated, and stock was issued. The principals of this corporation were members of his family and associates from California. Toward the end of 1947, construction of the hotel (Desert Inn) was stopped because of lack of funds, labor problems, and material shortages.

In November, 1950, CLARK testified before the Kefauver Committee at Las Vegas. He related that progress on the Desert Inn was virtually stopped from late 1947 to 1949, at which time a man named RODISON brought in KLINEMAN and DALITZ from Cleveland who arranged to raise money for completion of the hotel. The Cleveland group acquired 75 per cent ownership, and the remaining 25 per cent was held by CLARK and some of the original promoters. The hotel started operation in April 1950. CLARK became President; KLINEMAN became Vice President; and DALITZ became Treasurer.

Informant SU 370-C advised that on September 10, 1958, CLARK and his Desert Inn associates took over the hotel portion of the Star Dust Club, which has more than 1,000 rooms. The same group also managed the Royal Nevada Hotel on October 9, 1958. The Royal Nevada Hotel is located adjacent to the Star Dust Hotel and contains about 200 rooms. The informant said the Royal Nevada will be operated only as a hotel, without gambling.

The records of the Nevada State Tax Commission show that CLARK had a 5 per cent interest in the Royal Nevada operation.

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SU 370-C also advised that CLARK, SAM TUCKER, and KLINEMAN held a meeting during the week of October 1, 1958, with a "Pan American group." At that time CLARK and his associates sold their interest in the international gambling casino at the Hotel Nacional in Cuba. This informant reported that CLARK and the Desert Inn group received about \$500,000 for that interest.

With respect to the Star Dust Hotel, Las Vegas, informant SU 370-C advised the Star Dust had been promoted by one TONY CORNERO, aka. TONY STRALLA, who died before construction was completed. The venture went into bankruptcy after his death.

MIS, John Factor Nev. *Nev. Ill.*
 JOHN "Jake the Barber" FACTOR and his wife, RELLA FACTOR, took over the operation and put up money to complete construction. This informant said FACTOR permitted the "Chicago Syndicate" (not further identified) to obtain an interest in the Star Dust, and that JOHN DREW is handling the interest of the Chicago group. DREW was described as the casino manager of the Star Dust and formerly from Chicago.

Informant LA 400-C furnished information that the events leading up to the control of the Star Dust by the Desert Inn had been a prearranged matter. This informant related that the FACTORS had been chosen by the Desert Inn group to handle the completion of the Star Dust Club. Informant said the FACTORS could have put up some of the capital, but that full control would have been retained by the "Cleveland gambling interests."

C. Degree of Influence

Records of the Gaming Control Board, Nevada State Tax Commission, show that CLARK and the individuals listed under section A above are the owners and operators of the Desert Inn and any other hotel and casino interests described herein. These persons, including the so called "Cleveland Syndicate," were screened by the Gaming Control Board and were apparently found to be

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acceptable on the basis of information known at that time.

The Desert Inn is one of a number of prominent hotel and gambling spots on the "strip" at Las Vegas. The Star Dust Hotel, since its opening, has been one of the most successful from the standpoint of popularity. The ability of the owners of the Desert Inn who acquired control of the Star Dust Hotel, and who successfully promote its operation, might be considered as some degree of influence by this group.

D. How Influence is Exercised

No information is available that any unusual exercise of influence by this group has been used. Since gambling is a legal business in Nevada, the operation of the Desert Inn and other similar ventures is not considered to be a business front except to the extent of being an investment of funds which may have been acquired through gambling in other states where it is considered illegal.

E. Illegal Methods of Furthering Business Interests

No information is available at this time that the Desert Inn group has used violence or any illegal means to stifle competition or to further their own business interests in Nevada.

F. Interlocking Influence of Other Areas of Industries

Informant CL 157-C furnished information that MORRIS DALITZ and the "Cleveland Syndicate" had financial interests in a number of enterprises, including the following:

Ohio Villa, later known as the Richmond Country Club, Richmond Heights, Ohio

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Thomas Club, Maple Heights, Ohio

Frolics Club, Miami, Florida

Merchants Cafe, Newport, Kentucky

Freddie's Club, Cleveland, Ohio

Theatrical Grill, Cleveland, Ohio

Buckeye Catering Company, Cleveland, Ohio

The above listed concerns were described by the informant as gambling spots or hoodlum hangouts.

Informant CL 157-C advised this group also owned interests in the following concerns which are believed to be legitimate businesses:

Liberty Ice Cream Company, 836 East 100 Street, Cleveland, Ohio

Ray Coal Company, 2410 East 72nd Street, Cleveland, Ohio

Lubeck Distributing Company, 1820 East 30th Street, Cleveland, Ohio

Pioneer Linen Supply Company, 3611 Payne Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio

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The records of the Las Vegas Police Department show that WYMAN furnished information on January 5, 1954, that he had been arrested at St. Louis, Missouri, in 1949, on a postal charge, and that the charge had been dropped.

On the basis of available information, WYMAN has not been convicted of a felony.

In December 1953, WYMAN advised SA BRYON C. WHEELER that he had been previously acquainted with Lieutenant LOUIS SHOULDERS of the St. Louis, Missouri Police Department, and that SHOULDERS had been known to take money from gamblers in the St. Louis area.

An article in the St. Louis Post Dispatch on August 4, 1950, stated that SIDNEY WYMAN was an associate of MICKEY COHEN, Los Angeles racketeer, when COHEN was in St. Louis in July 1950.

SU 283-C (now deceased) advised ^{Max} on August 4, 1955, that BUSTER WORTMAN, St. Louis, Missouri gambler, had invested money in gambling establishments in Las Vegas. Informant 371-C said on October 26, 1956, that one EDDIE O'HARA of St. Louis visited WYMAN in Las Vegas. This informant said O'HARA is a collector for the Wortman Gang of St. Louis and that WYMAN might be the front man for the Wortman Gang at the Riviera, Las Vegas.

Undersheriff LLOYD BELL, Las Vegas, advised on January 9, 1958, that SIDNEY WYMAN had a total investment in the Riviera Hotel of \$200,000. The group which owned the Riviera Hotel at that time was headed by GUS GREENBAUM.

WILLIAM V. SINNOTT, Nevada Tax Commission, informed that WYMAN owned a 12 per cent interest in the Sands Hotel as of July 30, 1952. On or about May 14, 1955, he sold his interest in the Sands for an amount reported to be \$120,000 and applied for a gambling license at the Royal Nevada Casino. SINNOTT said that on June 14, 1955, WYMAN owned 25 per cent of the Royal Nevada Hotel. He stated

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~~FRANK~~ARQUILLA and ~~RAY~~ARQUILLA, San Jose, California, furnished \$24,000.

~~MATTIE~~TUCCI and ~~FRANK~~MC KENNA, San Jose, California, supplied \$20,000

~~WALTER~~PARMAN, Reno, Nevada, furnished \$25,000.

He showed some of these loans would be repaid upon the sale of an apartment house he owned at Fourth and Williams Streets, San Jose, California.

Attorney A. W. HAMM, JR., Las Vegas, Nevada, advised, on a confidential basis, March 1958 that he had received reliable information that FRANK "BUSTER" WORTMAN and his associates of St. Louis, Missouri and East St. Louis, Illinois, had made undisclosed investments in the California Club at the time PARMAN and ARQUILLA acquired control.

Sergeant COMPTON of the Las Vegas Police Department also furnished information that he had heard that WORTMAN had acquired an undisclosed interest in the California Club after ARQUILLA and PARMAN took over. COMPTON and HAMM did not furnish any specific data on the amount of such undisclosed interest or the method by which it was handled. In July 1954, ARQUILLA bought out PARMAN but sold a part of the California Club to others. As of January 1958, ARQUILLA had a recorded interest of 62%.

Informants SU 283-C (now deceased) and SU 386-C advised in about March 1954 that FRANK "BUSTER" WORTMAN and his associates, East St. Louis, Illinois, "racketeers", had invested \$300,000 in the California Club and that TOM BERRY of East St. Louis, Illinois, was placed in charge of the gambling operations at the California Club as "Front man" for WORTMAN.

WILLIAM GALLAGHER, Nevada Tax Commission, advised on January 23, 1958 there were definite indications

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that WORTMAN and his associates at one time had an undisclosed interest in the California Club, Las Vegas, but evidence was not sufficient or of the proper type to be used in a proceeding for revocation of the gambling license of the California Club. GALLAGHER said information had been received from a source considered reliable, that the WORTMAN investment in the California Club had been withdrawn.

On March 28, 1958, informant SU 371-C advised it is that informant's belief that WORTMAN and his associates still maintain an undisclosed interest in the California Club, Las Vegas. This belief by the informant is based primarily on the fact that THOMAS STERLING, Pit Boss at the California Club, originally came from East St. Louis, Illinois where he had worked most of his life in gambling clubs.

In about June 1958, ARQUILLA sold 60% of his interest in the California Club to one JAMES P. LONG, Pit Boss of the Tropicana Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada. The price was reported to be \$435,000, however, ARQUILLA did not receive the total amount in cash, having accepted notes payable at a future date.

Attorney ARTHUR HAMM, JR., Las Vegas, advised on a confidential basis, that ARQUILLA made application to buy 12½% interest in the New Frontier Hotel, on the "Strip", Las Vegas, Nevada. The application regarding the New Frontier Hotel did not materialize and on September 9, 1958, ARQUILLA acquired approximately 58% of the Westerner Club, 23 Fremont Street, downtown Las Vegas. According to WILLIAM GALLAGHER, Nevada State Tax Commission, ARQUILLA paid approximately \$138,000 for this share in the Westerner Club.

On March 18, 1959, informant SU 396-C advised that informant received information that ARQUILLA was making efforts to dispose of his interest in the Westerner Club but no sale had yet been made. Sergeant BEN COMPTON, Las Vegas Police Department, advised he had received the

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Neel { MARION BEDFORD HICKS, FBI No. 647471, part owner of the Thunderbird Hotel, Las Vegas.

WILBUR I. CLARK, FBI No. 1048037, President of the Desert Inn, Las Vegas.

CHARLES LUTTIG, FBI No. 3001986, a bail bondsman, Las Vegas.

This Informant advised BAKER's association with the above individuals is believed to be purely social and there is no known financial or business arrangements with any of them.

Informant SU 257-C advised on December 14, 1951, that SAM BAKER has been seen in company with JACK DRAGNA, described by the Informant as a prominent racketeer and underworld figure from Los Angeles, California. The Informant said DRAGNA had visited in Las Vegas during the previous six months and on each occasion had been seen with BAKER.

Records of the Clark County Recorder show that BAKER owns the premises on which the Villa Venice Restaurant and Casino is located.

Information was also developed that BAKER owns an island of about 19 acres located at Clear Lake, California. However, he has tried to sell this property in recent years.

BAKER maintains bank accounts in Las Vegas with balances usually in five figures and no information was developed that he was handling any funds other than his own.

Available information indicates BAKER has successfully invested his money in the Villa Venice and its operations and his source of income is only from that business venture and other real estate purchases and sales.

C. Degree of influence

The only information concerning possible influence by BAKER is that set forth above, received from Informants.

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VII. The Bal Tabarin Casino, Lake Tahoe, Nevada.

A. Individuals involved

1. BERNARD (NINA) EINSTOSS, aka
Bernard Einstos, FBI No. 2144351.

Identification record under the above FBI number shows EINSTOSS was arrested on October 2, 1938, by the San Francisco, California, Police Department, for vagrancy and suspicion of bunco. He was dismissed on October 3, 1938. He was arrested on November 2, 1940, by the Los Angeles, California, Sheriff's Office, for conspiracy and contributing and disposition is not shown. He was fingerprinted by the Police Department, Reno, and the Nevada Tax Commission, Carson City, Nevada, on July 30, 1947, and January 27, 1948, respectively, in connection with application for a gambling license. The above record does not show that EINSTOSS has ever been convicted of any crime.

In October, 1945, Informant LA 3095-C advised that EINSTOSS was a very wealthy and a close associate of MICKEY COHEN, described as a well known racketeer and underworld figure from Los Angeles, California. Informant LA 3095-C advised in 1950 that EINSTOSS had been an associate of a well known gambler in Los Angeles named IRVING SCHWARTZ. *C21/f*

Informant LA 675-C advised in 1946 that EINSTOSS was a former partner of BENNY CHAPMAN and was a close associate of underworld figures including the following:

C21/f BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SEIGEL (deceased)

ALLEN SMILEY

GEORGE RAFT (movie actor)

MICKEY COHEN

B. How influence or control acquired