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will be a mutt installed in a lamp operating at approximately 38.5 megacycles. This lamp is part of the regular furniture presently located in the motel office. After installation, it will be returned to its original place in the office and the installation will therefore constitute a trespass. The telephone instrument in the motel will not be utilized in any manner.

6. Type of case involved:

PECORA is under development as a Top Echelon Criminal Informant, having symbol number NO 1283-PC. In the past, he has also been the subject of an AR case. He is a known associate of such well-known hoodlums as JOSEPH PORETTO, HENRY ERNST, and THOMAS AMATO. In the late 1950's when the Federal Bureau of Narcotics listed suspected Mafia members, PECORA was on this list. The Tropical Tourist Court is a known hangout for hoodlums, such as those mentioned above.

7. Connection or status of subject in the case:

PECORA is the principal subject in this case.

8. Specific information being sought:

It is felt this coverage may develop information as to the existence of a La Cosa Nostra group in New Orleans. It is also felt that this coverage will develop information as to the identity of individuals contemplating major crimes in the South Central States, as persons frequenting this motel office are well-known major criminals.

9. Reasons for believing the specific information will be obtained by the technical surveillance:

It is felt specifically that any conversations between JOSEPH PORETTO and PECORA could very well be the link to determining the identity of La Cosa Nostra members in the Greater New Orleans area. Both PORETTO and PECORA are well-known associates of CARLOS MARCELLO, suspected head of any "family" in New Orleans.

10. Importance of case and subject:

This coverage will represent the first technical coverage in the New Orleans Office of a suspected Mafia member and at present there is no technical coverage in existence that would

develop this type of information. To date, no information has been developed through live informants concerning La Cosa Nostra membership in the New Orleans or Louisiana area.

11. Possibilities of obtaining desired information by other means

(Explain in detail):

As noted previously, New Orleans has been unable to develop information concerning the existence of La Cosa Nostra in New Orleans or Louisiana through live informants. In order to develop PECORA into a top echelon criminal informant, it is not felt at the present time that direct contact with him would result in his providing any information concerning La Cosa Nostra or information he might have concerning the activities of the major criminals and hoodlums in the Louisiana area. During previous contacts with PECORA, he has provided no information of significance and in such instances has been uncooperative.

12. Risks of detection involved:

The misur will be a radio operation with no wiring from the building and no contact with the telephone company necessary. As the radio will be completely concealed within a lamp, which is presently part of the office equipment at the motel, it is felt that the risks of detection with this type of equipment are negligible.

13. Probable length of technical surveillance:

90 days

14. Request made for technical surveillance by any outside agency  
(name specific official, title and agency):

None