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The image shows a close-up of a heavy, metallic vault door. The door is partially open, revealing a complex internal mechanism with multiple locking bolts and a central handle. A bright blue light emanates from the gap between the door and the frame, creating a strong glow and casting shadows on the surrounding metal. The overall aesthetic is industrial and mysterious.

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4. Will contact Herzog-Good Corporation who sold PECORA the property during April, 1957 and review their records for anything pertinent as to his financial dealings with reference to this anti-racketeering inquiry.

AT BATON ROUGE, LA.

1. In the event that inquiry at New Orleans is not fully productive, will contact the Corporation Division of the Office of Secretary of State to see if there is any pertinent information available as to PECORA's business operation of the Tropical Motel.

INFORMANTS

Identity of Source

NO T-1 is results of spot checking at subject's place of business by SA REED W. JENSEN (Tropical Court, 6027 Chef Menteur Highway)

NO T-2 is Detective JOE BATAGLIA, New Orleans Police Department

NO T-3 is HENRY K. WEINBERG

NO T-4 is list of names furnished by Narcotics Bureau, 9/5/58 containing mafia suspects as of 1950

NO T-5 is NO 1133-C contacted by SA's EUGENE T. YORK and EDWARD F. DOOLEY

NO T-6 is NO 1017-C, information furnished to SA WILLIAM F. DUKES, 12/20/62

Location of Information

NO 137-2451-4

NO 33-165A-1022, a memo from SA E. J. SMITH dated 9/10/52

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NO T-7 is PCI [redacted]  
[redacted] information furnished  
to SA WILLIAM F. DUKES at  
Gulfport on 4/22/63

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NO T-8 is Bureau of Narcotics,  
SA DOUGLAS CHANDLER, New Orleans,  
Louisiana furnished information  
to SA CLEMENT J. HOOD

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NO T-9 is information furnished  
by ex-Mrs. NOFIO PECORA to SA  
JOHN J. BAGLEY on 6/20/41

NO 100-7078-22

NO T-10 is information furnished  
to SA RAYMOND P. SURAN during  
1947, by CHARLES RICKS.

NO 49-523-4

NO T-11 is NO T-1063-C

NO 75-37-2

NO T-12 is WALTER BLUMSTEIN

NO 33-165-1264

NO T-13 is NO 1292-C  
who furnished information  
to SA KEVIN J. HARRIGAN  
during period of 11/18/64  
until 5/27/65

NO 137-1521

NO T-14 is NO 1298-C\*  
who furnished information  
from 2/19/62 - 4/5/65

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#### ADMINISTRATIVE

It is noted the period of this report is extensive but it should be noted that the Agent to whom the matter was assigned during this period has been assigned to a racial special in Bogalusa, Louisiana. Agent has been on subpoena outside this Division for period of several weeks and has likewise also engaged in other expedite deadline matters. Investigation was handled and kept current through inter-office correspondence.

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vending machines and not regular slot machines and he claimed that he had purchased some of the machines over a year previous from one PETER ANTHONY HAND and that he paid for the machines in cash.

NO T-10 claimed at that time that HAND had no interest in the machines and during this time he claimed that his only partner in his vending machine company was NOFIO PECORA, not further identified by the informant.

During the course of inquiry concerning one JAMES HARRIGAN during November and December of 1950 concerning HARRIGAN's interstate transportation of a stolen 1950 Pontiac from New Orleans to Bellevue, Ohio, it was ascertained that theft of the vehicle was effected by use of worthless checks tendered to Crescent Auto Sales Company then at 125 South Broad Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, and that as of this time Crescent Auto Sales was identified as a partnership by a NOFIO PECORA and JOHN BLANCHARD. With respect to HARRIGAN, whose true name was later ascertained to be HAROLD LEE HENRY, JR., the U. S. Attorney at Toledo declined prosecution of him since his probation for a previous forgery conviction in Huron County, Ohio and this subject was committed to Ohio State Reformatory under a one to twenty year sentence.

During 1954 NO T-11 developed information that NOFIO PECORA, who then operated Crescent Used Car Lot at Canal and North Dorgenois Street allegedly had been writing Federal and Orleans Parish Bail Bonds giving address of 337 and 339