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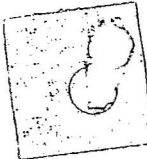
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# Memorandum



TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-75147-210) DATE: 11/16/59

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (62-3398)

SUBJECT: Top Hoodlum Program - Cuba  
AMERICAN GAMBLING ACTIVITIES - CUBA  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

*Michael J. McLaney*

MM 334-C on 9/4/59 advised that MIKE MC LANEY, of the Nacional Hotel Gambling Casino, makes frequent trips CUBA from Havana to Miami. He stated MC LANEY bought a home at 4855 Pine Tree Drive, Miami Beach, Fla.

JOHN KERNAN, PCI, on 10/15/59 stated he learned that MEYER LANSKY was in the process of selling his Tuscany Motel in Hollywood, Fla., and the deal should be concluded by the end of 10/15/59. He said the purchaser is ARTHUR SEIGAL, who owns a series of liquor stores in Boston, Mass. KERNAN said, according to a friend of his, SEIGAL related to this friend that undoubtedly SAM BARENSON (PH), also a liquor dealer in Boston, will become his partner. KERNAN said he had no information as to the price or what LANSKY intended to do with the additional funds.

On 9/24/59 Mrs. GILBERT SEIDER, 201 88th Street, Dade County, Fla., advised her husband, GILBERT SEIDER, aka. DOC APPLE, is employed in the gambling casino of the Riviera Hotel, Havana, Cuba.

On 10/7/59 EDWARD NICHOLS, INS, Miami, advised MICHAEL J. MC LANEY arrived at 10:30 P. M. that date from Havana, Cuba.

PATRICK J. CROWLEY, Inspector, INS, on 10/15/59 advised that JACK LANSKY arrived in Miami from Havana, Cuba, that day and intended to remain a few days at his home, 1146 Harrison Street, Hollywood, Fla.

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MM 334-C on 10/16/59 related that MEYER LANSKY had sold his Tuscany Motel for a figure between \$600,000.00 and \$700,000.00.

MM 673-C advised on 10/23/59 that he received information that CLIFF JONES will also operate the gambling casino in the new Hotel Quito in Quito, Ecuador, which will open in February, 1960. He also advised that he had been in Havana, Cuba, and while there spoke to JACK LANSKY and DOC APPLE at the Riviera Hotel Gambling Casino and NICHOLAS DI CASTANZO at the Capri Hotel Gambling Casino. He said he also observed ANGELO DI CHRISTOFARO at the Capri. He further said he learned in Havana that DAN LAPIDAS, aka. DUSTY PETERS, has not been going to Havana of late and that CHARLES TOURINE, aka. CHARLIE WHITE, cannot operate satisfactorily in Florida and is seriously considering going to Paris, France, to operate.

MM 675-C on 10/22/59 advised he had a short conversation with JACK LANSKY and LANSKY told him that they had to come up with more money for a payment on the Riviera Hotel in Havana, Cuba, and had a tough time getting it together and, in fact, had to dispose of some good investments to protect their interests in Havana. He also advised LANSKY told him that the way things are going, it was a losing proposition, and they hope they can hold on until the winter season passes and get out of Cuba by 3/15/60.

Additional copies of this communication are being directed to the Bureau for possible reference to the Legat, Havana, Cuba.