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AS A RESULT OF INFORMATION DISSEMINATED IN PAST, BAHAMAS
AUTHORITIES HAVE SHOWN GOOD FAITH IN DENYING APPLICATIONS FOR
CASINO LICENSE SUBMITTED BY HOODLUM ASSOCIATE, MICHAEL J.

MC LANEY, AND MIAMI BEACH HOTELMEN, BEN NOVACK, AND MORRIS
LANSBURGH, WHO REPORTEDLY ATTEMPTED TO FRONT FOR MEYER A
LANSKY ORGANIZATION. UNDER PREVIOUS BAHAMAS ADMINISTRATION,
SIR STAFFORD SANDS, CABINET MEMBER, PREVAILED UPON PREMIER
SYMONETTE AND THE GOVERNOR TO RETAIN CASINO MANAGERS, MAX

COURTNEY AND FRANK REED, IDENTIFIED IN MEYER LANSKY ORGANIZATION.

SANDS IS NO LONGER IN GOVERNMENT. NEW ADMINISTRATION

CAMPAIGNED TO RID BAHAMAS OF SANDS AND GANGSTER INFLUENCE IN

CASINOS. COURTNEY AND REED WERE IMMEDIATELY KICKED OUT OF

CASINOS. CURRENT GOVERNMENT IS BELIEVED TO BE MAKING SINCERE

EFFORT TO FIGHT GANGSTERISM. CONTINUED COOPERATION WILL

ASSURE THAT HOODLUMS WILL NOT FIND RESTING PLACE IN BAHAMAS

AND WILL DENY THEM SOURCE OF REVENUE FROM CASINOS THERE.

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