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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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ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW  
CRIMINAL INFORMANT PROGRAM  
MIAMI DIVISION

According to the Bureau's records, your office had 133 approved informants as of October 30, 1965. This reflects a decrease of 7 informants during the past 6 months. According to your most recent semiannual letter, at the present time your office has 200 individuals under development which are considered as potential future informants. The personnel in your office handling criminal matters should give these potential informants assignments wherever possible, and they should be contacted as frequently as time permits with the expectation that several of them will soon begin to furnish sufficient information to qualify them as active productive informants.

In May, 1965, Naples, Florida, was designated as a resident agency within the Miami Division. To date no informants have been developed in this area. You should request the personnel in this resident agency to concentrate on the criminal informant program so that informants will be developed in the near future. Without informants this resident agency may conceivably be handicapped in its ability to be aware at all times of the over-all crime picture.

At the present time your office is operating 5 potential informants who have been opened and in a pending status for over one year. It is suggested that these 5 individuals be closely followed and given assignments to see if they warrant further contacts on the part of your

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Re: Administrative Review

Agent personnel. At the end of 90 days you should re-evaluate their productivity and if they have not furnished any information of value you should consider deleting them as active potential informants and have your personnel concentrate on the development of new individuals who can furnish more valuable information. If these PCIs continue to react unproductively for the next 90 days but are worthy of some consideration, you may, of course, designate them as sources of information.

In accordance with your recommendations MM 1005-C and MM 1020-C may be continued for an additional 90 days. At the end of that time submit your recommendations for their retention. If you recommend that they be retained, furnish the Bureau a brief resume of the worthwhile information furnished so that they may be evaluated here at the Bureau. According to a review at the Bureau, MM 897-C, MM 1036-C, MM 1049-C, MM 1032-C, MM 1016-C, MM 1042-C, MM 1048-C and MM 1052-C have not furnished any worthwhile information during the past 6 months. Accordingly, it is suggested that these informants be given specific assignments and closely followed until the submission of your next semiannual letter. In the event they do not furnish any worthwhile information within this next 6 months' period, they should be deleted and the Bureau appropriately advised.

The statistical accomplishments credited to your informants so far this fiscal year are all higher than the same period in last fiscal year with the exception of merchandise recovered in Bureau cases and merchandise recovered by other Federal agencies. It is hoped that by frequent contacts with your informants additional enthusiasm can be instilled in them and that in turn will result in assisting your office in bringing up the two above-mentioned statistics.