

Becker

Nov. 27, 62 Rosen to Belmont
"Billie Sol Estes
Interstate Trans. of
Stole Prop - Buby" "

informants -
Becker been "feeding Blodgett and
Bryce" "rumors he has
heard plus whatever stories he
can invent for whatever possible
gain Becker may be able to derive."

6/5/67 SAC LA to Dir.

FBI "source" not identified

"contacted Reid telephonically on
5/26/67, and explained to him
that Sidney Korshak had reported
that Ed Becker was trying to shake
down some of Korshak's friends
for money to keep their names
out of the book."

"The purpose of source was to
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discredit Becker to Reid in order that the Carlos Marcello incident would be deleted from the book by Reid. "Deletion

Reid had "informant" who claimed of "informing Bureau ~~lying~~ Agents in September, 1963, that Carlos Marcello was planning on killing President Kennedy."

"Reid did not commit himself as to deleting or changing any passage of the book."

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"On 5/31/67, source and SA George E. Bland contacted... Reid " at residence. "Source again related Konshak's statements concerning Becker. It was again pointed out to Reid that Becker had been interv. by Bur. Ags in Nov, 1962 concerning the B.I. Sol. Est. case, but had not mentioned the reputed conver. or statements allegedly made by Marcello on 9/11/63, (almost

a year later) at Churchill Farms, NO. "

Reid & wife "agreed that, that portion of the manuscript concerning the Borean would be deleted."

5/17/67 to Dir from LA/SCA

Reid, coauthor of Green Felt has new book "Jungle U.S.A."

"Reid included info. & states supposedly made by CM on 9/11/63, concern. the pending ass of P.K. Reid attrib. this info to an inform. who claimed he was inter. by FBI Ags in LA and gave this same info to them in Sept, 63. Based on the info turn. by Reid, it was concluded that his inform. probably is Edward Nicholas Becker."

"On 5/17/67, — advised he received a call on 5/16/67,

from Sidney Korshak. Korshak inquired as to who Ed Becker was and advised that B was trying to shake down some of K's friends for money by claiming he is the collaborator with Reid and that for money he could keep the names of these people out of the book. "

source called Reid on 5/17 - spoke to wife - who denied Becker ~~was~~ was collaborating.

Korshak told source on 5/17 ~~that~~ "Korshak remarked that Becker was a no good "shakedown artist." "

Nov. 27, 62

Rosen to Belmont

Billie Sol Ester ---

Duplicate

former SA provided info.
which BUREAU cant substantiate

Ed Reid May 15, 1967 - Rosen to DeLoach
- "Edward Reid"

62-109060-5589

Reid "who has written several
books concerning the hoodlum
element" - ex-newsp. in Vegas
contacted LA office. 5/6/67

"indicated he had info.
concern John Roselli."

- met - showed manuscript

"Reid refers to CM and indicated
there was a meeting on 9/11/63
at Chur. Far, outside NO, Ca,
attended by sev. peop. includ. M
and R's inform. M was alleged
to have said that in order to
get Bobby K they would have

to get the Pres., and they could not kill Bobby because the Pres would use the Army and the Marines to get them. The result of kill the Pres. would cause Bobby to lose his power as A 6 because of the new Pres. "

"a person who attended this alleged meet. was inter. by Ags of our LA office and furnished them the info. "

inform "several days later was interviewed concern the Billie Sd Case, at which time he allegedly related to our Agents what he heard at Church Farm. "

- said Ags were

Jim Eldridge
L. Blanton

files show they interviewed Becker on 11/26/62

"In this interview, M was mentioned ... in connection with a business proposition. "

recall, Morgan was prev. interv. at
the request of the W.H. concerning
alleged info in his possess. regard.
the ass. Also, Ros. was the
connect link between CIA & RM
who was hired by the CIA
to approach SG to have Castro
assass. "

handwritten: "We should
discreetly identify the
publisher." D

11/30/62

Bill Sol
LA office

Becker been investigg.

In Texas Sept. 18, 62
posing as Reader's Digest
writer on Billie.

Becker called someone at
Marniot Hotel in Dallas
on Sept 19-62 - said
he was FBI - to check
name in Eks case.
Got answer he was clean.

Sept. 21 - B went to Shreveport
~~met up with~~ met up with Roppolo
B had show biz friends
in Vegas

Roppolo - said he was calling
rich uncle in NO - Carlos
was mentioned

Rop said his mother is
Carlos sister - and he
the favorite nephew.

Pruner "stated he considered
Becker to be a "scumbler" or
small-time con man who used
names and fantastic stories
to promote his own interests."

Becker 302 - "He advised that
Roppolo is a long time
acquaintance of Carlos M
of NO and that M was
approached by them to furnish
financing for the promotion."
- of oil additive

Marcello

(A)

enials July 14 - 61 - back in NO, teletype NO to #
126-202

7/13/61 - Lab. Work Sheet, "No Lab File"
Miller & Silberling

Request for Cryptanalysis

2 envelopes & letter (greeting card)

Results: "Because of the brevity
of the text, no determination
as to the meaning of the possible
code ... could be made. It is
possible, however, that the names
in the text ... represent double
meaning, wherein certain words
are given arbitrary meanings
by the correspondents."

(about writer & Marcello)

Marcello involve. in N.Y. company

7/14/61 - Morrison appoint. Ambass of OAS

6/27/61 [stated] Marcello believes that if
he can delay his deportation long
enough, his political connections
and associates in the State of
Louisiana, which allegedly include
Governor James Davis and Senator

Russell B. Long (both Democrats) may be able to have some influence in choosing the successor of General Swing, Commissioner, INS, who is expected to retire in the near future."

to Miller (AAG)
and White (DAG)

6/16/61 - SAC Miami Airtel to H

inform: M gave \$300,000
to Davis campaign,
known for 18 years.

"said... "Russell Long" would be interested in assisting Marcello since in the past he, too, has received financial aid from Marcello. (said) Long had recommended and was sponsoring a Louisiana official for the top INS position in Wash, D.C. and if he could get this official appointed, he then could help Marcello through this appointment."

6-5-61 - NO to H tele.

Wasserman & another M lawyer were
at T&C when M surrendered.
surrendered 6/5

6/1/61 — Paxton working w. M in Guatemala?

May 24, 61 — [CIA station in Guatemala]
confided to B. agent that — [Paxton]

(agent Papich)

was told of it May 12.

(mentions Paxton)

(5/13 or 18/61 NO request for
30 day coverage using
sensitive technique.

4/23/61 Davidson calls Belmont to
advise of M's planned return.

5/5/61 Report by SA Furman Boggan in NO
"Marcello reportedly offered
contribution of \$200,000 to
Frente Revolucionario Democrático,
New Orleans, Anti-Castro organization
with provision that after Castro
regime overthrown in Cuba,
new government would give him
gambling concessions and Cuban
citizenship."

3/29/61

F9 advised woman named Falk was beaten to death at 325 Bourbon St.
"The Annex." Husband, Larry Falk, owed M \$46,000.

4/7/61

by DeBrueys & Wall

"Sergio Arcacha-Smith, head of the Frente Revolucionario Democrático (FRD), an anti-Castro organization in the NO area, advised that in January of 1961 one William Wayne Dalzell contacted him stating he had a contributor for the FRD who was willing to make available funds in the amount of \$200,000. Arch. said he asked Dal. for the identity of this generous contributor and Dalzell replied that the contributor was C.M. Dal. told Arc. that M. would make the contributions with the understanding that after the Castro regime was overthrown in Cuba, the new Gov. would give M certain gambling concessions as well as the privilege of Cuban citizenship."

4-11-61 teletype to H from NO

Sec. Chief Tom McAndrews
called that day requesting info
on inform. who in
March '58 furnished info.
on several occasions on
M, Poretto, and Joseph Pecarano

4-26-61 Bureau authority is granted to
interview Datzell on Arcacha info.

Datzell then under invest. by NO
on "security matter." [w. John Nagery]
NO to H. (or vice versa)

4-25-61 M tax returns.

X 1957: adjusted gross income \$68,000
1958: \$58,000

4-15-61 RFK & Miller asked Evans for Wasserman
tel. records in Evans memo.

Evans advised caution, Wasserman
was suing, Miller said wait
til he again discussed with RFK.

4-11-61 - FBI mem on M noted that
M ~~associate~~, Felice Galino, of
Patterson, La. "owns and
operates the Sea Shrimp Company"
of Patterson and "Galino is a part owner
of the Town and Country Motel,
Bossier City, La."

? Visited Marcello in
Guatemala during deportation - ^{on} business

4-13-61 NO to H Memo.

April 7th - Smith was interviewed
negating a security matter and
told of Marcello offer.

"Arc. advised... that he had no
authority to offer concessions
of this type, and the matter
was dropped."

3-30-61 Evans to Parsons on M.

"This mem. is to ... determine
what action has been taken by
General Suing to proceed with
the deportation of Carlos Marcello,
a notorious New Orleans hoodlum."

Swing advised Bureau on 3/3/61
"advised the Attorney General had been
emphasizing to Immigration and
Naturalization the importance of taking
prompt action to deport notorious
hoodlums. In this connection,
the Marcello case is of particular
interest. A final order of
deportation had been entered against
Marcello but this fact was being
held in strictest confidence since
Immigration felt they had to deport
M immediately to a nearby country
to prevent Marcello's attorney from
instituting court action to delay
such deportation. General Swing said
he already secured authority
from Formosa to deport M
there but in view of the distance
and the difficulty of transportation,
Gen. Swing was negotiating with
Guatemala to have that country
accept Marcello."

Report by Regis Kennedy

3/27/61

Town and Country, Airline Hwy.,
Metairie, La. ?

surveillance: March 7, 61

Marcello w. Joseph J. Pecorano

partner in Nola news.

March 13, '61, Metairie

→ "At 11:08 AM, Marcello was
observed departing to T+C Restaurant
with Joseph Pecorano..."

same on March 20 - Mt Pco.

Section 8

Marcello

(B)

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Serials 334-379

7-18-62

Airtel To H from NO

Marcello left NO for Washington

July 15

on Sunday 7-15-62

and returned on 7-16-62

They asked D.C. to check

Willard Hotel.

7-25-62

Willard has no records on M.

WFO to H. "WFO is

conducting no additional information."

8-29-62

Kennedy report

Phila. office said Bruno probe showed "discussion" regarding Marcello deportation on July 17, 1960.

July 2 letter from Pittsburgh office, in Sam Mannanino case, showed group of calls from

April 5, 1962 to April 19

from coin boxes in Wash. D.C.

to numerous people in U.S. & Canada, charged to Mannanino son-in-law.

Included calls to Town & Country and Joe

11-21-62

To H from LA SAC.

a source in Dallas said
attorney at Republic National Bank Bldg,
George Hutcheson, had info. FBI
desired on \$10,000 bills made
on plates ~~which~~ meant for Russians

informants being used are
Tommy Madray and Ed Becker.

— "admitted that he could be
supporting a con game for living
expenses on the part of Becker"

... "but that he doubted it"
as he'd only given limited expenses.

Madray "is known as a confidence
man to the Los Angeles office and
to other law enbr. agencies in the
LA area."

Becker knew (associated with) a
Max Field in LA, friend of
Joe Sica.

(Edward Nicholas Becker)

LA office says "it appears
that Becker "... has been feeding
all rumors he has heard plus
whatever stories he can fit
into the picture. "

"for furtherance of whatever financial gain that he, Becker, might be able to derive from these stories."

11-26-62

SAC LA airtel to H.
on interview that day
with Becker on Billy
Sol Estes case.

(Julian ↓ Blodgett & Homer Snowden,
Snowden hired him as investigator,
and contact. Traveled to
Dallas on business. Heard
rumors on counterfeiting.

thru Snowden, met
Carl Roppolo in Shreveport.

"He advised that on two
occasions he has accompanied
Roppolo to New Orleans, where
they met with one Carlos
Marcello, who is a long-time
friend of Roppolo. He advised
that Roppolo was to obtain
the financing for their promotional
business from Marcello. He
advised that he knew nothing
further about Marcello."

11-20-62

Very long Airtel report
LA SAC to H.

Snowden ex-con.

Becker met Snowden first time
on Sept. 18, 1962 in
Brownwood, Tex. - oil business.

Sept. 21 - they went to Shreveport.

Becker then 42, Beverly Hills.

Marcello's alleged nephew,

Carl Roppolo, then 27.

Oil geologist in Shreveport.

"... Roppolo had said
that his mother is Carlos
Marcello's sister, and that
Roppolo is the favorite nephew."

- business deal, religious film.

- very complex bizarre story.

1-10-63

Kennedy Report

IRS section notes ("Travels")

Marcello in Miami Aug. 18-26, 1962

"vacation with family."

Beach Club Motel, North Ocean Blvd.
registered Aug. 4-7, 1962.

Fountainbleau Aug 7-12, 1962

14 calls listed to NO

REQUEST

Dec. 8, 1962 to New York

Dec. 6-8

Saw Costello.

Stayed at Summit Hotel.

Dec. 7, 1962

To Shreveport, Jan. 3, 1963

Kastel succidie placed ownership
of Beverly Club with
Frank Waters of Frank Waters
Oil Company in Houston.
Marcello wanted to take it over.

1-10-63 Kennedy report.
Will determine who Roppolo is.

While at Fountainbleau, Marcello
called Houston CAS-0431
and Dallas RA-128806 ??

4-11-63 Kennedy Report
M in Lafayette Jan 11-14, 1963.
March 20, 1963.

(case:) "Carlos Marcello vs. Robert
F. Kennedy, Attorney General of
the United States, et al, Case
Number 6553"

4-11-63

Kennedy report.

Feb. 13, : source said Rappolo and Marcello
"families were quite close at
one time as they came from
the 'old country' at approximately
the same time and lived as
neighbors in No. 11"

doubted whether Rappolo could get
any money from M "as everyone
considers Rappolo to be rather
shiftless. " "late 20's"

"His family considers him
a problem and would like
to have him settle down and
get a job."

"jumps from one thing to
another and is always trying
to promote something."

4-17-63

Miller to H, forwarding
citizens' letter ^{to RFK} re: friend
beaten by Marcello men.

5-31-63

SAC NO to H.
request for tax returns
on M for 1959-1962

~~5-31-63~~
7-5-63

Kennedy report. Lengthy.

Travel: Lafayette June 8-1963

Jan. 31, 64 — Very long Kennedy report.

6th page:

"Onofrio Pecoraro is
known to have formerly been
connected with the Town
and Country Restaurant ...

"Records, Eastern Air Lines,
reflect that Onofrio Pecoraro
and his wife Frances and
Joseph A. Poretto and wife

[3rd Agency deletions on Pecora]

Sletias had reservations for
Mexico City on July 16, 1963."

also on plane Manio Bertelli
& Carlo De Angeli.
(from Italy)

Also Kohn advised on
July 15, 1963 that Salvador
Marcello and Nicholas Nuccio
had gone to Guatemala about July 15.

Oster report said Marcello
and J. Folse Roy were in
Houston on June 24, 1963.

Next pages list calls.

(Pecora: 242543)

Travel NO. T-3, of Orleans
"advised an Agent of the Bureau
on October 16, 1963, that Carlos
Marcello had asked Joseph Hegeman
of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. to use
his residence located at 1416
West Lake Drive, Ft. Lau., Fla.,
to meet with some unidentified
individual about the first part
of January, 1964."

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- didn't know who or why,

("indicated that Hegeman would be cooperative with the Gov. in the event Marcello did attempt to set up a meeting at this residence. "

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Travel: ✓ Lafayette on October 7
October 8

calls.

Marcello

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Section 4

Serials

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3-3-61

Report by Regis Kennedy.

"On Jan. 12, 1961 George Gillespie, Chief Criminal Deputy Sheriff, Jefferson Parish, Louis, advised that Carlos Marcello X is extremely apprehensive and upset and has been since the NO S-FK newspaper on Dec. 28, 1960 published a news story reporting that AG-Designate RFK stated he would expedite the deportation proceedings pending against Marcello after X takes office in Jan. 1961."

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