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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (92-2781)

DATE: February 18, 1960

FROM : Legat, Havana (92-1)

SUBJECT: SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., aka
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Re Havana letter to the Bureau dated 12/31/60.

As of the date of the last letter, SANTO TRAFFICANTE had not returned to Cuba. Regular contact with PCI Alberto Suarez Aleman, doorman at the apartment building where SANTO TRAFFICANTE resides when in Cuba, reflected that as of January 27, 1960, PCI still had no information indicating that TRAFFICANTE had returned. However, on February 9, 1960, PCI stated he had heard that TRAFFICANTE had returned to Cuba for five or six days and had again returned to Florida. He did not come to the apartment building although he continues to pay the rent and still has the apartment.

HAV-33 has furnished the following information: On January 24, 1960, while on a routine check of individuals in the Capri casino, Havana, he noticed TRAFFICANTE with NICHOLAS DI COSTANZO, HY BEDOL and an individual, apparently American, unknown to informant. HAV-33 stated that insofar as he had been able to ascertain, TRAFFICANTE returned to Cuba about January 19, 1960, and is in an apartment in the FOCSA Building, a 40-story apartment building, and is using an apartment there in the name of HENRY SAAVEDRA. SAAVEDRA is also from Tampa and is associated with gamblers working at the Hotel Capri casino.

HAV-33 also reported that he saw TRAFFICANTE on February 9 and 11, 1960, at the Hotel Comodoro casino. It is noted that both HAV-33 and PCI Suarez Aleman have reported in the past that when TRAFFICANTE does not have his wife in Cuba, he frequently takes show girls to his apartment or goes to the apartment of some other individual.

It is requested that Miami advise if any information is available indicating the present whereabouts of TRAFFICANTE. Any additional information concerning his activities in Cuba will be promptly reported to the Bureau.

Extra copies of this letter are furnished for the information of the Miami and Jacksonville offices.

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