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| REPORTING OFFICE CHICAGO | OFFICE OF ORIGIN CHICAGO | DATE 6-17-58 | INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 5/28; 6/2,3,4/58 |
| TITLE OF CASE CHANGED GUSALEV, was. Gust Alex, Gussie Alex, Martin, Michael, Mike Ryan, "Slim", "Bananas" | | REPORT MADE BY WILLIAM F. ROEMER, Jr. | TYPED BY ntb |
| | | CHARACTER OF CASE ANTI-RACKETEERING | |

SYNOPSIS:

SUMMARY REPORT

ALEX was born in Chicago, Ill. He holds no known legitimate employment. He claims to be married to MARIANNE RYAN, well-known Chicago model, but marriage not verified. Resided in Chicago all his life and now lives at 4300 No. Marine Drive. ALEX is an associate of many of the top hoodlums in Chicago area, particularly of EDDY VOGEL. ALEX was formerly the bodyguard of JAKE GUZIK, influential Chicago hoodlum, now deceased. He later became the "right hand man" of GUZIK and then "enforcement officer" of the crime syndicate in Chicago. Upon GUZIK's death in 1956, ALEX reportedly took over GUZIK's position in the syndicate and today reputedly controls Chicago's "Loop" and South Side. ALEX has been questioned as a suspect by the Chicago PD in connection with many gangland type crimes and is known to the Chicago PD as a "tough, capable of the heavy work for the syndicate". ALEX also involved in illegal labor activities and gambling. Reputed to have financial interests in tavern, barber shop, liquor company, ranch, hotel and amusement arcade. Many of his hangouts known. Has traveled in Europe at least three times. Employee bodyguard-chauffeur. Physical

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INFORMANTS

T-1
CG 6171-C

3/13/58 to SA LENARD A. WOLF.
This informant has furnished
reliable information in the past
and is an associate of certain
henchmen of the subject.

T-2
Local Draft Board No. 80, 4/14/44, as reviewed by SA WILLIAM M.
Selective Service System, KELLY.
2319 South Wentworth Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois

T-3
CG 5733-C

In 1950 to unknown agent, and on
12/27/57 to SA ROBERT J. DENEEN.
CG 5733-C is not personally acquainted
with ALEX or his associates and
obtained this information through
contact with small-time hoodlums.
He has furnished reliable infor-
mation in the past.

T-4
Inspectors L. B. MC NALLY
and R. E. SHALLBERG,
Alcohol Tax Unit,
Chicago, Illinois

In 1946 to unknown agents.

T-5
CG 5973-C

3/14/58 to SAs C. LEONARD TREVIRANUS
and WILLIAM F. ROEMER, Jr.
8/13/54 to SA TREVIRANUS.
This informant is a friend of ALEX
and of ALEX's wife and has furnished
reliable information in the past.

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T-6

PCI HAROLD MC ILVENY

Contacted on a regular basis since 3/25/58 by SA ROEMER. This PCI is an elevator operator at ALEX's residence, 4300 North Marine Drive, Chicago, and has furnished reliable information in the past.

T-7

PCI JOHN THOMAS MC INERNEY

Contacted on a regular basis since 3/3/58 by SA ROEMER. This PCI is an elevator operator at ALEX's residence, 4300 North Marine Drive, and has furnished reliable information in the past.

T-8

Mrs. LOUIS (LULU) LE VITUS,
828 West Cuyler Avenue,
Chicago
(Upon request)

3/5/58 to SA ROEMER. This source is a former employer and a friend of ALEX's wife. Her reliability is unknown but most of her information has been corroborated by other sources.

T-9

THOMAS MC GANN,
2222 West Giddings Street,
Chicago, Illinois
(Upon request)

6/2/58 to SA ROEMER. This source is an elevator operator at ALEX's residence, 4300 North Marine Drive. His reliability is unknown.

T-10

NELS NIELSEN,
Postal Carrier, Assigned to
Evergreen Park, Illinois
Post Office

3/4/58 and 3/28/58 to SA ROEMER. This postal carrier serves ALEX's mailing address.

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T-15

Mrs. THELMA PATCH,
Former Bookkeeper,
Murray Hill Apartments,
4300 North Marine Drive,
Chicago, Illinois
(Upon request)

3/50 to unknown agents, Chicago
Office, and 5/19/58 to SAs
PAUL B. FRANKFURT and ROEMER.
Mrs. PATCH is a former bookkeeper
at the Murray Hill Apartments
where she knew EDDY VOGEL and
GUS ALEX.
Her reliability is unknown, but
some of her information has been
confirmed by other sources.

T-16

PCI JAMES RINI

5/1/58 to SA PAUL B. FRANKFURT.
This PCI is a lieutenant of
EDDY VOGEL, an associate of
ALEX.
He has furnished reliable
information in the past.

T-17

CG 6132-C

1/3/58 to SA WILLIAM J. MC
CORMICK.
Informant has furnished reliable
information in the past.

T-18

PCI ROBERT FESTENSTEIN

1/16/58 and 6/5/58 to SA ROBERT L.
BAKER.
This PCI is familiar with
activities of lesser known
hoodlums in Chicago.
Informant has furnished reliable
information in the past.

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PCI ROBERT THEODORE MARTINO

12/6/57 to SA JAMES P. BRODERICK, and on 1/19/58 to SA JOSEPH G. SHEA. PCI is not acquainted with ALEX but with lesser hoodlums. PCI has furnished reliable information in the past.

T-20

JOSEPH LEBOWITZ,
Midlothian Country Club,
Midlothian, Illinois
(Upon request)

5/8/46; 5/12/46; 6/7/46; 7/16/46; 8/30/46 and 9/10/46 to SAs DELBERT L. WOOD and RALPH J. O'CONNOR. This source has furnished reliable information in the past. He was a bookmaker in the "Loop" of Chicago and an associate of many people on the fringe of the syndicate in Chicago, including JAMES M. RAGEN, Sr., TOM BOURKE, President, Illinois Newspaper Association; DANIEL A. SERRITELLA, Political Leader, Chicago Police Department officials and others who had apparently reliable information regarding hoodlum activities in the Chicago area. He is no longer active in the bookmaking business.

T-21

Former CG 5809-C

3/15/56 to SA FRANCIS J. STEFANAK. This source was familiar with hoodlum activities in the Chicago area, but is not believed to know ALEX personally. He furnished reliable information in the past. He is no longer an informant of this Office.

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Former PCI DOMINIC ABATA

2/1/56 to SA WALTER E. PETERS.
This source was not believed
to be acquainted with ALEX,
but was acquainted with
lesser hoodlums. His
reliability is unknown.

T-28

PCI SAM NUKES

2/26/58 to SA HAROLD D. SELL.
This source does not know
ALEX but knows several lesser
hoodlums. He has furnished
reliable information in the
past.

T-29

CG 6218-C

3/19/58 to SA VINCENT L.
INSERRA.
This informant works in a
handbook operated in ALEX's
district on the near south
side of Chicago by an associate
of ALEX. He is, therefore,
in a position to obtain
information by hearsay regarding
ALEX. He has furnished
reliable information in the
past.

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Miss EILEEN EDGAR,
Clerk, Illinois Bell
Telephone Company,
Chicago, Illinois

3/26/58 to Investigative
Clerk JOHN E. WHALEN.

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Sergeant MICHAEL A. SERRITELLA, former Chief of Police, now Sergeant, Evergreen Park, Illinois Police Department (Upon request)

3/5/58; 4/15/58 and 5/30/58 to SA ROEMER. This source grew up near ALEX on the near south side of Chicago and now lives two blocks from the residence of ALEX's mother in Evergreen Park, Illinois. He knows ALEX well, converses with him from time to time and also knew JAKE GUZIK and other associates of ALEX. His reliability is known and most of his information has been corroborated by other sources.

T-25

Sergeant PATRICK O'CONNOR, Chicago Police Department, Robbery Detail (Deemed advisable)

3/12/58 to SA LENARD A. WOLF. This source has been an officer on the Chicago Police Department for many years. He has furnished reliable information in the past.

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CG 5951-C

12/27/57 to SA ROBERT J. DENEEN. This source does not know ALEX but is acquainted with several lesser hoodlums in Chicago. He has furnished reliable information in the past.

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Immigration and Naturalization
Files, as furnished by INS
Investigator JOHN J. BURKE

12/16/57 to Investigative
Clerk FRANCIS G. KAH.

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JIMMY HAKAKAS,
Los Angeles PCI

11/29/55 to SA JOHN J.
CANNY of the Los
Angeles Office.
This PCI knows ALEX
slightly but not well.
His reliability is
unknown.

T-33

ANTHONY GAMBINO,
Joliet Penitentiary
(prisoner)
(Upon request)

5/22/58 to SA JOHN J.
OITZINGER.
This source has been close
to numerous small time
hoodlums in the Chicago
area and the information
he furnished, contained
herein, came directly
from an associate of
ALEX. His reliability
is unknown.

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THE CHICAGO DIVISION

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS -

Will continue to conduct investigation regarding
the current activities, etcetera, of GUS ALEX in conformance

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