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ADMINISTRATIVE:

The information concerning subject's activities in Atlanta was not received prior to submission of report dated 11/25/68.

INFORMANTS:

MM T-1 is MM 725-C.

MM T-2 is AT 1881-C.

 $\,$ MM T-3 is DANNY BAITCHER, owner and manager of Fan and Bill's Restaurant, Atlanta, Georgia, who furnished information on a confidential basis.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Report of:

ALLAN M. TRANKLEY

Office:

Miami, Florida

Date:

January 31, 1969

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Bureau File #:

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Title:

Field Office Fi

NORMAN ROTHMAN

Character:

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Synopsis:

Subject reportedly in Atlanta, Georgia, 10/68, to arrange for payment of gambling debts owed by Atlanta individual. Reportedly has lost Albion Lounge, Miami Beach, Fla., for failure to pay bills. Subject presently in NY, NY, purpose not known.

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DETAILS:

TRAVEL

On November 25, 1968, Mr. A. NEWMAN, National Airlines, Miami International Airport, advised that subject had taken Flight #6 to New York, New York and had departed at 1:20 PM.

On December 9, 1968, JOE FALCONE, Station Manager, National Airlines, Miami International Airport, advised that subjectwas to take Flight #90 to LaGuardia Field, New York, New York, departing Miami at 5:00 PM. At 4:48 PM, subject was observed to board the plane. He was alone.

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Report of SA ALLAN M. TRANKLEY dated 9/27/68, at Miami; Atlanta letter to Miami, 10/15/68.

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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

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REFERENCE: Report of SA ALLAN M. TRANKLEY dated 7/18/68, at Miami, Florida.

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AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA

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REFERENCES:

Report of SA ALLAN M. TRANKLEY dated 5/28/68

at Miami.

Indianapolis letter to Miami dated 5/29/68. Cincinnati letter to Miami dated 5/31/68.

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AT TRENTON, NEW JERSEY

Will determine owner of car bearing New Jersey license JMW-688. Will check indices, credit and criminal on this individual.

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AT WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

Will determine owner of car on which 1967-1968 Florida license 6WW-6273 appears. Will conduct credit and criminal checks regarding this individual.

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will follow and report subject's activities.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

The investigative period of this report predates the period of the last report submitted because investigation conducted was not received prior to the preparation of the last report.

INFORMANTS:

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REFERENCES

Report of SA ALLAN M. TRANKLEY dated 3/18/68, at Miami.

Las Vegas letter to Miami dated 4/1/68.

Pittsburgh letter to Miami dated 4/12/68.

New York letter to Miami dated 4/25/68.

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Telephone number 989-9676 is for HARRY J. NICK, 6641 S.W. 9th Street, Hollywood, Florida.

Telephone number 989-9576 is for P.M. CENSORIO, 7945 Di Lido Boulevard, Miramar, Florida.

SA LAURENCE E. THOMAS determined that telephone number 731-8246, Cincinnati, Ohio, is for Dr. H.H. STEINBERG, 7281 Arcoma Drive. Dr. STEINBERG has no arrest record at the Cincinnati Police Department, and the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office and the Cincinnati indices do not contain any information identifiable with Dr. H. H. STEINBERG.

Telephone number 335-751, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is that of VICTOR CARLUCCI. CARLUCCI is a son-in-law of SAM MANNERINO, former member of La Cosa Nostra (LCN), now deceased. CARLUCCI was released from Lewisburg Federal Prison in December, 1964, after serving 40 months of a 5-year sentence for TGP, ITSP, FHA, NM, CONSPIRACY. NORMAN ROTHMAN was one of the subjects in this case in which an attempt was made to ship stolen firearms to Cuba.

Telephone number 335-4371 is for Catoris Candies, Inc. On June 17, 1964, and on December 8, 1964, PCI JAMES W. BURGART advised SA THOMAS G. FORSYTHE, III, that "KELLY" MANNARINO had acquired the controlling interest in the Catoris Candy Company and that he spent a lot of time in his office in the back of the candy company store. He said that LOUIS CATORIS, the former sole owner, still provided the know-how for the operation of the candy company and is still in charge of making the candy.

PCI BURGART has in the past, on numerous occasions, described GABRIEL MANNARINO, also known as "KELLY" MANNARINO, as the "Boss" of all illegal activities in the area of New Kensington for over 15 years.

C COVER PAGE Telephone number 224-5959, Tallahassee, Florida, is for GEORGE THOMAS, 1623 El Habana. Credit and Criminal checks negative.

Telephone number 734-7110, Las Vegas, Nevada, is the main switchboard of Caesar's Palace Hotel-Casino. J. SAINO and JAY SURINO, who was telephonically contacted, is apparently identical with JAY J. SARNO, who is an executive and owner of Caesar's Palace.

Telephone number 735-8586, Las Vegas, Nevada, is listed to JAY J. SARNO, 3541 Maricops Way, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Telephone number 734-7110 is for JERRY ZAROWITZ who is the present casino Manager at Caesar's Palace. He is reported to have been associated with a nation-wide betting group known as "The Iron Curtain Group", comprised of ZAROWITZ, ELLIOT PAUL PRICE, ANTHONY SALERNO, RUBY LAZARUS and VINCENT ALO. ZAROWITZ has previously been convicted of attempted bribery of a New York Giants official football player.

The investigative period of this report overlaps that of referenced report. The investigative activity of an auxilliary office was conducted prior to referenced report, but was not received prior to the submission of referenced report.

INFORMANTS

MM T-1 is HOPE STOKES, 9124 Byron Avenue, Surfside, Florida, a neighbor of subject whose identity is concealed at her request.

MM T-2 is MM 725-C MM T-3 is LV 121-C-TE MM T-4 is LV 297-C

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MM T-5 is MM 869-PC
MM T-6 is PCI MARCELO NAPOLIELLO, Las Vegas,
Nevada
MM T-7 is MM 727-C
MM T-8 is DANIEL PEREZ, 953 S.W. 1st Street,
Miami, Florida, whose identity is
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ADMINISTRATIVE

Information below relates to contacts with LUIS
POSADA CARRILES in regard to his knowledge of the activities
of FRANK LANG "LEFTY" ROSENTHAL. At the time of original contact
with CARRILES the was an employee of CIA. During the latter
stages of his contacts with SA WARREN R. WELSH his employment
with CIA had been terminated.

BOMBINGS - MIAMI AREA JANUARY' - JUNE, 1967

A. CONTACTS WITH LUIS POSADA CARRILES,

1. On July 24, 1965, CIA provided in memo form information received from a reliable source. This source was later identified as LUIS POSADA CARRILES.

POSADA advised that DIEGO BORGES was acting as an agent for three Americans who were seeking to buy pistols, explosives, blasting caps, hand grenades and silencers. The identity of the Americans was not known to POSADA although the believed they were members of the Ku Klux Klan or possibly the John Birch Society.

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for money to enable him to return to Miami. He stated no one had contacted him to date regarding this deal.

In view of the possible Customs violation, Phoenix disseminated this matter to U. S. Customs, Nogales, Arizona.

SERGIO CASTRO is presently incarcerated in the Hudson County Jail, Jersey City, New Jersey, for bank robbery. There is also a case on CASTRO in New York on federal counterfeiting charges.

This case was placed in a pending inactive status on June 22, 1967, and Departmental Attorney WALLACE H. JOHNSON, JR. advised that agents of the Federal Narcotics Bureau in Miami, Florida, would conduct an investigation in Miami relative to the possibility of ROTHMAN being engaged in narcotics and that the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Unit would conduct an investigation of the Albion Lounge. REMAINS ANCHASS PERCENTION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPER

The Federal Narcotics Bureau in Miami conducted an SUDJUSE investigation of ROTHMAN and is still conducting its investi- 6-23-98 gation in an effort to prove that ROTHMAN is engaged in narcotics.

On December 12, 1967, ROBERT NICKOLOFF, Agent in Charge of the Miami Branch of the Federal Narcotics Bureau, advised that ALBERTO LARRAIN-MAESTRE had been arrested in Spain on or about December 4, 1967. A copy of the interview of this individual will be furnished to the Bureau.

The Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Unit did not conduct an investigation of the Albion Lounge.

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(Attention: Departmental Attorney WILLIAM EARLE)

Report of:

ALLAN M. TRANKLEY

Office: Miami, Florida

Dates

December 26, 1967

Field Office File #:

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Bureau File #: 93

92-9844

Title:

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REFERENCES: Report of SA ALLAN M. TRANKLEY, dated 3/31/67,

at Miami.
Miami airtel to Washington Field, dated 5/11/67.

ENCLOSURES

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Enclosed for the Bureau is an original and one copy of a Letterhead Memorandum characterizing the informants utilized in this report.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA MICHAEL E. DILL:

AT EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE, FLORIDA

On September 20, 1967, JOSEPH SUMMERS, Records Office, Eglin Federal Prison Camp, furnished the prison file for NORMAN ROTHMAN, number 389EF. This file reflected the following background and descriptive data concerning the subject:

ROTHMAN was convicted in the Western District of Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on February 4, 1960, for conspiring, aiding and abetting to transport stolen property in interstate and foreign commerce, and using interstate and foreign wires to defraud. ROTHMAN was sentenced to five years and a \$10,000 fine on this charge. ROTHMAN began serving his sentence at the Federal Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, on August 28, 1951. On July 10, 1962, he was transferred from Atlanta to Federal Correctional Institution, Tallahassee, Florida. On September 12, 1963, subject was transferred to the Eglin Federal Prison Camp, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, where he remained until his release on February 18, 1965. The following individuals were listed as co-defendants with ROTHMAN:

JOSEPH MEROLA

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ROTHMAN's file contained a copy of a letter, dated September 22, 1961, from the Director, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Division, which reflected that on November 4, 1958, inspectors of the Immigration and Naturalization Service and state officers detained an airplane which had landed at the Morgantown Airport, Morgantown, West Virginia, The pilot of this aircraft was determined to be STUART SUTOR.

A search of this aircraft reflected that there were 135 rifles and guns located on the aircraft. Subsequent investigation revealed that 121 of these weapons had been stolen from the National Guard Armory in Canton, Ohio. As a result of the seizure of these weapons, investigation resulted in a conspiracy case being presented against SUTOR, NORMAN ROTHMAN, and others. Upon his arrest, SUTOR reported that the aircraft he was piloting had been rented from DuPont Air Interest, Miami, Florida.

Further investigation into this matter revealed that in August 1958, JOE and SAM GIARUSSO had contacted a LEONARD RICCI, a licensed firearm dealer, and told him they had a contact from Florida who wanted all the United States Army type rifles he could get. In October 1958, ROTHMAN, who was described as a well known gambler formerly of New Kensington, Pennsylvania, and who allegedly represented the Mannarino Gambling Interest in Cuba, contacted a Doctor LEWIS C. PESSOLANO in Miami Springs, Florida. ROTHMAN was reported/to have asked PESSOLANO to purchase an airplane for the purpose of going north to pick up a load of firearms and to obtain the services of a pilot who could be trusted for the flight. A short time later, PESSOLANO contacted STUART SUTOR and made arrangements for SUTOR to pilot this SUTOR was subsequently introduced to JOSEPH, MEROLA at Miami, Florida, who with SUTOR left for Pennsylvania to pick up the weapons. On October 26, 1958, SUTOR and MEROLA landed their plane at the Alleghany Valley Airport. near New Kensington, Pennsylvania, where they were met by three men who arrived at the field in a 1958 Oldsmobile and panel truck with the name S and S Distributing Company written on the side. The stolen weapons were apparently transferred to SUTOR's plane at that time.

This letter further reflects that GABRIEL and

SAMMANNARINO, who were listed as co-conspirators in this matter, were the owners of the S and S Distributing Company and that their truck was used to transport the stolen weapons. MANNARINO was reported to have made a telephone call to PESSOLANO a short time later and inquired if SUTOR would keep his mouth shut in reference to the law enforcement

officers. ROTHMAN was reported to have described SAM MANNARINO as a "very dear friend."

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ROTHMAN's file further reflects a summary report prepared in 1961 by the Federal Prison authorities. Information contained in the personal history and family background portion of this report was reported to have been accumulated from social letters received from the subject's wife and from initial interview with the subject. At that time information reflected that the subject was born December 26, 1914, in New York City, New York. His father, LEON ROTHMAN, was born in Rumania and died in 1954. His mother, BETTY ROTHMAN, was also born in Rumania and died in 1953. ROTHMAN's brother, IRVIN G. ROTHMAN, was reported to be residing at 9825 64th Street, New York City, New York, and at the time was 45 years of age. ROTHMAN's other brother, SANFORD ROTHMAN, was reported to be residing at 1756 166th Street, New York City, New York, and was listed as being 42 years of age. ROTHMAN claimed that he attended school in the New York area, completing the eighth grade. He also reported that the entered the United States Army in 1945, served about seven months and was honorably discharged in 1945.

Subject was further reported to have been a cafe manager and owner in Cuba. He claimed that he was a nightclub owner in Havanna, Cuba, and left his club when the communist took over, led by FIDEL CASTRO. ROTHMAN also claimed to have managed Mother Kelly's Nightclub in Miami, Florida. ROTHMAN also reported that he was the business manager of the Alborn Lounge and Alborn Hotel in Miami, Florida. He also furnished information concerning his having operated gambling houses in Cuba and having participated in gun running.

ROTHMAN was reported to have married ETHEL HUREWITZ in New York City, New York, in 1936. ROTHMAN and his wife have three sons, namely, CAPPY ROTHMAN, age 23 (1961), 425 Surfside Building, Miami Beach, Florida; SANFORD ROTHMAN, age 21 (1961), 7353 Gary Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida; and ROLAND ROTHMAN, age 16 (1961), who at the time was a student at the Staunton Military Academy Staunton, Virginia.

The following listed individuals were reflected in the subject's prison file as individuals who were on his approved correspondence and/or approved visitor list:

WILLIAM F. SMITH (friend) Limestone, Tennessee

MYROW/WIDETT (friend)
Summit Hotel, New York City, New York

ALBERTO ARDURA (friend)
Bel Aire Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida

MANOLITA REVYELTA (friend)
Bel Aire Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida

Mr. and Mrs. CESAR ALONZO 74 Northeast 24th Street Miami, Florida

Mr. and Mrs. OSCAR ECHEMEDIA (friends) 1211 Southwest 19th Street Miami, Florida

Mr. and Mrs. MICHAEL GIORANO (friends)
1710 Meridan Avenue
Miami Beach, Florida
(GIORANO, FBI number 217 633 B, was
reported to have been arrested on July 6,
1962, at Miami Beach, Florida, for
possession of gambling equipment.)

The following description of NORMAN ROTHMAN was obtained from the subject's prison file:

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ETHEL ROTHMAN

manager

425 Surfside Boulevard Miami Beach, Florida (1961)

CAPPY M. ROTHMAN SANFORD S. ROTHMAN RONALD H. ROTHMAN IRVIN G. ROTHMAN

New York City, New York SANFORD, New York City,

New York

Doctor ALBERT REINHARZ 519 Seybold Building Miami, Florida (proposed

advisor)

MEDWIN BENJAMIN, president, Southwestern Steel Corporation,

350 Lincoln Road

Miami, Florida (proposed

employer)

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in a pending inactive status for six months.

The period of investigation of this report predates the date of referenced report. The information secured on those dates which predate the investigative period was not available at the time referenced report was prepared.

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MM T-6 is ALBERT GAROFALO, Agent, Bureau of Narcotics.

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MM T-7 is MM 673-C.

MM T-8 is LV 117-C-TE.

MM T-9 is DONALD CHAPPEL, National Airlines, Miami International Airport.

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At Atlanta, Georgia:

Will review subject's file at the Federal Penitentiary and furnish all background information.

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At Miami, Florida:

Will follow and report activities of subject.

- ADMINISTRATIVE -

The files of the Miami Division contain a great deal of information regarding subject and his activities relating to Cuba, both before and after the CASTRO Regime. None of this information has been set out in this report.

Only the most recent dates involving the investigation of subject are included in the period of investigation.

- INFORMANTS -

MM T-1 is Dun and Bradstreet records.

MM T-2 is MM 761-S.

MM T-3 is MM 1058-C.

MM T-4 is former PSI RICHARD B. JAFFE.

MM T-5 is MM 509-C.

MM T-6 is MM 725-C.

MM T97 is MM 1176-PC.

MM T-8 is MM 744-C.

- B -COVER PAGE MM T-9 is PCI JOHN K. KERNAN.

MM T-10 is MM 675-C.

MM T-11 is Legal Attache, Havana, Cuba.

MM T-12 is MM 334-C.

MM T-13 is HERB RAU. PCI.

MM T-14 is former MM 647-C.

MM T-15 is MM 676-PC.

MM T-16 is PCI WILLIE SHULMAN.

MM T-17 is MM 764-C-TE.

MM T-18 is LV 117-C-TE.

MM T-19 is LV 121-C-TE.

MM T-20 is MM 342-PC.

MM T-21 is PCI MURRAY LENCHNER.

MM T-22 is MM 1116-C.

MM T-23 is JOHN P. DADES, PCI.

MM T-24 is HO 1196-PC.

MM T-25 is MM 942-C.

MM T-26 is MM 1171-C.

MM T-27 is MM 1165-C.

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HACKER said he listened to the proposition only to ascertain the extent of ROTHMAN's interest in muscling in on the Hotel Workers Union. He said he then presented this proposition to JACK WEINBURGER, formerly Organizational Secretary, now General Secretary of the Union. WEINBURGER stated that this must be discussed with ED MILLER, who agreed with the proposal, except the appointment of ROTHMAN as International Representative. MILLER indicated he would get around this somehow. In December, 1954, HACKER was telephonically contacted by ED MILLER and instructed to turn over the affairs of Local 255 to one ALBERT BERLIN, a former associate of the gangster element. This appointment in HACKER's opinion indicated ROTHMAN had gotten to MILLER, apparently through ROGER LEBENNER, Business Agent for Local 133 of the Hotel Workers Union, and that MILLER was working with ROTHMAN. HACKER stated he could never work with MILLER and resigned on December 13, 1954. HACKER stated that in April, 1955, the first hotel in Miami Beach was struck by the Hotel Workers Union, and the strike which presently involves 22 hotels is still going on. The Hotel Workers Union is pouring \$120,000 a month into this strike. He can only conclude the hotel operators did not accede to ROTHMAN's shakedown. He is convinced, however, that ROTHMAN's made the attempt, and that MILLER is cooperating with him.

On July 30, 1956, AL MANHEIM advised that ABE GOODMAN was in the bolita business in Cuba with ELI QUAIN and NORMAN ROTHMAN.

On July 30, 1956, NORMAN ROTHMAN, Chicago, Illinois, shipped 32,800 pounds of gambling equipment to NORMAN ROTHMAN, Miami, Florida. The equipment arrived in Miami, Florida, on August 3, 1956, and was located at Tamiami Tours, Inc., Transport Company. The U. S. Attorney, Miami, Florida, authorized the seizure of this equipment; and the equipment was seized on August 6, 1956, and turned over to the US Marshal on August 7, 1956. Prosecution of ROTHMAN was declined by the US Attorney's Office, Miami, Florida, and the gambling equipment was destroyed.