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It will be noted under the listing of "Informants," information is reported as furnished by informants of other field divisions. The location of the information reported herein will be referred to in files that are contained in this division.

Copy of instant report is being furnished to the Chicago, Detroit, and Pittsburgh Divisions, inasmuch as information contained in this report relates to activities contained in these divisions, and information furnished to these divisions by their Confidential Sources.

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<u>Identity</u>	<u>Location</u>
MM T-1 is GARLAND WILLIAMS (U. S. Bureau of Narcotics)	92-101-215
MM T-2 is IRVING MICHEL (Former New York PCI)	92-101-128
MM T-3 is Lieutenant JOHN THOMPSON, New York City Police Department	92-101-215 92-102-909
MM T-4 is MM 647-PC	92-101-198 92-101-243 92-101-549 92-405-24 92-405-63
MM T-5 is NY 842-C	92-101-128 92-101-33

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MM T-6 is MM 509-C	92-101-243 92-101-591 92-101-498 92-101-656 92-101-713 92-101-683 92-101-438 92-101-549 92-101-417 92-101-469 92-101-323 92-101-389 92-101-799
MM T-7 is NY 147-C	92-101-549
MM T-8 is NY 2412-C	92-101-761 92-109-264
MM T-9 is MM 794-C*	92-815-Sub II
MM T-10 is EDWARD JONES (New York City Anti-Crime Commission)	92-101-128 92-101-215
MM T-11 is Mrs. ANN DRACHMANN	92-101-808
MM T-12 is MM 656-C	92-101-243 92-101-389 92-122-332
MM T-13 is NY 204-C	92-101-761
MM T-14 is JAMES RYAN (U. S. Bureau of Narcotics, New York City)	92-467-33
MM T-15 is MM 725-C	92-467-2 92-101-215 92-101-126 92-112-180

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MM T-16 is Sergeant BERNIE WILDER (Formerly with Miami Beach Police Department)	92-101-126
MM T-17 is ROBERT GRIFFIN, Deputy Sheriff, Clark County, Nevada	92-101-389
MM T-18 is NY 3373-C	92-101-761
MM T-19 is MM 676-PC	92-101-469
MM T-20 is NY 1733-C	92-101-2
MM T-21 is RICHARD JAFFE (Internal Revenue Service, Miami)	92-101-469
MM T-22 is NY 156-C	92-112-90 92-112-35
MM T-23 is NY 894-C	92-112-35
MM T-24 is FLORIO ISABELLA, New York PCI	92-405-66
MM T-25 is NY 169-C	92-405-78
MM T-26 is MM 792-C	92-112-180 92-405-254 92-112-254
MM T-27 is MM 790-C	92-405-254
MM T-28 is MM 742-C	92-405-231
MM T-29 is MM 807-C	92-405-122 92-405-231
MM T-30 is JAMES W. CARIOTA, Miami PCI	92-112-254

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MM T-31 is NY 3123-C*	92-838-1
MM T-32 is CARMEN MITCHELL, Detroit PCI	92-144-11
MM T-33 is DE 370-C	92-144-38 92-471-15 92-144-159 92-642-1
MM T-34 is JOSEPH SANTINO, Former Detroit PCI	92-471-15
MM T-35 is DE 718-C	92-144-116 92-144-159
MM T-36 is KENNETH CANNON, Internal Revenue Service, Toledo, Ohio	92-122-332
MM T-37 is RALPH H. MILLS, McClellan Committee	92-122-332
MM T-38 is RICHARD WALLACE, Internal Revenue Service, Miami	92-122-332
MM T-39 is SU 257-C	92-102-511
MM T-40 is NY 3386-C-TE	92-102-648
MM T-41 is New York Crime Commission	92-459-4
MM T-42 is BS 731-C	92-102-511

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MM T-43 is HELEN DANDO, Miami PCI	92-102-895
MM T-44 is WILLIAM NEVINS, Miami PCI	92-102-648
MM T-45 is MM 806-PC	92-218-225
MM T-46 is MM 788-C*	92-218
MM T-47 is MM 606-PC	92-218-179
MM T-48 is PG 509-C	92-218-52 92-218-103
MM T-49 is FRANCIS PRIAM, Pittsburgh PCI	92-218-38

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MURRAY YUNES

MM T-6 advised on November 29, 1961 that MURRAY YUNES and MICHAEL COPPOLA are to be partners in a booking operation at Tropical Park Race Track and Hialeah Race Track in Miami.

JERRY ZAROWITZ

MM T-11 advised February 22, 1962 that JERRY ZAROWITZ has a betting combine formed, which includes ELLIOTT PRICE from the Boston area, who was formerly associated with GILBERT BECKLEY. MICHAEL COPPOLA has a part of this operation through ANTHONY SALERNO.

III. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES.

MM T-4 advised April 3, 1958 that MICHAEL COPPOLA's income continues to come from his old numbers operation in Bronx, New York, where he was associated with FRANKIE CASINO and ROMMY MARLOW of Yonkers, New York.

MM T-6 advised April 14, 1958 that COPPOLA is known to have backed the gambling operation of JOSEPH SILESI in New York City.

MM T-6 advised September 25, 1959 that MICHAEL COPPOLA and JOE MORRISON had discontinued their bookmaking operation at one location (telephone #TU 7-3685), and had opened another office (telephone #JE 2-3052).

MM T-21 advised

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He said EDDIE GOLD continues to front for COPPOLA in bookmaking and that BENNIE ZEEMAN is presently handling the action at Amvets Post #35, formerly handled by GOLD.

MM T-6 advised August 30, 1961 that COPPOLA and MORRISON were pretending to have separated their gambling and bookmaking interests in hope it would help COPPOLA convince the government that this separation had occurred. They stated the operation actually continues as before, with the exception that MORRISON has shifted his bookmaking activity to the Normandy Isle Golf Club.

MM T-11 advised February 22, 1962 that one source of MICHAEL COPPOLA's income is the numbers racket in New York City. This source stated the largest supply of cash from New York would be brought to COPPOLA by courier in the past. When ANTHONY SALERNO was in New York he was the individual who collected these funds for COPPOLA and brought them to Miami; subsequently such activity was handled by PASQUALE ERRA and by PHIL LOMBARDO, also known as "COCKEYED BENNY." After SALERNO moved to Miami, RALPH COPPOLA would assist in gathering these funds in New York for transfer to Miami by courier.

#### IV. CONSPIRATORIAL ASPECTS.

MM T-15 advised December 6, 1957 that COPPOLA and JOSEPH MASSEI were both members of the Italian group of Miami Beach.

On May 6, 1953 JOSEPH MASSEI was interviewed by Agents of the Internal Revenue Service and [REDACTED]

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MM T-10 advised in 1957 that his records reflected COPPOLA headed a syndicate which controlled bookmaking at Tropical Park Race Track, Miami, Florida. The syndicate allegedly consisted of MEYER LANSKY, JOSEPH STRACCI and CORNELIUS NOONAN (a lieutenant of EDWARD McGRATH). According to this source, ANTHONY SALERNO was a messenger between COPPOLA and LANSKY.

MM T-12 advised May 22, 1958 that MICHAEL COPPOLA was meeting JOSEPH MASSEI, JOE BOMMARITA, JOE DI CARLO and FREDDIE FRANCO daily at the Carib Hotel, Miami Beach.

MM T-12 advised February 13, 1959 that COPPOLA for the past 2 weeks had held daily conferences at the Midtown Social Club with JOSEPH MASSEI and DAVE YURRAS.

MM T-6 advised October 28, 1960 that he was told that recently an argument arose between GEORGE LEVINSON, operator of George's News Stand, 23rd Street, Miami Beach, and one RALPH (Last Name Unknown), operator of a grocery store in the same area, as both were selling beer and insisted that the other discontinue such sales. LEVINSON went to JOE MASSEI to cause RALPH to stop the sale of beer, and RALPH went to ANTHONY SALERNO to have LEVINSON discontinue. As a result SALERNO contacted MASSEI and advised MASSEI that he (SALERNO), would dictate policy on 23rd Street. As a result, LEVINSON had to discontinue the sale of beer.

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MM T-12 advised on July 18, 1958, that JOSEPH BOMMARITO, JOSEPH MASSEI, saw a great deal of each other and were closely associated.

Informant said that in contacts with MASSEI and BOMMARITO, he gained the definite impression that BOMMARITO was a Lieutenant for MASSEI and handled some of MASSEI's interests in Detroit, Michigan. JFK Law 11(a)

MM T-36 advised that [REDACTED]

MM T-37 reported in 1951 that he had received information that MASSEI in 1951 received a percentage of the numbers racket money, which was flourishing in Detroit. He identified MASSEI's flunk men as PETE LICAVOLI, MIKE RUBINO and WILLIAM "BLACKBILL" TOCCO. He said he also heard that MASSEI received a cut of all gambling in Toledo, and had received information that MASSEI was the "money man behind larger trapings in Miami Beach and carried on gambling activities generally in the Miami Beach area.

### III. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

MM T-35 advised on February 16, 1961, JOSEPH BOMMARITO was ~~confronted~~ with a problem by a member of the organization of Detroit who came to Miami specifically for assistance. This individual had been fired from his duties as a handicapper and obtaining race results information.

According to the informant, BOMMARITO directed the individual from Detroit to take up his problem with PETE LICAVOLI in Detroit.

MM T-33 advised on May 13, 1961, that JOSEPH "SCARFACE" BOMMARITO from Detroit went from Miami to Detroit to take up the matter of a drop in the numbers business in Flint and Pontiac, Michigan. Informant advised that the LICAVOLI-BOMMARITO group "daily takeoff" as of about September, 1961, in the numbers operation amounted to approximately \$40,000.00.

MM T-38 on February 10, 17, and 18, 1958.

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With respect to this TILLMAN Company, he reported

MM T-33 advised on January 14, 1961, that the numbers racket of the organized Sicilian groups in Detroit continues to be controlled by three factions.

The old-timers are the bosses but the actual work is done by the younger men who have come to the front during the past 10 or 12 years. The numbers business in Detroit has an average daily take of approximately \$60 to \$80,000.00. The various lieutenants working for the group draw \$150.00 per week as salary. Source advised that after the various employees are paid their salary, a percentage of the earnings is then taken off the top and paid to the elders, among whom are JOE ZERILLI, BILL TOCCO, ANGELO MELI, and others.

The informant advised that DOMINICK PETER CORRADO has taken over from his father PETER CORRADO, deceased. He estimated CORRADO's net worth at between 25 and 30 million dollars.