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TITLE OF CASE CHANGED SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., aka T. Strong		REPORT MADE BY SA STEPHEN J. LABADIE	TYPED BY MW
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Title is changed to add the alias T. STRONG, as subject used name according to Miami Office, on Delta Airline ticket from Miami to Tampa.

REFERENCE: Tampa reports of SA STEPHEN J. LABADIE, 12/11/63 and 1/20/64.
 Jacksonville airtels to Tampa, 1/20 and 1/30/64 (IO).
 San Juan letter to Miami, 1/22/64, in case entitled, "EUGENIO ANTONIO LEAL POZO, aka". (IO).
 Mobile letter to Miami, 1/24/64 (IO).
 Bureau letter to Tampa, 1/29/64.
 Los Angeles letter to Tampa, 1/30/64 (IO).
 Bureau letter to Miami, 2/4/64, in case entitled, "STEFANO ANTHONY RANDAZZO, aka, AR".
 Bureau airtel to Miami, 2/7/64.
 Las Vegas letter to Tampa, 2/7/64 (IO).
 New York airtel to Tampa 2/7/64 (IO).
 San Juan letter to Tampa, 2/10/64 (IO).
 Tampa airtel to New York, 2/14/64 (IO).
 Tampa airtel to Jacksonville, 2/14/64 (IO).

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Original and one copy of letterhead memorandum characterizing informants.

LEADS:

LAS VEGAS DIVISION

AT LAS VEGAS, NEV.

Will locate through available sources known to such office, Mrs. FERNANDO PEREZ, who has been reported by TP 8-C as having been divorced from FERNANDO PEREZ, aka, "FREDDIE", who is the youngest of two sons of RICHARD "EL MONO" PEREZ. According to source, FERNANDO's wife was a strip tease dancer whom he had married in Havana and divorced in Las Vegas. Source says FERNANDO is presently operating a casino in Equador and that perhaps his ex-wife may be able to furnish the Bureau information of value concerning his past gambling activities, noting both RICHARD and FERNANDO worked for the subject in Havana, Cuba in the past.

MIAMI DIVISION

AT FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA.

* Will report results of interview with GEORGE C. WILKINSON.

AT MIAMI, FLA.

Will furnish Tampa FD-302's concerning subscribers to Miami telephones UN 4-2618, HI 6-1766, PL 4-0044, all called in 12/63 from subject's Tampa residence, and investigation conducted concerning such subscribers.

Will continue efforts at Miami International Airport Terminal to establish contacts of the subject, noting the Bureau has also pointed out in reairtel that the subject's hoodlum activities have not been clearly established and it is most desirable to develop carefully, all

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possible opportunities to find out how he maintains his status in the criminal organization.

Will secure telephone tolls from telephone booths used by the subject at Miami International Airport Terminal in making the long distance calls in the early morning hours of 2/6/64, when he was observed in conference with an unknown male from approximately 12:20 a.m. to 1:45 a.m. on 2/6/64.

Will conduct appropriate investigation, possibly through the Airport Parking Lot contacts to further identify the unknown subject who drove the Continental or Grand Prix who had met with the subject on 2/6/64.

Will secure telephone toll calls from the telephone booth used by the subject in the early morning hours of 2/11/64 when he was overheard to state, "I have reservations for tomorrow", as same may identify at least a confidante of the subject.

Will recontact PCI DAVID ALLEN RUSSELL and endeavor to identify "CHOPPER" whom source stated was an errand boy for TRAFFICANTE, and thereafter, upon identification, conduct all appropriate inquiry.

Will submit results of investigation outstanding as leads have been set forth in previous reports.

Will intensify investigation of the subject's activities, securing highly confidential Bureau coverage to ascertain exactly what subject is doing in Miami.

NEW YORK DIVISION

AT NEW YORK, N. Y.

Will report results of investigation and interview of OLGA PEREIDA and ISABEL CASINO, a young Cuban female residing in New York City with an individual named TRAFFICANTE, reported by the Miami office to possibly being an older brother of the subject. (Lead set forth by Miami teletype to Director, 1/22/64.)

For the information of the New York Office, the subject has an older brother, FRANCISCO C. TRAFFICANTE,

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INFORMANTS:

TP T-1 is CARLOS ALVAREZ, PCI, Miami Office.
TP T-2 is CG 6538-C-TE, contacted at Miami, Fla.
TP T-3 is TP 120-C.
TP T-4 is CHARLES SAMS, U. S. Mail Carrier.
TP T-5 is TP 41-C.
TP T-6 is TP 31-C.
TP T-7 is TP 97-C.
TP T-8 is MM 897-PC.
TP T-9 is TP 8-C.
TP T-10 is MO 59-C.
TP T-11 is PCI DAVID ALLEN RUSSELL, Miami Office.

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Police Department, reviewed same date, reflect no information concerning JUAN SALVAT, and do not record his name.

The current Las Vegas telephone directory does not reflect the name SALVANT.

For information of Tampa, Las Vegas Sheriff's Office and Police Department requir work-permit registration of all persons employed in hotels, casinos, or establishments connected with gambling. These work-permit registration records were included in the record checks at the Sheriff's Office and Police Department.

E. ~~ISABEL CASINO;~~
~~GLADYS ALVAREZ de CASANOVA;~~
~~OLGA PEREIDA~~

FLA

GUS M. ZENOUS, Policeman First Class, newly assigned to the Intelligence Unit, Miami Police Department, as a Spanish linguist, advised January 21, 1964, that he received information from Cuban sources that an ISABEL CASINO, a young Cuban female, is residing in New York City with an individual named TRAFFICANTE, who was believed to possibly be an older brother of the subject. He said CASINO works as a prostitute in the apartment of GLADYS ALVAREZ de CASANOVA, Apartment 811, in the building next to Breston Hall, supposedly on 87th Street and Broadway. He said an additional prostitute in the same apartment is one Dominican female named OLGA PEREIDA. He said GLADYS is presently in Miami, awaiting the arrival of her husband, MANOLO CASANOVA, who is expected from Costa Rica; that ISABEL and OLGA are running GLADYS' apartment in her absence.

F. GEORGE C. WILKINSON
Fort Lauderdale, Florida and
Mobile, Alabama

CUBA

On January 21, 1964, TP T-10 advised SAs JOEL D. COLGLAZIER and JAMES A. DAY as follows:

He stated that he was an employee of GEORGE C. WILKINSON for a period of 15 years during which time the employment progressed from an employee-employer relationship to a full partnership, until informant purchased WILKINSON's share of the used car business they operated. He stated that during that time he and WILKINSON became close friends and confidants.

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TP T-10 stated that WILKINSON never, to his knowledge, operated any type of gambling operation of his own, although he used to like to gamble and habitually went to Cuba to spend time there at the area known as Verderado (phonetic) Beach.

While in Cuba, WILKINSON would shoot craps at the little casinos there, but other than playing poker with friends and occasional bet with an acquaintance on a football game or basketball game, he never actively engaged in gambling.

TP T-10 stated that while in Cuba, WILKINSON became a close friend of one GUSTAVA BUSTAMONTE, who presently resides in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, somewhere near where WILKINSON lives now. Because of this association with BUSTAMONTE, it was rumored in Mobile at one time that WILKINSON brought thousands of dollars out of Cuba at the time of the Castro revolution. TP T-10 stated he knew personally this to be a false rumor, but said that WILKINSON liked to have such rumors being passed around as that lent credence to his way of life and indicated to people that he had a considerable amount of money.

TP T-10 said that WILKINSON has, over the years, made and lost a great deal of money and in one deal alone, received one million dollars for his share in an insurance company. He stated that at present, WILKINSON is devoting his full time to an insurance company, name unrecalled, and that during the previous week, he had attempted to interest TP T-10 in selling his used car business and investing in this insurance company. TP T-10 stated that since he had devoted his while life to the used car business, he had no desire to leave this business to start another one.

TP T-10 further stated that WILKINSON is the type of individual who keeps all money in his possession invested in various enterprises and at one time, purchased a motel in Mobile for one hundred thousand dollars, of which he borrowed ninety thousand dollars from the bank and five thousand dollars from TP T-10, but rumors indicated he was the sole owner of the enterprise. As an example of how little cash WILKINSON keeps, TP T-10 stated that often, he borrows money in twenty and fifty dollar amounts when in Mobile because his finances are all tied up in investments.