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TITLE OF CASE  <b>CHANGED SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., aka E. Valdez</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA JOHN A. AMBLER</b>	TYPED BY <b>bb</b>
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Title being marked "changed" to reflect alias used by subject in obtaining airplane transportation 8/10/66.

**REFERENCES:** Rep of SA JOHN A. AMBLER dated 8/10/66 at TP; HO let to TP, 8/8/66, captioned "FRANK W. SEARS, JR." (IO); MM airtels to TP dated 8/13, 19, 26, and 9/2/66 (IO); CV airtel to the Director, 8/16/66, captioned "CLARK COUNTY VENDING COMPANY"; NY let to TP, 8/17/66 (IO); JK let to TP, 8/23/66 (IO).

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Original and one copy of LHM characterizing informants used in attached report.

TO CLEVELAND DIVISION

Set of four photographs of TRAFFICANTE taken during January 1962.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

On July 15, 1966, it was determined that CONNIE D. HUTSON, Bureau stenographer employed in the Jacksonville, Florida office, resides with her husband at Apartment 308, 2045 James Road, Jacksonville, Fla., and she was requested to be on the alert for any pertinent activity regarding TRAFFICANTE's daughter and son-in-law who reside in the same apartment complex.

INFORMANTS:

All of the below-listed were contacted by SA JOHN A. AMBLER unless otherwise indicated:

TP T-1 is TP 120-C.

TP T-2 is PCI SAM MONDELLO.

TP T-3 is CV 421-C-TE, contacted by SA JOHN J. BARRETT.

TP T-4 is New York PCI JOE GENNA, contacted by SAS JAMES T. MALLOY and FREDERICK W. KUHLMAN.

TP T-5 is TP 97-C.

TP T-6 is PCI PAT BORINO.

TP T-7 is TP 41-C.

TP T-8 is Mr. LOUIS SWED, First National Bank Building, Tampa, Fla., (by request), contacted by SA JOHN D. MEDAGLIA.

TP T-9 is PCI GIULLERMO PORCEL.

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LEADS:

CLEVELAND DIVISION

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

(1) Will exhibit photograph of TRAFFICANTE to any established source who might have been present at the 7/23/63 wedding of SANDRA RANDAZZO, daughter of former Cleveland hoodlum now living in Miami, STEFANO ANTHONY RANDAZZO.

(2) Will identify individuals associated with Ferro Corporation, 4150 East 56th Street; thereafter, furnish Tampa with any information concerning these individuals or the corporation as obtained from review of Cleveland indices and/or credit and criminal record checks.

MIAMI DIVISION

AT HIALEAH, FLORIDA

Will give consideration to reinterview of JUDY SALVAT, 657 W. 34th Street, in an attempt to develop this individual as potential informant, it being noted that SALVAT was formerly reported to be TRAFFICANTE's paramour. In contacting SALVAT, will also obtain any information she may furnish concerning her present employers, it being noted that on an occasion in the past, one of TRAFFICANTE's close associates, namely JOE BEDAMI, was observed at the Les Violins.

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will attempt to identify (FNU) COOPER who reportedly has an interest in the Miami 'Marlins' baseball team and who during 1950's was an alleged associate of TRAFFICANTE and JOSEPH STASSI. Will, if identified and located, interview to determine association with TRAFFICANTE.

TAMPA DIVISION

AT TAMPA, FLORIDA

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<b>TITLE OF CASE</b>  SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., aka		<b>REPORT MADE BY</b> SA JOHN A. AMBLER	<b>TYPED BY</b> bb
		<b>CHARACTER OF CASE</b>  AR	

**REFERENCES:** Rep of SA JOHN A. AMBLER dated 7/11/66 at TP;  
 SL let to TP dated 6/15/66 (IO);  
 NK let to TP dated 7/15/66 (IO);  
 MM airtels to TP dated 7/18, 22, 29, and 8/5/66 (IO).

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**ADMINISTRATIVE:**

Extended investigative period occasioned by desire to include results of investigation conducted by an auxiliary office which were not available at time of last report.

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By letter dated 6/14/66, Richmond made available letter received by SA CLARK L. NEWTON from one FRANK W. SEARS, JR., Texas Department of Corrections. In the letter, SEARS indicated soon to be released and had been offered employment with the TRAFFICANTE brothers upon his release. For Bureau's information, NEWTON was formerly resident agent at St. Augustine, Fla., and handled numerous interview at the Florida State Prison (FSP), Raiford, Fla., and although doesn't recall SEARS, presumes SEARS is a former inmate since SEARS mentions an FSP employee.

By letter dated 7/12/66, Tampa requested that Houston interview SEARS for whatever information he might be able to furnish concerning SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., and/or TRAFFICANTE's brothers.

INFORMANTS:

All of the below-listed were contacted by SA JOHN A. AMBLER unless otherwise indicated:

TP T-1 is	TP 120-C
TP T-2 is	TP 41-C
TP T-3 is	TP 274-C
TP T-4 is	AUSA E. J. SALCINES, MDF, contacted by SA JOHN R. BRETT
TP T-5 is	MM 1025-C, contacted by SA WENDELL W. HALL
TP T-6 is	Mrs. GEORGE HUBER, Miami, Fla. (by request), contacted by SA HALL
TP T-7 is	TP 203-C
TP T-8 is	PCI PAT BORINO
TP T-9 is	PCI RAY LA PORTE
TP T-10 is	Sgt. JACK de la LLANA (by request), Intelligence Unit, Tampa PD

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TP T-11 is PCI SAM MONDELLO  
TP T-12 is TP 97-C  
TP T-13 is PCI CIRO BEDAMI  
TP T-14 is PCI FRANK SCIONTI, contacted by  
SA LEON N. FRANKENFIELD  
TP T-15 is MM 883-C, contacted by SA WENDELL  
W. HALL

LEADS:

LAS VEGAS DIVISION

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

(1) Will recontact LV 101-PC and exhibit photo of TRAFFICANTE in an effort to establish that TRAFFICANTE has recently been in the Las Vegas area.

(2) Will exhibit TRAFFICANTE's photo to logical sources in the gambling field in an effort to establish TRAFFICANTE's recent presence in that area.

MIAMI DIVISION

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

(1) Will interview CONSTANTINE MALINOVSKY, 1026 NE North Little River Drive, to determine this individual's degree of association with TRAFFICANTE.

(2) Will further identify NORMAN ROTHMAN, Miami Beach PD # A-12890, FBI # 152 585 B, and will thereafter conduct appropriate investigation including interview if deemed appropriate to establish this individual's association with TRAFFICANTE.

(3) Will further identify SAM TUCKER and establish this individual's degree of association with TRAFFICANTE.

(4) Will, at 117 NE First Ave., contact appropriate official, Capital National Bank of Miami, and review

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TITLE OF CASE  <b>SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA JOHN A. AMBLER</b>	TYPED BY <b>lm</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>AR</b>	

**REFERENCE**

Tampa report of SA JOHN A. AMBLER dated 6/9/66  
 Miami letter to Tampa dated 6/28/66 (IO)  
 Atlanta letter to Tampa dated 6/29/66 (IO)  
 San Juan letter to Tampa dated 6/8/66 (IO)

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Original and one copy of LHM characterizing informants used in this report.

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

Extended investigative period occasioned by desire

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to include results of investigation conducted, which were not available at time last report written.

INFORMANTS

The following were all contacted by SA JOHN A. AMBLER unless otherwise listed.

TP T-1 is TP 120-C

TP T-2 is PCI RICKY PAULINE contacted by SA DONALD T. GRAHAM

TP T-3 is TP 97-C

TP T-4 is TP 148-PC contacted by SA JOHN R. BRETT

TP T-5 is TP 41-C

TP T-6 is PCI RAY LA PORTE

TP T-7 is PCI PAT BORINO

TP T-8 is PCI SAM GLORIOSO contacted by SA JOHN R. BRETT

LEADS

JACKSONVILLE DIVISION

AT JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

Will, in the vicinity of 2045 Jammes Road, Apartment 254, establish neighborhood source who will be in a position to furnish information concerning the activities of TRAFFICANTE's daughter and son-in-law.

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Mr. RUBEN CAUSA, Casino Manager, Flamboyant Hotel, Santurce on June 6, 1966.

On June 6, 1966 records of the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office, reflected that one MANUEL ERNESTO VALDEZ having address 3718 McBerry, had been arrested March 31, 1963 for possession of lottery and conducting a lottery and at the time of arrest he had listed his date of birth as June 17, 1924 at Havana, Cuba. Records further reflect on January 25, 1965 this individual had been placed on 2 years probation after originally having been sentenced on May 20, 1963 to serve one year in jail.

On June 8, 1966 TP T-3 viewed a photograph of ART PRICE, also known as ARTURO MISURACA and stated does not associate this individual with SANTO TRAFFICANTE and to his knowledge has never heard any of SANTO TRAFFICANTE's associates speak of ART PRICE.

On May 25, 1966 TP T-8 advised that although he is of Italian descent and his family originally came from Sicily, it so happens that his family is the only family from a particular section of Sicily and is not from the part of Sicily where the TRAFFICANTE's originated. TP T-8 stated that several years ago he had been a member of the Italian Club in Tampa and had become a very close personal friend of SANTO TRAFFICANTE. TP T-8 stated that he was so friendly that SANTO had at one time offered to underwrite all of TP T-8's medical expenses in connection with an operation which he, TP T-8, had had. TP T-8 stated he always considered SANTO TRAFFICANTE as an individual on whose words you could rely and although he has heard many times that TRAFFICANTE is engaged in gambling operations he has no personal knowledge concerning any such activity. TP T-8 stated that he had never heard the name La Cosa Nostra until about 3 years ago but of course heard on many occasions of the "black hand". TP T-8 stated that he had heard of the "black hand" prior to coming to Tampa but has no specific information concerning the organization and could not swear that TRAFFICANTE was ever a member of the "black hand".