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SAC, MIAMI (92-88)(P)

SUBJECT:

SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., aka.

TAMPA-00

Re Tampa airtel to Bureau 8/3/62.

The following information regarding MILO BELL is contained in the Miami files:

MILO/BELL, also known as MEILOH/BELL and MARLOWE ABELL; FBI No. 5113889, was one of the subjects of a Neutrality Matters case in the Miami Office in that he allegedly was to obtain guns and ammunition to be used in the overthrow of the Haitian Government 1300 Gazy Aug.

Minm Beach , P In previous investigations conducted by the Denver Office, MILO BELL has been identified as a Winthrop, Massachusetts gambler who has in the past associated with Denver gamblers JESS RAYMOND BRIDWELL and DONALD KLITA SHORE KISHINED

JOHN EK, co-owner of the Seminole Gun Shop in Miami, (Protect), advised on September 18, 1961 that in November, 1960, MILO BELL purchased seven magnum revolvers. He said these guns cost in the neighborhood of \$6,700, and he understood they were being taken to the Intelligence Division of the Cuban Government. EK also said he under-stood that MILO BELL was a runner for SANTO TRAFFICANTE when TRAFFICANTE operated in Havana, Cuba.

MM 722-C advised SA PRUE C. CLINKSCALES on November 18, 1961, that he had reason to believe MILO BELL and MEL ADLER, known associate of suspected thieves in the Miami Beach area, were committing thefts through burglaries of residences on Miami Beach. Informant further advised that he suspected

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ADLER and BELL had possibly made connection with local thieves, whom they used to commit these burglaries, after BELL and ADLER had "fingered" same.

BELL is described as follows:

Race White Sex Male

Dates of Birth January 25, 1921 at Boston,

Massachusetts;

January 25, 1920 at Kishinev,

Bessarabia, Rumania

Height 5'5"

Weight 150 pounds
Hair Brown
Eyes Brown
Complexion Dark
Build Small

Residence 7300 Gary Avenue Miami Beach, Florida

BELL was contacted on May 25, 1961 by SAS CHARLES V. POWELL and NORMAN T. OLLESTAD regarding TRAFFICANTE, and BELL would neither admit nor deny that he knew TRAFFICANTE.

An attempt was made on September 19, 1962, to interview BELL in an ITSP matter and he said he would "not tell the FBI anything."

Enclosed for Dallas is a front and side view photograph of FRED C. CHAPMAN who is one of the large bolita operators in the South Miami-Kendall area. CHAPMAN allegedly has been "stuck up" on at least two occasions, the last being about two years ago. He does not reside within the city limits of Coral Gables, but does reside in the same general area.

Dallas is requested to display this photograph to GEORGE FUQUA to determine if CHAPMAN is one of the bolita men he and DOLAN "stuck up" in Miami.