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CARLOS MARCELLO AR OO: NEW ORLEANS

Enclosed to Washington Field is one copy of Milwaukee letter to the Director 3/24/62, which is self-explanatory.

In view of the allegations made by PCI Frank Russell as set forth in above letter, all offices should attempt to obtain verification of same through various sources and contacts.

Milwaukee should furnish more information concerning the background of PCI Russell and specifically should advise of his reliability with respect to information furnished in the past. You should also make every effort to verify that he made telephone calls to the Marcello group in New Orleans on 3/20/62, and that he was in contact by long-distance telephone 3/22/62 with Donohue, apparently of Washington, D. C. You should also attempt to determine the date, as near as possible, and place that Marcello, PCI Russell and Donohue met General Trujillo, former dictator of the Dominical Mediublic, in Washington, D. C.

Milwaukee should fürnight Bureau and New Orleans all details concerning possible past contacts and the relationship between Frank Balus wilges and Carlos Marcello in order

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NOTE: PCI Frank Pursell, Milwaukee Division, claims and lim Donohue, a Washington lobbyist who is well acquainted with the President and the Attorney General, calculed to attempt to make money by making arrangements to keep Marcello from being

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that a better evaluation can be made concerning the reported friendship between these two individuals. You should recontact Russell and attempt to obtain more specific information as to the times, dates and places that the various incidents occurred, which are described in your letter in order that effort can be made to verify information furnished by him prior to dissemination of same. You should obtain more details concerning the identity of Donohue and Duffy and furnish same to Washington Field in order that an effort can be made to further identify and develop information concerning these individuals. It is noted there is no one employed in the Department of Justice by the name of Laverne Duffy; however, one Lavern Duffy has been an investigator for the McClellan Committee.

New Orleans, through established contacts in the telephone company, should review appropriate records in an effort to determine if the Marcello group has been in telephonic contact with PCI Russell in Milwaukee. New Orleans also advise of any information in its possession which may be of significance to the information furnished by Milwaukee.

After receipt of desired data from Milwaukee, Washington Field should discreetly handle logical investigations which would assist in verifying any allegations made by PCI Russell.

This matter must be handled promptly and results furnished to the Bureau.

Milwaukee and New Orleans should handle this matter promptly and furnish results to Washington Field, in order that logical investigation can be conducted by them.

NOTE continued: deported from the United States. Marcello is a notorious New Orleans hoodlum on whom four Federal indictments are presently outstanding. Russell claims he was placed in contact with Marcello by Frank Balistrieri, Milwaukee hoodlum. Russell claims Marcello will give a million dollars to anyone who can make arrangements for avoiding his deportation. plans to make arrangements for same and act as a go-between with the Marcello group, while Donohue will act as a go-between with "high" Government officials. One of Donohue's reported contacts is one Laverne Duffy, who informant described as an Assistant Attorney General. There is no one in the Department by that name. However, there is an individual by same name who in the past has been an investigator with the McClellan Committee. One of the schemes involved in this matter would be to arrange to have Marcello make witnesses available in the Hoffa case, since the Government is having considerable difficulty in developing witnesses who can assist in the prosecution of him. After details were worked out between Russell and Donohue, Russell contacted Sam Marcello and was informed that there was no need for further action. "Everything is taken care of." Russell believes the Marcellos have already made arrangments to avoid his deportation by distributing the million dollars in high Government circles. This airtel is being forwarded in an effort to prove or disprove allegations made by Russell.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE:

3/24/62

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SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-247)

SUBJECT:

CARLOS MARCELLO

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Re Milwaukee tel 1/29/62 and Milwaukee airtel to Bureau 3/23/62 captioned "CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM, MILWAUKEE DIVISION, Weekly Summary, Bufile 62-9-30."

The following information was obtained from PCI FRANK RUSSELL on 3/22 and 23/62:

Approximately a year ago RUSSELL in a conversation with one JIM DONOHUE, whom he described as a Washington lobbyist who has represented among others the Dominican Republic and who is well acquainted with both the President and the Attorney General since they initially came to Washington, D.C., were discussing the possibility of making some money since DONOHUE had heard that "someone high in Government circles" would be available to assist in arranging for making it impossible to deport CARLOS MARCELLO.

PCI contacted MARCELLO by long distance telephone from Milwaukee to New Orleans and introduced himself and arranged a subsequent telephone conversation whereby he could be identified to MARCELLO by FRANK BALISTRIERI, top hoodlum in Milwaukee Division. Thereafter, another call was made to MARCELLO. BALISTRIERI was put on the line and obviously highly recommended PCI to MARCELLO, though he talked in Italian and the details of the introduction were unknown to PCI. Following this introduction, MARCELLO agreed to meet PCI and DONOHUE, and they met in a Washington hotel where it was learned that the "high Government official" was not an U.S. official but General TRUJILLO, Dictator of the Dominican Republic.

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PCI explained that the Government had for years been endeavoring to deport MARCELLO, who was born in Tunisia, but because of MARCELLO's payoffs in Government circles in Tunisia, Italy and France, none of those countries would receive him. The current attempt was to have a phony birth certificate prepared in the Dominican Republic for MARCELLO and leak back information whereby the Government of the U.S. could discover the existence of this birth certificate and deport MARCELLO to the Dominican Republic rather than to a European or an African country. TRUJILLO was to get \$200,000 if this plan went through, and PCI was to hold the money in escrow for this purpose.

Before the plans could be completed for this, MARCELLO was "grabbed and hustled to Guadamala by Army airplane" and what his attorney described as a kidnaping by the Government of the U.S. while his deportation case was still under appeal.

PCI thereafter furnished through MARCELLO's brother, SAM, two names of Guadamalan officials--one being the head of the Guadamalan Air Force and the other being an individual who at the present time is Guadamalan representative to the United Nations, name unrecalled.

Within a very short time after this, PCI heard that MARCELLO was back in the U.S., and as recently as six months ago in talking to MARCELLO's brother, SAM, by telephone, PCI learned that the MARCELLO family was willing to spend a million dollars, if necessary, to keep MARCELLO in the country so he could spend the rest of his life with his family.

PCI had further discussions with DONOHUE relative to this matter and learned that MARCELLO was Number 1 on the list to be deported and that although the Attorney General was personally very interested in getting MARCELLO deported, this interest was second to his interest in getting JAMES R. HOFFA in jail, which he has been unable to accomplish for lack of witnesses whol will stand up in Court.

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PCI and DONOHUE believed that through LAVERNE DUFFY, whom PCI described as an Assistant Attorney General, they could make arrangements to have MARCELLO furnish to the Department of Justice witnesses against HOFFA who would stand up in Court in return for which the Government would give MARCELLO a clean bill on his deportation proceedings. Informant and DONOHUE believed that they could make a sizable amount of money "legally" by setting up such arrangements with DONOHUE making the Government contacts and PCI making the MARCELLO contacts.

On 3/20/62, PCI telephonically contacted SAM MARCELLO from Milwaukee to the Jefferson Music Company, Gretna, La., in order to determine whether or not SAM and his family were still willing to pay for arrangements to get the deportation proceedings killed. At this time SAM told informant, "Don't spend a buck on it. Everything is taken care of." Informant then contacted DONOHUE by long distance telephone on 3/22/62 and advised him of this information, whereupon DONOHUE said that it was still his best information that MARCELLO was number 1 to be deported.

Of the two, informant is more inclined to believe that MARCELLO knows what the actual facts are, and informant further believes that because of his current attitude as contrasted with his attitude of six months ago, that the MARCELLOs have "spread the million dollars around in high Government circles" whereby MARCELLO need no longer worry about deportation.

PCI has advised that he has discussed MARCELLO'S status further, after these conversations, with FRANK PETER BALISTRIERI, and the latter has said that he will try to find out MARCELLO'S status. DONOHUE likewise will keep PCI informed, and PCI has promised to keep this office informed.

As indicated, Milwaukee is unable to evaluate the above information for lack of knowledge as to MARCELLO's current status.