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Re Miami letter to Bureau, dated 8/9/63.

During the month of August, 1963, the following interviews were conducted by Agents of the Miami Office in connection with captioned program.

With reference to SAMUEL M. GIANCANA, Miami file 92-170, Bufile 92-3171, on 8/19/63, SAs JAMES J. KEARNEY and FRANK J. SMITH interviewed BEN W. SWIFT, JR., 1832 South Ocean Drive, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. SWIFT, through his association with CHRISTINE MC GUIRE has developed a personal relationship with SAMUEL M. GIANCANA, commissioned member of La Cosa Nostra.

SWIFT was receptive to being interviewed and has agreed to advise Agent KEARNEY of GIANCANA's whereabouts and activities when in the Greater Miami, Florida, area. It is anticipated that the Miami Office, supplied with information from this source will be in a position to provide discreet coverage of GIANCANA in this area.

SWIFT related that he was in GIANCANA's company recently in Las Vegas, Nevada, and observed that "celebrities" DEAN MARTIN, FRANK SINATRA, and EDDIE FISHER were friendly with GIANCANA and treated him as a "big shot." He recalled that FISHER came over to GIANCANA's table and was most cordial to him. He said that GIANCANA, referring to the recent ruling of a Chicago court, said that he was pleased and satisfied that he made the Bureau "cop the fifth."

JOHN MINORE, 9072 Carlisle Avenue, Surfside, Florida, was interviewed on 8/28/63, by SA FRANK J. SMITH.

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