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To Newark (2) - Two copies of a letterhead memo setting forth information received from highly confidential sources concerning the activities of ANGELO BRUNO.

To New York (2) - Two copies of a letterhead memo setting forth information received from highly confidential sources concerning the activities of ANGELO BRUNO.

LEADSMIAMI, NEWARK AND NEW YORK OFFICES

Two copies of this report are being sent Miami, Newark, and New York because these offices conduct continuous investigation concerning subject and his associates in their dealings with criminal informants and as a result of leads set out by the office of origin by teletype or airtel.

ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

The following information was obtained from PH 614-C-TE, and is of such a sensitive nature that it is not being included in the body of this report:

Money

On 3/31/64, informant advised that ANGELO BRUNO gave RALPH SCHWARTZ \$2000 in \$10.00 bills, which were exchanged by SCHWARTZ for \$100 bills at the Broad Street Trust Company, 8th and Christian Streets, Philadelphia. On the same date BRUNO gave RALPH SCHWARTZ \$3000 in \$10.00 bills, which were exchanged by SCHWARTZ at the First Pennsylvania Banking and Trust Company, 7th and Porter Streets, Philadelphia.

On 3/18/64, BRUNO gave RALPH SCHWARTZ \$2000 in \$20.00 bills and SCHWARTZ raised them to \$1500 in \$100 bills, and \$500 in \$50.00 bills at the Broad Street Trust Company.

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On 3/19/64, BRUNO gave RALPH SCHWARTZ \$2000 in \$20.00 bills, which were elevated to \$100 bills at the Broad Street Trust Company.

On 6/16/64, BRUNO gave RALPH SCHWARTZ \$10,000 in small bills to be raised to bills of higher denomination. Bills were exchanged as follows:

1. \$1000 in \$1.00 and \$5.00 denominations were exchanged at Beneficial Savings and Loan Association, Broad Street and Snyder Avenue, Philadelphia.

2. \$2000 in \$10.00 bills were exchanged for \$100 bills at the Pennsylvania Saving Fund Society.

3. \$2000 in \$10.00 bills were exchanged for \$100 bills at the Broad Street Trust Company, 8th and Christian Streets.

4. \$5000 in \$50.00, \$20.00, and \$10.00 denominations were exchanged at the Broad Street Trust Company for a Treasurer's check in the name of ANGELO BRUNO's attorney, THOMAS MC BRIDE.

BEN GOLOB

On 5/23/64, ANGELO BRUNO told PH 614-C-TE that GOLOB regrets having left the Philadelphia area to live in the Miami, Fla., area. BRUNO stated that when GOLOB was employed by him as Manager of the Garden State Vending Company, GOLOB was paid \$200 per week; \$50.00 for expenses; a car; and 40% of the business.

On 5/28/64, PH 614-C-TE advised that ANGELO BRUNO received a letter from BEN GOLOB, which was addressed to BRUNO's office manager, RALPH SCHWARTZ. The letter indicated that NORMAN FROMKIN told GOLOB that business in the Dominican Republic was bad, and he refused to put GOLOB on the payroll. The letter stated that JOE LEESON

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and MONK are collecting coins from the machines for FROMKIN and are stealing between \$300 and \$400 per week. In addition, FROMKIN has slot machines at Coney Island, as well as other locations throughout the City of Santo Domingo. FROMKIN told GOLOB he is now required to pay \$800 more per month to the Dominican Republic in order to renew his yearly contract to operate Coney Island. GOLOB indicated he was returning to the United States in a week and desired to see BRUNO.

Travel

On 3/31/64, ANGELO BRUNO, accompanied by NICHOLAS PICCOLO, left Penn Jersey Vending Company at 11:50 a.m. BRUNO used the automobile of RALPH SCHWARTZ, according to PH 614-C-TE. Informant again observed SCHWARTZ' automobile at 12:20 p.m. on 4/1/64. The odometer reflected that the automobile had traveled 223.3 miles while BRUNO had it in his possession.

DR. ARISTIDE MANOPULO, Central Bureau, Criminal Division, Italian National Police, Rome, Italy, advised on 12/16/63 that ANGELO BRUNO has been declared undesirable by Italian Police Authorities and would not be permitted to re-enter Italy. (G-1)(u)

Concerning FBI

PH 614-C-TE advised on 7/9/64 that he observed two Agents of the FBI known to him speaking with ANGELO BRUNO in the vicinity of 8th and Christian Streets. About 20 minutes later ANGELO BRUNO, in the presence of informant, was asked by COLUMBIA MAIORIELLO, wife of ALFONSO MAIORIELLO, if the Agents had been looking for a "note." BRUNO said "No" in response to COLUMBIA's question, and went on to tell PH 614-C-TE and COLUMBIA that the President of the United States takes money, the senators take money, the judges take money, but he said no FBI Agents take money, and that the Agents

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outside had refused it. He said that in America, the FBI "is the only people" who would not take money. He went on to say that you could accuse the FBI of anything else, but "they don't take money."

INFORMANTS

T symbols have been used only where necessary. Multiple T symbol was used for PH 614-C-TE to provide further protection because of his sensitive nature and frequency of intimate contact with BRUNO.

PH T-1	PH 614-C-TE, Contacted by SA JOSEPH A. VERICA
PH T-2	PH 614-C-TE, Contacted by SA JOSEPH A. VERICA
PH T-3	PH 614-C-TE, Contacted by SA JOSEPH A. VERICA
PH T-4	(S) NY 2104-C (u)
PH T-5	CS NY 1 (Dun and Bradstreet, Contacted by IC WILLIAM J. BELL)
PH T-6	NY 4263-PC, Contacted by SA WILLIAM J. CRUMLEY, JR.
PH T-7	PH 665-C-TE, Contacted by SA FREDERICK T. HOULIHAN
PH T-8	PH 672-C-TE, Contacted by SAS J. ROBERT PEARCE and EDWARD D. HEGARTY

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PH T-9 WILLIAM SCHETTER  
(By request),  
Contacted by SA JOHN F. PHELAN, JR.

PH T-10 PH 614-C-TE,  
Contacted by SA JOSEPH A. VERICA

PH T-11 DAVID MALONE,  
Former Assistant Commissioner,  
Philadelphia Police Department,  
Contacted by SA DAVID E. WALKER

PH T-12 Legal Attache,  
Rome, Italy

PH T-13 PH 571-C\*

PH T-14 PH 599-C-TE  
Contacted by SA DAVID E. WALKER

PH T-15 PH 699-C,  
Contacted by SAS MAX D. BROWN  
and JOHN F. PHELAN, JR.

PH T-16 MM 837-C\*

PH T-17 MM 897-PC

PH T-18 PH 623-C\*

PH T-19 PH 591-C\*

PH T-20 PH 677-PC,  
Contacted by SA JOSEPH A. VERICA

PH T-21 HERBERT HORAN,  
Chairman of the Board,  
Broad Street Trust Company  
(By request),  
Contacted by SA JOSEPH A. VERICA

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SALVATORE AVENA  
425 West Market Street  
Camden, N. J.  
and  
#2 Devon Road  
Cinnaminson Township, N. J.

PH T-1 advised on March 5, 1964, that ANGELO BRUNO had an appointment during the afternoon with SAM AVENA, which appointment BRUNO kept while he was in the company of JAMES TURCO of Vineland, N. J.

PH T-1 advised on March 28, 1964, that he learned from GEORGE KATZ, former manager of prizefighter CHARLES SONNY LISTON, that two and one-half per cent of LISTON's share of his fight proceeds goes to Camden attorney SAM AVENA. Subsequent to the LISTON-PATTERSON bout, a new contract was negotiated and SAM AVENA from that date on received five per cent of LISTON's earnings rather than the two and one-half per cent previously received.

PH T-2 advised on April 3, 1964, that SALVATORE AVENA had made efforts during the day to contact ANGELO BRUNO. AVENA was unsuccessful as far as the informant recalled.

PH T-2 advised on April 8, 1964, that SALVATORE AVENA met in the rear room of ALFONSO MAIORIELLO's barber shop at Eighth and Christian Streets with ANGELO BRUNO, IGNAZIO DENARO, and ALFREDO IEZZI. Subsequently, DENARO and IEZZI departed, leaving BRUNO and AVENA to talk privately. Informant stated AVENA arrived at approximately 4:15 and departed at approximately 6:05 p.m.

PH T-4 advised on April 29, 1964, that ANGELO BRUNO and (FNU) MARGOLIS met with SALVATORE AVENA in AVENA's Camden, N. J., office. MARGOLIS was described by PH T-4 as a person associated with SONNY LISTON; hence, it would appear this person was, in fact, SAM MARGOLIS, who is a part-owner of SONNY LISTON's contract.

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PH T-2 advised on April 29, 1964, that ANGELO BRUNO had made an appointment with SAM AVENA to meet with AVENA in AVENA's Camden, N. J., office.

PH T-2 advised on May 21, 1964, that SAM AVENA attempted to contact ANGELO BRUNO and was unsuccessful in his efforts.

PH T-3 advised on July 27, 1964, that SALVATORE AVENA, accompanied by SAMUEL MARGOLIS, visited the Friendly Bar at Eighth and Washington Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa., for the purpose of meeting with ANGELO BRUNO. PH T-3 stated that this meeting did not take place because BRUNO had departed from the bar prior to their arrival.

~~WILLIAM AVERONA~~  
2830 South Eighth Street  
Philadelphia, Pa.

PH T-2 advised on April 29, 1964, that FRANK NARDUCCI wanted to borrow \$2,000 from ANGELO BRUNO for the purpose of buying out ~~WILLIAM AVERONA~~'s interest in the liquor license for the American Legion Gold Star Post, which AVERONA operates at Eighth and Federal Streets or at Eighth and Wharton Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. BRUNO on this occasion refused to loan NARDUCCI the required money.

~~BARNEY BROOKS~~  
Philadelphia, Pa.

PH T-3 advised on June 9, 1964, ANGELO BRUNO attended the wedding reception of JERRY BROOKS, who is the son of BARNEY BROOKS. The reception was held at the 2-4 Club, Philadelphia, Pa. PH T-3 stated that MAX WEISBERG was also present at the reception, as were SAMUEL HOFFMAN, JEFF NEWMAN, and AL SILVERBERG. As BRUNO was leaving the reception, PH T-3 observed FRANK MATTEO arriving. BRUNO departed at approximately 3:30 p.m. from the reception because he was expecting CHARLES COSTELLO to visit him at his residence.



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VICTOR BRUNO  
Philadelphia, Pa.

VICTOR BRUNO is a brother of ANGELO BRUNO.

PH T-3 advised on June 22, 1964, that VICTOR BRUNO was instructed by his brother ANGELO to obtain a Photostat copy of the court transcription for the third day of ANGELO BRUNO's trial in Federal Court, Pages 172 through 359, which transcription BRUNO had borrowed from his attorney THOMAS MC BRIDE.

RUSSELL BUFALINO  
304 Dorrance Street  
Kingston, Pa.

*FOREIGN*

PH T-1 advised on March 2, 1964, that RUSSELL BUFALINO was in the Philadelphia area for the purpose of attending an Immigration and Naturalization Service hearing concerning his deportation. BUFALINO sent a message to ANGELO BRUNO through ABE HOFFBERG that BRUNO should call BUFALINO at HOFFBERG's apartment at 4:00 p.m. Subsequently, during the same day, HOFFBERG again conveyed a message to ANGELO BRUNO on behalf of BUFALINO, which message was that BUFALINO was registered in room 1012 of the Sylvania Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa., under the name of ABE HOFFBERG. Subsequently, BRUNO contacted HOFFBERG and told him he did not wish to speak with BUFALINO at the Sylvania Hotel, but that he would see him at HOFFBERG's apartment if it could be arranged.

On March 25, 1964, an article appeared in the Scranton "Tribune," which article reported on the INS hearing concerning BUFALINO's deportation. BUFALINO was asked by United States Attorney VINCENT CHIANO concerning his association with ANGELO BRUNO. BUFALINO stated he had attended a 1952 wedding of ANGELO BRUNO's daughter and that he is a friend of ANGELO BRUNO. (BRUNO's daughter was not married in 1952; she was, however, married in 1962.)

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PH T-2 advised on April 13, 1964, that he learned ANGELO BRUNO had received a parking ticket dated April 10, 1964, at 7:47 p.m., which ticket indicated that BRUNO's automobile was parked at 1933 Panama Street. PH T-2 stated he believes BRUNO received this ticket while visiting the apartment of ABE HOFFBERG for the purpose of meeting with RUSSELL BUFALINO.

PH T-2 advised on May 5, 1964, that ABE HOFFBERG contacted ANGELO BRUNO and told him RUSSELL BUFALINO was visiting his apartment, Town House Apartments, 1832 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

PH T-3 advised on June 5, 1964, that ANGELO BRUNO had met with RUSSELL BUFALINO during the previous evening.

PH T-7 advised on July 10, 1964, that RUSSELL BUFALINO had told him that he had attended a big celebration involving ANGELO BRUNO on July 9, 1964. The celebration was held in Philadelphia as a result of BRUNO's having been acquitted by a Federal Grand Jury at Philadelphia.

JOHN CAPPELLO  
2934 South Juniper Street  
Philadelphia, Pa.

PH T-1 advised on March 18, 1964, ANGELO BRUNO contacted JOHN CAPPELLO and instructed CAPPELLO to reach out for ANTHONY CASELLA and to tell CASELLA that BRUNO wished to see him.

PH T-2 advised on April 7, 1964, that JOHN CAPPELLO was in the vicinity of Eighth and Catharine Streets looking for ANGELO BRUNO. CAPPELLO stated he had received a message that BRUNO wanted to speak with him. PH T-2 stated CAPPELLO subsequently contacted BRUNO telephonically, and instructed BRUNO to call him back at telephone number FU 9-9764.

PH T-2 advised on May 14, 1964, that FRANK SINDONE discussed with BRUNO the possibility of starting up a new

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crap game. BRUNO instructed SINDONE to use JOHN CAPPELLO in the operation of the game because CAPPELLO is "broke."

PH T-2 advised on May 20, 1964, that CAPPELLO did join FRANK SINDONE in the operation of a new crap game, which information PH T-2 learned from SONNY RIGCOBENE.

PH T-8 advised on May 28, 1964, that JOHN CAPPELLO is employed as a union steward at the Philadelphia-New Jersey Express Company, owned and operated by TONY COPPOLA, who also has ERNIE PERRICONE, FRANK NARDUCCI, and FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO on the company's payroll.

SAM CARRACCILO  
749 South Eighth Street  
Philadelphia, Pa.

CARRACCILO is a barber operating a barber shop at 749 South Eighth Street. He sold this shop to FELIX JOHN DE TULLIO, and according to PH T-2, CARRACCILO spoke with ANGELO BRUNO on May 11, 1964, and requested BRUNO to assist him in his efforts to get back his barber shop from DE TULLIO. CARRACCILO stated that he would repay the money for the barber shop to IGNATTUS DENARO.

ANTHONY CASELLA  
Philadelphia, Pa.

CASELLA is a brother of BRUNO's former close associate PETER CASELLA, who is now serving a 40-year term at Atlanta Penitentiary for a narcotics violation conviction.

PH T-1 advised on March 18, 1964, that ANGELO BRUNO told JOHN CAPPELLO to reach out for ANTHONY CASELLA and to tell CASELLA that BRUNO wished to speak with him.

PH T-2 advised that on April 13, 1964, ANGELO BRUNO met with TONY CASELLA at Dante and Luigi's Restaurant, Tenth and Catharine Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. Informant learned

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that CASELLA spoke with BRUNO on this occasion concerning "woman trouble" he was having, which trouble necessitated his appearance before Magistrate ELIAS MEYERS. BRUNO was going to arrange for some political insurance to bring about a favorable decision for CASELLA.

ARMAND COLIANNI  
Sixth and Federal Streets  
Philadelphia, Pa.

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PH T-2 advised on May 9, 1964, that ANGELO BRUNO and FRANK NICOLETTI went to the Cafe Internazionale for the purpose of meeting with COLIANNI and IGNATIUS DENARO.

PH T-3 advised on June 18, 1964, ANGELO BRUNO learned that ARMAND COLIANNI had publicly been using ANGELO BRUNO's name for self-serving reasons, which practice BRUNO was extremely disturbed over.

ALBERT COPELAND  
1846 Widener Place  
Philadelphia, Pa.

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PH T-1 advised on March 2, 1964, that ALBERT COPELAND visited ANGELO BRUNO at the Penn Jersey Vending Company at approximately 1:30 p.m. and departed with BRUNO at 5:00 p.m.

PH T-1 advised on March 9, 1964, that ALBERT COPELAND visited ANGELO BRUNO at Penn Jersey Vending Company.

PH T-1 advised on March 13, 1964, that ALBERT COPELAND was present at Penn Jersey Vending Company for the purpose of seeing ANGELO BRUNO. COPELAND arrived at approximately 1:00 p.m. and departed with BRUNO at 3:30 p.m. BRUNO and COPELAND at this time were using COPELAND's automobile.

PH T-1 advised on March 23, 1964, that ALBERT COPELAND visited Penn Jersey Vending Company.

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PH T-1 advised on March 24, 1964, that ALBERT COPELAND again visited Penn Jersey Vending Company.

PH T-1 advised on March 27, 1964, that ALBERT COPELAND was present at Penn Jersey Vending Company from 1:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

On April 14, 1964, ALBERT COPELAND advised SA JOHN C. MURRAY he is employed as a temporary manager of the Philadelphia Parking Authority Garage at 18th and Walnut Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. COPELAND stated this appointment is temporary and that eventually he will be the Deputy Director of the Philadelphia Parking Authority.

~~CHARLES I. COSTELLO~~  
~~714 Puritan Street~~  
~~Laurence Township~~  
~~Trenton, N. J.~~

COSTELLO is reportedly a cousin of ANGELO BRUNO.

PH T-2 advised on April 1, 1964, that ANGELO BRUNO had indicated that he would visit the home of CHARLES COSTELLO during the evening of April 1, 1964.

PH T-2 advised on May 14, 1964, that CHARLES COSTELLO, accompanied by a man named SAM, visited ANGELO BRUNO at Penn Jersey Vending Company, Philadelphia, Pa.

PH T-3 advised on June 9, 1964, ANGELO BRUNO was expecting CHARLES COSTELLO to visit him at his Philadelphia residence during the evening of June 9, 1964.

~~FRANK D'ATTILLIO~~  
~~839 Woodland Drive~~  
~~Blackwood, N. J.~~

PH T-1 advised on March 2, 1964, that FRANK D'ATTILLIO discussed with ANGELO BRUNO a building contract for a motel-

