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Re Detroit airtel dated 11/27/63.

LHM enclosed with Detroit airtel dated 11/22/63 is being disseminated in its present form; however, in your next contact with Department Attorney William French you should resolve the points raised by the Bureau in its airtel of 11/26/63 as to whether or not a need exists for concealing either French's identity as the person who furnished this information or the identity of Robert C. Weissner as French's source in future LHMs.

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ReBuairtel 11/26/63.

Information set out in Detroit LHM dated 11/22/63 was made available at Detroit on 11/21/63 by Department Attorney William French in the form of an undated blind memorandum which he said was dictated by Robert C. Meissner on 11/19/63 concerning a meeting with Joseph F. Verhelle on 11/18/63.

Mr. French requested that the information be summarized in the same manner as in three previous letterhead memoranda (dated 11/7, 8, and 12/63) containing information from the same source. Mr. French had previously requested that Meissner's identity be concealed because of the confidential basis upon which the information had been furnished to him by Meissner and the sensitive nature of the matter in which the Department was seeking Meissner's cooperation, particularly the possibility of an attempt to influence the judge or jury in the forthcoming trial of James R. Hoffa at Chicago.

Mr. French advised that on 11/22/63 Meissner would be in telephonic contact with French or Department Attorney Thomas McKeon at Detroit, and it would be known whether Verhelle had confirmed arrangements to meet Meissner in Chicago on 11/25/63. Mr. French left Detroit before there was any further discussion with him concerning the proposed LHM. Mr. McKeon advised on 11/22/63 that no further word had been received by him from Meissner regarding the proposed meeting with Verhelle on 11/25/63. The LHM was submitted on the basis of Mr. French's remarks on 11/21/63.

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Inasmuch as the Bureau has advised in reairtel that the LHM will be disseminated only to the Criminal Division of the Department, there is no known reason for Meissner's identity to be concealed, other than Mr. French's original request, as mentioned above. Mr. French probably will not be available at Detroit for further discussion of this point prior to next week. If the Bureau desires to withhold dissemination of the LHM until that time, it will be determined from him whether there is any objection at this time to disclosing Meissner's identity in the LHM, and if there is no objection by him, an amended LHM will be submitted immediately. Otherwise it is believed the LHM could be disseminated in its present form.