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PCI

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Re Richmond airtel to the Director dated 5/28/62.

THE FACT THAT THIS PCI HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED SHOULD NOT BE DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE THE BUREAU. HE FEELS HIS LIFE AND THAT OF HIS FAMILY WOULD BE PLACED IN JEOPARDY IF KNOWLEDGE OF HIS INTERVIEWS AND COOPERATION WITH THE FBI WERE EVEN SUSPICIONED BY THE VARIOUS MEMBERS OF THE WASHINGTON, D. C. AREA GAMBLING ELEMENT.

Because these interviews are continuing and information is now being received as volunteered at this state of the interviews, no dissemination being made at this time, pending completion of the interviews of HINKLE.

The captioned PCI was interviewed on May 28, 1962, by SAs HOWARD E. RICHARDSON AND PAUL A. CAJTOS. He was asked to discuss gambling activities in the District of Columbia and furnished the following information:

No gambler operates in the Washington, D. C., area unless he obtains protection from the Metropolitan Police Department. This is true in all precincts of that department.
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The numbers writers normally pay a minor amount for protection to the "beat" officers which usually consists of a bottle of whiskey now and then or similar small gifts and is for their own personal protection.

The gambling "backers" having writers working in the various precincts must deal with one or more of the detectives assigned to that precinct and in many instances must deal directly with the Captain of the particular precinct. If the gambler operates his office anywhere in the District of Columbia he must further pay one of the "bag men" who work out of the Metropolitan Police Department Headquarters.

HINKLE worked in the William "Snags" Lewis Numbers Organization for about three and one half years prior to 1951. He was a sub-control man and handled the Alexandria, Virginia, area for JOHN RALPH "Billy" MITCHELL who was then a "control man" for LEWIS. HINKLE also worked in the numbers office of LEWIS which was then located in Maryland.

BILLY MITCHELL handled all of the "ice" (protection money) for LEWIS. He also paid for his own protection, that is he had to put out "ice" for protection in connection with the operations which he personally handled.

MITCHELL paid BOBBY JONES of the Alexandria, Virginia, Police Department $300 per month for protection. He also paid approximately $1700 per month to the Metropolitan Police Department for protection of his own operations which he operated in Washington, D.C. He paid over $2000 per month during this period of time to Metropolitan police officers in behalf of "SNAGS" LEWIS.

HINKLE was a close associate and personal friend of MITCHELL prior to the time he went to the Maryland House of Corrections in 1951 as a result of a gambling raid on LEWIS's organization in 1949. He noted that there was a considerable delay between the time of his charge and imprisonment due to various appeals.

He often went with MITCHELL when pay-offs were made and personally witnessed pay-offs to the following Metropolitan Police Department officials:

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1. (FNU) Sullivan, presently a high ranking official, possibly an inspector.

2. (FNU) McCarthY, Vice Squad Official, now retired.

3. (FNU) NICKOLSON, Vice Squad Official, still on the Metropolitan Police Department.

4. Sgt. MARKGRAY, who was then on the Vice Squad and is now on the Robbery Squad.

5. Inspector (FNU) ASHIMON, who is still on the Metropolitan Police Department and is currently involved in an illegal "bugging" case in Washington, D.C.

HINKLE stated that he was told by MITCHELL and feels certain that it is true that "SNAGS" LEWIS was paying Inspector ROY BLICK and Chief of Police BARRETT during the same period. He has been recently advised that "SNAGS" LEWIS, "BILLY" MITCHELL and JOE NESLINE are currently doing business with BLICK.

HINKLE started his own work (gambling operation) in Washington, D.C., during January of 1958. His first business was with a control man whom he knows only as "FLUFFY". "FLUFFY" is a Negro male about 60 years of age who has operated as a "control man" in the vicinity of First and H Streets, NE, for many years. This is within the Metropolitan Police Department Number One precinct.

"FLUFFY" was then working for JOE CHASE a notorious Negro gambling figure of the Washington, D.C., northern Virginia area and had been paying protection money for CHASE to the "bag man" of the Number One precinct. The "bag man" at that time was (FNU) MC CARTHY, a plain clothes detective.

"FLUFFY" introduced HINKLE to MC CARTHY and arrangements were made whereby MC CARTHY would provide protection in precincts one, two and three. This protection cost HINKLE $350 per month and was paid by HINKLE in cash. Sometimes "FLUFFY" would take care of the actual payment.

HINKLE made monthly payments of $350 to MC CARTHY from about January of 1958 until mid summer of 1959. The payments were in turn reportedly turned over by MC CARTHY to JOHNCLINE.
Officer in Charge of Detectives in the Number one precinct; 
Sgt. (FNU) LOCKHART of Precinct Number two and ROBERT DE MILT 
Officer in Charge of Detectives in Precinct Number three.

During the Summer of 1959 (FNU) MC CARThy was 
transferred or for some other unrecalled reason could not 
continue acting as "bag man". MC CArTHY thereafter made 
arrangements for Sgt. MARK GRAY of the Robbery Squad to take 
over as the "bag man".

HINKLE then started paying GRAY $350 a month for 
protection as he had previously done with MC CARThY.

GRAY shortly thereafter obtained ROY MILES, who 
operates a florist shop in Washington, D. C., as a "minor" 
backer or control man for HINKLE. HINKLE paid GRAY an additional 
$50 per month while he was able to keep the work of MILES.

One of ROY MILES men, BERNARD ALPHONSE WIERZBOWSKI, 
aka "BERNIE" went to work for HINKLE at that time. "BERNIE" 
handled the work HINKLE had obtained from MILES. This work was 
done at a gambling office operated by HINKLE on Glebe Road in 
Arlington, Virginia. This office was raided by the Arlington 
County Police Department in February of 1960. "BERNIE" was 
arrested during this raid and HINKLE shortly thereafter stopped 
handling the business of ROY MILES. (HINKLE had been tipped off 
concerning this raid by the Arlington Police Department but 
allowed "BERNIE" to be arrested as he thought "BERNIE" was 
stealing from him.)

ROY MILES is still active in Washington, D. C., and 
is currently associated in some way with FRANCIS A. "JIGGS" 
SIMPSON, who is still operating in Washington, D. C. 
ROY MILES has paid Inspector (FNU) FELBER of the Washington, 
D. C., Police Department for protection for many years.

At approximately the same time that HINKLE quit 
handling the work of ROY MILES, "FLUFFY" started taking a 
little "off the top" when he was given payments to furnish to 
MARK GRAY. GRAY became angry about this and shortly thereafter 
HINKLE started dealing with other police officials. HINKLE 
was put in touch by GRAY with SGT. ROBERT DE MILT of the 
Precinct Number three and subsequently HINKLE started paying 
DE MILT $200 per month for protection in that precinct. HINKLE 
became acquainted with and could also deal with Detectives 
MINOR and RAINNAMAKER of Precinct Number three. He was told by 
DE MILT that these detectives each received a part of the $200 
he was paid each month by HINKLE.
HINKLE continued paying the $200 per month to DE MILT until he quit the numbers business during January of 1962.

After MARK GRAY discontinued acting as "bag man" HINKLE did not have any work in the Number two precinct as he had let ROY MILES work go at approximately the same time. Therefore he did not have to make any further payments in that precinct. He continued to pay for protection in precinct number one, however, at the rate of $100 per month. This amount was paid by "FLUFFY" for HINKLE to JOHN CLINE, identified above as the Officer in Charge of Detectives in the Number one precinct. These payments continued until January of 1962 when HINKLE quit the numbers business completely.

During the Summer of 1960 HINKLE opened a numbers office in Washington, D. C. Part of that time the work which he had in Washington, D. C., was handled in numbers offices in Virginia. This office was located in the territory of the Number three precinct at 23rd and L Streets, NW, Washington, D. C. It was located over a small independent drug store, name presently unrecalled.

Prior to opening this office LANE FORME RORER made arrangements for HINKLE to meet to with WARD FOULKS of the Metropolitan Vice Squad. FOULKS was assigned at the Metropolitan Police Department Headquarters as opposed to the precinct headquarters. An agreement was reached whereby HINKLE would pay FOULKS $300 per month. This was the minimum amount that a gambler can pay if he wants to operate a gambling office in Washington, D. C. This price allowed HINKLE to operate anywhere in Washington, D. C., except one precinct presently unrecalled.

Prior to the actual start of this operation in Washington, D. C., it was necessary to tell FOULKS where the office would be located and the telephone number at this office. This was necessary so that the police department could check and determine if it was likely that there would be trouble in the vicinity and also so that the backer could be warned if necessary.

HINKLE stated that as long as there was no trouble one could stay in the same office almost indefinitely. He stated that in his case he never had any trouble while working there as he paid the stipulated amount. He worked there for a few months only as he had other offices in Arlington, Virginia, which he used most of the time.
HINGLE stated that he was not able to discontinue his payments to FOULKS until he had definitely quit backing the numbers during January of 1962. He continued to pay FOULKS even after this official received an inter-department transfer. After being transferred to the squad on which he is probably now working and away from the squad where he would have direct contact with gambling investigations, FOULKS told HингLE that he was then collecting for HAMER MOYER, the head of the gambling squad and that his protection would be the same.

HINGLE advised that another detective, JAMES MILLS, was formerly a "bag man" for the vice squad. This individual was being paid by LANGHORNE RORER and FRANCIS A. "JIGGS" SIMPSON. MILLS is no longer with the Metropolitan Police Department and is now backing a numbers operation in Washington, D. C. Prior to leaving the Metropolitan Police Department during the Fall of 1961, MILLS was the partner of BILLY CULP, a numbers backer in Washington, D. C. LANGHORNE RORER and "JIGGS" SIMPSON have both given numbers books to that partnership. JOHN COMMINGS, a current gambling figure in Washington, D. C., is a close friend of MILLS and formerly turned in a large numbers book to the MILLS and CULP partnership.

MILLS is also a close friend of ROY BLICK who formerly headed the Vice Squad of the Metropolitan Police Department.

HINGLE stated that he has been told by both LANGHORNE RORER and "JIGGS" SIMPSON that they have also paid WILLIAM FORAN, who until recently was a lieutenant assigned to the Gambling Squad.

Lt. FORAN and Sgt. BURNETTE of the Arlington County Police Department, Arlington, Virginia, are close personal friends.

WARD FOULKS is in a position to check automobile license for various gambling figures when they believe they are being surveilled by various investigating officers. HINGLE is of the opinion that this includes cars of the FBI.

During the first of the year, 1962, FOULKS called HINGLE via telephone and told him that the FBI would probably be surveilling him and thereafter gave HINGLE about seven or eight license numbers which he stated might be used on automobiles in this surveillance work. These numbers were all either Washington, D. C., or Maryland license plates.
There are or were two Negro vice squad officers known to HINKLE as JEFFERSON and THOMPSON or THOMAS who worked together on that squad. These men were reportedly on the take primarily from the Negro backers of the Washington, D. C., area. They also reportedly owned a share of the numbers business operated by JOE CHASE, previously mentioned as a prominent Negro backer in the Washington, D. C., northern Virginia area.

HINKLE was told by WARD FOULKs that the arrest of "SNAGS" LEWIS was the fault of LEWIS. He stated that LEWIS was warned three days before the raid that it would happen and that LEWIS refused to move. This was in about 1960 when "SNAGS" LEWIS was operating "wide open" in Washington, D. C.

HINKLE stated that LANCHORNE CARTER RORER, JR., is operating a telephone office in Washington, D. C., in which NELLIE DAVIS and FEDORA PLANIGAN are now working. This office is currently located in the apartment of a gambler known to HINKLE as LOUIE GALIN (ph) or JULIANO (ph). This individual is a cousin of ANTHONY CELANI who is a friend and gambling associate of LANCHORNE RORER. CELANI is the boy friend of FEDORA PLANIGAN and both CELANI and PLANIGAN reside in Arlington, Virginia. This telephone numbers office is located on 16th Street, NW.

It is approximately one or two blocks from 17th and Corcoran Streets, as NELLIE DAVIS parks her car at a parking lot located at 17th and Corcoran Streets and thereafter walks to the numbers office from that parking lot.

HINKLE stated that this telephone office of RORER was a short time ago being handled from the apartment of Murray KRAFT, who resides in the Woodner Hotel Apartments in Washington, D. C.

HINKLE stated that the Washington, D. C., Metropolitan area numbers backers are now obtaining the number from the fourth, sixth and eighth races at the Acqueduct Race Track in New York City.

He stated that "SNAGS" LEWIS continues to be the numbers backer who designate the track and races from which the number will be determined.

HINKLE stated that LANCHORNE CARTER RORER during the da can usually be contacted in the apartment of an individual
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who is sometimes called "CRIS" and at other times known as "GEORGE", address unknown but whose telephone number is North 7-5709. He uses this number because he feels that it would be unsafe to use his own home telephone number.

HINKLE stated that he is sure that "JIGGS" SIMPSON is currently operating a successful numbers operation in Washington, D. C., and that he is being assisted in this operation by an individual known as SKINNER. He advised that the numbers operation of was handled for a time at an office which he and WILLIAM H. FIELDS had in Washington, D. C. This office was known as the Andrew C. Doukas Company, Inc., Financial Consultants, and offices were located in Washington, D. C., at 917 15th Street, NW, Washington 5, D. C., where the listed telephone number was ME 8-1398. He stated that Andrew C. Doukas is an individual from New York City where he has offices at 25 Broad Street, New York 4, New York.

HINKLE stated that SIMPSON told him that they had several telephones in this office, however, they had now been discontinued because of non-payment of telephone bills. HINKLE stated that he feels that they still have the office space rented at that address. He stated that he is of the impression that BILLY FIELDS was not aware that SIMPSON had operated his numbers business at that office.

The interview of HINKLE will be continued on May 29, 1962. He advised that he has made arrangements to visit relatives on May 30, 1962, and therefore will not be contacted on that date.

The Bureau will be kept advised of pertinent developments.