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Pittsburgh, Pa.

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child is TONY TERRIGIO (not
further identified) and the
child was born in Greensburg,
Pa. on October 1, 1943. The
child was then named JOHN.

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Ingomar Road, Ingomar, Pa.

This address was verified by THOMAS JOSEPH CARMODY,
Allegheny County Detective Bureau, Pittsburgh, Pa., on
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It is to be noted that the address 6323 Glenview Place, Pittsburgh, is listed for ANTHONY LA ROCCA. A 1957 Pittsburgh Telephone Directory bears out this listing.

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LA ROCCA in recent years has been involved in deportation hearings, and, due to testimony at these hearings, a perjury trial in the U. S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania at Pittsburgh, Pa.

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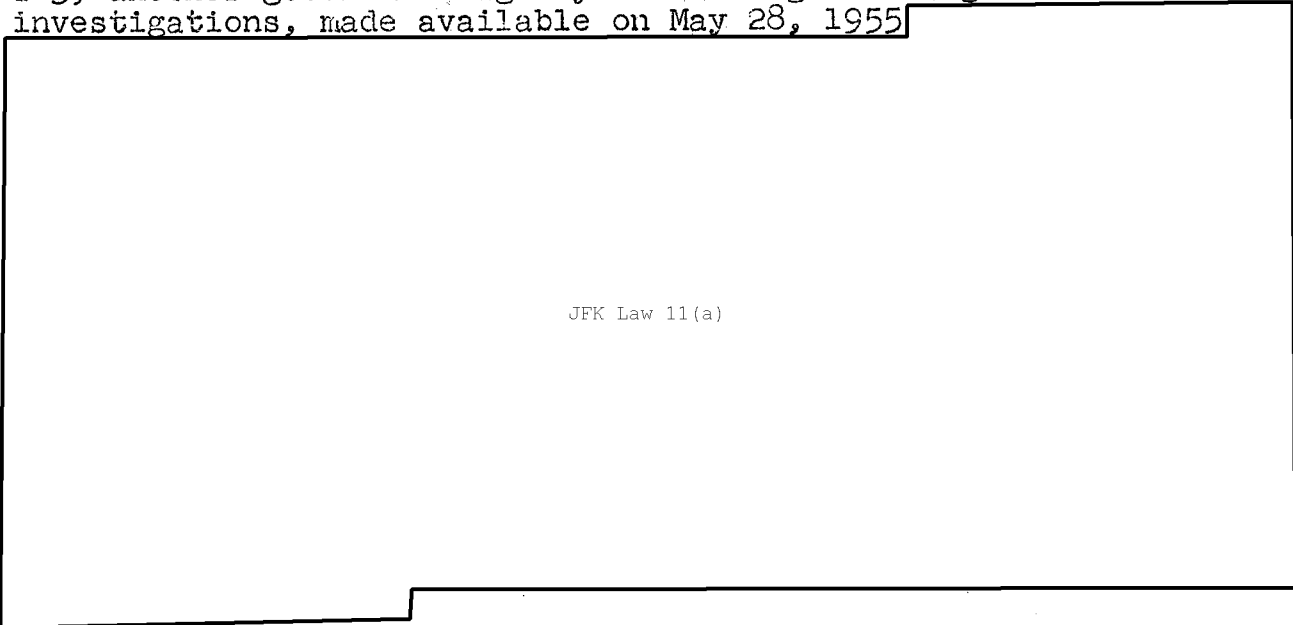
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