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TO SAC, PITTSBURGH 92-2914-201

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI

GABRIEL MANNARINO, AKA, AR.

SAMUEL MANNARINO, AKA, AR. RE

PITTSBURGH TEL AUGUST EIGHTEEN LAST. INTERVIEW JOSEPH R. MEROLA PRIOR TO HIS INCARCERATION AND ARRANGE SUITABLE COVER FOR FUTURE CONTACTS. MEROLA SHOULD NOT BE EXCLUDED FROM THE TOP ECHELON CRIMINAL INFORMANT PROGRAM BECAUSE HE IS GOING TO PRISON. EXPEDITE CONTACT WITH MEROLA.

NOTE: Joseph R. Merola was interviewed August 15 and 16 last in Miami by two Special Agents from the Pittsburgh Division and two Attorneys from the Department. Merola furnished detailed information concerning the Mannarinos and other information concerning thefts and burglaries. Pittsburgh being instructed to insure that future contacts may be made with Merola.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-2914 92-2918
FROM SAC, PITTSBURGH 92-236 92-228

RE GABRIEL MANNARINO, AKA, AR. SAMUEL MANNARINO, AKA, AR. REBUTEL
AUGUST SEVENTEEN, LAST. PITTSBURGH PREPARING LETTERHEAD MEMO ON
INFO FURNISHED BY JOSEPH R. MEROLA. ONE MEMO WILL DEAL WITH INFO
ABOUT MANNARINOS AND SEPARATE
SECOND BERNARD MEMORANDA TO BE MADE FOR INFO RECEIVED

CONCERNING OTHER CASES INVOLVING THEFTS AND BURGLARIES. COPIES WILL
BE MADE FOR ALL INTERESTED OFFICES. SINCE MEROLA WILL NOT TESTIFY
AND INFO WILL NOT BE USED IN EVIDENCE ED THREE ZERO TWO FORMS WILL
NOT BE MADE. MEMORANDA WILL REACH BUREAU BY AUGUST TWENTYFOUR,
NEXT. SAS, JOHN S. PORTELLA AND THOMAS G. FORSYTH BELIEVE INFO
FURNISHED BY MEROLA TO BE OF GREAT VALUE IN CLEARING UP UNSOLVED
THEFTS, IDENTIFYING FENCES AND EXPLAINING METHODS AND MEANS USED.
ALSO INFO CONFIRMS MUCH ALREADY KNOWN CONCERNING BACKGROUND,
ASSOCIATIONS AND ACTIVITIES OF MANNARINOS AND GIVES SOME NEW LEADS
WHICH CAN BE EXPLORED. SINCE MEROLA IS NOW AT ODDS WITH
MANNARINOS AND MEROLA IS DUE TO COMMENCE PRISON SENTENCE AUGUST
TWENTYFIVE, NEXT, IT IS NOT BELIEVED HE SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN TOP
ECHELON CRIMINAL INFORMANT PROGRAM AT THIS TIME BUT SHOULD BE CON-
SIDERED FOR INCLUSION AT OR SHORTLY BEFORE RELEASE.

CORR PLS FIRST FOUR LETTERS XXWDS IN LINE FOUR SHD BE

* ABOUT MANNARINOS AND SEPARATE

END ANS ACK PLS

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cc: Mr. Kelly

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