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GABRIEL MANNARINO, AKA, AR., SAMUEL MANNARINO, AKA, AR. ON EIGHT ELEVEN INSTANT, DJ ATTORNEY WILLIAM KEHOE TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED SA THOMAS G. FORSYTH III FROM MIAMI, FLA. HE SAID HE AND DJ ATTORNEY KENNY INTERVIEWED JOSEPH R. MEROLA PAST TWO DAYS IN MIAMI AND FELT MEROLA WAS COOPERATING RE MANNARINOS. MEROLA SAID WILL NOT TESTIFY. KEHOE HAD MEROLA AGREE TO INTERVIEW BY BUAGENTS BUT MEROLA WILL NOT TALK WITH AGENTS OF MIAMI OFFICE, WILL NOT COME TO PITTSBURGH AND INSISTS DJ ATTORNEY KENNY BE PRESENT DURING INTERVIEW. MEROLA AGREEABLE TO INTERVIEW IN MIAMI BY SA JOHN S. PORTELLA, WITH WHOM HE HAS AT LEAST A SURFACE FRIENDLY RELATIONSHIP, AND SA FORSYTH WHO IS HANDLING MANNARINO INVESTIGATIONS. KEHOE ASKED IF SAS PORTELLA AND FORSYTH COULD COME TO MIAMI ON AUGUST FOURTEEN NEXT FOR INTERVIEW AND WAS ADVISED HE SHOULD MAKE REQUEST THROUGH NORMAL CHANNELS. KEHOE SAID HE WOULD CALL AAG SILBERLING AT DJ AND HAVE HIM MAKE REQUEST OF BUREAU. KEHOE FEELS THAT SINCE SAS PORTELLA AND FORSYTH ARE MORE FAMILIAR THAN HE WITH ACTIVITIES AND ASSOCIATES

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QUESTIONING OF MEROLA. FORSYTH AND PORTELLA WILL TAKE NO
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