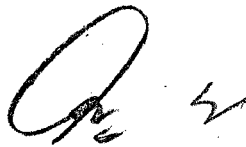


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August 11, 1964

MI 623-C-TE is member of Wisconsin La Cosa Nostra. He advised in June, 1964, of Apalachin-type meeting to be held at Pingree Grove, Illinois farm of Sam Battaglia on August 2, 1964. It is now learned meeting was called off for fear of discovery by law enforcement similar to that experienced by the 1957 meeting.

The Italian Government during past year has engaged in extensive prosecution of La Cosa Nostra in Italy. Informant's information here is another indication of connection between members of this organization in this country and in Italy.



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ON AUGUST 10, INSTANT MI 623-C-TE ADVISED HE ATTENDED WEDDING OF SON OF PHIL PRIOLA, ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS, ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 8 LAST. AFTER RECEPTION HELD IN ST. MARYS HALL BETWEEN 7 AND 9 P.M., INFORMANT VISITED HOME OF PHIL PRIOLA WHERE HE OVERHEARD CONVERSATION BETWEEN JOE ZITTO, ROCKFORD, AND TONY MACCALUCCI AKA, TONY MAG, OF THE CHICAGO OUTFIT, IN WHICH ZITTO SAID MEETING HAD BEEN CALLED OFF BECAUSE THE ORGANIZATION DID NOT WANT REPETITION OF PUBLICITY SUCH AS HIS BROTHER TONY ZITTO, GOT IN APALACHIA. ZITTO SAID HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW, JASPER GALLO, WHO RESIDES IN ITALY, FLEW INTO NEW YORK ABOUT 10 DAYS AGO FOR PURPOSE OF ATTENDING MEETING TO GET FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR MEMBERS IN ITALY. APPROXIMATELY 300 REPORTED IN CUSTODY PRINCIPALLY AROUND PALERMO, ITALY. INSTEAD OF A GENERAL MEETING OF AUGUST 2, LAST, GALLO CONTACTED LEADERS IN NEW YORK, CHICAGO, ROCKFORD AND LAST SATURDAY WAS IN SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS VISITING TONY ZITTO, BROTHER OF FRANK ZITTO. GALLO DESCRIBED VERY WEALTHY MAN 70 YEARS, VERY NEAT APPEARANCE AND DRESSER, 5 FEET 8, GRAY HAIR, RELEASED LEAVENWORTH PENITENTIARY ABOUT 25 YEARS AGO ON COMPLETION OF SENTENCE FOR BOOTLEGGING. INFORMANT SAYS GALLO WAS FORMER BOSS OF THE ROCKFORD FAMILY. INFORMANT BELIEVES GALLO WILL VISIT BUFFALO, NEW YORK AND MAY GO TO CALIFORNIA. SPRINGFIELD ASCERTAIN IF GALLO STILL IN SPRINGFIELD.

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