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TITLE OF CASE <b>EVARISTO CARLOS RICARDO GARCIA VIDAL, aka Evaristo Garcia Vidal, Evaristo Garcia</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>WENDELL W. HALL, JR.</b>	TYPED BY <b>jkj</b>
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 Miami letters to Bureau, 11/25 and 12/12/66.  
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 Jacksonville letter to Miami, 1/10/67.  
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 New York airtel to Miami, 1/17/67.  
 Tampa letter to Miami, 1/20/67  
 Detroit letter to Miami, 1/30/67.

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Case has not been pending over one year.

Prosecution has not been pending over six months.

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All of the purchasing is done by an affiliate company, The Casa Leon Cigar Company of Tampa, Florida, 50 per cent of the stock of which is owned by GIMELSTEIN.

The following information was obtained from Dun & Bradstreet, Tampa, Florida, on 12/30/66, by IC PAUL L. OGGERO:

Casa Leon Cigar Company, Inc.,  
1607-11 22nd Street, Tampa, Florida.

The corporation was chartered in October, 1961, for the operation of a cigar factory. The business was purchased by ELIAS QUINTERO and Mrs. ELIAS QUINTERO as President and Secretary-Treasurer, respectively. It was purchased from the widow of one PEDRO PEREZ, who operated the cigar factory from 1959 until his death. ZELICK GIMELSTEIN is Vice-President. QUINTERO was born in 1921 in Cuba and came to the U.S. in 1960. He operated a cigar factory in Cuba prior to coming to the U.S. For the year ending June 30, 1965, profit was shown as \$3,250.00.

On 1/3/67, WALTER MC DANIEL, Supervisor, Wagering Tax Stamp Section, IRS, Jacksonville, Florida, advised that his files failed to reflect that EVARISTO GARCIA VIDAL is a current holder of a Wagering Tax Stamp.

- INFORMANTS -

MM T-1 is J. RONALD BOVARD (protect by request), Assistant Cashier, Merchants Bank of Miami.

MM T-2 is former MM 997-S.

MM T-3 is CALVIN HASKELL (protect by request), First National Bank of Miami.

MM T-4 is RICARDO GONZALEZ ASENJO (protect by request), Caribbean Travel Agency, Miami.

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MM T-5 is MM 840-C.

MM T-6 is MM 883-C.

MM T-7 is MM 1165-C.

MM T-8 is DOMINGO ECHEMENDIA ESCALANTE, PCI.

MM T-9 is MM 1181-PC.

MM T-10 is HANLETO BATTISTI LORA, PCI.

MM T-11 is  PCI.

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Source stated that he personally knew LAZARO MELIAN in Cuba and that MELIAN in about 1960 was employed as pit boss at the bacarat tables of the Capri Casino in Havana. Source recently met MELIAN in Miami, who introduced source to a young business associate who MELIAN stated was operating a dry cleaning business called the Lindsay Cleaners.

On December 8, 1966, MM T-6 advised that EVARISTO GARCIA VIDAL was openly soliciting bolita bets over the telephone and has stated that source could call him at any time.

On December 12, 1966, source stated that EVARISTO GARCIA SARMIENTO has personally stated that he handles all bolita operations for his father who was currently occupied in other activities.

On December 13, 1966, MM T-2 stated that the subject is still frequenting the First National Bank of Miami on almost a daily basis. He maintains a "secret" account in the bank with a balance alleged to be over \$500,000.00. He is in close contact with an Executive Vice-President of the bank, JOHN SESSIONS, whom he had previously met through LEROY P. SIEBERT, JR., who formerly was the man who personally handled all of the subject's banking. SIEBERT was head of the Savings Department and because of his drinking habits had been moved to the New Business Department of the Bank and later left the bank's employment and went to a Federal Savings and Loan Company and later to the Merchants Bank of Miami.

Source stated that the subject was associated with the NAYOR brothers, ALBERTO and JORGE in jewelry businesses and that they are also in the dry cleaning business.

Source stated that subject is deeply involved in the shylock business in Miami and on a recent \$2,000.00 loan demanded a \$2,750.00 postdated check to secure this loan. One of his associates is a man named (FNU) BARQUET, a local jeweler.