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Investigative Report re Dalton Smith:
concerns the activities and association of Smith
with Joseph Merola

Also Merola's FBI Identification record

Dalton Carl Smith
W.M DOB 8/27/24 (Slidell, La.)
FBI #290-0927 G
SSN 436-04-6013
Res: 8515 Cliffridge Ave. LaJolla City
Business: Algernon Inc.
7744 Say St. La Jolla, Calif.
Claims to be General Manager

Joseph Raymond Merola
Aka Joseph Maurice; Joseph Manola
W.M DOB 10/9/25 Pittsburg, PA
FBI #4989299
SSN 191-14-1649
Res: 730 N.E. 120th St. Miami
Bus: owner, Salesman and licensed pilot
OPA Locka Aviation, Inc.
Building 407, Opa Locka Airport, Fla.

Information from Florida Law Enforcement

Merola was in San Diego to commit Armed Robbery
on 3/3/73.

Arrested 3/3/73 at the Summerhouse Inn for possession
of narcotics.
At the time of the arrest he stated he was there to
see Dalton Smith and form a corporation called
Algernon, Inc.

Norma Seid--DOB 9/17/32 resides in Penn.
Accompanied Merola--Seid claimed no knowledge of
Merola business--upon dept. of police immediately
called Smith.

Merola in daily contact with Smith.
2/18/72 Merola flew to San Diego

3/28/73? Flew to N.Y. to face trial for $10,000 armed robbery.

Smith paid the Hotel bill of $1,500.00

4/73 Merola returned to Miami after a trial and conviction. 3 years probation.

During April --Bi-weekly telephone conversation with Smith.