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By airtel dated 8/15/63, Baltimore had called attention of the Miami Division to the fact that CHARLES A. NORRIS, States Attorney for St. Marys County, Maryland had been indicted on 8/8/63 for malfeasance in office as a result of his failure to subpoena before the Grand Jury of St. Marys County, a pertinent witness. NORRIS was also charged with failing to subpoena the same witness in the trial of JOSEPH FRANCIS NESLINE, CHARLES TOURINE, and ALLEN CHARLES FISHER on 6/18/63. It was also pointed out that Bureau Informant had previously indicated that "the fix" had been established in connection with the gambling casino at the Sportsman Club.

Deputy Sheriff BENJAMIN H. BURROUGHS had advised that sometime subsequent to the election of NORRIS in November, 1962 to the office of the States Attorney, he and a political ally OLIVER R. GUYTHER, an attorney in Leonardtown, Maryland had taken a trip with their wives to Miami, Florida. BURROUGHS stated the possibility existed that if a collusion had developed between the office of NORRIS and gamblers NESLINE and TOURINE, this may have occurred during the week that NORRIS and GUYTHER were vacationing in Miami.

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A former associate of ALLEN CHARLES ~~FISHER~~, GEORGE AUD, Lexington Park, Maryland, had advised that whenever FISHER visits Miami, he stays at the Treasure Island Motel in Miami. Miami Division was therefore requested to determine whether NORRIS and GUYTHER were at the Treasure Island Motel at the same time that FISHER was registered there.

By airtel dated 9/3/63, Miami Division advised that Mrs. FRANKIE CALLAHAN, Manager, Treasure Isle Motel, 1865- 79th St. Causeway, North Bay Villa, Florida, advised on 8/30/63, that a check of her records for the previous Fall months, reflected no one by the names ALLEN CHARLES FISHER, CHARLES A NORRIS or OLIVER R. GUYTHER had registered at this Motel.

On 9/27/63, PCI MADELINE ACTON advised SA GERARD R. LOWE that on 9/18/63, GOERGE RAFT, the movie actor, in the company of CHARLES TOURINE and JOSEPH FRANCIS NESLINE met with JOSEPH WEINER and PAUL J. BAILEY, counsel for TOURINE and NESLINE. The meeting was in the law offices of WEINER and BAILEY at Leonardtown, Maryland. Informant stated that she had secured info from BETTY MORRIETTI, her employer who operates the Hickory House in Lexington Park, Maryland. MORRIETTI, according to

Informant, was formerly the subject of a WSTA investigation conducted by the WFO Division wherein she received a sentence for WSTA activities. She is also a very close associate of subject NESLINE.

Informant advised that during the conference, TOURINE and NESLINE requested their attorneys to make contact with the States Attorney of St. Marys County, Maryland, CHARLES A. NORRIS. Subsequently NORRIS reportedly met with RAFT, TOURINE, NESLINE, BAILEY and WEINER in the law offices of WEINER and BAILEY. It was the desire of TOURINE and NESLINE to have States Attorney NORRIS agree to a request of the defense at the hearing of the appeal of TOURINE and NESLINE from their conviction of their sentence on the gambling arrest on 6/13/63 at Charlotte Hall, Maryland. TOURINE and NESLINE wanted to be assured that the States Attorney would agree to their request that when they plead guilty, that maximum fines would be leveled and suspended jail sentences imposed.

On 9/27/63, BENJAMIN H. BURROUGHS, Jr., NA, Deputy Sheriff of St. Marys County, Maryland advised SA LOWE that he had learned from a close source of his, that PAUL J. BAILEY had approached this source for the purpose of determining if a statement could be reached by the defense and the States Attorney in connection with the appeal. BURROUGHS stated that BAILEY was attempting to determine if it would be agreeable with the County Commissioners of St. Marys County to state in Court that maximum fines in this case would be most desirable on the part of the St. Marys County Commissioners to assist the County Treasury. The chairman of the County Commissioners, ELLIOTT BURCH, had indicated that no such statement was agreeable with his office and in fact, his office wanted "hands off".

By airtel dated 10/23/63, WFO advised that on 10/22/63 WF 1108-C informed SA JOHN R. BUCKLEY, that subjects NESLINE and TOURINE have departed the Washington, D.C. area for Miami, Florida. According to informant, NESLINE will conduct booking of sports events at Miami. Informant stated NESLINE will remain at Miami indefinitely and has no current plans to return to Washington, D.C. Informant previously advised that NESLINE had recently discontinued his affiliation with the numbers activities in the Washington, D.C. area.

On October 22, 1963, an effort by WFO Agents to contact TOURINE telephonically at the Apolline Apartments, 1330 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. resulted in the determination that TOURINE had vacated his apartment and left a forwarding address of 1125- 14th Street, N.W. 1125- 14th Street, N.W. is the address for Mid City Deli, a well-known gamblers' hangout.

FRANK BUHLER MARTIN was not observed by WFO during the week of October 21, 1963.

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