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ALBANY:

At Endicott, N.Y.

Will identify the subscriber of telephone  
PI 8-1232, which was called from the residence of the  
subject 1/14/61.

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At Vestal, N.Y.

Will identify the subscribers to the following telephones:

PI 8-7145 called from subject's home 12/7/60  
PI 8-4371 called from subject's home 12/24/60

BALTIMORE:

At Baltimore, Md.

Will identify the subscriber of telephone FO 7-9731.

A person-to-person call was placed to FLORA on 6/26/60 from the residence of the subject.

BUFFALO:

At Buffalo, N.Y.

1. Will identify SAM and GENEVIEVE MONTONE, 433 Normal.

2. Will identify GEORGE L. EUGINO, 452 Potomac Avenue.

The two listed above were in contact with the subject during 12/60.

3. Will identify the occupants of the following addresses:

615 Richmond Avenue  
20 Kibler Drive, Tonawanda, N.Y.

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4. Will identify the subscribers to the following telephones which are set forth below after which appears the date on which calls were placed on these numbers from the residence of the subject.

TR 6-0401	12/23/60; 1/15/61
WAS 3501	6/23/60
DEL 6029	8/10/60
AMH 3942	8/25/60
LIN 1361	9/11/60; 9/27/60
BED 0401	9/26/60
TT 5-1361	12/18, 31/60; 1/7, 8/61

It is to be noted that the exchange appeared to be written on the toll tickets reviewed as indicated above TT.

NEWARK:

At Trenton, N.J.

Will identify THOMAS MORELLI, 241 Ingham Avenue.

Investigation previously conducted and reported by the Newark Office reflected records of the New Jersey Department of Motor Vehicles, Trenton, N.J., identified THOMAS MORELLI of the above address, as the former owner of a 1953 Ford truck which was registered to WILLIAM BARONE and followed by the registration XLI 218 for BARONE at 624 3rd Avenue, Elizabeth, N.J., as of 9/15/60.

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NEW YORK:

At New York, N.Y.

1. Will identify the present owners and operators of Claudia Frocks. Information furnished by ANGELO SCIANDRA, Pittston, Pa., reflected that during 1959 SCIANDRA stated that he sold his interest in Claudia Frocks, New York, and gave to the subject one-half of the amount received by him from this sale.
2. Will interview the present owners of Claudia Frocks to determine the terms of settlement if and when the interest of ANGELO SCIANDRA was sold by him, probably during 1959.
3. Will obtain from them details concerning the manner in which payment was made to SCIANDRA when this sale was made and the date on which payments were made to him.
4. Will determine the present ownership of Fairfrox, Inc., 1379 Broadway, and determine what interest the subject has in this concern since investigation reflects that the subject receives regular payments from this concern.

During 1960, checks made out in favor of the subject by this concern were drawn on the Chemical Bank, New York Trust Company, 57th Street and 7th Avenue.

5. Will identify the owners and operators of Monet Fashions, 436 7th Avenue, New York City, and determine what if any, income the subject receives from this concern. It is to be noted that information received and reported in this report reflects that \$40,000 belonging to JANE COLLINS, girl friend of the subject was allegedly invested in this concern during 1960.

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6. Will determine whether or not an organization known as Sandy Dress Company is located at 501 7th Avenue, New York City.

New York previously reported information concerning Sandy Dress of 48-54 West 25th Street, and the information reported on this does not appear to be pertinent to the Sandy Dress Company that investigation is desired concerning at this time.

Will contact Rose Trimmings Company, which as of 10/14/60 had a suit of \$846 against Patti Lee, Inc., according to New York CS-1. Will determine whether or not the subject had any contact with this concern on behalf of Patti Lee, Inc., and if not, who in Patti Lee, Inc., Rose Trimmings Company did business with.

7. Will contact S.L.G. Embroidery Works which has a suit of \$2238, as of 10/10/60, against Patti Lee, Inc. Will conduct same investigation as that set forth above under Rose Trimmings Company.

8. Will contact Fortune Factors, Inc., which had a suit of \$1578 against Patti Lee, Inc. Will conduct the same investigation as that set forth above under Rose Trimmings Company.

The investigation requested above is being requested in order to show what relationship the subject has with Patti Lee, Inc., since he allegedly is a principal in the operation. (H) (u)

9. Will determine if a telephone call was made to the residence of the subject from the office of Michelino Clemente's ~~Exisco~~ Travel Bureau, Brooklyn, N.Y., on January 19, 1961. Information was furnished this office by New York indicating that one BENNY LADDNER (ph), had in 1/61, contacted, apparently by telephone a Mr. BUFALINO, however, it was not set forth in the

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information from New York, the identity of this Mr. BUFALINO, but it appears possible that the subject was the Mr. BUFALINO contacted by LADDNER on this date.

10. The report of NY-CS-1, of 10/24/60, which was furnished to Philadelphia, by New York letter of 1/20/61 reflected that BERNARD MALLOCO, brother-in-law of ANGELO SCIANDRA, had formerly been connected with Sandra Joy and Nasso Frocks. It is requested that New York determine the principals in Sandra Joy and Nasso Frocks.

RICHMOND:

At Arlington, Va.

Will identify the subscriber to telephone to JA 4-3846 which was called from subject's residence 2/6/61.

SAN FRANCISCO:

At Sacramento, Calif.

Will contact the state bureau to determine the reason for the request made of the FBI Identification Division for the identification record of the subject and will obtain any information in the possession of this agency concerning the subject which is pertinent to this investigation.

TAMPA:

At Orlando, Fla.

Will identify the subscriber of telephone GA 24431, which was called from the residence of the subject on 2/7/61.

WASHINGTON FIELD:

At Washington, D.C.

1. Will identify the subscribers of the following telephones set forth below which are followed by the dates on which these numbers were called from the residence of the subject:

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ST 38905      12/29/60; 1/28/61  
(JACK WASSERMAN)

RE 55829      8/11/60

ST 30525      8/23/60

ST 31051      10/18/60

2. Will continue contact at the U.S. District Court, Washington, D.C., and follow status of the subject's appeal in this court of the INS deportation order against him.

PHILADELPHIA:

At Dallas, Pa.

Will at the Commonwealth Telephone Company; identify the subscribers of the following telephones contacted from the residence of the subject:

OR 4-8601

OR 4-7021

OR 4-2835

NE 9-2721

NE 9-3902

NE 9-5018

At Dunmore, Pa.

Will identify the occupants at 118 East Pine Street.

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At Harrisburg, Pa.

1. Will at the office of the Secretary of State obtain all available information concerning the following concerns:

Tri-City Textile Company  
162 North Main  
Old Forge, Pa.

A & M Dress Company  
Hawley, Pa.

Patti Lee, Inc., This concern is a Pennsylvania corporation organized in 6/60.

2. Will at the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, trace through title records 1961 Cadillac sedan, SN 61M012827, Pennsylvania title B13985597, issued 12/20/60 to RUSSELL ALFRED BUFALINO, 304 East Dorrance Street, Kingston, Pa. Current Pennsylvania registration V80-957. Will determine the owner who previously had this car titled prior to issuance of current title to the subject and the amount paid, at the time the title was transferred to the subject.

At Pittston, Pa.

1. Will maintain contact with PH 521-C, PH 526-C.
2. Will identify F.S. Box 404, Pittston. This individual corresponded with the subject during 12/60.

At West Pittston, Pa.

1. Will identify CHESTER and MADELINE MONTANTE, 311 Wyoming Avenue. They were corresponding with the subject during 12/60.
2. Will maintain contact at the First National Bank and the Liberty National Bank for pertinent information concerning the financial transactions in which the subject was involved through these establishments.

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At Scranton, Pa.

1. Will contact the Credit Bureau and other available sources to ascertain possible connections of the subject with the Tri-City Textile Company, 162 North Main Street, Old Forge, Pa., and the A & M Dress Company, Hawley, Pa.
2. Will at the Wyoming Coal Company, contact Miss ANN BARNER to obtain a list of the toll calls charged on the telephone credit card of JANE COLLINS.
3. Will identify the occupants at 124 Williams Street. This was the address used by the subject when he registered at the hotel at which he stayed in Washington, D.C., during 2/61.
4. Will determine whether or not the subject has or did have an interest in the Shelbourne Corporation, Scranton, Pa. An informant reported that the subject did have an interest in this concern with LOUIS MAYS, MIKE FEINBERG and CASPER GUIMENTO.
5. Will consider the advisability of interviewing LOUIS MAYS, operator of the Mays Silk Store, 512 Lackawanna Avenue, Scranton, Pa., concerning his knowledge of the subject's activities since he is reported to have been at one time close to the subject.
6. Will maintain contact with the following:

PH 559-C  
PH 577-C  
DAVID W. ROBERTS, PCI  
FRANK COLLINS, PCI  
WILLIAM FAILLA, PCI

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7. Will identify the subscribers to the following telephones which were called from the residence of the subject:

Diamond 6-1875

Diamond 2-1184

Glenwood 7-9160

Glenwood 7-6786

Glenwood 7-5331

At Philadelphia, Pa.

Will at INS maintain contact with MITCHELL SOLOMON, Supervisor, concerning the status of the appeal filed by the subject by the INS Deportation Order.

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Informants

T-1 PH 559-C  
T-2 PH 577-C  
T-3 PH 521-C  
T-4 FRANK COLLINS, PCI  
T-5 CS NY-1  
T-6 WILLIAM STRUBECK, PCI  
T-7 PH 526-C  
T-8 Mail cover on residence of subject during 12/60.  
T-9 DAVID W. ROBERTS, PCI  
T-10 WILLIAM FAILLA, PCI  
T-11 Miss LEILA PATTON, Bell Telephone Company, Wilkes-Barre  
T-12 Miss MARY THOMAS, Bell Telephone Company, Philadelphia  
T-13 Internal Revenue Service, Washington, D.C.  
T-14 W. KOTCH, cashier, Peoples Bank, Edwardsville, Pa.  
T-15 GEORGE J. DAILEDIA, cashier, First National Bank of  
Exeter, Exeter, Pa.  
T-16 Miss ELIAABETH DOMARSKY, cashier, Forty Fort State  
Bank, Forty Fort, Pa.  
T-17 HAROLD TIPPETT, President, Kingston National Bank,  
Kingston, Pa.  
T-18 WILLIAM D. TAYLOR, Executive Vice-President, Luzerne  
National Bank, Luzerne, Pa.  
T-19 FRED RAMAGE, Cashier, Liberty National Bank, Pittston  
T-20 WILLARD HUNTER, cashier, First National Bank, Pittston  
T-21 THOMAS PRITCHARD, Executive Vice-President, Plymouth  
National Bank, Plymouth, Pa.  
T-22 HORACE KRAMER, cashier, First Nat'l Bank, Wilkes-Barre  
T-23 WILLARD SEAMAN, cashier, Hanover Bank, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.  
T-24 RICHARD LAUX, cashier, Miners Nat'l Bank, Wilkes-Barre  
T-25 FRED ECK, cashier, Northeastern Nat'l Bank, Wilkes-Barre  
T-26 B. DOYER, cashier, Wyoming Nat'l Bank, Wilkes-Barre  
T-27 CHARLES REMINGTON, cashier, West Side Bank, West  
Pittston, Pa.  
T-28 LOUIS W. KLUGER, cashier, First Nat'l Bank, Wyoming, Pa.  
T-29 Attorney JAMES L. BROWN, Miners National Bank Building,  
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.  
T-30 FRANK SHEPARD, PCI.

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Synopsis:

An informant reported that in 10/60 JANE C. COLLINS was Secretary-Treasurer of Patti Lee, Inc., NYC, with LEON LOUIS ROTHBERG, President, and BERNARD MALLOCO, brother -in-law of ANGELO SCIANDRA, as Vice President. Patti Lee reportedly operates from the same building housing Ann Lee Frocks, Inc., an operation of ANGELO SCIANDRA. During 12/60, JANE C. COLLINS deposited one of her payroll checks from the Wyoming Coal Company to the account of Tri-City Textile Company, Old Forge, Pa., which is reportedly another operation of the subject. Subject and attorney ALBERT MACKEARY also reported to have purchased the A & M Dress Company of Hawley, Pa. An informant reported that the subject operated at one time the Shelbourne Corporation, Scranton, Pa., with LOUIS MAYS, MIKE FEINBERG, and CASPER GUIMENTO, but this has not been verified. ATTD in USDC, Scranton, Pa., had dismissed charges for violation of Federal Liquor Laws against JOSEPH NOTO and MODESTO LOQUASTO of Pittston, and ALFRED PASUCCI, RALPH GACHETTI, and JOHN J. MACIEJEWSKI, of New Jersey, who were originally arrested for Liquor

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Law violation in 6/60 by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board at Exeter, Pa. U.S. Tax Court, Washington, D.C. set aside the subject's appeal against the IRS claim of subject's unpaid income taxes. Subject presently has an appeal pending in the USDC, Washington, D.C., for stay of his order of deportation.

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A. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

No new information has been developed concerning this since the submission of the last report.

B. CRIMINAL RECORD

The State Bureau, Sacramento, Calif., on January 30, 1961, requested from the FBI Identification Division, a copy of the subject's identification record.

C. ASSOCIATES

~~ANGELO G. BUFALINO~~  
~~510 Paulette Place~~  
~~LaCanada, Calif.~~

Previous reports have set forth information reflecting that correspondence was received on December 2, 1960, by Mr. and Mrs. R. BUFALINO from 510 Paulette Place, LaCanada, Calif.

The 24th Crecesta-LaCanada Valley area directory, published in 1960 by the Community Directory Company, P.O. Box 33, Montrose, Calif., reflects that ANGELO G. BUFALINO resides at 510 Paulette Place, LaCanada, Calif., with listed telephone number Sycamore 05702.

RICHARD W. BURNS, next-door neighbor to ANGELO BUFALINO, advised SA ROBERT CLARK STONE on July 7, 1958, that he knew ANGELO and ELDA "TONY" BUFALINO as neighbors.

Mr. BURNS at that time said that ANGELO BUFALINO had a brother WILLIAM BUFALINO in Detroit. ANGELO BUFALINO was then a salesman for the Gallo Wine Company and had resided at 510 Paulette Place for over three years. He was also an official of the labor union at the Gallo Wine Company.

Mr. BURNS said that ELDA BUFALINO came from New Jersey, and that ANGELO, who at the time was about 37 years of age had come from California to Detroit, Mich.

~~LARRY C. BUFALINO~~  
~~43 Kilsth Road~~  
~~Elizabeth, N.J.~~

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PH T-1 during August 1960, advised that he had observed an unidentified white man meeting with the subject at the hotel known as Westside Hotel in Scranton, Pa. This individual at the time was operating a Chevrolet sedan bearing New Jersey registration AVL369 and was about 35 to 40 years old, 5'11" to 6' tall, 170 pounds, slender build, with dark hair.

Records of the New Jersey Division of Motor Vehicles as checked by SA ROBERT F. VAN ARSDALL, at Trenton, N.J., on December 30, 1960, reflected that New Jersey license AVL369 is issued to LUCILLE BUFALINO, 43 Kilsth Road, Elizabeth, N.J., for a 1960 black two door Chevrolet, serial number 36223. Records also reflect a New Jersey driver's license for LUCILLE BUFALINO at the above address, which indicates her birth at Carbondale, Pa., in December 1929. A license was located also for LARRY C. BUFALINO of the same address who was described as having been born in February 1929 at Pittston, Pa.

JANE COLLINS  
Scranton, Pa.

Previous reports have set forth information reflecting that JANE COLLINS of Scranton is a girl friend of subject and has been very closely associated with him during the past year.

PH T-1, on December 3, 1960, advised that a relative of JANE COLLINS told him that she had purchased a new Cadillac for the subject for his birthday. PH T-2 on December 7, 1960, advised that JANE COLLINS had given the subject a 1961 Cadillac Fleetwood sedan for his birthday.

PH T-3, on December 7, 1960, advised that the subject was still operating the new Cadillac sedan which was given to him by his girl friend JANE COLLINS from Scranton, Pa. The informant said that there was a rumor that the subject's wife and he had a "tiff" when the newspapers printed the story of his beating at the hands of FRANK COLLINS, the husband of JANE COLLINS. T-3 described the subject's wife as nothing more than the subject's housekeeper.

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PH T-4 on December 6, 1960, advised that JANE COLLINS had endorsed her payroll check from the Wyoming Coal Company which was drawn on the Northeastern Pennsylvania Bank and Trust Company in favor of the Tri-City Textile, 160 North Main Avenue Old Forge, Pa. The informant believed that this check was deposited to the account of Tri-City at the Northeastern National Bank. T-4 stated that he was of the opinion that the subject was in some way connected with the Tri-City Textiles of Old Forge, Pa.

T-4 on December 6, 1960, stated that papers are presently being filed in Luzerne, Wayne, and Lackawanna Counties to force dissolution of the Wyoming Coal Company and the sale of all property jointly held by JANE COLLINS and her ex-husband FRANK COLLINS.

Sergeant VICTOR NELSON, Pennsylvania State Police, Wyoming, Pa., on February 23, 1961, advised that Patti Lee, Inc., operates from the same address as Ann Lee in Pittston, Pa. JANE COLLINS is one of the principals in this organization and is reportedly acting as a front for the subject in this.

Sergeant NELSON stated that the subject is a principal in the Monet Fashions, 436 7th Avenue, New York City. He stated that this company was formed during 1960, using money furnished by JANE COLLINS. He stated that the company lists as its president, AL HERMAN of New York City, Vice President LOUIS MARCONI of Endicott, N.Y., and Secretary-Treasurer, attorney REMO AILLIO (phonetic). From information received by Sergeant NELSON, it appears that some of the money used to start this concern came from JANE COLLINS and was paid by her to attorney AILLIO (ph).

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Sergeant NELSON stated that JANE COLLINS is seeking a settlement of \$250,000 as her share of the Wyoming Coal Company property and other properties jointly owned by her with her ex-husband FRANK COLLINS. As her attorney, JANE COLLINS is using attorney KOSSMAN of Philadelphia.

Sergeant NELSON stated that JANE COLLINS has stated that she is thinking of going to Italy if the subject is deported there from the United States. She intends to go there to be with him in the event he is deported.

PH T-5 on January 6, 1961, furnished report prepared October 24, 1960, concerning Patti-Lee, Inc., 1359 Broadway, New York, N.Y. This report reflects that ~~LEON LOUIS BROTHBERG~~ is the president, BERNARD MALLOCO is the vice president and JANE C. COLLINS is the secretary and treasurer. The summary indicates that this concern has suffered some initial reverses with litigation pending and a recent severe fire loss at the plant. The report indicates that this company was chartered in New York in June 1960, but there is no confirmation on this. The company was listed as a Pennsylvania corporation and was operating at Pittston, Pa., at the same address as Ann Lee Frocks, Inc.

The report further indicated that COLLINS was born in 1916, was married, and was a floorlady at the plant in Pittston, Pa., and had been with the Pittston interest for 30 years. As of October 24, 1960, the company was listed as having two employees. Total assets of the company were listed in a statement of July 1, 1960, as \$50,000 with \$50,000 capital stock.

PH T-4, on February 23, 1961, advised that as of that date JANE COLLINS had an average monthly income of \$2500 per month which perceived mainly from the Wyoming Coal Company, Scranton, Pa.

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PH T-4 on February 23, 1961, stated there have been many toll calls billed to the telephone credit card of JANE COLLINS and it was the informant's opinion that these calls were not placed by her but were placed by the subject. Information concerning these calls can be obtained at the Wyoming Coal Company, Scranton, Pa., where a record is being kept of the calls charged to the telephone credit card of JANE COLLINS.

PH T-4 on February 23, 1961, stated that JANE COLLINS is still the subject's girl friend and is with him a great deal of the time.

PH T-4 on February 23, 1961, advised that JANE COLLINS was now occupying the COLLINS' family home in Scranton and is no longer residing at the West Side Hotel in Scranton, Pa.

Sgt. VICTOR NELSON on February 23, 1961, advised that PAUL WINTER, Kingston, Pa., who is now a close associate of the subject had advised him that during 1960 he had conducted a surveillance on FRANK COLLINS who at the time was with a woman some where in the vicinity of Atlantic City, N. J. WINTER told NELSON this was conducted for JANE COLLINS at the request of RUSSELL BUFALINO. Sgt. NELSON advised that WINTER resides at 519 Market Street, Kingston, Pa., and is an individual of questionable reliability, however, Sgt. NELSON advised that he has other information which indicates that there has recently been some association between the subject, RUSSELL BUFALINO, and PAUL WINTER.

~~SAM COMETA~~  
Wyoming, Pa. 342 Monument Ave

PH T-5 on February 20, 1961, advised that he had observed that within the past several months, SAM COMETA

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had returned to the area. COMETA now resides at 342 Monument Avenue, Wyoming, Pa. During the late 1940s COMETA was a "stick-man" in dice games which were operated at the Imperial Cigar Store and other establishments in Pittston. The informant recently heard that COMETA had been in New Jersey where he was alleged to have been connected with some gambling activities there but he had no details concerning this. The informant said that it was his belief that COMETA is connected in some way with the subject, RUSSELL BUFALINO, but could furnish no information to substantiate this nor was he was able to furnish any information concerning the nature of this relationship.

PH T-7 on February 24, 1961, advised that SAM COMETA of 342 Monument Avenue is a former body guard for SANTO VOLPE, who was a reputed leader among the racketeers in Pittston, Pa.; the informant said that he knew that years ago COMETA always carried a gun but that he had no information to indicate that he does so at the present time. The informant said that COMETA had been away from the area for a number of years and that recently COMETA told him that he had been employed on a turkey farm in New Jersey before returning to this area. COMETA also advised the informant that he was sorry that he had ever returned here because there was nothing for him to do and there appeared very little likelihood that he would be able to obtain any regular employment. The informant stated that he observed that COMETA does not presently own or operate an automobile and that he must be in very poor circumstances or else he would certainly have his own automobile. He said that in the past COMETA no matter how poverty stricken he was always had his own automobile.

Sgt. LOUIS SHUPNIK on February 27, 1961, stated that as of August 1, 1960, information received by him indicated that SAM COMETA was living at and working at Club 82 located on North Main Street in Pittston, Pa. Sgt. SHUPNIK advised that this SAM COMETA was born in 1898 and was arrested by the Pennsylvania State Police in March of 1932 for violation

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of the Uniform Firearms Act for carrying a concealed weapon.

Sgt. SHUPNIK stated that during the 1930s COMETA was a body guard for JOHN SCIANDRA, CHARLES BUFALINO and SANTO VOLPE. The latter three individuals were all closely associated in the mining industry in the Wyoming Valley area.

Sgt. SHUPNIK stated that he had no information concerning the current activities of COMETA and nothing to indicate any relationship between him and the subject except that in August 1960 the subject was working and living at Club 82 Pittston, which in Sgt. SHUPNIK's opinion is another operation of the subject RUSSELL BUFALINO

SAMUEL DE BELLA,  
Pittston, Pa.

PH T-6 on January 10, 1961, advised that SAMUEL "SWIMMY" DE BELLA, an associate of the subject, is still frequenting Dave's Poolroom, South Main Street, Pittston, Pa.

PH T-6 on January 10, 1961, stated that DAVE SCIANDRA, <sup>Pa.</sup> another associate of the subject and a very close associate of DE BELLA, also can be seen frequently at Dave's Poolroom, South Main Street, Pittston, in company with DE BELLA.

PH T-7 on January 4, 1961, advised that SAMUEL DE BELLA in his opinion is nothing but a front for the subject. He said that he had no proof but suspected that the damage done to the dress factory in Dupont owned by the BURGIOs was caused by DAVE SCIANDRA, CHIPPY ALBA and possibly SAMUEL "SWIMMY" DE BELLA, all acting in behalf of the subject. The informant suspects that the damage was done after an attempt was made by DE BELLA to "shake down" the BURGIOs and when they refuse to do so the damage was then done to their factory. The informant observed that for several weeks prior to the date the damage was done to this factory, he saw DE BELLA in company with one of the BURGIO brothers in an automobile owned by the BURGIOs.

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He pointed out that following the damage done to the factory he did not see DE BELLA with any of the BURGIOs again.

~~GEORGE L. EUGINO,~~  
~~Buffalo, N.Y.~~ 452 Potomac Ave.

PH T-8 on December 16, 1960, advised that first class mail was directed to Mr. and Mrs. RUSSELL BUFALINO and for the return address GEORGE L. EUGINO, 452 Potomac Avenue, Buffalo, N.Y.

~~LAVERNE FARR,~~  
~~Wilkes-Barre, Pa.~~

On February 23, 1961, JOSEPH V. MORTON, Pennsylvania State Narcotic Agent, assigned to the Wilkes-Barre, Pa., area, advised SA GEORGE R. JOHNSON that a suspected narcotics user in Wilkes-Barre is LAVERNE FARR, a colored entertainer who plays a piano. FARR has played in a number of night spots on the "strip" a section of South Main Street of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., where low class clubs are located.

MORTON stated that sometime ago he learned from an unidentified source, whom he described as someone unreliable, that FARR had become indebted to the subject, RUSSELL BUFALINO. FARR was slow at paying his debts so BUFALINO arranged for him to work in Club Tabu in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., at a reduced rate to pay off the debt. At that time the licensee of the club was a JOHN CRAIG of Pittston, Pa., who operated the club with his girl friend from Plymouth, Pa. As of February 23, 1961, CRAIG is serving time at the Federal Penitentiary in Lewisburg, the charge on which he was sentenced was not known to MORTON.

SA GEORGE R. JOHNSON on February 27, 1961, advised that MORTON had advised him that LAVERNE FARR was at that time employed at the Hotel Redington, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., as an entertainer.

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MODESTO LOQUASTO  
Pittston, Pa.

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The Scranton Tribune, a morning newspaper published at Scranton, Pa., in its issue of January 28, 1961, reported that on January 27, 1961, the U. S. Department of Justice had dismissed criminal charges against five men, two from Pittston, and three from New Jersey who had been arrested June 4, 1960, on charges of illegally operating a still and conspiracy to defraud the United States. One of the Pittston men was MODESTO LOQUASTO, the other Pittston man was JOSEPH A. NOTO, 146 Johnson Street. The article reported that dismissal of the Federal charges against the five was based on the fact that prosecution for the same offense was under way in Luzerne County under applicable Pennsylvania liquor laws.

PH T-3 on February 1, 1961, advised that a dice game was recently started at the Ford Automobile Showroom at Taylor, Pa. This Ford agency where the dice games take place, is owned by PETE RIVELLO, who had previously operated a similar agency in Old Forge, Pa. The informant reported that MODESTO LOQUASTO and MAL SCIANDRA had been attending this game, and that this indicated to him that this dice game might possibly be one of the operations of the subject. The informant stated that LOQUASTO is still regarded by him as the subject's closest associate.

LOU MAYS  
Scranton, Pa.

PH T-9 on February 10, 1961, stated that LOU MAYS, who runs Mays Silk Store, 512 Lackawanna Avenue, Scranton, Pa., has been associated over the years with the subject, RUSSELL BUFALINO, MIKE WEINBERG, and CASPER CUMENTO. The informant said that MAYS is no longer in with them but that all four at one time did run the Shelbourne Corp., Franklin Avenue, Scranton, Pa. The informant said that for about seven or eight years MAYS had made trips by automobile to New York City every Tuesday morning, on which trips he carried huge sums of

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money. It was the informant's belief that he might possibly have been acting as a courier for the subject but he had nothing to verify this belief.

T-9 said he believed that the subject FEINBERG and MAYS may possibly have a store somewhere in Old Forge in which ~~NICK SALERNO~~, the former Chief of Police, is also associated with them; however, he could not furnish anything specific concerning this.

JOSEPH SCALLEAT,  
Hazleton, Pa.

PH T-10 advised that the subject and SCALLEAT are still associated in the gambling business but he had nothing specific concerning their present gambling activities. The informant said that he has recently seen SCALLEAT using the telephone in the grill room of ~~ROSSI~~ ~~NETTI~~'s Restaurant, located on Route 309, Hazleton, Pa.

#### OTHER ASSOCIATES

PH T-8 on December 15, 1960, advised that mail was sent to the subject and his wife at Kingston, Pa., from the following:

118 East Pine Street, Dunmore, Pa.

Sam and Genevieve Montone  
433 Normal  
Buffalo, N.Y.

Angelo, Mary, Danny, Kenny, Blackie  
No return address, postmarked Pittston, 12/14/60.

Madelaine and Chester Montante  
311 Wyoming Avenue  
West Pittston, Pa.

No name  
615 Richmond Avenue  
Buffalo 22, N.Y.

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F. S.  
Box 404, Pittston, Pa.

PH T-8 on December 14, 1960, advised that correspondence had been addressed to the subject and bearing the return address 20 Kibler Drive, Tonawanda, N.Y.

TELEPHONE CALLS FROM THE RESIDENCE OF THE SUBJECT

PH T-11 on January 27, 1961, furnished SA ROBERT L. BOYLAN the following list of toll calls charged to the telephone of subject, Kingston Butler 7-2024:

<u>Date of Call</u>	<u>Call to</u>
1/10/61	Moosic, Pa. GL 7-7411
1/14/61	Philadelphia, Pa. WA 2-7922
1/14/61	Moosic, GL 7-3427
1/15/61	Moosic, GL 7-3427
1/14/61	Endicott, N.Y. PI 8-1232
1/15/61	Dallas, Pa. OR 4-8601
1/15/61	Buffalo, N.Y. TR 6-0401
1/18/61	Scranton, Pa. DI 7-3373
1/19/61	Moosic, Pa. GL 7-7411
1/19/61	New York, N.Y. WI 7-1753
7/3/60	Scranton, Pa. DI 7-7551
7/4/60	Scranton, Pa. DI 3-9326
7/6/60	New York, N.Y. WI 7-6370
7/7/60	Scranton, Pa. DI 2-1001 (Address of MICHAEL KOVULICK)
7/10/60	Scranton, Pa. DI 7-0213
	Lake Ariel, OX 8-2001
7/11/60	Philadelphia, PE 5-5084 Smuckler
7/13/60	New York, N.Y. JU 6-3890
7/22/60	New York, N.Y. LE 4-5140
	Taylor, Pa. 874
7/26/60	Harveys Lake NE 9-2721
6/11/60	Moosic, Pa. GL 7-2018
	Scranton, Pa. DI 6-3857
6/13/60	New York WI 7-6370
6/16/60	Moosic GL 7-3615
6/18/60	New York JU 6-3890
6/23/60	Buffalo, N.Y. WAS 3501
6/26/60	Harveys Lake NE 9-3902
6/30/60	Baltimore, Md. FO 7-9731 P to P to FLORA

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12/17/60

12/18/60

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12/23/60

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12/31/60

Scranton, DI 7-9326

Scranton, DI 3-9326

Philadelphia, Pa., HO 8-8870 (DA)  
then WA 2-7922

New York, N.Y. WA 9-3239

Buffalo, N.Y., DEL 6029

Washington, D.C. RE 5-5829

Dallas, Pa., OR 4-7021

New York, N.Y., CI 7-2728

Washington, D.C., ST 3-0525

Buffalo, N.Y., AMH 3942

Philadelphia HO 7-8870

Scranton, Pa., DI 6-6711

Scranton, Pa., DI 4-8539

Scranton, Pa., DI 2-9251

New York, N.Y., OX 5-6450

Buffalo LIN 1361

Dallas, Pa., OR 4-8601

Scranton, Pa., DI 7-3856

Scranton, Pa., DI 7-3856

Buffalo, N.Y., Bed 0401

Buffalo, N.Y., Lin 1361

Buffalo, N.Y. Lin 1361

Washington, D.C., ST 3-1051

Dallas, Pa., OR 4-2835

Harveys Lake NE 9-5018

Philadelphia, Pa., PE 5-5095

Vestal, N.Y., PI 8-7145

Scranton, Pa., DI 2-7534

Phila., Pa., PE 5-5084

Buffalo, N.Y., TT 5-1361

New York City CI 6-5252

Buffalo, N.Y. TR 6-0401

New York City JU 6-3890

Endicott, N.Y., PI 8-4371

Scranton, DI 2-7534

Moosic, Pa., GL 7-9975

Moosic, Pa., GL 7-7411 (2 calls)

Washington, D.C., ST 3-8905

P to P JACK WASERMAN

Moosic, GL 7-7411

Buffalo, N.Y., TT 5-1361

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1/2/61	Moosic, Pa., GL 7-7411
1/6/61	Scranton, DI 2-7534
1/7/61	New York, N.Y., WI 7-6370
1/8/61	Buffalo, TT 5-1361
1/8/61	Buffalo, TT 5-1361
1/8/61	Scranton, DI 4-4689
1/8/61	Scranton, DI 6-4675
1/9/61	Moosic, GL 7-7411
1/9/61	Philadelphia, WA 2-7922 (HAROLD LENS)
	Philadelphia, WA 2-7922
	Scranton, Pa., DI 2-7534

PH T-11 on February 16, 1961, furnished the following additional telephone calls billed to the home telephone of the subject Butler 7-2024:

January 28, 1961	Washington, D.C., ST 3-8905
January 29, 31, 1961	Scranton, DI 6-1875
January 30, 1961	Scranton, DI 2-1184
January 31, 1961	Moosic, GL 7-786 (this was cancelled and the number then called GL 7-9160)
January 31, 1961	Moosic, GL 7-5331
February 6, 1961	Arlington, Va., JA 4-3846
February 7, 1961	Orlando, Fla., GA 2-4431 (this call lasted 12 minutes and 55 seconds and cost \$5.15)

PH T-12 on February 17, 1961, furnished SE E. DAVIS PORTER the following information concerning the subscribers of Philadelphia telephone numbers set forth below, which numbers were called from the telephone located in the subject's residence:

WA 2-7922 - is listed to Delaware Valley Underwriter, Inc., 12 South 12th Street, Room 3205, Philadelphia, Pa., and the billing name under which this telephone number is listed to is IRVING SALTZMAN.

PE 5-5084 - is listed to JACOB KOSSMAN, Attorney, 1325 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, Pa., and service to this number was established prior to 1951.

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HO 8-3870 - is listed to V. MANGIAMELE, 1646 South 16th Street, Philadelphia, Pa., building contractor. Service to this number was established in 1924.

PE 5-5095 - is listed to STANFORD SHUMKLER, Attorney, 1325 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, Pa., and service to this number was established on August 19, 1960. In addition SHUMKLER has telephone service under LI 9-1659 and TU 6-5362.

D. CURRENT AND CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

INCOME TAX OF SUBJECT

Previous report set forth information reflecting that the subject had complained to the U. S. Tax Court, Washington, D.C., that he had been billed improperly by the Internal Revenue Service for additional income tax.

At Washington, D. C.

The records of the U. S. Tax Court, Washington, D.C., were reviewed on January 4th and January 30, 1961, and the following information disclosed under Tax Court Docket #89574:

Appeal filed under the joint names RUSSELL BUFALINO and CAROLYN BUFALINO, 304 East Dorrance Avenue, Kingston, County of Luzerne, Pa. The attorney on the docket is listed as ALBERT B. MACKAREY, 518-20 Connell Building, Scranton, Pa. The docket indicated that on October 14, 1960, subject filed a petition for a trial to be held at Philadelphia, Pa., concerning his tax case. This request was granted October 26, 1960. On November 22, 1960, a motion was filed by the respondent in this case, dismissed this trial for lack of jurisdiction.

On November 23, 1960, an order was entered by the court to the effect that the case should be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction unless the petitioner files written objections on or before December 21, 1960.

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REVIEWED BY <sup>PLS</sup> ~~DEW~~ JFK TASK FORCE

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☒ RELEASE IN PART

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On December 19, 1960, an objection to this motion to dismiss was filed by the petitioner.

On December 21, 1960, an order that response motion to dismiss was calendared for a hearing January 11, 1961, in Washington, D.C.

On January 5, 1961, a motion was granted that the hearing be continued and the hearing date was set for February 15, 1961.

Records of the U. S. Tax Court as reviewed on February 15, 1961, reflected that the order by the court that the case should be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction was granted to the respondent. The petitioner represented by ALBERT E. MACKAREY had filed a reply indicating that he had not received any correspondence from the Internal Revenue Service notifying him of this assessment. The Judge noted that two letters had been mailed to the subject by Internal Revenue Service and that they had been registered letters. According to the Judge it was not the Internal Revenue Service's job to make sure that these letters were actually received by the petitioner and the mere fact that they had been mailed was enough for the court to dismiss the trial for lack of jurisdiction. The income tax return of the subject for the year 1959 as made available by PH T-13 reflected the following information:

A return filed under the name RUSSEL BUFALINO, 161 South Main Street, Pittston, Pa., [redacted]

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PH T-9 on December 2, 1960, advised that he had received information that there were several individuals in Scranton for the purpose of taking FRANK COLLINS, a coal operator, "for a ride." COLLINS, according to the informant, is the divorced husband of JANE COLLINS who is a girl friend of RUSSELL BUFALINO. The informant commented that FRANK COLLINS had found out about the subject's romance with his ex-wife and had given the subject a beating at the COLLINS' summer home during the summer of 1960.

RESULTS OF CHECKS AT LOCAL BANKS RE SUBJECT AND ASSOCIATES

At each of the banking institutions which were checked and which will be set forth later under the city in which located, inquiry was made concerning all types of accounts, savings, checking, special, safe deposit box, trust accounts, and all liability accounts of the subject, his wife, and the following individuals with whom he has been closely associated:

MODESTO LOQUASTO  
380 South Main Street

ANGELA J. LOQUASTO  
380 South Main Street

SAMUEL DE BELLA  
25 East Oak Street  
Pittston, Pa.

DAVID or DAVE SCIANDRA and CHRISTINE SCIANDRA  
2 Boyd Street  
Pittston, Pa.

ANGELO J. BUFALINO  
133 Pine Street  
Pittston, Pa.

In addition to the above inquiry was made concerning the Penn Drape and Curtain Company, City Auto Service, Flatiron

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Building, AB&S Contracting Company, all of Pittston, Pa.

At Edwardsville, Pa.

PH T-14 was contacted on January 4th and 18, 1961. T-14 advised that the records of the Peoples National Bank, Edwardsville, Pa., reflect no record for the subject or any of the individuals or organizations previously set forth.

At Exeter, Pa.

PH T-15 on January 13, 1961, advised that the records of the First National Bank of Exeter contain no information concerning the subject or any of his associates previously listed or any of the concerns with which he is repeatedly connected and which have been previously set forth.

At Forty Fort, Pa.

PH T-16 was contacted on January 13, and 18, 1961; the informant advised that the subject, his wife, and associates, and organizations previously listed have no accounts of any kind at the Forty Fort State Bank as of January 18, 1961, and have had no accounts there within the past year or more.

At Kingston, Pa.

PH T-17 was contacted on January 5, 1961, and January 18, 1961, and reported no information concerning the subject, his associates, or organizations previously listed in the files of the Kingston National Bank, Kingston, Pa.

At Luzerne, Pa.

PH T-18 on January 5, 1961, advised that the subject, his wife, and his associates and organizations previously listed have no current accounts and to his knowledge have never had any accounts of any kind at the Luzerne National Bank, Luzerne, Pa.

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At Pittston, Pa.

PH T-19 was contacted on January 11, 1961, and January 13, 1961, and made available bank records which disclosed the following pertinent information concerning the subject, his associates, and the organizations with which he is presently known to be connected:

A review of the checking account of the subject at the Liberty National Bank disclosed that during October, November, December 1960 the subject received a number of checks in the amount of \$175. Records indicated that these checks in the amount of \$175 were received from Fairfrox, Inc., and were drawn on the Chemical Bank, New York Trust Company, 57th and 7th Avenue, New York City. This checking account referred to of the subject is in the name of the AB&S Contracting Company, 161 South Main Street, Pittston, Pa. The balance of this account as of June 1, 1960, was \$450.20. On January 9, 1961, the balance was \$109.68.

The subject, RUSSELL BUFALINO, endorsed a note for \$2,000 which was to be repaid in 20 months by ANGELO J. and MARGARET B. BUFALINO, 133 Pine Street, Pittston, Pa. The total amount of this loan with interest was listed as \$2,264.60. The balance of the loan as of January 3, 1961, was \$551.42. A checking account in the name of ANGELO BUFALINO, 133 Pine Street, disclosed a balance as of April 10, 1960, of \$491.72. No pertinent activity of this account was noted from a review of the bank ledger. The balance of this account as of January 10, 1961, was \$11.06.

A note for \$1,700 plus \$208.67 interest granted to DAVID and CHRISTINE SCIANDRA, 2 Boyd Street, Pittston, Pa., was endorsed by ANGELO SCIANDRA. This alone totalled \$1,908.67, granted March 4, 1960, with the agreement that \$79.54 would be repaid each month plus the interest. The last payment was made December 28, 1960, leaving a balance of \$1,113.27. As side collateral on this loan the title was recorded for a 1955 Oldsmobile sedan, serial number 557 W62 36.

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The checking account for the AB&S Contracting Company disclosed that a check dated January 5, 1961, was signed by ANGELO BUFALINO as "Attorney in fact" for RUSSELL BUFALINO.

Checks in favor of the subject from Fairfrox, Inc., New York City, with offices at 1370 Broadway, showed checks in favor of AB&S Contracting Company, numbers 10094, 9979, 10217, 10149, drawn on the Chemical Bank, New York Trust Company, 57th Street and 7th Avenue, New York City. Also checks numbered 9930, 9893, 9808, each in the amount of \$175 on Fairfrox, Inc., and drawn on the Chemical Bank, New York Trust Company, New York City. The signers of these checks were MANNY (Last name not decipherable) and MAX W. KLEIN. These checks were endorsed for deposit by the subject, RUSSELL BUFALINO.

PH T-20 advised on January 12, 1961, that the records of the First National Bank, Pittston, Pa., reflect as follows:

The subject, RUSSELL BUFALINO, had a note of \$5,000 dated August 3, 1960, which was due September 3, 1960; this note was endorsed by Medico Industries, Inc. The note was paid late on September 16, 1960, at which time late charges of \$37.50 were paid.

The subject has a mortgage of \$2,000 on which he pays \$88.65. This is listed as on Club 82 North Main Street and bears the original date of December 2, 1960, at which time it was agreed that payments of \$88.65 would be made.

Bank records disclosed that as additional security the subject hypothecated 200 shares of Glenalden common stock as additional security on a loan granted to SAMUEL DE BELLA for a property located at South Main Street, Pittston, Pa. The loan was granted originally for \$4,800. The balance of December 29, 1960, was \$3,906.55. T-20 said that until

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September or October the loan had been paid by Attorney EMMANUELLA FALCONE but since September or October 1960 the payments on this loan have been made by the subject himself and not by DE BELLA or by EMMANUELLA FALCONE.

PH T-20 advised that additional accounts for the subject and other associates of his are probably located in the files of the First National Bank but these were not available as of January 12, 1961, but would be made available at a later date.

At Plymouth, Pa.

PH T-21 on January 5, 1961, advised that the records of the Plymouth National Bank contain no pertinent information concerning the subject, his associates previously listed, and the organizations with which he is affiliated and which have previously been set forth in this report.

At Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

PH T-22 was contacted on January 4, and 17, 1961. The informant advised that the only information possibly pertinent was a personal loan granted in December 1960 to ANGELO J. BUFALINO, 133 Pine Street, Pittston, Pa., in the amount of \$517.44. This loan was granted him at the Plains Branch of the First National Bank of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

PH T-23 advised that the records of the Hanover Bank, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., as checked on January 5, 1961, contain no pertinent information concerning the subject, the close associates listed, or the organizations previously set forth.

PH T-24 was contacted on January 4, 1961, and January 18, 1961. The informant reported no pertinent information concerning the subject, his associates who have been listed previously, and the organizations also set forth earlier in this report. T-24 furnished information on the basis of a record check of the Miners National Bank, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

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PH T-25 advised that the records of the Northeastern National Bank, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., as checked on January 17, 1961, contain no pertinent information concerning the subject, the associates previously listed, and the organizations which were also previously identified.

PH T-26 was contacted on January 4, 1961, and January 18, 1961, and advised that the records at the Wyoming National Bank contain no information of a pertinent nature concerning the subject, the associates, and organizations previously listed in this report.

PH T-27 on January 13, 1961, advised that RUSSELL A. BUFALINO has a small savings account between \$100 and \$200 which has been dormant for many years. He stated that there have been no large deposits or withdrawals from this account in several years and for sometime there has been no activity of any kind in this account.

T-27 on January 13, 1961, advised no other accounts for the subject, his wife, or the listed relatives and organizations appear in the records of the West Side Bank, West Pittston, Pa.

PH T-28 furnished the following information from the records of the First National Bank, Wyoming, Pa.

A savings account, card number 1, in the name of CAROLYN BUFALINO reflected a deposit of \$379.55 on January 28, 1959. No other activity other than interest accumulations on the account appear on this and the balance as of January 12, 1961, was \$393.94.

On August 31, 1954, a note in the amount of \$12,000 was entered against the subject. This represented a mortgage on his property at 304 Dorrance Street, Kingston, Pa. As of December 30, 1960, the balance on this note is now \$986.34.

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A checking account in the name of RUSSELL A. or CAROLYN BUFALINO shows a balance as of January 12, 1961, of \$452.14. Checks on file at the bank which were written since the last statement was furnished to BUFALINO at the end of December 1960 reflect no pertinent information to this investigation.

The bank records reflect that on April 15, 1957, the subject endorsed a note for JOSEPH P. MORRIS, 23 East Walnut Street, Kingston, Pa. This note was in the amount of \$900 and has since been paid off.

ALCOHOL STILL ALLEGEDLY OPERATED BY SUBJECT

Previous reports set forth information concerning an alcohol still allegedly operated by the subject in the vicinity of Pittston, Pa., also was information concerning a raid conducted in June 1960 on an illicit still in Exeter Township, Pa., by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board and the entry into this matter by the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Division (ATTD) U. S. Treasury Department.

The Scranton Tribune, a morning newspaper, published at Scranton, Pa., in its issue of January 28, 1961, set forth the following information:

The U. S. Department of Justice on January 27, 1961, dismissed criminal charges against five men, two from Pittston and three from New Jersey, who were arrested June 4, 1960, on charges of illegally operating a still and conspiracy to defraud the United States. The five were arrested at Exeter Township, Luzerne County, as they allegedly operated a still capable of turning out \$16,000 worth of alcohol a day.

Dismissal of the Federal charges was based on the fact that prosecution for the same offense was under way in Luzerne County under applicable Pennsylvania liquor laws.

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Chief Judge JOHN W. MURPHY signed the dismissal papers.

Federal charges were dropped against:

JOSEPH A. NOTO  
146 Johnson Street, Pittston, Pa.

MODESTO LOQUASTO  
372 South Main Street, Pittston, Pa.

Both were charged with conspiracy to defraud the United States in the production and sale of unlicensed whiskey.

Charge of operating the unlicensed still were dropped against:

ALFRED PASUCCI, Trenton, N.J.

RALPH GACHETTI, Trenton, N.J.

JOHN J. MACIEJEWSKI, Riverside, N.J.

The news item indicated that the five were taken before U. S. Commissioner H. R. VAN DEUSEN, Jr., when originally arrested and released in \$5,000 bail provided by the Public Service Mutual Insurance Company, Philadelphia, Pa.

The article also indicated that agents said that the still could produce 2,000 gallons of alcohol a day and was 18 feet high and 24 inches in diameter. The site of the operation was four miles northeast of Exeter Township, near the Wyoming County line on what authorities said was known as the Mineo Bar.

#### BOOKMAKING ACTIVITY

No information has been developed to indicate that the subject is currently or in the past few months been engaged in any bookmaking activities in Pittston or vicinity.

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DICE GAME

PH T-3 on February 1, 1961, advised that a dice game had been recently operated at the Ford Automobile Showroom in Taylor, which is owned by PETE RIVELLO. The informant said that this game has been attended by MODESTO LOQUASTO and MAL SCIANDRA, close associates of the subject, and for this reason he believed that the subject might have some connection with the operation and the dice game might even be one of his operations, but he had nothing specific concerning this.

E. LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

Penn Drape and Curtain Company  
161 South Main Street  
Pittston, Pa.

Previous reports have set forth information concerning this operation and the fact that for sometime there appears to be little activity at this concern's headquarters in Pittston, Pa.

The 1959 income tax return of the subject as furnished by PH T-13 reflected



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The 1959 income tax return of the subject as made available by PH T-13 reflected that [REDACTED]

A.B.S. Company  
161 South Main Street  
Pittston, Pa.

Previous reports have set forth information concerning the subject's connection with the A.B.S. Company, 161 South Main Street, Pittston, Pa.

The 1959 income tax return of the subject as made available by PH T-13 reflects that [REDACTED]

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Dress Business

The 1959 income tax return of the subject [REDACTED]

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TERRY YOUNG  
462 7th Avenue  
New York City

Previous report reflected that in about August 1960 the subject arranged with JIMMY DOYLE PALMIERI for the investment

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of \$40,000 in Terry Young, 462 7th Avenue, New York City, using MURRAY FISHER and WILLIE (LNU) as fronts for himself and ANGELO SCIANDRA in this operation.

PH T-5 on January 6, 1961, reported no record at New York City of TERRY YOUNG, 462 7th Avenue, New York City.

Sandy Dress  
501 7th Avenue  
New York City

Previous reports set forth information in that in about May 1960 the subject and ANGELO SCIANDRA had invested \$50,000 in Sandy Dress, 501 7th Avenue, with PAUL WEINER acting as front for them in this operation.

PH T-5 on January 6, 1961, furnished a report dated October 21, 1959, on Sandy Dress Company, 48-54 West 25th Street, New York, this report does not appear to pertain to Sandy Dress, 501 7th Avenue, New York City.

Patti Lee, Inc.  
New York City

Information was previously set forth that the Sunday Dispatch, a Pittston newspaper, reported that Patti Lee, Inc., was incorporated in July 1962.

PH T-5 on January 6, 1961, furnished a report dated October 24, 1960, concerning Patti Lee, Inc., 1359 Broadway, New York, N.Y. This report reflected that this concern was organized as a Pennsylvania corporation and that it was chartered in New York in June 1960 but no confirmation of this charter was made at the time the report was prepared. The report lists as officers LEON LOUIS ROTHBERG as President, BERNARD MALLOCO, Vice-President, and JANE C. COLLINS as Secretary-Treasurer. The officers are indicated as being directors of the company. A statement of July 1, 1960, indicated cash in the bank of \$30,000 with total assets of \$50,000 and capital stock of \$50,000. The statement indicated cash in the bank deposited \$5,000 cash in transit deposited June 1, 1960, \$5,000, cash in transit deposited June 17, 1960,

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\$5,000, and cash in transit deposited June 20, 1960, \$1,500.

The report stated that this concern started with \$20,000 in subscription to capital stock and \$30,000 cash in the bank. The report indicated that Mr. BERNSTEIN, CPA, on October 14, 1960, indicated that recently Ann Lee Frocks Company, Inc., had filed a subordination agreement for \$35,000 to an outside quarter covering obligations of this concern. This agreement was not seen. BERNSTEIN cannot give any specific indications as to how the initial months have gone with litigation proceedings pending and some doubt concerning the first few months with possible reverses. There have been some instances of over purchasing with returns and not enough quarters. Total gross sales for July to September were \$285,000. A substantial inventory was on hand. Nothing recently owing at the bank. ROTHBERG recently confirmed occasional slow trade payments and attributed this to collections for August shipments not coming in as well as they would after October 15th. Record of October 14, 1960, show a suit for \$846 for work materials entered by Rose Trimmings against Patti Lee, Inc. Records of October 10, 1960, show a suit for \$2,238 for goods sold and entered by S. L. G. Embroidery Works against Patti Lee, Inc. Records of October 10, 1960, show a suit for \$1,578 for Fortune Factors, Inc., for goods sold Patti Lee, Inc.

The report indicated that BERNSTEIN made reference to uncertainty of the situation and probably was referring to a very recent severe fire loss suffered at Pittston, Pa., plant with the reported loss of \$70,000.

The report indicated that this concern employs two people, manufactures misses and women's dresses and uses contractors including affiliate with cutting and shipping done from 108-112 South Main Street, Pittston, Pa., on the premises of affiliate. The location of the company is listed as the 4th floor quarters in the Multistory Loft Building at the above address.

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ROTHBERG was described as married, native born, 1912, employed as a salesman in the line for 25 years including Nassau Frocks, 253 West 26th Street and M.M. Cantarie. He was sales manager for SHIRLEY STEVENS, Inc., 463 Seventh Avenue, from 1954 to 1956. From 1956 to 1957, he was Vice-President and Secretary of R & R Fashions, dress manufacturers at 1359 Broadway. This was liquidated in 1957. Since that time he has been principal in Patti Lee, Inc., a Pennsylvania corporation, which was still in operation in Pittston, Pa., as a contractor.

BERNARD MALLOCO, a brother-in-law of ANGELO SCIANDRA, who was an original stockholder and sold his interest to MALLOCO. Current production man in charge currently is a production man in charge of the Pittston plant. He was previously active in contracting and formerly with SANDRA JOY and NASSO Frocks, both contractors; has given the address of 1308 Wyoming Avenue, Exeter, Pa.; and described self as Vice-President Ann Lee Frocks, Inc., and partner in S & B Machine Company.

Report describes Ann Lee Frocks Company as chartered 1946 and a contractor of Pittston, Pa.

The report describes COLLINS as born 1916, married, and a floor lady at the plant at Pittston, Pa., and has been with the Pittston interest for 30 years. Fire record indicates a fire occurred at the Pittston, Pa., plant on October 1, 1960, causing a reported damage of \$70,000.

Tri-City Textile Company  
162 North Main Avenue  
Old Forge, Pa.

PH T-10 on January 19, 1961, advised that the subject's money is behind the Tri-City Textile Company, 162 North Main Avenue, Old Forge, Pa., which is being operated by CAPPY GUIMENTO and MICKY FINEBERG. FINEBERG formerly worked at Royal Miss in Scranton, and has no money to speak of.

PH T-4 on December 6, 1960, advised that JANE COLLINS in endorsing her payroll check for \$900 from the Wyoming Coal Company, Scranton, drawn on the Northeastern Pennsylvania Bank and Trust Company, endorsed it "For deposit to the account of Tri-City Textile, 160 North Main Avenue, Old Forge, Pa." PH T-4 on December 6, 1960, stated that he believed that the subject was in some way connected with Tri-City Textile Company.

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Sergeant VICTOR NELSON on February 23, 1961, stated that at the time the telephones were being installed at Tri-City Textile Plant in Old Forge, Pa., the subject was present and gave orders as to where the phones were to be installed and appeared at that time to be the person in charge of this operation according to reliable information received by Sergeant NELSON.

Jenkins Sportswear  
121 North Main Street  
Pittston, Pa.

Previously, information has been reported indicating the connection of the subject with Jenkins Sportswear.

PH T-29 on February 24, 1961, furnished a photostatic copy of a lease agreement made in July 1958 between RUSSELL BUFALINO, Pittston, Pa., and EMANUELLA FALCONE, trading as Jenkins Sportswear, 121 North Main Street, Pittston, Pa., for the leasing of the building located at 119-21 North Main Street, Pittston, for a period of five years with a total payment to be made of \$11,880 effective from the first day of July 1958, and for five years thereafter. The first year the rent would be \$175 a month, the second year \$185 per month, the third year \$195 per month, the fourth year \$210 per month, and the fifth year \$225 per month.

The Wilkes-Barre Record of February 6, 1961, contained a news item reflecting that a federal tax lien was filed on February 5, 1961 at the office of the Prothonotary, Luzerne County, by AR.P. BROWNELL, Scranton District Director of Internal Revenue, a lien in the amount of \$1,421.45 for unpaid withholding and excise tax for 1960 of EMANUELLA FALCONE, trading as Jenkins Sportswear, 119 North Main Street, Pittston, Pa.

Monet Fashions  
436 Seventh Avenue  
New York City

Sergeant VICTOR NELSON, Pennsylvania State Police, Wyoming, Pa., on February 23, 1961, advised that money furnished by JANE COLLINS to Attorney REMO AILLIO (phonetic) was used to acquire the Monet Fashions, 436 Seventh Avenue, New York City, which is actually an operation of the subject RUSSELL BUFALINO. However, the officers of this concern are listed as follows: President, AL HERMAN, New York City; Vice-President, LOUIS MARCONI, Endicott, N.Y.; and Secretary-Treasurer Attorney REMO AILLIO (phonetic), Endicott, N.Y.

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A & M Dress Company  
Hawley, Pa.

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PH T-10 on January 19, 1961, advised that the subject RUSSELL BUFALINO and Attorney ALBERT MACKARIE of Scranton, Pa., purchased the A & M Dress Company, Hawley, Pa., for about \$700. Informant said that this is the dress company which was formerly operated by Private Detective DAVE ROBERTS, a former member of the Pennsylvania State Police. This concern went bankrupt during the time ROBERTS was operating it. The A & M Dress Company according to the informant has been idle for the past three or four months because of the lack of work.

Midway Bar and Lounge  
DuPont, Pa.

A previous report set forth information reflecting that this was considered as a front being operated for the subject. Information also was reported concerning the arrest of the licensed operator of the Midway Bar and Lounge, JOSEPH AMANTEA, in connection with a number of burglaries in the area. The establishment has been closed.

Officer JOSEPH DELANEY, Pittston Police Department, in February 7, 1961, advised that he had received information which he had been unable to corroborate to the effect that JOSEPH AMANTEA, former operator of the Midway Bar and Lounge, was involved in a number of burglaries in Pittston and vicinity together with SLICK MILAZZO and CHARLES ARDOLINE. Information received by Officer DELANEY reflects that MILAZZO as of February 7, 1961, was in Florida. ARDOLINE is employed in Pittston, Pa., working for the Frushons.

Officer DELANEY on February 7, 1961, advised that JOSEPH AMANTEA as of that date was operating a 1959 Chevrolet, bearing Pennsylvania registration 143-27B.

BOXING MATCHES PROMOTED BY SUBJECT

Previous reports reflected information indicating the possibility that the subject had been promoting some boxing matches in the Wilkes-Barre area.

PH T-30 was contacted on January 11, 1961, February 8, 1961, and February 21, 1961, and advised that he had received no information to indicate that the subject was currently sponsoring any boxing matches in the area or had an interest in any boxing matches.

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Shelbourne Corporation  
Franklin Avenue  
Scranton, Pa.

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PH T-10 on February 10, 1961, advised that the subject had at one time operated the Shelbourne Corporation, Franklin Avenue, Scranton, together with ~~MIKE EINHBERG~~, LOUIS MAYS, and CASPER GUIMENTO.

Club 82  
Pittston, Pa.

Previous reports have set forth information indicating that the Club 82 is another front operated in behalf of the subject.

PH T-2 on December 7, 1960, advised that the subject actually owns Club 82 even though it is not recorded in his name. Informant did not know the name of the individual in which the club is officially recorded.

F. PLACES OF AMUSEMENT AND HANGOUTS FREQUENTED

PH T-6 on January 10, 1961, advised that he has learned from his sources that the subject does not spend much time in Pittston, Pa., but that when he is in Pittston he can usually be found at Club 82, North Main Street, Pittston, Pa.

PH T-7 on January 4, 1961, stated that he had seen the subject very few times in Pittston recently. Informant has observed the new Cadillac belonging to the subject parked on North Main Street near Club 82. Informant said that the subject still frequents Club 82, but he had no personal knowledge as to how much time the subject spends there.

Sergeant LEWIS SHUPNIK, Pennsylvania State Police, Wyoming, Pa., stated that the subject is frequently at the offices of Medico Industries, Inc., in Pittston, Pa. Sergeant SHUPNIK stated that the subject and the members of the MEDICO family who operate Medico Industries, Inc., are closely associated with the subject.

PH T-1 on January 20, 1961, stated that the subject frequents the DeLita Sandwich Shop in Scranton, Pa., which was formerly operated by ~~TONY DE LUCA~~. The informant reported that he had personally observed the subject at this establishment in company with ~~GABBY CIULLO~~, who operates Gabby's Barber Shop, 302 North Main Avenue, Scranton, and (FNU) BEVILAQUA from the Sheet Metal Company at 150 North Main Avenue, Scranton, Pa., and (FNU) COSTANZO from the Floor Shop at 123 North Main Avenue, Scranton, Pa.

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G. TRAVEL

The records of the Windsor Park Hotel, Washington, D.C., as made available by Mr. JOHNNY VIA, Manager, reflected that the subject checked into this hotel on February 9, 1961 and checked out on the morning of February 11, 1961. He was assigned Room 220, and registered as RUSSELL BUFALINO, 124 William Street, Scranton, Pa. At the time the subject was at the hotel, although he registered alone, he had another individual in the room with him but his name was not known to Mr. VIA who was aware of this fact. Mr. VIA advised that the subject was introduced by one THOMAS J. CAFFARELLI, a public relations man from Arlington, Va., who operates a hotel placement bureau from a residence at 4204 North Fourth Street, Arlington, Va.

The records of the Windsor Park Hotel reflected that during the time the subject stayed there he made the following long distance telephone calls: Scranton, Pa., DIAMOND 6-1875; Pittston OL 5-1906; Hazleton, Pa., GL 4-9033; Kingston, Pa., BUTLER 7-2024. The last number is the residence telephone of the subject at Kingston, Pa.

In addition to the above, the subject also called Washington, D.C., HE 4-4829.

On February 15, 1961, JOHNNY VIA, Windsor Park Hotel, Washington, D.C., advised that an individual named JOSEPH SCALEAT checked into the hotel on February 15, 1961, at which time he indicated he was acquainted with the subject, but did not state the nature of this acquaintanceship. A business card furnished by SCALEAT indicated he resided at 711 East Ninth Street, Hazleton, Pa., and was in coal and general hauling business. SCALEAT also advised VIA that he worked in the Philadelphia, Pa., area and could be contacted at 4229 Rising Sun Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

H. PERSONAL HABITS AND PECULIARITIES

A previous report reflected that the subject had received a June 1961 Cadillac sedan as a birthday present from his girl friend, JANE COLLINS.

On January 4, 1961, Mrs. FAY JUMFER, Supervisor, Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Harrisburg, Pa., advised that her records reflect that RUSSELL ALFRED BUFALINO, 304 East Darin Street, Kingston, Pa., is the registered owner of a 1961 Cadillac sedan, serial number 61M012827, Pennsylvania title DL3985597, issued December 20, 1960. Pennsylvania registration B80-957, was issued for this car.

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Mrs. JUMPER advised that her records reflect that CAROLYN J. BUFALINO, 304 East Darin Street, Kingston, Pa., is a registered owner of a 1956 Chrysler sedan, serial number W5628110, Pennsylvania title BL1520215, issued March 22, 1958, 1958 registration for this car 123-20 with 1960 tab number 2162160.

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No new information has been developed.

J. IMMIGRATION PROCEEDINGS

A previous report set forth information concerning the appeal filed by the subject with the Immigration Service under Section 243H in which he charged that his deportation from the United States would be persecution.

On December 9, 1960, Mr. ALBERT W. WHITING, Vice Consul, U.S. Embassy, Rome, Italy, advised his office received correspondence concerning subject dated November 28, 1960 from JACK WASSERMAN, Attorney located at 902 Warner Building, Washington 4, D.C. WASSERMAN and one DAVID CARLINER who are identified in the correspondence as attorneys for RUSSELL BUFALINO. The correspondence was addressed to the American Consul, American Embassy, Rome, Italy, and included interrogatories to be submitted to, and answered by, Attorney PAOLO ALBERTO ROSSI, Via Nomentana 1426, Rome, Italy. (X)(X)

WASSERMAN requested that when answered by Attorney ROSSI, the original interrogatories be returned to him. WASSERMAN included a check in the amount of \$50.00 to cover expenses for handling the interrogatories and indicated that he was making the request in accordance with past practices and pursuant to suggestion of State Department. (X)(X)

Mr. WHITING stated that since receiving the above request, he has written WASSERMAN asking for documented evidence to the effect WASSERMAN has notified and received approval of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) for this procedure. (X)(X)

On December 12, 1960, Mr. WHITING further advised that Attorney ROSSI personally called at his office to express his desire to expedite completion of the interrogatories in behalf of BUFALINO. ROSSI was told by WHITING that the matter would be expedited after receipt of the aforementioned evidence requested of WASSERMAN. (X)

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Interrogatories referred to concern first, Attorney PAOLO ALBERTO ROSSI and he is questioned concerning his name, whether he is a member of the Italian Bar, a practicing attorney, his legal background. Then certain facts are furnished him concerning the background of the subject, and he is then asked questions concerning the laws in Italy, regulations, and practices which would apply to the subject if he is deported from the United States. Also, to what city he would be sent, whether he would have any choice in selecting a city, of residence, whether he would be permitted to travel, or whether he would have to get permission to travel even if for medical purposes. Also, whether any licenses were required in Italy for driving an automobile, hunting, or establishing business. Also, whether or not certificates of good conduct would be required before obtaining such licenses and to obtain employment. Whether BUFALINO could obtain a certificate of good conduct if he could obtain gainful employment or engage freely in business in Italy. Whether BUFALINO could secure rehabilitation or a pardon so he could live a normal life in Italy if he would be treated as a racketeer if deported. Also, whether or not deportees designated as racketeers by the Attorney General of the United States would be treated differently than deportees from other countries or criminal deportees from the United States who were not designated as racketeers or different from persons deported on non-criminal grounds. .. Questions are also asked whether Italy had been the unwilling recipient of the racketeer deportees from the United States, and if the publicity given by the Department of Justice to its program for deporting so called Italian racketters resulted in making these deportees a particular target in Italy for police surveillance, police restriction, and other limitations. *(X)AS*

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The Scranton Tribune, a morning newspaper published at Scranton, Pa., in its issue of February 15, 1961, reported that a federal judge in Washington, D.C., on February 14, 1961, had ordered the Government to hold up, at least temporarily, the deportation of RUSSELL BUFALINO of Kingston. The article indicated that Attorney JACK WASSERMAN, Washington, D.C., Counsel for BUFALINO, said he asked for a temporary restraining order because he knew the INS had undertaken preparations to effect BUFALINO'S deportation. The article also reported that INS Regional Office in Richmond, Va., on February 14, 1961 had denied BUFALINO'S appeal, and it was shortly thereafter that WASSERMAN asked the Federal Court in Washington for the temporary restraining order. The article indicated that the restraining order was effective until February 23, 1961, at which time arguments for preliminary injunction against the Government's deportation order would be argued on that date.

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The article stated that the subject was given a hearing at Philadelphia on his allegation that he would be physically persecuted if he returned to Italy. The hearing examiner recommended denial of his appeal. BUFALINO then appealed to the regional office at Richmond, and the regional office denied the appeal of BUFALINO.

The Wilkes-Barre Record, a morning newspaper published at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., in its issue of February 24, 1961, advised that a postponement was granted on February 23, 1961 by the District of Columbia Federal Court in the deportation proceedings of RUSSELL BUFALINO, Kingston.

The article reports that the delay was granted after INS asked for more time to prepare opposition to BUFALINO'S defense that he was not allowed to present evidence at a deportation hearing to show he would be physically persecuted if he returned to his native Italy. The article indicated that BUFALINO wants an opportunity to have lawyers from Italy testify at the American Consulate in Rome on whether BUFALINO would be physically persecuted if he returned to his native Italy.

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