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## ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

In view of subject's conviction and sentence in U. S. District Court, Southern District of New York, this case is being carried in a pending inactive status, pending further action on subject's appeal. The New York Division is following this action.

## INFORMANT COVERAGE

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T-9	DL 95-C
T-10	ERNEST M. GENTRY, Field Supervisor, United States Narcotics Bureau, Dallas, Texas
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PCI, Dallas Office

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EDWARD L. BRAUNE, New York  
Telephone Company, New York  
City

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Report from Dun and Bradstreet,  
Inc., dated 2-1-57.

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EARL FINDLING, Confidential  
Source, Former FBI Agent  
now engaged in real estate  
business in Dallas, Texas.

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## Copy to:

Report of: MILTON L. NEWSOM                      Office: DALLAS  
Date: September 26, 1960  
Field Office File No.: DALLAS (92-36)                      Bureau File No.: 92-2824  
Title: JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Grand Jury [JFK Act 10(a)2]

## Synopsis:

CIVELLO, FBI No. 1222605, white male, Italian extraction, born 2-3-02 or 2-3-03, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, has seventh grade education. Married, wife's maiden name MARY TOMMINELLI MUSSO. CIVELLO resides 5311 Denton Drive, Dallas, Texas. CIVELLO presently engaged in real estate and oil leasing and previously had interest in Civello Import Food and Liquor Co., Dallas, Texas. CIVELLO sentenced to Leavenworth Penitentiary for violation Harrison Narcotics Act, 4-2-37, for 15 years. CIVELLO was paroled 3-26-44 and his sentence was commuted 11-6-48. CIVELLO has been known to associate with numerous underworld characters who have engaged in narcotics violations, prostitution and gambling activities. CIVELLO attended meeting at home of JOSEPH BARBARA, Apalachin, New York, 11-14-57, where numerous underworld figures were in attendance. CIVELLO testified before Grand Jury, Southern District of New York, on 1-28-58, and at special Tioga County Grand Jury, Oswego, New York, 2-4-58. CIVELLO testified before Federal Grand Jury, Los Angeles, California, 3-12-59, and [redacted]

[redacted] He was arrested 5-21-59 by U. S. Narcotics Bureau, Dallas, Texas, on warrant from Southern District of New York charging CIVELLO with conspiracy to commit perjury. He was arraigned before USC, Dallas, 5-21-59, and released on temporary \$30,000 bond. CIVELLO was granted removal hearing before U. S. District Judge, Dallas, 6-2-59, and was ordered removed U. S. District Court, Southern District of New York, and bond was set at \$20,000. CIVELLO represented by Attorney DAVID M. MARKOWITZ, New York City. CIVELLO convicted U. S. District Court, Southern District of New York, 12-18-59 for conspiracy to obstruct justice. He was sentenced on 1-13-60 to serve five years custody of Attorney General by U. S. District Judge IRVING KAUFMAN. He was released on

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\$35,000 appeal bond. Information from New York indicates no decision will be rendered in the appeals court on CIVELLO's case before September, 1960. CIVELLO HAS BEEN KNOWN TO CARRY A GUN IN HIS AUTOMOBILE AND HAS BEEN SUSPECTED OF CARRYING ONE ON HIS PERSON; THEREFORE, HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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A. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

The following personal history and background information was obtained from the files of the United States Probation Officer, Fort Worth, Texas, and from an interview of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO during the course of an investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation during August and September of 1956, in connection with application for pardon after completion of sentence filed by CIVELLO. This information was obtained by SA PAUL H. RAINES. In addition to this information, Mr. VIRGIL J. BAILEY of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Dallas, Texas, was contacted on December 2, 1957, relative to CIVELLO's background.

JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO was born February 3, 1902, or February 3, 1903, at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, or Port Allen, Louisiana. According to BAILEY, the files of the Louisiana State Bureau of Vital Statistics contained no record of the birth of CIVELLO. The baptismal certificates of the Church of the Holy Family, Port Allen, Louisiana, contained a baptismal certificate for JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, but the place of birth was not shown thereon.

According to BAILEY, on November 26, 1957, one ROCCO DI BENEDETTO, age 77, a naturalized citizen, Sinclair Plantation, Port Allen, Louisiana, executed an affidavit in which he swore that CIVELLO was born on the Poplar Grove Plantation near Port Allen, Louisiana, in 1902. A copy of this certificate and affidavit were sent to the Immigration and Naturalization Service at Buffalo, New York.

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On December 18, 1957, Mr. ROLAND D. EDGECOMBE, Investigator for Immigration and Naturalization Service, Buffalo, New York, advised that their records reflected the following. A copy of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO's certificate of baptismal, Church of the Holy Family, Port Allen, Louisiana, stated that it was certified that GIUSEPPI CIVELLO, child of PHILLIP CIVELLO and CATHERINE DI BENEDETTO, was born on February 3, 1902, and baptized on March 29, 1902, according to the right of the Roman Catholic Church by the Reverend ROBERT MOISE, sponsors being ROCCO DI BENEDETTO and FRANCES DI BENEDETTO.

Also included in this file was an affidavit signed by ROCCO DI BENEDETTO November 26, 1957, before WALTER VICKERY, Investigator, Port Allen, Louisiana. This affidavit stated: "I, ROCCO DI BENEDETTO, ... am a naturalized United States citizen. I was naturalized in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in 1910. I was the Godfather of GIUSEPPI CIVELLO at the time he was baptized in the Catholic Church in Lobdell, Louisiana. GIUSEPPI CIVELLO was born on the Poplar Grove Plantation near Port Allen, Louisiana. This was in 1902. GIUSEPPI CIVELLO's mother, CATHERINE DI BENEDETTO CIVELLO, is my sister, and she came to the United States about 1899. GIUSEPPI CIVELLO left Port Allen, Louisiana, in about 1922 or 1923." CIVELLO was married to MARY TOMMINELLI, November 24, 1929, at Rockford, Illinois, by JOHN J. FLANAGAN, a Catholic priest. This marriage is recorded in the County Clerk's Office, Rockford, Illinois, in Volume 16, Page 110, Certificate No. 1871.

A review of the records by the Kansas City Division of the United States Penitentiary in Leavenworth, Kansas, reflected that CIVELLO was incarcerated in that institution following his sentence at Dallas, Texas, on April 2, 1937, for violation of the United States Narcotics Laws. In the personal history and background records of the penitentiary, it was noted that CIVELLO was born February 3, 1902, at Port Allen, Louisiana. These records reflected that CIVELLO had completed the seventh grade in school and had also completed a Spanish course while an inmate of Leavenworth Penitentiary in Kansas.

Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER of the Dallas Police Department Intelligence Unit, Dallas, Texas, on December 2, 1957, advised that an inquiry by their department reflected CIVELLO had resided in Dallas, Texas, since approximately 1924.

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CIVELLO resides at 5311 Denton Drive, Dallas, Texas, with his wife, MARY CIVELLO; his father, PHILLIP CIVELLO, and his sister, FRANCES MUSSO and brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO.

Information obtained from Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 and Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER of the Dallas Police Department at various intervals between December, 1957, and April, 1958, reflected CIVELLO was engaged in the operation of the establishment of Civello Import Liquor and Food which deals in the sale of liquors and imported Italian foods. This establishment is located at 4236-38 Oak Lawn Avenue, Dallas, Texas.

Mr. BOWMAN TAYLOR of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, Dallas, Texas, on December 2, 5, 1957, and Mr. J. M. SOUTER, Lieutenant of the Intelligence Unit, Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas, advised on November 19, 1957; December 2, 5, and 10, 1957, that CIVELLO had the following relatives:

Wife

MARY CIVELLO, nee Mary Tomminelli Musso, 5311 Denton Drive, Dallas, Texas.

Brother

CHARLES EDWARD CIVELLO, Dallas, Texas.

Sisters

MARGARET POLITO, Baton Rouge, Louisiana;

ANNA CONGELOSI, Baton Rouge, Louisiana;

NORA ZACHARI, Rockford, Illinois;

FRANCES MUSSO, 5311 Denton Drive, Dallas, Texas;

PHYLLIS GUESTRA, Rockford, Illinois.

PHILLIP CIVELLO, deceased

CATHERINE CIVELLO, deceased

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Father

Mother

On November 12, 1958, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised CIVELLO has been in bad health and for this reason has not been active in social affairs as well as business enterprises. Indications were at that time that CIVELLO had a heart condition.

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It should be noted in connection with CIVELLO's birth in Louisiana that an affidavit was not filed by anyone until November 26, 1957, (12 days after the Apalachin meeting attended by CIVELLO) to show that CIVELLO was born in this country. CIVELLO's parents were born in Calabria, Italy.

B. CRIMINAL RECORD

Under date of August 8, 1960, the FBI Identification Division furnished the following identification record for JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, FBI No. 1222605:

Contributor of Fingerprints	Name and Number	Arrested or Received	Charge	Disposition
PD Dallas Texas	Joe F. Civello #7265	7-14-28	murder	*exonerated
USM Dallas Texas	Joe Civillo #2475	1-8-37	H N A	4-2-37 15 yrs Lev and 5 yrs Lev prob 5 yrs
PD Dallas Texas	Joe F. Civello #7265	1-8-37	vio Harrison Nar Act (27 cases)	filed in Federal
Narc Bu Wash DC	Joe Civello #7034	inquiry 2-2-37		
SO Dallas Texas	Joe Civello #2343	4-2-37	HNA - US	15 yrs & 5 yrs prob for 5 yrs at Leavenworth Kans
USP Annex Fort Leavenworth Kans	Joe Civello #9643	4-8-37	Narc Pur Sale	15 yrs 10-16-40 trans to the USP Leav Kans
USP Leavenworth Kans	Joe Civello #57742	11-16-40 in trans from USPA Ft. Leav	Narc Act: purch sale	15 yrs paroled 3-26-44
PD Dallas Texas	Joseph F Civello #7265	5-21-59	H/F US Dist Crt Southern NY	held

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Contributor of Fingerprints	Name and Number	Arrested or Received	Charge	Disposition
Dep USM Dallas Texas	Joseph F. Civillo #FP #10 970	inquiry 5-25-59		
Narc Bu Wash DC	Joseph Francis Civello #--	5-21-59	18 USC 371 (see consp to comm supplement) perjury	
USM NY NY	Joseph F. Civello #--	6-4-59	not given	

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ON 5/28/97 dab/mws Served 40 das in 1928, in Dallas Co Jail for  
viol of Liquor Law (as on prt #7265)  
8-22-28, Dallas, Texas, #7265, viol Harrison  
Narc Act and conspiracy to viol Harrison Narc  
Act; filed.  
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#-- Narc Bu Wash DC 5-21-59 18 USC 371 consp  
to comm perjury 1-13-60 5 yrs for viol Title  
18 USC 371, 1621 consp to obstruct justice

Notations indicated by \* are not based on fingerprints in FBI files.

On July 30, 1956, the file of the United States Probation Office, Fort Worth, Texas, was reviewed by SA PAUL H. RAINES. This file reflected that CIVELLO had been paroled to United States Probation Officer, Dallas, on March 26, 1944, with the expiration of parole set at April 1, 1952. This file further reflected that CIVELLO's sentence was commuted on November 6, 1948, and his probation officer was listed as WALTER STOKES, Dallas, Texas.

The Bureau Identification Record reflects CIVELLO served 40 days in jail in 1928, in the Dallas County Jail for violation of the Liquor Law and further on August 22, 1928, at Dallas, Texas, charges were filed against CIVELLO for violation of the Harrison Narcotics Act.

On December 19, 1957, Dallas County District Attorney HENRY WADE and Dallas County Sheriff J. E. DECKER, both advised that they could find no record or disposition of either of these charges noted in the above notation. WADE stated that records as far back as 1928 probably had been destroyed or filed and were presently misplaced.

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On March 31, 1959, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised CIVELLO in 1928 shot and killed one JOE DE CARLO with a sawed-off shotgun in a drug store at Dallas, Texas. T-1 advised CIVELLO was exonerated of murder charges after claiming the shooting was accidental.

On December 3, 1957, BOWMAN TAYLOR, Federal Narcotics Bureau, Dallas, Texas, advised that when CIVELLO was arrested by the Bureau of Narcotics in January, 1937, the following individuals were arrested in connection with the same charge:

JOE CASCIO, Shreveport, Louisiana, FBI No. 269247;  
SAM CIVELLO, Dallas, Texas, FBI No. 795418,  
(cousin of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO);  
LEON CIVELLO, Dallas, Texas, FBI No. 585782,  
(cousin of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO);  
FRANK IANNI, Dallas, Texas, FBI No. 58733;  
ELON D. SMITH, Dallas, Texas;  
JACK DARWIN, Dallas, Texas.

These individuals were all charged with 27 counts of violation of the Harrison Narcotics Act and were tried in the United States District Court, Dallas, Texas, under docket No. 8848 on January 14, 1937.

ERNEST GENTRY, Supervisor, Federal Narcotics Bureau, Dallas, Texas, advised on May 21, 1959, CIVELLO was arrested by three United States Narcotics Bureau Agents and two Dallas Police Department detectives on a warrant from the Southern District of New York charging CIVELLO with conspiracy to obstruct justice. United States Attorney WILLIAM B. WEST, III advised bond recommended by Attorney General of \$50,000.00 for CIVELLO. At the time of arrest, CIVELLO had over \$2,800.00 cash in his possession.

CIVELLO was convicted in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on December 18, 1959, for conspiracy to obstruct justice in connection with Federal Grand Jury investigation concerning the Apalachin meeting which CIVELLO attended. On January 13, 1960, CIVELLO was sentenced to serve five years custody of Attorney General by United States District Judge IRVING KAUFMAN. CIVELLO was released on \$35,000.00 appeal bond.

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C. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

The Albany Office advised on November 16, 1957, that JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO was interviewed by the New York State Police, Vestal, New York, on November 14, 1957. The interview on this occasion was due to the fact that CIVELLO was attending a meeting at the home of JOSEPH BARBARA, Apalachin, New York, at what the New York State Police termed a "gangland convention".

The following known underworld characters were present at this meeting:

FRANK CUCCHIARA, 55-57 Endicott Street, Boston, Massachusetts;

ROY CARLISI, 20 Anderson Place, Buffalo, New York;

DOMENICK D'AGOSTINO, 2226 Ontario Avenue, Niagara Falls, New York;

SAM LAGATTUTA, 555 Lafayette Street, Buffalo, New York;

ANTONIO MAGADDINO, 1528 Whitney Avenue, Niagara Falls, New York;

JOHN C. MONTANA, Central Terminal Building, Buffalo, New York;

COSTENZE P. VALENTI, 202 Hamilton Street, Rochester, New York;

FRANK J. VALENTI, 1384 Highland Avenue, Rochester, New York;

JOHN A. DE MARCO, 3536 Hildane Street, Shaker Heights, Ohio;

JOHN SCALISH, 11706 East Harrington Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio;

JAMES COLLETTI, 1415 Claremont Avenue, Pueblo, Colorado;

FRANK DESIMONE, 7838 Adoree Street, Downey, California;

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SIMONE SCOZZARI, San Gabriel, California;  
GERARDO V. CATENO, 21 Overhill Road, South  
Orange, New Jersey;  
CHARLES S. CHIRI, 2 Bridle Way, Palisades,  
New Jersey;  
VITO GENOVESE, Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey;  
JOSEPH IDA, 180 Lincoln Avenue, Highland Park,  
New Jersey;  
LOUIS A. LARASSO, 115 Donaldson Place, Linden,  
New Jersey;  
FRANK MAJURI, 629 South Broad Street, Elizabeth,  
New Jersey;  
DOMINICK OLIVETO, 1157 Magnolia Avenue, Camden,  
New Jersey;  
ANTHONY P. RIELA, 7 Venvenue, West Orange,  
New Jersey;  
JOSEPH BONANNO, 1726 DeKalb Avenue, Brooklyn,  
New York;  
JOHN BONVENTRE, 115 Cleveland Street, Brooklyn,  
New York;  
PAUL C. CASTELLANO, 1737 East 23rd Street,  
Brooklyn, New York;  
NATALE J. EVOLA, 972 Bay Ridge Parkway, Brooklyn,  
New York;  
CARLO GAMBINO, 2230 Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn,  
New York;  
CARMINE LOMBARDOZZI, 114 Strafford Road,  
Brooklyn, New York;  
JOSEPH MAGLIOCCI, Bay View Avenue, East Islip,  
New York;

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MICHELE A. MIRANDA, 167 Greenway North,  
Forest Hills, Long Island, New York;

JOSEPH PROFACI, 8863 - 15th Avenue, Brooklyn,  
New York;

VINCENT RAO, 192 Dinwoodie Street, Yonkers,  
New York;

ARMAND T. RAVA, 1180 Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn,  
New York;

JOSEPH RICCOBONO, 781 Pelton Avenue, Staten Island,  
New York;

JOSEPH ROSATO, 34 - 31st Street, Jackson Heights,  
New York;

SALVATORE TORNABE, 1464 Second Avenue, New York  
City, New York;

DOMINICK ALIMAO, Pittston, Pennsylvania;

RUSSELL BUFFALINO, 304 East Dorrace Street,  
Kingston, Pennsylvania;

JAMES V. LA DUCA, Danna Drive, Lewiston,  
Pennsylvania;

JAMES OSTICCO, 156 $\frac{1}{2}$  Elizabeth Street, Pittston,  
Pennsylvania;

ANGELO SCIANDRA, 108 South Main Street, Pittston,  
Pennsylvania;

MICHAEL J. GENOVESE, Gibsonia, Pennsylvania;

GABRIEL (KELLY) MANNARINO, 540 Charles Avenue,  
New Kensington, Pennsylvania;

FRANK ZITO, 1384 Highland Avenue, Springfield,  
Illinois;

LOUIS SANTOS, Havana, Cuba;

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JOSEPH BARBARA, JR., McFall Road, Apalachin,  
New York;

MELVIN BLOSSOM, RD #1, Apalachin, New York;

IGNATIUS CANNONE, 3634 Rath Avenue, Endwell,  
New York;

JOSEPH FALCONE, 1623 Mohawk Street, Utica,  
New York;

SALVATORE FALCONE, 1623 Mohawk Street, Utica,  
New York;

ANTHONY F. (GUV) GUARNIERI, 3619 Royal Road,  
Endwell, New York;

BARTOLO GUCCIA, 202 Oak Hill Avenue, Endicott,  
New York;

ROSARIO MANCUSO, 926 Arthur Street, Utica,  
New York;

PATSY MONACHINO, 11 Orchard Street, Auburn,  
New York;

SAM MONACHINO, 11 Orchard Street, Auburn,  
New York;

NORMAN JOSEPH RUSSELL, RD #1, Apalachin,  
New York;

PATSY SCIORTINO, 58 Holly Street, Auburn,  
New York;

PATSY (PASQUALE) TURRIGIANO, 3015 Watson Boulevard,  
Endicott, New York;

EMANUEL ZICARI, 103 Squires Avenue, New York.

On December 23 and 30, 1957, and January 10 and 15, 1958, NICK VARCASIA, owner of the Gulf Fish and Oyster Company, Dallas, Texas, advised that he was well acquainted with CIVELLO. He stated his wife played cards with CIVELLO's wife and that he was attempting to obtain information concerning CIVELLO's trip to Apalachin, New York, and also obtain as much information as possible relative to CIVELLO's criminal

activities. VARCASIA stated that it was his and his wife's opinion that CIVELLO did not tell his own wife of any of his outside activities.

M. A. GENARO advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on December 26, 1957, January 3, 13 and 14, 1958, that he had contacted many people who knew CIVELLO intimately and who traded with CIVELLO's import food and liquor business, and he had been unable to find out anything which would assist in CIVELLO's criminal activities. GENARO stated that it was his opinion that CIVELLO was "scared to death" since his trip to Apalachin, New York.

On January 2, 1958, CIVELLO was interviewed at length by SAs BARDWELL D. ODUM and VINCENT E. DRAIN. CIVELLO related that prior to November 14, 1957, he and his cousin, FRANK DESIMONE, who lives in Los Angeles, California, went to New York. CIVELLO stated that his purpose in visiting New York was on business connected with his establishment in Dallas of import food and liquor. CIVELLO stated that DESIMONE asked him to go with him out to Apalachin, New York. CIVELLO emphatically denied having ever known any of the individuals who were present at the meeting at JOSEPH BARBARA's home in Apalachin, New York, on November 14, 1957. CIVELLO related that whatever connection DESIMONE had with this group was not known by CIVELLO. CIVELLO repeatedly and categorically denied knowing the purpose of this meeting, stating that he spent most of his time while there in a "crap game".

CIVELLO admitted having in the past associated with PETE PELLEGRINO of White Plains, New York, and also of ROCCO PELLEGRINO of the same address. CIVELLO admitted being a long-time acquaintance and friend of CARLOS MARCELLO of New Orleans, Louisiana, who is a New Orleans underworld hoodlum. CIVELLO stated also he was a friend of the late SAM MACEO, a well-known gambler of Galveston, Texas.

CIVELLO stated that he had served one sentence in the penitentiary for narcotics and that he was not getting mixed up with anyone or any group of people who dealt in narcotics since he felt he was too old to serve another sentence and in "too bad" physical health.

CIVELLO was again apprised of the information furnished by the Los Angeles Division concerning alleged threats against CIVELLO's life. CIVELLO again voluntarily stated that he would be glad to advise this office should he need to go outside the city of Dallas or the state of Texas.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-11 advised that they had learned through a confidential source that approximately December 14, 1957, CIVELLO was talking to an individual known as LITTLE HARRY, believed to be staying in the Highland Hotel, Dallas, Texas. He stated that CIVELLO was placing a gambling football bet with the individual referred to as LITTLE HARRY. T-11 further advised that the best interpretation that could be made concerning this conversation was that whoever LITTLE HARRY was, was a "bookie" and that CIVELLO had been placing bets for this individual with other people. He stated that on one occasion CIVELLO mentioned to the person referred to as LITTLE HARRY as owing someone \$2,200 and another time stating "We are \$1,200 to the good".

T-11 further advised that their informant had stated that CIVELLO was afraid to leave town and that he had not taken or had he made a long distance telephone call to anyone since his trip to Apalachin, New York, November 14, 1957. He further stated that the above information was the only information that his informant had been able to ascertain relative to any criminal activities of CIVELLO. T-11 stated that other contacts by CIVELLO were "chitchat" with members of his family and that he seldom talked to anyone other than his family except a person by the name of KAHN and JOE IANNI, owner of Ristorante Vesuvio.

Mrs. NAOMI GREEN, Manager of the Highland Hotel, was contacted by SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on January 12, 1958, and again on January 17, 1958. Mrs. GREEN, who is known by this office as being reputable, was queried concerning anyone who had resided at that hotel in December of 1957, by the name of HARRY. Mrs. GREEN stated that there had been two individuals who had resided at the Highland Hotel during the fall of 1956, and during the fall of 1957. She stated that they occupied Room 301. She stated that these individuals' names were HARRY LEAVY and AL ROGERS. She advised that the individual known as LEAVY drove a 1956 black Oldsmobile bearing New York

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license 9W181. She stated that these individuals had a private straight-line telephone installed in their room. She stated that these individuals left at the end of December, 1957. Mrs. GREEN described AL ROGERS as being approximately 37 to 40 years of age; dark hair; medium build; approximately 5'9" or 5'10" in height. She stated that the individual known as LEAVY was small in stature but could not remember a good description of him. She stated, however, that LEAVY was the owner and drove the Oldsmobile.

Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER of the Intelligence Unit of the Dallas Police Department on January 17, 1958, advised that this automobile license number, which was New York license 9W181, was registered in the name of PETE PELLEGRINO of White Plains, New York.

On January 31, 1958, Mr. CHARLES MOORE of the Intelligence Unit of the Texas Department of Public Safety, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN that from a highly confidential and reliable informant, MOORE had learned that on the night of January 30, 1958, CIVELLO had made a long distance telephone call to his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO, Dallas, Texas. MOORE stated that CIVELLO was calling from New York City. MOORE stated that CIVELLO told his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO, that he had testified before the Grand Jury in New York, and that he "came out fine".

On January 30, 1958, the Pittsburgh Office advised that United States Narcotics Agent WILLIAM THOMAS FINLEY of the Bureau of Narcotics at Pittsburgh had been interviewed on January 28, 1958, by SA J. EDWARD MADVAY. FINLEY advised that he had worked on the case of VETO GIORDENELLA when he was in Houston, Texas, in 1956. FINLEY stated that GIORDENELLA was to make a \$30,000 bond in a narcotics passing case; however, the night before he was to be freed on bond, JOSEPH CIVELLO and FRANK TORTICELLI came to Houston, where they stayed at a motel on the outskirts of Houston, Texas. FINLEY stated that both men were alleged to have been armed with pistols. CIVELLO and TORTICELLI made a statement to the effect that as soon as GIORDENELLA made bond they were going to take him by car either to New Orleans, Louisiana, or into Mexico so that he could board a boat for Italy. FINLEY claims that he went to the United States Attorney and to the United States District Judge at Houston, Texas, and obtained a warrant for GIORDENELLA's arrest on a conspiracy case that he had been working on for

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several months. According to FINLEY, when GIORDENELLA was released on the \$30,000 bond, FINLEY re-arrested him and had him held on a \$100,000 bond. FINLEY stated that he had received this information about a plot to get GIORDENELLA out of the country from WILLIAM (BILLY) COSTA, the United States Commissioner at Houston, Texas. FINLEY stated that Detective Lieutenant HARVEY TOTTEN, Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas, knows more about CIVELLO than anyone and should be able to furnish new information about CIVELLO.

On February 4, 1957, Detective Lieutenant HARVEY TOTTEN was interviewed by SA VINCENT E. DRAIN at which time he stated that he was inclined to be a little doubtful of Agent WILLIAM THOMAS FINLEY's story since FINLEY had a very "vivid" imagination and knowing CIVELLO, he doubted very much if CIVELLO had been involved in the above-mentioned effort to get GIORDENELLA out of the country.

On January 30, 1958, the New York Office advised that through a confidential source it had been learned that RUSSELL BUFFALINO of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, apparently had reserved rooms on November 13, 1957, at the Hotel Casey, Scranton, Pennsylvania, mentioning the fact that he was expecting several out-of-town guests. A review of the Casey Hotel reservations by the Pennsylvania State Police showed the following for November 13, 1957:

J. CERRITO  
421 San Jose Avenue  
Los Satos, California  
Room 312

J. CIVILLO  
4236 Oak Lawn  
Dallas, Texas  
Room 312

JAMES LANZA  
559 Washington Street  
San Francisco, California  
Room 316

S. SCOZZARI  
6112 North Muscatel  
San Gabriel, California  
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FRANK DESIMONE  
7838 Adree Street  
Downey, California  
Room 316-318

The Pennsylvania State Police report reflected that the cost of these rooms and all attending charges were billed to BUFFALINO.

Lieutenant HARVEY W. TOTTEN, Dallas Police Department, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on February 9, 1958, that a Sergeant REYNOLDS of the New York State Police and JOHN McKEON of the Westchester County District Attorney's Office, contacted TOTTEN on February 9, 1958. They advised TOTTEN they had surveilled JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and his wife from New York to Dallas, Texas, and that the subject had just arrived in Dallas via the Texas and Pacific Railroad. These individuals stated that CIVELLO contacted no one en route from New York to Dallas.

\* Mr. CHARLES MOORE of the Intelligence Unit of the Texas Department of Public Safety, advised on February 11, 1958, that they had learned through a reliable source that CIVELLO had contacted his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO, by telephone on February 11, 1958, and excitedly told his brother that the Internal Revenue Agents had just left his office and it looked like they were trying to make a case on him.

On February 10, 1958, SA WILLIAM GIBSON, of the United States Internal Revenue Division of Dallas, Texas, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN [REDACTED]

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Dallas Confidential Informant T-2 advised on February 12, 1958, that CIVELLO, after his return from New York, had contacted HARRY D. KAHN, an oil broker in the Adolphus Tower, Dallas, Texas. This informant stated that CIVELLO was supposed to have told KAHN that he thought the Government could pin nothing on him with the exception of probing into his income tax. He stated that the Internal Revenue had contacted him relative to his income tax at which

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time CIVELLO referred them to his attorney. According to this informant, CIVELLO was extremely upset and told KAHN should the Internal Revenue come to him regarding any connection with business deals that CIVELLO might have had with him, KAHN should immediately contact CIVELLO and advise him the kind of questions that the Internal Revenue asked. This informant stated that CIVELLO was complaining bitterly about the loss of business in his imported food and liquor business on Oak Lawn Street, Dallas, Texas, because of all of the adverse publicity that had been afforded him because he attended the Apalachin meeting on November 14, 1957. This informant further stated that CIVELLO was keeping to himself because he was fearful that the Government had a surveillance on him.

Dallas confidential informant T-1 advised SA MILTON L. NEWSOM on February 21, 1958, the following information regarding CIVELLO:

This informant stated that he had known the CIVELLO family all of his life. He stated that he was aware of the "upset" in regard to "JOE's" visit to Apalachin, New York. This informant related that CIVELLO had gotten a lot of bad publicity for being present at the meeting and that it was his personal feeling that "JOE" had made a mistake in attending same. This informant stated that JOE was invited to attend. Informant was reluctant to furnish details of this invitation, if he knew such details.

This informant indicated "they" (meaning the group attending the meeting at Apalachin, New York, November 14, 1957) wanted to know from CIVELLO the present political setup in Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas, area, whether Dallas would be good for certain organized activities at this time, such as headquarters for narcotics routes to the East, gambling devices or other interests. This informant stated that JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO stated to these individuals that Dallas had never had an organized syndicate and never will have one. According to this informant, CIVELLO further pointed out that there were small-time gamblers and other hoodlums, on an individual basis who had operated in the past but never had any national connection. This informant stated that there had never been a concentrated group of Italians in the Dallas area strong enough to gain control

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of any situation. This informant stated that in the past "they" tried but outsiders were watched too closely by local authorities and were never able to gain the outside strength needed. The informant stated that CIVELLO told these individuals at the Apalachin meeting "Dallas is dead", meaning that with regard to any organized criminal activities. This informant explained that all of the "old boys", who at one time might have had a chance to start an organization, are dead.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-2 advised on March 5, 1958, that he had learned from a reliable source that CHARLES CIVELLO, brother of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, had made the statement "JOE's attending the meeting at Apalachin, New York, was wholly uncalled for, that JOE got himself messed up because of attending this meeting and that the embarrassment due to the publicity and law enforcement officers contacting JOE at his place of business, was nearly running members of the CIVELLO family crazy". This informant stated that it was the opinion of several individuals that CIVELLO was invited to attend the meeting and that he attended it because it inflated his ego.

On March 12, 1958, Mr. W. O. BRAECKLEIN, a former Assistant United States Attorney of Dallas, Texas, and now a practicing attorney with offices in the Republic National Bank Building, Dallas, Texas, contacted SA VINCENT E. DRAIN. BRAECKLEIN stated that several days ago CIVELLO came to him and told him that the Internal Revenue Bureau was investigating CIVELLO for income tax evasion. At that time he requested BRAECKLEIN to represent him. BRAECKLEIN stated that if CIVELLO was mixed up with gangsters, he would like to assist this Bureau in any way possible. BRAECKLEIN at that time had copies of the December 9, 1957, issue of Life Magazine which carried pictures of persons meeting at JOSEPH BARBARA's home in Apalachin, New York, November 14, 1957. BRAECKLEIN stated that he questioned CIVELLO about his attending this meeting and CIVELLO stated that he had been invited by a "cousin" by the name of FRANK DESIMONE of Los Angeles, California. BRAECKLEIN stated he asked him what degree of relationship he was to DESIMONE and he said "just a cousin". BRAECKLEIN advised that CIVELLO told him further that he went to this meeting with DESIMONE and that he did not know beforehand that such a meeting was to be held. BRAECKLEIN stated that CIVELLO told him that he had not been involved in illegal activities of any kind since he had been released

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from the penitentiary in 1944, at Leavenworth, Kansas. BRAECKLEIN stated that he would further question CIVELLO in an effort to ascertain circumstances around CIVELLO's presence at the meeting at Apalachin, New York.

On March 20 and 21, 1958, BRAECKLEIN advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN that he had questioned CIVELLO for approximately three hours and that CIVELLO stated to him that actually DESIMONE was not related to him other than he referred to him as "cousin". He stated CIVELLO told him that he went to New York with DESIMONE via American Airlines and that he did not know what the meeting was all about. He told BRAECKLEIN that he was extremely sorry that he had attended the meeting, but that he would not talk about what other Italians were doing and therefore would not discuss any phase of the meeting at Apalachin, New York. He stated that he had not discussed it with anyone since he returned to Dallas from that meeting and that he had not even discussed it with his wife. BRAECKLEIN confidentially advised that he had not fully made up his mind as to whether he wanted to represent CIVELLO and told CIVELLO that if he was involved with this so-called "Mafia" group in the East, he would not represent him. CIVELLO told BRAECKLEIN that he was mixed up with no "Mafia" organization and never had been.

CIVELLO testified before the United States Special Grand Jury, Southern District of New York, January 28, 1958, and before the Tioga County Grand Jury, Oswego, New York, February 4, 1958, relative to his activities at the meeting in JOSEPH BARBARA's home, November 14, 1957.

On April 1, 1958, CIVELLO related the following information to SA VINCENT E. DRAIN.

CIVELLO related that a short time prior to November 14, 1957, he left his home in Dallas, Texas, and went to New York on a business trip. He stated that he went alone to New York City. He stated upon arriving in New York City he contacted the Domestic Oil Company, which apparently handles imported olive oil, and also the Rossi Company, which apparently handles Vermouth, and to the best of his memory this was on November 13, 1957. He stated that there were two other businesses he had to contact in Brooklyn and that he contacted them by telephone since he did not know his way around in Brooklyn. He stated further that on November 14, 1957, he met his cousin FRANK DESIMONE (Los Angeles top hoodlum) in the coffee shop of Hotel New Yorker where they

had a meal together. He stated that while he was sitting in the coffee shop, a large built individual walked into the coffee shop and started talking to FRANK DESIMONE. He related that this individual was talking to DESIMONE about making a short trip with him to some point outside of New York, and that CIVELLO really did not pay too much attention to the name of the place. He stated that DESIMONE told this individual that he did not really have the time to go and at this point DESIMONE turned to CIVELLO and asked CIVELLO if he would like to go with them. CIVELLO stated that he had made all the contacts that he was able to make that day and that he had intended seeing one person on a business deal and later found out he could not see this person until November 15, 1957, and therefore, he had some leisure time on his hands. He stated that he, DESIMONE, and the large individual got into what he believes to have been a Cadillac automobile and drove to Apalachin, New York. He stated upon arriving at Apalachin, he observed several people at this home, which he later learned was JOE BARBARA's home, drinking and eating. He advised that it resembled a cocktail party more than anything else. After arrival at this place, CIVELLO and DESIMONE had a steak, according to CIVELLO, and a couple of drinks of liquor. CIVELLO estimated that they spent about four or five hours at this place and during the time he was there he observed no general meeting as such. According to CIVELLO, he did not know any of the individuals at this meeting other than DESIMONE and the person who accompanied them to Apalachin, New York, from New York City.

CIVELLO described the gathering as persons who were gathered around in groups of four and five people and engaging in general conversation. CIVELLO stated that at no time did anyone ask him about gambling, narcotics, or other illegal activities or legal activities. He stated that he was introduced to three or four people there but had never seen these people before and did not remember their names. CIVELLO related that upon leaving JOE BARBARA's home to return to New York, they were stopped by the New York State Police and questioned. After showing their identification, they were released.

CIVELLO stated they traveled back to New York City arriving there between 3 and 4 o'clock in the morning on November 15, 1957. CIVELLO would not disclose where he stayed at New York, but he stated it was a small hotel

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where he had been getting room reservations for years and stayed at while on business trips in New York. He stated that his specific reason for not giving the name of the hotel was that he was well acquainted at this hotel and he did not want FBI Agents or anyone else making any inquiries there since it would hurt his reputation and credit rating at this hotel.

SA DRAIN gained the impression from CIVELLO, if CIVELLO was telling the truth, that the hotel possibly could be in the very near vicinity of the Hotel New Yorker.

CIVELLO was questioned as to whether or not he had any conversation with FRANK DESIMONE prior to the Apalachin trip, specifically if CIVELLO had any telephone conversations with DESIMONE in the month of October, 1957. CIVELLO stated that he could not recall whether or not he had talked to DESIMONE since he talked to DESIMONE quite frequently. CIVELLO explained that DESIMONE's father was a first cousin to his, (CIVELLO's), mother and that DESIMONE's sister and other relatives quite frequently visited at CIVELLO's home. CIVELLO spoke of ROSALIE DESIMONE as having visited their home in Dallas only last summer and fall. CIVELLO claimed that he had never had any contacts with DESIMONE other than visiting on a kinship basis.

CIVELLO was questioned as to whether or not he had ever been in Scranton, Pennsylvania, at which time CIVELLO stated he had never been in Scranton, Pennsylvania, in his life.

CIVELLO was questioned further as to whether or not he knew or had ever met individuals by the names of CERRITO, JAMES LANZA, or anyone by the name of SCOZZARI. CIVELLO stated he had never known these individuals in his life and to the best of his memory he had never met them.

CIVELLO related that he was questioned shortly after last Christmas by Chief of Police CARL F. HANSSON of the Dallas Police Department concerning his trip to Apalachin, New York, and also questioned by SAs DRAIN and BARDWELL D. ODUM on December 27, 1957, and again on January 2, 1958. Following this, CIVELLO stated that he was subpoenaed before the Federal Grand Jury for the Southern District of New York for January 21, 1958. CIVELLO stated that on January 16, 1958, he and his wife departed on Texas and Pacific Train for New York. CIVELLO related that he was held over and testified at various times in New York.

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CIVELLO stated that on January 28, 1958, he was reading the New York Daily News and observed an individual's picture in the paper by the name of RUSSELL BUFFALINO, who was having a deportation hearing or something of that nature in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He stated that he immediately called his wife's attention to the article and to the picture of BUFFALINO and stated to his wife that "this was the man who approached FRANK (meaning FRANK DESIMONE) and myself in the coffee shop of the Hotel New Yorker and asked us to go to Apalachin, New York with him on November 14, 1957". CIVELLO advised that he had never seen or met BUFFALINO prior to November 14, 1957, but that he immediately recognized his picture after viewing it in the above-mentioned newspaper article.

CIVELLO advised that no one would probably ever believe him but he considered himself a victim of circumstances in this matter and that he was not mixed up in any "rackets", but the only thing that he had done since getting out of the Federal penitentiary in 1944, was occasionally placing some gambling bets on athletic events. CIVELLO related that he had a bad heart and could not walk for more than two blocks without resting. He stated he contemplated having a heart operation either in the fall or the spring.

CIVELLO further related that he had income enough to keep his family from "starving" from oil royalties in Louisiana and Oklahoma. He stated that as of January 1, 1958, he had sold his 25 per cent interest in the CIVELLO imported food and liquor business which was previously a partnership between him and his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO, and his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO.

CIVELLO was friendly during the course of this conversation but stated that this was the story and he did not care to repeat it further. When CIVELLO was questioned as to who he contacted at Domestic Oil Company and Rossi Company, he stated that he did not desire to disclose any names since agents of the FBI would be calling on these people and that he was well respected and had good credit rating with these people and he did not desire to disclose their names.

On December 27, 1957, CIVELLO was advised by SA VINCENT E. DRAIN regarding information furnished by the Los Angeles Division concerning information received that one JOSEPH SEVEL would be killed within the next two weeks in Dallas, Texas, by an unidentified individual.

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A review of the files of this office reflected that since this information contained what appeared to be the residence address of CIVELLO, that the individual referred to as SEVEL was most likely JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO. This was also the opinion of Chief of Police CARL F. HANSSON, Dallas, Texas, Police Department.

CIVELLO was requested to appear at the office of Chief of Police CARL F. HANSSON on December 27, 1957, at which time HANSSON personally interviewed CIVELLO for a period of approximately two hours. HANSSON questioned CIVELLO about his trip to Apalachin, New York, on November 14, 1957. CIVELLO claimed that he flew to New York with his cousin, FRANK DESIMONE of Los Angeles, California, and stayed at the home of a friend in New York City. He would not identify the friend's name. CIVELLO claimed that he was in New York on a business trip and was invited by DESIMONE to accompany him. He stated while at New York City, he went with DESIMONE to Apalachin, New York, for a "crap game". He denied knowing any of the individuals at the Apalachin meeting but did admit knowing ROCCO PELLEGRINO, White Plains, New York. He also admitted being a good friend of the late SAM MACEO of Galveston, Texas.

On January 10, 1958, M. A. GENARO, offices in the Adolphus Towers, Dallas, Texas, and JULIUS SCHEPPS, wholesale liquor dealer, all well acquainted with the individual, advised that the only information they could obtain concerning the individual during the past several days was the fact that he had been going only from his home to his place of business.

On January 6, 1958, Chief of Police CARL F. HANSSON, Dallas, advised that Lieutenant P. W. LAWRENCE of his department would appear before the Dallas County Judge LEW STERRETT on January 7, 1958, for the purpose of protesting the renewal of a liquor license and off-premises beer license by CIVELLO for his place of business. On January 7, 1958, Judge STERRETT ordered CIVELLO to appear and show cause why he should not have his liquor license renewed. Judge STERRETT advised on January 7, 1958, that CIVELLO failed to appear as ordered but that CIVELLO did advise him by phone that he was selling his interest in the Civello Food and Liquor to his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO, and his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO.

Chief of Police CARL F. HANSSON, on January 10, 1958, advised that the Department of Public Safety, through one of their confidential informants, had learned that CIVELLO had not made or received any long distance telephone calls since his return to Dallas from the meeting at Apalachin, New York, on November 14, 1957.

On January 10, 1958, CIVELLO contacted SA DRAIN and advised that he was selling his share of the business of the import food and liquor to his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO, and his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO. CIVELLO advised that his share of the business was 25 per cent.

Chief of Police CARL F. HANSSON, on November 19, 1957, advised that his department had kept a very close check of CIVELLO's activities and that they had not been able to come up with anything which would reflect any illegal activities on the part of CIVELLO since his release from prison in 1944. He stated that if CIVELLO had been involved in prostitution, narcotics, gambling, book making, lotteries or any other illegal activities, it was not known to the Dallas Police Department. HANSSON stated he felt that CIVELLO would like to get into the narcotics field again but had made no overt act towards such as known to the Dallas Police Department.

WALTER STOKES, United States Probation Officer, Dallas, Texas, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on December 18, 1957, that he supervised CIVELLO from 1944 until 1948, and that CIVELLO conducted himself during that period, and as far as he knew he was engaged in no illegal activities of any kind.

Mr. M. A. GENARO, Investment Broker, Adolphus Tower, Dallas, Texas, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on December 18, 1957, he had known CIVELLO and his family for the past several years intimately and that he knew of no illegal activities on the part of CIVELLO and stated he was completely stunned and shocked when he read the publicity CIVELLO received from his attendance of an underworld meeting in New York.

Sheriff J. E. DECKER, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, Dallas, Texas, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on November 19, 1957, that he had followed CIVELLO's activities closely and knew of no illegal operations being conducted by CIVELLO in the last several years. Sheriff DECKER stated that his impression of CIVELLO was that he would like to be a "big shot" and to

associate with the Italian underworld characters but that he had been afraid to attempt such in Dallas, Texas, in the last few years since both the local Police Department and Sheriff's Office had attempted to stamp out narcotics, gambling, and prostitution activities as much as possible.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-2 advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on November 22, 1957, that he had known CIVELLO for several years and knew him when informant was Assistant District Attorney of Dallas County. He stated he had had no information of any kind which would indicate CIVELLO had been engaged in illegal activities in the City of Dallas.

JULIUS SCHEPPS, a highly respectable citizen and a large wholesale liquor dealer, Dallas, Texas, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on December 19, 1957, that he was closely acquainted with CIVELLO and that he did not know of any underworld activities being conducted by CIVELLO and that it was his belief that any that would be carried on by CIVELLO probably would be with Eastern underworld characters. SCHEPPS had no basis for stating that, other than the recent publicity that he had read in the newspapers concerning CIVELLO.

On June 23, 1958, Deputy United States Marshal HENRY WHITE, Dallas, Texas, advised that CIVELLO had been served with a subpoena to appear before the McClellan Senate Committee at Washington, D. C.

On June 24, 1958, Dallas Attorneys WILLIAM OSCAR BRAECKLEIN and LESTER L. MAY, who were representing CIVELLO, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN that CIVELLO had been subpoenaed to testify before the McClellan Senate Committee. Mr. BRAECKLEIN stated no definite date had been set for CIVELLO's appearance. MAY stated he telephonically communicated with an Associate Counsel of this Committee by the name of TIERNEY who advised him that it would be some time before CIVELLO would be called and that MAY would be notified directly. BRAECKLEIN stated CIVELLO appeared to be "shook up" when served with this subpoena.

On July 15, 1958, LESTER L. MAY advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN that he doubted if CIVELLO would ever be called before the McClellan Committee. MAY stated he had advised CIVELLO to take the Fifth Amendment to all questions should he be called to testify before the Committee.

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On September 12, 1958, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised he feels certain CIVELLO will not attend other meetings like the Apalachin meeting, as CIVELLO has indicated he is through with any activity of that type which would cause the "heat" and publicity gained from that incident. T-1 advised he does not believe CIVELLO or anyone will dare discuss the "meeting at Apalachin" due to the "heat" that has been applied on the subject. T-1 stated he feels sure CIVELLO is not presently engaged in any criminal activity.

On March 10, 1959, Dallas Confidential Informant T-10 advised CIVELLO had been subpoenaed to appear before a Federal Grand Jury at Los Angeles, California, in the near future, at which time he would be questioned concerning the activities of alleged Mafia members who were present at the Apalachin, New York, meeting in November, 1957, and who reside in the western United States. T-10 stated he understood CIVELLO was going to be offered immunity; therefore, CIVELLO need not apply the Fifth Amendment to any questions concerning his knowledge of other individuals.

On March 9, 1959, the Los Angeles Office advised CIVELLO was scheduled to appear before the Federal Grand Jury at Los Angeles on March 12, 1959.

On March 13, 1959, Los Angeles advised that LLOYD F. DUNN, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, is directing testimony before the Federal Grand Jury investigating organized crime in Los Angeles. Mr. DUNN volunteered on March 13, 1959, that [redacted] appeared before the Federal Grand Jury on [redacted]

[redacted] Los Angeles Grand Jury [JFK Act 10(a)2] advised CIVELLO was accompanied by attorney WILLIAM O. BRAECKLEIN of Dallas, Texas, and they returned to Dallas at once, according to the Los Angeles Office. Means of travel was unknown.

LESTER MAY, Attorney, Dallas, Texas, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on March 18, 1959, that WILLIAM O. BRAECKLEIN, his law partner, had accompanied CIVELLO to Los Angeles and while in Los Angeles, suffered a broken leg caused in an automobile accident. He said BRAECKLEIN is attempting to delay CIVELLO's reappearance before the Grand Jury at Los Angeles, scheduled for April 16, 1959.

On March 14, 1959, articles appeared in Dallas newspapers stating that CIVELLO was being instructed by United States District Court Judge at Los Angeles, California,

to answer questions put to him by a Federal Grand Jury. CIVELLO was told by the Judge to be prepared to answer any questions about other individuals that would not incriminate him personally at a later date when he would be recalled before the Federal Grand Jury. Newspaper articles indicated the date of CIVELLO's reappearance before the Federal Grand Jury was April 16, 1959. Newspaper articles mentioned CIVELLO having connections with the Italian criminal underworld known widely as the "Mafia".

On March 31, 1959, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 remarked that he had read articles in Dallas newspapers concerning CIVELLO's supposed connection with the Mafia. In response to a question regarding this possibility, Dallas T-1 stated in his opinion, JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO is the top ranking member of an Italian criminal organization, in the Dallas area, which is sometimes referred to as the Mafia. He stated CIVELLO achieved this ranking during his more active years as a hoodlum and primarily because of a murder CIVELLO committed in 1928. He stated CIVELLO shot one JOE DE CARLO with a sawed-off shotgun in a drug store in Dallas, Texas, on July 14, 1928. CIVELLO was exonerated of murder charges after claiming the shooting was accidental. T-1 stated in his opinion, DE CARLO's murder was ordered by the "organization" after DE CARLO had attempted to hold out a considerable amount of money accumulated through illegal activities. T-1 stated this information came to him indirectly and he has no information concerning actual proof of the above.

T-1 further advised that the original head of the Mafia in Texas was CARLO T. PIRANIO (born May 8, 1876, in Sicily) who held that position until his death in 1930. At that time, CARLO's brother, JOSEPH T. PIRANIO, became the leader of the Mafia in Texas and retained same until his suicide in 1956, at which time JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO became the head man.

Dallas T-1 explained that in practically every major city in the United States, there is a "head man" who has complete control of all Italian criminal activities in that area. Dallas T-1 described this man as being a direct representative of the top echelon of the Italian criminal element in the United States and any activity by an Italian criminal in that man's area must be cleared through him prior to completion of that activity. He said this "head man"

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usually received 25 per cent of the net income from any criminal activity. According to T-1, this position is designated to those who have proved themselves capable in the past and who qualify as being capable, usually through the commission of a felony. The commission of this felony, which is usually murder, has to be done for the benefit of the group and in a way in which the group approves. On some occasions the position is inherited from a father or a brother.

Dallas T-1 pointed out that CIVELLO's activities are limited primarily as overseer and conciliator for Mafia groups and adherents confined to the Dallas area. T-1 advised that several young Italians in the Dallas area are aspiring to take JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO's place when such is vacated and that the most aspiring one is JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142. Dallas Confidential Informant T-10 designated IANNI as a Mafia member, based on previous investigation by T-10.

On March 4, 1959, Dallas County Sheriff BILL DECKER advised SA ROBERT M. BARRETT that he had received information from reliable sources who stated that ~~at~~ one time, JOSEPH T. PIRANIO was the supposed Mafia contact in Dallas prior to his death and had been succeeded in that position by JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO. Mr. DECKER stated that CIVELLO acquired this position through his relationship, both business and by marriage, with relations of PIRANIO and through CIVELLO's association in the 1930's with PETER MICHAEL DUCA, FBI No. 45170 (deceased). Mr. DECKER stated that DUCA came to Dallas from New Orleans, Louisiana originally and was suspected of being the "trigger man" or "enforcer" for the group wherever he was needed in the United States. Mr. DECKER stated that DUCA, who operated a small grocery in Dallas, would disappear from the Dallas area for short periods of time and then would return with a large amount of money in his possession. At about the same time, according to Mr. DECKER, he would notice that there would be a gangland killing reported in the newspapers as happening some place in the United States, such as Chicago, New York or Philadelphia.

Mr. DECKER reported that in his own mind, he believed that the murder of JOE DE CARLO on July 14, 1928, on the streets of Dallas, by JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO was a Mafia-type assassination.

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Mr. DECKER stated he had never received any information that the Italian element had ever tried to take over any of the rackets in the Dallas area, but had been content to live on what they could take through narcotics traffic, bootlegging and gambling. Mr. DECKER made a statement that he was convinced that any time an Italian of Sicilian extraction was involved in narcotics traffic, it would be a Mafia-type endeavor.

On March 30, 1959, Deputy Sheriff O'BYRNE COX, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, advised he had information from confidential sources who indicated that the original head of the Mafia in Texas was CARLO T. PIRANIO, who was succeeded by his brother, JOSEPH T. PIRANIO, and subsequently by JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-8 advised on March 27, 1959, that CIVELLO is a relative by marriage to JOSEPH T. PIRANIO. In addition to this, CIVELLO was a pallbearer at both the funerals of JOSEPH T. PIRANIO and PIRANIO's wife, LEAN PIRANIO.

On the night of April 1, 1959, Bureau Agents observed CIVELLO attending a rosary held at a Dallas funeral home for Mrs. CLEMENZIA PIRANIO, wife of CARLO, who died on March 31, 1959.

Dallas T-8 advised on March 27, 1959, that he is well acquainted with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and in the past CIVELLO has furnished him business from those individuals who associate with CIVELLO. T-8 said he has conversed with CIVELLO on several occasions, and CIVELLO mentioned the Apalachin meeting on one occasion, stating that since his appearance there, he became a "celebrity" and could not understand all the interest in him by law enforcement agencies as he claimed to know nothing about the reason for the Apalachin meeting.

On April 1, 1959, Dallas T-8 advised SA ROBERT M. BARRETT that CLEMENZIA PIRANIO, wife of CARLO PIRANIO (deceased), died from natural causes on March 31, 1959, and a rosary was to be held for her at the Dudley Hughes Funeral Home at Dallas on the night of April 1, 1959, between 8 and 9 p.m. T-8 stated CIVELLO and several of his associates, including JOE and SAM CAMPISI, JOE and ROSS MUSSO, and TONY MENTESANA, would be present.

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On the night of April 1, 1959, SAs ROBERT M. BARRETT and MILTON L. NEWSOM observed numerous cars as they appeared at the parking lot at the Dudley Hughes Funeral Home. JOSEPH CIVELLO was observed to arrive in a 1955 blue and white Buick, which he drives but which is registered to ROSS MUSSO, his brother-in-law.

On April 27, 1959, LESTER MAY, CIVELLO's attorney, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN that CIVELLO's appearance before the Federal Grand Jury in Los Angeles, California, has been postponed indefinitely.

On May 11, 1959, the Los Angeles Division advised that information was received indicating CIVELLO was scheduled to appear before the Federal Grand Jury in Los Angeles on May 14, 1959.

On May 13, 1959, the Los Angeles Division advised information had been received that a [redacted] in the near future by Federal Grand Jury, Southern District of [redacted]

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Information from Los Angeles pointed out that the arrest of the individuals, after [redacted] would be made simultaneously.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-9 on May 18, 1959, advised he had recently been in contact with some Italian friends and people who are well acquainted with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO. He stated these individuals reported CIVELLO is extremely nervous because of the constant checking on him by Federal Agents. T-9 stated CIVELLO continues to be the Number 1 man among the Italian criminal element in the Dallas area, and it is T-9's opinion that nothing would be conducted by Italians in that group without CIVELLO's approval.

As reported above, on May 21, 1959, CIVELLO was arrested by agents of the Federal Narcotics Bureau and two members of the Dallas Police Department on a warrant charging CIVELLO with conspiracy to commit perjury. Warrant was issued out of United States District Court, Southern District of New York. CIVELLO was arraigned before United States Commissioner WILLIAM MADDEN HILL at 9 a.m., May 21, 1959,

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and a temporary bond of \$30,000.00 was set. CIVELLO immediately made bond and was released. United States Commissioner HILL set removal hearing for May 28, 1959.

According to Dallas Confidential Informant T-10, CIVELLO was photographed and fingerprinted by the Dallas Police Department prior to his arraignment before United States Commissioner on May 21, 1959. During the arraignment, CIVELLO became irritated and blurted out that, "no one is going to run anywhere, I've got nothing to run from," as CIVELLO was objecting to the high amount of the bond. T-10 advised that during a search of CIVELLO's residence, a .25 caliber and a .38 caliber pistol were found, both loaded. The search took place incidental to CIVELLO's arrest.

T-10 stated he noticed United States Probation Officer ELI NOLLETTE proceeding to a telephone immediately after the hearing in a manner which, to T-10, indicated NOLLETTE wished to report to someone details of the proceedings. T-10 stated that NOLLETTE, along with Assistant United States Probation Officer WALTER STOKES, became friends of CIVELLO at the time CIVELLO was on Federal probation in Dallas following CIVELLO's Leavenworth Penitentiary sentence several years ago.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-2 advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on May 29, 1959, that it was his understanding LESTER MAY, attorney for CIVELLO, planned to attempt to get the bond substantially lowered on CIVELLO at a hearing before United States District Judge T. WHITFIELD DAVIDSON, Dallas, scheduled for June 5, 1959. T-2 stated MAY planned to fight the removal of CIVELLO to New York. T-2 further advised that WALTER STOKES, Assistant United States Probation Officer, Dallas, Texas, might be called by MAY to testify as to the good character of CIVELLO since CIVELLO's release from Leavenworth Penitentiary several years ago. STOKES, according to T-2, was the probation officer that CIVELLO reported to at Dallas, Texas, during CIVELLO's probation period; and during that time, CIVELLO and STOKES became warm, personal friends. T-2 stated that LESTER MAY told him he was going to use every delaying tactic possible in the hearing before Judge DAVIDSON.

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On May 28, 1959, CIVELLO was given a removal hearing before United States Commissioner HILL at Dallas, at which time CIVELLO's attorney, LESTER MAY, stated he would fight the removal of CIVELLO to New York with every means possible. MAY stated he would appeal to United States District Judge T. WHITFIELD DAVIDSON. At the hearing a New York State Trooper who had interviewed CIVELLO at Apalachin, New York, on November 14, 1957, identified CIVELLO as the same person named in the indictment. United States Commissioner HILL ordered CIVELLO's bond of \$30,000, returnable Southern District of New York, July 3, 1959, which was the date of scheduled trial of CIVELLO.

Dallas T-10 advised on June 1, 1959, that the State Trooper who testified at CIVELLO's hearing before United States Commissioner at Dallas, told him that the investigation by the New York State Police revealed that there were possibly 80 or 90 persons in attendance at Apalachin and that one of these was believed to be a man from New Orleans named PAUL CARCELLI. It has been ascertained that CARCELLI had obtained a rent-a-car in the Apalachin area during the evening of November 14, 1957, and three days later returned this automobile with 1,200 miles having been driven during that period. It should be noted that one of CIVELLO's closest associates in Dallas is JOHN M. CARCELLI, FBI No. 4755844. Attempts are being made to determine if these two individuals named CARCELLI are related.

On June 1, 1959, the Los Angeles Office advised information had been received at Los Angeles through a reliable source that JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO was scheduled to appear before the Federal Grand Jury in Los Angeles on June 11, 1959. Los Angeles stated the same source advised that a request had been made of the United States Department of Justice to grant immunity under the Narcotics Laws to CIVELLO, which was denied.

On June 2, 1959, CIVELLO was granted a removal hearing before United States District Court Judge T. WHITFIELD DAVIDSON at Dallas, Texas, who ordered CIVELLO's immediate removal to New York. Judge DAVIDSON assured CIVELLO he would receive just as fair treatment in New York as he would in Texas.

Dallas T-10 advised on June 3, 1959, that CIVELLO left via American Airlines for New York City on June 3, 1959. An article in the "Dallas Times Herald" on June 5, 1959,

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stated that CIVELLO had pleaded not guilty in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, under the charge of Conspiracy to Commit Perjury. CIVELLO's original bond of \$30,000 was reduced to \$20,000, and CIVELLO returned to Dallas, Texas.

The New York Office advised on August 28, 1959, that Mr. DAVID SWEENEY, Assistant Clerk of Courts, Criminal Division, United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on August 24, 1959, advised SA JOHN EDWARD SHEDD that CIVELLO appeared in the above court on June 4, 1959, and pleaded not guilty. Bail was set in the amount of \$20,000. CIVELLO was represented by Attorney DAVID M. MARKOWITZ, 261 Broadway, New York City. CIVELLO was scheduled to appear for trial on October 13, 1959, before United States District Court Judge I. R. KAUFMAN.

On June 4, 1959, the Bureau advised that an indictment was returned on May 13, 1959, charging 27 alleged Apalachin participants with a general conspiracy to obstruct justice and includes three separate counts of perjury involving the testimony of JOSEPH MAGLIOCCO, JOSEPH PROFACI, and PASQUALE TURRIGIANO before a Special Federal Grand Jury, Southern District of New York. The court case is titled "United States vs. BONANNO; ET AL, Southern District of New York, criminal 159-35".

The following are named as co-defendants with respect to the count involving conspiracy to obstruct justice:

JOSEPH BONANNO  
RUSSELL A. BUFALINO  
IGNATIUS CANNONE  
PAUL C. CASTELLANO  
JOSEPH F. CIVELLO  
FRANK CUCCHIARA  
JOHN A. DeMARCO  
FRANK A. DESIMONE  
NATALE EVOLA  
SALVATORE FALCONE  
JOSEPH IDA  
JAMES V. LaDUCA  
LOUIS A. LARASSO  
CARMINE LOMBARDOZZI

ANTONIO MAGADDINO  
JOSEPH MAGLIOCCO  
FRANK T. MAJURI  
MICHELE MIRANDA  
JOHN C. MONTANA  
JOHN ORMENTO  
JAMES OSTICCO  
JOSEPH PROFACI  
ANTHONY RIELA  
JOHN T. SCALISH  
ANGELO J. SCIANDRA  
SIMONE SCOZZARI  
PASQUALE TURRIGIANO

The following are named as co-conspirators in the indictment but are not listed as co-defendants:

DOMINICK J. ALAIMO  
JOSEPH BARBARA, JR.  
ROY CARLISI  
GERARDO V. CATENA  
CHARLES CHIRI  
NICHOLAS CIVELLA  
JAMES COLLETTI  
DOMINICK D'AGOSTINO  
JOSEPH FALCONE  
JOSEPH FILARDO  
CARLO GAMBINO  
MICHAEL J. GENOVESE  
VITO GENOVESE  
ANTHONY F. GUARNIERI  
BARTOLO GUCCIA  
SAM LAGATTUTA  
JOHN S. LAROCCA  
RUSSELL V. MANCUSO

JOSEPH BARBARA, SR.  
GIOVANNI BONVENTRE  
GABRIEL MANNARINO  
PATSY MONACHINO  
SAM MONACHINO  
DOMINICK OLIVETO  
VINCENT RAO  
ARMAND T. RAVA  
JOSEPH RICCOBONO  
JOSEPH ROSATO  
PAUL SCARCELLI  
PATSY SCIORTINO  
SALVATORE TORNABE  
SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR.  
FRANK J. VALENTI  
STANLEY P. VALENTI  
EMANUEL ZICARI  
FRANK ZITO

The New York Office advised on October 17, 1959, that the trial in the case United States vs. BONANNO, ET AL, was scheduled to begin on October 26, 1959, in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, before United States District Judge IRVING KAUFMAN.

On October 30, 1959, the New York Office advised that CIVELLO is currently standing trial in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, in the case United States vs. BONANNO, ET AL. CIVELLO is being represented by Attorney DAVID M. MARKOWITZ. The principal defense attorney for all defendants is MAURICE EDELBAUM.

The New York Office pointed out that no active investigation is being conducted concerning CIVELLO so as not to prejudice the Federal Government's case. Any matters coming to the attention of the New York Office will be forwarded to the Dallas Office. Investigative efforts in this case will be held in abeyance until the conclusion of the trial.

On November 3, 1959, LEON CIVELLO, FBI No. 585782, cousin of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, advised SA ROBERT M. BARRETT that JOE CIVELLO was still in New York City on trial for conspiracy. LEON stated that "since that affair in New York (referring to the Apalachin Meeting) the whole CIVELLO family has caught hell".

On November 30, 1959, newspaper articles appearing in "Dallas Morning News" reflected the Government's phase of their case against the Apalachin attendees would deal with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, starting on November 30, 1959. Subpoenaed to testify for the Government were Dallas Police Department Chief CARL F. HANSSON; ERNEST M. GENTRY, Field Supervisor, United States Narcotics Bureau, Dallas, Texas; and SA VINCENT E. DRAIN.

A verdict was rendered in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on December 18, 1959, in which the Federal Jury found JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO guilty of Conspiracy to Obstruct Justice.

On January 13, 1960, the New York Office advised that on that date United States District Judge IRVING KAUFMAN sentenced CIVELLO to serve five years in custody of the Attorney General. Subsequently, CIVELLO was released on \$35,000 appeal bond.

On March 22, 1960, Assistant United States Attorney MARVIN SEGAL, Southern District of New York, Brooklyn, New York, advised SA ARTHUR J. ACHENBACH that appeals in the case involving CIVELLO are due to be filed by April 1, 1960. SEGAL related that departmental attorneys who will handle the appeals for the Government are not expected to arrive at the Second Circuit Court of Appeals, New York City, before the end of April or early May, 1960.

On March 22, 1960, newspaper articles appearing in Dallas newspapers reflected that PERCY FOREMAN, Houston, Texas, attorney, is to handle the appeal of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO. PERCY FOREMAN is a Houston criminal attorney who has been closely associated with SAMUEL WELLS HOOVER, Houston attorney who is considered an associate of numerous criminals in the Houston, Texas, area.

On April 4, 1960, Houston Confidential Informant T-12 advised PERCY FOREMAN, well-known Houston criminal attorney, has been retained as defense counsel for JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO. He stated he understood FOREMAN has been retained to represent CIVELLO as a result of the Apalachin meeting.

On May 31, 1960, the New York Office advised that appeal briefs in the court case involving CIVELLO, Second Circuit Court of Appeals, New York City, are due to be submitted by departmental attorneys by June 6, 1960. Hearings on the appeals are due to commence on June 9, 1960.

On June 10, 1960, Assistant United States Attorney MARVIN SEGAL, Southern District of New York, advised the appeals proceedings in instant case at Second Circuit Court of Appeals, New York City, were concluded on June 9, 1960. He stated it was the opinion of a number of his sources in the appeals court that no decision will be rendered on the appeal before September, 1960.

On July 28, 1960, the New York Office advised that Assistant United States Attorney MARVIN SEGAL was recontacted on July 26, 1960, and advised that the Second Circuit Court of Appeals, New York City, had not yet rendered an opinion on the appeal in instant case.

It should be noted that throughout the investigative period covered in this report, contacts with law enforcement officers, confidential informants and other sources acquainted with CIVELLO developed that CIVELLO has not taken an active part in criminal activities since his release from the Leavenworth Penitentiary in March, 1944. The above sources state CIVELLO is a contact man and has numerous associates among Italian criminals. He has associated with hoodlums who are engaged in narcotics traffic, prostitution and gambling activities; however, he has not taken an active part in carrying out these activities since the above date. Since the Apalachin meeting, CIVELLO has become even more inactive and has attempted to refrain from associating with individuals who are known to be engaged in criminal activities.

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On November 19, 1957, Chief of Police CARL F. HANSSON, Dallas, Texas, advised that CIVELLO, as far as the Dallas Police Department knew, had not engaged in any illegal criminal activities since his release from the Federal Penitentiary in 1944. HANSSON related that in March, 1953, the now deceased ANTHONY R. GIZZO, FBI No. 63534, of Kansas City, Missouri, visited in Dallas, Texas, to assist his son, JAMES ROBERT GIZZO, who was at that time being held for armed robbery. GIZZO died while in Dallas of a heart attack. HANSSON stated that due to GIZZO's prominence in the underworld, particular attention was given him by the Dallas Police Department and that GIZZO had had several

telephone conversations during that period with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and CIVELLO's brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO. HANSSON stated thereafter CIVELLO made the funeral arrangements for GIZZO. HANSSON stated that CIVELLO was also connected with one JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142, and FRANK IANNI, now deceased, FBI No. 258733. HANSSON related that through a confidential source he had learned CIVELLO was an intimate friend and closely connected with one CARLOS MARCELLO, FBI No. 292542, an underworld character from New Orleans, Louisiana, and who at the present time is experiencing considerable difficulty with Immigration and Naturalization authorities. HANSSON related further that during the time GIZZO visited Dallas, GIZZO had a meeting with CIVELLO and the late SAM MACEO, a gambling operator of Galveston, Texas. HANSSON stated that his department had fairly well kept a close check on CIVELLO's activities in the last few years. Tex.

On December 2 and 3, 1957, BOWMAN TAYLOR of the United States Bureau of Narcotics, Dallas, Texas, advised that their files revealed that CIVELLO has associated in the past with the following persons:

ROSARIO MUSSO, with alias, Ross Musso, FBI No. 1878710. This person was born at Salaparuta, Italy, on February 7, 1896, 5'3", 185 pounds, stocky build, cutscar outer corner left eye. MUSSO arrived in the United States at the Port of New York, January 16, 1922, via SS President Wilson. His father was listed as ROSARIO MUSSO, his mother as ANGELA CASCIO, and his brother as JOE MUSSO. He was married to FRANCES RITA CIVELLO, born August 23, 1908, Lobdell, West Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana, on July 22, 1928, place not shown.

MUSSO is the brother-in-law of CIVELLO, and is also his business partner in varied interests, according to information furnished by CIVELLO to SA PAUL H. RAINES on September 5, 1956.

JOE CASCIO, with alias, "Chile Joe", FBI No. 269247. CASCIO was reported by Narcotics Agent BOWMAN TAYLOR to have been involved in the extensive narcotics ring with CIVELLO in 1937, and was sentenced to a term in Leavenworth Penitentiary. TAYLOR reported CASCIO now operates a grocery store in Shreveport, Louisiana. He KANS.

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also stated CASCIO appears to have contacts with rather highly placed officials of the Shreveport, Louisiana, Police Department, since CASCIO learned of inquiries being made concerning him by the Narcotics Bureau, Dallas, Texas.

FRANK IANNI, FBI No. 58733. IANNI was reported to the Bureau of Narcotics, Houston, Texas, in April, 1956, from a source believed by that agency to be reliable, as the head of the activities of the Mafia in Texas. IANNI was also a member of the narcotics ring of which CIVELLO was a member and was sentenced to a term at Leavenworth Penitentiary. IANNI reportedly received a Presidential pardon several years ago, which halted the Immigration and Naturalization Service from efforts to deport IANNI. IANNI now deceased. *Kans.*

TODDO MARINO, Dixie Tavern, 20th Street and 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, who was reported by Agent TAYLOR on December 2, 1957, as allegedly active in narcotics in the New York area.

*Blind Pete*  
PETE MARINO, Dixie Tavern, 20th Street and 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, also reported by Agent TAYLOR as allegedly active in narcotics in New York.

CARL CIVELLO, subject of Bureau of Narcotics file WM - I - PG - 3378.

ROCCO PELLEGRINO, with aliases, Dominico Carlo, "Pop", 21 Park Avenue, White Plains, New York. PELLEGRINO was described by TAYLOR on December 2, 1957, as being one of the key figures in the narcotics traffic in the United States. Information concerning PELLEGRINO's activity is contained in Bureau of Narcotics file SE 101; New York: E505. ROCCO PELLEGRINO was reported by TAYLOR to be an associate of NICHOLAS LAFORO, Bureau of Narcotics file New York: S 8028, (memo February 7, 1951), AL EMBARATO, Bureau of Narcotics file New York: S 8594, (memo July 9, 1957), and the late IRVING WEXLER, Bureau of Narcotics file New York: S8607. PELLEGRINO is also mentioned in the New York State Crime Commission Probe, File #2, and in Bureau of Narcotics General File, "Mafia", (memo dated September 4, 1952).

CHARLES CASESA, also described by TAYLOR on December 2, 1957, as active in narcotics in New York, and who is also mentioned in the same Bureau of Narcotics files as is ROCCO PELLEGRINO.



~~CARMINE~~ PELLEGRINO, with alias "~~Pete~~" Pellegrino, son of ROCCO PELLEGRINO. On January 27, 1955, Detectives CAPPAREL and NOSTAMO, New York City Police Department, advised the Bureau of Narcotics, New York City, that they had seen one JOSEPH CIUERELLO (identified by Bureau of Narcotics, Dallas, as being identical with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO) meet "~~PETE~~" PELLEGRINO, TODDO MARINO, PETE MARINO and CHARLES CASESA, all identified above, at the waiting room of American Airlines, Idlewild Airport, New York City, at 8 a.m., on January 27, 1955. All then walked together to the Brass Rail Cafe, a few blocks distant, had breakfast, and then returned to the American Airlines waiting room where CIVELLO boarded American Airlines Flight 87, 9 a.m. departure, for Dallas, Texas. These detectives had received information, according to Narcotics Agent TAYLOR, that CIVELLO was in New York to meet with ROCCO PELLEGRINO concerning a large "deal".

A. S. ~~MARSHALL~~, Washington, D. C. Agent TAYLOR advised that A. S. MARSHALL was reported to reside at the Carlisle Hotel, Washington, D. C., and to be a close associate of MICKEY MORRISON, International Narcotics List No. 238.

G. WRAY ~~GILL~~, New Orleans, Louisiana. Agent TAYLOR advised on December 3, 1957, that the New Orleans Office of the Bureau of Narcotics had reported GILL to be an attorney representing the criminal element in New Orleans and specifically to have represented CARLOS MARCELLO in a deportation proceeding.

CARLOS ~~MARCELLO~~, New Orleans, Louisiana. MARCELLO was described by Agent TAYLOR on December 3, 1957, as being active in underworld affairs in New Orleans, and specifically to be a prominent figure in gambling activities in that area.

~~FRANK~~ TORTICELLI. Agent TAYLOR advised that on April 23, 1956, the Houston Office of the Bureau of Narcotics had reported TORTICELLI and CIVELLO were in Houston, Texas, on April 18, 1956, for a meeting with VETO GIORDONELLO (Bureau of Narcotics File TEX: 11965), who was expected to be released on bond in a narcotics case. However, GIORDONELLO was rearrested on another charge immediately upon his release, so that the meeting did not take place. TORTICELLI was described as being of New York and Chicago, but to have recently moved to Dallas, Texas, and to be associated with

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CIVELLO in the operation of the Windmill Club, Fort Worth, Texas. According to the Houston information, CIVELLO was using the Windmill Club as a base for his operations and was reported to be associated with FRANK IANNI, reportedly in charge of the activity of the Mafia in Texas.

On December 20, 1957, the New York Division advised concerning background information regarding the following individuals:

TODDO MARINO  
PETE MARINO  
ROCCO PELLEGRINO  
CHARLES CASESA  
CARMINE PELLEGRINO  
FRANK TORTICELLI

The records of the Criminal Intelligence Squad, the Bureau of Narcotics, and the Bureau of Criminal Intelligence, New York City Police Department, as well as the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, New York City, failed to reveal any information concerning CIVELLO, other than that previously reported. There is no information available as to the degree of association with CIVELLO of the above-named individuals.

TODDO MARINO

THOMAS ALOYSIUS MARINO, with aliases, Salvatore Gaetano Maiorana (True Name), Gaetano Marino, Godo Marino, Salvatore Marino, Thomas Morano, Toddo Marine, Tato, Toddo, Toddy, Todo, Tota and Totto, FBI No. 1644357, born June 9, 1898, Italy, resides 286 - 19th Street, Brooklyn, New York, designated as a top hoodlum. Arrested by Immigration and Naturalization Service on May 26, 1953, for deportation on warrant charging that he had been convicted of two crimes involving moral turpitude, namely, petty larceny and attempted burglary. A summary judgment cancelling deportation order granted in United States District Court, in District of Columbia, on March 15, 1956.

The records of Bureau of Criminal Intelligence, New York City Police Department, on December 17, 1957, reflected MARINO has arrest record dating from January 13, 1916, which includes petty larceny, assault and robbery, vagrancy, and intimidation of a witness.

His FBI Identification Record, dated February 2, 1954, under FBI No. 1644357, reflects arrests beginning October 30, 1934, through June 4, 1957.

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On May 28, 1953, Mr. THOMAS JONES of the New York State Anti-Crime Commission, made available to SA JOHN J. DANAHY a list of waterfront characters with criminal records. THOMAS ALOYSIUS MARINO, with aliases, was included on this list.

Assistant Supervisor IRVING GREENFELD, Federal Bureau of Narcotics, New York City, related in 1946, that TODDO MARINO was a lieutenant of LITTLE AUGIE CARFANO, who was responsible to JOE ADONIS, undisputed underworld boss.

MARINO has reportedly been engaged in bookmaking, receiving stolen goods, narcotics, Italian lottery, stolen cars, waterfront activity and the vending and amusement machine business.

The records of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics as made available to SA EDWARD THOMAS WALSH, JR., on December 17, 1957, by GEORGE RAYHOUSE, revealed that MARINO was alleged to be the dictator of all rackets in the South Brooklyn, Bay Ridge and Red Hook sections of Brooklyn. His activities include highjacking, receiving stolen property, smuggling narcotics and drugs into the United States, and smuggling diamonds to Europe. He has associated for many years with FRANK COSTELLO, ALBERT ANASTASIA, JOE ADONIS, VITO GENOVESE and ANTHONY (LITTLE AUGIE) CARFANO.

The records of the Criminal Intelligence Squad, New York City Police Department, as made available to SA WALSH, on December 17, 1957, revealed that TODDO MARINO holds perpetual conferences with men from many cities at his restaurant, the Dixie Tavern, 20th Street and Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. He is alleged to hold court and arbitrate disputes arising in the underworld in a coffee shop in downtown Brooklyn, daily from 3 to 6 p.m. He was noted in these records as being an associate of CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, VINCENT MARGANO, ROCCO PELLEGRINO, MIKE CLEMENTE, JOHNNY ODDO and JOSEPH PROFACI.

The records of the Narcotics Bureau, New York City Police Department, contain no additional information regarding TODDO MARINO, except that MARINO is regarded as one of the top men in the underworld.

#### PETE MARINO

Lt. JOHN ALFORD, Brooklyn Headquarters, New York City Police Department, advised in 1953, that PETE MARINO, with alias "Blind Pete", was a nephew of TODDO MARINO. He said that PETE conducts bookmaking activities.

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Records of the Criminal Intelligence Squad, New York City Police Department, as reviewed on December 17, 1957, revealed that PETE MARINO was arrested on February 23, 1940, and charged with a violation of the narcotics law. On March 20, 1946 a Nolle Prose was entered.

The records of the Bureau of Criminal Intelligence, New York City Police Department, as caused to be reviewed on December 18, 1955, failed to reveal any additional information on this individual.

The records of the Bureau of Narcotics, New York City Police Department, as reviewed on December 19, 1957, failed to produce any information regarding PETE MARINO.

ROCCO PELLEGRINO, CARMINE PELLEGRINO and PETE PELLEGRINO

The Criminal Intelligence Squad, New York City Police Department, was contacted on December 17, 1957. Records revealed that ROCCO PELLEGRINO is a white male, date of birth April 13, 1889. He owns and operates a bakery in White Plains, New York, and resides at 20 Carrigan Avenue, White Plains. ROCCO PELLEGRINO is the father of CARMINE PELLEGRINO and PETE PELLEGRINO, and all are associates of TODDO MARINO.

ROCCO PELLEGRINO was questioned by the New York City Police Department in regard to the murder of ARNOLD SCHUSTER in New York City.

In September, 1952, ROCCO PELLEGRINO attended the wedding reception of the daughter of MIKE CLEMENTE, together with every big-time racketeer in the New York area.

The records of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, as reviewed on December 17, 1957, revealed that the name of ROCCO PELLEGRINO was found on the person of IRVING WEXLER, with alias Waxie Gordon, at the time of his death, and that PELLEGRINO was an associate of JOHN ORMENTO.

The records of the New York State Crime Commission, as examined by the Criminal Intelligence Squad, New York City Police Department, list ROCCO PELLEGRINO as advisor to ALBERT ANASTASIA, VINCENT MARGANO, MIKE CLEMENTE and MICKEY BOWERS, on mob policy on the waterfront of New York City.

According to records of the White Plains Police Department ROCCO PELLEGRINO was arrested on March 20, 1913, on coroner's warrant in connection with homicide of one PHILLIP CARRIDA, killed on February 26, 1912, in a rooming house in White Plains. No disposition was noted.

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On June 17, 1913, ROCCO PELLEGRINO was indicted for robbery first degree. No disposition noted.

December 16, 1918, he was indicted for assault in the first degree and sentenced on February 5, 1919, to 1½ to 2½ years in Sing Sing. Paroled April 5, 1920.

October 17, 1921, indicted Westchester County, New York, Grand Jury, on charge of abandonment, charge still open.

January 10, 1929, arrested as material witness in death of one TERRATINO. No disposition.

September 26, 1945, arrested Portchester, New York, gambling, paid \$500 fine same day.

The records of the White Plains Police Department show that CARMINE PELLEGRINO was the first of eight children of ROCCO PELLEGRINO. CARMINE has been arrested in White Plains a number of times for bookmaking and policy numbers.

The records of the Internal Revenue Service, Treasury Department, as examined in 1953, reflected that [REDACTED]

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The records of the Bureau of Criminal Intelligence, New York City Police Department, as reviewed on December 18, 1957, did not produce any information concerning either CARMINE or PETER PELLEGRINO.

ROCCO PELLEGRINO testified before the New York Crime Commission on January 21, 1953, at which time he refused to admit any association with underworld characters and even refused to admit that he had a son, PETER PELLEGRINO. After considerable questioning he finally admitted that PELLEGRINO was his son.

The records of the Criminal Intelligence Squad and the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, failed to produce any information concerning PETER PELLEGRINO.

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The records of the Criminal Intelligence Squad, New York City Police Department, failed to reveal any information concerning CHARLES CASESA.

The records of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, as reviewed on December 17, 1957, revealed that CHARLES CASESA was arrested on April 11, 1938, for the possession and attempted sale of narcotics. He received a sentence of two years, on June 2, 1938, and a fine of \$5,000. He also was sentenced on June 11, 1939, to five years in jail on a similar charge.

His FBI Identification Record, as of 1952, under FBI No. 1425651, reflects arrests beginning December 23, 1937, through September 11, 1942, for narcotics violations.

The records of the Bureau of Criminal Intelligence, New York City Police Department, failed to reveal any additional information regarding CASESA.

The records of the New York City Bureau of Narcotics also failed to produce any information regarding CASESA.

FRANK TORTICELLI

The Criminal Intelligence Squad, New York City Police Department, and the Bureau of Criminal Intelligence, and the Narcotics Bureau of the New York City Police Department, were unable to produce any reference to this subject.

The records of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics and the indices of the New York Office likewise failed to reflect any reference to TORTICELLI.

On January 21, 1958, Mrs. BIRDIE BELCHER of the Retail Merchants Credit Bureau, Dallas, Texas, and Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER of the Dallas, Texas, Police Department, furnished the following information concerning LEON and SAM CIVELLO. SAM and LEON CIVELLO are first cousins to subject JOSEPH CIVELLO.

Both SAM and LEON CIVELLO are partners in the Collette Cafe, 204 North Collette Street, Dallas, Texas. LEON CIVELLO has been on file with the Retail Merchants

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Credit Bureau, Dallas, Texas, since April 21, 1931. His present address is reflected by their files as 879 Cordova Street, Dallas, Texas. LEON CIVELLO is married, his wife's name being RUBY. SAM CIVELLO has been on file with the Retail Merchants Credit Bureau since January 10, 1927. His present address is reflected as 810 Cordova Street, Dallas, Texas. SAM CIVELLO is married, his wife's name being SADIE CIVELLO. Credit rating for both SAM and LEON CIVELLO is satisfactory.

Lieutenant SOUTER of the Dallas Police Department advised that confidential informants of his department advised that subject seldom contacted SAM or LEON CIVELLO. He stated that it was his understanding that SAM and LEON CIVELLO "did not get along with JOE CIVELLO".

M. A. GENARO, who has offices in the Adolphus Towers, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on January 12, 1958, that JOSEPH CIVELLO did not associate with LEON and SAM CIVELLO since it was his understanding there was more or less a family feud between the families.

Lieutenant SOUTER advised on January 15, 1958, that the Police Department had no information that LEON and SAM CIVELLO were engaged in anything more than legitimate business as cafe operators.

The FBI Identification Record of SAM CIVELLO under FBI No. 795418 reflects arrests beginning July 4, 1931, through May 22, 1943, for narcotics violations.

The FBI Identification Record of LEON CIVELLO, under FBI No. 585782, reflects arrests beginning March 15, 1932, through January 5, 1955, for narcotics violations.

Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER, Dallas Police Department, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on January 16, 1958, that the Dallas Police Department was checking for any information relative to contacts of CIVELLO with JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142. He stated that he had had information that IANNI frequented CIVELLO's place of business and that CIVELLO occasionally visited IANNI at IANNI's restaurant known as the Vesuvio Ristorante located at 5120 West Lovers Lane, Dallas, Texas. SOUTER stated that the Dallas Police Department had no information indicating any illegal operation between IANNI and CIVELLO but that he knew IANNI to be an associate of CIVELLO.

Background information concerning IANNI was developed by SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on September 29, 1953, and is being set forth.

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JOE IANNI is reflected by the records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service of Dallas, Texas, to be a native of Cannetello, Italy. The records further reflect he was born August 23, 1913. He arrived in the United States on January 10, 1921, at Port Chester, New York. He is the son of FRANK (FRANCISCO) IANNI who had previously immigrated from Italy to the United States. IANNI has alien registration number 5826442, and was naturalized April 27, 1944, at San Antonio, Texas.

On July 17, 1946, IANNI was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service at Dallas, Texas, for violation of the Internal Revenue Act; however, no disposition is available concerning the investigation. On September 8, 1951, IANNI was charged with murder and subsequently no billed by the local grand jury at Dallas, Texas, for whipping a Negro who had allegedly molested a white waitress at his place of business.

Lt. SOUTER, Dallas Police Department, stated IANNI quite often talks to CARLO MARCELLO at Gretna and New Orleans, Louisiana. MARCELLO is a known underworld police character. Information has also been obtained from SOUTER's sources that IANNI has had numerous calls to and from White Plains, New York.

Lt. GEORGE BUTLER, Dallas, Texas, Police Department, advised IANNI has in the past talked by telephone with ANTHONY CAMBINO, hoodlum and racketeer who operates in Kansas City. Further information from Dallas Police Department files reflects IANNI was a very close friend of ANGELO PIRANIO, deceased, who was an underworld criminal attorney in Dallas, Texas.

IANNI's current FBI Identification Record is located in the files of the FBI Identification Division under FBI # 3426142.

On October 21, 1953, the New York Division advised that White Plains, New York, telephone number 8-1730 was issued to DOMINICO CARLO, 20 Carrigan Avenue, Rosedale, New York, the number called frequently by IANNI. It should be noted that 20 Carrigan Avenue, White Plains, New York, is the address of ROCCO and PETER PELLEGRINO.

The Racket Squad of the Dallas Police Department, according to Chief of Police CARL HANSSON, keeps a very close check on IANNI inasmuch as IANNI's restaurant is a known hangout for thugs and thieves.

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Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, on January 17, 1958, advised that CIVELLO was connected in the oil business with one HARRY D. KAHN with offices in the Adolphus Towers, Dallas, Texas. He stated CIVELLO and KAHN were more or less in the oil business together. Lieutenant SOUTER furnished the following information from a confidential source concerning KAHN:

"Subject resides at 5923 Winton, phone TA 7-3755 and maintains an office at 2014 Adolphus Towers, phone RI 7-0539. Subject is listed in City Directory as an oil operator. Subject's wife is listed as LOTTIE KAHN.

"Confidential Informant states that subject was born in Racine, Wisconsin in 1897 and has lived in Dallas since 1921. Informant states that subject lives at 5923 Winton and the house at that location is valued at \$15,000.00 and subject owes \$8,800.00 on this house. Subject is a royalty and oil lease broker and has leases on oil properties in Texas and Louisiana and has mineral leases in Texas, New Mexico, Colorado and Nebraska. Subject also has an interest in Woodson Oil Co.; Woodson & Goldstein Oil Co.; Kahn & Woodson Oil Co. and Kahn & Cook Oil Co. All of the companies listed deal in oil leases. In 1956, subject listed his net financial worth as \$157,000.00 and in 1957 listed as \$135,000.00. Subject stated his earnings for year 1956 were \$29,000.00.

"The files of the City of Dallas Water Department were searched regarding subject. These files revealed that subject has resided at 5923 Winton since 9 May 1952. Subject lived at 4706 Monarch from 3 May 1947 until 9 May 1952. These files indicate that subject lived at 1122 Canterbury Court, 6030 Victor and 2223 Madera during period from 1942 until 3 May 1947. Subject gave his business address as 405 Andrews Building, in 1947. The search of these files was made by Mrs. McClANE, Water Department Clerk. The indices of the Records Bureau revealed that subject was arrested 6 October 1949 at the Milam Hotel, 310 S. Ervay St. Subject was arrested by Detectives D. D. HENDERSON, W. I. TRANTHAM and R. L. MAY. Subject was placed in jail and charged, in City Court, on offense of Loitering In A Gambling House. Subject was arrested with following persons and all were jailed on same charge as subject:

"R. F. FERRIS	Milam Hotel
JOE D. MORGAN	418 Gorden Place
CHARLIE B. MAYS	208 $\frac{1}{2}$ S. Ervay
JESSE D. DULWORTH	3603 Hamilton
RAY EDWARD COKER	Southland Hotel
FIV GREEN	3418 Hawthorne
ROSS HADDOCK SCOTT	2905 Dyer
FRANK T. TAYLOR	4021 S. Lamar
Subject	4706 Monarch

"All of these persons were released after paying \$10.00 fine. At the time of this arrest subject gave as employment DICK ANDRADE, Oil Operator. The search of the indices of the Records Bureau was made by Mrs. M. SPEED, Records Clerk.

"The indices of the Identification Bureau revealed a record on one HARRY DAVID KAHN, aka ALBERT LOUIS WEISBERG, DPD #20286, DPS #163579. This person was born in Racine, Wisconsin, same city as subject. This person was arrested by Officers of this Department 12 June 1940 on Fugitive warrant from Chicago, Illinois. This person was wanted on offense of Confidence Game and Grand Larceny By Bailee. This person gave his age as 53 at the time of his arrest. HARRY DAVID KAHN aka ALBERT LOUIS WEISBERG was wanted in connection with the business failure of Columbian Realty Co.; Columbian Gardens and The American Fuel Oil Co. HARRY DAVID KAHN had been engaged in sale of stock on companies listed in 1928, 1929, and 1930. KAHN was living in Chicago at 1335 Rogers Park during years 1928 through 1930. Chicago Police Department was notified of KAHN's arrest and this Department was notified that KAHN would not be extradited and KAHN was released from custody.

"The files of the Criminal Intelligence Section, INT. 34-3, dated 19 February 1957, Detective H. W. TOTTE received information from a confidential source that subject had paid for an abortion on KATIE SALAZAR, subject's paramour. KATIE SALAZAR, NC-100, M-507, has lived with TOMMY POMEROY and DONALD POMEROY, known offenders."

Dallas Confidential Informant T-13 on January 21, 1957, advised that it was this informant's information that JOSEPH F. CIVELLO did his banking at the Exchange Bank and Trust Company, Dallas, Texas. This informant stated that JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO under the name of J. F. CIVELLO began contacting HARRY D. KAHN in 1955 relative to investing some

money in wildcat oil drilling. This informant described KAHN as a broker in the oil business, further that he was an individual who would locate good potential oil fields and invest money in drilling wells for a group of individuals. T-13 stated that in 1955, CIVELLO invested \$19,000 for interest in eight oil wells known as the Caddo Levee Production near Oil City, Louisiana. CIVELLO's interest in these wells was 9/64 working interest. This investment was made in May of 1955. This production is located in what is known as the Pine Island Field, located in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, which is approximately fifteen miles north of Shreveport, Louisiana. This informant further stated that CIVELLO invested in 1957, \$3,937.50 on the drilling of two new wells on the same Caddo Levee Board Production Lease.

This informant stated that HARRY KAHN's income from his 5/32 working interest was \$16,189.89 since May of 1955, when the wells were completed. This informant surmised that CIVELLO would get a little less than KAHN since CIVELLO had only a 9/64 working interest. This informant further related that CIVELLO received his check from the royalties of the above lease through the Arkansas Fuel Oil Corporation of Shreveport, Louisiana. He stated that CIVELLO's part of the operating expense of this lease since May, 1955, amounted to \$2,372.60. This informant stated that CIVELLO had a 1/16 interest in the R. E. Collins Lease in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, near Shreveport. This informant advised that the amount paid by CIVELLO for this lease was unknown. This informant further related that in the beginning of 1957, CIVELLO either sold his interest in this lease to CHARLES CIVELLO or gave it to CHARLES CIVELLO. This informant was of the opinion that the Arkansas Fuel Company also paid the dividends or royalty checks to CHARLES CIVELLO. This informant advised that CIVELLO's operating expense on this lease before either the sale or gift to CHARLES CIVELLO was \$206.58.

T-13 advised that CIVELLO had a 1/16 working interest in the Swinney Lease, Caddo County, Oklahoma, which lease was located near Cement, Oklahoma. T-13 stated that J. V. ROBERTSON was the pumper on this lease and that CIVELLO received his checks through the Anderson Pritchard Oil Company, Cement, Oklahoma. T-13 stated that this lease was purchased from an individual by the name of WALTER MORRO for \$1,900 in 1956. T-13 stated that CIVELLO paid into this purchase amount of \$833.33. T-13 advised that CIVELLO's income from this production is around \$75 per month and for the past ten months CIVELLO has received \$750. CIVELLO's part of the operating expense on this Swinney Lease was \$230.26.

T-13 stated in regard to the R. E. Collins Lease, the informant would surmise that JOSEPH CIVELLO received approximately \$2,500 prior to his either selling or giving this lease to his brother CHARLES E. CIVELLO. This informant stated that another individual who was interested in this Caddo Lease "deal" was an individual by the name of PHILIP BOSCO, an associate of CIVELLO and has an interest in two wells in the Caddo Levee Board Lease. BOSCO also has an interest in the Swinney Lease for which he has a one-fourth interest, paying \$6,500 for this interest. BOSCO also, according to this informant, has a 13/64 interest in the R. E. Collins Lease which is referred to above.

T-13 stated that another individual who is associated with HARRY D. KAHN and JOSEPH CIVELLO as well as PHILIP BOSCO is one JOSEPH J. COLLETTA of Dallas, Texas. According to this informant, COLLETTA has a 1/32 interest in two wells in Caddo Levee Board and a one-fourth interest in the Swinney Lease. According to T-13, COLLETTA paid \$875 for his interest in the Caddo Levee Board and further he paid \$6,500 for his interest in the Swinney Lease which has been set forth as a one-fourth interest. This was in 1956, according to this informant. According to this informant, COLLETTA invested another \$3,250 in 1957, in the Swinney Lease and \$3,000 in 1957 for an interest in the Collins Lease.

T-13 stated that in 1955, JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO brought the following individuals to the office of HARRY D. KAHN and told KAHN that he wanted to put up money for investment purposes in a wildcat well that was being drilled in Throckmorton County, Texas. This informant stated that this hole was drilled and it was a dry hole and all interested parties lost the money that they had placed in same. The interested investors were listed by the informant as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Money Invested</u>
PHILIP BOSCO	1/16	\$2,500
JOSEPH J. COLLETTA	1/16	\$2,500
JOSEPH MONGAVERO	1/32	\$1,250
195 Clinton Street New York		
FRANK PELLEGRINO	1/32	\$1,250
44 Durham Road Orchard Hill White Plains, New York		
SAM PELLEGRINO	1/64	\$ 625

<u>Name</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Money Invested</u>
PETE PELLEGRINO	1/64	\$ 625
ROCCO PELLEGRINO	1/32	\$1,250
20 Corrigan Avenue White Plains, New York		
CARMINE	1/32	\$1,250
21 Park Avenue New York		
RUDOLPH MANFREDONIA	1/32	\$1,250
7 Jefferson Place Mt. Vernon, New York.		

Mr. J. G. FARRELL, Manager of the Worth Hotel, Fort Worth, Texas, on January 15, 1958, stated Mr. A. S. MARSHALL had been stopping at his hotel for a number of years. Mr. FARRELL stated it was his understanding that MARSHALL was a lobbyist at Washington, D. C., but stated he knew nothing about his employment. He called in Mr. JOHN WELCH, Auditor. Mr. WELCH stated MARSHALL had never filed a credit application with the hotel and he had no record as to his background or employment. WELCH stated the records reflected that A. S. MARSHALL last checked in on October 2, 1957, and checked out on October 23, 1957, and on the card registered as being from Washington, D. C. On this last visit, WELCH stated that MARSHALL attempted to cash a check drawn on some Washington bank and the desk clerk, Mr. RALPH MARSHALL, called the bank and discovered the check was worthless and then refused to cash it. Mr. FARRELL stated RALPH MARSHALL had recently undergone surgery but would be available for interview about January 22, 1958.

Mr. RALPH MARSHALL, Desk Clerk at Worth Hotel, on January 22, 1958, stated he has known AL MARSHALL for about ten years. During that time, AL MARSHALL has visited Fort Worth about two times a year and on each visit usually spends about two weeks in Fort Worth. He generally rents an inexpensive room; never has any visitors. He leaves the hotel in the morning and returns in the evening. He has never stated anything about his employment. Several years ago he would visit a Miss MAY BELCHER in Dallas. Miss BELCHER is an independent oil operator and is known by the name of "WILDCAT MAY". MARSHALL on several occasions remarked he was interested in an oil venture with Miss BELCHER. On another occasion MARSHALL stated he was interested in a lumber mill in Oklahoma which later went out of business. During the past three or four years, MARSHALL has never mentioned any business deals. On his last visit about November, 1957,

as he was checking out of the hotel he gave RALPH MARSHALL a check in the sum of \$200 to pay his bill. MARSHALL stated he noticed the check was on a Washington, D. C., bank and was signed by someone else. He stated all the time MARSHALL had been stopping at the Worth he had never asked anyone to cash a check. MARSHALL questioned him about the signer and he replied "that is my partner". MARSHALL stated he cashed the check and then telephoned the bank in Washington, D. C., and was advised the check was no good. He immediately notified A. S. MARSHALL before the latter had had a chance to check out. MARSHALL cursed the individual for giving him a bad check and stated he would get the money and be back. In a few minutes MARSHALL reappeared and paid off the bill in cash. MARSHALL stated he could not remember the name of the signer or the name of the bank. MARSHALL stated he always guessed that A. S. MARSHALL was a lobbyist but had nothing definite on which to base his opinion. MARSHALL stated about four years ago the Department of State asked him some questions about AL MARSHALL and about two years ago the Department of Commerce made similar inquiry. MARSHALL stated there is no such hotel as the North Hotel in Fort Worth and suggested it was probably meant to be the Worth Hotel.

Operator 62, Retail Credit Bureau, on January 15, 1958, stated she had no record on A. S. or ALBERT S. MARSHALL.

Sheriff's Office and Police Department at Fort Worth, Texas, were checked January 23, 1958, and had no record on A. S. MARSHALL.

The following investigation was conducted at Phoenix, Arizona, and the Phoenix Division advised the following information on January 17, 1958, in relation to identifying data concerning A. S. MARSHALL and associates.

The Phoenix telephone number AL 3-2181 is the telephone number for the Westward Ho Hotel.

The current Phoenix Telephone Directory reflects telephone number AL 4-7569 is listed to BECKY EICHELBERGER with residence at 1333 East Hubbel. This is the residence of JOHN W. EICHELBERGER, SR., as well as the residence of JOHN W. EICHELBERGER, JR.

JOHN WESLEY EICHELBERGER, JR. is a known West Coast pimp and narcotics user. Records of the Phoenix Office reflect JOHN W. EICHELBERGER, JR. executed convict registration at the Phoenix Police Department on August 11, 1954,

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which disclosed he was arrested at Las Vegas, Nevada, on January 16, 1952, on a charge of "possessing narcotics". He was sentenced to serve at McNeill Island, State of Washington, August 3, 1954.

Lieutenant CHARLES HODGES, Phoenix Police Department, advised SA JOHN J. KELLY, January 15, 1958, that JOHN WESLEY EICHELBERGER, JR., was well known to him and members of his Vice Squad as a "known pimp", and is also suspected by his department as dealing in narcotics. He stated EICHELBERGER has not been active at recent date.

The indices of the Phoenix Office reflect JOHN WESLEY EICHELBERGER, SR., subject of Phoenix investigation, which subject was being investigated in connection with Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property. EICHELBERGER, SR., was attempting to contract with the Republic of Korea for the sale of surplus power plant for one and one-half million dollars and was allegedly in a position to make large benefits through sale of goods to Greece, Turkey, and a company in Cuba. Parties associated with EICHELBERGER thought they were made victims of a confidence game. Prosecution in this matter was declined by United States Attorney JACK D. H. HAYS, Phoenix, on February 25, 1957, who stated that after a review of facts in this case, it appeared that EICHELBERGER had made no effort to comply with various promises he made to RAY C. DURHAM and CHARLES S. HOLLAND. Associates of EICHELBERGER found elements of Sections 1321 (Fraud by Mail) and 1343 (Fraud by Wire, Radio, and etc.) Title 18, United States Code, had not been established.

The New York Division advised the following information on June 30, 1958, which was obtained by SA JOHN E. FOLEY.

Confidential Informant T-14 furnished the following information concerning telephone numbers called from Dallas, Texas.

Telephone number WH 6-4770 is listed to ROCCO PELLEGRINO, 16 Barker Avenue, White Plains, New York. It is noted that this is the address of PELLEGRINO's bakery.

Telephone number WH 8-1730 is listed to ROCCO PELLEGRINO, 20 Carrigan Avenue, White Plains, New York. This is a private house.

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The following information was obtained from the Westchester Credit and Collection Bureaus, Inc., White Plains, New York:

ROCCO PELLEGRINO, 20 Carrigan Avenue, White Plains, New York

ROCCO PELLEGRINO, as of April, 1953, resided at 20 Carrigan Avenue, and was married to ELIZABETH PELLEGRINO. He was listed as self-employed with a bakery at 16 Barker Avenue, White Plains. No income was noted in the file.

FRANK PELLEGRINO, 25 Hickory Lane, Thornwood, New York  
Telephone ROger 9-6130

FRANK PELLEGRINO's birth date was listed as November 4, 1926, and his wife's name is ESTHER. He has three children, two boys and a girl. He formerly lived at 12 Lawrence Drive (1954) and 12 Westview Avenue (May, 1954), both in White Plains. He currently resides in a private home at 25 Hickory Lane, Thornwood, New York. His employment is listed as a baker, Pellegrino's Bakery, 16 Barker Avenue, White Plains. His income in 1957 was shown as \$10,000, and he has been a baker for the past seven or eight years. He has two cars and no debts are recorded in the file.

CARMINE PELLEGRINO, 21 Park Avenue, White Plains, New York  
Telephone WH 8-0390

As of 1952, CARMINE PELLEGRINO was living at this address and the current telephone listing still has him at this address. He formerly resided at 77 Longview Avenue, White Plains, and in an apartment at 221 Martine Avenue, White Plains. His wife is MARJORIE. He is 44 years of age and has one child. Records listed him as a musician and orchestra leader and he played in a band at The Barge, Port Chester, New York. In 1952 he claimed an income of \$6,000. In 1955 he was listed as a self-employed musician. The records further indicate that in 1952 he was interested in obtaining a shrimp-burger concession in White Plains but was unsuccessful.

PEITRO (PETER) PELLEGRINO, 91 Cleveland Street, Valhalla,  
New York, No Telephone Listing

In 1947, PEITRO PELLEGRINO was single and aged 24. His age would be 35 as of 1958. He is now married and his wife's name is JEAN. In 1949 he was living at 25 Mansfield Road, White Plains, and he was at his present address in November, 1953.



In 1947, he claimed that he owned a pastry shop in Dallas, Texas, which was being operated by relatives and that he received an income from this pastry shop.

RUDOLPH MANFREDONIA, 7 Jefferson Place, Mount Vernon, New York

According to ALMA ADAMS, Clerk, Westchester Credit and Collections Bureau, White Plains, New York, her records reflect that RUDOLPH MANFREDONIA, 7 Jefferson Place, Mount Vernon, was born in 1926, and has operated the Federal Luncheonette, 272 Mamaroneck Avenue, Mamaroneck, New York, for the last three or four years. He pays \$230.00 a month rental. MANFREDONIA has an income of \$10,000.00 a year from this business and employs two other persons.

In 1950, MANFREDONIA was employed as a bartender at The Barge, Port Chester, New York. In 1951, he was employed in a restaurant owned by his brother ROBERT MANFREDONIA, Port Chester, New York. He has no record of any debts. He has another brother named EUGENE A. MANFREDONIA. LUCY MANFREDONIA is listed as the wife of RUDOLPH MANFREDONIA.

The records also show that RUDOLPH MANFREDONIA was discharged from the United States Navy in 1946, after 28 months service.

There was also a notation in the credit record that he had formerly worked for his brother, JOHN MANFREDONIA, who has "a bad record".

It is noted that JOHN MANFREDONIA, with alias "Johnny Peanuts", formerly owned The Barge, Port Chester, New York, where RUDOLPH was employed as a bartender. The Barge was a bar located on an old barge in Port Chester, New York, but was demolished to make way for the New York Thruway.

The files of the New York Office contain no information concerning RUDOLPH MANFREDONIA, and JOHN MANFREDONIA is indicated to be a well-known Westchester County hoodlum.

Confidential Informant T-13 advised on June 5 and 6, 1958, that CIVELLO was presently negotiating with HARRY D. KAHN at the Exchange Bank and Trust Company and the Texas Bank and Trust Company, Dallas, Texas, for a \$7,500.00 loan. This loan was to be used for oil drilling purposes near Marshall, Texas.

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On July 15, 1958, Confidential Informant T-1 advised that he had heard CIVELLO had on July 13, 1958, sold his liquor store in Dallas to a Florida man by the name of HAMMON (phonetic). T-1 stated that it was his understanding that CIVELLO wanted the money to purchase rental property in Dallas and to live off the income rather than be engaged in a business where he would be in contact with the public, such as operating a liquor store.

On August 11, 1958, Agent BOWMAN J. TAYLOR, Federal Narcotics Bureau, advised that on August 9, 1958, he along with Agent JOHN RIPA were making a routine investigation at the Western Skies Motel, 2806 Old Spanish Trail, Houston, Texas, and while checking records at the above motel, received the following information:

On February 26, 1957, JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, 4236 Oak Lawn, Dallas, Texas, representing the Civello Import and Liquor Company, registered at the Western Skies Motel, Room 38, at the rate of \$6.50. At that time CIVELLO was operating a Buick sedan, 1957 Texas registration LR 6077. TAYLOR stated he ascertained this registration was listed to a MORGAN DAVIS, Route 1, Longview, Texas, for a 1951 Pontiac sedan. He said the present 1958 Texas registration for this vehicle is LL 5419.

On February 27, 1957, CIVELLO placed the following telephone calls from the Western Skies Motel, telephone number JA 9-3436:

Called Galveston, Texas, and Dallas, Texas, numbers unavailable.

Local calls:

JA 2-7239, A. M. Glass Tinting Corporation, 4814 Almeda Road, Houston, Texas.

JA 8-6656, National Glass Tinting Company, 908 Truxillo, Houston, Texas.

JA 9-2947, JOHN MATRANGA, 2001 Brun Street, Houston.

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FA 3-8286, H. T. WILLIAMS, First City National Bank, Houston, Texas.

CY 4-0770, this number has been discontinued. Subscribed unavailable.

HO 5-2561, ANDRAU AIR Park, Westheimer Road, Houston.

MI 5-1733, Smith Gulf Service Station, 6643 Chocolate Bayou Road, Houston, Texas.

CIVELLO checked out of the Western Skies Motel on February 28, 1957.

On September 7, 1957, JOSEPH CIVELLO again checked into the Western Skies Motel with another person who is unknown. He occupied Room 45 at the rate of \$10.00 per day, staying until September 8, 1957, at which time he checked out. At this time CIVELLO was operating a Buick automobile bearing 1957 Texas registration NH 7848. The latter is registered to Civello's Imports, 4236 Oak Lawn, Dallas, Texas, for a 1955 Chevrolet sedan. The 1958 registration for this vehicle is MU 4491.

On September 7, 1957, JOSEPH CIVELLO placed two telephone calls to Dallas, Texas. The information regarding the numbers he called is unavailable due to the telephone company destroying their records for that year. The following local calls were placed by CIVELLO from the Western Skies Motel:

MI 9-7875, listed to Mrs. ROSALIE MARINO, 7155 Moline, Houston, Texas. (Note: In 1957, LOUIS J. MARINO, who is currently the subject of an investigation by the Narcotics Bureau, occupied this address.)

JA 9-6484, Yee Old College Inn, 6545 Main Street, Houston, Texas.

CA 6-7973, Embassy Lounge, 1508 Texas, Houston, Texas. (Note: The latter is owned by relations of JOSEPH PETER LUKE, suspected narcotics handler.)

TAYLOR stated that in view of the above, it appears JOSEPH CIVELLO is acquainted with LOUIS J. MARINO and JOSEPH PETER LUKE who are suspected narcotics violators in the Houston area. 62

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TAYLOR advised there is no current information indicating CIVELLO has been in contact with these individuals since the above dates. TAYLOR stated he will notify the Dallas Office immediately should any information concerning CIVELLO come to his attention.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised on November 5, 1958, that CHARLES CIVELLO, brother of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, has gone into business with JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142, who operates the Vesuvio Ristorante, 5120 West Lovers Lane, Dallas, Texas, a restaurant catering to the Italian element. T-1 indicated that all activity in Dallas among Italian hoodlums centers around JOE IANNI at the present time.

On November 12, 1958, T-1 stated he believes subject may have invested some money in JOE IANNI's restaurant, but he does not believe CIVELLO is active in the operation of the restaurant and is leaving that part of the business relationship to his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO.

T-1 advised on November 12, 1958, that subject is not associating with hoodlums or police characters at the present time and appears to be making efforts to stay away from individuals of this type.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-2 stated on October 13, 1958, he frequently sees the subject on the street in Dallas but does not believe he is associating with any individuals engaged in illegal activities.

On October 22, 1958, JOE CHURCHMAN, Captain, University Park, Texas, Police Department, advised SA JAMES A. McBRIDE that he and Detective HOMER BARNES had just arrested PETE PELLEGRINO and THEODORE MOGAVERO who were being held for investigation of auto theft and operating a motor vehicle without an operator's license. It should be noted that on October 23, 1958, PELLEGRINO, MOGAVERO and PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA were charged by the University Park Police Department with vagrancy and investigation of operating a gambling establishment. PELLEGRINO was also charged with operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license.

CHURCHMAN further advised on October 22, 1958, that his department received a telephone call on October 16, 1958, that several men were observed entering and leaving

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the residence at 4380 San Carlos, University Park, Texas, during the past few days; however, no activity was observed during the night. CHURCHMAN stated he made spot checks of the residence and observed a 1956 Chevrolet, 1958 Texas license NA 2473, registered to VIRGINIA PICCOLA, 1810 Garrett Avenue, Dallas, Texas, parked in the driveway on October 16, 1958, and a 1958 Oldsmobile, 1958 Texas license MP 8586, registered to RALPH PATRONO, 4411 Munger Street, Dallas, Texas, parked in the driveway on October 17, 1958. He stated both of these cars were observed in the driveway at 4380 San Carlos about noon on October 22, 1958. He advised that later in the afternoon of October 22, 1958, he and Detective HOMER BARNES were driving by the above address and the Oldsmobile with two male occupants was observed backing out of the driveway. CHURCHMAN said he and BARNES stopped the Oldsmobile and the driver identified himself as PETE PELLEGRINO and the other occupant identified himself as THEODORE MOGAVERO. CHURCHMAN advised PELLEGRINO did not have an operator's permit or other identification and refused to answer any questions. CHURCHMAN said he and BARNES took PELLEGRINO and MOGAVERO to the University Park Police Department where they were being held for investigation of auto theft and operating a motor vehicle without an operator's permit.

According to CHURCHMAN, PELLEGRINO, who had \$671.35 on his person, claimed he had been in town only a few days and was staying with a friend, JOE IANNI, 5024 West Stanford Street, Dallas, Texas. PELLEGRINO denied knowing anyone at 4380 San Carlos and refused to furnish any information other than that he was from White Plains, New York.

CHURCHMAN stated that THEODORE MOGAVERO, who had \$659.30 on his person, claimed he was on his honeymoon and had been staying the past few days in an apartment at 4148 Hawthorne, Dallas, Texas. MOGAVERO, who gave his age as 24, stated he worked for the Universal Terminal and Stewarding Corporation, Pier #20, New York City, and listed his father as SARO MOGAVERO, #32241, State Penitentiary, Danemora, New York. MOGAVERO also denied knowing anyone at 4380 San Carlos and refused to furnish further information.

On October 22, 1958, CHURCHMAN obtained a search warrant for narcotics and gambling devices and with the assistance of officers from the Dallas Police Department, conducted a search of the residence at 4380 San Carlos, Dallas, Texas. At the time of the search, PETER JOSEPH

PICCOLA, 1810 North Garrett Avenue, Dallas, Texas, was located in the residence, as well as two telephones with cut-off switches, a sheet of lined paper containing the names of customers in code and amount of bets and a schedule of college and professional football games for October 17, 18 and 19, 1958.

PICCOLA, who resides with his father at 1810 North Garrett Avenue, does not have a local arrest record, according to CHURCHMAN, but is considered a local gambler. PICCOLA refused to furnish information concerning the gambling setup and denied knowing PELLEGRINO and MOGAVERO.

The lined paper found at 4380 San Carlos contained two columns of information. The first column of approximately 30 entries appeared to contain the name of the better in code and the amount of the bet, which varied from \$10 to \$15,400. The second column of approximately 20 entries contained names in code and the amount paid out. The amount of collections was shown as \$24,665; the amount paid out as \$6,282.50; and the net win as \$18,383.

According to CHURCHMAN, PELLEGRINO and MOGAVERO were released on \$200 appearance bonds for Corporation Court, University Park, Texas, on October 23, 1958. CHURCHMAN stated PICCOLA was released on \$1,000 writ bond but charges would also be filed against PICCOLA for operating a gambling establishment in violation of the Federal Wagering Stamp Act. CHURCHMAN advised he notified the Bureau of Internal Revenue of the above facts.

Information was previously reported concerning PELLEGRINO in that investigation by the Dallas Police Department determined PELLEGRINO was possibly operating a "bookie center" in Dallas during the football season of 1957. At that time it was determined PELLEGRINO might return to the Dallas area during the 1958 football season and in that regard, extensive investigation was conducted by officers of the Special Service Bureau and the Intelligence Unit of the Dallas Police Department under Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER, (NA).

Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, advised on October 24, 1958, that at the time of PELLEGRINO's arrest, he was driving a 1958 Oldsmobile sedan, color black, bearing 1958 Texas license MP 8586. He stated this automobile was registered to RALPH PATRONO, 4411 Munger Street, Dallas, Texas. He advised RALPH PATRONO is a dealer in wholesale meats and lives at the above address. He said RALPH PATRONO is the father of JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO, Dallas Police Department No. 27256, a known Dallas gambler, who is a friend and associate of

JOE IANNI and JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO.

Lieutenant SOUTER stated the indices of the Identification Bureau of the Dallas Police Department were searched for the names RALPH PATRONO, PETE PELLEGRINO, THEODORE MOGAVERO, SARO MOGAVERO, PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA, VIRGINIA PICCOLA, A. E. ISLES and BARRETT M. GARDENIES, with negative results.

Lieutenant SOUTER advised PETE PELLEGRINO, THEODORE MOGAVERO and PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA were released from University Park Police Department through arrangements made by Attorney JKE NEWBERRY.

On November 5, 1958, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised that PETE PELLEGRINO has been making trips to Dallas, Texas, from White Plains, New York, where he has resided for over two years. He said PELLEGRINO is a close friend of JOE IANNI and has also in the past been associated with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO. He said CIVELLO's relationship with PETE PELLEGRINO began because of his former association with ROCCO PELLEGRINO, PETE's father. T-1 indicated the PELLEGRINOS have always been known to handle narcotics. He pointed out that a good possibility exists that the booking operation PETE PELLEGRINO is attempting to operate in Dallas is merely a sideline. T-1 feels certain PELLEGRINO was still in Dallas as of November 5, 1958, and merely moved his operation from 4380 San Carlos to another apartment. T-1 stated he did not know the location of this new apartment but believes PELLEGRINO is residing in the apartment.

T-1 further advised that JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO is the son of RALPH PATRONO, to whom the 1958 Oldsmobile PELLEGRINO was driving belongs. He said that JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO considers himself as a "top gambler" and believes PATRONO is involved in gambling activities with PELLEGRINO and MOGAVERO. He stated this group operates over the week ends and will run their tally sheets on Saturday nights and Sundays at which time they have in their possession all the information on wins and losses.

T-1 further stated he feels certain CIVELLO is not involved in this operation with PELLEGRINO. He stated he believes JOE IANNI is PELLEGRINO's contact in Dallas.

On November 6, 1958, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised that PHILIP BOSCO who operates a Gulf Service Station on the corner of Ross and Boll Streets, Dallas,

Texas, is a contact man for gamblers in the Dallas area. He stated he feels certain PELLEGRINO has been in contact with BOSCO and that BOSCO has served as a "runner" or contact man for PELLEGRINO's operation. He stated many of the Dallas gamblers have their cars serviced at BOSCO's service station and the station serves as a pickup point for bets and payoffs.

T-1 stated he believes PELLEGRINO frequents IANNI's restaurant located on West Lovers Lane and also frequents the Egyptian Lounge located at 5610 Mockingbird Lane. He said the Egyptian Lounge is operated by JOE and SAM CAMPISI.

On November 5, 1958, ROSS MUSSO was observed by SAs ROBERT M. BARRETT, JAMES A. McBRIDE and MILTON L. NEWSOM in the 1955 tan Chevrolet, 1958 Texas license NU 4491, which when first observed was parked at the Vesuvio Ristorante, 5120 West Lovers Lane, Dallas, Texas. MUSSO, who is the subject's brother-in-law, was observed to enter the car, leave IANNI's restaurant, and proceed to 5311 Denton Drive, where he resides with the subject. It was later ascertained on November 5, 1958, from Dallas Confidential Informant T-1, that ROSS MUSSO uses this automobile more often than the subject.

On November 5, 1958, a 1953 Plymouth Club Coupe was also observed which bears 1958 Texas license MU 4493 and is registered to CHARLES E. CIVELLO, 3629 Armstrong, Dallas, Texas. This automobile was parked at IANNI's restaurant most of the day.

On November 19, 1958, the Houston Office advised that JOSEPH PETER LUKE is a well-known Houston gambler who formerly had a large gambling house on Old Richmond Road in Fort Bend County. LUKE was forced to close as a result of disputes with other well-known gamblers.

Houston also advised that LOUIS J. MARINO, FBI No. 743589, has been in the Galveston area for the past two years, coming to Galveston from Houston. When MARINO came to Galveston, he secured employment with M and M Music Company, which at that time was operated by BIAGGIO ANGELICA. MARINO at this time associates with LOUIS MORRIS, doing business as the All Brands Beer Company. This company is a distributor of all brands of beer to taverns, grocery stores, etc., during the evening hours, Saturday and Sunday, when other distributors are closed.



On November 17, 1958, Mrs. ALLIE FUTRELL, Credit Bureau of Greater Houston, advised that MARINO has been known to their files since 1925. She advised that the last report they had was that he was associated with M and M Music Company in Galveston. The file indicated that ROSALIE PATRICIA MARINO, 7155 Moline Street, Houston, was granted a divorce from him on April 29, 1954. She also advised that their files indicated that JOHN MATRANGA, 2206 Brun Street, Houston, was self-employed and was associated with Sam's Liquors. No further identifying information available.

On November 28, 1958, Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER (NA), Intelligence Unit, Dallas Police Department, advised SA ROBERT M. BARRETT he had received considerable information concerning gambling activities on the part of CARMINE "PETE" PELLEGRINO, THEODORE "TED" MOGAVERO and PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA, all of whom were arrested by the University Park Police Department (Dallas, Texas) on October 23, 1958. SOUTER advised he felt he had sufficient information to possibly make arrests of several individuals involved with the above group and arrests should be made within the next few days.

On November 29, 1958, Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER advised SA MILTON L. NEWSOM that arrests of individuals connected with the gambling operation believed to be headed by CARMINE PELLEGRINO, FBI No. 778409C, and JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142, would be made on the night of November 29, 1958. He stated he would furnish further information on December 1, 1958.

On December 1, 1958, Lieutenant SOUTER advised that on the night of November 29, 1958, CARMINE PELLEGRINO, JOE IANNI, MARIE PINTO IANNI, also known as TOTSIE, Dallas Sheriff's Office No. 87793, JOE IANNI's wife; J. C. COLLETTA, who operates a liquor store at 2604 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas; HARRY DAVID KAHN, Dallas Police Department No. 20286; JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO, FBI No. 3242960, and PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA were all arrested on November 29, 1958, and considerable material was seized indicating all of the above individuals were involved in gambling operations concerning football games and other sporting events. SOUTER stated PELLEGRINO, IANNI and IANNI's wife were arrested at IANNI's residence, 5024 West Stanford, Dallas, Texas, and were operating from that residence. He stated PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA was arrested at 1810 North Garrett Street, PICCOLA's residence, and evidence was found to show that PICCOLA was operating out of this residence. SOUTER advised J. C. COLLETTA, who resides at

5717 Goodwin, Dallas, was arrested at the J. C. Liquor Store, 2604 Ross Avenue, where he was operating a bookie establishment in connection with the above individuals. HARRY DAVID KAHN was arrested in his office at the Adolphus Towers and evidence was found to indicate KAHN was connected with the same bookie operation in regard to sports. SOUTER stated that JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO was arrested at 4156 Hawthorne Street, Dallas, where he was also operating a gambling establishment, but information indicates PATRONO's operation was "self-made" and although indirectly connected with PELLEGRINO and IANNI, PATRONO appeared to be operating alone.

It should be noted that HARRY DAVID KAHN has been previously reported as an associate of CIVELLO. SOUTER stated there is no evidence to indicate CIVELLO was connected with the bookie operation and if such evidence is obtained, the Dallas Office will be immediately advised.

SOUTER advised the Dallas Police Department Identification Bureau reflects KAHN was arrested by the Dallas Police Department under number 20286 on June 12, 1940, as a fugitive from Chicago, Illinois, under the name of ALBERT LOUIS WEISBERG, reportedly his true name, for a confidence scheme. Chicago authorities refused to extradite KAHN following this arrest and he was released. At that time KAHN was 53 years of age, making him approximately 71 years of age at present. The Texas Department of Public Safety No. 163-579 reflected no further information regarding KAHN and there was no FBI identification record in the file concerning him.

JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO has been arrested by the Dallas Police Department for vagrancy and investigation for general principles and is under Dallas Police Department No. 27256. His FBI identification record under FBI No. 3242960 reflects he was arrested January 18, 1943, for receiving and concealing stolen property in an interstate transportation of stolen property violation and was not billed by a grand jury.

SOUTER further stated MARIE PINTO IANNI was arrested on November 7, 1957, for resisting arrest and interfering with officers and has Dallas Sheriff's Office No. 87793. There was no other record at that time, state or Federal, concerning her. SOUTER also stated J. C. COLLETTA has no local arrest record.

On December 31, 1958, the New York Division advised that on December 3, 1958, Inspector JOHN J. QUINN, New York State Police, 270 Broadway, New York City, New York, made available the following information to SA VINCENT F. CLANCY from files of his department:

A report dated May 14, 1958, on ROCCO PELLEGRINO, father of CARMINE PELLEGRINO, reflected that ROCCO PELLEGRINO resides at 20 Carrigan Avenue, White Plains, New York, was born on April 13, 1889, and was naturalized in the Supreme Court, Westchester County, Certificate Number 6461892. The report reflected that he is a known gambler and a suspected dealer in narcotics, and is said to be the "dean of narcotics" in the underworld. He is the owner of the Pellegrino Bakery, 91 Ferris Avenue, White Plains, New York.

The report further reflected that CARMINE PELLEGRINO, born May 18, 1916, is listed as one of ROCCO's sons, and was reported to be residing at 21 Park Avenue, White Plains, New York, with his wife MARGARET, nee ODELL and two children. It was indicated that he was arrested in June, 1944, by Federal Narcotics Agents, at which time he admitted that he used marijuana cigarettes. He is also reported to be a musician and operated a band under the name of CARMINE PELL which played at "The Barge" in Port Chester, New York. On January 12, 1958, CARMINE PELLEGRINO was arrested in White Plains, New York, for operating a dice game for which he was booked on a disorderly conduct charge and fined \$25.00. The report also indicated in regard to this dice game that CARMINE PELLEGRINO paid the fines for all the other players in the game, numbering 32.

The file further reflected that PETER PELLEGRINO, brother of CARMINE PELLEGRINO, and ROCCO PELLEGRINO made frequent trips to Dallas, Texas, and that they resided at the Highlander Hotel in that city. The report indicated that PETER PELLEGRINO usually stays in Dallas each year from September through January, and is allegedly in business with JOSEPH IANNI at the restaurant, Ristorante Vesuvio, 5122 West Lovers Lane, Dallas, Texas.

The files indicate that SARO MOGAVERO is a lieutenant of ROCCO PELLEGRINO. The only information contained in the file concerning THEODORE MOGAVERO was an item that on November 14, 1957, an engagement party was held for ELEANOR PELLEGRINO and TEDDY MOGAVERO at the Water Wheel Restaurant, Route 9A, Ardsley, New York. It is noted that this was also the date of the Apalachin meeting.

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Inspector QUINN concluded by advising SA CLANCY that he believed the above-mentioned individuals were married recently in Westchester County, New York.

On January 26, 1959, Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER, (NA), Intelligence Unit, Dallas Police Department, advised that during the raid on the apartment of CARMINE PELLEGRINO by the University Park Police Department on October 23, 1958, a Los Angeles telephone number was found, number GR 2-3565. The Los Angeles Police Department was requested to check this number and advise Dallas subscriber to same. The Los Angeles Police Department advised at a later date that the above number is listed to GREER GARSON FOGELSON, 680 Stone Canyon (Bel-air), West Los Angeles. The bills are sent to E. E. FOGELSON, 2512 Cedar Springs, Dallas, Texas. It was pointed out that the name is that of GREER GARSON, the movie actress who is married to BUDDY FOGELSON, Texas oilman. Lieutenant SOUTER advised there is no indication as to why this number was in the possession of PELLEGRINO. Lieutenant SOUTER on January 26, 1959, furnished the following information concerning JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142, which was obtained from the files of the Dallas Police Department:

Information obtained from confidential sources, Dallas Police Department, indicates JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and JOE IANNI are close associates of HARWIN DALLAS COOK, also known as ICY COOK and HARRY DAVID KAHN, who is reportedly an oil operator. KAHN has offices at 2014 Adolphus Tower, Dallas, Texas. HARWIN DALLAS COOK is reported to be an old-time Dallas gambler, Dallas Police Department No. 12841.

LUKE CORTEMEGLIA, operates Corty's Drive-in, Dallas, Texas, and is a close associate of IANNI and CIVELLO. It is reported CIVELLO handled certain aspects of the arrangements in getting the above drive-in into operation and possibly has a financial interest therein.

PETE INTERRANTE, operator of Ross' Drive-in, 3418 McKinney Street, Dallas, is reportedly a contact of JOE IANNI and CIVELLO.

On March 18, 1959, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised that JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO and PETE PELLEGRINO were in California at the Santa Anita Race Track for 45 days prior to PATRONO's return to Dallas on March 14, 1959. He said that while PATRONO and PELLEGRINO were there, PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA of Dallas joined them.

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On March 18, 1959, CIVELLO and JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO were observed at the corner of Lemmon and McKinney Streets in Dallas in conversation, and while CIVELLO appeared to be supervising the construction of a building on the lot at that address.

Dallas T-1 also advised on March 18, 1959, that PETE PELLEGRINO is probably now in Dallas; however, he could not furnish the location where PELLEGRINO might be staying. T-1 advised JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO is active in gambling setups and will be in contact with anyone in the PELLEGRINO group who comes to Dallas for this purpose. He suggested that PATRONO be checked in this regard.

PATRONO, when observed at Lemmon and McKinney Streets on March 18, 1959, was driving a 1958 Oldsmobile sedan, color black, bearing 1958 Texas license MP 8586. CIVELLO was driving a 1954 Buick, blue over white, 1958 Texas license MU 4492, which is registered to ROSS MUSSO, 5311 Denton Drive, Dallas.

SAM CAMPISI, operator of Egyptian Lounge, 5610 Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, Texas, was interviewed briefly on March 4, 1959. He admitted being well acquainted with CIVELLO but was evasive and noncommittal as to CIVELLO's activities, indicating that CIVELLO is very quiet at the present time.

On March 4, 1959, SAs MILTON L. NEWSOM and ROBERT M. BARRETT observed five cars parked at CIVELLO's residence. Cars were identified through license numbers as belonging to the following individuals:

Mrs. BENNIE MESSINA, 624 Bob-O-Links Drive, Dallas;  
R. HERMAN, 5527 West Amherst, Dallas;  
MARIE PARRINO, 3122 Forest, Dallas;  
FRANCES CANDEATTA, 2005 Buckingham, Dallas;  
MARIO VACCARO, 4630 Walnut Hill Lane, Dallas.

From appearance, indications were that the above individuals were attending a bridge party sponsored by CIVELLO's wife. Consideration is being given to interview of these individuals.

On February 24, 1959, Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER, (NA), Intelligence Unit, Dallas Police Department, advised he recently received information concerning CARLOS MARCELLO from a confidential source which reported that early in

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1958 MARCELLO controlled horse race wire service from Louisiana under the name of the Nola Printing Company, and is reportedly supplying this service to Houston, Texas, daily. Manager for the wire service for MARCELLO is JOSEPH A. PORETTO. On September 11, 1958, a collect phone call was made from Dallas, Mrs. PORETTO, Riverside 7-6411 (Adolphus Hotel). A check of records of the Adolphus Hotel reflects that JOE PORETTO and wife, 530 Iris Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, on September 11, 1958, were assigned Rooms 1965 and 1966 at 9:16 a.m. They departed on September 12, 1958, at 3 p.m. Investigation at Dallas failed to reflect that PORETTO had been in contact with CIVELLO during his stay in Dallas.

SOUTER advised that MARCELLO had been notified some time ago he was to be a witness before the McClellan Committee in Washington, but there have been a number of postponements due to MARCELLO's alleged illness. He said one of MARCELLO's attorneys has been attending the committee hearings and taking notes. He advised there is a strong likelihood MARCELLO may have been in communication with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO within the past few months to discuss the matter of the hearings.

On June 2, 1959, a postcard addressed to "F.B.I., Bureau, Dallas, Texas" postmarked Dallas, June 1, 2 PM, was received by the Dallas Office. In inked handwriting, and anonymous source stated that "CIVELLO goes from time to time to Machine Products Company on Harry Hines". Source indicated that one "BIG JOHNNIE" or "DEGO JOHNNIE" is a son-in-law of MIMMS, possible contact of CIVELLO's, and they are involved in truck shipments.

A review of the Dallas City Directory reflects that the Machine Products Company, 5206 Harry Hines Boulevard, is operated by WARREN B. MIMS and ROBERT J. McBRIEN. The City Directory reflects the company manufactures precision aircraft and industrial gears.

The City Directory lists WARREN B. MIMS and wife, THELMA, residing at 6721 Inwood Road. Directory also lists WARREN B. MIMS, JR. and wife, DOROTHY, residing 7800 Brookhollow, and ROBERT J. McBRIEN and wife, ROSEMARY, residing at 8567 Forest Hills Boulevard.

On July 13, 1959, Detective H. M. HART, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas,

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advised that on July 10, 1959, JOE IANNI, a close associate of the subject, suffered a severe heart attack and was immediately confined to the St. Paul Hospital, Dallas, Texas. JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142, has been mentioned previously as an associate of the subject.

On July 30, 1959, Doctor R. J. PULS, Medical Arts Building, Dallas, Texas, advised SA ROBERT M. BARRETT that JOE IANNI suffered a severe heart attack on July 10, 1959, and was confined to the St. Paul Hospital until July 23, 1959, when he was released. Dr. PULS advised that IANNI is still under close care. IANNI is presently confined to his bed at his residence.

On September 21, 1959, SA ROBERT M. BARRETT observed the following cars parked in the rear of the restaurant constructed by CIVELLO and his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO, and operated by PETE INTERRANTE, FBI No. 385333, located at the corner of McKinney and Lemmon Streets:

<u>1959 Texas License</u>	<u>Registered to</u>	<u>Make of Car</u>
MT 1791	PETE INTERRANTE 6611 Santa Anita Dallas, Texas	1956 Oldsmobile, color tan
MT 1793	PHILLIP NUCHE 4307 Cabell Drive Dallas, Texas	1947 Chevrolet (License observed on 1952 gray Olds)
MS 5368	Mrs. P. D. MORRIS 4936 Beeman Dallas, Texas	1958 Buick
MU 6835	GOLDIA MAE WATKINS 1946 Duluth Street Dallas, Texas	1959 Chevrolet
NC 9136	JOY MARIE MORALE 407 North Fitzhugh Dallas, Texas	1957 Mercury, color blue and white
NK 1479	JIMMY MAGGIOTTA 10229 San Lorenzo Dallas, Texas Dallas Police Department No. 33880	1957 Chevrolet, color black and white

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<u>1959 Texas License</u>	<u>Registered to</u>	<u>Make of Car</u>
NM 1104	LILLIE FAY SWITZER 3718 Noble Street Dallas, Texas	1957 Ford
NM 429	MYRTLE WHITE and PETE INTERRANTE, 4912 Columbia, Dallas, Texas	1955 Buick, color white

The above information was discussed with Detective H. M. HART, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, on September 21, 1959. Detective HART advised he has recently obtained information that card and crap games are held at the above establishment at times and stated the Dallas Police Department is keeping the place under spot checks. Detective HART stated JIMMY MAGGIOTTA, Dallas Police Department No. 33880, is a known gambler, and he theorized that a gambling game was probably going on at the time the above automobiles were at the above location.

On September 29, 1959, the Los Angeles Office advised information was received from Special Agent LARRY KATZ, Federal Narcotics Bureau, that his office had been requested to identify the subscriber to telephone number AXminster 2-0826, which number had been called from a telephone in Dallas, Texas, number Lakeside 6-2337, which is listed to JOSEPH CIVELLO.

KATZ informed that he had learned that AXminster 2-0826 is listed to one TOMMY PALERMO at 3710 West 63rd Street, Los Angeles.

There is no record of TOMMY PALERMO in the files of the Los Angeles Police Department or the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office. There is no record for PALERMO in the Los Angeles office.

On July 24, 1959, the records of the Los Angeles Retail Merchants Credit Association, reviewed by SE JAMES L. MAHAN, reflected that TOMMY PALERMO and wife, MARY, had been known to the files of that association since 1948 and that prior to residing at 3710 West 63rd Street, Los Angeles, Calif. they had resided at 1235 East 77th Place, Los Angeles. PALERMO's age was listed as approximately 52 years, at

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which time he was employed as a sales manager for the Big Tree Wine Distributors, 6415 Compton Avenue, Los Angeles. He had served in that capacity for approximately five years and his income was reflected at approximately \$500 per month.

On August 12, 1959, Detective H. M. HART, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, advised that one of CIVELLO's associates, PHILLIP S. BOSCO, Dallas, Texas, was observed at the funeral of JOHN CORTEMEGLIA, father of LUKE CORTEMEGLIA. BOSCO was driving a car which is registered to him in Austin, Texas. BOSCO resides and has his business in Dallas, Texas. He is described by HART as an active bookie and gambler.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-8 on August 4, 1959, advised that he was handling the funeral of FRANK SATERINO, father of Dallas Italian police characters, CHARLES and PAUL SATERINO. He said two of the pallbearers would be JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and his brother, CHARLES EDWARD CIVELLO. He reported the funeral would take place on August 5, 1959.

On August 6, 1959, T-8 advised that JOHN CORTEMEGLIA, father of LUKE CORTEMEGLIA, associate of CIVELLO, died and would be buried on August 8, 1959. He stated JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and CHARLES EDWARD CIVELLO would be pallbearers, along with Dallas police character, PETE INTERRANTE, another associate of CIVELLO.

A newspaper article appearing in the "Dallas Morning News" on November 23, 1959, reflected that CHARLES VINCENT SATERINO (FBI No. 497185) had died on November 21, 1959. Among the pallbearers listed were CHARLES EDWARD CIVELLO, brother of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO; JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO; SAM and JOE CAMPISI, all associates of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO.

On December 2, 1959, Detective H. M. HART, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, advised information had been received from a reliable source that CIVELLO's associate, PETE INTERRANTE, FBI No. 385333, was handling stolen merchandise shoplifted by CARL MAIN BENTLEY, Dallas Police Department No. 27632; KENNETH GILBERT JOHNSON, Dallas Police Department No. 2628; LILA JO BENTLEY, Dallas Police Department No. 30626; ODESSA WINGFIELD, Dallas Police Department No. 23234; and RALPH DAVID CASTRO, Dallas Police Department No. 34970. Detective HART pointed out that

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recently CARL MAIN BENTLEY had been arrested by the Dallas Police Department and his bond had been made by PETE INTERRANTE. INTERRANTE is operating a restaurant at the corner of McKinney and Lemmon Avenue. JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and ROSS MUSSO, FBI No. 2878710, his brother-in-law, constructed the building in which the restaurant is located, and are considered part owners in the restaurant.

Detective HART advised on December 9, 1959, that CARL MAIN BENTLEY and KENNETH GILBERT JOHNSON were arrested on that date by the Dallas Police Department in possession of a large quantity of stolen narcotics and were subsequently identified as the armed robbers of a Dallas drug store. Both men have been charged with felony counts of possession of narcotics and armed robbery.

On December 10, 1959, SA ROBERT M. BARRETT became engaged in conversation with an individual he had observed on previous occasions at the Egyptian Lounge, a restaurant operated by JOE and SAM CAMPISI. This individual advised his name is FRANK TORTORIELLO and that he originally came to Dallas from New Jersey. He was later observed driving a 1958 Chevrolet, blue convertible, Texas license NL 1927, which is registered to FRANK TORTORIELLO, 7710 Robin Road, Dallas, Texas. This individual is believed identical to FRANK TORTORCELLI, previously listed as an associate of CIVELLO.

On November 18, 1959, JOE and SAM CAMPISI, Egyptian Lounge, a restaurant operated by these individuals which is located at 5610 Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, advised they have heard nothing recently from the CIVELLO family and indicated that the CIVELLOs are very quiet at present. They stated JOE IANNI, operator of the Ristorante Vesuvio (restaurant), is still suffering from recent heart attacks and is not active in any field at the present time.

On November 18, 1959, Detective H. M. HART advised that CHARLES EDWARD CIVELLO, JOE CIVELLO's brother, and ROSS MUSSO, brother-in-law, have applied for a liquor license for the Airway Liquor Store, 3122 West Mockingbird Lane.

The New York Office advised on February 19, 1960, that PETER PELLEGRINO and his entire family, wife and children, moved to Dallas, Texas, on February 15, 1960. PELLEGRINO reportedly purchased a seven-room house in Dallas with all new appliances, as well as a new nine-passenger station wagon.

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PETER PELLEGRINO, FBI No. 30429D, has been previously identified as an associate of CIVELLO. He was arrested on November 19, 1958, by the University Park Police Department at Dallas, Texas, for investigation of operating a bookmaking establishment. Arrested also in connection with that matter were JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142, and MARIE PINTO IANNI, his wife. THEODORE MOGAVERO of White Plains, New York, was also arrested.

PETER PELLEGRINO was then arrested by the Dallas Police Department on November 29, 1958, for investigation and vagrancy.

Information that PELLEGRINO had moved to Dallas was furnished to Detective H. M. HART, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, on February 24, 1960. A check of Dallas City Water Department records was made through Detective HART on the same date and reflected that PELLEGRINO had water connections made at 3975 High Grove Street, Dallas, on February 10, 1960.

HART advised that the Dallas Police Department is very much interested in PELLEGRINO's activities and continued investigation will be conducted by his section to ascertain PELLEGRINO's current activities in Dallas.

Later on February 24, 1960, Detective HART advised PELLEGRINO had been observed at his new residence in Dallas and was driving a new 1960 Plymouth Station Wagon with New York license 9233 WC. He said the Plymouth had a dark brown top and tan colored body. HART further advised that PELLEGRINO had applied for telephone service and a telephone was installed at his new residence on February 16, 1960. The number is FLEETWOOD 2-7935. PELLEGRINO gave as references when he applied for the telephone, JOE IANNI and JOE CAMPISI. HART stated PELLEGRINO has been in contact almost daily with JOE IANNI who operates the Ristorante Vesuvio (an Italian restaurant) located on West Lovers Lane, Dallas.

On February 25, 1960, Detective HART stated he had checked the above license number with the New York State Police and determined that the number is registered to PIETRO PELLEGRINO, 20 Carrigan Avenue, White Plains, New York. He stated there is no stolen or wanted on the car.

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Detective HART stated PELLEGRINO intends to open a new bakery on Cedar Springs Street in Dallas, according to his application for telephone service.

On March 8, 1960, Detective HART advised that PELLEGRINO is to be arrested by the Dallas Police Department for vagrancy at which time he will be thoroughly interviewed relative to his business ties, if any, in Dallas. He stated PELLEGRINO has been under observation and does not appear to have any visible means of support. HART advised there is no indication that CIVELLO is involved with PELLEGRINO at this time. HART stated that everything he has heard from informants and other sources recently, indicates CIVELLO is remaining very quiet since his conviction in Federal Court at New York and is limited in his contacts with former associates.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised on February 23, 1960, that he heard PETER PELLEGRINO is planning to move to Dallas from White Plains, New York. He stated PELLEGRINO will try to set up some form of bookmaking in Dallas, along with JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO, PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA, and JOE IANNI. T-1 said he does not believe CIVELLO will be directly involved with this group.

On March 14, 1960, Detective H. M. HART, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, made available the following information:

PELLEGRINO was arrested by Officers J. R. GILMORE and B. F. RODGERS, Vice Squad, Dallas Police Department, on March 11, 1960. At the time of his arrest he was driving his Plymouth Station Wagon, still bearing New York license. He was taken to the Dallas Police Department and booked, charged with vagrancy. Following the above he was taken to the Special Service Bureau where he was interviewed by Detective G. D. GANDY of the Criminal Intelligence Section.

PELLEGRINO advised he moved to Dallas with his family on February 19, 1960. He stated he is opening a bakery with JOE IANNI and JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO. The bakery will operate under the trade name Neapolitan Bakery, Inc., JOE IANNI, President; PETER PELLEGRINO, Vice President; and JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO, Secretary-Treasurer - Office Manager. The bakery equipment is being installed in a building at 2226 Butler Street, Dallas. The building is 50 feet by 115 feet. The bakery will specialize in Italian and French

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bread and rolls which will be sold wholesale to restaurants and stores. One truck will be used at first to make deliveries. There will be three other employees in addition to those listed above. PELLEGRINO stated he is to do the baking while PATRONO will run the office. IANNI is to supervise the operation. PELLEGRINO stated he and his wife had been separated for about two years due to trouble with in-laws and they came to Dallas to rear their children and get a new start after reconciliation.

Detective HART advised on March 18, 1960, that he had contacted Mr. O. N. HUMPHREYS, Intelligence Section, Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, on March 14, 1960, and ascertained through a check of records at the office of Secretary of State that the Neapolitan Bakery, Inc., was incorporated on March 3, 1960. Capital stock of 100,000 shares at 10 cents each. Incorporators were JOE IANNI, J. R. PATRONO, and PETE PELLEGRINO. Agent for service was listed as DAVID C. McCORD, 519 Mercantile Bank Building, Dallas, Texas.

Regular contacts with Detective HART and Sheriff BILL DECKER determined their sources believe PELLEGRINO and his associates are currently busily engrossed in establishing a front, the Neapolitan Bakery, and have not actually begun operating as bookmakers. Detective HART advised on May 25, 1960, that all information from confidential sources indicate PELLEGRINO is trying to convince local authorities he will conduct a strictly legitimate business in Dallas. HART pointed out, however, that sources believe he will begin operations as a bookmaker as soon as possible. HART stated he has received information from several sources that the arrest of PELLEGRINO on March 11, 1960, caused PELLEGRINO to be more cautious in his operations. HART stated PELLEGRINO has been assigned to him for investigation on a continuing basis by Captain PAT GANNAWAY.

DL T-1 was contacted relative to PELLEGRINO and associates on March 21; April 1, 13; May 10, 25, 1960. Information supplied by T-1 concerning PELLEGRINO's activities since his arrival in Dallas in February, 1960, was substantially the same as that supplied by Detective HART.

Dallas T-6 advised on May 20, 1960, that he has not heard of bookmaking around Dallas in connection with PELLEGRINO and associates at the present time. He stated he will make inquiries and advise.

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Dallas T-9 advised on March 25, 1960, he had been in contact with numerous gamblers in the Dallas area but had not obtained any information indicating a new bookmaking establishment in connection with PELLEGRINO and associates. He stated he feels this will be forthcoming, however. Dallas T-9 was recontacted by SA ROBERT M. BARRETT on May 13, 1960, but could furnish no additional information relative to PELLEGRINO.

Dallas T-8 advised on April 11, 1960, he is well acquainted with JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO and JOE IANNI. He stated he is aware they are entering the bakery business with PELLEGRINO. T-8 stated he has not obtained any information that this group has begun operations as bookmakers. He promised to keep the Dallas Office advised should he obtain information relative to illegal activities on the part of PELLEGRINO and his associates.

On the night of May 9, 1960, PELLEGRINO and PATRONO were observed in the office of their new bakery at 2226 Butler. Later in the evening Dallas Police Department Officer CHARLES SANSONE was observed arriving at this office.

Detective CHARLES J. SANSONE has been known to be a friend and associate of JOE and SAM CAMPISI and other Italians in the Dallas area for a number of years. SANSONE has approximately 20 years service in the Dallas Police Department. He is expected to enter into business with the CAMPISIs when he retires from the Police Department. At one time he operated a liquor store for JOSEPH COLLETTI, Dallas Italian liquor store operator, on his off-duty hours. The above information was supplied by Detective H. M. HART on May 10, 1960, after he was advised that SANSONE had been observed in the office of the Neapolitan Bakery with PELLEGRINO and PATRONO on May 9, 1960. Detective HART immediately relayed this information to Captain PAT GANNAWAY. They stated they are very interested in knowing about any incident when SANSONE is observed in the presence of the above individuals. HART pointed out that SANSONE is assigned to another section in the Police Department and does not have access to files concerning PELLEGRINO in the Intelligence Section.

On the afternoon of May 19, 1960, a rose colored 1956 Buick was observed parked in the driveway of the home of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, 5311 Denton Drive, bearing 1960 Texas license NN 325. The Dallas County Automobile Registration Bureau advised on May 19, 1960, the above license is registered to CHARLES J. SANSONE, 5207 Denton Drive, Dallas, on a 1956 Buick, four door.

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Detective HART was advised of the above on May 19, 1960.

On May 12, 1960, JOE CAMPISI advised SA ROBERT M. BARRETT that PATRONO was at that time confined to the Baylor Hospital, Dallas, after suffering from stomach hemorrhages. On the afternoon of May 12, 1960, SA ROBERT M. BARRETT observed PETER PELLEGRINO playing golf at the Glen Lakes Country Club, Dallas, with JOE CAMPISI and JOE IANNI.

On May 12, 1960, JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO was observed by SA BARRETT in the office of restaurant owner JOE CAMPISI at the Egyptian Lounge. With CIVELLO and CAMPISI were CHARLES J. SANSONE, Dallas Police Officer, Dallas Police Department Auto Theft Squad, and CAMPISI's father, CARLO. SANSONE and CIVELLO were observed leaving the Egyptian Lounge together in SANSONE's car. SANSONE was overheard saying to JOE CAMPISI, "You have been feeding me for 15 years". Shortly following the above, CAMPISI advised SA BARRETT that CIVELLO was "one of the most wonderful people in the world" and a very close friend. CAMPISI also advised that his nephew, ex-convict NICK CAMMARRATA, has refused to come to CAMPISI's restaurant or associate with other friends as this would just get these people identified as possible police characters.

On May 24, 1960, RANDALL WINSTON, Assistant Chief, Intelligence Section, Internal Revenue Bureau, Dallas, made inquiry concerning [REDACTED]

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On May 25, 1960, Deputy Sheriff O'BYRNE COX advised the Dallas County Sheriff's Office is conducting discreet investigation concerning PELLEGRINO and is very interested in PELLEGRINO's activities. He advised no information indicating they have begun operations as bookmakers has been obtained to date, but PELLEGRINO and his associates are being closely watched.

On May 27, 1960, JIMMY MAGGIOTTA, Dallas Police Department No. 33880, was observed driving one of the delivery trucks of the Neapolitan Bakery, operated by PETER PELLEGRINO. This was the first indication that MAGGIOTTA, an individual arrested for gambling in the past, was associating with PELLEGRINO and his associates.

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The above information was supplied to Detective H. M. HART, Dallas Police Department, Criminal Intelligence Section, on May 27, 1960. He advised that the Dallas Police Department is keeping a close check on the activities of PELLEGRINO since his move from New York to Dallas. He stated all inquiries concerning PELLEGRINO and his associates indicate they are not carrying on any gambling or other illegal activity at the present time and appear to be busily engaged in legitimate operation of the Neapolitan Bakery, 2226 Butler Street, Dallas. He advised that a squad of detectives in the Intelligence Section have been assigned to cover the activities of PELLEGRINO and any information indicating criminal activity will be immediately relayed to the Dallas FBI Office.

It should be noted that investigation concerning PELLEGRINO's activities in the Dallas area does not indicate that JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO is associated with PELLEGRINO's bakery or any other activities contemplated by PELLEGRINO at this time.

E. LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

The New York Division advised that confidential informant T-15 had made available the following data concerning the Civello Import and Liquors located at 4236-38 Oak Lawn Avenue, Dallas, Texas. This information contained information on the partnership of CHARLES CIVELLO, ROSS MUSSO, and JOSEPH CIVELLO. T-15 stated that this business was started in 1954, a network of \$48,000 (including exemptions). This report reflected sales of this company to be \$215,000 in 1956. This data was current as of February 1, 1957, and is being quoted verbatim.

"History

"Trade style registered January 18, 1954, listing above partners.

"CHARLES CIVELLO, born 1915, married, native Louisiana. Moved to Dallas at an early age, finishing school in 1933. 1933 to 1936 employed by his father. 1936 to 1939 employed Wilson Packing Company. 1939 to January, 1942, operated individually as a meat jobber. 1942 to November, 1945, served United States Army. After discharge,

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returned to Dallas and was variously employed, latterly in liquor store until March, 1947, when he started a business known as Civello and LeMonte Import Company, in a partnership with one LA MONTE. Purchased LA MONTE's interest in 1949, however, LA MONTE later again entered the partnership but again sold his interest to CIVELLO in April, 1950, for \$3,500 cash. CIVELLO continued to operate under that trade style until entering subject partnership.

"JOSEPH CIVELLO is 51, married, native of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Employed by father in grocery business until 1928. Then opened drug store in Dallas under style St. Paul Drugs until 1932. 1933 to 1947 operated and was employed in various grocery establishments located throughout Dallas. January, 1948, entered partnership with ROSS MUSSO, his brother-in-law to operate as Love Field Grocery and Market. That business was continued until latter part of 1953 when it was sold to others for an undisclosed consideration. JOSEPH F. CIVELLO is the brother of CHARLES E. CIVELLO.

"ROSS MUSSO, 57, married, native of Italy, in 1925, opened a small grocery in Dallas, and operated various grocery stores throughout Dallas until January, 1948, when he entered the abovementioned partnership with CIVELLO.

"Subject partnership was formed January 18, 1954, to combine individual business of CHARLES E. CIVELLO and the retail liquor business which was purchased from A and A Liquor Stores, Inc., at the above address for undisclosed consideration. Original investment in the business estimated at about \$30,000, consisting largely of CIVELLO's transfer of his individual business to the partnership.

"Operation-Location

"Wholesales (SIC# 5049) and retails imported foods, food products and specialties (40 per cent). Retails liquors, wines and beer (60 per cent).

"Wholesales imported food specialties, which are sold to restaurants (65 per cent) with retail food sales (35 per cent) to local trade. All food sales are 90 per cent cash, balance on seven day terms to few selective accounts.

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"Retail liquor sales are 100 per cent for cash. Partners are active in the business, unassisted.

"Rents about 5,000 square feet of floor space in this one-story brick building located shopping center in upper income bracket section. Premises are orderly.

"Financial Information

"Estimated financial condition at January 28, 1957:

<u>Assets</u>		<u>Liabilities</u>	
Cash in bank	8,000	Accts pay	6,500
Accts rec	4,800	Owing on truck (Cur)	900
Mdse	25,000		
Total current	37,800	Total current	7,400
Fixt & Equip	15,000	Owing on truck (Def)	900
Autos and Truck	3,500		
		NET WORTH	48,000
Total	56,300	Total	56,300

"Net sales for 1956 \$215,000; gross profit \$38,000; salaries and drawings of owner \$13,000; net profit over and above salaries and drawings of owner \$7,300. Monthly rent \$400, lease expires August, 1961. Fire insurance full coverage. Signed CIVELLO'S by CHARLES E. CIVELLO, owner (Partner)

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"Banking relations are maintained with one local depository where two accounts are carried with aggregate balances in moderate high four figures. One low four figure loan currently outstanding, secured, being satisfactorily used, comment favorable. This loan is due on a 1956 Chevrolet Station Wagon. Accounts receivable considered entirely collectible by CHARLES E. CIVELLO. Merchandise estimated at cost. Fixtures and equipment estimated at book value. Item autos and truck include a 1955 Chevrolet, a 1953 Plymouth and a 1956 Chevrolet Station Wagon, shown at approximate total market value. Accounts payable stated to be all current by CHARLES E. CIVELLO. Owing on truck payable \$75 monthly.

"Volume has been steadily increasing for the past several years, and net sales for 1956 were approximately \$215,000 with operations providing good profits.

"Under Texas laws, the truck and portion of fixtures and equipment might be claimed exempt."

Dallas Confidential Informant T-4 advised on January 29, 1958, that JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO had a quarter interest in the Civello Import Food and Liquor Company located at 4236-38 Oak Lawn, Dallas, Texas, and claimed to have sold out this interest to his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO, as of January, 1958. However, T-4 stated it was his opinion CIVELLO had not done this but remained as a silent partner. This individual stated that he knew CIVELLO to have income from the Caddo Levee Lease near Shreveport, Louisiana, which lease was producing oil, and CIVELLO also had had an interest in the R. E. Collins Lease located near Shreveport, Louisiana. He stated CIVELLO was worth approximately \$90,000. This informant stated that he knew that CIVELLO did business with the Exchange Bank and Trust Company, Dallas, Texas, and as of May 15, 1958, Civello Import Food and Liquor establishment had approximately \$1,100 on deposit. CHARLES CIVELLO had \$350 in a checking account and approximately \$3,300 in a savings account. He stated that ROSS MUSSO and CIVELLO had approximately \$400 in a checking account. The Civello Liquors had \$5,650 in a checking account and CIVELLO's father, PHILLIP CIVELLO, had a checking account of \$875. He stated CIVELLO did the banking for his father and as far as he knew, the father never went to the Exchange Bank and Trust Company. This informant further related that JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO had a savings account of \$1,168; his wife had a savings account of \$541.81; his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO, had a savings account for \$1,322.65, and Mrs. ROSS MUSSO had a checking account of approximately \$500 and a savings account of \$2,044. This informant further related that JOSEPH CIVELLO and MARY CIVELLO, his wife, had a safe deposit box No. 407. T-4 stated at the present time JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and ROSS MUSSO had an outstanding note with Exchange Bank and Trust Company in the amount of \$5,000. This informant further related on June 1, 1958, that JOSEPH CIVELLO had attempted to borrow \$7,500 from the Exchange Bank and Trust Company.

C. P. McCLURE, Anderson Pritchard Oil Company, 902 Liberty Bank Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, advised SA ALLISON A. CATLIN on February 17, 1958, that the Swinney Lease located in Caddo County, Oklahoma, is referred to as the Cook and Kahn Lease. McCLURE stated that CIVELLO receives \$125.00 monthly and that he had been paid \$1,253.77

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in 1957. PHILIP BOSCO and JOSEPH J. COLLETTA also received \$1,253.77 in 1957. HARRY D. KAHN has one-half share and during 1957, received \$626.89. McCLURE stated that BOSCO, CIVELLO and KAHN had a trustee appointed for a payment of \$192.88 regarding this lease. McCLURE stated that he had no evidence that CIVELLO was receiving any other interests from their firm.

SA JOHN P. DUNPHY on March 4, 1958, contacted Mr. JOHN D. BRADLEY, Assistant Clerk, Divisional Department, Arkansas Fuel Oil Company, Slattery Building, Shreveport, Louisiana. Mr. BRADLEY advised HARRY D. KAHN et al had an interest in the Caddo Levee Board Oil Lease which is described as the west half of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 8, Township 20 North, Range 15 West, Caddo Parish, Louisiana. The records reflect the following transfers of interests in this lease. On February 18, 1956, 1/64 of 7/8 undivided interest to JOE COLLETTA from Mrs. ANGELINE LA MONTE, consideration \$10.00 and other good and valuable consideration not set forth. (In all of the following transactions the consideration for the transfers in each instance was \$10.00 and other good and valuable consideration not set forth in the file.)

Transfer November 25, 1955, effective January 1, 1956, from J. F. CIVELLO to P. S. BOSCO, 1/64 of 7/8 undivided interest.

Transfer November 25, 1956, effective January 1, 1956, from Mrs. ANGELINE LA MONTE to JOE COLLETTA, 1/64 of 7/8 undivided interest.

Transfer October 20, 1955, effective November 1, 1955, from HARRY D. KAHN to ANGELINE LA MONTE of 1/32 of 7/8.

Transfer October 25, 1955, effective November 1, 1955, from J. F. CIVELLO to HARRY D. KAHN, 1/96 to 7/8 undivided interest.

Transfer dated November 16, 1955, effective November 1, 1955, from HARWIN D. COOK to HARRY D. KAHN, 1/96 of 7/8 undivided interest.

The initial interest in this Caddo Levee Board Lease amounted to a 7/8 working interest held by HARRY D. KAHN, J. F. CIVELLO and six others as of August 5, 1955. KAHN and CIVELLO each had an interest described as 8/48 of 63/64 of 7/8, prior to the above transfers.

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From the Caddo Levee Board Lease, which is carried in the Arkansas Fuel Oil Company file as lease number 22-15-122, the following was paid in the months indicated.

HARRY D. KAHN  
Owner number 48701  
December, 1957, by check #16962, \$265.70  
January, 1958, by check #23820, \$253.80

P. S. BOSCO  
Owner number 09406  
December, 1957, check #14258, \$26.57  
January, 1958, check #21330, \$25.38

J. F. CIVELLO  
Owner number 15942  
December, 1957, check #14764, \$239.13  
January, 1958, check #21787, \$228.42

JOSEPH COLLETTA  
Owner number 17314  
December, 1957, check #14877, \$53.14  
January, 1958, check #21887, \$50.76

Mr. BRADLEY advised the Collins Lease is described as certain numbered lots located in the Gaume Allotment #2 in the north half of the north half of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 2, Township 20 North, Range 16, West, as per map in Conveyance Book 50, Page 546, Caddo Parish, but only insofar as this pertains to production to a depth of 3,100 feet or above. He advised the lease began as of December 17, 1954, with interests held by HARRY D. KAHN and seven others. KAHN's interest is described as 5/32 of 31/32 of 7/8 working interest. The following transfers were noted. Again the consideration in each transfer was reflected as \$10.00 and other good and valuable consideration not set forth.

Transfer January 4, 1955, effective September 1, 1955, from H. D. COOK to J. F. CIVELLO, 1/32 of 7/8 working interest.

Transfer January 4, 1955, effective September 1, 1955, from HARRY D. KAHN to J. F. CIVELLO, 1/32 of 7/8 working interest.

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Transfer June 22, 1956, effective July 1, 1956, from JOSEPH J. EVALENO, husband of ELIZABETH GRACE EVALENO, 11 Hazelton Drive, White Plains, New York, to PHILIP BOSCO, 1/32 of 7/8 working interest.

Transfer dated September 25, 1956, from J. F. CIVELLO to CHARLES E. CIVELLO 1/16 of 7/8 working interest.

Transfer dated June 24, 1957, from H. D. COOK to PHILIP BOSCO of 5/64 of 7/8 working interest.

Transfer dated June 24, 1957, from H. D. COOK to JOSEPH COLLETTA of 5/64 of 7/8 working interest.

Transfer dated August 14, 1957, from CHARLES E. CIVELLO to PHILIP BOSCO 1/16 of 7/8 working interest.

From the Collins Lease which is carried in the Arkansas Fuel Oil Company files as lease number 22-15-157, the following was paid in the months indicated.

PHILIP BOSCO  
Owner number 09408  
December, 1957, check #14260, \$59.08  
January, 1958, check #21331, \$120.12

JOSEPH COLLETTA  
Owner number 17331  
December, 1957, check #14882, \$22.72  
January, 1958, check #21891, \$46.20

HARRY D. KAHN  
Owner number 48701  
December, 1957, check #16962, \$36.35  
January, 1958, check #23820, \$73.92

Mr. BRADLEY further advised his company records indicated the following latest address on the following:

JOSEPH CIVELLO, 5311 Deton Drive, Dallas, Texas;  
HARRY D. KAHN, 2014 Adolphus Tower, Dallas, Texas;  
PHILIP BOSCO, 2701 Ross, Dallas, Texas;  
JOSEPH COLLETTA, 5717 Goodwin Street, Dallas, Texas.

On August 6, 1958, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised CIVELLO sold his interest in the liquor business known as the Civello Imports and Liquor Company to an individual named JIM AMIDI who reportedly is from Florida.

On August 18, 1958, Dallas Confidential Informant T-2 advised that it is his understanding CIVELLO is presently confining all of his activities in the oil business with one HARRY D. KAHN, who has offices in the Corrigan Tower Building, Dallas, Texas. T-2 said the business formerly operated by CIVELLO, along with his brother CHARLES CIVELLO, and ROSS MUSSO, lost considerable money and they sold this business, the Civello Import and Liquor Company.

On November 12, 1958, Dallas T-1 advised he believes subject has invested money in the restaurant belonging to JOE IANNI, the Ristorante Vesuvio, 5120 West Lovers Lane, Dallas, Texas. CIVELLO is not believed active in the operation of this restaurant.

On February 24, 1959, JAMES WILLIAM AMIDEI, 9721 Twin Creek Drive, Dallas, Texas, advised he purchased the Civello Import and Liquor Company from CHARLES EDWARD CIVELLO and ROSS MUSSO on July 15, 1958. He said JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO had no interest in the store at the time he purchased same. He said he paid \$28,700 for the inventory in cash. He signed a note for \$6,500 for the fixtures. AMIDEI stated he could furnish no information concerning CIVELLO's activities and indicated that he had known CIVELLO only as a liquor store operator. He said that he had worked for JULIUS SCHEPPS, a wholesale liquor distributor in Dallas prior to his purchase of the store. He said he called on the Civello Import and Liquor Company regularly while he was working for the wholesale company. AMIDEI advised he has never associated with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO other than stated above. AMIDEI advised that shortly after buying the business he received several long distance phone calls from an unknown party in Detroit, Michigan, inquiring for JOE CIVELLO. Caller stated that CIVELLO would talk to him but the caller would not identify himself. AMIDEI advised that CIVELLO drops in the store occasionally, about once a week, and CIVELLO recently advised that he had invested money in the construction of a business located at Lemmon and McKinney Streets in Dallas. AMIDEI furnished a list of importer contacts used by CIVELLO, which was furnished to him at the time he purchased the store. The list previously used by the CIVELLOs as establishments they dealt with is as follows:

Chicago - J. S. Hoffman Company, 312 West Illinois, Chicago, Illinois.

Pennsylvania - Brandywine Mushroom Company, West Chester, Pennsylvania.

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New York - Domestic Edible Oil Company, 197 Grand Street, New York 12, New York.

California - Contadina Food Corporation, Post Office Box 207, San Jose, California.

New York - Cresca Company, Inc., 111 - 8th Avenue, New York 11, New York.

New York - Motta Company (JOSEPH D. MARANELLI), 11 West 42nd, New York 36, New York - 157 Hudson Street, New York 13, New York.

New York - Lekas and Drivos, 19 Roosevelt, New York City (Greek foodstuffs)

New York - Palumbo Cigar Company, 472 Broome Street, New York 13, New York.

New Orleans - Ermanno T. Di Marzi, 130 International Trade Mart, New Orleans.

New York - J. Ossola Company, 155 Hudson, New York City.

New York - Gary Valenti, 5572 - 61st Street, Maspeth 78, New York.

New Orleans - Uddo Taormina Company (Progresso Foods), 2156 Agriculture Street, New Orleans (FRANK UDDO).

St. Louis - V. Viviano Company, 4649 Shaw Boulevard, St. Louis 10, Missouri.

New York - V. LaRosa and Son, 473 Kent Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

It should be noted that investigation was conducted relative to the above named individuals and companies, but no information concerning criminal activities relating to the above was determined. Investigation indicated the above to be legitimate business establishments.

On April 22, 1959, Dallas T-1 advised that TONY MENTESANA is a close associate of CIVELLO. CIVELLO recently hired one of MENTESANA's relatives to operate a grocery store in the new building CIVELLO constructed at the corner of McKinney and Lemmon Streets, Dallas, Texas. The relative was identified as LOUIS MENTESANA.



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Regular spot checks were made during the construction of the building at the intersection of McKinney and Lemmon Streets on the following dates: April 13, 17, 22, 24; May 5, 11, 1959.

It was ascertained that the building constructed by CIVELLO in cooperation with his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO, presently contains two business establishments, a restaurant operated by PETE INTERRANTE and a Cabell's Drive-In Grocery Store operated by LOUIS MENTESANA. CIVELLO was observed on numerous occasions during the spot checks above, supervising the construction of this new building.

On September 24, 1959, Dallas Confidential Informant T-16, advised SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING that CIVELLO, either directly or through his brother, CHARLES EDWARD CIVELLO, has leased a piece of property on Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, Texas, near Love Field Airport, on which he plans to construct a liquor store. T-16 stated he believed an individual by the name of MUSSO (CIVELLO's brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO) would also be connected in this enterprise. He advised that the property leased to CIVELLO was done through the owner of the property, CARL C. WEICHSEL, President, Great National Life Insurance Company, Dallas, Texas.

T-16 advised that Mr. WEICHSEL is a reputable businessman and is not connected with CIVELLO's criminal activities.

F. TRAVEL

On January 16, 1958, Mr. LLOYD EDEN, Assistant Treasurer of Braniff International Airways, Dallas, Texas, advised that CIVELLO had Braniff air travel card No. B15030, which was issued to CIVELLO on November 30, 1949. EDEN stated Braniff has no record of CIVELLO ever having utilized this travel card.

CIVELLO has been known to utilize air travel and train travel during this reporting period.

CIVELLO drives a 1955 blue and white Buick, which is registered to his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO, at 5311 Denton Drive, Dallas, Texas.

G. PERSONAL HABITS AND PECULIARITIES

Observation of CIVELLO during this investigative period determined CIVELLO usually dresses in slacks and sport shirt open at the collar. During cooler weather, he wears a sport coat.

According to Dr. ROBERT F. SHORT, JR., CIVELLO's personal physician, CIVELLO has a bad heart condition and is under strict orders to stay near his home.

From observation from time to time by Bureau Agents, CIVELLO has not been observed frequenting any known hangouts. He has been known to make visits to the Egyptian Lounge located on East Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, Texas, and operated by JOE and SAM CAMPISI. He has also been known to visit the Ristorante Vesuvio, 5120 West Lovers Lane, Dallas, Texas, operated by JOE IANNI.

On December 19, 1957, Sheriff BILL DECKER, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN that CIVELLO has been known in the past to carry a gun in his automobile, and he strongly suspects him of carrying a gun on his person.

The following physical description of CIVELLO was obtained from the files of the United States Probation Officer, Fort Worth, Texas:

Name	JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO
Aliases	Joe Civello, Joe Ciuerello, Joseph F. Civello
Residence	5311 Denton Drive, Dallas, Texas
Birth Data	2-3-02 or 2-3-03, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Height	5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight	170
Hair	Black mixed with grey, grey around temples, curly
Eyes	Hazel, wears glasses
Face	Thin
Build	Slender
Complexion	Ruddy
Scars and Marks	Scar between eyes, crescent shape, just over bridge of nose
Social Security No.	452-40-1454
Occupations	Dallas Gun Club; Texas Package Stores Association



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**Copy to:**

**Report of:** MILTON L. NEWSOM      **Office:** DALLAS  
**Date:** September 26, 1960  
**Field Office File No.:** DALLAS (92-36)      **Bureau File No.:** 92-2824  
**Title:** JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO

**Character:** ANTI-RACKETEERING

**Synopsis:** CIVELLO, FBI No. 1222605, white male, Italian extraction, born 2-3-02 or 2-3-03, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, has seventh grade education. Married, wife's maiden name MARY TOMMINELLI MUSSO. CIVELLO resides 5311 Denton Drive, Dallas, Texas. CIVELLO presently engaged in real estate and oil leasing and previously had interest in Civello Import Food and Liquor Co., Dallas, Texas. CIVELLO sentenced to Leavenworth Penitentiary for violation Harrison Narcotics Act, 4-2-37, for 15 years. CIVELLO was paroled 3-26-44 and his sentence was commuted 11-6-48. CIVELLO has been known to associate with numerous underworld characters who have engaged in narcotics violations, prostitution and gambling activities. CIVELLO attended meeting at home of JOSEPH BARBARA, Apalachin, New York, 11-14-57, where numerous underworld figures were in attendance. CIVELLO testified before Grand Jury, Southern District of New York, on 1-28-58, and at special Tioga County Grand Jury, Oswego, New York, 2-4-58. CIVELLO testified before Federal Grand Jury, Los Angeles, California, 3-12-59, and

He was arrested 5-21-59 by U. S. Narcotics Bureau, Dallas, Texas, on warrant from Southern District of New York, charging CIVELLO with conspiracy to commit perjury. He was arraigned before USC, Dallas, 5-21-59, and released on temporary \$30,000 bond. CIVELLO was granted removal hearing before U. S. District Judge, Dallas, 6-2-59, and was ordered removed U. S. District Court, Southern District of New York, and bond was set at \$20,000. CIVELLO represented by Attorney DAVID M. MARKOWITZ, New York City. CIVELLO convicted U. S. District Court, Southern District of New York, 12-18-59 for conspiracy to obstruct justice. He was sentenced on 1-13-60 to serve five years custody of Attorney General by U. S. District Judge IRVING KAUFMAN. He was released on

Grand Jury [JFK Act 10(a)2]

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\$35,000 appeal bond. Information from New York indicates no decision will be rendered in the appeals court on CIVELLO's case before September, 1960. CIVELLO HAS BEEN KNOWN TO CARRY A GUN IN HIS AUTOMOBILE AND HAS BEEN SUSPECTED OF CARRYING ONE ON HIS PERSON; THEREFORE, HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

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A. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND ☐ TOTAL DENIAL

The following personal history and background information was obtained from the files of the United States Probation Officer, Fort Worth, Texas, and from an interview of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO during the course of an investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation during August and September of 1956, in connection with application for pardon after completion of sentence filed by CIVELLO. This information was obtained by SA PAUL H. RAINES. In addition to this information, Mr. VIRGIL J. BAILEY of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Dallas, Texas, was contacted on December 2, 1957, relative to CIVELLO's background.

JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO was born February 3, 1902, or February 3, 1903, at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, or Port Allen, Louisiana. According to BAILEY, the files of the Louisiana State Bureau of Vital Statistics contained no record of the birth of CIVELLO. The baptismal certificates of the Church of the Holy Family, Port Allen, Louisiana, contained a baptismal certificate for JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, but the place of birth was not shown thereon.

According to BAILEY, on November 26, 1957, one ROCCO DI BENEDETTO, age 77, a naturalized citizen, Sinclair Plantation, Port Allen, Louisiana, executed an affidavit in which he swore that CIVELLO was born on the Poplar Grove Plantation near Port Allen, Louisiana, in 1902. A copy of this certificate and affidavit were sent to the Immigration and Naturalization Service at Buffalo, New York.

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On December 18, 1957, Mr. ROLAND D. EDGECOMBE, Investigator for Immigration and Naturalization Service, Buffalo, New York, advised that their records reflected the following. A copy of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO's certificate of baptismal, Church of the Holy Family, Port Allen, Louisiana, stated that it was certified that GIUSEPPI CIVELLO, child of PHILLIP CIVELLO and CATHERINE DI BENEDETTO, was born on February 3, 1902, and baptized on March 29, 1902, according to the right of the Roman Catholic Church by the Reverend ROBERT MOISE, sponsors being ROCCO DI BENEDETTO and FRANCES DI BENEDETTO.

Also included in this file was an affidavit signed by ROCCO DI BENEDETTO November 26, 1957, before WALTER VICKERY, Investigator, Port Allen, Louisiana. This affidavit stated: "I, ROCCO DI BENEDETTO, ... am a naturalized United States citizen. I was naturalized in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in 1910. I was the Godfather of GIUSEPPI CIVELLO at the time he was baptized in the Catholic Church in Lobdell, Louisiana. GIUSEPPI CIVELLO was born on the Poplar Grove Plantation near Port Allen, Louisiana. This was in 1902. GIUSEPPI CIVELLO's mother, CATHERINE DI BENEDETTO CIVELLO, is my sister, and she came to the United States about 1899. GIUSEPPI CIVELLO left Port Allen, Louisiana, in about 1922 or 1923." CIVELLO was married to MARY TOMMINELLI, November 24, 1929, at Rockford, Illinois, by JOHN J. FLANAGAN, a Catholic priest. This marriage is recorded in the County Clerk's Office, Rockford, Illinois, in Volume 16, Page 110, Certificate No. 1871.

A review of the records by the Kansas City Division of the United States Penitentiary in Leavenworth, Kansas, reflected that CIVELLO was incarcerated in that institution following his sentence at Dallas, Texas, on April 2, 1937, for violation of the United States Narcotics Laws. In the personal history and background records of the penitentiary, it was noted that CIVELLO was born February 3, 1902, at Port Allen, Louisiana. These records reflected that CIVELLO had completed the seventh grade in school and had also completed a Spanish course while an inmate of Leavenworth Penitentiary in Kansas.

Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER of the Dallas Police Department Intelligence Unit, Dallas, Texas, on December 2, 1957, advised that an inquiry by their department reflected CIVELLO had resided in Dallas, Texas, since approximately 1924.

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CIVELLO resides at 5311 Denton Drive, Dallas, Texas, with his wife, MARY CIVELLO; his father, PHILLIP CIVELLO, and his sister, FRANCES MUSSO and brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO.

Information obtained from Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 and Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER of the Dallas Police Department at various intervals between December, 1957, and April, 1958, reflected CIVELLO was engaged in the operation of the establishment of Civello Import Liquor and Food which deals in the sale of liquors and imported Italian foods. This establishment is located at 4236-38 Oak Lawn Avenue, Dallas, Texas.

Mr. BOWMAN TAYLOR of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, Dallas, Texas, on December 2, 5, 1957, and Mr. J. M. SOUTER, Lieutenant of the Intelligence Unit, Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas, advised on November 19, 1957; December 2, 5, and 10, 1957, that CIVELLO had the following relatives:

Wife	MARY CIVELLO, nee Mary Tomminelli Musso, 5311 Denton Drive, Dallas, Texas.
Brother	CHARLES EDWARD CIVELLO, Dallas, Texas.
Sisters	MARGARET POLITO, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; ANNA CONGELOSI, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; NORA ZACHARI, Rockford, Illinois; FRANCES MUSSO, 5311 Denton Drive, Dallas, Texas; PHYLLIS GUESTRA, Rockford, Illinois.
Father	PHILLIP CIVELLO, deceased
Mother	CATHERINE CIVELLO, deceased

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On November 12, 1958, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised CIVELLO has been in bad health and for this reason has not been active in social affairs as well as business enterprises. Indications were at that time that CIVELLO had a heart condition.

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It should be noted in connection with CIVELLO's birth in Louisiana that an affidavit was not filed by anyone until November 26, 1957, (12 days after the Apalachin meeting attended by CIVELLO) to show that CIVELLO was born in this country. CIVELLO's parents were born in Calabria, Italy.

**B. CRIMINAL RECORD**

Under date of August 8, 1960, the FBI Identification Division furnished the following identification record for JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, FBI No. 1222605:

Contributor of Fingerprints	Name and Number	Arrested or Received	Charge	Disposition
PD Dallas Texas	Joe F. Civello #7265	7-14-28	murder	*exonerated
USM Dallas Texas	Joe Civillo #2475	1-8-37	H N A	4-2-37 15 yrs Lev and 5 yrs Lev prob 5 yrs
PD Dallas Texas	Joe F. Civello #7265	1-8-37	vio Harrison Nar Act (27 cases)	filed in Federal
Narc Bu Wash DC	Joe Civello #7034	inquiry 2-2-37		
SO Dallas Texas	Joe Civello #2343	4-2-37	HNA - US	15 yrs & 5 yrs prob for 5 yrs at Leavenworth Kans
USP Annex Fort Leavenworth Kans	Joe Civello #9643	4-8-37	Narc Pur Sale	15 yrs 10-16-40 trans to the USP Leav Kans
USP Leavenworth Kans	Joe Civello #57742	11-16-40 in trans from USPA Ft. Leav	Narc Act: purch sale	15 yrs paroled 3-26-44
PD Dallas Texas	Joseph F Civello #7265	5-21-59	H/F US Dist Crt Southern NY	held

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Contributor of Fingerprints	Name and Number	Arrested or Received	Charge	Disposition
Dep USM Dallas Texas	Joseph F. Civillo #FP #10 970	inquiry 5-25-59		
Narc Bu Wash DC	Joseph Francis Civello #--	5-21-59	18 USC 371 (see consp to comm supplement) perjury	
USM NY NY	Joseph F. Civello #--	6-4-59	not given	

SUPPLEMENT:

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ON 5/28/97 *dc*  
Served 40 das in 1928, in Dallas Co Jail for  
violation of Liquor Law (as on prt #7265)  
8-22-28, Dallas, Texas, #7265, viol Harrison  
Narc Act and conspiracy to viol Harrison Narc  
Act; filed.

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#-- Narc Bu Wash DC 5-21-59 18 USC 371 consp  
to comm perjury 1-13-60 5 yrs for viol Title  
18 USC 371, 1621 consp to obstruct justice

Notations indicated by \* are not based on fingerprints in FBI files.

On July 30, 1956, the file of the United States Probation Office, Fort Worth, Texas, was reviewed by SA PAUL H. RAINES. This file reflected that CIVELLO had been paroled to United States Probation Officer, Dallas, on March 26, 1944, with the expiration of parole set at April 1, 1952. This file further reflected that CIVELLO's sentence was commuted on November 6, 1948, and his probation officer was listed as WALTER STOKES, Dallas, Texas.

The Bureau Identification Record reflects CIVELLO served 40 days in jail in 1928, in the Dallas County Jail for violation of the Liquor Law and further on August 22, 1928, at Dallas, Texas, charges were filed against CIVELLO for violation of the Harrison Narcotics Act.

On December 19, 1957, Dallas County District Attorney HENRY WADE and Dallas County Sheriff J. E. DECKER, both advised that they could find no record or disposition of either of these charges noted in the above notation. WADE stated that records as far back as 1928 probably had been destroyed or filed and were presently misplaced.

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On March 31, 1959, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised CIVELLO in 1928 shot and killed one JOE DE CARLO with a sawed-off shotgun in a drug store at Dallas, Texas. T-1 advised CIVELLO was exonerated of murder charges after claiming the shooting was accidental.

On December 3, 1957, BOWMAN TAYLOR, Federal Narcotics Bureau, Dallas, Texas, advised that when CIVELLO was arrested by the Bureau of Narcotics in January, 1937, the following individuals were arrested in connection with the same charge:

JOE CASCIO, Shreveport, Louisiana, FBI No. 269247;  
SAM CIVELLO, Dallas, Texas, FBI No. 795418,  
(cousin of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO);  
LEON CIVELLO, Dallas, Texas, FBI No. 585782,  
(cousin of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO);  
FRANK IANNI, Dallas, Texas, FBI No. 58733;  
ELON D. SMITH, Dallas, Texas;  
JACK DARWIN, Dallas, Texas.

These individuals were all charged with 27 counts of violation of the Harrison Narcotics Act and were tried in the United States District Court, Dallas, Texas, under docket No. 8848 on January 14, 1937.

ERNEST GENTRY, Supervisor, Federal Narcotics Bureau, Dallas, Texas, advised on May 21, 1959, CIVELLO was arrested by three United States Narcotics Bureau Agents and two Dallas Police Department detectives on a warrant from the Southern District of New York charging CIVELLO with conspiracy to obstruct justice. United States Attorney WILLIAM B. WEST, III advised bond recommended by Attorney General of \$50,000.00 for CIVELLO. At the time of arrest, CIVELLO had over \$2,800.00 cash in his possession.

CIVELLO was convicted in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on December 18, 1959, for conspiracy to obstruct justice in connection with Federal Grand Jury investigation concerning the Apalachin meeting which CIVELLO attended. On January 13, 1960, CIVELLO was sentenced to serve five years custody of Attorney General by United States District Judge IRVING KAUFMAN. CIVELLO was released on \$35,000.00 appeal bond.

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C. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

The Albany Office advised on November 16, 1957, that JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO was interviewed by the New York State Police, Vestal, New York, on November 14, 1957. The interview on this occasion was due to the fact that CIVELLO was attending a meeting at the home of JOSEPH BARBARA, Apalachin, New York, at what the New York State Police termed a "gangland convention".

The following known underworld characters were present at this meeting:

FRANK CUCCHIARA, 55-57 Endicott Street, Boston, Massachusetts;

ROY CARLISI, 20 Anderson Place, Buffalo, New York;

DOMENICK D'AGOSTINO, 2226 Ontario Avenue, Niagara Falls, New York;

SAM LAGATTUTA, 555 Lafayette Street, Buffalo, New York;

ANTONIO MAGADDINO, 1528 Whitney Avenue, Niagara Falls, New York;

JOHN C. MONTANA, Central Terminal Building, Buffalo, New York;

COSTENZE P. VALENTI, 202 Hamilton Street, Rochester, New York;

FRANK J. VALENTI, 1384 Highland Avenue, Rochester, New York;

JOHN A. DE MARCO, 3536 Hildane Street, Shaker Heights, Ohio;

JOHN SCALISH, 11706 East Harrington Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio;

JAMES COLLETTI, 1415 Claremont Avenue, Pueblo, Colorado;

FRANK DESIMONE, 7838 Adoree Street, Downey, California;

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SIMONE SCOZZARI, San Gabriel, California;

GERARDO V. CATENO, 21 Overhill Road, South  
Orange, New Jersey;

CHARLES S. CHIRI, 2 Bridle Way, Palisades,  
New Jersey;

VITO GENOVESE, Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey;

JOSEPH IDA, 180 Lincoln Avenue, Highland Park,  
New Jersey;

LOUIS A. LARASSO, 115 Donaldson Place, Linden,  
New Jersey;

FRANK MAJURI, 629 South Broad Street, Elizabeth,  
New Jersey;

DOMINICK OLIVETO, 1157 Magnolia Avenue, Camden,  
New Jersey;

ANTHONY P. RIELA, 7 Venvenue, West Orange,  
New Jersey;

JOSEPH BONANNO, 1726 DeKalb Avenue, Brooklyn,  
New York;

JOHN BONVENTRE, 115 Cleveland Street, Brooklyn,  
New York;

PAUL C. CASTELLANO, 1737 East 23rd Street,  
Brooklyn, New York;

NATALE J. EVOLA, 972 Bay Ridge Parkway, Brooklyn,  
New York;

CARLO GAMBINO, 2230 Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn,  
New York;

CARMINE LOMBARDOZZI, 114 Strafford Road,  
Brooklyn, New York;

JOSEPH MAGLIOCCI, Bay View Avenue, East Islip,  
New York;

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MICHELE A. MIRANDA, 167 Greenway North,  
Forest Hills, Long Island, New York;

JOSEPH PROFACI, 8863 - 15th Avenue, Brooklyn,  
New York;

VINCENT RAO, 192 Dinwoodie Street, Yonkers,  
New York;

ARMAND T. RAVA, 1180 Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn,  
New York;

JOSEPH RICCOBONO, 781 Pelton Avenue, Staten Island,  
New York;

JOSEPH ROSATO, 34 - 31st Street, Jackson Heights,  
New York;

SALVATORE TORNABE, 1464 Second Avenue, New York  
City, New York;

DOMINICK ALIMAO, Pittston, Pennsylvania;

RUSSELL BUFFALINO, 304 East Dorrace Street,  
Kingston, Pennsylvania;

JAMES V. LA DUCA, Danna Drive, Lewiston,  
Pennsylvania;

JAMES OSTICCO, 156 $\frac{1}{2}$  Elizabeth Street, Pittston,  
Pennsylvania;

ANGELO SCIANDRA, 108 South Main Street, Pittston,  
Pennsylvania;

MICHAEL J. GENOVESE, Gibsonia, Pennsylvania;

GABRIEL (KELLY) MANNARINO, 540 Charles Avenue,  
New Kensington, Pennsylvania;

FRANK ZITO, 1384 Highland Avenue, Springfield,  
Illinois;

LOUIS SANTOS, Havana, Cuba;

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JOSEPH BARBARA, JR., McFall Road, Apalachin,  
New York;

MELVIN BLOSSOM, RD #1, Apalachin, New York;

IGNATIUS CANNONE, 3634 Rath Avenue, Endwell,  
New York;

JOSEPH FALCONE, 1623 Mohawk Street, Utica,  
New York;

SALVATORE FALCONE, 1623 Mohawk Street, Utica,  
New York;

ANTHONY F. (GUV) GUARNIERI, 3619 Royal Road,  
Endwell, New York;

BARTOLO GUCCIA, 202 Oak Hill Avenue, Endicott,  
New York;

ROSARIO MANCUSO, 926 Arthur Street, Utica,  
New York;

PATSY MONACHINO, 11 Orchard Street, Auburn,  
New York;

SAM MONACHINO, 11 Orchard Street, Auburn,  
New York;

NORMAN JOSEPH RUSSELL, RD #1, Apalachin,  
New York;

PATSY SCIORTINO, 58 Holly Street, Auburn,  
New York;

PATSY (PASQUALE) TURRIGIANO, 3015 Watson Boulevard,  
Endicott, New York;

EMANUEL ZICARI, 103 Squires Avenue, New York.

On December 23 and 30, 1957, and January 10 and 15, 1958, NICK VARCASIA, owner of the Gulf Fish and Oyster Company, Dallas, Texas, advised that he was well acquainted with CIVELLO. He stated his wife played cards with CIVELLO's wife and that he was attempting to obtain information concerning CIVELLO's trip to Apalachin, New York, and also obtain as much information as possible relative to CIVELLO's criminal

activities. VARCASIA stated that it was his and his wife's opinion that CIVELLO did not tell his own wife of any of his outside activities.

M. A. GENARO advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on December 26, 1957, January 3, 13 and 14, 1958, that he had contacted many people who knew CIVELLO intimately and who traded with CIVELLO's import food and liquor business, and he had been unable to find out anything which would assist in CIVELLO's criminal activities. GENARO stated that it was his opinion that CIVELLO was "scared to death" since his trip to Apalachin, New York.

On January 2, 1958, CIVELLO was interviewed at length by SAs BARDWELL D. ODUM and VINCENT E. DRAIN. CIVELLO related that prior to November 14, 1957, he and his cousin, FRANK DESIMONE, who lives in Los Angeles, California, went to New York. CIVELLO stated that his purpose in visiting New York was on business connected with his establishment in Dallas of import food and liquor. CIVELLO stated that DESIMONE asked him to go with him out to Apalachin, New York. CIVELLO emphatically denied having ever known any of the individuals who were present at the meeting at JOSEPH BARBARA's home in Apalachin, New York, on November 14, 1957. CIVELLO related that whatever connection DESIMONE had with this group was not known by CIVELLO. CIVELLO repeatedly and categorically denied knowing the purpose of this meeting, stating that he spent most of his time while there in a "crap game".

CIVELLO admitted having in the past associated with PETE PELLEGRINO of White Plains, New York, and also of ROCCO PELLEGRINO of the same address. CIVELLO admitted being a long-time acquaintance and friend of CARLOS MARCELLO of New Orleans, Louisiana, who is a New Orleans underworld hoodlum. CIVELLO stated also he was a friend of the late SAM MACEO, a well-known gambler of Galveston, Texas.

CIVELLO stated that he had served one sentence in the penitentiary for narcotics and that he was not getting mixed up with anyone or any group of people who dealt in narcotics since he felt he was too old to serve another sentence and in "too bad" physical health.



CIVELLO was again apprised of the information furnished by the Los Angeles Division concerning alleged threats against CIVELLO's life. CIVELLO again voluntarily stated that he would be glad to advise this office should he need to go outside the city of Dallas or the state of Texas.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-11 advised that they had learned through a confidential source that approximately December 14, 1957, CIVELLO was talking to an individual known as LITTLE HARRY, believed to be staying in the Highland Hotel, Dallas, Texas. He stated that CIVELLO was placing a gambling football bet with the individual referred to as LITTLE HARRY. T-11 further advised that the best interpretation that could be made concerning this conversation was that whoever LITTLE HARRY was, was a "bookie" and that CIVELLO had been placing bets for this individual with other people. He stated that on one occasion CIVELLO mentioned to the person referred to as LITTLE HARRY as owing someone \$2,200 and another time stating "We are \$1,200 to the good".

T-11 further advised that their informant had stated that CIVELLO was afraid to leave town and that he had not taken or had he made a long distance telephone call to anyone since his trip to Apalachin, New York, November 14, 1957. He further stated that the above information was the only information that his informant had been able to ascertain relative to any criminal activities of CIVELLO. T-11 stated that other contacts by CIVELLO were "chitchat" with members of his family and that he seldom talked to anyone other than his family except a person by the name of KAHN and JOE IANNI, owner of Ristorante Vesuvio.

Mrs. NAOMI GREEN, Manager of the Highland Hotel, was contacted by SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on January 12, 1958, and again on January 17, 1958. Mrs. GREEN, who is known by this office as being reputable, was queried concerning anyone who had resided at that hotel in December of 1957, by the name of HARRY. Mrs. GREEN stated that there had been two individuals who had resided at the Highland Hotel during the fall of 1956, and during the fall of 1957. She stated that they occupied Room 301. She stated that these individuals' names were HARRY LEAVY and AL ROGERS. She advised that the individual known as LEAVY drove a 1956 black Oldsmobile bearing New York

license 9W181. She stated that these individuals had a private straight-line telephone installed in their room. She stated that these individuals left at the end of December, 1957. Mrs. GREEN described AL ROGERS as being approximately 37 to 40 years of age; dark hair; medium build; approximately 5'9" or 5'10" in height. She stated that the individual known as LEAVY was small in stature but could not remember a good description of him. She stated, however, that LEAVY was the owner and drove the Oldsmobile.

Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER of the Intelligence Unit of the Dallas Police Department on January 17, 1958, advised that this automobile license number, which was New York license 9W181, was registered in the name of PETE PELLEGRINO of White Plains, New York.

On January 31, 1958, Mr. CHARLES MOORE of the Intelligence Unit of the Texas Department of Public Safety, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN that from a highly confidential and reliable informant, MOORE had learned that on the night of January 30, 1958, CIVELLO had made a long distance telephone call to his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO, Dallas, Texas. MOORE stated that CIVELLO was calling from New York City. MOORE stated that CIVELLO told his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO, that he had testified before the Grand Jury in New York, and that he "came out fine".

On January 30, 1958, the Pittsburgh Office advised that United States Narcotics Agent WILLIAM THOMAS FINLEY of the Bureau of Narcotics at Pittsburgh had been interviewed on January 28, 1958, by SA J. EDWARD MADVAY. FINLEY advised that he had worked on the case of VETO GIORDENELLA when he was in Houston, Texas, in 1956. FINLEY stated that GIORDENELLA was to make a \$30,000 bond in a narcotics passing case; however, the night before he was to be freed on bond, JOSEPH CIVELLO and FRANK TORTICELLI came to Houston, where they stayed at a motel on the outskirts of Houston, Texas. FINLEY stated that both men were alleged to have been armed with pistols. CIVELLO and TORTICELLI made a statement to the effect that as soon as GIORDENELLA made bond they were going to take him by car either to New Orleans, Louisiana, or into Mexico so that he could board a boat for Italy. FINLEY claims that he went to the United States Attorney and to the United States District Judge at Houston, Texas, and obtained a warrant for GIORDENELLA's arrest on a conspiracy case that he had been working on for

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several months. According to FINLEY, when GIORDENELLA was released on the \$30,000 bond, FINLEY re-arrested him and had him held on a \$100,000 bond. FINLEY stated that he had received this information about a plot to get GIORDENELLA out of the country from WILLIAM (BILLY) COSTA, the United States Commissioner at Houston, Texas. FINLEY stated that Detective Lieutenant HARVEY TOTTEN, Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas, knows more about CIVELLO than anyone and should be able to furnish new information about CIVELLO.

On February 4, 1957, Detective Lieutenant HARVEY TOTTEN was interviewed by SA VINCENT E. DRAIN at which time he stated that he was inclined to be a little doubtful of Agent WILLIAM THOMAS FINLEY's story since FINLEY had a very "vivid" imagination and knowing CIVELLO, he doubted very much if CIVELLO had been involved in the above-mentioned effort to get GIORDENELLA out of the country.

On January 30, 1958, the New York Office advised that through a confidential source it had been learned that RUSSELL BUFFALINO of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, apparently had reserved rooms on November 13, 1957, at the Hotel Casey, Scranton, Pennsylvania, mentioning the fact that he was expecting several out-of-town guests. A review of the Casey Hotel reservations by the Pennsylvania State Police showed the following for November 13, 1957:

J. CERRITO  
421 San Jose Avenue  
Los Santos, California  
Room 312

J. CIVILLO  
4236 Oak Lawn  
Dallas, Texas  
Room 312

JAMES LANZA  
559 Washington Street  
San Francisco, California  
Room 316

S. SCOZZARI  
6112 North Muscatel  
San Gabriel, California  
Room 316-318

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FRANK DESIMONE  
7838 Adree Street  
Downey, California  
Room 316-318

The Pennsylvania State Police report reflected that the cost of these rooms and all attending charges were billed to BUFFALINO.

Lieutenant HARVEY W. TOTTEN, Dallas Police Department, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on February 9, 1958, that a Sergeant REYNOLDS of the New York State Police and JOHN McKEON of the Westchester County District Attorney's Office, contacted TOTTEN on February 9, 1958. They advised TOTTEN they had surveilled JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and his wife from New York to Dallas, Texas, and that the subject had just arrived in Dallas via the Texas and Pacific Railroad. These individuals stated that CIVELLO contacted no one en route from New York to Dallas.

Mr. CHARLES MOORE of the Intelligence Unit of the Texas Department of Public Safety, advised on February 11, 1958, that they had learned through a reliable source that CIVELLO had contacted his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO, by telephone on February 11, 1958, and excitedly told his brother that the Internal Revenue Agents had just left his office and it looked like they were trying to make a case on him.

On February 10, 1958, SA WILLIAM GIBSON, of the United States Internal Revenue Division of Dallas, Texas, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN that he [REDACTED]

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Dallas Confidential Informant T-2 advised on February 12, 1958, that CIVELLO, after his return from New York, had contacted HARRY D. KAHN, an oil broker in the Adolphus Tower, Dallas, Texas. This informant stated that CIVELLO was supposed to have told KAHN that he thought the Government could pin nothing on him with the exception of probing into his income tax. He stated that the Internal Revenue had contacted him relative to his income tax at which

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time CIVELLO referred them to his attorney. According to this informant, CIVELLO was extremely upset and told KAHN should the Internal Revenue come to him regarding any connection with business deals that CIVELLO might have had with him, KAHN should immediately contact CIVELLO and advise him the kind of questions that the Internal Revenue asked. This informant stated that CIVELLO was complaining bitterly about the loss of business in his imported food and liquor business on Oak Lawn Street, Dallas, Texas, because of all of the adverse publicity that had been afforded him because he attended the Apalachin meeting on November 14, 1957. This informant further stated that CIVELLO was keeping to himself because he was fearful that the Government had a surveillance on him.

Dallas confidential informant T-1 advised SA MILTON L. NEWSOM on February 21, 1958, the following information regarding CIVELLO:

This informant stated that he had known the CIVELLO family all of his life. He stated that he was aware of the "upset" in regard to "JOE's" visit to Apalachin, New York. This informant related that CIVELLO had gotten a lot of bad publicity for being present at the meeting and that it was his personal feeling that "JOE" had made a mistake in attending same. This informant stated that JOE was invited to attend. Informant was reluctant to furnish details of this invitation, if he knew such details.

This informant indicated "they" (meaning the group attending the meeting at Apalachin, New York, November 14, 1957) wanted to know from CIVELLO the present political setup in Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas, area, whether Dallas would be good for certain organized activities at this time, such as headquarters for narcotics routes to the East, gambling devices or other interests. This informant stated that JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO stated to these individuals that Dallas had never had an organized syndicate and never will have one. According to this informant, CIVELLO further pointed out that there were small-time gamblers and other hoodlums, on an individual basis who had operated in the past but never had any national connection. This informant stated that there had never been a concentrated group of Italians in the Dallas area strong enough to gain control

of any situation. This informant stated that in the past "they" tried but outsiders were watched too closely by local authorities and were never able to gain the outside strength needed. The informant stated that CIVELLO told these individuals at the Apalachin meeting "Dallas is dead", meaning that with regard to any organized criminal activities. This informant explained that all of the "old boys", who at one time might have had a chance to start an organization, are dead.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-2 advised on March 5, 1958, that he had learned from a reliable source that CHARLES CIVELLO, brother of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, had made the statement "JOE's attending the meeting at Apalachin, New York, was wholly uncalled for, that JOE got himself messed up because of attending this meeting and that the embarrassment due to the publicity and law enforcement officers contacting JOE at his place of business, was nearly running members of the CIVELLO family crazy". This informant stated that it was the opinion of several individuals that CIVELLO was invited to attend the meeting and that he attended it because it inflated his ego.

On March 12, 1958, Mr. W. O. BRAECKLEIN, a former Assistant United States Attorney of Dallas, Texas, and now a practicing attorney with offices in the Republic National Bank Building, Dallas, Texas, contacted SA VINCENT E. DRAIN. BRAECKLEIN stated that several days ago CIVELLO came to him and told him that the Internal Revenue Bureau was investigating CIVELLO for income tax evasion. At that time he requested BRAECKLEIN to represent him. BRAECKLEIN stated that if CIVELLO was mixed up with gangsters, he would like to assist this Bureau in any way possible. BRAECKLEIN at that time had copies of the December 9, 1957, issue of Life Magazine which carried pictures of persons meeting at JOSEPH BARBARA's home in Apalachin, New York, November 14, 1957. BRAECKLEIN stated that he questioned CIVELLO about his attending this meeting and CIVELLO stated that he had been invited by a "cousin" by the name of FRANK DESIMONE of Los Angeles, California. BRAECKLEIN stated he asked him what degree of relationship he was to DESIMONE and he said "just a cousin". BRAECKLEIN advised that CIVELLO told him further that he went to this meeting with DESIMONE and that he did not know beforehand that such a meeting was to be held. BRAECKLEIN stated that CIVELLO told him that he had not been involved in illegal activities of any kind since he had been released

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from the penitentiary in 1944, at Leavenworth, Kansas. BRAECKLEIN stated that he would further question CIVELLO in an effort to ascertain circumstances around CIVELLO's presence at the meeting at Apalachin, New York.

On March 20 and 21, 1958, BRAECKLEIN advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN that he had questioned CIVELLO for approximately three hours and that CIVELLO stated to him that actually DESIMONE was not related to him other than he referred to him as "cousin". He stated CIVELLO told him that he went to New York with DESIMONE via American Airlines and that he did not know what the meeting was all about. He told BRAECKLEIN that he was extremely sorry that he had attended the meeting, but that he would not talk about what other Italians were doing and therefore would not discuss any phase of the meeting at Apalachin, New York. He stated that he had not discussed it with anyone since he returned to Dallas from that meeting and that he had not even discussed it with his wife. BRAECKLEIN confidentially advised that he had not fully made up his mind as to whether he wanted to represent CIVELLO and told CIVELLO that if he was involved with this so-called "Mafia" group in the East, he would not represent him. CIVELLO told BRAECKLEIN that he was mixed up with no "Mafia" organization and never had been.

CIVELLO testified before the United States Special Grand Jury, Southern District of New York, January 28, 1958, and before the Tioga County Grand Jury, Oswego, New York, February 4, 1958, relative to his activities at the meeting in JOSEPH BARBARA's home, November 14, 1957.

On April 1, 1958, CIVELLO related the following information to SA VINCENT E. DRAIN.

CIVELLO related that a short time prior to November 14, 1957, he left his home in Dallas, Texas, and went to New York on a business trip. He stated that he went alone to New York City. He stated upon arriving in New York City he contacted the Domestic Oil Company, which apparently handles imported olive oil, and also the Rossi Company, which apparently handles Vermouth, and to the best of his memory this was on November 13, 1957. He stated that there were two other businesses he had to contact in Brooklyn and that he contacted them by telephone since he did not know his way around in Brooklyn. He stated further that on November 14, 1957, he met his cousin FRANK DESIMONE (Los Angeles top hoodlum) in the coffee shop of Hotel New Yorker where they

had a meal together. He stated that while he was sitting in the coffee shop, a large built individual walked into the coffee shop and started talking to FRANK DESIMONE. He related that this individual was talking to DESIMONE about making a short trip with him to some point outside of New York, and that CIVELLO really did not pay too much attention to the name of the place. He stated that DESIMONE told this individual that he did not really have the time to go and at this point DESIMONE turned to CIVELLO and asked CIVELLO if he would like to go with them. CIVELLO stated that he had made all the contacts that he was able to make that day and that he had intended seeing one person on a business deal and later found out he could not see this person until November 15, 1957, and therefore, he had some leisure time on his hands. He stated that he, DESIMONE, and the large individual got into what he believes to have been a Cadillac automobile and drove to Apalachin, New York. He stated upon arriving at Apalachin, he observed several people at this home, which he later learned was JOE BARBARA's home, drinking and eating. He advised that it resembled a cocktail party more than anything else. After arrival at this place, CIVELLO and DESIMONE had a steak, according to CIVELLO, and a couple of drinks of liquor. CIVELLO estimated that they spent about four or five hours at this place and during the time he was there he observed no general meeting as such. According to CIVELLO, he did not know any of the individuals at this meeting other than DESIMONE and the person who accompanied them to Apalachin, New York, from New York City.

CIVELLO described the gathering as persons who were gathered around in groups of four and five people and engaging in general conversation. CIVELLO stated that at no time did anyone ask him about gambling, narcotics, or other illegal activities or legal activities. He stated that he was introduced to three or four people there but had never seen these people before and did not remember their names. CIVELLO related that upon leaving JOE BARBARA's home to return to New York, they were stopped by the New York State Police and questioned. After showing their identification, they were released.

CIVELLO stated they traveled back to New York City arriving there between 3 and 4 o'clock in the morning on November 15, 1957. CIVELLO would not disclose where he stayed at New York, but he stated it was a small hotel

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where he had been getting room reservations for years and stayed at while on business trips in New York. He stated that his specific reason for not giving the name of the hotel was that he was well acquainted at this hotel and he did not want FBI Agents or anyone else making any inquiries there since it would hurt his reputation and credit rating at this hotel.

SA DRAIN gained the impression from CIVELLO, if CIVELLO was telling the truth, that the hotel possibly could be in the very near vicinity of the Hotel New Yorker.

CIVELLO was questioned as to whether or not he had any conversation with FRANK DESIMONE prior to the Apalachin trip, specifically if CIVELLO had any telephone conversations with DESIMONE in the month of October, 1957. CIVELLO stated that he could not recall whether or not he had talked to DESIMONE since he talked to DESIMONE quite frequently. CIVELLO explained that DESIMONE's father was a first cousin to his, (CIVELLO's), mother and that DESIMONE's sister and other relatives quite frequently visited at CIVELLO's home. CIVELLO spoke of ROSALIE DESIMONE as having visited their home in Dallas only last summer and fall. CIVELLO claimed that he had never had any contacts with DESIMONE other than visiting on a kinship basis.

CIVELLO was questioned as to whether or not he had ever been in Scranton, Pennsylvania, at which time CIVELLO stated he had never been in Scranton, Pennsylvania, in his life.

CIVELLO was questioned further as to whether or not he knew or had ever met individuals by the names of CERRITO, JAMES LANZA, or anyone by the name of SCOZZARI. CIVELLO stated he had never known these individuals in his life and to the best of his memory he had never met them.

CIVELLO related that he was questioned shortly after last Christmas by Chief of Police CARL F. HANSSON of the Dallas Police Department concerning his trip to Apalachin, New York, and also questioned by SAs DRAIN and BARDWELL D. ODUM on December 27, 1957, and again on January 2, 1958. Following this, CIVELLO stated that he was subpoenaed before the Federal Grand Jury for the Southern District of New York for January 21, 1958. CIVELLO stated that on January 16, 1958, he and his wife departed on Texas and Pacific Train for New York. CIVELLO related that he was held over and testified at various times in New York.

CIVELLO stated that on January 28, 1958, he was reading the New York Daily News and observed an individual's picture in the paper by the name of RUSSELL BUFFALINO, who was having a deportation hearing or something of that nature in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He stated that he immediately called his wife's attention to the article and to the picture of BUFFALINO and stated to his wife that "this was the man who approached FRANK (meaning FRANK DESIMONE) and myself in the coffee shop of the Hotel New Yorker and asked us to go to Apalachin, New York with him on November 14, 1957". CIVELLO advised that he had never seen or met BUFFALINO prior to November 14, 1957, but that he immediately recognized his picture after viewing it in the above-mentioned newspaper article.

CIVELLO advised that no one would probably ever believe him but he considered himself a victim of circumstances in this matter and that he was not mixed up in any "rackets", but the only thing that he had done since getting out of the Federal penitentiary in 1944, was occasionally placing some gambling bets on athletic events. CIVELLO related that he had a bad heart and could not walk for more than two blocks without resting. He stated he contemplated having a heart operation either in the fall or the spring.

CIVELLO further related that he had income enough to keep his family from "starving" from oil royalties in Louisiana and Oklahoma. He stated that as of January 1, 1958, he had sold his 25 per cent interest in the CIVELLO imported food and liquor business which was previously a partnership between him and his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO, and his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO.

CIVELLO was friendly during the course of this conversation but stated that this was the story and he did not care to repeat it further. When CIVELLO was questioned as to who he contacted at Domestic Oil Company and Rossi Company, he stated that he did not desire to disclose any names since agents of the FBI would be calling on these people and that he was well respected and had good credit rating with these people and he did not desire to disclose their names.

On December 27, 1957, CIVELLO was advised by SA VINCENT E. DRAIN regarding information furnished by the Los Angeles Division concerning information received that one JOSEPH SEVEL would be killed within the next two weeks in Dallas, Texas, by an unidentified individual.

A review of the files of this office reflected that since this information contained what appeared to be the residence address of CIVELLO, that the individual referred to as SEVEL was most likely JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO. This was also the opinion of Chief of Police CARL F. HANSSON, Dallas, Texas, Police Department.

CIVELLO was requested to appear at the office of Chief of Police CARL F. HANSSON on December 27, 1957, at which time HANSSON personally interviewed CIVELLO for a period of approximately two hours. HANSSON questioned CIVELLO about his trip to Apalachin, New York, on November 14, 1957. CIVELLO claimed that he flew to New York with his cousin, FRANK DESIMONE of Los Angeles, California, and stayed at the home of a friend in New York City. He would not identify the friend's name. CIVELLO claimed that he was in New York on a business trip and was invited by DESIMONE to accompany him. He stated while at New York City, he went with DESIMONE to Apalachin, New York, for a "crap game". He denied knowing any of the individuals at the Apalachin meeting but did admit knowing ROCCO PELLEGRINO, White Plains, New York. He also admitted being a good friend of the late SAM MACEO of Galveston, Texas.

On January 10, 1958, M. A. GENARO, offices in the Adolphus Towers, Dallas, Texas, and JULIUS SCHEPPS, wholesale liquor dealer, all well acquainted with the individual, advised that the only information they could obtain concerning the individual during the past several days was the fact that he had been going only from his home to his place of business.

On January 6, 1958, Chief of Police CARL F. HANSSON, Dallas, advised that Lieutenant P. W. LAWRENCE of his department would appear before the Dallas County Judge LEW STERRETT on January 7, 1958, for the purpose of protesting the renewal of a liquor license and off-premises beer license by CIVELLO for his place of business. On January 7, 1958, Judge STERRETT ordered CIVELLO to appear and show cause why he should not have his liquor license renewed. Judge STERRETT advised on January 7, 1958, that CIVELLO failed to appear as ordered but that CIVELLO did advise him by phone that he was selling his interest in the Civello Food and Liquor to his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO, and his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO.

Chief of Police CARL F. HANSSON, on January 10, 1958, advised that the Department of Public Safety, through one of their confidential informants, had learned that CIVELLO had not made or received any long distance telephone calls since his return to Dallas from the meeting at Apalachin, New York, on November 14, 1957.

On January 10, 1958, CIVELLO contacted SA DRAIN and advised that he was selling his share of the business of the import food and liquor to his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO, and his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO. CIVELLO advised that his share of the business was 25 per cent.

Chief of Police CARL F. HANSSON, on November 19, 1957, advised that his department had kept a very close check of CIVELLO's activities and that they had not been able to come up with anything which would reflect any illegal activities on the part of CIVELLO since his release from prison in 1944. He stated that if CIVELLO had been involved in prostitution, narcotics, gambling, book making, lotteries or any other illegal activities, it was not known to the Dallas Police Department. HANSSON stated he felt that CIVELLO would like to get into the narcotics field again but had made no overt act towards such as known to the Dallas Police Department.

WALTER STOKES, United States Probation Officer, Dallas, Texas, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on December 18, 1957, that he supervised CIVELLO from 1944 until 1948, and that CIVELLO conducted himself during that period, and as far as he knew he was engaged in no illegal activities of any kind.

Mr. M. A. GENARO, Investment Broker, Adolphus Tower, Dallas, Texas, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on December 18, 1957, he had known CIVELLO and his family for the past several years intimately and that he knew of no illegal activities on the part of CIVELLO and stated he was completely stunned and shocked when he read the publicity CIVELLO received from his attendance of an underworld meeting in New York.

Sheriff J. E. DECKER, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, Dallas, Texas, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on November 19, 1957, that he had followed CIVELLO's activities closely and knew of no illegal operations being conducted by CIVELLO in the last several years. Sheriff DECKER stated that his impression of CIVELLO was that he would like to be a "big shot" and to

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associate with the Italian underworld characters but that he had been afraid to attempt such in Dallas, Texas, in the last few years since both the local Police Department and Sheriff's Office had attempted to stamp out narcotics, gambling, and prostitution activities as much as possible.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-2 advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on November 22, 1957, that he had known CIVELLO for several years and knew him when informant was Assistant District Attorney of Dallas County. He stated he had had no information of any kind which would indicate CIVELLO had been engaged in illegal activities in the City of Dallas.

JULIUS SCHEPPS, a highly respectable citizen and a large wholesale liquor dealer, Dallas, Texas, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on December 19, 1957, that he was closely acquainted with CIVELLO and that he did not know of any underworld activities being conducted by CIVELLO and that it was his belief that any that would be carried on by CIVELLO probably would be with Eastern underworld characters. SCHEPPS had no basis for stating that, other than the recent publicity that he had read in the newspapers concerning CIVELLO.

On June 23, 1958, Deputy United States Marshal HENRY WHITE, Dallas, Texas, advised that CIVELLO had been served with a subpoena to appear before the McClellan Senate Committee at Washington, D. C.

On June 24, 1958, Dallas Attorneys WILLIAM OSCAR BRAECKLEIN and LESTER L. MAY, who were representing CIVELLO, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN that CIVELLO had been subpoenaed to testify before the McClellan Senate Committee. Mr. BRAECKLEIN stated no definite date had been set for CIVELLO's appearance. MAY stated he telephonically communicated with an Associate Counsel of this Committee by the name of TIERNEY who advised him that it would be some time before CIVELLO would be called and that MAY would be notified directly. BRAECKLEIN stated CIVELLO appeared to be "shook up" when served with this subpoena.

On July 15, 1958, LESTER L. MAY advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN that he doubted if CIVELLO would ever be called before the McClellan Committee. MAY stated he had advised CIVELLO to take the Fifth Amendment to all questions should he be called to testify before the Committee.

On September 12, 1958, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised he feels certain CIVELLO will not attend other meetings like the Apalachin meeting, as CIVELLO has indicated he is through with any activity of that type which would cause the "heat" and publicity gained from that incident. T-1 advised he does not believe CIVELLO or anyone will dare discuss the "meeting at Apalachin" due to the "heat" that has been applied on the subject. T-1 stated he feels sure CIVELLO is not presently engaged in any criminal activity.

On March 10, 1959, Dallas Confidential Informant T-10 advised CIVELLO had been subpoenaed to appear before a Federal Grand Jury at Los Angeles, California, in the near future, at which time he would be questioned concerning the activities of alleged Mafia members who were present at the Apalachin, New York, meeting in November, 1957, and who reside in the western United States. T-10 stated he understood CIVELLO was going to be offered immunity; therefore, CIVELLO need not apply the Fifth Amendment to any questions concerning his knowledge of other individuals.

On March 9, 1959, the Los Angeles Office advised CIVELLO was scheduled to appear before the Federal Grand Jury at Los Angeles on March 12, 1959.

On March 13, 1959, Los Angeles advised that LLOYD F. DUNN, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, is directing testimony before the Federal Grand Jury investigating organized crime in Los Angeles. Mr. DUNN volunteered on March 13, 1959, that [redacted] appeared before the Federal Grand Jury on [redacted]

[redacted] Los Angeles Grand Jury [JFK Act 10(a)2] advised CIVELLO was accompanied by attorney WILLIAM O. BRAECKLEIN of Dallas, Texas, and they returned to Dallas at once, according to the Los Angeles Office. Means of travel was unknown.

LESTER MAY, Attorney, Dallas, Texas, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on March 18, 1959, that WILLIAM O. BRAECKLEIN, his law partner, had accompanied CIVELLO to Los Angeles and while in Los Angeles, suffered a broken leg caused in an automobile accident. He said BRAECKLEIN is attempting to delay CIVELLO's reappearance before the Grand Jury at Los Angeles, scheduled for April 16, 1959.

On March 14, 1959, articles appeared in Dallas newspapers stating that CIVELLO was being instructed by United States District Court Judge at Los Angeles, California,

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to answer questions put to him by a Federal Grand Jury. CIVELLO was told by the Judge to be prepared to answer any questions about other individuals that would not incriminate him personally at a later date when he would be recalled before the Federal Grand Jury. Newspaper articles indicated the date of CIVELLO's reappearance before the Federal Grand Jury was April 16, 1959. Newspaper articles mentioned CIVELLO having connections with the Italian criminal underworld known widely as the "Mafia".

On March 31, 1959, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 remarked that he had read articles in Dallas newspapers concerning CIVELLO's supposed connection with the Mafia. In response to a question regarding this possibility, Dallas T-1 stated in his opinion, JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO is the top ranking member of an Italian criminal organization, in the Dallas area, which is sometimes referred to as the Mafia. He stated CIVELLO achieved this ranking during his more active years as a hoodlum and primarily because of a murder CIVELLO committed in 1928. He stated CIVELLO shot one JOE DE CARLO with a sawed-off shotgun in a drug store in Dallas, Texas, on July 14, 1928. CIVELLO was exonerated of murder charges after claiming the shooting was accidental. T-1 stated in his opinion, DE CARLO's murder was ordered by the "organization" after DE CARLO had attempted to hold out a considerable amount of money accumulated through illegal activities. T-1 stated this information came to him indirectly and he has no information concerning actual proof of the above.

T-1 further advised that the original head of the Mafia in Texas was CARLO T. PIRANIO (born May 8, 1876, in Sicily) who held that position until his death in 1930. At that time, CARLO's brother, JOSEPH T. PIRANIO, became the leader of the Mafia in Texas and retained same until his suicide in 1956, at which time JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO became the head man.

Dallas T-1 explained that in practically every major city in the United States, there is a "head man" who has complete control of all Italian criminal activities in that area. Dallas T-1 described this man as being a direct representative of the top echelon of the Italian criminal element in the United States and any activity by an Italian criminal in that man's area must be cleared through him prior to completion of that activity. He said this "head man"

usually received 25 per cent of the net income from any criminal activity. According to T-1, this position is designated to those who have proved themselves capable in the past and who qualify as being capable, usually through the commission of a felony. The commission of this felony, which is usually murder, has to be done for the benefit of the group and in a way in which the group approves. On some occasions the position is inherited from a father or a brother.

Dallas T-1 pointed out that CIVELLO's activities are limited primarily as overseer and conciliator for Mafia groups and adherents confined to the Dallas area. T-1 advised that several young Italians in the Dallas area are aspiring to take JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO's place when such is vacated and that the most aspiring one is JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142. Dallas Confidential Informant T-10 designated IANNI as a Mafia member, based on previous investigation by T-10.

On March 4, 1959, Dallas County Sheriff BILL DECKER advised SA ROBERT M. BARRETT that he had received information from reliable sources who stated that ~~at~~ one time, JOSEPH T. PIRANIO was the supposed Mafia contact in Dallas prior to his death and had been succeeded in that position by JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO. Mr. DECKER stated that CIVELLO acquired this position through his relationship, both business and by marriage, with relations of PIRANIO and through CIVELLO's association in the 1930's with PETER MICHAEL DUCA, FBI No. 45170 (deceased). Mr. DECKER stated that DUCA came to Dallas from New Orleans, Louisiana originally and was suspected of being the "trigger man" or "enforcer" for the group wherever he was needed in the United States. Mr. DECKER stated that DUCA, who operated a small grocery in Dallas, would disappear from the Dallas area for short periods of time and then would return with a large amount of money in his possession. At about the same time, according to Mr. DECKER, he would notice that there would be a gangland killing reported in the newspapers as happening some place in the United States, such as Chicago, New York or Philadelphia.

Mr. DECKER reported that in his own mind, he believed that the murder of JOE DE CARLO on July 14, 1928, on the streets of Dallas, by JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO was a Mafia-type assassination.



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Mr. DECKER stated he had never received any information that the Italian element had ever tried to take over any of the rackets in the Dallas area, but had been content to live on what they could take through narcotics traffic, bootlegging and gambling. Mr. DECKER made a statement that he was convinced that any time an Italian of Sicilian extraction was involved in narcotics traffic, it would be a Mafia-type endeavor.

On March 30, 1959, Deputy Sheriff O'BYRNE COX, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, advised he had information from confidential sources who indicated that the original head of the Mafia in Texas was CARLO T. PIRANIO, who was succeeded by his brother, JOSEPH T. PIRANIO, and subsequently by JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-8 advised on March 27, 1959, that CIVELLO is a relative by marriage to JOSEPH T. PIRANIO. In addition to this, CIVELLO was a pallbearer at both the funerals of JOSEPH T. PIRANIO and PIRANIO's wife, LEAN PIRANIO.

On the night of April 1, 1959, Bureau Agents observed CIVELLO attending a rosary held at a Dallas funeral home for Mrs. CLEMENZIA PIRANIO, wife of CARLO, who died on March 31, 1959.

Dallas T-8 advised on March 27, 1959, that he is well acquainted with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and in the past CIVELLO has furnished him business from those individuals who associate with CIVELLO. T-8 said he has conversed with CIVELLO on several occasions, and CIVELLO mentioned the Apalachin meeting on one occasion, stating that since his appearance there, he became a "celebrity" and could not understand all the interest in him by law enforcement agencies as he claimed to know nothing about the reason for the Apalachin meeting.

On April 1, 1959, Dallas T-8 advised SA ROBERT M. BARRETT that CLEMENZIA PIRANIO, wife of CARLO PIRANIO (deceased), died from natural causes on March 31, 1959, and a rosary was to be held for her at the Dudley Hughes Funeral Home at Dallas on the night of April 1, 1959, between 8 and 9 p.m. T-8 stated CIVELLO and several of his associates, including JOE and SAM CAMPISI, JOE and ROSS MUSSO, and TONY MENTESANA, would be present.

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On the night of April 1, 1959, SAs ROBERT M. BARRETT and MILTON L. NEWSOM observed numerous cars as they appeared at the parking lot at the Dudley Hughes Funeral Home. JOSEPH CIVELLO was observed to arrive in a 1955 blue and white Buick, which he drives but which is registered to ROSS MUSSO, his brother-in-law.

On April 27, 1959, LESTER MAY, CIVELLO's attorney, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN that CIVELLO's appearance before the Federal Grand Jury in Los Angeles, California, has been postponed indefinitely.

On May 11, 1959, the Los Angeles Division advised that information was received indicating CIVELLO was scheduled to appear before the Federal Grand Jury in Los Angeles on May 14, 1959.

On May 13, 1959, the Los Angeles Division advised information had been received that a secret indictment was to be returned in the near future by Federal Grand Jury, Southern District of New York, alleging obstruction of justice and conspiracy on the part of certain individuals who attended the Apalachin meeting. The individuals named who were to be indicted included JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO. Information from Los Angeles pointed out that the arrest of the individuals, after secret indictment was returned, would be made simultaneously.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-9 on May 18, 1959, advised he had recently been in contact with some Italian friends and people who are well acquainted with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO. He stated these individuals reported CIVELLO is extremely nervous because of the constant checking on him by Federal Agents. T-9 stated CIVELLO continues to be the Number 1 man among the Italian criminal element in the Dallas area, and it is T-9's opinion that nothing would be conducted by Italians in that group without CIVELLO's approval.

As reported above, on May 21, 1959, CIVELLO was arrested by agents of the Federal Narcotics Bureau and two members of the Dallas Police Department on a warrant charging CIVELLO with conspiracy to commit perjury. Warrant was issued out of United States District Court, Southern District of New York. CIVELLO was arraigned before United States Commissioner WILLIAM MADDEN HILL at 9 a.m., May 21, 1959,

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and a temporary bond of \$30,000.00 was set. CIVELLO immediately made bond and was released. United States Commissioner HILL set removal hearing for May 28, 1959.

According to Dallas Confidential Informant T-10, CIVELLO was photographed and fingerprinted by the Dallas Police Department prior to his arraignment before United States Commissioner on May 21, 1959. During the arraignment, CIVELLO became irritated and blurted out that, "no one is going to run anywhere, I've got nothing to run from," as CIVELLO was objecting to the high amount of the bond. T-10 advised that during a search of CIVELLO's residence, a .25 caliber and a .38 caliber pistol were found, both loaded. The search took place incidental to CIVELLO's arrest.

T-10 stated he noticed United States Probation Officer ELI NOLLETTE proceeding to a telephone immediately after the hearing in a manner which, to T-10, indicated NOLLETTE wished to report to someone details of the proceedings. T-10 stated that NOLLETTE, along with Assistant United States Probation Officer WALTER STOKES, became friends of CIVELLO at the time CIVELLO was on Federal probation in Dallas following CIVELLO's Leavenworth Penitentiary sentence several years ago.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-2 advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on May 29, 1959, that it was his understanding LESTER MAY, attorney for CIVELLO, planned to attempt to get the bond substantially lowered on CIVELLO at a hearing before United States District Judge T. WHITFIELD DAVIDSON, Dallas, scheduled for June 5, 1959. T-2 stated MAY planned to fight the removal of CIVELLO to New York. T-2 further advised that WALTER STOKES, Assistant United States Probation Officer, Dallas, Texas, might be called by MAY to testify as to the good character of CIVELLO since CIVELLO's release from Leavenworth Penitentiary several years ago. STOKES, according to T-2, was the probation officer that CIVELLO reported to at Dallas, Texas, during CIVELLO's probation period; and during that time, CIVELLO and STOKES became warm, personal friends. T-2 stated that LESTER MAY told him he was going to use every delaying tactic possible in the hearing before Judge DAVIDSON.

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On May 28, 1959, CIVELLO was given a removal hearing before United States Commissioner HILL at Dallas, at which time CIVELLO's attorney, LESTER MAY, stated he would fight the removal of CIVELLO to New York with every means possible. MAY stated he would appeal to United States District Judge T. WHITFIELD DAVIDSON. At the hearing a New York State Trooper who had interviewed CIVELLO at Apalachin, New York, on November 14, 1957, identified CIVELLO as the same person named in the indictment. United States Commissioner HILL ordered CIVELLO's bond of \$30,000, returnable Southern District of New York, July 3, 1959, which was the date of scheduled trial of CIVELLO.

Dallas T-10 advised on June 1, 1959, that the State Trooper who testified at CIVELLO's hearing before United States Commissioner at Dallas, told him that the investigation by the New York State Police revealed that there were possibly 80 or 90 persons in attendance at Apalachin and that one of these was believed to be a man from New Orleans named PAUL CARCELLI. It has been ascertained that CARCELLI had obtained a rent-a-car in the Apalachin area during the evening of November 14, 1957, and three days later returned this automobile with 1,200 miles having been driven during that period. It should be noted that one of CIVELLO's closest associates in Dallas is JOHN M. CARCELLI, FBI No. 4755844. Attempts are being made to determine if these two individuals named CARCELLI are related.

On June 1, 1959, the Los Angeles Office advised information had been received at Los Angeles through a reliable source that JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO was scheduled to appear before the Federal Grand Jury in Los Angeles on June 11, 1959. Los Angeles stated the same source advised that a request had been made of the United States Department of Justice to grant immunity under the Narcotics Laws to CIVELLO, which was denied.

On June 2, 1959, CIVELLO was granted a removal hearing before United States District Court Judge T. WHITFIELD DAVIDSON at Dallas, Texas, who ordered CIVELLO's immediate removal to New York. Judge DAVIDSON assured CIVELLO he would receive just as fair treatment in New York as he would in Texas.

Dallas T-10 advised on June 3, 1959, that CIVELLO left via American Airlines for New York City on June 3, 1959. An article in the "Dallas Times Herald" on June 5, 1959,

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stated that CIVELLO had pleaded not guilty in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, under the charge of Conspiracy to Commit Perjury. CIVELLO's original bond of \$30,000 was reduced to \$20,000, and CIVELLO returned to Dallas, Texas.

The New York Office advised on August 28, 1959, that Mr. DAVID SWEENEY, Assistant Clerk of Courts, Criminal Division, United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on August 24, 1959, advised SA JOHN EDWARD SHEDD that CIVELLO appeared in the above court on June 4, 1959, and pleaded not guilty. Bail was set in the amount of \$20,000. CIVELLO was represented by Attorney DAVID M. MARKOWITZ, 261 Broadway, New York City. CIVELLO was scheduled to appear for trial on October 13, 1959, before United States District Court Judge I. R. KAUFMAN.

On June 4, 1959, the Bureau advised that an indictment was returned on May 13, 1959, charging 27 alleged Apalachin participants with a general conspiracy to obstruct justice and includes three separate counts of perjury involving the testimony of JOSEPH MAGLIOCCO, JOSEPH PROFACI, and PASQUALE TURRIGIANO before a Special Federal Grand Jury, Southern District of New York. The court case is titled "United States vs. BONANNO; ET AL, Southern District of New York, criminal 159-35".

The following are named as co-defendants with respect to the count involving conspiracy to obstruct justice:

JOSEPH BONANNO  
RUSSELL A. BUFALINO  
IGNATIUS CANNONE  
PAUL C. CASTELLANO  
JOSEPH F. CIVELLO  
FRANK CUCCHIARA  
JOHN A. DeMARCO  
FRANK A. DESIMONE  
NATALE EVOLA  
SALVATORE FALCONE  
JOSEPH IDA  
JAMES V. LaDUCA  
LOUIS A. LARASSO  
CARMINO LOMBARDOSZI

ANTONIO MAGADDINO  
JOSEPH MAGLIOCCO  
FRANK T. MAJURI  
MICHELE MIRANDA  
JOHN C. MONTANA  
JOHN ORMENTO  
JAMES OSTICCO  
JOSEPH PROFACI  
ANTHONY RIELA  
JOHN T. SCALISH  
ANGELO J. SCIANDRA  
SIMONE SCOZZARI  
PASQUALE TURRIGIANO

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The following are named as co-conspirators in the indictment but are not listed as co-defendants:

DOMINICK J. ALAIMO  
JOSEPH BARBARA, JR.  
ROY CARLISI  
GERARDO V. CATENA  
CHARLES CHIRI  
NICHOLAS CIVELLA  
JAMES COLLETTI  
DOMINICK D'AGOSTINO  
JOSEPH FALCONE  
JOSEPH FILARDO  
CARLO GAMBINO  
MICHAEL J. GENOVESE  
VITO GENOVESE  
ANTHONY F. GUARNIERI  
BARTOLO GUCCIA  
SAM LAGATTUTA  
JOHN S. LAROCCA  
RUSSELL V. MANCUSO

JOSEPH BARBARA, SR.  
GIOVANNI BONVENTRE  
GABRIEL MANNARINO  
PATSY MONACHINO  
SAM MONACHINO  
DOMINICK OLIVETO  
VINCENT RAO  
ARMAND T. RAVA  
JOSEPH RICCOBONO  
JOSEPH ROSATO  
PAUL SCARCELLI  
PATSY SCIORTINO  
SALVATORE TORNABE  
SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR.  
FRANK J. VALENTI  
STANLEY P. VALENTI  
EMANUEL ZICARI  
FRANK ZITO

The New York Office advised on October 17, 1959, that the trial in the case United States vs. BONANNO, ET AL, was scheduled to begin on October 26, 1959, in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, before United States District Judge IRVING KAUFMAN.

On October 30, 1959, the New York Office advised that CIVELLO is currently standing trial in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, in the case United States vs. BONANNO, ET AL. CIVELLO is being represented by Attorney DAVID M. MARKOWITZ. The principal defense attorney for all defendants is MAURICE EDELBAUM.

The New York Office pointed out that no active investigation is being conducted concerning CIVELLO so as not to prejudice the Federal Government's case. Any matters coming to the attention of the New York Office will be forwarded to the Dallas Office. Investigative efforts in this case will be held in abeyance until the conclusion of the trial.

On November 3, 1959, LEON CIVELLO, FBI No. 585782, cousin of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, advised SA ROBERT M. BARRETT that JOE CIVELLO was still in New York City on trial for conspiracy. LEON stated that "since that affair in New York (referring to the Apalachin Meeting) the whole CIVELLO family has caught hell".

On November 30, 1959, newspaper articles appearing in "Dallas Morning News" reflected the Government's phase of their case against the Apalachin attendees would deal with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, starting on November 30, 1959. Subpoenaed to testify for the Government were Dallas Police Department Chief CARL F. HANSSON; ERNEST M. GENTRY, Field Supervisor, United States Narcotics Bureau, Dallas, Texas; and SA VINCENT E. DRAIN.

A verdict was rendered in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on December 18, 1959, in which the Federal Jury found JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO guilty of Conspiracy to Obstruct Justice.

On January 13, 1960, the New York Office advised that on that date United States District Judge IRVING KAUFMAN sentenced CIVELLO to serve five years in custody of the Attorney General. Subsequently, CIVELLO was released on \$35,000 appeal bond.

On March 22, 1960, Assistant United States Attorney MARVIN SEGAL, Southern District of New York, Brooklyn, New York, advised SA ARTHUR J. ACHENBACH that appeals in the case involving CIVELLO are due to be filed by April 1, 1960. SEGAL related that departmental attorneys who will handle the appeals for the Government are not expected to arrive at the Second Circuit Court of Appeals, New York City, before the end of April or early May, 1960.

On March 22, 1960, newspaper articles appearing in Dallas newspapers reflected that PERCY FOREMAN, Houston, Texas, attorney, is to handle the appeal of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO. PERCY FOREMAN is a Houston criminal attorney who has been closely associated with SAMUEL WELLS HOOVER, Houston attorney who is considered an associate of numerous criminals in the Houston, Texas, area.

On April 4, 1960, Houston Confidential Informant T-12 advised PERCY FOREMAN, well-known Houston criminal attorney, has been retained as defense counsel for JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO. He stated he understood FOREMAN has been retained to represent CIVELLO as a result of the Apalachin meeting.

On May 31, 1960, the New York Office advised that appeal briefs in the court case involving CIVELLO, Second Circuit Court of Appeals, New York City, are due to be submitted by departmental attorneys by June 6, 1960. Hearings on the appeals are due to commence on June 9, 1960.

On June 10, 1960, Assistant United States Attorney MARVIN SEGAL, Southern District of New York, advised the appeals proceedings in instant case at Second Circuit Court of Appeals, New York City, were concluded on June 9, 1960. He stated it was the opinion of a number of his sources in the appeals court that no decision will be rendered on the appeal before September, 1960.

On July 28, 1960, the New York Office advised that Assistant United States Attorney MARVIN SEGAL was recontacted on July 26, 1960, and advised that the Second Circuit Court of Appeals, New York City, had not yet rendered an opinion on the appeal in instant case.

It should be noted that throughout the investigative period covered in this report, contacts with law enforcement officers, confidential informants and other sources acquainted with CIVELLO developed that CIVELLO has not taken an active part in criminal activities since his release from the Leavenworth Penitentiary in March, 1944. The above sources state CIVELLO is a contact man and has numerous associates among Italian criminals. He has associated with hoodlums who are engaged in narcotics traffic, prostitution and gambling activities; however, he has not taken an active part in carrying out these activities since the above date. Since the Apalachin meeting, CIVELLO has become even more inactive and has attempted to refrain from associating with individuals who are known to be engaged in criminal activities.

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On November 19, 1957, Chief of Police CARL F. HANSSON, Dallas, Texas, advised that CIVELLO, as far as the Dallas Police Department knew, had not engaged in any illegal criminal activities since his release from the Federal Penitentiary in 1944. HANSSON related that in March, 1953, the now deceased ANTHONY R. GIZZO, FBI No. 63534, of Kansas City, Missouri, visited in Dallas, Texas, to assist his son, JAMES ROBERT GIZZO, who was at that time being held for armed robbery. GIZZO died while in Dallas of a heart attack. HANSSON stated that due to GIZZO's prominence in the underworld, particular attention was given him by the Dallas Police Department and that GIZZO had had several



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telephone conversations during that period with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and CIVELLO's brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO. HANSSON stated thereafter CIVELLO made the funeral arrangements for GIZZO. HANSSON stated that CIVELLO was also connected with one JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142, and FRANK IANNI, now deceased, FBI No. 258733. HANSSON related that through a confidential source he had learned CIVELLO was an intimate friend and closely connected with one CARLOS MARCELLO, FBI No. 292542, an underworld character from New Orleans, Louisiana, and who at the present time is experiencing considerable difficulty with Immigration and Naturalization authorities. HANSSON related further that during the time GIZZO visited Dallas, GIZZO had a meeting with CIVELLO and the late SAM MACEO, a gambling operator of Galveston, Texas. HANSSON stated that his department had fairly well kept a close check on CIVELLO's activities in the last few years.

On December 2 and 3, 1957, BOWMAN TAYLOR of the United States Bureau of Narcotics, Dallas, Texas, advised that their files revealed that CIVELLO has associated in the past with the following persons:

ROSARIO MUSSO, with alias, Ross Musso, FBI No. 1878710. This person was born at Salaparito, Italy, on February 7, 1896, 5'3", 185 pounds, stocky build, cutscar outer corner left eye. MUSSO arrived in the United States at the Port of New York, January 16, 1922, via SS President Wilson. His father was listed as ROSARIO MUSSO, his mother as ANGELA CASCIO, and his brother as JOE MUSSO. He was married to FRANCES RITA CIVELLO, born August 23, 1908, Lobdell, West Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana, on July 22, 1928, place not shown.

MUSSO is the brother-in-law of CIVELLO, and is also his business partner in varied interests, according to information furnished by CIVELLO to SA PAUL H. RAINES on September 5, 1956.

JOE CASCIO, with alias, "Chile Joe", FBI No. 269247. CASCIO was reported by Narcotics Agent BOWMAN TAYLOR to have been involved in the extensive narcotics ring with CIVELLO in 1937, and was sentenced to a term in Leavenworth Penitentiary. TAYLOR reported CASCIO now operates a grocery store in Shreveport, Louisiana. He

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also stated CASCIO appears to have contacts with rather highly placed officials of the Shreveport, Louisiana, Police Department, since CASCIO learned of inquiries being made concerning him by the Narcotics Bureau, Dallas, Texas.

FRANK IANNI, FBI No. 58733. IANNI was reported to the Bureau of Narcotics, Houston, Texas, in April, 1956, from a source believed by that agency to be reliable, as the head of the activities of the Mafia in Texas. IANNI was also a member of the narcotics ring of which CIVELLO was a member and was sentenced to a term at Leavenworth Penitentiary. IANNI reportedly received a Presidential pardon several years ago, which halted the Immigration and Naturalization Service from efforts to deport IANNI. IANNI now deceased.

TODDO MARINO, Dixie Tavern, 20th Street and 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, who was reported by Agent TAYLOR on December 2, 1957, as allegedly active in narcotics in the New York area.

PETE MARINO, Dixie Tavern, 20th Street and 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, also reported by Agent TAYLOR as allegedly active in narcotics in New York.

CARL CIVELLO, subject of Bureau of Narcotics file WM - I - PG - 3378.

ROCCO PELLEGRINO, with aliases, Dominico Carlo, "Pop", 21 Park Avenue, White Plains, New York. PELLEGRINO was described by TAYLOR on December 2, 1957, as being one of the key figures in the narcotics traffic in the United States. Information concerning PELLEGRINO's activity is contained in Bureau of Narcotics file SE 101; New York: E505. ROCCO PELLEGRINO was reported by TAYLOR to be an associate of NICHOLAS LAFORO, Bureau of Narcotics file New York: S 8028, (memo February 7, 1951), AL EMBARATO, Bureau of Narcotics file New York: S 8594, (memo July 9, 1957), and the late IRVING WEXLER, Bureau of Narcotics file New York: S8607. PELLEGRINO is also mentioned in the New York State Crime Commission Probe, File #2, and in Bureau of Narcotics General File, "Mafia", (memo dated September 4, 1952).

CHARLES CASESA, also described by TAYLOR on December 2, 1957, as active in narcotics in New York, and who is also mentioned in the same Bureau of Narcotics files as is ROCCO PELLEGRINO.

CARMINE PELLEGRINO, with alias "Pete" Pellegrino, son of ROCCO PELLEGRINO. On January 27, 1955, Detectives CAPPAREL and NOSTAMO, New York City Police Department, advised the Bureau of Narcotics, New York City, that they had seen one JOSEPH CIUERELLO (identified by Bureau of Narcotics, Dallas, as being identical with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO) meet "PETE" PELLEGRINO, TODDO MARINO, PETE MARINO and CHARLES CASESA, all identified above, at the waiting room of American Airlines, Idlewild Airport, New York City, at 8 a.m., on January 27, 1955. All then walked together to the Brass Rail Cafe, a few blocks distant, had breakfast, and then returned to the American Airlines waiting room where CIVELLO boarded American Airlines Flight 87, 9 a.m. departure, for Dallas, Texas. These detectives had received information, according to Narcotics Agent TAYLOR, that CIVELLO was in New York to meet with ROCCO PELLEGRINO concerning a large "deal".

A. S. MARSHALL, Washington, D. C. Agent TAYLOR advised that A. S. MARSHALL was reported to reside at the Carlisle Hotel, Washington, D. C., and to be a close associate of MICKEY MORRISON, International Narcotics List No. 238.

G. WRAY GILL, New Orleans, Louisiana. Agent TAYLOR advised on December 3, 1957, that the New Orleans Office of the Bureau of Narcotics had reported GILL to be an attorney representing the criminal element in New Orleans and specifically to have represented CARLOS MARCELLO in a deportation proceeding.

CARLOS MARCELLO, New Orleans, Louisiana. MARCELLO was described by Agent TAYLOR on December 3, 1957, as being active in underworld affairs in New Orleans, and specifically to be a prominent figure in gambling activities in that area.

FRANK TORTICELLI. Agent TAYLOR advised that on April 23, 1956, the Houston Office of the Bureau of Narcotics had reported TORTICELLI and CIVELLO were in Houston, Texas, on April 18, 1956, for a meeting with VETO GIORDONELLO (Bureau of Narcotics File TEX: 11965), who was expected to be released on bond in a narcotics case. However, GIORDONELLO was rearrested on another charge immediately upon his release, so that the meeting did not take place. TORTICELLI was described as being of New York and Chicago, but to have recently moved to Dallas, Texas, and to be associated with

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CIVELLO in the operation of the Windmill Club, Fort Worth, Texas. According to the Houston information, CIVELLO was using the Windmill Club as a base for his operations and was reported to be associated with FRANK IANNI, reportedly in charge of the activity of the Mafia in Texas.

On December 20, 1957, the New York Division advised concerning background information regarding the following individuals:

TODDO MARINO  
PETE MARINO  
ROCCO PELLEGRINO  
CHARLES CASESA  
CARMINE PELLEGRINO  
FRANK TORTICELLI

The records of the Criminal Intelligence Squad, the Bureau of Narcotics, and the Bureau of Criminal Intelligence, New York City Police Department, as well as the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, New York City, failed to reveal any information concerning CIVELLO, other than that previously reported. There is no information available as to the degree of association with CIVELLO of the above-named individuals.

TODDO MARINO

THOMAS ALOYSIUS MARINO, with aliases, Salvatore Gaetano Maiorana (True Name), Gaetano Marino, Godo Marino, Salvatore Marino, Thomas Morano, Toddo Marine, Tato, Toddo, Toddy, Todo, Tota and Totto, FBI No. 1644357, born June 9, 1898, Italy, resides 286 - 19th Street, Brooklyn, New York, designated as a top hoodlum. Arrested by Immigration and Naturalization Service on May 26, 1953, for deportation on warrant charging that he had been convicted of two crimes involving moral turpitude, namely, petty larceny and attempted burglary. A summary judgment cancelling deportation order granted in United States District Court, in District of Columbia, on March 15, 1956.

The records of Bureau of Criminal Intelligence, New York City Police Department, on December 17, 1957, reflected MARINO has arrest record dating from January 13, 1916, which includes petty larceny, assault and robbery, vagrancy, and intimidation of a witness.

His FBI Identification Record, dated February 2, 1954, under FBI No. 1644357, reflects arrests beginning October 30, 1934, through June 4, 1957.

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On May 28, 1953, Mr. THOMAS JONES of the New York State Anti-Crime Commission, made available to SA JOHN J. DANAHY a list of waterfront characters with criminal records. THOMAS ALOYSIUS MARINO, with aliases, was included on this list.

Assistant Supervisor IRVING GREENFELD, Federal Bureau of Narcotics, New York City, related in 1946, that TODDO MARINO was a lieutenant of LITTLE AUGIE CARFANO, who was responsible to JOE ADONIS, undisputed underworld boss.

MARINO has reportedly been engaged in bookmaking, receiving stolen goods, narcotics, Italian lottery, stolen cars, waterfront activity and the vending and amusement machine business.

The records of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics as made available to SA EDWARD THOMAS WALSH, JR., on December 17, 1957, by GEORGE RAYHOUSE, revealed that MARINO was alleged to be the dictator of all rackets in the South Brooklyn, Bay Ridge and Red Hook sections of Brooklyn. His activities include highjacking, receiving stolen property, smuggling narcotics and drugs into the United States, and smuggling diamonds to Europe. He has associated for many years with FRANK COSTELLO, ALBERT ANASTASIA, JOE ADONIS, VITO GENOVESE and ANTHONY (LITTLE AUGIE) CARFANO.

The records of the Criminal Intelligence Squad, New York City Police Department, as made available to SA WALSH, on December 17, 1957, revealed that TODDO MARINO holds perpetual conferences with men from many cities at his restaurant, the Dixie Tavern, 20th Street and Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. He is alleged to hold court and arbitrate disputes arising in the underworld in a coffee shop in downtown Brooklyn, daily from 3 to 6 p.m. He was noted in these records as being an associate of CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, VINCENT MARGANO, ROCCO PELLEGRINO, MIKE CLEMENTE, JOHNNY ODDO and JOSEPH PROFACI.

The records of the Narcotics Bureau, New York City Police Department, contain no additional information regarding TODDO MARINO, except that MARINO is regarded as one of the top men in the underworld.

#### PETE MARINO

Lt. JOHN ALFORD, Brooklyn Headquarters, New York City Police Department, advised in 1953, that PETE MARINO, with alias "Blind Pete", was a nephew of TODDO MARINO. He said that PETE conducts bookmaking activities.

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Records of the Criminal Intelligence Squad, New York City Police Department, as reviewed on December 17, 1957, revealed that PETE MARINO was arrested on February 23, 1940, and charged with a violation of the narcotics law. On March 20, 1946 a Nolle Prose was entered.

The records of the Bureau of Criminal Intelligence, New York City Police Department, as caused to be reviewed on December 18, 1955, failed to reveal any additional information on this individual.

The records of the Bureau of Narcotics, New York City Police Department, as reviewed on December 19, 1957, failed to produce any information regarding PETE MARINO.

ROCCO PELLEGRINO, CARMINE PELLEGRINO and PETE PELLEGRINO

The Criminal Intelligence Squad, New York City Police Department, was contacted on December 17, 1957. Records revealed that ROCCO PELLEGRINO is a white male, date of birth April 13, 1889. He owns and operates a bakery in White Plains, New York, and resides at 20 Carrigan Avenue, White Plains. ROCCO PELLEGRINO is the father of CARMINE PELLEGRINO and PETE PELLEGRINO, and all are associates of TODDO MARINO.

ROCCO PELLEGRINO was questioned by the New York City Police Department in regard to the murder of ARNOLD SCHUSTER in New York City.

In September, 1952, ROCCO PELLEGRINO attended the wedding reception of the daughter of MIKE CLEMENTE, together with every big-time racketeer in the New York area.

The records of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, as reviewed on December 17, 1957, revealed that the name of ROCCO PELLEGRINO was found on the person of IRVING WEXLER, with alias Waxie Gordon, at the time of his death, and that PELLEGRINO was an associate of JOHN ORMENTO.

The records of the New York State Crime Commission, as examined by the Criminal Intelligence Squad, New York City Police Department, list ROCCO PELLEGRINO as advisor to ALBERT ANASTASIA, VINCENT MARGANO, MIKE CLEMENTE and MICKEY BOWERS, on mob policy on the waterfront of New York City.

According to records of the White Plains Police Department ROCCO PELLEGRINO was arrested on March 20, 1913, on coroner's warrant in connection with homicide of one PHILLIP CARRIDA, killed on February 26, 1912, in a rooming house in White Plains. No disposition was noted.

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On June 17, 1913, ROCCO PELLEGRINO was indicted for robbery first degree. No disposition noted.

December 16, 1918, he was indicted for assault in the first degree and sentenced on February 5, 1919, to 1½ to 2½ years in Sing Sing. Paroled April 5, 1920.

October 17, 1921, indicted Westchester County, New York, Grand Jury, on charge of abandonment, charge still open.

January 10, 1929, arrested as material witness in death of one TERRATINO. No disposition.

September 26, 1945, arrested Portchester, New York, gambling, paid \$500 fine same day.

The records of the White Plains Police Department show that CARMINE PELLEGRINO was the first of eight children of ROCCO PELLEGRINO. CARMINE has been arrested in White Plains a number of times for bookmaking and policy numbers.

The records of the Internal Revenue Service, Treasury Department, as examined in 1953, reflected that

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The records of the Bureau of Criminal Intelligence, New York City Police Department, as reviewed on December 18, 1957, did not produce any information concerning either CARMINE or PETER PELLEGRINO.

ROCCO PELLEGRINO testified before the New York Crime Commission on January 21, 1953, at which time he refused to admit any association with underworld characters and even refused to admit that he had a son, PETER PELLEGRINO. After considerable questioning he finally admitted that PELLEGRINO was his son.

The records of the Criminal Intelligence Squad and the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, failed to produce any information concerning PETER PELLEGRINO.

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CHARLES CASESA

The records of the Criminal Intelligence Squad, New York City Police Department, failed to reveal any information concerning CHARLES CASESA.

The records of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, as reviewed on December 17, 1957, revealed that CHARLES CASESA was arrested on April 11, 1938, for the possession and attempted sale of narcotics. He received a sentence of two years, on June 2, 1938, and a fine of \$5,000. He also was sentenced on June 11, 1939, to five years in jail on a similar charge.

His FBI Identification Record, as of 1952, under FBI No. 1425651, reflects arrests beginning December 23, 1937, through September 11, 1942, for narcotics violations.

The records of the Bureau of Criminal Intelligence, New York City Police Department, failed to reveal any additional information regarding CASESA.

The records of the New York City Bureau of Narcotics also failed to produce any information regarding CASESA.

FRANK TORTICELLI

The Criminal Intelligence Squad, New York City Police Department, and the Bureau of Criminal Intelligence, and the Narcotics Bureau of the New York City Police Department, were unable to produce any reference to this subject.

The records of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics and the indices of the New York Office likewise failed to reflect any reference to TORTICELLI.

On January 21, 1958, Mrs. BIRDIE BELCHER of the Retail Merchants Credit Bureau, Dallas, Texas, and Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER of the Dallas, Texas, Police Department, furnished the following information concerning LEON and SAM CIVELLO. SAM and LEON CIVELLO are first cousins to subject JOSEPH CIVELLO.

Both SAM and LEON CIVELLO are partners in the Collette Cafe, 204 North Collette Street, Dallas, Texas. LEON CIVELLO has been on file with the Retail Merchants

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Credit Bureau, Dallas, Texas, since April 21, 1931. His present address is reflected by their files as 879 Cordova Street, Dallas, Texas. LEON CIVELLO is married, his wife's name being RUBY. SAM CIVELLO has been on file with the Retail Merchants Credit Bureau since January 10, 1927. His present address is reflected as 810 Cordova Street, Dallas, Texas. SAM CIVELLO is married, his wife's name being SADIE CIVELLO. Credit rating for both SAM and LEON CIVELLO is satisfactory.

Lieutenant SOUTER of the Dallas Police Department advised that confidential informants of his department advised that subject seldom contacted SAM or LEON CIVELLO. He stated that it was his understanding that SAM and LEON CIVELLO "did not get along with JOE CIVELLO".

M. A. GENARO, who has offices in the Adolphus Towers, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on January 12, 1958, that JOSEPH CIVELLO did not associate with LEON and SAM CIVELLO since it was his understanding there was more or less a family feud between the families.

Lieutenant SOUTER advised on January 15, 1958, that the Police Department had no information that LEON and SAM CIVELLO were engaged in anything more than legitimate business as cafe operators.

The FBI Identification Record of SAM CIVELLO under FBI No. 795418 reflects arrests beginning July 4, 1931, through May 22, 1943, for narcotics violations.

The FBI Identification Record of LEON CIVELLO, under FBI No. 585782, reflects arrests beginning March 15, 1932, through January 5, 1955, for narcotics violations.

Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER, Dallas Police Department, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on January 16, 1958, that the Dallas Police Department was checking for any information relative to contacts of CIVELLO with JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142. He stated that he had had information that IANNI frequented CIVELLO's place of business and that CIVELLO occasionally visited IANNI at IANNI's restaurant known as the Vesuvio Ristorante located at 5120 West Lovers Lane, Dallas, Texas. SOUTER stated that the Dallas Police Department had no information indicating any illegal operation between IANNI and CIVELLO but that he knew IANNI to be an associate of CIVELLO.

Background information concerning IANNI was developed by SA VINCENT E. DRAIN on September 29, 1953, and is being set forth.

JOE IANNI is reflected by the records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service of Dallas, Texas, to be a native of Cannetello, Italy. The records further reflect he was born August 23, 1913. He arrived in the United States on January 10, 1921, at Port Chester, New York. He is the son of FRANK (FRANCISCO) IANNI who had previously immigrated from Italy to the United States. IANNI has alien registration number 5826442, and was naturalized April 27, 1944, at San Antonio, Texas.

On July 17, 1946, IANNI was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service at Dallas, Texas, for violation of the Internal Revenue Act; however, no disposition is available concerning the investigation. On September 8, 1951, IANNI was charged with murder and subsequently no billed by the local grand jury at Dallas, Texas, for whipping a Negro who had allegedly molested a white waitress at his place of business.

Lt. SOUTER, Dallas Police Department, stated IANNI quite often talks to CARLO MARCELLO at Gretna and New Orleans, Louisiana. MARCELLO is a known underworld police character. Information has also been obtained from SOUTER's sources that IANNI has had numerous calls to and from White Plains, New York.

Lt. GEORGE BUTLER, Dallas, Texas, Police Department, advised IANNI has in the past talked by telephone with ANTHONY CAMBINO, hoodlum and racketeer who operates in Kansas City. Further information from Dallas Police Department files reflects IANNI was a very close friend of ANGELO PIRANIO, deceased, who was an underworld criminal attorney in Dallas, Texas.

IANNI's current FBI Identification Record is located in the files of the FBI Identification Division under FBI # 3426142.

On October 21, 1953, the New York Division advised that White Plains, New York, telephone number 8-1730 was issued to DOMINICO CARLO, 20 Carrigan Avenue, Rosedale, New York, the number called frequently by IANNI. It should be noted that 20 Carrigan Avenue, White Plains, New York, is the address of ROCCO and PETER PELLEGRINO.

The Racket Squad of the Dallas Police Department, according to Chief of Police CARL HANSSON, keeps a very close check on IANNI inasmuch as IANNI's restaurant is a known hangout for thugs and thieves.

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Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, on January 17, 1958, advised that CIVELLO was connected in the oil business with one HARRY D. KAHN with offices in the Adolphus Towers, Dallas, Texas. He stated CIVELLO and KAHN were more or less in the oil business together. Lieutenant SOUTER furnished the following information from a confidential source concerning KAHN:

"Subject resides at 5923 Winton, phone TA 7-3755 and maintains an office at 2014 Adolphus Towers, phone RI 7-0539. Subject is listed in City Directory as an oil operator. Subject's wife is listed as LOTTIE KAHN.

"Confidential Informant states that subject was born in Racine, Wisconsin in 1897 and has lived in Dallas since 1921. Informant states that subject lives at 5923 Winton and the house at that location is valued at \$15,000.00 and subject owes \$8,800.00 on this house. Subject is a royalty and oil lease broker and has leases on oil properties in Texas and Louisiana and has mineral leases in Texas, New Mexico, Colorado and Nebraska. Subject also has an interest in Woodson Oil Co.; Woodson & Goldstein Oil Co.; Kahn & Woodson Oil Co. and Kahn & Cook Oil Co. All of the companies listed deal in oil leases. In 1956, subject listed his net financial worth as \$157,000.00 and in 1957 listed as \$135,000.00. Subject stated his earnings for year 1956 were \$29,000.00.

"The files of the City of Dallas Water Department were searched regarding subject. These files revealed that subject has resided at 5923 Winton since 9 May 1952. Subject lived at 4706 Monarch from 3 May 1947 until 9 May 1952. These files indicate that subject lived at 1122 Canterbury Court, 6030 Victor and 2223 Madera during period from 1942 until 3 May 1947. Subject gave his business address as 405 Andrews Building, in 1947. The search of these files was made by Mrs. McCLANE, Water Department Clerk. The indices of the Records Bureau revealed that subject was arrested 6 October 1949 at the Milam Hotel, 310 S. Ervay St. Subject was arrested by Detectives D. D. HENDERSON, W. I. TRANTHAM and R. L. MAY. Subject was placed in jail and charged, in City Court, on offense of Loitering In A Gambling House. Subject was arrested with following persons and all were jailed on same charge as subject:

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"R. F. FERRIS	Milam Hotel
JOE D. MORGAN	418 Gorden Place
CHARLIE B. MAYS	208 $\frac{1}{2}$ S. Ervay
JESSE D. DULWORTH	3603 Hamilton
RAY EDWARD COKER	Southland Hotel
FIV GREEN	3418 Hawthorne
ROSS HADDOCK SCOTT	2905 Dyer
FRANK T. TAYLOR	4021 S. Lamar
Subject	4706 Monarch

"All of these persons were released after paying \$10.00 fine. At the time of this arrest subject gave as employment DICK ANDRADE, Oil Operator. The search of the indices of the Records Bureau was made by Mrs. M. SPEED, Records Clerk.

"The indices of the Identification Bureau revealed a record on one HARRY DAVID KAHN, aka ALBERT LOUIS WEISBERG, DPD #20286, DPS #163579. This person was born in Racine, Wisconsin, same city as subject. This person was arrested by Officers of this Department 12 June 1940 on Fugitive warrant from Chicago, Illinois. This person was wanted on offense of Confidence Game and Grand Larceny By Bailee. This person gave his age as 53 at the time of his arrest. HARRY DAVID KAHN aka ALBERT LOUIS WEISBERG was wanted in connection with the business failure of Columbian Realty Co.; Columbian Gardens and The American Fuel Oil Co. HARRY DAVID KAHN had been engaged in sale of stock on companies listed in 1928, 1929, and 1930. KAHN was living in Chicago at 1335 Rogers Park during years 1928 through 1930. Chicago Police Department was notified of KAHN's arrest and this Department was notified that KAHN would not be extradited and KAHN was released from custody.

"The files of the Criminal Intelligence Section, INT. 34-3, dated 19 February 1957, Detective H. W. TOTTEEN received information from a confidential source that subject had paid for an abortion on KATIE SALAZAR, subject's paramour. KATIE SALAZAR, NC-100, M-507, has lived with TOMMY POMEROY and DONALD POMEROY, known offenders."

Dallas Confidential Informant T-13 on January 21, 1957, advised that it was this informant's information that JOSEPH F. CIVELLO did his banking at the Exchange Bank and Trust Company, Dallas, Texas. This informant stated that JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO under the name of J. F. CIVELLO began contacting HARRY D. KAHN in 1955 relative to investing some

money in wildcat oil drilling. This informant described KAHN as a broker in the oil business, further that he was an individual who would locate good potential oil fields and invest money in drilling wells for a group of individuals. T-13 stated that in 1955, CIVELLO invested \$19,000 for interest in eight oil wells known as the Caddo Levee Production near Oil City, Louisiana. CIVELLO's interest in these wells was 9/64 working interest. This investment was made in May of 1955. This production is located in what is known as the Pine Island Field, located in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, which is approximately fifteen miles north of Shreveport, Louisiana. This informant further stated that CIVELLO invested in 1957, \$3,937.50 on the drilling of two new wells on the same Caddo Levee Board Production Lease.

This informant stated that HARRY KAHN's income from his 5/32 working interest was \$16,189.89 since May of 1955, when the wells were completed. This informant surmised that CIVELLO would get a little less than KAHN since CIVELLO had only a 9/64 working interest. This informant further related that CIVELLO received his check from the royalties of the above lease through the Arkansas Fuel Oil Corporation of Shreveport, Louisiana. He stated that CIVELLO's part of the operating expense of this lease since May, 1955, amounted to \$2,372.60. This informant stated that CIVELLO had a 1/16 interest in the R. E. Collins Lease in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, near Shreveport. This informant advised that the amount paid by CIVELLO for this lease was unknown. This informant further related that in the beginning of 1957, CIVELLO either sold his interest in this lease to CHARLES CIVELLO or gave it to CHARLES CIVELLO. This informant was of the opinion that the Arkansas Fuel Company also paid the dividends or royalty checks to CHARLES CIVELLO. This informant advised that CIVELLO's operating expense on this lease before either the sale or gift to CHARLES CIVELLO was \$206.58.

T-13 advised that CIVELLO had a 1/16 working interest in the Swinney Lease, Caddo County, Oklahoma, which lease was located near Cement, Oklahoma. T-13 stated that J. V. ROBERTSON was the pumper on this lease and that CIVELLO received his checks through the Anderson Pritchard Oil Company, Cement, Oklahoma. T-13 stated that this lease was purchased from an individual by the name of WALTER MORRO for \$1,900 in 1956. T-13 stated that CIVELLO paid into this purchase amount of \$833.33. T-13 advised that CIVELLO's income from this production is around \$75 per month and for the past ten months CIVELLO has received \$750. CIVELLO's part of the operating expense on this Swinney Lease was \$230.26.

T-13 stated in regard to the R. E. Collins Lease, the informant would surmise that JOSEPH CIVELLO received approximately \$2,500 prior to his either selling or giving this lease to his brother CHARLES E. CIVELLO. This informant stated that another individual who was interested in this Caddo Lease "deal" was an individual by the name of PHILIP BOSCO, an associate of CIVELLO and has an interest in two wells in the Caddo Levee Board Lease. BOSCO also has an interest in the Swinney Lease for which he has a one-fourth interest, paying \$6,500 for this interest. BOSCO also, according to this informant, has a 13/64 interest in the R. E. Collins Lease which is referred to above.

T-13 stated that another individual who is associated with HARRY D. KAHN and JOSEPH CIVELLO as well as PHILIP BOSCO is one JOSEPH J. COLLETTA of Dallas, Texas. According to this informant, COLLETTA has a 1/32 interest in two wells in Caddo Levee Board and a one-fourth interest in the Swinney Lease. According to T-13, COLLETTA paid \$875 for his interest in the Caddo Levee Board and further he paid \$6,500 for his interest in the Swinney Lease which has been set forth as a one-fourth interest. This was in 1956, according to this informant. According to this informant, COLLETTA invested another \$3,250 in 1957, in the Swinney Lease and \$3,000 in 1957 for an interest in the Collins Lease.

T-13 stated that in 1955, JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO brought the following individuals to the office of HARRY D. KAHN and told KAHN that he wanted to put up money for investment purposes in a wildcat well that was being drilled in Throckmorton County, Texas. This informant stated that this hole was drilled and it was a dry hole and all interested parties lost the money that they had placed in same. The interested investors were listed by the informant as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Money Invested</u>
PHILIP BOSCO	1/16	\$2,500
JOSEPH J. COLLETTA	1/16	\$2,500
JOSEPH MONGAVERO	1/32	\$1,250
195 Clinton Street New York		
FRANK PELLEGRINO	1/32	\$1,250
44 Durham Road Orchard Hill		
White Plains, New York		
SAM PELLEGRINO	1/64	\$ 625

<u>Name</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Money Invested</u>
PETE PELLEGRINO	1/64	\$ 625
ROCCO PELLEGRINO	1/32	\$1,250
20 Corrigan Avenue White Plains, New York		
CARMINE	1/32	\$1,250
21 Park Avenue New York		
RUDOLPH MANFREDONIA	1/32	\$1,250
7 Jefferson Place Mt. Vernon, New York.		

Mr. J. G. FARRELL, Manager of the Worth Hotel, Fort Worth, Texas, on January 15, 1958, stated Mr. A. S. MARSHALL had been stopping at his hotel for a number of years. Mr. FARRELL stated it was his understanding that MARSHALL was a lobbyist at Washington, D. C., but stated he knew nothing about his employment. He called in Mr. JOHN WELCH, Auditor. Mr. WELCH stated MARSHALL had never filed a credit application with the hotel and he had no record as to his background or employment. WELCH stated the records reflected that A. S. MARSHALL last checked in on October 2, 1957, and checked out on October 23, 1957, and on the card registered as being from Washington, D. C. On this last visit, WELCH stated that MARSHALL attempted to cash a check drawn on some Washington bank and the desk clerk, Mr. RALPH MARSHALL, called the bank and discovered the check was worthless and then refused to cash it. Mr. FARRELL stated RALPH MARSHALL had recently undergone surgery but would be available for interview about January 22, 1958.

Mr. RALPH MARSHALL, Desk Clerk at Worth Hotel, on January 22, 1958, stated he has known AL MARSHALL for about ten years. During that time, AL MARSHALL has visited Fort Worth about two times a year and on each visit usually spends about two weeks in Fort Worth. He generally rents an inexpensive room; never has any visitors. He leaves the hotel in the morning and returns in the evening. He has never stated anything about his employment. Several years ago he would visit a Miss MAY BELCHER in Dallas. Miss BELCHER is an independent oil operator and is known by the name of "WILDCAT MAY". MARSHALL on several occasions remarked he was interested in an oil venture with Miss BELCHER. On another occasion MARSHALL stated he was interested in a lumber mill in Oklahoma which later went out of business. During the past three or four years, MARSHALL has never mentioned any business deals. On his last visit about November, 1957,

as he was checking out of the hotel he gave RALPH MARSHALL a check in the sum of \$200 to pay his bill. MARSHALL stated he noticed the check was on a Washington, D. C., bank and was signed by someone else. He stated all the time MARSHALL had been stopping at the Worth he had never asked anyone to cash a check. MARSHALL questioned him about the signer and he replied "that is my partner". MARSHALL stated he cashed the check and then telephoned the bank in Washington, D. C., and was advised the check was no good. He immediately notified A. S. MARSHALL before the latter had had a chance to check out. MARSHALL cursed the individual for giving him a bad check and stated he would get the money and be back. In a few minutes MARSHALL reappeared and paid off the bill in cash. MARSHALL stated he could not remember the name of the signer or the name of the bank. MARSHALL stated he always guessed that A. S. MARSHALL was a lobbyist but had nothing definite on which to base his opinion. MARSHALL stated about four years ago the Department of State asked him some questions about AL MARSHALL and about two years ago the Department of Commerce made similar inquiry. MARSHALL stated there is no such hotel as the North Hotel in Fort Worth and suggested it was probably meant to be the Worth Hotel.

Operator 62, Retail Credit Bureau, on January 15, 1958, stated she had no record on A. S. or ALBERT S. MARSHALL.

Sheriff's Office and Police Department at Fort Worth, Texas, were checked January 23, 1958, and had no record on A. S. MARSHALL.

The following investigation was conducted at Phoenix, Arizona, and the Phoenix Division advised the following information on January 17, 1958, in relation to identifying data concerning A. S. MARSHALL and associates.

The Phoenix telephone number AL 3-2181 is the telephone number for the Westward Ho Hotel.

The current Phoenix Telephone Directory reflects telephone number AL 4-7569 is listed to BECKY EICHELBERGER with residence at 1333 East Hubbel. This is the residence of JOHN W. EICHELBERGER, SR., as well as the residence of JOHN W. EICHELBERGER, JR.

JOHN WESLEY EICHELBERGER, JR. is a known West Coast pimp and narcotics user. Records of the Phoenix Office reflect JOHN W. EICHELBERGER, JR. executed convict registration at the Phoenix Police Department on August 11, 1954,



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which disclosed he was arrested at Las Vegas, Nevada, on January 16, 1952, on a charge of "possessing narcotics". He was sentenced to serve at McNeill Island, State of Washington, August 3, 1954.

Lieutenant CHARLES HODGES, Phoenix Police Department, advised SA JOHN J. KELLY, January 15, 1958, that JOHN WESLEY EICHELBERGER, JR., was well known to him and members of his Vice Squad as a "known pimp", and is also suspected by his department as dealing in narcotics. He stated EICHELBERGER has not been active at recent date.

The indices of the Phoenix Office reflect JOHN WESLEY EICHELBERGER, SR., subject of Phoenix investigation, which subject was being investigated in connection with Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property. EICHELBERGER, SR., was attempting to contract with the Republic of Korea for the sale of surplus power plant for one and one-half million dollars and was allegedly in a position to make large benefits through sale of goods to Greece, Turkey, and a company in Cuba. Parties associated with EICHELBERGER thought they were made victims of a confidence game. Prosecution in this matter was declined by United States Attorney JACK D. H. HAYS, Phoenix, on February 25, 1957, who stated that after a review of facts in this case, it appeared that EICHELBERGER had made no effort to comply with various promises he made to RAY C. DURHAM and CHARLES S. HOLLAND. Associates of EICHELBERGER found elements of Sections 1321 (Fraud by Mail) and 1343 (Fraud by Wire, Radio, and etc.) Title 18, United States Code, had not been established.

The New York Division advised the following information on June 30, 1958, which was obtained by SA JOHN E. FOLEY.

Confidential Informant T-14 furnished the following information concerning telephone numbers called from Dallas, Texas.

Telephone number WH 6-4770 is listed to ROCCO PELLEGRINO, 16 Barker Avenue, White Plains, New York. It is noted that this is the address of PELLEGRINO's bakery.

Telephone number WH 8-1730 is listed to ROCCO PELLEGRINO, 20 Carrigan Avenue, White Plains, New York. This is a private house.

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The following information was obtained from the Westchester Credit and Collection Bureaus, Inc., White Plains, New York:

ROCCO PELLEGRINO, 20 Carrigan Avenue, White Plains, New York

ROCCO PELLEGRINO, as of April, 1953, resided at 20 Carrigan Avenue, and was married to ELIZABETH PELLEGRINO. He was listed as self-employed with a bakery at 16 Barker Avenue, White Plains. No income was noted in the file.

FRANK PELLEGRINO, 25 Hickory Lane, Thornwood, New York  
Telephone ROger 9-6130

FRANK PELLEGRINO's birth date was listed as November 4, 1926, and his wife's name is ESTHER. He has three children, two boys and a girl. He formerly lived at 12 Lawrence Drive (1954) and 12 Westview Avenue (May, 1954), both in White Plains. He currently resides in a private home at 25 Hickory Lane, Thornwood, New York. His employment is listed as a baker, Pellegrino's Bakery, 16 Barker Avenue, White Plains. His income in 1957 was shown as \$10,000, and he has been a baker for the past seven or eight years. He has two cars and no debts are recorded in the file.

CARMINE PELLEGRINO, 21 Park Avenue, White Plains, New York  
Telephone WH 8-0390

As of 1952, CARMINE PELLEGRINO was living at this address and the current telephone listing still has him at this address. He formerly resided at 77 Longview Avenue, White Plains, and in an apartment at 221 Martine Avenue, White Plains. His wife is MARJORIE. He is 44 years of age and has one child. Records listed him as a musician and orchestra leader and he played in a band at The Barge, Port Chester, New York. In 1952 he claimed an income of \$6,000. In 1955 he was listed as a self-employed musician. The records further indicate that in 1952 he was interested in obtaining a shrimp-burger concession in White Plains but was unsuccessful.

PEITRO (PETER) PELLEGRINO, 91 Cleveland Street, Valhalla,  
New York, No Telephone Listing

In 1947, PEITRO PELLEGRINO was single and aged 24. His age would be 35 as of 1958. He is now married and his wife's name is JEAN. In 1949 he was living at 25 Mansfield Road, White Plains, and he was at his present address in November, 1953.

In 1947, he claimed that he owned a pastry shop in Dallas, Texas, which was being operated by relatives and that he received an income from this pastry shop.

RUDOLPH MANFREDONIA, 7 Jefferson Place, Mount Vernon, New York

According to ALMA ADAMS, Clerk, Westchester Credit and Collections Bureau, White Plains, New York, her records reflect that RUDOLPH MANFREDONIA, 7 Jefferson Place, Mount Vernon, was born in 1926, and has operated the Federal Luncheonette, 272 Mamaroneck Avenue, Mamaroneck, New York, for the last three or four years. He pays \$230.00 a month rental. MANFREDONIA has an income of \$10,000.00 a year from this business and employs two other persons.

In 1950, MANFREDONIA was employed as a bartender at The Barge, Port Chester, New York. In 1951, he was employed in a restaurant owned by his brother ROBERT MANFREDONIA, Port Chester, New York. He has no record of any debts. He has another brother named EUGENE A. MANFREDONIA. LUCY MANFREDONIA is listed as the wife of RUDOLPH MANFREDONIA.

The records also show that RUDOLPH MANFREDONIA was discharged from the United States Navy in 1946, after 28 months service.

There was also a notation in the credit record that he had formerly worked for his brother, JOHN MANFREDONIA, who has "a bad record".

It is noted that JOHN MANFREDONIA, with alias "Johnny Peanuts", formerly owned The Barge, Port Chester, New York, where RUDOLPH was employed as a bartender. The Barge was a bar located on an old barge in Port Chester, New York, but was demolished to make way for the New York Thruway.

The files of the New York Office contain no information concerning RUDOLPH MANFREDONIA, and JOHN MANFREDONIA is indicated to be a well-known Westchester County hoodlum.

Confidential Informant T-13 advised on June 5 and 6, 1958, that CIVELLO was presently negotiating with HARRY D. KAHN at the Exchange Bank and Trust Company and the Texas Bank and Trust Company, Dallas, Texas, for a \$7,500.00 loan. This loan was to be used for oil drilling purposes near Marshall, Texas.

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On July 15, 1958, Confidential Informant T-1 advised that he had heard CIVELLO had on July 13, 1958, sold his liquor store in Dallas to a Florida man by the name of HAMMON (phonetic). T-1 stated that it was his understanding that CIVELLO wanted the money to purchase rental property in Dallas and to live off the income rather than be engaged in a business where he would be in contact with the public, such as operating a liquor store.

On August 11, 1958, Agent BOWMAN J. TAYLOR, Federal Narcotics Bureau, advised that on August 9, 1958, he along with Agent JOHN RIPA were making a routine investigation at the Western Skies Motel, 2806 Old Spanish Trail, Houston, Texas, and while checking records at the above motel, received the following information:

On February 26, 1957, JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, 4236 Oak Lawn, Dallas, Texas, representing the Civello Import and Liquor Company, registered at the Western Skies Motel, Room 38, at the rate of \$6.50. At that time CIVELLO was operating a Buick sedan, 1957 Texas registration LR 6077. TAYLOR stated he ascertained this registration was listed to a MORGAN DAVIS, Route 1, Longview, Texas, for a 1951 Pontiac sedan. He said the present 1958 Texas registration for this vehicle is LL 5419.

On February 27, 1957, CIVELLO placed the following telephone calls from the Western Skies Motel, telephone number JA 9-3436:

Called Galveston, Texas, and Dallas, Texas, numbers unavailable.

Local calls:

JA 2-7239, A. M. Glass Tinting Corporation, 4814 Almeda Road, Houston, Texas.

JA 8-6656, National Glass Tinting Company, 908 Truxillo, Houston, Texas.

JA 9-2947, JOHN MATRANGA, 2001 Brun Street, Houston.

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FA 3-8286, H. T. WILLIAMS, First City National Bank, Houston, Texas.

CY 4-0770, this number has been discontinued. Subscribed unavailable.

HO 5-2561, ANDRAU AIR Park, Westheimer Road, Houston.

MI 5-1733, Smith Gulf Service Station, 6643 Chocolate Bayou Road, Houston, Texas.

CIVELLO checked out of the Western Skies Motel on February 28, 1957.

On September 7, 1957, JOSEPH CIVELLO again checked into the Western Skies Motel with another person who is unknown. He occupied Room 45 at the rate of \$10.00 per day, staying until September 8, 1957, at which time he checked out. At this time CIVELLO was operating a Buick automobile bearing 1957 Texas registration NH 7848. The latter is registered to Civello's Imports, 4236 Oak Lawn, Dallas, Texas, for a 1955 Chevrolet sedan. The 1958 registration for this vehicle is MU 4491.

On September 7, 1957, JOSEPH CIVELLO placed two telephone calls to Dallas, Texas. The information regarding the numbers he called is unavailable due to the telephone company destroying their records for that year. The following local calls were placed by CIVELLO from the Western Skies Motel:

MI 9-7875, listed to Mrs. ROSALIE MARINO, 7155 Moline, Houston, Texas. (Note: In 1957, LOUIS J. MARINO, who is currently the subject of an investigation by the Narcotics Bureau, occupied this address.)

JA 9-6484, Yee Old College Inn, 6545 Main Street, Houston, Texas.

CA 6-7973, Embassy Lounge, 1508 Texas, Houston, Texas. (Note: The latter is owned by relations of JOSEPH PETER LUKE, suspected narcotics handler.)

TAYLOR stated that in view of the above, it appears JOSEPH CIVELLO is acquainted with LOUIS J. MARINO and JOSEPH PETER LUKE who are suspected narcotics violators in the Houston area.

TAYLOR advised there is no current information indicating CIVELLO has been in contact with these individuals since the above dates. TAYLOR stated he will notify the Dallas Office immediately should any information concerning CIVELLO come to his attention.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised on November 5, 1958, that CHARLES CIVELLO, brother of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, has gone into business with JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142, who operates the Vesuvio Ristorante, 5120 West Lovers Lane, Dallas, Texas, a restaurant catering to the Italian element. T-1 indicated that all activity in Dallas among Italian hoodlums centers around JOE IANNI at the present time.

On November 12, 1958, T-1 stated he believes subject may have invested some money in JOE IANNI's restaurant, but he does not believe CIVELLO is active in the operation of the restaurant and is leaving that part of the business relationship to his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO.

T-1 advised on November 12, 1958, that subject is not associating with hoodlums or police characters at the present time and appears to be making efforts to stay away from individuals of this type.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-2 stated on October 13, 1958, he frequently sees the subject on the street in Dallas but does not believe he is associating with any individuals engaged in illegal activities.

On October 22, 1958, JOE CHURCHMAN, Captain, University Park, Texas, Police Department, advised SA JAMES A. McBRIDE that he and Detective HOMER BARNES had just arrested PETE PELLEGRINO and THEODORE MOGAVERO who were being held for investigation of auto theft and operating a motor vehicle without an operator's license. It should be noted that on October 23, 1958, PELLEGRINO, MOGAVERO and PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA were charged by the University Park Police Department with vagrancy and investigation of operating a gambling establishment. PELLEGRINO was also charged with operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license.

CHURCHMAN further advised on October 22, 1958, that his department received a telephone call on October 16, 1958, that several men were observed entering and leaving

the residence at 4380 San Carlos, University Park, Texas, during the past few days; however, no activity was observed during the night. CHURCHMAN stated he made spot checks of the residence and observed a 1956 Chevrolet, 1958 Texas license NA 2473, registered to VIRGINIA PICCOLA, 1810 Garrett Avenue, Dallas, Texas, parked in the driveway on October 16, 1958, and a 1958 Oldsmobile, 1958 Texas license MP 8586, registered to RALPH PATRONO, 4411 Munger Street, Dallas, Texas, parked in the driveway on October 17, 1958. He stated both of these cars were observed in the driveway at 4380 San Carlos about noon on October 22, 1958. He advised that later in the afternoon of October 22, 1958, he and Detective HOMER BARNES were driving by the above address and the Oldsmobile with two male occupants was observed backing out of the driveway. CHURCHMAN said he and BARNES stopped the Oldsmobile and the driver identified himself as PETE PELLEGRINO and the other occupant identified himself as THEODORE MOGAVERO. CHURCHMAN advised PELLEGRINO did not have an operator's permit or other identification and refused to answer any questions. CHURCHMAN said he and BARNES took PELLEGRINO and MOGAVERO to the University Park Police Department where they were being held for investigation of auto theft and operating a motor vehicle without an operator's permit.

According to CHURCHMAN, PELLEGRINO, who had \$671.35 on his person, claimed he had been in town only a few days and was staying with a friend, JOE IANNI, 5024 West Stanford Street, Dallas, Texas. PELLEGRINO denied knowing anyone at 4380 San Carlos and refused to furnish any information other than that he was from White Plains, New York.

CHURCHMAN stated that THEODORE MOGAVERO, who had \$659.30 on his person, claimed he was on his honeymoon and had been staying the past few days in an apartment at 4148 Hawthorne, Dallas, Texas. MOGAVERO, who gave his age as 24, stated he worked for the Universal Terminal and Stewarding Corporation, Pier #20, New York City, and listed his father as SARO MOGAVERO, #32241, State Penitentiary, Danemora, New York. MOGAVERO also denied knowing anyone at 4380 San Carlos and refused to furnish further information.

On October 22, 1958, CHURCHMAN obtained a search warrant for narcotics and gambling devices and with the assistance of officers from the Dallas Police Department, conducted a search of the residence at 4380 San Carlos, Dallas, Texas. At the time of the search, PETER JOSEPH

PICCOLA, 1810 North Garrett Avenue, Dallas, Texas, was located in the residence, as well as two telephones with cut-off switches, a sheet of lined paper containing the names of customers in code and amount of bets and a schedule of college and professional football games for October 17, 18 and 19, 1958.

PICCOLA, who resides with his father at 1810 North Garrett Avenue, does not have a local arrest record, according to CHURCHMAN, but is considered a local gambler. PICCOLA refused to furnish information concerning the gambling setup and denied knowing PELLEGRINO and MOGAVERO.

The lined paper found at 4380 San Carlos contained two columns of information. The first column of approximately 30 entries appeared to contain the name of the better in code and the amount of the bet, which varied from \$10 to \$15,400. The second column of approximately 20 entries contained names in code and the amount paid out. The amount of collections was shown as \$24,665; the amount paid out as \$6,282.50; and the net win as \$18,383.

According to CHURCHMAN, PELLEGRINO and MOGAVERO were released on \$200 appearance bonds for Corporation Court, University Park, Texas, on October 23, 1958. CHURCHMAN stated PICCOLA was released on \$1,000 writ bond but charges would also be filed against PICCOLA for operating a gambling establishment in violation of the Federal Wagering Stamp Act. CHURCHMAN advised he notified the Bureau of Internal Revenue of the above facts.

Information was previously reported concerning PELLEGRINO in that investigation by the Dallas Police Department determined PELLEGRINO was possibly operating a "bookie center" in Dallas during the football season of 1957. At that time it was determined PELLEGRINO might return to the Dallas area during the 1958 football season and in that regard, extensive investigation was conducted by officers of the Special Service Bureau and the Intelligence Unit of the Dallas Police Department under Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER, (NA).

Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, advised on October 24, 1958, that at the time of PELLEGRINO's arrest, he was driving a 1958 Oldsmobile sedan, color black, bearing 1958 Texas license MP 8586. He stated this automobile was registered to RALPH PATRONO, 4411 Munger Street, Dallas, Texas. He advised RALPH PATRONO is a dealer in wholesale meats and lives at the above address. He said RALPH PATRONO is the father of JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO, Dallas Police Department No. 27256, a known Dallas gambler, who is a friend and associate of



JOE IANNI and JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO.

Lieutenant SOUTER stated the indices of the Identification Bureau of the Dallas Police Department were searched for the names RALPH PATRONO, PETE PELLEGRINO, THEODORE MOGAVERO, SARO MOGAVERO, PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA, VIRGINIA PICCOLA, A. E. ISLES and BARRETT M. GARDENIES, with negative results.

Lieutenant SOUTER advised PETE PELLEGRINO, THEODORE MOGAVERO and PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA were released from University Park Police Department through arrangements made by Attorney JKE NEWBERRY.

On November 5, 1958, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised that PETE PELLEGRINO has been making trips to Dallas, Texas, from White Plains, New York, where he has resided for over two years. He said PELLEGRINO is a close friend of JOE IANNI and has also in the past been associated with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO. He said CIVELLO's relationship with PETE PELLEGRINO began because of his former association with ROCCO PELLEGRINO, PETE's father. T-1 indicated the PELLEGRINOs have always been known to handle narcotics. He pointed out that a good possibility exists that the booking operation PETE PELLEGRINO is attempting to operate in Dallas is merely a sideline. T-1 feels certain PELLEGRINO was still in Dallas as of November 5, 1958, and merely moved his operation from 4380 San Carlos to another apartment. T-1 stated he did not know the location of this new apartment but believes PELLEGRINO is residing in the apartment.

T-1 further advised that JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO is the son of RALPH PATRONO, to whom the 1958 Oldsmobile PELLEGRINO was driving belongs. He said that JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO considers himself as a "top gambler" and believes PATRONO is involved in gambling activities with PELLEGRINO and MOGAVERO. He stated this group operates over the week ends and will run their tally sheets on Saturday nights and Sundays at which time they have in their possession all the information on wins and losses.

T-1 further stated he feels certain CIVELLO is not involved in this operation with PELLEGRINO. He stated he believes JOE IANNI is PELLEGRINO's contact in Dallas.

On November 6, 1958, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised that PHILIP BOSCO who operates a Gulf Service Station on the corner of Ross and Boll Streets, Dallas,

Texas, is a contact man for gamblers in the Dallas area. He stated he feels certain PELLEGRINO has been in contact with BOSCO and that BOSCO has served as a "runner" or contact man for PELLEGRINO's operation. He stated many of the Dallas gamblers have their cars serviced at BOSCO's service station and the station serves as a pickup point for bets and payoffs.

T-1 stated he believes PELLEGRINO frequents IANNI's restaurant located on West Lovers Lane and also frequents the Egyptian Lounge located at 5610 Mockingbird Lane. He said the Egyptian Lounge is operated by JOE and SAM CAMPISI.

On November 5, 1958, ROSS MUSSO was observed by SAs ROBERT M. BARRETT, JAMES A. McBRIDE and MILTON L. NEWSOM in the 1955 tan Chevrolet, 1958 Texas license NU 4491, which when first observed was parked at the Vesuvio Ristorante, 5120 West Lovers Lane, Dallas, Texas. MUSSO, who is the subject's brother-in-law, was observed to enter the car, leave IANNI's restaurant, and proceed to 5311 Denton Drive, where he resides with the subject. It was later ascertained on November 5, 1958, from Dallas Confidential Informant T-1, that ROSS MUSSO uses this automobile more often than the subject.

On November 5, 1958, a 1953 Plymouth Club Coupe was also observed which bears 1958 Texas license MU 4493 and is registered to CHARLES E. CIVELLO, 3629 Armstrong, Dallas, Texas. This automobile was parked at IANNI's restaurant most of the day.

On November 19, 1958, the Houston Office advised that JOSEPH PETER LUKE is a well-known Houston gambler who formerly had a large gambling house on Old Richmond Road in Fort Bend County. LUKE was forced to close as a result of disputes with other well-known gamblers.

Houston also advised that LOUIS J. MARINO, FBI No. 743589, has been in the Galveston area for the past two years, coming to Galveston from Houston. When MARINO came to Galveston, he secured employment with M and M Music Company, which at that time was operated by BIAGGIO ANGELICA. MARINO at this time associates with LOUIS MORRIS, doing business as the All Brands Beer Company. This company is a distributor of all brands of beer to taverns, grocery stores, etc., during the evening hours, Saturday and Sunday, when other distributors are closed.

On November 17, 1958, Mrs. ALLIE FUTRELL, Credit Bureau of Greater Houston, advised that MARINO has been known to their files since 1925. She advised that the last report they had was that he was associated with M and M Music Company in Galveston. The file indicated that ROSALIE PATRICIA MARINO, 7155 Moline Street, Houston, was granted a divorce from him on April 29, 1954. She also advised that their files indicated that JOHN MATRANGA, 2206 Brun Street, Houston, was self-employed and was associated with Sam's Liquors. No further identifying information available.

On November 28, 1958, Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER (NA), Intelligence Unit, Dallas Police Department, advised SA ROBERT M. BARRETT he had received considerable information concerning gambling activities on the part of CARMINE "PETE" PELLEGRINO, THEODORE "TED" MOGAVERO and PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA, all of whom were arrested by the University Park Police Department (Dallas, Texas) on October 23, 1958. SOUTER advised he felt he had sufficient information to possibly make arrests of several individuals involved with the above group and arrests should be made within the next few days.

On November 29, 1958, Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER advised SA MILTON L. NEWSOM that arrests of individuals connected with the gambling operation believed to be headed by CARMINE PELLEGRINO, FBI No. 778409C, and JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142, would be made on the night of November 29, 1958. He stated he would furnish further information on December 1, 1958.

On December 1, 1958, Lieutenant SOUTER advised that on the night of November 29, 1958, CARMINE PELLEGRINO, JOE IANNI, MARIE PINTO IANNI, also known as TOTSIE, Dallas Sheriff's Office No. 87793, JOE IANNI's wife; J. C. COLLETTA, who operates a liquor store at 2604 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas; HARRY DAVID KAHN, Dallas Police Department No. 20286; JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO, FBI No. 3242960, and PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA were all arrested on November 29, 1958, and considerable material was seized indicating all of the above individuals were involved in gambling operations concerning football games and other sporting events. SOUTER stated PELLEGRINO, IANNI and IANNI's wife were arrested at IANNI's residence, 5024 West Stanford, Dallas, Texas, and were operating from that residence. He stated PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA was arrested at 1810 North Garrett Street, PICCOLA's residence, and evidence was found to show that PICCOLA was operating out of this residence. SOUTER advised J. C. COLLETTA, who resides at

5717 Goodwin, Dallas, was arrested at the J. C. Liquor Store, 2604 Ross Avenue, where he was operating a bookie establishment in connection with the above individuals. HARRY DAVID KAHN was arrested in his office at the Adolphus Towers and evidence was found to indicate KAHN was connected with the same bookie operation in regard to sports. SOUTER stated that JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO was arrested at 4156 Hawthorne Street, Dallas, where he was also operating a gambling establishment, but information indicates PATRONO's operation was "self-made" and although indirectly connected with PELLEGRINO and IANNI, PATRONO appeared to be operating alone.

It should be noted that HARRY DAVID KAHN has been previously reported as an associate of CIVELLO. SOUTER stated there is no evidence to indicate CIVELLO was connected with the bookie operation and if such evidence is obtained, the Dallas Office will be immediately advised.

SOUTER advised the Dallas Police Department Identification Bureau reflects KAHN was arrested by the Dallas Police Department under number 20286 on June 12, 1940, as a fugitive from Chicago, Illinois, under the name of ALBERT LOUIS WEISBERG, reportedly his true name, for a confidence scheme. Chicago authorities refused to extradite KAHN following this arrest and he was released. At that time KAHN was 53 years of age, making him approximately 71 years of age at present. The Texas Department of Public Safety No. 163-579 reflected no further information regarding KAHN and there was no FBI identification record in the file concerning him.

JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO has been arrested by the Dallas Police Department for vagrancy and investigation for general principles and is under Dallas Police Department No. 27256. His FBI identification record under FBI No. 3242960 reflects he was arrested January 18, 1943, for receiving and concealing stolen property in an interstate transportation of stolen property violation and was not billed by a grand jury.

SOUTER further stated MARIE PINTO IANNI was arrested on November 7, 1957, for resisting arrest and interfering with officers and has Dallas Sheriff's Office No. 87793. There was no other record at that time, state or Federal, concerning her. SOUTER also stated J. C. COLLETTA has no local arrest record.

On December 31, 1958, the New York Division advised that on December 3, 1958, Inspector JOHN J. QUINN, New York State Police, 270 Broadway, New York City, New York, made available the following information to SA VINCENT F. CLANCY from files of his department:

A report dated May 14, 1958, on ROCCO PELLEGRINO, father of CARMINE PELLEGRINO, reflected that ROCCO PELLEGRINO resides at 20 Carrigan Avenue, White Plains, New York, was born on April 13, 1889, and was naturalized in the Supreme Court, Westchester County, Certificate Number 6461892. The report reflected that he is a known gambler and a suspected dealer in narcotics, and is said to be the "dean of narcotics" in the underworld. He is the owner of the Pellegrino Bakery, 91 Ferris Avenue, White Plains, New York.

The report further reflected that CARMINE PELLEGRINO, born May 18, 1916, is listed as one of ROCCO's sons, and was reported to be residing at 21 Park Avenue, White Plains, New York, with his wife MARGARET, nee ODELL and two children. It was indicated that he was arrested in June, 1944, by Federal Narcotics Agents, at which time he admitted that he used marijuana cigarettes. He is also reported to be a musician and operated a band under the name of CARMINE PELL which played at "The Barge" in Port Chester, New York. On January 12, 1958, CARMINE PELLEGRINO was arrested in White Plains, New York, for operating a dice game for which he was booked on a disorderly conduct charge and fined \$25.00. The report also indicated in regard to this dice game that CARMINE PELLEGRINO paid the fines for all the other players in the game, numbering 32.

The file further reflected that PETER PELLEGRINO, brother of CARMINE PELLEGRINO, and ROCCO PELLEGRINO made frequent trips to Dallas, Texas, and that they resided at the Highlander Hotel in that city. The report indicated that PETER PELLEGRINO usually stays in Dallas each year from September through January, and is allegedly in business with JOSEPH IANNI at the restaurant, Ristorante Vesuvio, 5122 West Lovers Lane, Dallas, Texas.

The files indicate that SARO MOGAVERO is a lieutenant of ROCCO PELLEGRINO. The only information contained in the file concerning THEODORE MOGAVERO was an item that on November 14, 1957, an engagement party was held for ELEANOR PELLEGRINO and TEDDY MOGAVERO at the Water Wheel Restaurant, Route 9A, Ardsley, New York. It is noted that this was also the date of the Apalachin meeting.

Inspector QUINN concluded by advising SA CLANCY that he believed the above-mentioned individuals were married recently in Westchester County, New York.

On January 26, 1959, Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER, (NA), Intelligence Unit, Dallas Police Department, advised that during the raid on the apartment of CARMINE PELLEGRINO by the University Park Police Department on October 23, 1958, a Los Angeles telephone number was found, number GR 2-3565. The Los Angeles Police Department was requested to check this number and advise Dallas subscriber to same. The Los Angeles Police Department advised at a later date that the above number is listed to GREER GARSON FOGELSON, 680 Stone Canyon (Bel-air), West Los Angeles. The bills are sent to E. E. FOGELSON, 2512 Cedar Springs, Dallas, Texas. It was pointed out that the name is that of GREER GARSON, the movie actress who is married to BUDDY FOGELSON, Texas oilman. Lieutenant SOUTER advised there is no indication as to why this number was in the possession of PELLEGRINO. Lieutenant SOUTER on January 26, 1959, furnished the following information concerning JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142, which was obtained from the files of the Dallas Police Department:

Information obtained from confidential sources, Dallas Police Department, indicates JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and JOE IANNI are close associates of HARWIN DALLAS COOK, also known as ICY COOK and HARRY DAVID KAHN, who is reportedly an oil operator. KAHN has offices at 2014 Adolphus Tower, Dallas, Texas. HARWIN DALLAS COOK is reported to be an old-time Dallas gambler, Dallas Police Department No. 12841.

LUKE CORTEMEGLIA, operates Corty's Drive-in, Dallas, Texas, and is a close associate of IANNI and CIVELLO. It is reported CIVELLO handled certain aspects of the arrangements in getting the above drive-in into operation and possibly has a financial interest therein.

PETE INTERRANTE, operator of Ross' Drive-in, 3418 McKinney Street, Dallas, is reportedly a contact of JOE IANNI and CIVELLO.

On March 18, 1959, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised that JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO and PETE PELLEGRINO were in California at the Santa Anita Race Track for 45 days prior to PATRONO's return to Dallas on March 14, 1959. He said that while PATRONO and PELLEGRINO were there, PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA of Dallas joined them.

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On March 18, 1959, CIVELLO and JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO were observed at the corner of Lemmon and McKinney Streets in Dallas in conversation, and while CIVELLO appeared to be supervising the construction of a building on the lot at that address.

Dallas T-1 also advised on March 18, 1959, that PETE PELLEGRINO is probably now in Dallas; however, he could not furnish the location where PELLEGRINO might be staying. T-1 advised JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO is active in gambling setups and will be in contact with anyone in the PELLEGRINO group who comes to Dallas for this purpose. He suggested that PATRONO be checked in this regard.

PATRONO, when observed at Lemmon and McKinney Streets on March 18, 1959, was driving a 1958 Oldsmobile sedan, color black, bearing 1958 Texas license MP 8586. CIVELLO was driving a 1954 Buick, blue over white, 1958 Texas license MU 4492, which is registered to ROSS MUSSO, 5311 Denton Drive, Dallas.

SAM CAMPISI, operator of Egyptian Lounge, 5610 Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, Texas, was interviewed briefly on March 4, 1959. He admitted being well acquainted with CIVELLO but was evasive and noncommittal as to CIVELLO's activities, indicating that CIVELLO is very quiet at the present time.

On March 4, 1959, SAs MILTON L. NEWSOM and ROBERT M. BARRETT observed five cars parked at CIVELLO's residence. Cars were identified through license numbers as belonging to the following individuals:

Mrs. BENNIE MESSINA, 624 Bob-O-Links Drive, Dallas;  
R. HERMAN, 5527 West Amherst, Dallas;  
MARIE PARRINO, 3122 Forest, Dallas;  
FRANCES CANDEATTA, 2005 Buckingham, Dallas;  
MARIO VACCARO, 4630 Walnut Hill Lane, Dallas.

From appearance, indications were that the above individuals were attending a bridge party sponsored by CIVELLO's wife. Consideration is being given to interview of these individuals.

On February 24, 1959, Lieutenant J. M. SOUTER, (NA), Intelligence Unit, Dallas Police Department, advised he recently received information concerning CARLOS MARCELLO from a confidential source which reported that early in

1958 MARCELLO controlled horse race wire service from Louisiana under the name of the Nola Printing Company, and is reportedly supplying this service to Houston, Texas, daily. Manager for the wire service for MARCELLO is JOSEPH A. PORETTO. On September 11, 1958, a collect phone call was made from Dallas, Mrs. PORETTO, Riverside 7-6411 (Adolphus Hotel). A check of records of the Adolphus Hotel reflects that JOE PORETTO and wife, 530 Iris Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, on September 11, 1958, were assigned Rooms 1965 and 1966 at 9:16 a.m. They departed on September 12, 1958, at 3 p.m. Investigation at Dallas failed to reflect that PORETTO had been in contact with CIVELLO during his stay in Dallas.

SOUTER advised that MARCELLO had been notified some time ago he was to be a witness before the McClellan Committee in Washington, but there have been a number of postponements due to MARCELLO's alleged illness. He said one of MARCELLO's attorneys has been attending the committee hearings and taking notes. He advised there is a strong likelihood MARCELLO may have been in communication with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO within the past few months to discuss the matter of the hearings.

On June 2, 1959, a postcard addressed to "F.B.I., Bureau, Dallas, Texas" postmarked Dallas, June 1, 2 PM, was received by the Dallas Office. In inked handwriting, and anonymous source stated that "CIVELLO goes from time to time to Machine Products Company on Harry Hines". Source indicated that one "BIG JOHNNIE" or "DEGO JOHNNIE" is a son-in-law of MIMMS, possible contact of CIVELLO's, and they are involved in truck shipments.

A review of the Dallas City Directory reflects that the Machine Products Company, 5206 Harry Hines Boulevard, is operated by WARREN B. MIMS and ROBERT J. McBRIEN. The City Directory reflects the company manufactures precision aircraft and industrial gears.

The City Directory lists WARREN B. MIMS and wife, THELMA, residing at 6721 Inwood Road. Directory also lists WARREN B. MIMS, JR. and wife, DOROTHY, residing 7800 Brookhollow, and ROBERT J. McBRIEN and wife, ROSEMARY, residing at 8567 Forest Hills Boulevard.

On July 13, 1959, Detective H. M. HART, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas,



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advised that on July 10, 1959, JOE IANNI, a close associate of the subject, suffered a severe heart attack and was immediately confined to the St. Paul Hospital, Dallas, Texas. JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142, has been mentioned previously as an associate of the subject.

On July 30, 1959, Doctor R. J. PULS, Medical Arts Building, Dallas, Texas, advised SA ROBERT M. BARRETT that JOE IANNI suffered a severe heart attack on July 10, 1959, and was confined to the St. Paul Hospital until July 23, 1959, when he was released. Dr. PULS advised that IANNI is still under close care. IANNI is presently confined to his bed at his residence.

On September 21, 1959, SA ROBERT M. BARRETT observed the following cars parked in the rear of the restaurant constructed by CIVELLO and his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO, and operated by PETE INTERRANTE, FBI No. 385333, located at the corner of McKinney and Lemmon Streets:

<u>1959 Texas License</u>	<u>Registered to</u>	<u>Make of Car</u>
MT 1791	PETE INTERRANTE 6611 Santa Anita Dallas, Texas	1956 Oldsmobile, color tan
MT 1793	PHILLIP NUCHE 4307 Cabell Drive Dallas, Texas	1947 Chevrolet (License observed on 1952 gray Olds)
MS 5368	Mrs. P. D. MORRIS 4936 Beeman Dallas, Texas	1958 Buick
MU 6835	GOLDIA MAE WATKINS 1946 Duluth Street Dallas, Texas	1959 Chevrolet
NC 9136	JOY MARIE MORALE 407 North Fitzhugh Dallas, Texas	1957 Mercury, color blue and white
NK 1479	JIMMY MAGGIOTTA 10229 San Lorenzo Dallas, Texas Dallas Police Department No. 33880	1957 Chevrolet, color black and white

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<u>1959 Texas License</u>	<u>Registered to</u>	<u>Make of Car</u>
NM 1104	LILLIE FAY SWITZER 3718 Noble Street Dallas, Texas	1957 Ford
NM 429	MYRTLE WHITE and PETE INTERRANTE, 4912 Columbia, Dallas, Texas	1955 Buick, color white

The above information was discussed with Detective H. M. HART, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, on September 21, 1959. Detective HART advised he has recently obtained information that card and crap games are held at the above establishment at times and stated the Dallas Police Department is keeping the place under spot checks. Detective HART stated JIMMY MAGGIOTTA, Dallas Police Department No. 33880, is a known gambler, and he theorized that a gambling game was probably going on at the time the above automobiles were at the above location.

On September 29, 1959, the Los Angeles Office advised information was received from Special Agent LARRY KATZ, Federal Narcotics Bureau, that his office had been requested to identify the subscriber to telephone number AXminster 2-0826, which number had been called from a telephone in Dallas, Texas, number Lakeside 6-2337, which is listed to JOSEPH CIVELLO.

KATZ informed that he had learned that AXminster 2-0826 is listed to one TOMMY PALERMO at 3710 West 63rd Street, Los Angeles.

There is no record of TOMMY PALERMO in the files of the Los Angeles Police Department or the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office. There is no record for PALERMO in the Los Angeles office.

On July 24, 1959, the records of the Los Angeles Retail Merchants Credit Association, reviewed by SE JAMES L. MAHAN, reflected that TOMMY PALERMO and wife, MARY, had been known to the files of that association since 1948 and that prior to residing at 3710 West 63rd Street, Los Angeles, they had resided at 1235 East 77th Place, Los Angeles. PALERMO's age was listed as approximately 52 years at

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which time he was employed as a sales manager for the Big Tree Wine Distributors, 6415 Compton Avenue, Los Angeles. He had served in that capacity for approximately five years and his income was reflected at approximately \$500 per month.

On August 12, 1959, Detective H. M. HART, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, advised that one of CIVELLO's associates, PHILLIP S. BOSCO, Dallas, Texas, was observed at the funeral of JOHN CORTEMEGLIA, father of LUKE CORTEMEGLIA. BOSCO was driving a car which is registered to him in Austin, Texas. BOSCO resides and has his business in Dallas, Texas. He is described by HART as an active bookie and gambler.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-8 on August 4, 1959, advised that he was handling the funeral of FRANK SATERINO, father of Dallas Italian police characters, CHARLES and PAUL SATERINO. He said two of the pallbearers would be JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and his brother, CHARLES EDWARD CIVELLO. He reported the funeral would take place on August 5, 1959.

On August 6, 1959, T-8 advised that JOHN CORTEMEGLIA, father of LUKE CORTEMEGLIA, associate of CIVELLO, died and would be buried on August 8, 1959. He stated JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and CHARLES EDWARD CIVELLO would be pallbearers, along with Dallas police character, PETE INTERRANTE, another associate of CIVELLO.

A newspaper article appearing in the "Dallas Morning News" on November 23, 1959, reflected that CHARLES VINCENT SATERINO (FBI No. 497185) had died on November 21, 1959. Among the pallbearers listed were CHARLES EDWARD CIVELLO, brother of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO; JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO; SAM and JOE CAMPISI, all associates of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO.

On December 2, 1959, Detective H. M. HART, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, advised information had been received from a reliable source that CIVELLO's associate, PETE INTERRANTE, FBI No. 385333, was handling stolen merchandise shoplifted by CARL MAIN BENTLEY, Dallas Police Department No. 27632; KENNETH GILBERT JOHNSON, Dallas Police Department No. 2628; LILA JO BENTLEY, Dallas Police Department No. 30626; ODESSA WINGFIELD, Dallas Police Department No. 23234; and RALPH DAVID CASTRO, Dallas Police Department No. 34970. Detective HART pointed out that

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recently CARL MAIN BENTLEY had been arrested by the Dallas Police Department and his bond had been made by PETE INTERRANTE. INTERRANTE is operating a restaurant at the corner of McKinney and Lemmon Avenue. JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and ROSS MUSSO, FBI No. 2878710, his brother-in-law, constructed the building in which the restaurant is located, and are considered part owners in the restaurant.

Detective HART advised on December 9, 1959, that CARL MAIN BENTLEY and KENNETH GILBERT JOHNSON were arrested on that date by the Dallas Police Department in possession of a large quantity of stolen narcotics and were subsequently identified as the armed robbers of a Dallas drug store. Both men have been charged with felony counts of possession of narcotics and armed robbery.

On December 10, 1959, SA ROBERT M. BARRETT became engaged in conversation with an individual he had observed on previous occasions at the Egyptian Lounge, a restaurant operated by JOE and SAM CAMPISI. This individual advised his name is FRANK TORTORIELLO and that he originally came to Dallas from New Jersey. He was later observed driving a 1958 Chevrolet, blue convertible, Texas license NL 1927, which is registered to FRANK TORTORIELLO, 7710 Robin Road, Dallas, Texas. This individual is believed identical to FRANK TORTORCELLI, previously listed as an associate of CIVELLO.

On November 18, 1959, JOE and SAM CAMPISI, Egyptian Lounge, a restaurant operated by these individuals which is located at 5610 Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, advised they have heard nothing recently from the CIVELLO family and indicated that the CIVELLOs are very quiet at present. They stated JOE IANNI, operator of the Ristorante Vesuvio (restaurant), is still suffering from recent heart attacks and is not active in any field at the present time.

On November 18, 1959, Detective H. M. HART advised that CHARLES EDWARD CIVELLO, JOE CIVELLO's brother, and ROSS MUSSO, brother-in-law, have applied for a liquor license for the Airway Liquor Store, 3122 West Mockingbird Lane.

The New York Office advised on February 19, 1960, that PETER PELLEGRINO and his entire family, wife and children, moved to Dallas, Texas, on February 15, 1960. PELLEGRINO reportedly purchased a seven-room house in Dallas with all new appliances, as well as a new nine-passenger station wagon.

PETER PELLEGRINO, FBI No. 30429D, has been previously identified as an associate of CIVELLO. He was arrested on November 19, 1958, by the University Park Police Department at Dallas, Texas, for investigation of operating a bookmaking establishment. Arrested also in connection with that matter were JOE IANNI, FBI No. 3426142, and MARIE PINTO IANNI, his wife. THEODORE MOGAVERO of White Plains, New York, was also arrested.

PETER PELLEGRINO was then arrested by the Dallas Police Department on November 29, 1958, for investigation and vagrancy.

Information that PELLEGRINO had moved to Dallas was furnished to Detective H. M. HART, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, on February 24, 1960. A check of Dallas City Water Department records was made through Detective HART on the same date and reflected that PELLEGRINO had water connections made at 3975 High Grove Street, Dallas, on February 10, 1960.

HART advised that the Dallas Police Department is very much interested in PELLEGRINO's activities and continued investigation will be conducted by his section to ascertain PELLEGRINO's current activities in Dallas.

Later on February 24, 1960, Detective HART advised PELLEGRINO had been observed at his new residence in Dallas and was driving a new 1960 Plymouth Station Wagon with New York license 9233 WC. He said the Plymouth had a dark brown top and tan colored body. HART further advised that PELLEGRINO had applied for telephone service and a telephone was installed at his new residence on February 16, 1960. The number is FLEetwood 2-7935. PELLEGRINO gave as references when he applied for the telephone, JOE IANNI and JOE CAMPISI. HART stated PELLEGRINO has been in contact almost daily with JOE IANNI who operates the Ristorante Vesuvio (an Italian restaurant) located on West Lovers Lane, Dallas.

On February 25, 1960, Detective HART stated he had checked the above license number with the New York State Police and determined that the number is registered to PIETRO PELLEGRINO, 20 Carrigan Avenue, White Plains, New York. He stated there is no stolen or wanted on the car.

Detective HART stated PELLEGRINO intends to open a new bakery on Cedar Springs Street in Dallas, according to his application for telephone service.

On March 8, 1960, Detective HART advised that PELLEGRINO is to be arrested by the Dallas Police Department for vagrancy at which time he will be thoroughly interviewed relative to his business ties, if any, in Dallas. He stated PELLEGRINO has been under observation and does not appear to have any visible means of support. HART advised there is no indication that CIVELLO is involved with PELLEGRINO at this time. HART stated that everything he has heard from informants and other sources recently, indicates CIVELLO is remaining very quiet since his conviction in Federal Court at New York and is limited in his contacts with former associates.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised on February 23, 1960, that he heard PETER PELLEGRINO is planning to move to Dallas from White Plains, New York. He stated PELLEGRINO will try to set up some form of bookmaking in Dallas, along with JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO, PETER JOSEPH PICCOLA, and JOE IANNI. T-1 said he does not believe CIVELLO will be directly involved with this group.

On March 14, 1960, Detective H. M. HART, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Department, made available the following information:

PELLEGRINO was arrested by Officers J. R. GILMORE and B. F. RODGERS, Vice Squad, Dallas Police Department, on March 11, 1960. At the time of his arrest he was driving his Plymouth Station Wagon, still bearing New York license. He was taken to the Dallas Police Department and booked, charged with vagrancy. Following the above he was taken to the Special Service Bureau where he was interviewed by Detective G. D. GANDY of the Criminal Intelligence Section.

PELLEGRINO advised he moved to Dallas with his family on February 19, 1960. He stated he is opening a bakery with JOE IANNI and JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO. The bakery will operate under the trade name Neapolitan Bakery, Inc., JOE IANNI, President; PETER PELLEGRINO, Vice President; and JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO, Secretary-Treasurer - Office Manager. The bakery equipment is being installed in a building at 2226 Butler Street, Dallas. The building is 50 feet by 115 feet. The bakery will specialize in Italian and French

bread and rolls which will be sold wholesale to restaurants and stores. One truck will be used at first to make deliveries. There will be three other employees in addition to those listed above. PELLEGRINO stated he is to do the baking while PATRONO will run the office. IANNI is to supervise the operation. PELLEGRINO stated he and his wife had been separated for about two years due to trouble with in-laws and they came to Dallas to rear their children and get a new start after reconciliation.

Detective HART advised on March 18, 1960, that he had contacted Mr. O. N. HUMPHREYS, Intelligence Section, Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, on March 14, 1960, and ascertained through a check of records at the office of Secretary of State that the Neapolitan Bakery, Inc., was incorporated on March 3, 1960. Capital stock of 100,000 shares at 10 cents each. Incorporators were JOE IANNI, J. R. PATRONO, and PETE PELLEGRINO. Agent for service was listed as DAVID C. McCORD, 519 Mercantile Bank Building, Dallas, Texas.

Regular contacts with Detective HART and Sheriff BILL DECKER determined their sources believe PELLEGRINO and his associates are currently busily engrossed in establishing a front, the Neapolitan Bakery, and have not actually begun operating as bookmakers. Detective HART advised on May 25, 1960, that all information from confidential sources indicate PELLEGRINO is trying to convince local authorities he will conduct a strictly legitimate business in Dallas. HART pointed out, however, that sources believe he will begin operations as a bookmaker as soon as possible. HART stated he has received information from several sources that the arrest of PELLEGRINO on March 11, 1960, caused PELLEGRINO to be more cautious in his operations. HART stated PELLEGRINO has been assigned to him for investigation on a continuing basis by Captain PAT GANNAWAY.

DL T-1 was contacted relative to PELLEGRINO and associates on March 21; April 1, 13; May 10, 25, 1960. Information supplied by T-1 concerning PELLEGRINO's activities since his arrival in Dallas in February, 1960, was substantially the same as that supplied by Detective HART.

Dallas T-6 advised on May 20, 1960, that he has not heard of bookmaking around Dallas in connection with PELLEGRINO and associates at the present time. He stated he will make inquiries and advise.

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Dallas T-9 advised on March 25, 1960, he had been in contact with numerous gamblers in the Dallas area but had not obtained any information indicating a new bookmaking establishment in connection with PELLEGRINO and associates. He stated he feels this will be forthcoming, however. Dallas T-9 was recontacted by SA ROBERT M. BARRETT on May 13, 1960, but could furnish no additional information relative to PELLEGRINO.

Dallas T-8 advised on April 11, 1960, he is well acquainted with JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO and JOE IANNI. He stated he is aware they are entering the bakery business with PELLEGRINO. T-8 stated he has not obtained any information that this group has begun operations as bookmakers. He promised to keep the Dallas Office advised should he obtain information relative to illegal activities on the part of PELLEGRINO and his associates.

On the night of May 9, 1960, PELLEGRINO and PATRONO were observed in the office of their new bakery at 2226 Butler. Later in the evening Dallas Police Department Officer CHARLES SANSONE was observed arriving at this office.

Detective CHARLES J. SANSONE has been known to be a friend and associate of JOE and SAM CAMPISI and other Italians in the Dallas area for a number of years. SANSONE has approximately 20 years service in the Dallas Police Department. He is expected to enter into business with the CAMPISIs when he retires from the Police Department. At one time he operated a liquor store for JOSEPH COLLETTI, Dallas Italian liquor store operator, on his off-duty hours. The above information was supplied by Detective H. M. HART on May 10, 1960, after he was advised that SANSONE had been observed in the office of the Neapolitan Bakery with PELLEGRINO and PATRONO on May 9, 1960. Detective HART immediately relayed this information to Captain PAT GANNAWAY. They stated they are very interested in knowing about any incident when SANSONE is observed in the presence of the above individuals. HART pointed out that SANSONE is assigned to another section in the Police Department and does not have access to files concerning PELLEGRINO in the Intelligence Section.

On the afternoon of May 19, 1960, a rose colored 1956 Buick was observed parked in the driveway of the home of JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, 5311 Denton Drive, bearing 1960 Texas license NN 325. The Dallas County Automobile Registration Bureau advised on May 19, 1960, the above license is registered to CHARLES J. SANSONE, 5207 Denton Drive, Dallas, on a 1956 Buick, four door.

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Detective HART was advised of the above on May 19, 1960.

On May 12, 1960, JOE CAMPISI advised SA ROBERT M. BARRETT that PATRONO was at that time confined to the Baylor Hospital, Dallas, after suffering from stomach hemorrhages. On the afternoon of May 12, 1960, SA ROBERT M. BARRETT observed PETER PELLEGRINO playing golf at the Glen Lakes Country Club, Dallas, with JOE CAMPISI and JOE IANNI.

On May 12, 1960, JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO was observed by SA BARRETT in the office of restaurant owner JOE CAMPISI at the Egyptian Lounge. With CIVELLO and CAMPISI were CHARLES J. SANSONE, Dallas Police Officer, Dallas Police Department Auto Theft Squad, and CAMPISI's father, CARLO. SANSONE and CIVELLO were observed leaving the Egyptian Lounge together in SANSONE's car. SANSONE was overheard saying to JOE CAMPISI, "You have been feeding me for 15 years". Shortly following the above, CAMPISI advised SA BARRETT that CIVELLO was "one of the most wonderful people in the world" and a very close friend. CAMPISI also advised that his nephew, ex-convict NICK CAMMARRATA, has refused to come to CAMPISI's restaurant or associate with other friends as this would just get these people identified as possible police characters.

On May 24, 1960, RANDALL WINSTON, Assistant Chief, Intelligence Section, Internal Revenue Bureau, Dallas, made inquiry concerning [REDACTED]

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On May 25, 1960, Deputy Sheriff O'BYRNE COX advised the Dallas County Sheriff's Office is conducting discreet investigation concerning PELLEGRINO and is very interested in PELLEGRINO's activities. He advised no information indicating they have begun operations as bookmakers has been obtained to date, but PELLEGRINO and his associates are being closely watched.

On May 27, 1960, JIMMY MAGGIOTTA, Dallas Police Department No. 33880, was observed driving one of the delivery trucks of the Neapolitan Bakery, operated by PETER PELLEGRINO. This was the first indication that MAGGIOTTA, an individual arrested for gambling in the past, was associating with PELLEGRINO and his associates.

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The above information was supplied to Detective H. M. HART, Dallas Police Department, Criminal Intelligence Section, on May 27, 1960. He advised that the Dallas Police Department is keeping a close check on the activities of PELLEGRINO since his move from New York to Dallas. He stated all inquiries concerning PELLEGRINO and his associates indicate they are not carrying on any gambling or other illegal activity at the present time and appear to be busily engaged in legitimate operation of the Neapolitan Bakery, 2226 Butler Street, Dallas. He advised that a squad of detectives in the Intelligence Section have been assigned to cover the activities of PELLEGRINO and any information indicating criminal activity will be immediately relayed to the Dallas FBI Office.

It should be noted that investigation concerning PELLEGRINO's activities in the Dallas area does not indicate that JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO is associated with PELLEGRINO's bakery or any other activities contemplated by PELLEGRINO at this time.

E. LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

The New York Division advised that confidential informant T-15 had made available the following data concerning the Civello Import and Liquors located at 4236-38 Oak Lawn Avenue, Dallas, Texas. This information contained information on the partnership of CHARLES CIVELLO, ROSS MUSSO, and JOSEPH CIVELLO. T-15 stated that this business was started in 1954, a network of \$48,000 (including exemptions). This report reflected sales of this company to be \$215,000 in 1956. This data was current as of February 1, 1957, and is being quoted verbatim.

"History

"Trade style registered January 18, 1954, listing above partners.

"CHARLES CIVELLO, born 1915, married, native Louisiana. Moved to Dallas at an early age, finishing school in 1933. 1933 to 1936 employed by his father. 1936 to 1939 employed Wilson Packing Company. 1939 to January, 1942, operated individually as a meat jobber. 1942 to November, 1945, served United States Army. After discharge,

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returned to Dallas and was variously employed, latterly in liquor store until March, 1947, when he started a business known as Civello and LeMonte Import Company, in a partnership with one LA MONTE. Purchased LA MONTE's interest in 1949, however, LA MONTE later again entered the partnership but again sold his interest to CIVELLO in April, 1950, for \$3,500 cash. CIVELLO continued to operate under that trade style until entering subject partnership.

"JOSEPH CIVELLO is 51, married, native of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Employed by father in grocery business until 1928. Then opened drug store in Dallas under style St. Paul Drugs until 1932. 1933 to 1947 operated and was employed in various grocery establishments located throughout Dallas. January, 1948, entered partnership with ROSS MUSSO, his brother-in-law to operate as Love Field Grocery and Market. That business was continued until latter part of 1953 when it was sold to others for an undisclosed consideration. JOSEPH F. CIVELLO is the brother of CHARLES E. CIVELLO.

"ROSS MUSSO, 57, married, native of Italy, in 1925, opened a small grocery in Dallas, and operated various grocery stores throughout Dallas until January, 1948, when he entered the abovementioned partnership with CIVELLO.

"Subject partnership was formed January 18, 1954, to combine individual business of CHARLES E. CIVELLO and the retail liquor business which was purchased from A and A Liquor Stores, Inc., at the above address for undisclosed consideration. Original investment in the business estimated at about \$30,000, consisting largely of CIVELLO's transfer of his individual business to the partnership.

"Operation-Location

"Wholesales (SIC# 5049) and retails imported foods, food products and specialties (40 per cent). Retails liquors, wines and beer (60 per cent).

"Wholesales imported food specialties, which are sold to restaurants (65 per cent) with retail food sales (35 per cent) to local trade. All food sales are 90 per cent cash, balance on seven day terms to few selective accounts.

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"Retail liquor sales are 100 per cent for cash. Partners are active in the business, unassisted.

"Rents about 5,000 square feet of floor space in this one-story brick building located shopping center in upper income bracket section. Premises are orderly.

"Financial Information

"Estimated financial condition at January 28, 1957:

<u>Assets</u>		<u>Liabilities</u>	
Cash in bank	8,000	Accts pay	6,500
Accts rec	4,800	Owing on truck (Cur)	900
Mdse	25,000		
Total current	37,800	Total current	7,400
Fixt & Equip	15,000	Owing on truck (Def)	900
Autos and Truck	3,500		
		NET WORTH	48,000
Total	56,300	Total	56,300

"Net sales for 1956 \$215,000; gross profit \$38,000; salaries and drawings of owner \$13,000; net profit over and above salaries and drawings of owner \$7,300. Monthly rent \$400, lease expires August, 1961. Fire insurance full coverage. Signed CIVELLO'S by CHARLES E. CIVELLO, owner (Partner)

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"Banking relations are maintained with one local depository where two accounts are carried with aggregate balances in moderate high four figures. One low four figure loan currently outstanding, secured, being satisfactorily used, comment favorable. This loan is due on a 1956 Chevrolet Station Wagon. Accounts receivable considered entirely collectible by CHARLES E. CIVELLO. Merchandise estimated at cost. Fixtures and equipment estimated at book value. Item autos and truck include a 1955 Chevrolet, a 1953 Plymouth and a 1956 Chevrolet Station Wagon, shown at approximate total market value. Accounts payable stated to be all current by CHARLES E. CIVELLO. Owing on truck payable \$75 monthly.

"Volume has been steadily increasing for the past several years, and net sales for 1956 were approximately \$215,000 with operations providing good profits.

"Under Texas laws, the truck and portion of fixtures and equipment might be claimed exempt."

Dallas Confidential Informant T-4 advised on January 29, 1958, that JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO had a quarter interest in the Civello Import Food and Liquor Company located at 4236-38 Oak Lawn, Dallas, Texas, and claimed to have sold out this interest to his brother, CHARLES CIVELLO, as of January, 1958. However, T-4 stated it was his opinion CIVELLO had not done this but remained as a silent partner. This individual stated that he knew CIVELLO to have income from the Caddo Levee Lease near Shreveport, Louisiana, which lease was producing oil, and CIVELLO also had had an interest in the R. E. Collins Lease located near Shreveport, Louisiana. He stated CIVELLO was worth approximately \$90,000. This informant stated that he knew that CIVELLO did business with the Exchange Bank and Trust Company, Dallas, Texas, and as of May 15, 1958, Civello Import Food and Liquor establishment had approximately \$1,100 on deposit. CHARLES CIVELLO had \$350 in a checking account and approximately \$3,300 in a savings account. He stated that ROSS MUSSO and CIVELLO had approximately \$400 in a checking account. The Civello Liquors had \$5,650 in a checking account and CIVELLO's father, PHILLIP CIVELLO, had a checking account of \$875. He stated CIVELLO did the banking for his father and as far as he knew, the father never went to the Exchange Bank and Trust Company. This informant further related that JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO had a savings account of \$1,168; his wife had a savings account of \$541.81; his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO, had a savings account for \$1,322.65, and Mrs. ROSS MUSSO had a checking account of approximately \$500 and a savings account of \$2,044. This informant further related that JOSEPH CIVELLO and MARY CIVELLO, his wife, had a safe deposit box No. 407. T-4 stated at the present time JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO and ROSS MUSSO had an outstanding note with Exchange Bank and Trust Company in the amount of \$5,000. This informant further related on June 1, 1958, that JOSEPH CIVELLO had attempted to borrow \$7,500 from the Exchange Bank and Trust Company.

C. P. McCLURE, Anderson Pritchard Oil Company, 902 Liberty Bank Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, advised SA ALLISON A. CATLIN on February 17, 1958, that the Swinney Lease located in Caddo County, Oklahoma, is referred to as the Cook and Kahn Lease. McCLURE stated that CIVELLO receives \$125.00 monthly and that he had been paid \$1,253.77

in 1957. PHILIP BOSCO and JOSEPH J. COLLETTA also received \$1,253.77 in 1957. HARRY D. KAHN has one-half share and during 1957, received \$626.89. McCLURE stated that BOSCO, CIVELLO and KAHN had a trustee appointed for a payment of \$192.88 regarding this lease. McCLURE stated that he had no evidence that CIVELLO was receiving any other interests from their firm.

SA JOHN P. DUNPHY on March 4, 1958, contacted Mr. JOHN D. BRADLEY, Assistant Clerk, Divisional Department, Arkansas Fuel Oil Company, Slattery Building, Shreveport, Louisiana. Mr. BRADLEY advised HARRY D. KAHN et al had an interest in the Caddo Levee Board Oil Lease which is described as the west half of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 8, Township 20 North, Range 15 West, Caddo Parish, Louisiana. The records reflect the following transfers of interests in this lease. On February 18, 1956, 1/64 of 7/8 undivided interest to JOE COLLETTA from Mrs. ANGELINE LA MONTE, consideration \$10.00 and other good and valuable consideration not set forth. (In all of the following transactions the consideration for the transfers in each instance was \$10.00 and other good and valuable consideration not set forth in the file.)

Transfer November 25, 1955, effective January 1, 1956, from J. F. CIVELLO to P. S. BOSCO, 1/64 of 7/8 undivided interest.

Transfer November 25, 1956, effective January 1, 1956, from Mrs. ANGELINE LA MONTE to JOE COLLETTA, 1/64 of 7/8 undivided interest.

Transfer October 20, 1955, effective November 1, 1955, from HARRY D. KAHN to ANGELINE LA MONTE of 1/32 of 7/8.

Transfer October 25, 1955, effective November 1, 1955, from J. F. CIVELLO to HARRY D. KAHN, 1/96 to 7/8 undivided interest.

Transfer dated November 16, 1955, effective November 1, 1955, from HARWIN D. COOK to HARRY D. KAHN, 1/96 of 7/8 undivided interest.

The initial interest in this Caddo Levee Board Lease amounted to a 7/8 working interest held by HARRY D. KAHN, J. F. CIVELLO and six others as of August 5, 1955. KAHN and CIVELLO each had an interest described as 8/48 of 63/64 of 7/8, prior to the above transfers.

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From the Caddo Levee Board Lease, which is carried in the Arkansas Fuel Oil Company file as lease number 22-15-122, the following was paid in the months indicated.

HARRY D. KAHN  
Owner number 48701  
December, 1957, by check #16962, \$265.70  
January, 1958, by check #23820, \$253.80

P. S. BOSCO  
Owner number 09406  
December, 1957, check #14258, \$26.57  
January, 1958, check #21330, \$25.38

J. F. CIVELLO  
Owner number 15942  
December, 1957, check #14764, \$239.13  
January, 1958, check #21787, \$228.42

JOSEPH COLLETTA  
Owner number 17314  
December, 1957, check #14877, \$53.14  
January, 1958, check #21887, \$50.76

Mr. BRADLEY advised the Collins Lease is described as certain numbered lots located in the Gaume Allotment #2 in the north half of the north half of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 2, Township 20 North, Range 16, West, as per map in Conveyance Book 50, Page 546, Caddo Parish, but only insofar as this pertains to production to a depth of 3,100 feet or above. He advised the lease began as of December 17, 1954, with interests held by HARRY D. KAHN and seven others. KAHN's interest is described as 5/32 of 31/32 of 7/8 working interest. The following transfers were noted. Again the consideration in each transfer was reflected as \$10.00 and other good and valuable consideration not set forth.

Transfer January 4, 1955, effective September 1, 1955, from H. D. COOK to J. F. CIVELLO, 1/32 of 7/8 working interest.

Transfer January 4, 1955, effective September 1, 1955, from HARRY D. KAHN to J. F. CIVELLO, 1/32 of 7/8 working interest.

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Transfer June 22, 1956, effective July 1, 1956, from JOSEPH J. EVALENO, husband of ELIZABETH GRACE EVALENO, 11 Hazelton Drive, White Plains, New York, to PHILIP BOSCO, 1/32 of 7/8 working interest.

Transfer dated September 25, 1956, from J. F. CIVELLO to CHARLES E. CIVELLO 1/16 of 7/8 working interest.

Transfer dated June 24, 1957, from H. D. COOK to PHILIP BOSCO of 5/64 of 7/8 working interest.

Transfer dated June 24, 1957, from H. D. COOK to JOSEPH COLLETTA of 5/64 of 7/8 working interest.

Transfer dated August 14, 1957, from CHARLES E. CIVELLO to PHILIP BOSCO 1/16 of 7/8 working interest.

From the Collins Lease which is carried in the Arkansas Fuel Oil Company files as lease number 22-15-157, the following was paid in the months indicated.

PHILIP BOSCO

Owner number 09408

December, 1957, check #14260, \$59.08

January, 1958, check #21331, \$120.12

JOSEPH COLLETTA

Owner number 17331

December, 1957, check #14882, \$22.72

January, 1958, check #21891, \$46.20

HARRY D. KAHN

Owner number 48701

December, 1957, check #16962, \$36.35

January, 1958, check #23820, \$73.92

Mr. BRADLEY further advised his company records indicated the following latest address on the following:

JOSEPH CIVELLO, 5311 Deton Drive, Dallas, Texas;  
HARRY D. KAHN, 2014 Adolphus Tower, Dallas, Texas;  
PHILIP BOSCO, 2701 Ross, Dallas, Texas;  
JOSEPH COLLETTA, 5717 Goodwin Street, Dallas, Texas.

On August 6, 1958, Dallas Confidential Informant T-1 advised CIVELLO sold his interest in the liquor business known as the Civello Imports and Liquor Company to an individual named JIM AMIDI who reportedly is from Florida.



On August 18, 1958, Dallas Confidential Informant T-2 advised that it is his understanding CIVELLO is presently confining all of his activities in the oil business with one HARRY D. KAHN, who has offices in the Corrigan Tower Building, Dallas, Texas. T-2 said the business formerly operated by CIVELLO, along with his brother CHARLES CIVELLO, and ROSS MUSSO, lost considerable money and they sold this business, the Civello Import and Liquor Company.

On November 12, 1958, Dallas T-1 advised he believes subject has invested money in the restaurant belonging to JOE IANNI, the Ristorante Vesuvio, 5120 West Lovers Lane, Dallas, Texas. CIVELLO is not believed active in the operation of this restaurant.

On February 24, 1959, JAMES WILLIAM AMIDEI, 9721 Twin Creek Drive, Dallas, Texas, advised he purchased the Civello Import and Liquor Company from CHARLES EDWARD CIVELLO and ROSS MUSSO on July 15, 1958. He said JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO had no interest in the store at the time he purchased same. He said he paid \$28,700 for the inventory in cash. He signed a note for \$6,500 for the fixtures. AMIDEI stated he could furnish no information concerning CIVELLO's activities and indicated that he had known CIVELLO only as a liquor store operator. He said that he had worked for JULIUS SCHEPPS, a wholesale liquor distributor in Dallas prior to his purchase of the store. He said he called on the Civello Import and Liquor Company regularly while he was working for the wholesale company. AMIDEI advised he has never associated with JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO other than stated above. AMIDEI advised that shortly after buying the business he received several long distance phone calls from an unknown party in Detroit, Michigan, inquiring for JOE CIVELLO. Caller stated that CIVELLO would talk to him but the caller would not identify himself. AMIDEI advised that CIVELLO drops in the store occasionally, about once a week, and CIVELLO recently advised that he had invested money in the construction of a business located at Lemmon and McKinney Streets in Dallas. AMIDEI furnished a list of importer contacts used by CIVELLO which was furnished to him at the time he purchased the store. The list previously used by the CIVELLOs as establishments they dealt with is as follows:

Chicago - J. S. Hoffman Company, 312 West Illinois, Chicago, Illinois.

Pennsylvania - Brandywine Mushroom Company, West Chester, Pennsylvania.

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New York - Domestic Edible Oil Company, 197 Grand Street, New York 12, New York.

California - Contadina Food Corporation, Post Office Box 207, San Jose, California.

New York - Cresca Company, Inc., 111 - 8th Avenue, New York 11, New York.

New York - Motta Company (JOSEPH D. MARANELLI), 11 West 42nd, New York 36, New York - 157 Hudson Street, New York 13, New York.

New York - Lekas and Drivos, 19 Roosevelt, New York City (Greek foodstuffs)

New York - Palumbo Cigar Company, 472 Broome Street, New York 13, New York.

New Orleans - Ermanno T. Di Marzi, 130 International Trade Mart, New Orleans.

New York - J. Ossola Company, 155 Hudson, New York City.

New York - Gary Valenti, 5572 - 61st Street, Maspeth 78, New York.

New Orleans - Uddo Taormina Company (Progresso Foods), 2156 Agriculture Street, New Orleans (FRANK UDDO).

St. Louis - V. Viviano Company, 4649 Shaw Boulevard, St. Louis 10, Missouri.

New York - V. LaRosa and Son, 473 Kent Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

It should be noted that investigation was conducted relative to the above named individuals and companies, but no information concerning criminal activities relating to the above was determined. Investigation indicated the above to be legitimate business establishments.

On April 22, 1959, Dallas T-1 advised that TONY MENTESANA is a close associate of CIVELLO. CIVELLO recently hired one of MENTESANA's relatives to operate a grocery store in the new building CIVELLO constructed at the corner of McKinney and Lemmon Streets, Dallas, Texas. The relative was identified as LOUIS MENTESANA.

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Regular spot checks were made during the construction of the building at the intersection of McKinney and Lemmon Streets on the following dates: April 13, 17, 22, 24; May 5, 11, 1959.

It was ascertained that the building constructed by CIVELLO in cooperation with his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO, presently contains two business establishments, a restaurant operated by PETE INTERRANTE and a Cabell's Drive-In Grocery Store operated by LOUIS MENTESANA. CIVELLO was observed on numerous occasions during the spot checks above, supervising the construction of this new building.

On September 24, 1959, Dallas Confidential Informant T-16, advised SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING that CIVELLO, either directly or through his brother, CHARLES EDWARD CIVELLO, has leased a piece of property on Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, Texas, near Love Field Airport, on which he plans to construct a liquor store. T-16 stated he believed an individual by the name of MUSSO (CIVELLO's brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO) would also be connected in this enterprise. He advised that the property leased to CIVELLO was done through the owner of the property, CARL C. WEICHSEL, President, Great National Life Insurance Company, Dallas, Texas.

T-16 advised that Mr. WEICHSEL is a reputable businessman and is not connected with CIVELLO's criminal activities.

#### F. TRAVEL

On January 16, 1958, Mr. LLOYD EDEN, Assistant Treasurer of Braniff International Airways, Dallas, Texas, advised that CIVELLO had Braniff air travel card No. B15030, which was issued to CIVELLO on November 30, 1949. EDEN stated Braniff has no record of CIVELLO ever having utilized this travel card.

CIVELLO has been known to utilize air travel and train travel during this reporting period.

CIVELLO drives a 1955 blue and white Buick, which is registered to his brother-in-law, ROSS MUSSO, at 5311 Denton Drive, Dallas, Texas.

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G. PERSONAL HABITS AND PECULIARITIES

Observation of CIVELLO during this investigative period determined CIVELLO usually dresses in slacks and sport shirt open at the collar. During cooler weather, he wears a sport coat.

According to Dr. ROBERT F. SHORT, JR., CIVELLO's personal physician, CIVELLO has a bad heart condition and is under strict orders to stay near his home.

From observation from time to time by Bureau Agents, CIVELLO has not been observed frequenting any known hangouts. He has been known to make visits to the Egyptian Lounge located on East Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, Texas, and operated by JOE and SAM CAMPISI. He has also been known to visit the Ristorante Vesuvio, 5120 West Lovers Lane, Dallas, Texas, operated by JOE IANNI.

On December 19, 1957, Sheriff BILL DECKER, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, advised SA VINCENT E. DRAIN that CIVELLO has been known in the past to carry a gun in his automobile, and he strongly suspects him of carrying a gun on his person.

The following physical description of CIVELLO was obtained from the files of the United States Probation Officer, Fort Worth, Texas:

Name	JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO
Aliases	Joe Civello, Joe Ciuerello, Joseph F. Civello
Residence	5311 Denton Drive, Dallas, Texas
Birth Data	2-3-02 or 2-3-03, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Height	5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight	170
Hair	Black mixed with grey, grey around temples, curly
Eyes	Hazel, wears glasses
Face	Thin
Build	Slender
Complexion	Ruddy
Scars and Marks	Scar between eyes, crescent shape, just over bridge of nose
Social Security No.	452-40-1454
Occupations	Dallas Gun Club; Texas Package Stores Association