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DALLAS DIVISION

On 4/10/62, LT. JACK REVILL, Intelligence Section, Dallas PD furnished the following information on a confidential LT. REVILL has always been most cooperative with the Bureau and he was furnished the following information with the understanding that his source, whom he identified, not be contacted by Bureau personnel.

LT. REVILL has been developing as a source of information former St. Louis hoodlum and gambler NATHAN PLATT who is presently residing in the Dallas area. PLATT advised REVILL that hoodlum or syndicate money in the United States is being invested in large amounts in businesses connected with the manufacture of aluminum siding. PLATT identified DON DePALAMA, a resident of Tampa, Fla. and who is PLATT's "boss" as being one of the persons so investing this hoodlum money. He stated DePALAMA owns the Crown Aluminum-Co. in Tampa, Fla. and the Gulf Coast or Gulf States Aluminum Co. in Dallas which is a subsidiary of Crown Aluminum. PLATT described DePALAMA as a "big-time gambler" who has "syndicate" connections. PLATT also stated that he had learned through DePALAMA that the Division of Alcoa Co., manufacturer of aluminum siding, is controlled by hoodlum money.

PLATT also stated that DePALAMA had recently instructed PLATT to stay out of the University Club in Dallas (which is owned and operated by GEORGE W. OWENS) as this club was under surveillance by a law enforcement agency because of the "funny money" being pushed there. PLATT did not elaborate further on "funny money" and its significance is unknown to the Dallas Office or to LT. REVILL, It is suspected that he is possibly referring to counterfeit money. The information concerning the University Club was orally furnished to FORDEST 101/A SORRELS, U. S. Secret Service, Dallas on 4/12/62 and was confirmed by Metter.

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On 4/23/62, LT. REVILL was recontacted concerning the above matter and advised that he had been unable to obtain any further details concerning this from his source, PLATT. He stated should he obtain further information he would immediately advise the Dallas office.

For the information of Tampa and Miami, by airtel 4/20/62 the Bureau advised that if the above information is true it is extremely significant to the Criminal Intelligence Program and should be forwarded the Tampa Division for their information and possible appropriate investigation. The Bureau cited Bureau letter to New York 3/17/60 captioned CRIMINAL ELEMENT IN THE BUSINESS FIELD - INFORMATION CONCERNING and stated that if instructions contained in this Bureau letter are applicable to subsequent information developed concerning the above allegations, investigation of possible hoodlum influence, control or infiltration into the aluminum siding industry should be handled accordingly.