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COMMENTS :

On February 21, 1968, SD 1064-C-TE advised that JOHN ROSELLI is apparently making an effort to take over the ICN leadership in California and in his efforts to make such an attempt has been in contact with leaders of the Chicago LCN family and with SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR. Subsequently, on 3/1/68, SD 1064-C-TE advised that ROSELLI had recently attempted to get TRAFFICANTE to meet with him in Los Angeles, but that TRAFFICANTE claimed could not come to Los Angeles at this time. Subsequently, on March 6, 1968, ROSELLI indicated he had again talked with TRAFFICANTE and that TRAFFICANTE indicated was too busy to make a trip to Los Angeles at this time, but expected to make it in the near future, and ROSELLI mentioned that if TRAFFICANTE did not come to California by April 15, then ROSELLI hoped to send SD 1064-C-TE to Florida to meet with TRAFFICANTE.

On March 13, 1968, CG 6588-C-TE advised that FELIX ALDERISIO may have had a clandestine meeting with SANTO TRAFFICANTE in Chicago on March 12, 1968, and based such an assumption on the fact that some time ago ALDERISIO wanted to send a gift to TRAFFICANTE, but did not have TRAFFICANTE's address and in telephonic contact with TRAFFICANTE on March 8, had asked TRAFFICANTE for his address and had been told that TRAFFICANTE would not give him his address over the phone, but would give it to him when he next saw ALDERISIO. Informant remarked that on March 12, 1968, ALDERISIO had had the informant drop him at an innocuous place in the Chicago Loop area and later, when rejoining the informant, ALDERISIO handed the informant a piece of paper with the address 740 Northeast 155th Street, North, Miami, Florida, and told informant this was TRAFFICANTE's address and to send the gift to that address.

On March 14, 1968, TP 120-C advised that TRAFFICANTE had departed the Tampa, Florida area, 2/8/68, and had not returned to the Tampa area until March 13, 1968. Informant mentioned that during the time TRAFFICANTE was absent from the Tampa area, his daughter and her family had also been absent and that during this period of time, informant had determined that there were no secret access or hiding places at the TRAFFICANTE residence. Informant did discover

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a hand weapon, which is the first gun known to have been in TRAFFICANTE's possession, but informant not familiar with weapons, therefore, unable to identify type at this time. Informant also was able to advise during the time the entire family was absent from the TRAFFICANTE residence, Mrs. TRAFFICANTE's father would arrive at the residence during the late afternoon and remain in the residence until the following morning.

INFORMANTS

<u>Identity</u>	<u>Location</u>
TP T1 is Legat, Hong Kong	92-1-4279
TP T-2 is 120-C	137-460-273
TP T-3 is 326-C-TE	137-1667-35
TP T-4 is TP 220-C	137-1079-96, 98, 100
TP T-5 is TP 358-C	137-195-56
TP T-6 is PCI [redacted] [redacted]	137-1705-29
TP T-7 is Former PCI [redacted]	137-1823-26
TP T-8 is NO 1572-C	NO 137-2931
TP T-9 is Mr. JOE DORAN, Dun and Bradstreet, Inc., Jacksonville, Florida, (By request.)	TP 92-1-4281
TP T-10 is TP 350-C	137-1386-39
TP T-11 is TP 349-C-TE	137-1792-21
TP T-12 is PCI [redacted] [redacted]	137-1838-6

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<u>Identity</u>	<u>Location</u>
TP T-13 is TP 97-C	137-360-257
TP T-14 is Former TP 8-C	137-8-353
TP T-15 is PCI <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span> <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	137-1755-15
TP T-16 is Mr. GENE HILL, Intelligence Unit, IRS, Tampa, Florida, (By request.)	Instant report
TP T-17 is TP 41-C-TE	137-142-402

LEADSATLANTA DIVISIONAT ATLANTA, GA.

Will conduct appropriate investigation to identify business known as Nationwide Vending. Thereafter, identify individuals operating business in effort to determine if any association with SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR.

MIAMI DIVISIONAT MIAMI, FLA.

Will continue efforts to determine TRAFFICANTE's day-to-day activities, and to determine if TRAFFICANTE absent from Miami on 3/12/68, and attempt to determine travel itinerary.

NEW ORLEANS DIVISIONAT NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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be a suspected member of La Cosa Nostra.

On March 14, 1968, TP T-13 advised that approximately 4:30 p.m., that same day, SANTO TRAFFICANTE had appeared at the Columbia Restaurant and appeared to be awaiting some person. TP T-13 remarked that this is the first time TRAFFICANTE has been observed in Ybor City in approximately one month.

On March 15, 1968, at approximately 3:00 p.m., SANTO TRAFFICANTE was observed by SA JOHN A. AMBLER in the vicinity of his Bristol Avenue residence.

On March 17, 1968, TP T-16 advised

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On March 19, 1968, during the afternoon hours, SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR. was observed in the vicinity of 21st Street and 8th Avenue and was observed to speak with FRANK CACCIATORE IPPOLITO, also known as "COWBOY".

On March 19, 1968, TP T-17 advised that on Sunday night, March 17, 1968, sometime around midnight, SANTO TRAFFICANTE had been in Ybor City area in the company of FRANK CACCIATORE IPPOLITO, also known as "COWBOY", and apparently conversed with IPPOLITO concerning the possibility of IPPOLITO opening a sandwich shop in the Miami, Florida area, patterned after the La Tropicana in the Ybor City, Florida area. TP T-17 advised that sometime during the evening TRAFFICANTE allegedly made a call to New Orleans, but TP T-17 does not know with whom TRAFFICANTE spoke, nor does he know where TRAFFICANTE placed the call.

## II. INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED CONCERNING TRAFFICANTE'S ALLEGED PRESENCE BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

On January 30, 1968, TP T-3 advised that he had no information which would indicate that SANTO TRAFFICANTE had been in the Titusville or Cocoa Beach, Florida areas