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HOUSTON OFFICE

AT GALVESTON, TEXAS

Will interview WILDA LAURIE NANNEY RODRIQUEZ at Galveston, Texas, regarding her possible association with CARLOS MARCELLO. It should be noted that her New Orleans address at New Orleans was the Holiday Inn Motel, Airline Highway, which was formerly one of CARLOS MARCELLO's interests.

MEMPHIS OFFICE

AT MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

Will contact officials of the Holiday Inn Motels, Inc., to determine the details of the transaction which resulted in the sale of the Holiday Inn Motels at New Orleans, Louisiana, and particularly determine whether CARLOS MARCELLO has any present interests in these motels. It should be noted that LEON POIRIER, who is apparently one of the principal owners, has previously been associated with MARCELLO as an accountant.

MIAMI OFFICE

AT FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

Will locate and interview former PCI [redacted], who is T-3 in this report. [redacted] when last contacted indicated he was returning to his residence in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, and would be in contact with SA VINCENT ANTEL of the Miami Office. [redacted] should be interviewed for complete details regarding the sale of the Holiday Inn Motel and whether MARCELLO retains any interests there.

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will advise if the Miami Office has received any information which would indicate that CARLOS MARCELLO has interests in gambling activities in the Bahama Islands.

MOBILE OFFICE

AT MOBILE, ALABAMA

Will reinterview T-32 [redacted], formerly MO 128 PC, for detailed information regarding MARCELLO's

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INFORMANTS:

T-1 is JOHN RYAN, Intelligence Division, Internal Revenue Service, New Orleans, Louisiana. His identity is protected at his request.

T-3 is PCI [REDACTED], a resident of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, who is currently under charges in Criminal District Court, Parish of Orleans. Recent efforts to locate him in New Orleans have been unsuccessful. He is believed to be currently residing at New Orleans.

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T-19 is NO 1205-C.

T-22 is TOM MOORE, Manager, Town House Motel, New Iberia, Louisiana.

T-23 is NO 1227 CTE.

T-24 is NO 1237-PC.

T-28 is AL THERIOT, Assistant Superintendent of Police, New Orleans Police Department, who specifically requested that his contact with CARLOS MARCELLO be maintained in strictest confidence.

T-29 is NO-1244-PC.

T-30 is NO-1169-C

T-31 is ALLEN MITCHELL BEYDA, 3716½ Cypress St., telephone VE 1-2334.

BEYDA is a source for the U. S. Bureau of Narcotics and is on state probation for violation of the marijuana laws of the State of Louisiana.

T-32 is [REDACTED], Mobile PC 128.

T-33 is NO 1252-PC.

T-34 is Mrs. CICELIA RIEL, Supervisor, Southwest Bell Telephone Co., Galveston, Texas.

T-35 is FRANK BROCKETT, Bookkeeper, First National Bank, Huntsville, Alabama.

T-36 is RODDY BYRNE, Customer Relations, First National Bank.

T-37 is JOSEPH H. OELKERS, JR., District Manager, Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, Lafayette, Louisiana.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

The source of the information appearing in the letter-head memorandum accompanying this report is Philadelphia 623-C* and New Orleans NO 1262-C*.

Various information furnished by NO T-23 (NO 1227-CTE) was obtained from a prostitute, POLLY SUE HARRINGTON, with whom the informant is living and who is a close personal associate of ELIZABETH STEINBERG, and in view of this fact this information is being paraphrased not to disclose the informant's source as disclosure of this information would readily identify the informant.

The forthcoming trial of CARLOS MARCELLO on charges of violation of the perjury statute is being investigated in the substantive case file, NO File 46-1731, Bureau File 46-42600, and information regarding CARLOS MARCELLO's possible gambling connections in Guatemala are being furnished to the Bureau in a separate communication in this file.

Informants NO T-19, 23, 24, 29, 30 and 33 were contacted by SA REED W. JENSEN.

Information regarding the activities of ALFRED A. COURTIADÉ were supplied to the Pure Food and Drug Division of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare as the information was received. That agency now has a pending investigation regarding BENNIE LEHANN.

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GAMBLING INTEREST IN GUATEMALA AND BRITISH GRAND BAHAMAS

NO T-33 advised on May 14 and 21, 1964, that he had received information that CARLOS MARCELLO had an interest in a gambling casino that had recently opened in the British Grand Bahamas. This source stated he did not know if it were true, but that MARCELLO had once had a casino in Guatemala and therefore should have sufficient contact to set himself up in a casino in the Bahamas. Source advised that he had no details regarding either casino. The source advised that some local gambling contacts were trying to obtain work in the Grand Bahamas and it was through these sources that he had obtained this information.

ATTEMPT OF MARCELLO TO INFILTRATE THE JEFFERSON
PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE

On June 8, 1964, NO T-32 advised that approximately one month previously he arrived in New Orleans and approached VICTOR MARCELLO, whom he had met in the past years through his former wife. He told VICTOR MARCELLO that he was presently unemployed, having spent the last six months on a farm at Pine Hill, Alabama, (which is true) and was desirous of getting with someone where he could make some quick money. VICTOR MARCELLO referred him to CARLOS MARCELLO and NO T-32 went to the Town and Country Motel, 1225 Airline Highway, Metairie, Louisiana. NO T-32 stated that he told CARLOS that he had been referred to him by VICTOR MARCELLO and he was, as he had told VICTOR, desirous of making some quick money.

NO T-32 said that CARLOS told him to check into the Town and Country Motel and he would consider giving him something to do. Approximately two weeks ago, after several conversations with CARLOS MARCELLO, CARLOS told him to go to ALWYN CRONVICH, newly elected Jefferson Parish Sheriff, and apply for a position as deputy sheriff. CARLOS stated that he wanted to infiltrate the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office so that he would be aware of what was going on there. NO T-32 stated he has informed CARLOS as well as CRONVICH that he had formerly worked furnishing information to the FBI, as well as having been a police officer and having worked for several county solicitors' offices in the State of Alabama. He stated he also told CRONVICH that the latter could check him out through the FBI.

On Thursday, June 4, 1964, upon the suggestion of CARLOS MARCELLO, NO T-32 returned to CRONVICH to determine what happened to his application for employment and was told by CRONVICH that he was still checking and, in addition, was having some trouble with the parish officials in that they wanted him to limit his employees to individuals from within Jefferson Parish. CRONVICH told NO T-32 that he would be able to give him a definite answer as to his employment with him within three weeks.

NO T-32 stated that he reported this back to CARLOS MARCELLO and CARLOS told him that he was satisfied. CARLOS also told NO T-32 that the three parish commissioners from the area known as the West Bank were all his men and that he "owned" the Highway Patrol from the top down. NO T-32 stated that he has received no bill for his living quarters and further he has made telephone calls to individuals, and from conversations he has had with CARLOS MARCELLO and another individual who works where NO T-32 lives, whom NO T-32 does not know and who advised him he was not the son of CARLOS MARCELLO but that CARLOS MARCELLO had raised him, that CARLOS MARCELLO receives a report on each telephone call that NO T-32 makes.

NO T-32 advised he felt that CARLOS MARCELLO already controls Sheriff CRONVICH to an extent. He stated that he bases this belief on two things:

1. CARLOS MARCELLO made the statement to him that when CRONVICH was seeking election, CRONVICH sent word to MARCELLO asking MARCELLO what he wanted in the event CRONVICH were elected and, according to NO T-32, CARLOS MARCELLO stated, "Not a G... D... thing."

2. When NO T-32 was last at the Sheriff's Office to discuss his prospective employment with CRONVICH, he saw another individual whom he has seen in contact with CARLOS MARCELLO, at the Sheriff's Office. NO T-32 stated he was not sure whether this individual was working at the Sheriff's Office or just another individual in the same position as he, that is, applying for employment.

NO T-32 stated that on the morning of June 8, 1964, CARLOS MARCELLO asked him if he could get any information from the FBI at Mobile, Alabama, and NO T-32 replied in the affirmative, stating he felt that he could. MARCELLO then requested NO T-32 to determine anything derogatory about a hit-and-run