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Bureau airtel to Albany, 1/30/62.

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### INFORMANTS

- T-1: [redacted] former CI.
- T-2: PCI [redacted] JFK Act 6 (4)
- T-3: PCI [redacted]
- T-4: JOSEPH BRANDT, SA, Intelligence Unit, Internal Revenue Unit, New Orleans, La.
- T-5: JOSEPH BATTAGLIA, Deputy Sheriff, Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office.
- T-6: NO 5-C

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- T-7: [REDACTED]
- T-8: JOHN VINCENT, Manager, Pendleton Detective Agency
- T-9: PCI [REDACTED]
- T-10: NO 1082-C
- T-11: PCI [REDACTED]
- T-12: DRURY THOMPSON, Legal Division, Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company
- T-13: NAURBON L. PERRY, Special Agent, Intelligence Unit, Internal Revenue Service, New Orleans, La.
- T-14: PCI [REDACTED]
- T-15: LLOYD MC COLISTER, Agent, Intelligence Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Baton Rouge, La.
- T-16: PCI [REDACTED]
- T-17: NO 1169-C
- T-18: [REDACTED] Clerk of Court, Vermilion Parish
- T-19: PCI [REDACTED]

ADMINISTRATIVE

The New Orleans Office, by letter of 12/21/61, informed the Bureau that Mr. EDWARD J. ROUSSELL, Chief, Intelligence Unit, Internal Revenue Service, New Orleans, requested the New Orleans Office withhold investigation of [REDACTED]

JFK Law 11(a)

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In view of the injunction issued by Judge J. SKELLY WRIGHT, USDC, EDLA, on 11/1/61, a new case is being opened entitled, "ALCIADE GUIDRY, IGA-WIRE SERVICE," and the U. S. Attorney will be contacted to determine if the injunction applies only to GUIDRY or to any bookmaker who may be accepting wagers on races run at Jefferson Downs Race Track.

A new case is being opened entitled, "ESTER CRIST, IGA-WIRE SERVICE," in an effort to identify her or the individuals using her telephone to transmit wagering information.

A case has been opened captioned, "UNKNOWN SUBJECT, UNKNOWN VICTIM, IRBY HEBERT, Informant, WSTA," to determine extent of prostitution activities in Vermilion Parish, it being noted that HEBERT, who is designated NO T-18 in this report, has indicated there is considerable prostitution in Vermilion Parish.

A case has been opened captioned, "FRED FERRIS, ITWI," to determine the extent of the gambling activities of this subject, it being noted that the subject is a gambler in the Shreveport-Bossier City area and went to Monroe, La., to collect a debt of over \$3,000 owed to FERRIS by W. H. SMITH, a Monroe gambler.

The source of the information secured from the Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company, New Orleans, as set forth in the body of this report is Chief Special Agent T. CHANDLER JOSEY, SBT&T, New Orleans.

Attached to this report is a letterhead memorandum characterizing the informants used in this report.

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T-18 is a personal friend of ~~DAVE~~ RUSSO, owner of Falstaff Distributing & Bottling Company of Abbeville, Louisiana. RUSSO is also a friend of CARLOS MARCELLO. RUSSO said he had to pay MOSS and SANDOZ \$100 a week to operate a wire service to Jefferson Downs, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, from Abbeville. RUSSO operated from the Four Way Club until it burned down about eighteen months ago. He operated out of another club for two months after the Four Way was destroyed, or until MOSS and SANDOZ told him he would have to pay \$200.00 a week. RUSSO refused to pay that amount so he discontinued the wire service and, since that time, he nor anyone else in Vermilion Parish has been active in wire service. T-2 tried to persuade RUSSO to go to the FBI, but RUSSO claimed he did not want to contact the FBI.

<sup>LA</sup> The two known places where prostitution is active are at ~~Ray's~~ Lounge, which at one time was operated by ~~FRANCIS~~ LEJUENE, and the ~~Bonanza~~ Lounge, <sup>LA</sup> which is operated by ~~ELLAS~~ BOURQUE. Both of these clubs are located in or near Kaplan. T-18 was unable to name the "pimps" or prostitutes operating in Kaplan. It is felt that most of the girls come from New Orleans.

VI. LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA, AREA

A. Graft & Corruption

MIKE HOGAN, Chief of Detectives, Lake Charles, Louisiana, advised February 20, 1962, that gambling existed in Lake Charles and Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, prior to 1951. Evidence was presented to the Federal Grand Jury at

<sup>LA</sup> [REDACTED] <sup>JFK Law 10(a)2</sup> <sup>LA</sup> which sentence is now under appeal to the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

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