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| REPORTING OFFICE TAMPA | OFFICE OF ORIGIN TAMPA | DATE JAN 26 1968 | INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 12/12/67-1/17/68 |
| TITLE OF CASE CHANGED SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., aka S. Jacobs, S. Valdes, T. Valdes | | REPORT MADE BY SA JOHN A. AMBLER | TYPED BY bg |
| | | CHARACTER OF CASE AR | 10 5 11 |

Title of this report being marked "Changed" to reflect aliases used by TRAFFICANTE when obtaining airline passage.

REFERENCES:

- Report of SA JOHN A. AMBLER, Tampa, 12/14/67
- New York letter to Tampa, 12/28/67
- Jacksonville letter to Tampa 1/10/68
- Miami airtel to Tampa 1/4/68
- Miami airtel to Director, 1/4/68

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| ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED None | | | | | | ACQUIT-TALS | CASE HAS BEEN: | |
| CONVIC. | AUTO. | FUG. | FINES | SAVINGS | RECOVERIES | | PENDING OVER ONE YEAR | <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| | | | | | | | PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS | <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO |

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| | | | Organized Crime and Racketeering Section, Room 2524 2/9/68 |
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Photograph of GABRIEL MENDOZA, Tampa PD #96928
taken August, 1962.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Information from records of the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, St. Augustine, Fla., was made available by Mr. RANDY PIERSON.

On 12/20/67 TP 120-C advised that Mrs. TRAFFICANTE was definitely in Miami but that the exact whereabouts of SANTO were unknown but there was some reason to believe that he might be in Mexico. Subsequently on 12/21/67 TP 120-C advised that on the morning of 12/21/67 SANTO's daughter MARY JO had talked with her mother in Miami and that SANTO was definitely in Mexico and that Mrs. TRAFFICANTE was to be in Tampa later during the day and that subsequently around 4:15 p.m. MARY JO had met her mother at the Tampa, Fla. airport.

Subsequently on 12/24/67 TP 120-C advised that TRAFFICANTE had returned to Tampa some time during the day of 12/23/67. On 12/26/67 TP 120-C advised that the only persons present for Christmas Day dinner at the SANTO TRAFFICANTE Tampa residence were SANTO, Mrs. TRAFFICANTE, Mrs. TRAFFICANTE's father, MARY JO PANIELLO, and her family, and SARA JANE VALDES and her family. On 12/28 and 29/67 TP 120-C remarked that TRAFFICANTE was not in Tampa and was believed to be in Miami, Fla. but would be in Tampa for New Year's.

On 1/9/68 TP 120-C advised that TRAFFICANTE had been in Tampa from 12/30/67 until 1/3/68 and that he had left on Wednesday, 1/3/68, for New York to attend a wedding and that the individuals who were to be wed was a couple who had arrived in Tampa with SANTO just before New Year's and who had apparently been guests at the TRAFFICANTE home in Miami just prior to coming to Tampa. Informant stated that the male had stayed at either the International Inn, Airport Motel, or the Tampa-Sheraton and was known as FRANK and could be described as white, male, 45-55, 6' tall, heavy set, of non-Latin or non-Italian extraction, but possibly Jewish. Informant stated that

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INFORMANTS:

| <u>Identity</u> | <u>Location of Original Information</u> |
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| TP T-1 is TP 120-C | 137-460-259 |
| TP T-2 is TP 303-PC | 137-1563-34 |
| TP T-3 is PCI [redacted] | 137-1705-21 |
| TP T-4 is JAMES E. MCMAHON Security Director, General Telephone Company of Florida | 162-679-2 |
| TP T-5 is PCI [redacted] | 137-1702-10 |
| TP T-6 is Agent RONALD SIEBERT, Federal Bureau of Narcotics, Miami | Instant report |
| TP T-7 is TP 182-C-TE | 137-1028-214 |
| TP T-8 is TP 41-C-TE | 137-142-391 |

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AT MIAMI, FLA.

1) Will exhibit photograph of GABRIEL MENDOZA to PCI [redacted] in an attempt to determine if the above is the MENDOZA referred to by [redacted] as shown in the report of SA WENDALL W. HALL, Miami, 7/17/67 on page 19.

2) Will continue efforts to determine TRAFFICANTE's activities on a day-to-day basis.

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AT WHITE PLAINS, NEW YORK

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