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TITLE OF CASE CHANGED SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., aka Santo Trafficante		REPORT MADE BY SA JOHN A. AMBLER	TYPED BY av
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Title changed to reflect spelling of last name appearing on Pan American Airways ticket.

REFERENCES:

- Tampa radiogram to Director, 1-24-68.
- San Diego airtel to Director, 1-25-68, captioned La Cosa Nostra.
- Report of SA JOHN A. AMBLER, Tampa, 1-26-68.
- Miami airtel to Tampa, 1-24-68.
- Miami tels to Tampa, 2-6 and 2-9-68.
- Richmond letter to Tampa, 1-29-68.
- Chicago airtel to Tampa, 2-7-68, captioned FELIX ALDERISIO.
- New York airtel to Tampa, 2-8-68.

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					NONE	ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		
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- ③ - Bureau (92-2781)
 - 1 - USA, TAMPA
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 - 3 - Miami (92-88)
 - (1 - USA, MIAMI, ATTN: MR. WILLIAM EARLE, Departmental Attorney)
 - 2 - New York (92-846)
 - 2 - Tampa (92-1)

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Dissemination Record of Attached Report

Agency	
Request Recd.	CC. SAC, Criminal Division,
Date Fwd.	Organized Crime and Racketeering
How Fwd.	Section, Room 2224 3/7/68
By	54 MAR 5 1968

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STAT. SECT.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

On 1-3-68, NY 5924-C-TE advised that he had heard that VINCENT ALO and SANTO TRAFFICANTE had arrived in New York City from Fla., on 12-24-67, and that they had remained in New York for about four days and that they had had an appointment with someone outside of New York City.

On 1-18-68, SD 1064-C-TE advised that subject had been in Los Angeles during early part of Jan., and had talked with LCN member, JOHN ROSELLI, and learned from ROSELLI that TRAFFICANTE had been in touch with ROSELLI while in the Los Angeles area. Informant stated TRAFFICANTE was traveling with an unknown male and that they were on their way to Japan and Hong Kong, and according to ROSELLI, TRAFFICANTE suggested that ROSELLI "take over" LCN leadership for the entire state of California, as the present leaders in the Los Angeles, San Francisco, and San Jose families were ineffectual.

CG 6588-C-TE advised that PHIL ALDERISIO had supposedly contacted TRAFFICANTE telephonically at Tampa, indicating that ALDERISIO would be in Tampa in the near future and would contact TRAFFICANTE. ALDERISIO has mentioned that he will be in Miami on Feb. 27, for the opening of the Parkinson Disease Drive and plans to be in Tampa before going to Miami.

TP 120-C has advised that, although did not actually personally see SANTO TRAFFICANTE, from Jan. 3, until Jan. 24, informant knows, for several reasons, that TRAFFICANTE was actually in Tampa sometime between the night of Jan. 6 and the afternoon of Jan. 8. Informant has stated that when SANTO returned to Tampa on Jan. 23-24, he spent the next several days at the house, suffering from the flu and did not leave the house until Tuesday, Jan. 30, when he and Mrs. TRAFFICANTE left indicating would be gone for several days.

TP 120-C stated that TRAFFICANTE's daughter, MARY JO, and her husband, AUGIE, left Tampa, Thursday, Jan. 11, to attend the Super Bowl in Miami on Jan. 14, and that they went to the Bahama Islands, New Orleans, back to Miami, and then to Tampa. Informant stated that during the entire time MARY JO and her husband were gone on their trip, Mrs. TRAFFICANTE remained at the Tampa

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residence and that, apparently the original plans were for Mrs. TRAFFICANTE to be off on a trip with SANTO, while MARY JO and her husband were in the Miami area. Informant mentioned that, during the time Mrs. TRAFFICANTE was in Tampa while the rest of the family were away, she spent much of the time crying and seemed to be in a very depressed state of mind. Informant stated that SANTO's brother, SAM's, wife, ELSIE, came to the house on several occasions to talk with Mrs. TRAFFICANTE over some family problem and that on, at least one such occasion, SAM's wife had been accompanied by JIMMY LONGO's wife.

On 2-10-68, TP 120-C advised that TRAFFICANTE returned to Tampa on 2-5-68, in the evening and remained in Tampa until 2-8-68.

Information from the records of General Telephone Co., of Florida, Tampa, Fla., was made available by Mr. JAMES E. McMAHON.

Investigative period of this report extends beyond the date of last report due to desire to include results of investigation conducted by an auxiliary office, which were not available at time last report written.

INFORMANTS:

<u>Identity</u>	<u>Location of Original Information</u>
TP T-1 is Legat, Rome, Italy	Instant Report
TP T-2 is TP 377-PCI	137-1777-10
TP T-3 is TP 120-C	137-460-267
TP T-4 is TP 41-C-TE	137-142-396
TP T-5 is TP 182-C-TE	137-1028-222
TP T-6 is TP 349-C-TE	137-1792-19

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JACKSONVILLE DIVISION

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AT JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

(1) Will contact appropriate official, Southern Bell Telephone Co., and ascertain identity of subscriber telephone number 771-1114. Will, thereafter, conduct appropriate credit and criminal record checks concerning this individual.

(2) Will, thereafter, if reasons do not preclude same, interview to determine degree of association with TRAFFICANTE.

NEW YORK DIVISION

AT NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK

(1) Will, at Pan American Airways, place stop with JAMES FUREY, Passenger Revenue, to be notified when coupons pertaining to Pan American Ticket Numbers 026:342::671:604, 5, 6 are returned.

(2) Will conduct pretext interview of MARTA ALVARADO BETANCOURT, Apartment F, 229 E. 29th St., who was apparently visited by TRAFFICANTE on night of April 18, 1967. Suitable pretext could be based on fact BETANCOURT apparently a Cuban nationalist, who has been to Caracas and Madrid subsequent to the CASTRO Regime in her native country.

(3) Will recontact NY5924-C-TE concerning TRAFFICANTE's alleged visit to New York with VINCENT ALO, as TP 120-C has advised that TRAFFICANTE was in Tampa on Christmas day and few days subsequent thereto. It is noted in this connection, TP 120-C has indicated possibility TRAFFICANTE in New York during early part of December and again on Jan. 3, 1968.

MIAMI DIVISION

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

(1) Will contact appropriate official, Southern Bell Telephone Co., to identify subscribers to North Dade Numbers 945-0881, 945-8501, and 947-7601, as all of these numbers called from the Tampa TRAFFICANTE residence.

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(2) Will, thereafter, conduct appropriate credit and criminal record checks so that Tampa as office of origin, may be in a position to evaluate feasibility of interview.

(3) Will recontact PCI for additional identifying data concerning TONY LNU, referred to on page 9, report of SA WENDELL W. HALL, Miami, 1-26-68.

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(4) Will reinterview DONALD WILKES, Laurel Hotel, 5445 Biscayne Blvd., or c/o NEAL RUTLEDGE, 6th Floor, Flagler Federal Savings and Loan Building, as follows:

a. Will identify motel in Tallahassee where alleged meeting with FUNARI occurred and if possible, determine date when such meeting occurred. Will also identify all individuals present during FUNARI's conversation with gubernatorial candidate HIGH and determine if FUNARI specifically represented himself as a "representative" of SANTO TRAFFICANTE.

b. Will obtain specific date of alleged meeting occurring in FUNARI's employer's office, apparently located in Tampa, Fla. Again, will identify all individuals present and how WILKES knows FUNARI and BELK fly to Acapulco, Mexico, and did WILKES intend to state BELK made such trips or was he referring to ITALIANO's son. If possible, obtain descriptive data from WILKES of FUNARI, ITALIANO, and any other individuals named by WILKES as having been present at any meetings with FUNARI.

c. Will determine if WILKES made any notes concerning any of the meetings with FUNARI, whether such notes were made contemporaneously with the meetings and if so, obtain such notes from WILKES. It is suggested that Miami prepare 9 additional copies of the interview of WILKES and designate them for Tampa File 92-858, captioned DELANO BERNARD FUNARI.

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