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FRANCISCO AND THAT BARON WAS VISITING WITH HIM ON A DAILY BASIS. HE ADMITTED SUBSEQUENT THERETO HE WAS IN TELEPHONIC CONTACT WITH RUSSO ON OTHER MATTERS, INCLUDING CONTACTS A DAY OR TWO PRIOR TO THE MURDER. ON PRACTICALLY EACH CONTACT RUSSO INQUIRED AS TO WHETHER OR NOT BARON WAS STILL IN THE AREA AND MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] HE STATED THAT HE ALWAYS ADVISED RUSSO THAT HE WAS.

[REDACTED] EMPHATICALLY DENIED ANY INVOLVEMENT IN THE MURDER OF BARON OTHER THAN THE FACT THAT HE FURNISHED RUSSO THE WHEREABOUTS OF BARON. HE ADMITTED THAT BY FURNISHING THIS INFORMATION TO RUSSO HE HAD "GIVEN BARON UP". [REDACTED] STATED THAT HE BELIEVES RUSSO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR BARON'S MURDER, HOWEVER DENIED KNOWING WHO HANDLED THE HIT. HE DENIED RECEIVING ANY MONEY, CONSIDERATION, OR FAVORS.

FOLLOWING TERMINATION OF INTERVIEW ON MAY 28, 1976, [REDACTED] ADMITTED TO SA HINER THAT HE WAS IMPRESSED WITH THE FACT THAT THE BUREAU IMMEDIATELY INFORMED HIM

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REGARDING A HIT CONTRACT OUT ON HIM, AND THAT THE PERSONAL PRESENTATION BY BOSTON AGENTS CONVINCED HIM HE SHOULD ADMIT HIS INVOLVEMENT AS STATED.

FOR INFORMATION SAC BOSTON THE PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT, EXPERTISE, AND OVERALL KNOWLEDGE OF ORGANIZED CRIME MATTERS BY SAS CONDON AND CONNOLLY WAS OBVIOUSLY OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE IN CONVINCING [REDACTED] TO DISCLOSE HIS ROLE IN THIS MATTER.

INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [REDACTED] WILL BE DISCUSSED WITH SAN FRANCISCO AND BOSTON STRIKE FORCE ATTORNEYS AND EVALUATED IN VIEW OF POSSIBLE PRESENTATION TO FEDERAL GRAND JURY AT SAN FRANCISCO AND/OR BOSTON.

BOSTON AGENTS WILL DEPART SAN FRANCISCO MAY 29, 1976.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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