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fw Legal Attache, Havana, Cuba (92-1)

SUBJECT: ~~CHANGED:~~
~~SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., aka.,~~
~~SANTOS TRAFFICANTE, JR., wa.,~~
~~SAMUEL BALTO~~
ANTI-RACKETEERING
ReHavlet 1-6-58.

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The title of this case has been marked changed to reflect subject's true name of SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., and the other name by which he is also known, SANTOS TRAFFICANTE, JR. Lt. JORGE PENA HERRERA, head of the Alien Control Section of the Department of Investigation of the Cuban National Police, advised that subject was fingerprinted and photographed by his Department on January 3, 1958, and that during this process he specifically interviewed subject concerning his true name. PENA stated that subject advised him that his name is SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., and that he is commonly known by SANTOS. Subject said that his father's true name is SANTO TRAFFICANTE.

On January 7, 1958, [redacted] (conceal) advised that SANTO TRAFFICANTE is the leader of the Mafia in Cuba. [redacted] indicated that he had received information from several sources, including a relative by marriage of TRAFFICANTE, that TRAFFICANTE was in attendance at the meeting of hoodlums in Apalachin, New York. Source said he did not know the purpose of the meeting in Apalachin, but it was very possible that it was called to discuss a realignment of the affairs of the Mafia as a result of the death of ALBERT ANASTASIA.

[redacted] further informed that an individual named TONY RENDOZI, believed to be a member of the Mafia, came to Cuba from the United States in the end of December, 1957, to see SANTO TRAFFICANTE. Source further informed that approximately a week ago SANTO TRAFFICANTE, MARTIN FOX, part owner of the Tropicana Night Club, and JAKE LANSKY, brother of notorious hoodlum MEYER LANSKY, had a private meeting at the Hotel Nacional. Source informed he did not know the matters discussed at this meeting. On January 9, 1957, TRAFFICANTE was observed to be driving a 1955 black four-door Plymouth sedan bearing Cuban license plates 93-163.

Copies of the fingerprint card and photographs of TRAFFICANTE taken by Lt. PENA are being forwarded by separate letter to the Identification Division. It should be noted that the photographs taken by Lt. PENA are not good likenesses of TRAFFICANTE since he was photographed without his glasses which he normally wears. Investigation in Havana is continuing.

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