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The investigative period of this report contains investigation which was not available at the time of the dictation of referenced Miami report.

Previous investigation has reflected that the ownership of the property on which VINCENT BRUNO's restaurant was located was in the name of Mall, Inc. Investigation has also reflected that LOU CEADER, who has been in contact with TRAFFICANTE in Miami, was employed by Mall, Inc.

On September 5, 1968, the records of Dun and Bradstreet, Miami, were reviewed by IC CLIFFORD M. WERNER and reflected that Mall, Inc., Little Farm Properties and Little Farm Trailer Court, was a real estate holding company and self-service laundry. The president was listed as Dr. ROBERT N. BOWMAN with Mrs. VIRGINIA REID listed as vice-president and treasurer. REID resides at 4485 North Meridian Ave., Miami Beach, Fla. The property and buildings located between 83rd and 95th Streets on Biscayne Boulevard owned by Mall, Inc., are believed worth in the high six figures. Rental income from this property is believed to be in the low six figures annually.

Dr. BOWMAN is age 69, retiring from medical practice in 1956. Mrs. REID is in her 60's, deriving her income from investments.

The company is a real estate holding company with a 77 year lease on the property which includes five buildings including a self-service laundry, a trailer court, pet supply store, a restaurant, barbershop, and nursery.

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ORDER TO PROTECT THE LIFE OF THIS SOURCE
OF CONTINUING VALUE.

Any information received from MM 1298-C-TE deemed by the Miami Office as being suitable for dissemination will be paraphrased and set forth within the body of Miami reports. This information should be paraphrased when disseminated.

On August 16, 1968, MM 1298-PC advised that he had not personally contacted SANTO TRAFFICANTE for some time but had heard through EVARISTO GARCIA VIDAL that TRAFFICANTE had had a recent facial operation for skin cancer which was causing him mental worry, and also was the cause for his postponement of his trip to Ecuador. Source stated TRAFFICANTE still intends to go to Ecuador soon.

On September 6, 1968, MM 1298-C-TE advised that SANTO TRAFFICANTE had told EVARISTO GARCIA VIDAL that he was concerned about a "leak" within his organization, but felt it did not involve his Cuban contacts in Miami, which included EVARISTO GARCIA VIDAL and HUMBERTO TRUEBA ROJAS. This "leak" concerned information that the Cuban associates did not know about. Because of this "leak" SANTO TRAFFICANTE refuses to meet personally either with EVARISTO GARCIA VIDAL or HUMBERTO TRUEBA ROJAS and has again postponed his trip and planned business venture in Ecuador.

LAZARO MILIAN DID, associate of EVARISTO GARCIA VIDAL, and fiance of VIDAL's daughter, has stated that he has been able to fix his recent bolita arrest by payment of \$10,000 cash. Allegedly he will be found not guilty and the \$8,000 cash impounded at the time of his arrest will be returned to him.

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On September 10, 1968, MM 1298-C-TE advised that LAZARO MILIAN DID and GRISELLE GARCIA SARMIENTO will be married in early October, 1968, and planned to go to Guayaquil, Ecuador on their honeymoon.

SANTO TRAFFICANTE is "upset" with EVARISTO GARCIA VIDAL and feels that either EVARISTO GARCIA VIDAL, his son, or LAZARO MILIAN DID are "informing" to local law enforcement officials.

MM 1298-C-TE furnished a photograph of the proposed Hotel Continental with floor plan, as well as financial arrangements required by the Government of Ecuador for any foreign corporation which intends to go into business in Ecuador. This hotel and gambling casino is the business which SANTO TRAFFICANTE, HUMBERTO TRUEBA ROJAS, and EVARISTO GARCIA VIDAL plan to negotiate in Ecuador.

Source advised that the large bolita raid in Key West the previous week-end by the Florida Bureau of Law Enforcement, which included the arrest of ARTEMIO CRESPO and the impounding of over \$100,000 in cash, was part of the operation of HENRY TRAFFICANTE, brother of SANTO, and controlled from Tampa, Florida.

On September 30, 1968, MM 1298-C-TE advised that on Saturday evening, September 28, 1968, he received a telephone call from EVARISTO GARCIA VIDAL who asked him to remain at home on Sunday Noon, September 29, 1968, in order to receive a call from SANTO TRAFFICANTE. On Sunday, September 29, 1968, at 1:30 PM, source received a call from SANTO TRAFFICANTE which was apparently a long distance call. TRAFFICANTE wanted source to go to Quito, Ecuador, where he would be met by TRAFFICANTE who would be accompanied by other unknown persons. The meeting would be to make final plans and to discuss TRAFFICANTE's involvements in Ecuador, presumably the hotel and gambling casino operation. Source feels that the real

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motive for TRAFFICANTE's interest in Ecuador would be narcotics traffic and that he was using the gambling casino as a front. Source did not know who the other persons would be at this meeting other than one of them would be an American who would come from Brazil.

During the call TRAFFICANTE stated he did not want to personally contact EVARISTO GARCIA VIDAL or HUMBERTO TRUEBA ROJAS prior to going to Ecuador because he felt that any meeting might be surveilled and he did not want the trip spoiled before he got to leave. TRAFFICANTE mentioned that he had not been able to make this trip previously because of two cancer operations on his face.

On October 1, 1968, MM 1298-C-TE advised that he had received a second telephone call, presumably long distance, at 6:00 PM on September 30, 1968, from SANTO TRAFFICANTE. TRAFFICANTE advised source to meet him for an "urgent, very important" meeting in Quito, Ecuador, on October 3, 1968. TRAFFICANTE stated that he would be accompanied by one other American, presumably an attorney. TRAFFICANTE stated that he would be registered in his own name in either the Hotel Quito or Hotel International in Quito.

On October 2, 1968, MM 1298-C-TE advised that TRAFFICANTE and his organization were looking for an informant who was giving "good" information regarding their activities. They suspected someone either in New York or in Paris, France, and had definitely eliminated any of the Cuban associates of TRAFFICANTE in Miami, as suspects since they were not in possession of information which has been furnished by this informant.

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MM T-6 is OAKLEY GRANT SMITH, JR., Miami, Florida.
(By request)

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