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RE: ANGELO BRUNO, aka.
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Re Philadelphia tel to Bureau and Miami, 5/19/61.

On 5/19/61, it was determined by SA C. GRAHAM HURST the house of BERNARD ALLEN, 45 NW 103rd Street, Miami Shores, Fla. is closed for the summer.

On 5/19/61, Mrs. DOROTHY RUSSELL, next door neighbor, 63 NW 103rd St., advised Mr. and Mrs. BERNARD ALLEN left Miami about one week ago for the summer. ALLEN left with RUSSELL addressed stamped envelopes to send his mail each week until next summer, to him % JEFF HARRIS (believed to be relative of Mrs. ALLEN) 103 Walnut Ave., Revere, Mass. ALLEN told Mrs. RUSSELL that they would be three weeks in Pa. prior to going to Mass. RUSSELL knows very little about ALLEN, except he states he is in amusement park business and belongs to Miami Showmen's Association.

Inquiry at Miami Showmen's Association on 5/19/61, determined it closed until 5/22/61, at which time Miami will make open inquiry for ALLEN.

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Following set forth in view Philadelphia contemplated interview with ALLEN:

On 5/12/61, PSI [redacted] whose identity must be protected, advised SA C. GRAHAM HURST and SA CHARLES W. EDMISTON that he is only able to furnish info of a personal knowledge of events that occurred in the Dominican Republic (DR) during 1958 and prior to that time. He stated in about 1953, the Fair opened in Ciudad Trujillo, D. R. which included exhibition buildings and amusement park. Amusement park was called Coney Island. As PSI recalls, man named HAMMOND or HANNA, from Atlantic City, N. J. who rented and sold circus equipment, a man named BUCKY ALLEN, and JOE MANGONE, brought the ferriswheel and other amusement equipment to D. R. and sold it to govt. These three men then leased Coney Island from the govt. for \$9,000.00 a month.

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This included gambling casinos which had black jack, roulette and other games of chance. Gambling casinos were subsequently leased out by these men to several different people at different times. HAMMOND, after a short time, disassociated himself from ALLEN and MANGONE.

ALLEN and MANGONE continued to lease Coney Island until about 1957 when MANGONE left the business. PSI said MANGONE pulled out because of small profits in Coney Island operation which were not enough for two people. MANGONE did operate an amusement park at NW 79th St. and 27th Ave., Miami and at present lives in an apartment building on south end of Miami Beach.

PSI said ALLEN did live in Allentown, Pa. and subsequently in trailer park on 89th St., Miami; although he heard more recently ALLEN lives in Miami Shores.

PSI said neither ALLEN nor MANGONE spent all of their time in D.R. operating Coney Island, but they had as their manager who operated for them a man known to PSI as NORMAN (LNU). PSI believes NORMAN still runs Coney Island for ALLEN. He described NORMAN (LNU) as white male, age 50-55, 5'10", 200 lbs., heavy build, wore tortoise shell glasses, had big hands and big head, considers roustabout person.

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NORMAN had 7 or 8 Americans working under him and 15 - 20 D.R. Nationals who cleaned up the grounds.

PSI is not familiar with name NORMAN FROMKIN and cannot say if NORMAN (LNU) is identical with FROMKIN. PSI believes NORMAN still is in D.R. and ALLEN travels most of the time with a carnival or circus, name unknown to PSI.

Photo of ANGELO BRUNO was identified by PSI as a man whose name he did not know who he saw one time in D.R. with ALLEN and MANGONE in about 1957, and about the same time MANGONE pulled out of the Coney Island operation. PSI, at that time, attempted to learn BRUNO's name from ALLEN and MANGONE, but met with no success.

PSI said that even without his knowing the degree of association between ALLEN and MANGONE and BRUNO, it was quite apparent that BRUNO made the decisions in conversations between the three of them during the brief time PSI had occasion to be in their presence. These decisions had to do with the operation of Coney Island. PSI has heard at present there is little or no business at Coney Island because of lack of tourist trade and also native children have long ago become tired of the fair.

PSI stated there were always slot machines in casinos in D.R. but he heard in the past year slot machines are on every street corner and in every store. PSI heard these machines were put there by ALLEN and VIRGILIO ALVAREZ PINA, aka. "Cucho", who is Secretary of the Interior in D.R.

Miami has in dictation a report which sets forth in detail ALLEN's contact with Miami FBI in 2/60, at which time he advised as a matter of info, of two shipments of slot machines he was sending to D.R. addressed to Secretary of State, Minister of Interior and Communications. Subsequently, independent info received on 3/14/60, that some slot machines destined for D.R. were at Miami International Airport. Investigation located 14 slot machines being sent to "Secretarie de estado Interio y Cultas, Coney Island, Ciudad Trujillo, D. R." with consignor as Triangle Distributors, 15 Olney St., Providence, Rhode Island.