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GABRIEL MANNARINO, was.
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Enclosed for the assistance of Philadelphia is one photograph each of Pittsburgh top hoodlums GABRIEL MANNARINO, FBI No. 854850, and SEBASTIAN JOHN LA ROCCA, FBI No. 96725.

For the benefit of Philadelphia, PG 545-C, who has furnished considerable information concerning subjects' legitimate enterprises particularly real estate transactions involving SAM MANNARINO, advised during 2/58 that SAM MANNARINO during early 1957 mentioned he had purchased a hunting lodge surrounded by 200 acres of land. At the time PG 545-C understood MANNARINO to say the lodge was located in Somerset County, Pa., and extensive investigation has been conducted to date in an effort to identify the hunting lodge since several sources here believe the lodge would be an excellent hide-out for GABRIEL MANNARINO, who disappeared from New Kensington, Pa.,

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during 12/57 to avoid being served with a subpoena before a Federal Grand Jury in the Southern District of New York inquiring into the significance of the conference of hoodlums at Apalachin, New York, 11/14/57. As a matter of information, Senator JOHN MC CLELLAN, Chairman of the U. S. Senate Select Committee on Improper Activities in the Labor or Management Field, has issued statements to the press that he considers GABRIEL MANNARINO one of the most important witnesses yet to be heard by the committee. Since MANNARINO's disappearance from New Kensington in 12/57 various reports have been received that MANNARINO and LA ROCCA are hiding out together.

In connection with efforts to identify the location of the hunting lodge PG 545-C on 10/28/58 learned through JACK KRUPA, a New Kensington, Pa., councilman and life-long friend and hunting companion of the MANNARINO brothers, that SAM MANNARINO's hunting lodge is not located in Somerset County, Pa., but is actually a twenty room farm house generally referred to as a hunting lodge surrounded by approximately 200 acres of densely wooded land in Pennsylvania near the Pennsylvania-Maryland border approximately a fifteen minute drive by automobile from Hagerstown, Maryland. PG 545-C was unable to obtain any additional identifying information because of the likelihood of arising KRUPA's suspicions.

Examination of available maps of the area indicate that the hunting lodge must be located in Franklin County probably in the general vicinity of Waynesboro and Greencastle, Pa.

PG 545-C also recalled that he was in SAM MANNARINO's office at the Ken Iron and Steel Company, New Kensington, during 12/57, when the press and radio carried the first accounts of MANNARINO being called before the Federal Grand Jury in New York. Informant stated that while he was at the office Deputy Marshals were attempting to locate GABRIEL MANNARINO when his brother SAM received a phone call from GABRIEL MANNARINO and hurriedly told him "They are trying to serve you with a subpoena, take off for the brush." PG 545-C said that in view of MANNARINO's prolonged disappearance it seems logical to assume that if SAM MANNARINO's remarks were interpreted literally his advice "take off for the brush" could have been his subtle

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way of telling GABRIEL to hide out at the hunting lodge.

With respect to background information concerning the lodge or farm house near the Maryland border PG 545-C pointed out that KRUPA who has been a frequent visitor to the location told him that SAM MANNARINO has several four wheel drive trucks and other heavy equipment parked on the property that are used from time to time by some of the local residents. Informant said that according to KRUPA the general area is thickly populated with whiskey stills and that local game wardens are reluctant to enter the area apparently because some of them have been mistaken for ATU Agents and fired upon by moonshiners. PG 545-C also developed from KRUPA that occasionally while on hunting trips with SAM MANNARINO they would stay in a hotel in a nearby town (possibly Waynesboro) instead of sleeping over night at the farm house.

Philadelphia through Recorder of Deeds for Franklin County, Pa., attempt to identify the 200 acres of land and hunting lodge owned by SAM MANNARINO. The property is probably recorded in MANNARINO's name, however, if county records fail to disclose desired information check names of the following who in the past have been used as legitimate business fronts by MANNARINO:

ROSE MANNARINO (wife)

VICTOR and MINNIE CARLUCCI (son-in-law and daughter)

GENEVIEVE MORENO (SAM MANNARINO's private secretary)

KATHLEEN MORENO (secretary's daughter)

JACK KRUPA

If property recorded in Franklin County records obtain brief legal description, volume and page number where recorded and examine Pennsylvania Transfer Tax Stamps attached to deed in order that sale price may be computed.

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In addition Philadelphia at Waynesboro, Pa., and vicinity near the Maryland border display photos of GABRIEL MANNARINO and JOHN LA ROCCA to game wardens, reliable police officers and sources to locate the hunting lodge and determine whether MANNARINO and LA ROCCA are hiding out at that location or have been there in the past six to ten months.

Should the lodge be located extreme caution should be used while making inquiries in that vicinity in view of information developed by PG 545-C indicating possibility that game wardens have been fired upon in the past.

RECORDS OF THE PITTSBURGH POLICE DEPARTMENT DISCLOSE SAMUEL MANNARINO ARRESTED IN 1931 AS A SUSPICIOUS PERSON AND FOR CARRYING A CONCEALED WEAPON. GABRIEL MANNARINO IS SAID TO CARRY A SMALL CALIBER GUN AND WAS ARRESTED IN 1943 FOR CARRYING A .38 CALIBER REVOLVER. CONSEQUENTLY, BOTH MEN SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

LA ROCCA HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO KILL AND ARRESTED FOR CARRYING A CONCEALED WEAPON; CONSEQUENTLY, SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.