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Re: JOHN ROSELLI

This document lists Roselli's father as Vincenzo Roselli and his mother's maiden name as Maria Russo. Investigation has established that this Report of Birth and an affidavit accompanying it were forgeries. The informant relates that Roselli has maintained in great secrecy his true identity and connection with Boston but has for many years sent a sum of money once a year for his mother's use. The informant has handled the delivery of this money by travelling to New York where it was delivered either to Roselli's brother, Alberto Sacco of Arlington, Massachusetts, or to the late Antonio Santaniello. When the money was delivered to Santaniello, he in turn would contact Alberto Sacco and give him the money for the mother. When delivered to Santaniello, the money was sent to him at the Paddeck Cafe in Boston which was operated by him. According to the informant, the amount of money sent by Roselli to his mother has been \$2,500 in each case. Despite this loyalty and affection to his mother, Roselli has kept himself completely separated and goes to extreme lengths to avoid the possibility of being traced to his family. The informant indicated that in addition to Roselli's brother, Alberto Sacco, and his mother, there are other members of the family still living in the Boston area, possibly two or more sisters among them.

The informant explains Roselli's concealment of true background as likely being caused by the fact that he may be wanted for a very serious crime committed in the Boston area in the early 1920s, possibly as an accomplice of a person reported to the informant as being Alberto Dargredo (phonetic). This individual was said to have been arrested in the early 1920s, prosecuted and sentenced to life imprisonment on a narcotics violation and after serving a considerable number of years was deported to Italy. Roselli is said to have been fearful that this individual now residing in his home town of Acerra, which is near Naples, might talk and implicate Roselli in the crime in which both of them may have been involved. The informant claimed to have seen at one time a mug type photograph in which both Dargredo and Roselli were together.

The records of the Identification Division contain information on an individual who possibly may be identical with the "Dargredo" mentioned by the informant. This is a person who as Albert Bruno was sentenced to life imprisonment for murder in Boston, Massachusetts, in 1935. His identification record under FBI Number 799 349, Boston PD Number 95113, Massachusetts State Bureau Number 19562 and Massachusetts State Farm Number 4519. From the Identification Division records it appears that this individual was first arrested for murder 12/14/22 at Boston but became a fugitive until

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The Los Angeles informant in this case has furnished the information concerning Roselli very reluctantly, pointing out the vicious nature of Roselli and his associates and the fact that the informant's life would be in extreme danger should his activities become known to the hoodlum element. The informant stressed further the fact that Roselli's true background is known to such a small number of persons. In conducting investigation in this matter the Boston Office should realize that there are undoubtedly individuals in Boston who are aware of Roselli's true background and his possible connection with Tangredi Tortora (or Tortora Tangredi) and any open inquiry or comment might alert Roselli and place the informant in considerable danger.

The informant was personally acquainted with "Dangredo" in the middle 1920s when he was a fugitive hiding out in Los Angeles for murders committed in the East. He became acquainted with Roselli at the same time. Inasmuch as informant has a personal acquaintanceship, as well as having seen what may have been a Boston Police Department photograph of Roselli and "Dangredo" together, copies of the photograph of Tortora Tangredi, FBI Number 799 369, are being forwarded together with copies of the identification record to interested offices. The available photograph was the one taken when Tangredi was arrested by the Waterbury, Connecticut, Police Department 5/15/34 under number 5940. Los Angeles should immediately recontact the informant, exhibit the photograph to establish whether or not this is the likeness of the person named by him as Alberto Dangredo. Request for additional investigation desired should be immediately forthcoming.

Los Angeles should keep in mind the possibility of reactivating prosecutive action against Roselli in which event he could be apprehended by FBI Agents on an Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution warrant.

The information contained in this communication should be given maximum security handling in each office.

No investigation should be initiated by other offices receiving copies of this communication until specifically requested to do so by Los Angeles or by the Bureau.