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Through ITSP investigation, will follow prosecution in New York.

- INFORMANTS -

MM T-1 is J. CURTIN, Intelligence Agent, Intelligence Unit, Dade County Department of Public Safety, Miami, Florida, (by request).

MM T-2 is MM 814-C contacted on 8/24/71, by SA ROBERT A. COOK.

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NEWARK

Information copy to Newark since they had investigative interest.

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will continue to cover activities of the subject.

Will attempt to obtain final disposition of subject's prosecution in Metropolitan Dade County Traffic Court for charges stemming from November 26, 1970 arrest.

ADMINISTRATIVE

It is noted that the investigative period of this report exceeds 90 days; however, it has been maintained in current condition through interoffice communications. In the future, reports will be submitted on a more current basis.

The Agent who observed the subject at his residence on June 11, 1971 was SA WILLIAM W. CRADDOCK. SA CRADDOCK interviewed the subject in connection with ROTHMAN's reported possible knowledge of the whereabouts of a UFAP fugitive. ROTHMAN was receptive; however, he declined to assist until after his trial and sentence in U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York, to take place during June, 1971. ROTHMAN left the door open "for future contact in the UFAP matter.

On January 5, 1968, MM 869-PC advised that Bolita operators have been experiencing bad numbers recently and that over Christmas the Cuban national lottery number came out early causing local Bolita operators to call in their business early, reducing the overall play during that period.

Informant advised that Bolita operators are having difficulty obtaining bankroll people. Informant stated that a couple weeks ago RALPH SENTERFIT, who continues a small

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Bolita operation, had his banker fail to come up with \$4,000. Informant believes that RAYMOND MC CLENDON (the tire man) was SENTERFIT's banker. In this regard, MM 869-PC advised that NORMAN ROTHMAN has been banking the Bolita operation of ERWIN BRENNAN and possibly others. Informant does not believe that it is ROTHMAN's own money that is involved but that ROTHMAN is a front for the hoodlum element.

On April 15, 1971, NK 3106-C TE advised that he has met on several occasions during this past month NORMAN ROTHMAN in the afternoons at "Dino's" in Miami, Florida. He added that ROTHMAN has always been with PATSY ERRA. ROTHMAN and ERRA seemed to meet other people at this location and possibly gambling associates. He added that he had no specific information regarding these individuals' gambling operation and ROTHMAN stated that he is in the cigar business in the Miami, Florida area. He added that ROTHMAN and ERRA continue to frequent Mama Vi Vi's Restaurant with JOHN PELLEGRINO. He mentioned that he has had dinner with this group but they have never discussed their gambling operation with him. He stated that ERRA continues to be very close to New York top hoodlum ALEXANDER ROSATO, who visited the Miami, Florida area during September through February this past winter season.

On May 18, 1971, NK 3106-C-TE advised that he has not been down in the Miami, Florida area for many weeks and has not seen ROTHMAN in the New York City area. He added he still does not know the business or gambling arrangements between PATSY ERRA and NORMAN ROTHMAN.

#### INFORMANTS

MM T-1 and MMT-4 are MM 1401-C TE contacted by SA THOMAS J. STICKNEY. Multiple T symbols were utilized in this instance to afford added protection to a sensitive, highly placed informant.

MM T-2 is MM 814-C contacted by SA ROBERT F. FETZNER.

MM T-3 is MM 1176-PCI contacted by SA ROBERT F. FETZNER.

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MIAMI

At Miami, Florida

Will follow and report subject's activities.

ADMINISTRATIVE

It is noted that the investigative period of this report exceeds 90 days; However, it has been maintained in current condition through interoffice communications.

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On May 27, 1970, MM 1401-C-TE, advised that ~~PASQUALE MICHAEL ERRA~~ and NORMAN ROTHMAN have been seeing attorney MAX LURIA on almost a daily basis. They have been meeting at Benjy's Restaurant located next to the Biscayne Building on West Flagler Street, Miami, Florida.

On July 16, 1970, Special Agent DAVE THOMAS, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, advised that an informant of that department had told him there would be a meeting at Mama Vivi's Italian Restaurant, 1957 71st Street, Miami Beach, Florida. The participants of this meeting were to be JOHN PELLEGRINO, PASQUALE MICHAEL ERRA, and NORMAN ROTHMAN. Additional parties would attend but their identities were unknown to the informant.

Surveillance was instituted across the street from the front entrance to Mama Vivi's Italian Restaurant at 5:30 p.m. on 7/16/70. At 6:15 p.m. JOHN PELLEGRINO was observed getting from the vehicle parked in front of the restaurant and entering the front door. At 6:31 p.m. a white over red Cadillac convertible arrived. It bore 1969-70 Florida License 1 E 32332, and was registered to Morris Auto Rental, Inc., Post Office Box 2394, Miami, Florida. The occupants of

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this vehicle were PASQUALE MICHAEL ERRA, NORMAN ROTHMAN, EDMUND LOWELL GRAIFER, and ALEXANDER ROSATO. A short time later FREDDIE FELICE arrived and went inside. These individuals remained at the restaurant until 9:30 p.m. at which time they left and proceeded to the Dream Bar located at the Johnina Hotel, 71st Street and Collins Avenue, Miami Beach.

On 7/17/70, MM 814-C advised that NORMAN ROTHMAN and another couple, whose identity is unknown, were observed in the lobby of the Fontainebleau Hotel, en route to one of the hotel bars.

On August 17, 1970, MM 1176-PC advised that on June 6, 1970, NORMAN ROTHMAN and his alleged Latin girl friend had dinner and saw the show at Harry's American Bar in the Eden Roc Hotel. ROTHMAN reportedly acquired a ringside seat for the show. The girl friend was described as very beautiful, approximately thirty years of age, height 5'5", weight 120 pounds, dark hair, expensively dressed.

By communication dated 8/31/70, the Newark Office advised that on 8/18/70, NK 3106-PC advised that he flew to the Miami area on 7/16/70, Thursday, and met with ALEXANDER ROSATO, who was then visiting friends in the Florida area. Informant added he stayed at the Deauville Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, with ROSATO who had requested his company for a few days of fun. PC stated that during his stay from 7/16/70 through 7/19/70, he spent every night with ROSATO, who was being entertained by one PASQUALE MICHAEL ERRA. He mentioned he accompanied young AL ROSATO, JR. to Miami and PATSY ERRA at this time entertained them for several days.

He continued that during the night of 7/16/70, he recalls having dinner at Mama Vi Vi's Restaurant with ROSATO, ERRA, JOHN PELLEGRINO, the owner of this restaurant and an unknown Jewish male. He added that

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that no business was discussed on this evening and believed ERRA and PELLEGRINO are originally from NYC, but are most friendly and respectful to AL ROSATO.

On subsequent days ERRA took them to Forge Restaurant, Ramondo's Restaurant and to Dino's Nightclub, where a good time was enjoyed by all, but no talk of business was conducted by anyone.

ALEXANDER ROSATO is considered one of the wealthiest loan sharks in the east and a known member of the VITO GENOVESE group. ROSATO is highly respected and lives a very quiet life, spending most of his daytime hours at his social club, 2294 Second Avenue, New York, New York. PC has no knowledge of ROSATO's illegal dealings, but is close to him as a social friend. New York carries this subject, caption "ALEXANDER ROSATO, Aka.; ECT; OO N.Y. (179-4)" and Newark 179-129.

DUE TO ITS SINGULAR NATURE, THIS INFORMATION SHOULD NOT BE DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE THE BUREAU.

The following information was received from RICHARD BARRON (protect identity) who is employed at Dean Martin's Restaurant, 1850 79th Street Causeway, North Bay Village, Florida. This individual has furnished information in the past which has been reliable and unreliable.

On 9/4/70, PASQUALE ERRA was in the restaurant between 4:10 and 4:45 p.m. at which time he left for a short time and returned at 5:45 until 5:55 p.m. While at the restaurant, he spoke with NORMAN ROTHMAN, who left at 6:30 p.m. and VINCENT TERIACA, who left at 5:15 p.m. ROTHMAN was observed leaving in a vehicle bearing 1970-71 Florida license 1W-51209, which is registered to CAPPY M. ROTHMAN, 425 Surfside Boulevard, Surfside, Florida.

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On 9/6/70, NORMAN ROTHMAN was in the Dean Martin's Restaurant from 4:40 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. at which time he made telephone calls from a pay telephone located within the restaurant bearing number 866-9281.

On 9/7/70, PASQUALE ERRA was in the restaurant between 3:45 and 6 p.m. during which time he met with NORMAN ROTHMAN, who was there between 4:40 and 6:45 p.m. and ALFREDO FELICE. ROTHMAN made some telephone calls from the pay telephone bearing number 866-9281.

On 9/12/70, NORMAN ROTHMAN arrived at 4:47 p.m. at the Dean Martin Restaurant and departed at 5:25 p.m., after using the telephone bearing number 866-9281. CHUCKY MORROW arrived at 5:40 p.m. and departed after having one drink.

On 9/19/70, NORMAN ROTHMAN arrived at Dean Martin's Restaurant at 4:45 p.m. and departed at 5:55 p.m. During this time, he was talking with ALFREDO FELICE who arrived at 4:50 p.m. and departed 5:25 p.m. and ROY THOMAS who arrived at 4:50 p.m. and PASQUALE ERRA who arrived at 5:10 p.m. ERRA departed after having only one drink.

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On 10/5/70, MM 814-C advised that for about the past two or three weeks NORMAN ROTHMAN has been in the Fontainebleau Hotel card room during the daytime and almost every night. He is closely associating with MANNING SHERMAN and some other card cheaters who are close to MAX EDER. ROTHMAN has also been observed a great deal with BEN GRADE in the card room. GRADE reportedly operates a wholesale liquor company, possibly the Florida Liquor Company. Around cocktail time, ROTHMAN can be seen every day in the Poodle Room of the Fontainebleau Hotel.

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ON 9/23/97 *Jed*

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 RELEASE IN PART

It is noted that the investigative period ~~TOTAL DEPART~~ exceeds 90 days, however, it has been kept current through interoffice communications.

On January 17, 1970, MM 1401-C-TE advised that NORMAN ROTHMAN is very upset about the possibility of his being convicted in the CHESTER ZOCHOWSKI, aka, ET AL matter pending in New York, New York file number 87-54676. He was reported to be drinking heavily and being in a worried state of mind.

On January 22, 1970, Special Investigators GEORGE NOWICKI and WAYNE TUCCI, Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Division, United States Department of the Treasury, assigned to the Miami Strike Force, in conjunction with Special Agent DICK SCULLY, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, conducted a surveillance of ROTHMAN. At approximately 10:30 p.m., ROTHMAN's 1968 Pontiac sedan, black, bearing 1970 Florida license 1W12143, was observed parked at Dean Martin's Restaurant.

One of the three partners in this establishment is FRANCES ERRA, wife of PASQUALE MICHAEL ERRA, subject of Miami file number 92-648.

Two other vehicles were observed parked next to ROTHMAN's. The first was a 1969 Oldsmobile, four door sedan, black top and green bottom, bearing 1969 New Jersey license RAB 198, registered to WARREN RAYMOND LEHMAN, 427 Kaplan Avenue, Hackensack, New Jersey. The second vehicle was a 1970 Cadillac, four door hardtop, bearing 1969 New Jersey license MTO 817, registered to EMILIO DELIO, 247 Highland Avenue, Newark, New Jersey.

WARREN RAYMOND LEHMAN, date of birth September 21, 1921, is described as a white male, 5-7, 165 pounds, hazel eyes and brown hair. He was reportedly previously employed by Burdin's Drug Company, 138 Johnson Street, Hackensack, New Jersey. The files of the New Jersey State Police as reviewed by Agent SCULLY reflect no criminal arrest for LEHMAN and no intelligence information was located. Burgin's Drug Company is one of the largest pharmaceutical firms in the State of New Jersey.

EMILIO DELIO, date of birth December 22, 1913, Place of birth Teora, Italy, is also known as "The Count" or "Tony the Wop". He is described as a white male, 5'7" tall, 180 pounds, black hair, brown eyes, and heavy build. SCULLY advised that DELIO is reportedly a member of the VITO GENOVESE family operating in the direction of GERARDO CATENA. DELIO is alleged to be a boss of La Cosa Nostra activities in the Newark, New Jersey, area, primarily connected with gambling operations. He is also identified as being a close associate, or partner, of ANTHONY RUSSO.

247 Highland Ave, Newark, NJ  
At approximately 11:20 p.m., ROTHMAN, accompanied by a female departed from Dean Martin's Restaurant driving his Pontiac. At the same time two unknown males and two unknown females departed in the LEHMAN and DELIO vehicles.

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Detective GAMBLE advised that after the meeting at Dean Martin's Restaurant SALVATORE PIERI went to the Hohnina Hotel where he had room 336. Reportedly later in the evening of January 23, 1970, PIERI met with an unidentified group of persons at the Dream Lounge, located at the Hohnina Hotel.

On January 24, 1970, BU 502-C-TE advised that Buffalo La Cosa Nostra Chief SALVATORE J. PIERI arrived in Miami aboard United Airlines Flight 577 from Buffalo, arriving Miami 5:26 p.m., January 23, 1970.

Upon arrival, PIERI was driven by TONY ROMANO from Daytona Beach, Florida, from the airport to the Dean Martin Restaurant, Miami Beach, where a La Cosa Nostra meeting was held that evening.

According to the informant, ROMANO and PIERI reported that upon leaving Miami International Airport, they ascertained that they were being tailed by several cars. These cars followed them to various side streets and upon arrival at the Dean Martin's Restaurant, parked in the street across from the meeting place.

Informant further advised on January 27, 1970 that according to Miami La Cosa Nostra member PASQUALE ERRA, "A big, tall bald-headed guy from the Dade County Sheriff's Office came to ERRA and told him that the Sheriff's Office was the group who tailed PIERI and ROMANO to the restaurant."

In regard to the meeting on the night of January 23, 1970, informant said that the inner meeting itself was held between thirteen and fourteen individuals in a room located on the righthand side of the bar as one walks into the restaurant. This meeting involved various discussions including:

- (1) There is concern among the Miami La Cosa Nostra Faction that they are generally disorganized, which disorganization could prove disadvantageous in light of the growth of La Cosa Nostra activities in the area. It is felt that in light of this growth, without proper organization, fights over lines of demarcation could arise.
- (2) There is concern in regard to large amounts of money being placed through appropriate fronts by ANGELO BRUNO family from Philadelphia. The general feeling was that in light of these large investments, comprised mainly of large commercial lines, that BRUNO is "coming on strong" in Miami and is obviously attempting to greatly expand his influence.

Informant recognized the following individuals as having attended the above meeting:

- (1) SALVATORE J. PIERI, Buffalo La Cosa Nostra Chief.
- (2) TONY ROMANO, Daytona Beach, Florida.

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- (3) NORMAN ROTHMAN, Surfside, Florida.
- (4) (FNU) TRISCARO, described as a short Italian who was a former fighter and who comes from Cleveland, Ohio. This individual was accompanied by another hoodlum who was described as his "body guard." (The Buffalo Office advised by communication dated February 5, 1970, that this individual was probably identical with LOUIS TRISCARO, aka "Babe," president of the Teamsters Local # 436, Cleveland, Ohio, who has known La Cosa Nostra connections)/
- (5) PASQUALE MICHAEL ERRA, Miami Beach, Florida.
- (6) DOMINIC MANTELL, Miami, Florida.
- (7) FRED GABOURIE, Informant has furnished previous information concerning GABOURIE, who is known as "FREDDIE" and "GABE," Fla. GABOURIE resides near Toronto, Canada, and has been described in the past as a connection between Toronto La Cosa Nostra members and various La Cosa Nostra factions in the United States. GABOURIE has also been reported to be close associate of SAM PIERI and PEANUTS TRONOLONE from Miami.

Informant advised that he did not recall specific names of other persons in attendance at this meeting, however he did state that JOSEPH INDELICATO was not at this meeting.

On January 28, 1970, MM 1401-C-TE advised that NORMAN ROTHMAN can be found almost every Friday night at Dean Martin's Restaurant in North Bay Village. During the daytime he is usually at home except for the frequent trips he makes to the Normandy Isle Club where he drinks heavily. Informant did not know whether ROTHMAN intends to open his movie house and book store. ROTHMAN told informant that because of his forthcoming prosecution, eh is not looking for any new deals and is staying out of any new action. Informant further advised although ROTHMAN is very friendly with PASQUALE ERRA he is closer to JIMMY DOYLE PLUMERI than anyone else.

On March 7, 1970, MM 1401-C-TE advised that there was a meeting scheduled that date for 1:00 p.m. at the Eden Roc Hotel, Miami Beach. The following were supposed to attend: MEYER LANSKY, NORMAN ROTHMAN, MORRIS LANSBURGH and FRANKIE FERRARA. There was also a meeting scheduled for March 10, 1970, of a larger group. Apparently, the meetings are to discuss FERRARA taking over the gambling junkets. There is also some question about handling of the Bahamas Casino, probably the Kings Inn.

On March 11, 1970, MM 1176-PC advised that NORMAN ROTHMAN came into the Eden Roc Hotel on February 3, 1970, with JOE E. LEWIS, the comedian, after having previously spent some time prior to this with LEWIS at the Fla

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Fontainebleau Hotel, Miami Beach. He was told ROTHMAN, while at the Eden Roc, happened to meet an acquaintance and was overheard to tell this individual that if it were not for "the jam" he is in with the Federal Government, he would go into the building construction business because that is where the money is being made today.

On March 12, 1970, MM 725-C advised he heard that NORMAN ROTHMAN has been with PATTY ERRA and allegedly a new comer to the area called SAL (LNU), an Italian, allegedly of some status in the hoodlum empire, on a number of occasions the later part of January and early part of February at the Johnina Hotel.

On April 9, 1970, MM 1176-PC advised that he was informed that NORMAN ROTHMAN and his wife, in the company of FABIO DE CRESTOFARO and his alleged girl friend were in the Eden Roc Hotel for the Shecky Green Show on February 25, 1970. He was also observed in the Pompeli Room of the Eden Roc Hotel on March 13, 1970, with MAX LURIE, his attorney. Fla

On March 9, 1970, Detective GARY MINIMUM, Dade County Department of Public Safety, Intelligence Division, advised that ROTHMAN might have a new apartment on West Drive, North Bay Village, Florida.

A check of the Starlight House Apartments located on West Drive, North Bay Village, revealed that there was a ROTHMAN listed on the apartment index. Subsequent checks with informants indicated that subject did in fact have an apartment at that location in addition to his normal residence.

TOM ANDERSON, Justice Department Strike Force, Miami, advised that OLGA CHAVIANO is associated with ROTHMAN and that she is believed to be his mistress. A spot check of her residence at 2950 Southwest 78th Avenue, Miami, Fla revealed that this was a well kept residence in a upper middle class neighborhood. The house is situated on a corner lot with a large florida room and inclosed pool. She drives a 1969 Buick Riveria, Cream over Brown, bearing 1970 Florida license 1W75275. This is registered to OLGA CHAVIANO at the above address.

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1. Will furnish prosecutive status of subject.
2. Will advise Miami if any travel restrictions have been imposed upon subject regarding his indictment of the CHESTER ZOCHOWSKI, aka; ET AL matter, New York file number 87-54676.

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will follow and report subject's activities.

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- INFORMANTS -

MM T-1 is MM 725-C

MM T-2 is LV 121-C-TE

MM T-3 is MM 1176-PC

MM T-4 is MM 1401-PC

MM T-5 is NY 4302-C

MM T-6 is LV 378-C

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NEW YORK

At New York, New York

1. Will furnish prosecutive status of subject.
2. Will determine from subject's bondsman, who was responsible for making subject's and DE CRISTOFARO's bond.

MIAMI

At Miami, Florida

Will follow and report subject's activities.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The investigative period of this report reflects investigation conducted prior to submission of Miami report dated May 12, 1969. The results of this investigation were not received in time to include it in the report of May 12, 1969.

INFORMANTS

MM T-1 is Mrs. CLARKE HARDWICKE, a neighborhood source whose identity has been protected at her request.

MM T-2 is BETTY ROBB, a housekeeper for Mrs. CLARKE HARDWICKE, whose identity has been protected at her request.

MM T-3 is MM 509-C.

MM T-4 is MM 725-C.

MM T-5 is  PCI.

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Will check the Country Squire Motel, Broadway and 51st Street, to determine whether subject is still registered at this motel and, if not, whether he left any forwarding address.

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will follow and report subject's activities.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The investigative period of this report reflects investigation conducted prior to submission of Miami report dated January 31, 1969. The results of this investigation were not received in time to include it in the report of January 31, 1969.

INFORMANTS

MM T-1 is MM 725-C.

MM T-2 is NY 4229-C-TE.

MM T-3 is NY 4263-C-TE.

MM T-4 is NY 4008-C-TE.

MM T-5 is NY 6346-C-TE.

MM T-6 is NY 5240-C-TE.

MM T-7 is NY 6031-C-TE.

MM T-8 is NY 5581-C-TE.

MM T-9 is LV 121-C-TE.

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MM T-10 is Mrs. CLARKE HARDWICK, 501 South  
Surfside Boulevard, a neighborhood source.

MM T-11 is MM 1357-PC.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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TO: DIRECTOR (92-9844) AND MIAMI (92-1870)

FROM: LAS VEGAS (92-2163)

Mr. Tolson	_____
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Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 10-19-96 BY 51668 SLD JRS/K

NORMAN ROTHMAN, AKA. AR. OO: MIAMI.

*J. Stone*  
*(JFK)*

LV ONE TWO ONE -C- TE ADVISED MARCH SEVENTEEN LAST THAT  
SUBJECT PRESENTLY IN LAS VEGAS AND WAS OBSERVED IN MEETINGS  
WITH CAESARS PALACE OWNERS AND KEY EXECUTIVES. INVESTIGATION  
REFLECTED ROTHMAN PRESENTLY STAYING IN ROOM SIX EIGHT SIX,  
SANDS HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, ARRIVING MARCH FOURTEEN LAST.

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FBI, LAS VEGAS, DISSEMINATED INFORMATION TO CLARK COUNTY  
SO (CCSO) INTELLIGENCE DETAIL MARCH SEVENTEEN LAST THAT  
SUBJECT, A SUSPECTED COURIER AND COLLECTOR OF GAMBLING DEBTS-  
FOR LAS VEGAS CASINOS, WAS PRESENTLY IN LAS VEGAS.

FBI, LAS VEGAS, IDENTIFIED ROTHMAN FOR CCSO WHILE ROTHMAN  
ATTENDING THE LITTLE - HAYWARD JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHT TITLE FIGHT, LAS  
VEGAS, MARCH SEVENTEEN LAST. SUBJECT OBSERVED AT FIGHT WITH  
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