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Two (2) copies of a letterhead memo setting forth the characterization of the informants.

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VALACHI and La Cosa Nostra, every effort has been made by members of this organization in the San Francisco-San Jose, California, area to avoid publicity or any unnecessary association one with another.

INFORMANTS

<u>Identity of Informant</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>By Whom Contacted</u>	<u>File Located</u>
SF T1 is SF 2550-C-TE	6/17/63	SA RAY L. ERICKSON	92-41B-274
	7/19 and 26/63	"	92-41B-277
	8/8/63	"	92-41B-279
	8/9/63	"	92-41B-280
	8/22/63	"	92-41B-281
	9/6/63	"	92-41B-281
	10/4 and 25/63	SA BRYON C. WHEELER	137-2571-460
11/8/63	"	92-41B-287	
SF T2 is SF 2354-C-TE	6/4/63	SA JOHN M. PAGE	92-741-1
	6/19/63	"	92-41B-274
	6/27/63	"	92-41B-275
	7/22 and 31/63	"	92-41B-279
	8/7/63	"	92-41B-279

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	8/16/63	SA JOHN M. PAGE	92-41B-280
	9/11/63	"	92-41B-283
	10/9/63	"	92-41B-285
SF T3 is SF 2656- PC	11/18/63	"	92-41B-287

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SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE

AT SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

Maintain close contact with all logical sources and carefully analyze all information received regarding La Cosa Nostra to develop evidence indicating a conspiracy on the part of this organization or its members to violate the law.

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October 3, 1963, at which time ANGELO had introduced him to one VINCE CATANIA (phonetic) from Philadelphia. CATANIA was introduced as "a friend of ours" with whom ANGELO stated SF T1 would be working in the future on a special job. No details were furnished as to the nature of this job nor was CATANIA further identified. Further investigation has failed to identify CATANIA.

On October 25, 1963, SF T1 advised he had contacted ANGELO MARINO at the California Cheese Company in San Jose at which time MARINO indicated he had received a tip from an unidentified source that the "Feds" were going to search the houses of members of La Cosa Nostra and that they should remove guns and all contraband articles from their homes. SF T1 was instructed to inform ALEX CAMARATA of Martinez, California.

Upon receiving this information CAMARATA became very excited and hurriedly removed at least two revolvers with an ammunition belt, from his home, placed them in a lunch pail and reportedly took them to the home of his uncle JOSEPH VENTIMIGILA, Martinez, California.

SALVATORE PROFACI

819 SYCAMORE AVE
MODESTO, CALIF

On September 11, 1963, SF T2 advised JOSEPH CERRITO had indicated that SAL PROFACI, his wife and children, had been visiting in the area of Modesto, California; for a week or two. PROFACI was reportedly using CERRITO's auto for transportation purposes and was looking around the area for possible business investments.

Subsequently on September 12, 1963, SF T2 learned from JOE CERRITO that SAL PROFACI and his brother JOE had returned to New York City, but expected to return to the San Jose area in a short period of time. CERRITO indicated SAL PROFACI's family had remained in California and had been staying with a man in the Modesto, California, area, who operates a bakery. It is noted that FRANK BUFFA, a reported member of La Cosa Nostra, is a bakery operator in Modesto, California, and resides at 819 Sycamore Avenue, Modesto.

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On April 2, 1963, ACCARDO was arrested by Italian Police in Turin, Italy. On July 9, 1963, the Court of Appeals of Turin ruled in favor of extradition of ACCARDO to the United States. This matter is currently under appeal to the Italian Supreme Court in Rome.

JOSEPH VALACHI

During the time that JOHN MISURACA was in Roswell, New Mexico, to attend his daughter's wedding, he indicated to SF T1 in regards to the VALACHI matter, that the "group" blamed VITO GENOVESE for its present position stating that steps would be taken to eliminate close relatives of members who get involved in this matter. MISURACA did not give further details concerning this topic.

SF T2 advised on August 7, 1963, he had observed no particular action on the part of local individuals concerning the revelation of La Cosa Nostra organization and the disclosure of testimony given by JOSEPH VALACHI. Informant has had specific conversations concerning VALACHI with CERRITO, ANZALONE and ANGELO MARINO, all of whom disclaim any personal knowledge concerning the identity of VALACHI.

On October 1, 1963, SF T2 advised there has been no particular reaction on the part of local individuals as a result of the VALACHI hearings in Washington. SF T2 advised that they have generally scoffed at the suggestion that there is a price on VALACHI's head and has indicated they are not particularly concerned that VALACHI is aware of any local individuals being members of that organization.

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