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On 10/7/64, NY 4008-C-TE furnished the following telephone number in West New York, New Jersey, as that of a bookmaking operation in that area, 201-866-0520. Informant added that JACK SHARWELL, a wealthy shoe distributor out of Columbus, Ohio, utilizes this number, to place bets when he is in NYC.

Informant added that DOC STACHER's attorney is SOL SCHITZMAN, telephone, New Jersey, 201-RE 1-7637.

Informant further furnished the following unlisted telephone number maintained by Newark subject JOEY CURTIS as 201 LA 5-6633.

Informant advised that upon arrival in Las Vegas, NEV arrangements have been made to meet FREDWOTASH, a professional wiretapper. Informant will also be in the company of BING and JUNE WEINSTEIN. Concerning OTASH, informant first met him during his last stay in NYC, at which time he was in some way employed by ROY COHN during COHN's litigation at that time. OTASH is a former California policeman.

Informant has been in touch with STEWART WALD (or WALLACH) from the West Coast. WALD is associated with West Coast bookmaker RICKY JACOBS, and also works with MERRILL GARFINKLE. During conversations with WALD, informant learned that JACOBS was very close to GIL BECKLEY, of Miami. WALD's private telephone number while in NYC is MU 6-6333, and he was staying at the Barbizon Plaza Hotel, Room 550.

Informant, during recent meeting with PAT PAGANO, stated that PAGANO had hinted that he was going into a deal with MORRIS LEVY that involved "hot records". PAGANO mentioned the following record companies in his discussion: Decca, Roulette and Rand.

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PAGANO did not further discuss this operation, and informant did not feel it wise at the time to press further.

According to the informant, PAGANO also has control of the sale of the "Hello Dolly" dolls at the Worlds Fair. PAGANO's brother JIMMY, a jeweler who has business interests in Montgomery, Alabama, Newport News, Virginia, and NYC, has entered into a deal with JACK SHARWELL, brother of SHERMAN SHARWELL. JACK SHARWELL's legitimate business is the distribution of shoes. A deal will involve the smuggling of stolen diamonds in and out of the country. Informant was unable to obtain the specifics of the arrangement, and stated that it was still in the early stages. It will take at least four or five months to get the plan into operation. Informant did learn that a contact in Hong Kong, who is vital to the operation, was a "SMILEY" (LNU). JIMMY PAGANO's private unlisted number in NY is TE 1-3363.

Informant advised that during a conversation with PAT PAGANO, while at the Villanova East Restaurant, NYC, it was learned that the real owner of the Villanova East is JIMMY DOYLE (PLUMERI).

Informant advised that it had been learned that GREG BAUTZER, noted Hollywood attorney, and NAT VOLOSHEN, also an attorney and an associate of FRANK COSTELLO, were entering a large business arrangement that in some way involved the Pepsi Cola Company. Informant was unable to determine the exact nature of these arrangements, but would, when contact was made again with VOLOSHEN, attempt to discreetly learn more about this.

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SAM GIANCANA AR NY 92-793

Informant stated that it was learned through conversations with WEISBERG and the WEINSTEINS that GIANCANA still remains as one of the "real owners" of the Sands. His points were put into the corporation under the corporate name, and then "doled out" to other individuals connected with the Sands. Through this arrangement, GIANCANA can still exert control, and get his cut.

AARON WEISBERG AR NY 92-3083

In addition to information previously set forth concerning WEISBERG, informant stated that she had engaged him in a conversation regarding the Lucayan Beach Hotel, and mentioned that it was too bad that the casino there was not doing too well. WEISBERG answered and said that the casino was in fact doing very well now, and admitted that he had "a piece" of the Lucayan Beach Hotel. Informant added that ROSALYN SHARWELL has resumed using her maiden name of PRICE.

JACK ENTRATTER
AR
NY 92-3139

Informant stated that from conversations with JUNE WEINSTEIN, ENTRATTER is believed to be relatively legitimate. His only function at the Sands is to run the shows.