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Report of SA HAROLD J. EDGERTON dated 9/11/67 at Dallas. Report of SA ROBERT G. O'NEIL dated 10/20/67 at New York. Buairtel to New York dated 7/24/68.

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LEADS:

HOUSTON, KANSAS CITY, LOS ANGELES, NEW ORLEANS - INFORMATION:

One copy each of this report to above offices for information as each office has some interest in the Dallas LCN family due to prior contacts with known figures in those areas.

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Same T symbols were used in this report, same as for the prior report, where appropriate and DL T-15 has been added.

DL T-1 is DL 105-C, DL T-3 is DL 299-PC, DL T-4 is NY 3123-C*, DL T-5 is LA 4448-C-TE, DL T-6 is NY 4857-C-TE, DL T-7 is NO 1490-C, DL T-9 is DL 99-C, DL T-10 is DL L35-C-TE, DL T-11 is LA 4448-C-TE, DL T-12 is LA 4448-C-TE, DL T-14 is DL 324-PC.

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DL 92-383

AT DALLAS, TEXAS

A. EXISTENCE

There has been no change in the established existence of the La Cosa Nostra "group" in Dallas, Texas, since last reported. This is briefly restated as follows:

On March 31, 1959, DL T-1 advised that during the 1920's there had been an Italian organization in the Dallas, Texas area, at that time under the control of CARLO T. PIRANIO. Following the death of PIRANIO on February 20, 1930, his brother and business partmer JOSEPH T. PIRANIO continued as head of the organization until his death by suicide on Ocrober 27, 1956. JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO upon the death of JOSEPH T. PIRANIO succeeded JOSEPH T. PIRANIO as head man of the organization in Dallas, Texas. DL T-1 on the above occasion described CIVELLO as the had man in Dallas and is the Dallas representative of the nationwide Italian criminal organization.

As to the makeup of the Italian organization in Dallas, as described by DL T-1 above, DL T-3, reported the following on May 31, 1966, which information is alleged to have been furnished to DL T-3 directly by a very close associate of CIVELLO who indicated that he had obtained the information directly from CIVELLO. DL T-3 had obtained the information from his source on May 28, 1966. This information is summarized as follows:

During the 1920's a "group" of Italians in Dallas, Texas, had has their "boss" CARLOW PIRANIO and the "under boss" was CARLO'S brother, JOSEPH PIRANIO. JOSEPH PIRANIO took over as "boss" upon the death of his brother in 1930. Members of that group in addition to the PIRANIO brothers were JOSEPH CIVELLO, ROSS MUSSO, FRANK IANNI, RALPH PATRONO, PHILIP CIVELLO, CARLOS CAMPISI, PETER DUCA (PETER MICHAEL DUCA), and ROSS INTERRANTE. This group engaged in some narcotics, gambling and fencing, but never on a large scale as all of the rackets in Dallas were then controlled by non-Italian hoodlums. Through the PIRANIO brothers the group had connections with an Italian group in the Houston - Galveston, Texas areas, but the PIRANIO brothers were the bosses for both groups. CIVELLO had bragged that under the PIRANIO brothers that at that time the group was small, but well organized, and through the PIRANIOs the group also had connections "up East" and CIVELLO had identified one of these contacts as ROCCO PELLEGRINO (of White Plains, New York, identified member of the La Cosa Nostra).