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It has been previously pointed out that one of our primary goals in the Criminal Intelligence Program is the full identification and subsequent prosecution of the membership of La Cosa Nostra (LCN), the dominant group in organized crime in this country. With an ever-increasing public awareness of the significance of LCN on a national basis and in consideration of the Bureau's vast responsibilities in the field of organized crime, it is necessary that complete intelligence be developed regarding LCN.

A review of progress recorded in the identification of the members of LCN reveals that a substantial number have been identified. It is noted, however, that your office has recorded only identifying ten members as residing within your territory, which is the same number you identified one year ago.

PG 603-C-TE's admission of membership in LCN is an encouraging development in your Criminal Intelligence Program. As soon as it is feasible to do so, you should question him in detail regarding the structure and membership of LCN in your territory.

You are expected to show a marked improvement in identifying LCN members within your division. PG 603-C-TE has the potential to be of material assistance in this regard. Every logical step should be taken to utilize his full potential to the Bureau's advantage.

Our investigations of LCN have disclosed the absolute necessity of establishing sources, such as PG 603-C-TE, who are in a position to provide accurate data regarding this underworld organization. An authentic picture regarding the prevalence of LCN in a particular area cannot be obtained without member-informants. The importance of such sources cannot be overemphasized.

The identification of LCN members within your division is an integral part of the Criminal Intelligence Program. Your progress in this matter will be closely followed.

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