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Re Philadelphia letters captioned, "JOSEPH SCAFIDI," 12/11/68 and 1/7/69, and Philadelphia letter captioned, "JOSEPH J. PERELLA, aka, AR," 1/10/69, and Philadelphia phone call to Newark 1/17/69.

Referenced communications have kept Newark Division advised of a possible induction ceremony Philadelphia Family LCN according to information received from PH 672-C-TE, a member source, by SA J. ROBERT PEARCE. Source, who is in the regime of JOSEPH SCAFIDI, believes that he personally will be invited by SCAFIDI to attend this induction ceremony. Source has no objections and does not feel his relationship with the Bureau will be jeopardized nor will he be placed in danger if he is arrested at attendance of such a meeting. In contacts with JOSEPH SCAFIDI informant has learned that JOSEPH

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SCAFIDI has no alternative but to attend the meeting; that the meeting will be on a Sunday and will be held at the La Rosa Restaurant, Vineland, N.J., owned by JOSEPH PERELLA (subject of Bufile 92-9745, OO:Newark, captioned "JOSEPH J. PERELLA, aka, AR," brother-in-law of JOSEPH SCAFIDI and identified to PH 672-C-TE by JOSEPH SCAFIDI as a person he is recommending for induction at the forthcoming induction meeting.)

On Saturday, 1/18/69, informant contacted IGNATIUS DENARO, Underboss Philadelphia Family of LCN, for messages to be delivered to JOSEPH SCAFIDI who source intended to see in person Bridgeton, N.J., 1/19/69. DENARO told source to tell SCAFIDI, "If we do not meet this weekend I might send something up to him." Informant explained DENARO's comments. DENARO meant that if he meets with JOSEPH SCAFIDI in person the forthcoming weekend, 1/25-26/69, then DENARO personally will turnover to SCAFIDI SCAFIDI's proportionate share of the profits of illegal gambling activity in which DENARO, ANGELO BRUNO, SCAFIDI and others operate as a partnership. If this meeting does not take place the "something", meaning money and possibly records, will be delivered to JOSEPH SCAFIDI by the source. Informant said that he would accordingly contact IGNATIUS DENARO on Saturday morning, 1/25/69. If DENARO gives him money or accounting of profits of numbers activity to deliver to JOSEPH SCAFIDI then the induction ceremony probably will not take place weekend of 1/25-26/69. If on the other hand, DENARO indicates he will see JOSEPH SCAFIDI in person the ceremony will probably be held Sunday, 1/26/69.

Source on night of 1/18/69, telephonically contacted JOSEPH SCAFIDI and advised him of the above and did not see SCAFIDI in person 1/19/69.

The above is to alert Newark Division of the possibility of this induction ceremony. Philadelphia at the present time cannot obtain any more exact information as to time but is following this matter closely and will keep the Newark Division informed of developments.