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TO : Director, FBI  
FROM : SAC, Miami (62-3398)  
SUBJECT: AMERICAN GAMBLING INTERESTS IN CUBA  
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Rebulet August 14, 1952, by which a copy of a memorandum from the Legal Attache at Havana, Cuba, dated July 25, 1952 was forwarded to Miami and Pittsburgh.

MF-334 has previously furnished information that DICK REYNOLDS of Miami, Florida, has set up a corporation known as the Inter-Americas Check Cashing Service, Inc., a Florida Corporation which is to be used during the next winter season by gambling houses in the Havana, Cuba area.

REYNOLDS was recently contacted by an Agent of this office and stated that he set up the above corporation in partnership with DAVE WALTERS, a former Immigration and Naturalization Service employee now practicing law in Miami, Florida. REYNOLDS said that he and members of his family are the officers of the corporation.

He advised that the operation of his check cashing service is presently limited to the Sans Souci Club, near Havana, but that he hopes to be connected with all gambling casinos in Cuba when the next season begins.

After an individual has lost money in the Sans Souci and owes the house, the casino will refuse to cash his check but will refer him to the Inter-Americas Corporation, which will cash a check for the amount owed by the loser, charging a fee of 2% of the amount of the check. In the event the losing gambler who makes out the check stops payment, a civil suit to recover will be filed at Havana, Cuba by Inter-America, which REYNOLDS stated is a bona fide American corporation doing business in Cuba. The corporation is to receive one-third of all sums collected on defaulted checks.

REYNOLDS is already acting as a collector for the operators of the Sans Souci, although the set-up is not completely organized in Cuba. He explained that one NAT is to handle the checking service at the Sans Souci but furnished no further

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cc: 2 - Legal Attache, Havana, Cuba  
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