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Transmitted herewith are four copies of the semi-annual GIIF report of this division covering the period from December 1, 1954, to June 1, 1955.

It is suggested that the fourth copy of this report be furnished to the Legal Attache at Havana, Cuba, inasmuch as many of the individuals mentioned herein regularly ply between Havana, Cuba, and Miami, Florida.

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BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

December 1, 1954 to June 1, 1955

Information compiled herein relating to the territory covered by the Resident Agency, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, embracing Broward County, was obtained by Special Agent BEN W. GRIGSBY through contacts with reliable law enforcement officers and other sources during official investigations.

A. ORGANIZED GANGS

Investigation and contact with informants and sources of information has failed to give any indication that there are any organized gangs in Broward County.

MM 322-C advised on January 24, 1955, that MEYER LANSKY, FBI Number 791783, of the Eastern Criminal Syndicate, was in Hollywood during the week prior to January 24, 1955, and was staying at the Toscanny Motel on Ocean Boulevard, South of Hollywood. He stated MEYER was a frequent visitor of his brother JACK LANSKY who maintains a residence in Hollywood. He stated that MEYER LANSKY recently purchased a 30 per cent interest in the Toscanny Motel for his son BARRY LANSKY. This informant has stated that JACK LANSKY has repeatedly told him that he is no longer interested in getting involved in any gambling setups in Florida, under the present situation.

B. INDIVIDUAL RACKATEERS AND MOBSTERS

VINCENT ALO, with aliases, 1248 Monroe Street, Hollywood, Florida, FBI Number 854810.

An informant of the Miami Office advised on February 14, 1955, that VINCENT ALO was at that time residing in Hollywood, Florida. Informant stated that ALO told him

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MM 322-C advised on January 24, 1955, that ^{FLA}FRANK is a part owner of the ~~Tuscanny~~ Tuscanny Motel, in Hollywood, in partnership with MEYER LANSKY. Informant stated that he does not believe that FRANK will attempt to start any gambling at the Tuscanny Motel this year because of LANSKY'S interest in this motel. He stated that LANSKY purchased his interest in the motel for his son BARRY, and does not want gambling operating there.

JOSEPH ~~FLAX~~, 1544 Jefferson Street, Hollywood, Florida.

Chief PHIL THOMPSON, Hollywood Police Department, advised on May 18, 1955, that during the past winter season FLAX was conducting a bookmaking operation from his office at 1544 Jefferson Street.

DONALD JOSEPH ~~GALATI~~, 826 North 26th Avenue, Hollywood, Florida, FBI#563019 B.

Captain LESTER HOLT, NA, Fort Lauderdale Police Department, advised on May 18, 1955, that GALATI is still the owner of the Dollhouse on South Federal Highway in Fort Lauderdale. HOLT stated that GALATI has not been active in bookmaking activities in Fort Lauderdale since his arrest on a bookmaking charge on February 14, 1954. HOLT stated that GALATI was acquitted on the bookmaking charge in connection with that arrest but stated that he was convicted on a charge of frequenting a gambling house.

J.B. ~~GATES~~, 5052 Pembroke Road, Hallandale, Florida, FBI#135771.

CLAUDE TINDALL, Chief Criminal Deputy, Broward County Sheriff's Office, advised that GATES, a Negro, has operated the bolita business in Hallandale among the Negro residents for a number of years. TINDALL stated that GATES works from a beer and wine tavern operated by him on NW 10th Avenue, Hallandale, and has been arrested on numerous occasions for his bolita activities.

CLYDE ~~BROSS~~, 1619 Fletcher Street, Hollywood, Florida, FBI#655579.

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information was available as to GEER'S background.

MEYER LANSKY, 903 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, Florida, FBI#791783.

MM 322-C advised on January 24, 1955, that MEYER LANSKY came to Hollywood, Florida, during the week of January 24, 1955, and was staying at the Toscanny Motel on Ocean Boulevard. Informant speculated that LANSKY would probably stay in Hollywood, at the motel, for the winter in view of the fact that he set up his son BARRY with a 30 per cent interest in this motel. This informant advised that LEON FRANK, another part owner of the Toscanny Motel would like to set up gambling operations in the motel but stated he did not believe that FRANK would start any gambling activities inasmuch as LANSKY is opposed to it.

In November, 1954, MM 322-C advised that MEYER LANSKY left Hollywood, Florida, to attend a meeting in New York City, which meeting the informant believed to be a result of the Averill Harriman's successful contest for Governor of New York State. The New York Office subsequently advised that informants NY204-C, NY207-C, and NY 163-C, were unable to substantiate or negate this information.

SU 283-C, Las Vegas, Nevada, advised that the Thunderbird Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, is the object of an investigation by the Nevada State Tax Commission and for this reason MEYER and JACK LANSKY and GEORGE SADLOW, all of whom have undisclosed interests in the operation of the hotel, have been avoiding Nevada to keep from testifying concerning their interests in the hotel.

SADLOW has always represented the LANSKYS in this operation although both MEYER and JACK visited the hotel on three or four occasions each year. SADLOW has pushed his own men in key positions in this operation, among them JERRY SHAD as the day "pit" boss; GEORGE ROSEN, graveyard shift boss; and JACK METLER, swingshift boss. Former prize fighter GENE BELMONT is greater at the hotel. This informant thought that both LANSKYS and SADLOW might dispose of their interest in this hotel if the Tax Commission sought them out.

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The New York Office has advised that MEYER LANSKY was residing at the Essex House, 59th Street, and 6th Avenue, New York City, although other sources advised that he continues to maintain his apartment at 36 East 36th Street, New York City.

MICHAEL LUCAS, Hollywood, Florida, FBI Number 61381A.

Chief PHIL THOMPSON, Hollywood Police Department, advised on May 18, 1955, that LUCAS was arrested on February 17, 1955, at the Talley-Ho Bar and charged with operating a book-making establishment. He stated that this charge is still pending.

ALPHONSE MARZANO, with aliases, 729 NE Third Street, Hallandale, Florida, FBI#488033. Sheriff AMOS HALL advised on April 28, 1955, that MARZANO, along with DON ORLANDO and TONY TUMBARELLO were operating as bookmakers in Hallandale, Florida. HALL stated that in his opinion MARZANO was probably the number one bookmaker in the Hallandale area.

HENRY J. MASCI, 1430 Funston Street, Hollywood, Florida, FBI#311364.

Chief PHIL THOMPSON, advised on May 18, 1955, that MASCI has operated a bookmaking operation in both Hollywood and Hallandale, Florida, during the past winter season.

CHARLES MELFI, 413 North Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, PD#A-7438.

Sgt. ROBERT SMITH, Fort Lauderdale Police Department, advised on May 18, 1955, that MELFI is now deceased. SMITH stated that MELFI died in December, 1954.

HARRY MEYERS, 3800 South Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, SO#54-2725.

On December 24, 1954, MM 547-C advised that HARRY MEYERS, owner of the Torch Club, a strip tease club, located at 3800 South Federal Highway in Fort Lauderdale, was bringing girls up from Miami, who are believed to be furnished by JIMMY DEMETREE, FBI#814215, outstanding vice operator in the Miami, Florida area.

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On January 24, 1955, this same informant advised that he had determined that the rumor concerning the opening of three places in Broward County for open gambling was false. He stated he did not believe open gambling was going to be allowed to operate in the County because of the fact that AMOS HALL, Broward County Sheriff, would not go along with gambling in the County.

This same informant advised on January 14, 1955, that there were several bookmakers presently operating in the County but that action was very slow. He also stated that a bust-put crap game was being operated in the Hollywood area by HARRY CAMPBELL, Hollywood PD#A-21, RALPH BLACKBURN, FBI# 519 297 and WALTER "BUD" HAGGERTY, Hollywood PD#A-10. This information was confirmed by Detective GENE RYAN of the Hollywood Police Department, on January 13, 1955, who added that CAMPBELL, BLACKBURN and HAGGERTY attempted to rent two adjoining rooms at the Hampshire House on South Ocean Boulevard in Hollywood for a bust-out operation but stated they were turned down by the owner.

On January 24, 1955, MM322-C advised that MEYER and JACK LANSKY, members of the Eastern Criminal Syndicate, had advised him that they were not interested in any gambling operations in South Florida under the present situation.

On May 18, 1955, Sgt. ROBERT SMITH, Fort Lauderdale Police Department, advised that MAX FEINBERG, formerly of Gary, Indiana, was operating a bust-out crap game at Fort Lauderdale, Florida. SMITH stated that in former years FEINBERG had operated his crap game at the Broward Hotel in that City but that during this past winter season he was not allowed to operate in that hotel.

Chief PHIL THOMPSON, Hollywood Police Department, advised on May 18, 1955, that he knew of no gambling operation in the Hollywood area outside of bookmakers. He stated that HALLIE STANGER, FBI#519297, who had operated sneak gambling in the Hollywood area for the past few seasons, is presently residing in Las Vegas, Nevada. THOMPSON stated that he had

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FRANKIE JONES
FBI # 2200482

He is a tout and narcotics addict who is presently residing here at the Angele Hotel, Miami, Florida. He is originally from Chicago, Illinois, and has been in and out of the Miami area on various occasions. JONES recently advised that he is operating as a con-man with DANNY CUMMINGS, alias DANIEL CUNNINGHAM, an old-time card cheater and con-man, who also currently resides at the Angele Hotel. JONES is also believed to be engaged in narcotics activity with ISADORE SHADLETSKY, was., FBI # 599129, who is presently operating the Club Carnival in Tampa, Florida. FLA

*
GEORGE LEMOLE
FBI # 795088

V.J.
EVA
This individual, who has a record for burglary and theft, has been associating with MM-590-C at Miami Beach, Florida during the past winter. He was working with his wife RUTH LEMOLE as a prowler and left Miami about February 5th or 6th, 1955 to proceed to the Plaza Hotel which he operates at Absecon, New Jersey. MRS. GEORGE LEMOLE

*
KENNETH HANNA
FBI # 739132

FLA
This hoodlum from Albany, New York was in Miami during the past season and was connected with wire service activities, getting race result information out of local race tracks.

CHARLES TOURINE,
was., FBI # 695716

This Top Hoodlum, who formerly resided at the Casablanca Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, recently moved to the Isle de Capri Hotel, 79th Street Causeway, Miami, Florida.

*
GEORGE VAINTRAUB,
alias "THE RUSSIAN"

He is a well-known New York City gambler who resided at the Fontainebleau Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, during the

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stayed at the Hampshire House Apartments, 6729 Indian Creek Drive, Miami Beach, Florida. He was observed on occasions in the cocktail lounge of the Golden Strand Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida.

JOHN DIO GUARDIA
FBI # 665273

FLA.

He is one of the well-known hoodlum brothers known as the DIO brothers, who were active as racketeers in the garment district in New York City. His brother THOMAS DIO GUARDIA, FBI # 920425, is not known to have been in the Miami area during the past season, but JOHN DIO GUARDIA, who is a convicted extortionist and nephew of JIMMY PLUMERI, alias JIMMY BOYLE, New York City trucking racketeer, operated the Sunny Isles Restaurant at 176th Street and Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida. u/y

ANTHONY STRASSE,
wa., TONY ROGERS

MM-509-C advised that TONY ROGERS, as this hoodlum from Elizabeth, New Jersey is commonly known, is a finger man for jewel robberies. He was hanging around the Dream Bar of the Johnina Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, and was also observed during December, 1954, at Miami Beach night clubs.

HARRY OZIAS VOILER
FBI # 104354

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VOILER, who has long been a controversial figure in Miami Beach, was arrested January 17, 1955 in Miami on the basis of a three-count indictment for perjury returned against him by a Chicago, Illinois Grand Jury. The indictment against VOILER, who was released under \$5,000.00 bond, resulted from his appearance on September 30, 1954 before a Grand Jury investigating income tax returns of MARTIN ACCARDO, well-known Chicago CAPONE Gang hoodlum.

NICK HELIPOLOUS,
alias NICKY ELLIOTT

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He is a member of the family that dominates the Greek Syndicate which controls gambling in France. ELLIOTT,

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have been alleged against the mayor or the city manager and they are considered to be interested in and cooperative toward good law enforcement.

A. ORGANIZED GANGS

There are no known organized gangs operating in the St. Petersburg, Florida, or elsewhere in Pinellas County which have headquarters in this area. All organized criminal activity in the area covered by the St. Petersburg Resident Agency is operated from Tampa, Florida, a city located approximately 20 miles away. This organized activity will be reported under the heading of gambling; inasmuch as all organized activity of a criminal nature in this area is gambling.

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HENRY and SANTOS TRAFFICANTE, Tampa bolita operators, who operated a large bolita gambling syndicate, have been convicted as a result of this operation. All members of the TRAFFICANTE gang have been prosecuted and most of them were convicted, as will be set forth later in this report.

According to MM-496-C, there are no organized gangs or organized criminal activity in the Gulf Beach area of Pinellas County.

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PCI [] advised that he has been around most of the bars which appear to be likely hangouts for the criminal element in St. Petersburg, but had heard no conversation which would indicate that there is any organized criminal activity in the area. This PCI stated that when he was associated with the hoodlum element in Louisville, Kentucky, before coming to Florida, he never heard St. Petersburg, Florida mentioned as being frequented by the hoodlum element, which used to move frequently between Louisville, Kentucky, and Jacksonville, and Tampa, Florida.

MM-416-C advised that there are no organized gangs in the St. Petersburg area of sufficient stature to commit big stick-ups, burglaries, or other crimes and that any such offenses or violations in the St. Petersburg area would be handled out of Tampa, Florida.

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It is specifically noted at this time that all information reported hereinafter concerning crimes has been reported to local authorities or authorities having primary investigative jurisdiction.

A. ORGANIZED GANGS

The organized gang as reported in the GIIF for many years consisting of SANTO TRAFFICANTI, JR., and his brothers, FRANK C., SAM C., FANO C., and HENRY, has been greatly curtailed during this period as well as past periods in view of the fact that the United States has moved against these individuals as a result of an indictment charging conspiracy of the Wagering Act against SANTO HENRY PERRONE, SAM LORENZO, and six St. Petersburg Negroes who were "big men in the gang", as well as 23 other Pinellas County Negroes who were previously arrested by local authorities in St. Petersburg and Tampa, Florida.

It will be reported hereinafter that MM 416 PC reported that the TRAFFICANTES conviction, that is SANTO and HENRY, in Pinellas County, for the bribery of a St. Petersburg Detective, would never come to trial inasmuch as there were numerous reversible errors and that furthermore the TRAFFICANTES contact, CHARLIE WALL (as above) was to reach D.K. ROBERTS, of the Florida Supreme Court, and their appeal would be taken care of.

Since the above group dominated the Italian Syndicate at Tampa, Florida, which has been in power since approximately 1940, numerous smaller groups have come into action and these groups are reported under the heading GAMBLING inasmuch as they are not all organized in one body, according to WALTER HEINRICH, NA, Tampa Police Department.

Another hoodlum organized element that had been in Tampa, Florida, operating the Paper Doll Nightclub at 1200 West Calf Street, namely MOE ROCKFELD, FBI#291641, HARRY SOSNICK, FBI#850394, and MURRAY SEGAL have all left, sold out the Paper Doll Nightclub, and gone to Miami, Florida, where they allegedly had a connection with the 5 O'Clock Club, or the Paddock Club, according to Miami Confidential MM 439-C, who has furnished reliable information in the past.

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On May 19, 1955, Captain HENRICH advised he had made a visit to Miami, Florida, and had contacted MOE ROCKFELD and HARRY SOSNICK at the 5 O'Clock Club, Miami Beach, Florida, and ascertained that MOE ROCKFELD was to take over a night club in West Palm Beach, Florida, and that HARRY SOSNICK was to operate a night club at Palm Beach, Florida. HEINRICH stated this information came from ROCKFELD but that he would not verify it. *SAMMY PAXTON*

The remaining group in Tampa, Florida, which are ISIDORE SHADLETSKY, wa., FBI # 599120, SALVADOR AMARENA, wa, FBI # 167160-B; SAM POLLACK and ALLEN HIRSCH, operate a night club of the same notorious caliber as the Paper Doll Night Club at 1204 Franklin Street, known as the Club Carnival. *SALVATORE AMARENA*

According to MM-439-C, who has furnished reliable information in the past, an individual named DANNY LEWIS, an ex-convict from New York, hangs out at the Club Carnival, as well as an individual known as DANNY RIO, an ex-Chicago hoodlum and convict and previously such individuals as FREDDIE FINK, FBI #280445 (shot by New York Policeman in New York), JOE PELUSA DIAZ, and SALVATORE LORENZO, hang out at this club. *FLA* *FLA*

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B. INDIVIDUAL RACKETEERS AND MOBSTERS

JOE BEDAMI, FBI #82699A *FLA*

This individual, a well known Tampa hoodlum, is continually reported by local law enforcement officers as being involved in some robberies; however, they have never convicted him and it is alleged by a reliable informant, according to ROSS ANDERSON (whose informant is known to SA LABADIE to be [redacted] was., FBI # 3833509), that BEDAMI is closely associated with a cousin of his, who pulls stick-ups, named MANUEL GISPETH.

LOUIS RODRIGUEZ ALCALA, wa *FLA*
Louis Alcala, FBI # 1310741 *35 yrs. 1955*

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Tampa, Fla.

This individual owns the Pelican Drive-Inn, 2109 North Dale Mabry Highway, and resides at 2317 Spruce Street, Tampa. He is a white male, 35 years of age, who was convicted in February, 1955, for after-hour sales at the Drive-Inn. He was defended by Attorney JOHN GOFF and it is noted that DOLORES DORIS, a barmaid at the Inn, and associates CELESTINO MARTINEZ and SAM MONDELLO testified for him. ALCALA continues to be a fiery strong-arm hoodlum in the West Tampa section.

ANGELO CALI

This individual is a white male, operator of the Willow Sundries, 402 North Willow Street, Tampa, and, according to HEINRICH, he is antagonistic to law enforcement and is operating in bolita. He is the alleged brother of VINCENT CALI, who has been convicted in the past for the murder of ARMANDO FLOREZ, wa Al Flacco, deceased hoodlum.

JIMMY BRUNO

This individual resides at 2521 Union Street, Tampa, and manages the Red Mill Night Club, 1715 West Platt Street, which was formerly the Frolics. This individual is known as a former bartender at the Sands Bar which is operated by FANO TRAFFICANTE, brother of SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR.

BENNY ALVAREZ

This individual is a former hoodlu, thief, robber and ex-bondsman. He was shot and killed in January, 1955, in the doorway of the Granada Cafe. HENRY MENENDEZ is a known pimp who has formerly been interviewed by SA LABADIE in the "ROY PARKER RAKER, was., WSTA" case, and it is alleged that ALVAREZ was putting pressure on pimps in the Tampa area.

SALVATORE "RED" ITALIANO, was., FBI # 449469

This individual no longer dominates Italian hoodlums in the Tampa area and, according to MM-416-PC, this individual

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purchased a large home in Mexico City and is planning to stay there in the event of a tax evasion case attempted against him by the United States Internal Revenue Bureau.

AUGUSTINE PRIMO LAZZARA, FBI # 210606A

This individual, according to Captain WALTER HEINRICH, NA, Vice Squad, and RALPH W. MILLS, Operating Director of the Hillsborough County Crime Commission, is presently operating as a bookmaker in the Tampa area. His brothers, NELSON and NOE LAZZARA, allegedly have a small bolita operating going on at the present time and their peddlers are unknown. He continues to operate the Yellow House Bar on 15th Street in Ybor City Section of Tampa. His brother, JOHN LAZZARA, is known to be the vice president of the Broadway Bank of Tampa in Ybor City. Further, according to MM-439-C, who has furnished reliable information in the past, this individual is associated closely with CHARLIE GREGORY, also known as CUCKOO, who operates the Old Fort Restaurant in Tampa. F.L.H.

^{F.I.A.}
Captioned individual is closely associated with SANTO TRAFFICANTE, ANGELO BEDAMI, and is closely associated with such individuals as CIRO BEDAMI who is allegedly LAZZARA's strongarm man for operations in Augusta, Georgia.

FRED FINK, FBI #280445 "FREDDIE" F.I.A.

This individual, according to numerous law enforcement authorities in Tampa, Florida, is a well known pimp and racketeer in the Tampa area. He, however, went to New York and there was shot in the head by a police officer in Brooklyn, New York.

MM-439-C described this individual as a small-time, loud-mouthed pimp who arranges stag shows for any individuals desiring them. Furthermore, he moved into alleged legitimate operation in that he is a representative of AL FAST, who is the head representative of American Guild Variety Artists in the west coast of Tampa, and books all theatrical acts in night clubs in Tampa and the West Coast. F.L.H.

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DON LOWER, with aliases DON LAWSON, DONALD MANNING, DON MANO, FBI#1355017.

This individual is identified through correspondence with other offices as a "queer shaker" using a detective routine. He resides at 908 East Hamilton, Tampa, Florida, and can be located through his uncle, EARL LOWER, the Detective at Maas Brothers Department Store, Tampa, Florida, who also resides at 908 East Hamilton, Tampa.

MARSHALL BEASLEY, FBI#633059.

This individual has been previously identified in GIIF reports from Tampa, and he is now identified by RALPH W. MILLS and WALTER HEINRICH as booking with AUGUSTINE PRIMO LAZZARA. It is believed by these sources that this bookmaking operation extends to Augusta, Georgia, where a contact of theirs is CIRO BEDAMI, Tampa PD#29680.

ANGELO BEDAMI, FBI#1849088; JOE BEDAMI, FBI#82699A.

These two individuals are identified as with the Italian Group in Tampa, Florida. ANGELO BEDAMI being the father of JOE BEDAMI, according to Inspector BEYNON, of the Tampa Police Department, continues to be a prime suspect in most armed robberies about Tampa, Florida, but has always had an alibi arranged ahead of time. ANGELO BEDAMI can be seen most any night after 3 A.M., at the Old Fort Restaurant on Platt and Lafayette Streets.

According to MM 439-C, ANGELO BEDAMI is operating in the bolita business and he is a close associate and confidant of SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., and PRIMO LAZZARA.

JOSEPH MORTELLARO CICCIAIORE, with aliases JOE HORTENA, C. LANNON, "JO-JO", FBI#273579.

This individual is identified by Deputy Sheriff ELLIS CLIFTON as being a narcotic who has frequent visitors at his home, and CLIFTON has maintained surveillances on his residence and states every week numerous cars are seen from

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During this writing SORIANO has been picked up for armed robberies and questioned but released.

JOHN CARUSO.

^{TAMPA, FLA.}
This individual, a white male, 49 years of age, ¹²³¹ of 1917 - 5th Avenue, is a reputed Tampa bolita racketeer, who has been arrested during this period but continues to operate in the sale of bolita. He was also facing Federal tax charges and he operates the Caruso's Florida Cafe at West Tampa, 2102 North Howard Avenue.

SALVATORE S. (SAM) LORENZO, FBI #5136882.

~~SALVATORE LORENZO~~

"SILENT SAM"

This individual is identified as the close associate of SANTO and HENRY TRAFFICANTE. He is the individual who allegedly sold the car that was involved in a bribery of SANTO TRAFFICANTE and HENRY TRAFFICANTE with Sergeant HARRY F. DIETRICH, of the St. Petersburg, Florida Police Department, which car was given DIETRICH for his protection of the Trafficante bolita operation in St. Petersburg. LORENZO spent six months in jail for charges of contempt of court in that he would not answer questions concerning the TRAFFICANTES. He was recently indicted with the TRAFFICANTES by the Federal Grand Jury in a conspiracy case to violate the Wagering Tax Stamp Act. He has been reported in the past by PCI [redacted] as a strongarm hoodlum who may possibly be the killer for the TRAFFICANTE Group.

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JAMES E. "JIMMY" LONGO.

^{FLA.}
This individual has been identified in the past as a bodyguard for SANTO TRAFFICANTE. According to MM 416 PC, who advised on December 22, 1954, LONGO was travelling between Miami and Tampa, Florida, and was allegedly involved in a number of stickups in the Miami, and Miami Beach area which were believed of the type, according to informant, of robbing wealthy homes and jewelry.

JOHN SCARFACE RIVERA, with aliases, SCARFACE JOHNNY, JOHN RIVERS.

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Charles E. Rice

MM 416 PC advised on December 22, 1954, that this individual was operating bolita in Pinellas County, Florida, with CHARLES C. RICE of John's Pass, St. Petersburg Beach, Florida.

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Charlie

PCI [redacted] on January 15, 1955, advised SA JAMES P. O'NEIL that captioned individual was running a lot of moonshine in Tampa and Pinellas County. SCARFACE JOHNNY has been identified for many years as the bodyguard and close confidant of CHARLIE WALL, (described previously). He is last known to be operating the Boston Bar, 22nd Street and Columbus Drive, Tampa, where it is recalled JOE ANTINORI was shot in gunland fashion in November, 1953. Captioned individual has a 1953 Dodge four-door, bearing 1955 Florida Tag 3-53506, registered under the name of JOHN RIVERS, 1206 - 15th Avenue.

It is also noted at this time that CHARLIE WALL'S murderer was a close friend of his, according to local police authorities who are investigating the murder and they note that it occurred in WALL'S bedroom where he had a loaded 45 immediately next to him, therefore, whoever killed him was very close to him.

MANUEL FERNANDEZ, FBI #156934B.

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According to MM 416 PC, this individual was convicted in Federal District Court, Tampa, and he was one of the TRAFFICANTE bolita peddlers and all during the time he was in prison his wife was paid \$40.00 per week. MM 416 PC further advised that this individual is back working with the TRAFFICANTES. His record in the United States Marshal's Office, Tampa, shows he was born in Spain, but was allegedly naturalized when he went to the Federal Correctional Institution at Tallahassee, Florida, June 17, 1954, on a violation of failure to register and purchase Wagering Tax Stamp.

SANTO TRAFFICANTE, JR., FBI #482531B.

This individual continues to reside at 2505 Bristol, Tampa. He is closely identified with his brother, HENRY TRAFFICANTE, FBI #625515B, who resides at 3110 North Boulevard,

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Sam Pollack

the name of SAMMY^{*}POLLACK, who is a small time former bartender from Miami Beach, who presently resides at 809 West Fribley Street, Tampa, and who is shackled up with a prostitute named WANDA^{*}WILSON. His front man up until May 23, 1955, was SALVATORE AMARENA, with alias SAMMY PAXTON, who is a known pimp and a front man at the Club Carnival and resides at 4707 Bayview Avenue, Tampa. FLA

SAMMY PAXTON has been replaced by ALLEN^{*}HIRSCH, who is a new arrival in Tampa, Florida, from Miami, and who has a 1954 yellow Ford convertible, bearing 1955 Florida Tag 1-84358, registered in the name of A. S.^{*}HIRSCH, 2115 Washington Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida. HIRSCH was surveilled on the morning of May 18, 1955, to the residence of 3915 Fig Street, where he was shackled up with a strip tease dancer from the Club Carnival. FLA

This captioned individual is closely identified with FREDDIE FINK, with aliases, FBI #280445, who has also served time in Sing Sing as allegedly SHADLETSKY has. He is also associated with an individual named DANNY LEWIS who has been identified by MM 439-C, and BETTY MOELLER, aka., Mrs. CLIFFORD MOELLER, a PCI, as a hoodlum, gangster and possibly wanted individual from the State of New York. This LEWIS is unregistered. He is allegedly on parole and efforts to identify him at the present writing have been negative.

Captioned individual is closely associated with such individuals as MOE ROCKFELD, FBI #291641; HARRY SOSNICK, with aliases, FBI #850394; MURRAY SEGAL, with aliases, a known pimp, from Key West and Miami, and JOE^{*}HORMANSKI, with aliases, FBI #1573762, of New York City, who was recently wanted for a bank robbery on Long Island. FLA

C. POLITICAL TIEUPS WITH ORGANIZED CRIME

According to Chief of Police B. J. ROBERTS, the present Mayor of Tampa, CURTIS HIXSON, has no political tie-ups with organized crime and he states that the only individual who is in the race for mayor, a present Hillsborough County Commissioner, NICK NUCCIO. All Italian bolita and gamblers are behind NUCCIO and NUCCIO already has them lined up for the coming fall election. ✓

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H. NOTORIOUS TYPES AND PLACES OF AMUSEMENT

According to MM 439-C, as well as Captain HEINRICH, there are no known houses of prostitution operating in the City of Tampa. These same sources also report that numerous hoodlums congregate around the Old Fort Restaurant located on the corner of Platt and Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida. They congregate after 3:00 A.M., after the other bars are closed.

Captain HEINRICH has advised that he has seen the following hoodlums hanging out at the Old Fort on numerous occasions:

SANTO TRAFFICANTE, HENRY TRAFFICANTE, AUGUSTINE PRIMO LAZZARA, JOE LAZZARA, FRANK DIECIDUE, JOE PELUSA DIAZ, JOE PERRONE, and FANO and SAM TRAFFICANTE

HEINRICH advised the Poinsettia Ice Cream Parlor, 1315 East Broadway, run by RALPH MASCULLURE, has become a hangout for Puerto Ricans.

Club Carnival, 1200 Franklin Street.

This is a night club operated under the guise and license of SAMMY POLLACK, however, it is really operated by ISADORE SHADLETSKY, with aliases, FBI#599129. This place has numerous hoodlums hanging out in the early morning hours and MM 439-C, as of May 23, 1955, reported she has seen SALVATORE J. LORENZO, JOE PELUSA DIAZ, HENRY TRAFFICANTE, and numerous other small Tampa hoodlums hanging out at this establishment.

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