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Reference Bureau teletype to all SACs 8/18/76.

On 8/18/76 William S. Lynch, Chief, Organized Crime and Racketeering Section, Criminal Division, U. S. Department of Justice, furnished the attached memorandum dated 8/11/76. Lynch advised that he received a telephone call from John Craig on 8/11/76. He relayed this information to the Dade County authorities the next day. Lynch advised that on either 8/16-17/76, he received a second call from Craig who stated he had not yet been contacted by anyone and had information that he thought might be of value involving the Roselli matter.

Houston Division should interview John Craig, 1101 South Post Oak Road, Suite 210, Houston, Texas, after reviewing the attached material. Houston sutel results of interview to Miami Division and Bureau. *JA*

Enclosure

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NOTE: On 8/18/76 Lynch, Chief, Organized Crime and Racketeering Section, Criminal Division, U. S. Department of Justice, furnished a copy of the attached memorandum to SA George E. Fisher.

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*Memorandum*

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

TO : File

FROM : William S. Lynch, Chief  
Organized Crime and Racketeering Section  
Criminal Division

SUBJECT: John Roselli

DATE: August 11, 1976  
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This date I received a telephone call from a man who identified himself as John Craig and who gave his address as 1101 South Post Oak Road, Suite 210, Houston, Texas 77056; telephone number 713-622-1791. He identified himself as a licensed private investigator in Houston and a polygraph operator. He stated that he wished to give information that may bear on the recent murder of John Roselli in Miami. He advised that he was somehow involved as a private investigator (he states he investigates frauds) with a Paul Rossi, who he claims is also known as Paul Calisi. Rossi is a Houston resident and claims to be a jeweler; however, he also owns four or five bars and restaurants on Bourbon Street in New Orleans, one of which is named The Blue Clarinet. Rossi is pending charges in the Houston District Attorney's Office in an attempt to kill a witness. He is also pending on another charge of second degree felony theft with four others who are, according to Craig, connected to organized crime figures in Providence, Rhode Island. One of the others is (FNU) Ostigui. He related that Paul Rossi is related with an attorney named Helmut Erwing, as against whom the State Bar Association has disbarment proceedings pending (he states that a Steve Peterson, of the General Counsel's Office of the State Bar Association, is familiar with the proceedings against Erwing). His number is 292-5409. He claims that Erwing has some connection with the CIA that evolved out of a Federal case that was instituted against a man by the name of Phelbe in the early 1960's. The story is that Phelbe worked for the State Department; that while Erwing was a law student he was recruited by the CIA, went to Germany to infiltrate the Phelbe family, and that as a result of the information Erwing obtained charges were initiated against Phelbe and he was ousted from the State Department.



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Craig claims that Rossi, as a result of his troubles with the law, became heavily indebted to the syndicate. He indicated that Rossi in Houston works for Carlos Marcello. He claimed further that Rossi, heavily indebted to the syndicate, went to Florida together with Erwing, as to whom there is a long-standing relationship, and had conferences in Florida during a period of time that Roselli disappeared. He related that he has sources of information close to Rossi and close to Rossi's family, and that recently Rossi became drunk and bragged that he had some connection with Roselli's murder. Upon inquiry, he said this occurred after the news stories of the finding of Roselli's body. He, Craig, did not talk directly to the source of information who was there when Rossi referred to the Roselli murder. He claimed that Paul Rossi's brother Robert was recently involved in a gambling conspiracy case in New Orleans, the outcome of which is unknown. He stated that he would be quite willing to speak to an investigator and give him whatever information he has available.

Among other things, Craig said during the course of our conversation that he had received death threats which he attributed to Rossi. He sounded rational throughout the conversation and obviously his status and reputation can be checked.