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Re report of SA ROBERT M. JACKSON dated 7/2/64 at Las Vegas. It is to be noted in referenced report a lead was set forth to the Las Vegas Office requesting details of investigation concerning CYE KRONFELD.

On 7/10/64, a meeting was held in the office of USA HENRY MORGENTHAU, SDNY, where in attendance were SA M. SONTAG, IRS, Intelligence Division, WALTER PALMER, US Post Office, ANDY MC EVOY, AUSA, SDNY, S. MOLLO, AUSA, SDNY, USA MORGENTHAU and SA JAMES T. MC SHANE, NYO. This meeting was called at the specific request of MORGENTHAU and he indicated that he wished to have a Bureau agent present during the meeting concerned itself with the operation of Cye the Shirtmaker, which is located at 37 West 57th Street, NYC. My Eye the Shirtmaker is owned and operated by one CYE KRONFELD, a long associate of known gamblers throughout the US. is a white male, approximate age 70, and is well known in the theatrical business because of his dealings in the manufacture of custom made shirts.

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WALTER PALMER, a representative of the USPO, advised that his office still maintained a mail cover on all mail received by KRONFELD at Cye the Shirtmaker and had determined that KRONFELD was still in receipt of packages of shirts being mailed throughout the country by known gamblers to KRONFELD. PALMER stated that his sources indicate that the shirts received by Cye the Shirtmaker from known gamblers, are encoded by the use of thread drawn though various positions on the shirts. The PO Department has attempted to break this code with negative results. PALMER stated that although he can account for many packages received by this

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He also stated that Cye is utilized to transfer money from one place to another, and/that when a gambler wishes to transfer money, he places an order for a shirt with Cye and leaves the money there, which Cye either delivers or ships when he ships the order for shirts.

It is noted that in April and July, 1964, NY 4008-C-TE advised that Cye the Shirtmaker, 37 West 57th St., was utilized as an establishment for the receipt of skimmed funds from Las Vegas.

USA MORGENTHAU has indicated that he will not proceed with any arrest of the Reed-Courtney Syndicate until the FBI has ample opportunity to conduct a close and intensive investigation of the operation of Cye the Shirtmaker. He explained that COURTNEY is presently in the Riviera in France and he expects COURTNEY knows he would be arrested if he returned to NYC. USA MORGENTHAU indicated that the FBI would be in a better position than the other agencies to develop information concerning the activities at this establishment. At the present time, the NYO has established a PCI in the building of 37 West 57th St. and is currently using this PCI to develop a highly confidential source. All interested offices will be advised of the results of this investigation.