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Mr. REED COZART was contacted on February 8, 1961 for information concerning SNYDER. At that time, COZART advised that SNYDER had contacted him at his office sometime in the latter part of January, 1961. During this contact, SNYDER discussed two individuals by the names of PERIERA and BRADING. COZART stated that SNYDER gave him the impression that he was a big shot in San Diego who was working on a deal to reclaim desert land in Nevada. The above two individuals were to be instrumental in completing the deal to reclaim this land, and it was absolutely essential that they be released from their parole to travel extensively in the west in order to complete this deal.

COZART stated he had furnished SNYDER certain papers to be filled out by PERIERA and BRADING. These papers were applications for Executive Clemency. SNYDER airmailed these papers to PERIERA and BRADING and approximately three days later brought them to COZART's office. COZART stated that he is a Pardon Attorney in the U. S. Department of Justice and acts on Executive Clemency Appeals, however, he flatly denied the appeals from PERIERA and BRADING and told SNYDER that these two individuals would have to seek relief from their local parole officers and that his office could not help them.

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On February 15, 1961, SAMUEL BARRETT, U. S. Federal Probation Officer, Federal Building, Los Angeles, advised SAs FREDERICK E. RODERICK and GEORGE E. BLAND the following concerning the addresses of PERIERA and BRADING:

PERIERA resides at 1514 Bel Aire Road, Los Angeles 24, telephone number GRanite 2-7391, and is employed as the manager of Velco Properties, Inc., 8255 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles 48, telephone OL 3-0420.

BRADING did reside at 324 South Elm Street, Beverly Hills, California, and was last known to reside at 966 Moraga Drive, Los Angeles 49. He is employed by the Morgan Brown Oil Company, 9250 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California, telephone number CRestview 4-6825.

Recently BRADING had his employer, MORGAN BROWN, write to the U. S. Parole Board in Washington, D. C. for permission for PERIERA and BRADING to travel in order to make negotiations in oil and land lease promotions, but this was denied. BARRETT stated that he had not yet notified PERIERA and BRADING that this request was denied.

BARRETT advised that PERIERA and BRADING were convicted on January 24, 1952 in federal court for mail fraud and conspiracy in the Western District of Texas. Both were indicted on 11 counts but they were found guilty by a jury trial on three counts for which they were sentenced to 12 years in the U. S. Penitentiary.

BARRETT stated that the allegation made against PERIERA and BRADING was that they were involved in "a con man operation" and had bilked a wealthy widow out of her money.

PERIERA is 42 years of age, having been born on May 3, 1918 and BRADING is 46 years of age, having been born November 30, 1914.

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