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It is to be further noted that, based upon information supplied by NY 169-C to the effect that LOUIS GUIGA was a downtown, East Side Manhattan "button man", it was initially considered that GUIGA might be a member of the JOSEPH BONANNO "family" within "La Cosa Nostra" since it was initially believed that BONANNO's territorial allocation within the organization included the Lower East Side of Manhattan.

Subsequent investigation, however, has determined that territorial rights relative to the Lower East Side of Manhattan are not assigned exclusively to one particular "family".

In view of this development and that fact that NY 169-C has expressed the belief that GUIGA operates with and under SOLLY BURNS (SALVATORE GRANELLO), who has been identified as a member of the VITO GENOVESE "family", LOUIS CHARLES GUIGA is now being considered a member of the VITO GENOVESE "family".

Information set forth in instant report under the caption "E. HANGOUTS AND PLACES FREQUENTED" indicating the Rex Bar and Grill, Grand Street, Manhattan, was owned by an uncle of LOUIS GUIGA, is located in case captioned "NATHAN KLEMAS, was., ET AL; TFIS", NY 15-10144-138, pages 64-65.

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INFORMANTS

| <u>Identity of Source</u> | <u>Contacted By</u> |
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| NY T-1 [REDACTED] | SA JAMES P. FLYNN |
| NY T-2 NY 169-C | SA PATRICK J. MOYNIHAN |
| NY T-3 Former NY 3864-C-TE | SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES |
| NY T-4 PCI [REDACTED] | SA JOHN R. ANDERSON |
| NY T-5, NY 3368-C-TE | SA JAMES P. FLYNN |

OTHER 4

LEADS

NEW YORK

At New York, N.Y.

1. Will, through the records of the Dept. of Health, Borough of Manhattan, verify subject's birth on 12/22/27.
2. Will verify subject's residence at 228 Mott Street, NYC and identify family members residing with subject at that residence.
3. Will review records of CIB, NYCPD for all available background information re subject, his associates and activities.
4. Will review records of Records Section, Selective Service System, 250 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, N.Y., for all available background information re subject, his family members, employments, residences and military status.
5. Will determine subject's present employment.
6. Will contact Federal Bureau of Narcotics, 90 Church Street, NYC for any available information re subject. It is to be noted that subject was arrested 10/18/61 for violation of Federal narcotic laws (conspiracy). Will determine disposition of this arrest.

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7. Will contact NYCPD precinct covering subject's residence to determine if GUIGA is familiar to precinct detectives and obtain any available background information re subject, his family members, associates and activities.
8. Will recontact NY 169-C and display photograph of subject to informant. It is to be noted that NY 169-C (see pages 6 and 7 of instant report) has previously described subject as a "button man" who operates with and under SOLLY BURNS (SALVATORE GRANELLO, identified as a member of the VITO GENOVESE "family"). Will obtain all information in NY 169-C's possession re subject's background, activities, associates and affiliation with "La Cosa Nostra".
9. Will contact NY 3461-C-TE and NY 4018-PC, informants familiar with members in and activities of "La Cosa Nostra" for any information they may possess re GUIGA's membership in "La Cosa Nostra".
10. Will contact other logical sources and informants to determine if they are familiar with subject and can furnish any information concerning his background, associates and activities.
11. Upon receipt of sufficient background information re subject, his associates and activities, will consider interview of subject.

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such a car by the end of the year. GUIGA also indicated that the best time to buy one of these stolen cars was at the time of the big rush for license plates (at the end or the beginning of a calendar year) since the Motor Vehicle Bureau would not check numbers during such rush periods.

NY T-1, on September 10, 1962, defined a "button man" as the initial step of membership for a recognized and accepted member of the Italian criminal organization known as "La Cosa Nostra".

SALVATORE GRANELLO, also known as Solly Burns, FBI number 2120006, was born on June 15, 1923, at New York City, and possesses an arrest record dating from 1940.

NY T-3, in January, 1963, described SALVATORE GRANELLO as a member of the VITO GENOVESE "family" within "La Cosa Nostra".

VITO ANTHONY GENOVESE, FBI number 861367, born November 21, 1897, Risigliano, Italy, arrived in the United States on May 23, 1913, and was naturalized on November 25, 1936, in the Southern District of New York.

GENOVESE, an attendee at the Apalachin, New York meeting on November 14, 1957, has been described by NY T-1 as a member of "La Cosa Nostra" and the head of the GENOVESE "family". He is presently serving a fifteen year prison sentence at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, as a result of conviction on narcotics conspiracy charges.

2. Hijacking

NY T-4, on December 10, 1955, revealed that he and HANK PERRONE had visited the Rex Bar and Grill, Grand Street, Manhattan, where he was introduced to LOUIS GUIGA and another individual described as GUIGA's partner. During this meeting, LOUIS GUIGA discussed the possibility of "taking" a large load of liquor from a Queens, New York express company truck which was known to pick up shipments of liquor from the piers on a regular basis. In discussing this matter, GUIGA indicated that he had two good "drops", one in Brooklyn, the other in Harlem, and that he had a buyer who would take such a load immediately. It was

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informant's understanding that GUIGA and his cohorts had to forego effecting this plan because of their inability to elicit the cooperation of the driver of the truck involved.

3. Gambling

A review of the records of the NYCPD in 1954, by SA JOHN HENRY DOYLE, determined that LOUIS GUIGA, 245 Mulberry Street, Manhattan, NYCPD number B-268762, was listed as a gambler under consideration by the NYCPD as a prime bookmaking suspect.

E. HANGOUTS AND PLACES FREQUENTED

NY T-2, on June 20, 1957, advised that he had contacted LOUIE GUIGA in the Elizabeth Bar and Grill, Elizabeth Street near Kenmare, New York City, where GUIGA often hangs out.

NY T-4, on December 10, 1955, advised that he had met with HANK PERRONE at the Rex Bar and Grill, Grand Street, Manhattan, where PERRONE introduced informant to LOUIS GUIGA.

It is to be noted that, during the course of another investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, information was obtained prior to December 10, 1955, which indicated that the above-described Rex Bar and Grill was owned by an uncle of LOUIS GUIGA, name and address not indicated.

F. MISCELLANEOUS

Mrs. THERESA BORELL, License Records Section, New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, Albany, New York, advised IC PHILIP M. DILLON on May 27, 1963, that she could locate no record concerning LOUIS CHARLES GUIGA, 228 Mott Street, New York City.

The files of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, furnished by Miss PAULINE DE FIORE to IC MULLINS on May 21, 1963, noted that LOUIS GUIGA, 228 Mott Street, New York City, was sued by Dr. JOHN B. CASALE, 530 Park Avenue, New York City, for \$100.00 on September 29, 1961. The attorney was noted as Hoyt and Hoyt, 99 Wall Street, New York City.