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TO : Director, FBI - ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY DATE: February 25, 1958

FROM : Legat, Havana (64-153)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN GAMBLING ACTIVITIES IN CUBA ANTI-RACKETEERING

On February 13, 1958, PCI [redacted] whose identity must be kept confidential and who is in excellent position to obtain photographs of Americans involved in gambling operations in Havana, furnished the enclosed 5x8 full-face photographs of NICHOLAS DiCOSTANZO, wa. "Fat The Butch", and SIDNEY ORSECK. DiCOSTANZO is presently operating the gambling casino in the Hotel Capri and has admitted having an interest in that casino. ORSECK has been named by JOHN HOUSER, Vice-President in Charge of International Operations for Hilton Hotels, Inc., as one of the five individuals who have been granted the franchise to operate the gambling casino in the soon-to-be-completed Hotel Havana Hilton. In the past DiCOSTANZO has been described as operating floating crap games in Yonkers, New York, and ORSECK is described as a New York lawyer.

The Laboratory is requested to copy these photographs in a smaller size and supply two copies each of each photograph to the New York Office and the Legal Attache, Havana.

Extra copies of this letter have been prepared for the possible use of the New York Office.

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