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 Report of SA ROBERT A. VOEGE, Pittsburgh, 4/30/64.  
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**ENCLOSURES**

TO BUREAU (2)

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and one copy of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above at Pittsburgh, Pa., relating to SEBASTIAN JOHN LA ROCCA.

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MIAMI-INFORMATION

One copy of this report is being sent to the Miami Division for information purposes in view of the fact that investigation is pending in territory within the jurisdiction of Miami.

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AT PITTSBURGH, PA., (ALLEGHENY COUNTY)

1. Will follow and report the activities of LA ROCCA in accordance with Bureau instructions and will specifically attempt to develop new sources of information in the vicinity of his legitimate enterprises which will be able to give an even more complete coverage of his financial interests.

2. Will give consideration to again initiating loose surveillances of LA ROCCA throughout the week in an effort to determine whether he has substantially altered his daily habits since returning to the Pittsburgh-Ingomar vicinity.

INFORMANTS

Informant Coverage Relating to This Report OTHER 4

PG T-1 is [redacted] potential criminal informant of the Pittsburgh Division, who was contacted on 6/17 and 30 and 7/21/64 by SA ROBERT A. VOEGE.

PG T-2 is PG 585-C, who was contacted on 5/23, 6/11 and 25/64 by SA ROBERT A. VOEGE.

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PG T-3 is  a potential criminal informant of the Miami Division, who is contacted on a periodic basis by SA JAMES J. KEARNEY of Miami.

PG T-4 is MM 961-C who was contacted on 6/17/64 by SA JAMES J. KEARNEY of the Miami Division.

PG T-5 is PG 657-CTE who was contacted on 5/11, 25 and 6/11/64 by SA JAMES B. FANNING.

PG T-6-7 is PG 694-PC who was contacted on 5/15/64 by SA JOHN S. PORTELLA.

PG T-8-9 is PG 722-PC who was contacted on 6/8/64 by SA JAMES B. FANNING.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Report of: ROBERT A. VOEGE  
Date: 7/30/64

Office: Pittsburgh, Pa.

Field Office File #: 92-226

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Title: SEBASTIAN JOHN LA ROCCA

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

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Synopsis:

LA ROCCA has remained in the Pittsburgh-Ingomar, Pa., vicinity since his return from Bel Aire, Fla., during early April, 1964. Neighbors have observed him daily, wandering around extensive property and bicycle-riding in apparent effort to lose weight. Bel Aire residence has been closed, but Johnstown, Pa., racketeer, JOSEPH REGINO, continues to live several doors away on semi-permanent basis. Informants have observed LA ROCCA in downtown Pittsburgh area simply "putting in an appearance" and keeping in touch with his various interests. Recent information relating to associates engaged in racketeering activities and other acquaintances in the Miami area reviewed. Data pertaining to the identities of Pittsburgh "family" members provided by informant, who acknowledges that LA ROCCA is still in control of "syndicate operations." This informant believes four families ruled by LA ROCCA, GABRIEL MANNARINO, FRANK AMATO, and ANTONIO RIPEPI make up the Greater Pittsburgh Area, and that chief lieutenants in these families are MIKE GENOVESE, THOMAS CIANCUTTI, JOSEPH SICA, and JOHN BAZZANO, respectively. Other matters concerning personal history, illegal activities and legitimate enterprises set forth. IN VIEW OF THE CONVICTION OF LA ROCCA FOR ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO KILL AND HIS ARREST FOR CARRYING A CONCEALED WEAPON, HE MAY BE ARMED AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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ever operated a bicycle before and that his exercise had been under taken in an apparent effort to lose weight. Both Mrs. BROWNLEE and Mrs. REDDER observed that visitors to the LA ROCCA residence throughout the early months of the summer have been scarce. Neither have observed anything out of the ordinary during the period covered by this report. No unusual visitors have been at the residence and there have been no large congregations of people at any time, according to the women.

II. Other Matters Relating to Personal History and the Current Welfare of LA ROCCA and his Relatives

PG T-1 has advised that LA ROCCA has continued to remain in the Pittsburgh-Ingomar, Pa., area and has not returned to Florida since his return home during the second week of April, 1964. A mutual acquaintance has observed LA ROCCA in the vicinity of the Mikfon Jewelry Store, located in the Shady Side Section of Pittsburgh, on at least two occasions. Heretofore, LA ROCCA had not been known to spend any time in that specific area.

The aforementioned informant has heard rumors to the effect that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) at Pittsburgh is again endeavoring to "make a big case" involving LA ROCCA but cannot bring it to court until more expenditures are uncovered. He said LA ROCCA knows this, and his former daughter-in-law has been instructed by him not to talk to Federal investigators. He seems to be jockeying with his creditors so that payments can be "spread out" over several years time. All payments, wherever possible, are made in cash.

This informant has advised that LA ROCCA still leaves his Ingomar, Pa., residence daily as though he had a position which entailed punching a clock or reporting to a superior. He enjoys visiting different locations in which he has an interest and simply wants to put in an appearance so that underlings and possible opposition-type individuals continue to realize that he is in good health, has an interest in various projects, and is completely available. He utilizes his Cadillac for appearances and