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SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title SEBASTIAN JOHN LA ROCCA, aka

Character of Case ANTI-RACKETEERING
Field Office PITTSBURGH
Symbol Number PG 622-C*
Type of Surveillance: (Technical or
Microphone) Microphone (MUTT
installation)

- Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:
SEBASTIAN JOHN LA ROCCA (Owner, North Star Cement Block Company,
12 McCandless Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.)
- Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:
The Pittsburgh Office of the North Star Cement Block Company,
12 McCandless Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.
- Location of monitoring plant:
Pittsburgh FBI Office, 450 Union Trust Building, Fifth
Avenue and Grant Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.
- Dates of initial authorization and installation:
Initial authorization: 1/26/61
Installation: 1/30/61 (actually activated on 2/7/61)
- Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):

No other installations
- If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:
(There is no tesur involved in this installation)
a. Is a trunk line utilized?

b. Is the surveillance on a switchboard?

c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone?

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- d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line?
- e. If a party line, how many parties?
7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each:
One MUTT unit is installed and concealed in the floor space between subject's business office and lavatory.
8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination:

Not part of a tel-mike.
9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)
Consult insert pages. All information was utilized for intelligence purposes and appropriate dissemination was made where pertinent.
10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?
No.
11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject:
Two live informants cover LA ROCCA but there are no live informants furnishing information relative to the North Star Cement Block Company.
12. Has security factor changed since installation?
No change.
13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):
No requests made.
14. Cost of Plant Premises:
a. Rental costs for plant premises:
None (costs included in office rental)
b. Give total number of other surveillances monitored at same plant.
Two units of a tesur [(PG 177-S*)^(S)] were activated on 6/6/62.
One unit of a misur (PG 180-S*) was activated on 8/23/62.

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Insert to FD-143 entitled, "JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE."

Since the submission of the last FD-143 on 6/26/62, information has come to the Pittsburgh Office concerning the possibility of the placement of a burglar alarm system, a high anchor fence and strands of barbed wire at the North Star Cement Block Company. It appears that this relates only to the rash of burglaries and equipment thefts being experienced by North Star and other plants in that immediate vicinity. No action has been taken in this regard as yet.

PG 622-C* was discontinued on 6/11/62, and was re-activated on 6/29/62, after inductance and cross-talk on the lines were eliminated. On that date, during discussion it was learned that the North Star Cement Block Company had undergone a change in officer titles, and that while SEBASTIAN JOHN LA ROCCA was still President, ALDO PRUNER is now Vice-President, ROY L. VEY is Treasurer, and JOHN CONTI is Assistant Treasurer. If any salary adjustments are noted in this regard a suitable time lapse will be observed prior to the notification of the Internal Revenue Service at Pittsburgh, Pa.

On 7/12/62, it was noted that JOHN LA ROCCA, the adopted son of SEBASTIAN JOHN LA ROCCA, had again commenced work as an auditor at the North Star Cement Block Company, and that this job was to be held by him until his college term began in 9/62.

It was noted on 7/27/62, that LA ROCCA had purchased a home for this adopted son and the names of the realtor, insurance, and banking officials involved in the transaction were obtained.

On 8/28/62, it was learned that the North Star Cement Block Company owes \$40,000 to an individual and \$38,000 to another company, and that the company has approximately \$125,000 in accounts receivable. It was learned that the company is borrowing \$40,000, and that company officials are becoming disturbed at the lack of genuine interest shown in relation to their financial difficulties by LA ROCCA, who seems to be the only one making money out of the operation.

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