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Report of SA ROBERT A. VOEGE, Pittsburgh, 12/6/61.

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AT PITTSBURGH, PA. (ALLEGHENY COUNTY)

Will follow and report activities of SEBASTIAN JOHN LA ROCCA and his associates in accordance with Bureau instructions.

Informant Coverage Relating to This Report

JFK Act 6 (4)

PG T-1 is  a potential criminal informant of the Pittsburgh Office who was contacted on 10/13 and 29 and 11/7 and 19/61 by SA NORMAN T. THOMPSON.

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PG T-2 is PG 576-C who was contacted on 11/3/61 by SA ROBERT A. VOEGE.

PG T-3 is WILLIAM MEREDITH, Chief Special Agent, Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Pa., who was contacted by SA VOEGE on 10/26/61 and who has requested that his identity be concealed.

PG T-4 is PG 526-C who was contacted on 11/10/61 by SA J. EDWARD KERN.

PG T-5 is PG 622-C\* who is contacted by SA VOEGE on a daily basis.

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like to determine who this is prior to his departure for Florida on a short vacation, date unknown. The informant said that LA ROCCA is extremely thankful that Pittsburgh newspapers did not receive any publicity concerning the failure of his adopted son to register and the subsequent interview. He indicated that the entire affair could have been "messy". According to the informant, LA ROCCA said that in an effort to determine whether his telephone at his Ingomar, Pa., residence is tapped, he would intentionally place a call telling an unknown individual that he would be going to New York and would give that individual a non-existent New York address. He would thereafter wait to determine the action taken by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

D. LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

North Star Cement Block Company, Pittsburgh, Pa.  
(SEBASTIAN JOHN LA ROCCA, President)

PG T-5 has advised that on November 7, 1961, LA ROCCA visited the North Star Cement Block Company in Pittsburgh for a short emergency meeting and advised company officials that if there was no other solution to problems facing the company he would invest \$50,000 for more complete automation to save the plant from destruction. He was concerned during this meeting about the quality of block being produced by North Star.

The aforementioned informant advised that on November 17, 1961, North Star began expanding the building materials line and planned to send at least one and possibly two individuals now holding executive positions out on the road as salesmen to increase sales within a short period.

Other Legitimate Activities

Information Concerning Note Co-signed for ANTHONY LA ROCCA

Special Agent ROBERT MADDEN, Intelligence Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Pittsburgh, Pa., has advised that

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Information Relating to the S. J. Gully Bank at  
Farrell, Pa.

During the course of investigation in the LA ROCCA matter, it has been determined that the North Star Cement Block Company of Pittsburgh, Pa., was obligated, as of 1959, to the S. J. Gully Bank, to the extent of approximately \$29,000.

On November 3, 1961, JOHN MULLANEY, Special Assistant to the Attorney General of the United States, requested information concerning the possibility of a current or recent affiliation by the aforementioned bank with any Federal regulatory agency.

On November 3, 1961, CHARLES HOUTT, Assistant Cashier, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, Pittsburgh Branch, advised that he personally recalls the S. J. Gully Bank of Farrell, Pa., as a private bank prior to the time it sold out approximately five or six years ago; that he has never known of the S. J. Gully Bank being a national bank, a member of the Federal Reserve System, or to be insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and that according to the current directory of member banks in the fourth Federal Reserve District, which includes Farrell, Pa., the S. J. Gully Bank is not a member of the Federal Reserve System.

On November 3, 1961, DREW DIEDRICK, Examiner, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 245 Rodilin Drive, Pittsburgh 35, Pa., advised SA FRANK E. ALLISON that he has been employed in the Western Pennsylvania area since 1949 as an examiner, and that during this period the S. J. Gully Bank of Farrell, Pa., was never subject to examination by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and is not now subject to such an examination. He stated that if the bank was FDIC insured, it would be subject to examination by FDIC examiners, and he would have knowledge of this fact.

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