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Miami, Florida

April 8, 1963

Re: ~~Unknown Subjects (2); Alleged
Attempt on Life of Joseph Merola
Obstruction of Justice~~

Joe Merola
U.S.A.

Re Memorandum dated December 14, 1962 at Miami,
Florida.

On December 14, 1962, Jack Mucci, Reservations Manager at the Eden Roc Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, related that on October 28, 1962 Bernard Mitchell of 940 Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois, checked into Room 823 at the Eden Roc Hotel. He stated he was associated with Fulton Industries, Inc., of Chicago. Mucci indicated Mitchell was alone in the room until November 1, 1962 when Samuel Stern of 387 Sheridan Road, Winnetha (possibly Illinois), joined him. Mucci stated Stern checked out November 8, 1962 and on the same date Phil Litner joined Mitchell in Room 823. Litner listed his Northern address as 860 DeWitt Place, Chicago, Illinois. Litner checked out on November 10, 1962. On November 15, 1962 Mrs. Bernard Mitchell checked into Room 823, joining Mitchell there, and both Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell checked out on November 23, 1962.

Mucci confidentially advised that Bernard Mitchell and the several other persons who occupied Room 823 with him, appeared to be businessmen from the Chicago area and he had had no reports of an association between them and hoodlums in the Miami Beach area.

On January 23, 1963, William Kenney, Departmental Attorney, presently assigned to Miami, Gene Marshall, Investigator, United States Bureau of Narcotics in Miami, who with Sol Vizzini of his service, previously interviewed one of their informants on this, and Ronny Lynch, Detective, Dade County Department of Public Safety, were all recontacted and stated they had learned no additional information regarding the two individuals who were allegedly in town to do harm to someone and, according to the rumors, were sent by two brothers from New Kensington, Pennsylvania.

They all agreed to contact the Miami FBI Office if they learned any more information regarding this matter.

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