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WEEKLY SUMMARY

MM 822-C advised that MAX EDER (MM 92-467) appears to have acquired more control over activities at the Fontainebleau Hotel, evidenced by the fact that executives from all departments of the hotel have been consulting more and more with EDER on policy, etc. EDER now has JOE SMITH, an employee of the baggage room of the Fontainebleau Hotel, handling all of the employees' bets, which SMITH delivers, with the money to BEN SHERMAN, a bookmaker for EDER. EDER also assigned BEN SHERMAN to operate in the cabana of the hotel, rather than the card room, as EDER is attempting to avoid paying the law enforcement agencies. Reportedly, EDER then can report that there has been no activity in the card room and hence there is no need to make any payoff.

MM 814-C reported that MIKE MC LANEY (MM 92-464) had owed the Fontainebleau Hotel between \$8,000 and \$9,000 for three or four years, and recently paid it. He also reported that MC LANEY acquired the transportation desk at the Fontainebleau Hotel for \$10,000 a year. He advised in addition that although MC LANEY and BEN NOVACK, operator of the hotel, have been good friends for years, they are at odds at present because the transportation desk, in NOVACK's opinion, has been doing very poorly.

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MM 509-C-TE advised that he learned ~~MOE COHEN~~, a ^{FLA} bookmaker at Miami Beach, is an uncle to ~~MURRY GOODMAN~~, the Miami Beach City Attorney, and GOODMAN is the person COHEN ^{FLA} contacts when he wants to get things "fixed."

ANNE CLEMENTE, PCI, advised that ~~SAM COHEN~~, Miami Beach, has extensive holdings at Miami Beach, which include the Crown Hotel, Saxony, Coronet, Casablanca, Sherry Frontenac and Deauville, as well as the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. She stated that ~~MORRIS LANSBURGH~~ is SAM COHEN's associate and that COHEN gave a 25% interest in the Crown Hotel to MORRIS LANSBURGH (MM 92-877) to handle publicity. She also stated that MORRIS LANSBURGH had attempted to obtain the gambling casino license in the Flamingo Hotel, Las Vegas, with money put up by MEYER LANSKY (MM 92-102) but was turned down, making it necessary for SAM COHEN to step in and buy him out and acquire 47% interest in the hotel. //

She also advised that on orders of ~~JULES LANSKY~~, ^{FLA} Manager of the Crown Hotel, the father of Justice of Peace ~~JASON BERKMAN~~, Miami Beach, was put on the payroll of the Crown Hotel. She stated BERKMAN's father shows up periodically to pick up his pay check. ^{FLA}

MM 962-PC advised that SOL EDER, (MM 165-208), has been on the National Plastering Company, Miami Beach, payroll since 3/18/64 and draws a weekly salary of \$125.00. She stated SOL EDER's job is described as a "glorified errant boy" and spends most of his time at the Oliver House construction office, where he ties up the office telephone talking to bookmakers. She stated ~~JACK RUBIN~~, also connected with the National Plastering Company, is the "front" for MAX EDER (MM 92-467). RUBIN's wife is listed as President, RUBIN is Secretary and Treasurer, and MAX EDER is listed as Vice President. RUBIN draws a weekly salary of \$250.00 plus part of a quarterly bonus. MAX EDER receives a weekly salary of \$400.00 plus bonuses. She stated MAX EDER received \$9,800.00 in bonuses for the first quarter during 1964. ^{FLA}

This source ^{FLA} also advised that MAX EDER, JACK RUBIN and WILLIAM G. ~~MECHANIC~~, owner of a piece of property on Meridian Avenue, between 18th and 19th Streets, Miami Beach, are presently planning the construction of a large apartment building to be known as Meridian Towers.