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Re O-1 Form dated 5/10/68.

MICHAEL MC LANEY, as previously advised, was the subject of extensive publicity in connection with his aid to the political campaign, preceding the election $\mathcal L$ held in the Bahama Islands in January, 1967. MC LANEY's (formerly MM 764-C-TE) purpose was to secure some interest in Bahamian gambling activities.

During 1967, MC LANEY testified before the Commission of Inquiry, which was investigating gambling in the Bahamian Islands. Up to that time, MC LANEY was optimistic that Premier LYNDEN PINDLING would aid as well as cooperate in setting up gambling controls and a revision of the Bahamian gambling laws, possibly under a commissioner or supervisor of gambling, which MC LANEY hoped to obtain. After this failed, MC LANEY sought some connection with gambling on Paradise Island, but Premier PINDLING refused to aid or approve of MC LANEY's plans.

In 1967, MC LANEY sued the publishers of "Life" and "Saturday Evening Post" over articles which appeared in their magazines. These law suits reportedly are still pending.

On 4/16/68, MC LANEY advised he is out of the gambling picture in the Bahama Islands as he can secure no consideration along those lines and now hopes to get into some land development projects on the outer Bahamian Islands, if the Bahamian Government will cooperate with him.

MC LANEY and an associate are presently operating the Cumberland House Restaurant in Nassau.

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