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SUBJECT:

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ANTI-RACKETEERING

A Philadelphia informant who is being developed in connection with the Top Echelon Criminal Informant Program reported that on the week end of May 5, 1962, he went to New York City with John Cavelli, a Philadelphia hoodlum, and spent the week-end at the home of Dan Cherito.

Informant stated that a meeting took place at Cherito's residence on May 6, 1962, which was attended by ten individuals, including Phil Testa, who is Bruno's chief lieutenant, who controls Bruno's Philadelphia numbers operation. The informant was not permitted to enter the room where the meeting took place. Informant pointed out that aside from himself, Testa, and Cavelli, the remaining persons were all from New York City with the exception of two from Boston. Informant was introduced to a Henry Noise, and later identified a photograph of Henry Selvitella as being identical with the individual introduced to him as Noise. Selvitella is a Boston racketeer.

Informant related that Cavelli did not indicate to him the purpose of the meeting, but did tell him that he wished him to accompany him (Cavelli) in the near future on a trip to New York City in order to deliver a large sum of money.

The informant stated that in his opinion, the New York meeting had something to do with Bruno's Philadelphia numbers operation because of the presence of Testa and Cavelli.

This information presents a definite opportunity to further penetrate the operation of Bruno, who is the leader of the Italian. mob in that city.

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The New York, Philadelphia and Boston Offices are being instructed to vigorously pursue this investigation and to make every effort to develop a violation under the new antigambling statutes.