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**JOHN ROSELLI**

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Two (2) copies of a letterhead memorandum setting forth characterization of informants.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The Special Agents who participated in this investigation are:

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SA [REDACTED]  
SA [REDACTED]  
SA [REDACTED]  
SA [REDACTED]

The identity of the Special Agents who conducted fisurs mentioned in this report can be found in the 1-A Section of this file.

The schedules incorporated into this report were prepared by SAAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

The following information concerning ROSELLI is set out here as it does not appear to be the type of information to be included in the body of this report:

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According to [REDACTED] on 8/9/60 MURRAY HUMPHREYS, a Chicago top hoodlum, was in contact with an individual referred to as [REDACTED] who is probably [REDACTED]. During this contact HUMPHREYS referred to ROSELLI as "the Hollywood kid" and mentioned to [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] had a trench coat just like JOHNNY ROSELLI. During this conversation [REDACTED] remarked that ROSELLI would stay at his home until he, [REDACTED] comes and [REDACTED] then stated that ROSELLI would have to take "the bug out of his apartment because... [REDACTED]

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On 9/1/61 [redacted] furnished information that a man came to ROSELLI's apartment in Las Vegas and ROSELLI introduced this person as [redacted]

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According to [redacted] ROSELLI told [redacted] that if the manager of the Diplomat Apartments left anyone in ROSELLI's apartment to "bug" it he will "sue the manager and the people who bug it".

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Later in the same day [redacted] and ROSELLI discussed the type of locks on ROSELLI's doors and ROSELLI said that he had two locks on both the back and front doors and that the maid is the only person with the keys. According to this source, ROSELLI apparently feels very secure in his apartment and ROSELLI told [redacted] that he did not believe anybody could get into the apartment until they drilled the locks in which event ROSELLI would know about it. [redacted] told ROSELLI that the locks were five pin tumbler type locks and could possibly be picked.

It may be that ROSELLI was referring to his Los Angeles apartment when he stated he has two locks on both the front and back doors. It is known that ROSELLI has two locks on the front door of his apartment in Los Angeles and that for some time the only person having a key was the maid.

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[redacted] furnished information that JOHN ROSELLI was in conference with SAM GIANCANA at Chicago, Illinois, on 12/6/61. During this conversation ROSELLI and GIANCANA discussed latest electronic devices, which discussion is set out below:

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ROSELLI: Oh, I gave ██████████ that thing to bring up to you.

GIANCANA: It's no good! It's not the kind I was looking for. I was looking for the kind for the room that would fit anyplace, a little disc, that you could lay anywhere.

ROSELLI: Oh, Electronics.

GIANCANA: Yeah. It's all right for sending. No, it's a receiver, but it's not a sender.

ROSELLI: It's a sender too. The thing that you have you can put between the door. And then you tune them in across the street.

GIANCANA: What I want is something really small....

ROSELLI: All right, here's one, you put on a wall, you.... I got a guy out there, this is what he brought me.

GIANCANA: You can't take a big mike like this and put it in a flat.

ROSELLI: Sure. You take it apart.

GIANCANA: If you take it apart, you're dead. You won't get the volume. As clear as...

ROSELLI: Well, we'll play with it. We got a guy, an electronic guy.

GIANCANA: The main thing is....

ROSELLI: There is one thing, let me tell you what it is. The CIA has it, they have a thing,...

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GIANCANA: Like a cigarette.

ROSELLI: Yeah, but ... the FBI out there, somebody has got a portable....it takes conversations way out. The FBI has it. Electronics,..... spy system....Washington, now, and I told them, for Christ' sake, report on that thing. I gotta have it.....CIA....

GIANCANA: If you can't get that, tell them to get the kind that you.....

ROSELLI: I got another guy in Los Angeles who's got an electronic cap kind of a thing... and he showed me that....so I gotta find out what the smallest thing is. If you put it in there, you want to take it and get a receiver? And receive it where you're set up?

GIANCANA: Maybe a block, two blocks, three blocks.

ROSELLI: No, you can't go that far.

GIANCANA: We had one downtown about a year ago, a home made one, a little box, went to the hotel room (St. Clair Hotel) and stuck it in the guy's room, went down two blocks, you know where the St. Clair Hotel is at? Went two blocks away, sat in the car, then turned it on, and got all the conversation. Two blocks away. [REDACTED] had it.

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ROSELLI: How big was your receiver?

GIANCANA: Like a..... that's all. Box was only this big, maybe three by three. We were talking, bla, bla, bla,.....picked it up.

GIANCANA: Think about it.

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ROSELLI: Yeah, I'll work on it. [REDACTED] is in Washington.....

GIANCANA: Well, JOHN, we'll see you tomorrow night.

ROSELLI: Wait a minute, now, you gonna be busy tomorrow?

GIANCANA: Yeah. Most of the day.

ROSELLI: Let me stay over, I'll send this guy back. Or maybe I'll keep him over an extra day.

GIANCANA: What the hell is the difference?

ROSELLI: All right, I'll meet you tomorrow night. Seven o'clock. I want to tell you all these things, so you know. I can stay a week, a month, what do I care. But I'm trying to con this guy, that I'm staying over for him. Now, what I'll do is go downtown now. Do you know how to get in touch with me? I'm in 605, [REDACTED] Ambassador West. [REDACTED] Tomorrow you'll be busy all day.

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GIANCANA: Tomorrow afternoon, I'll call you and I'll come down.

ROSELLI: Come down tomorrow afternoon and I can go with him tomorrow night. See? I'll wait in the hotel. It's in the California Suite. Come down about two, three o'clock.

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Apparently GIANCANA is interested in obtaining a very small microphone which he can place in a room or an apartment to pick up conversations. ROSELLI mentions the CIA and apparently has some contact with CIA who is in a position to furnish ROSELLI with the latest information and/or equipment used to pick up conversations and either exhibited photographs of these devices or the actual devices themselves to GIANCANA. The situation which GIANCANA refers to in the St. Clair Hotel was one reported by [REDACTED] some time ago whereby MURRAY HUMPHREYS, [REDACTED] and apparently himself rigged up a home-made microphone and receiver, and placed it in the meeting room of the St. Clair Hotel after which they sat in their car two blocks away and were able to pick up the conversation. ROSELLI then concluded by stating that he was staying at Room 605 at the Ambassador West Hotel with [REDACTED]

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It is noted that in the above conversation, ROSELLI states "BOBBY is in Washington." It is suggested that this may possibly be ROBERT MAHEU, who operates a private investigative group, and who is a friend of ROSELLI. It is recalled that MAHEU and ROSELLI were involved in an investigation wherein MAHEU was working for CIA, and was to establish contact with SAM GIANCANA.

It is further recalled that during some phase of this operation, a wire tap was put in the hotel room of DAN ROWAN at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, at a time when DAN ROWAN was keeping company with PHYLLIS MC GUIRE, who is also a girl friend of SAM GIANCANA. It is further suggested as a possibility that MAHEU may be the contact through which ROSELLI obtains his information concerning electronic devices. u

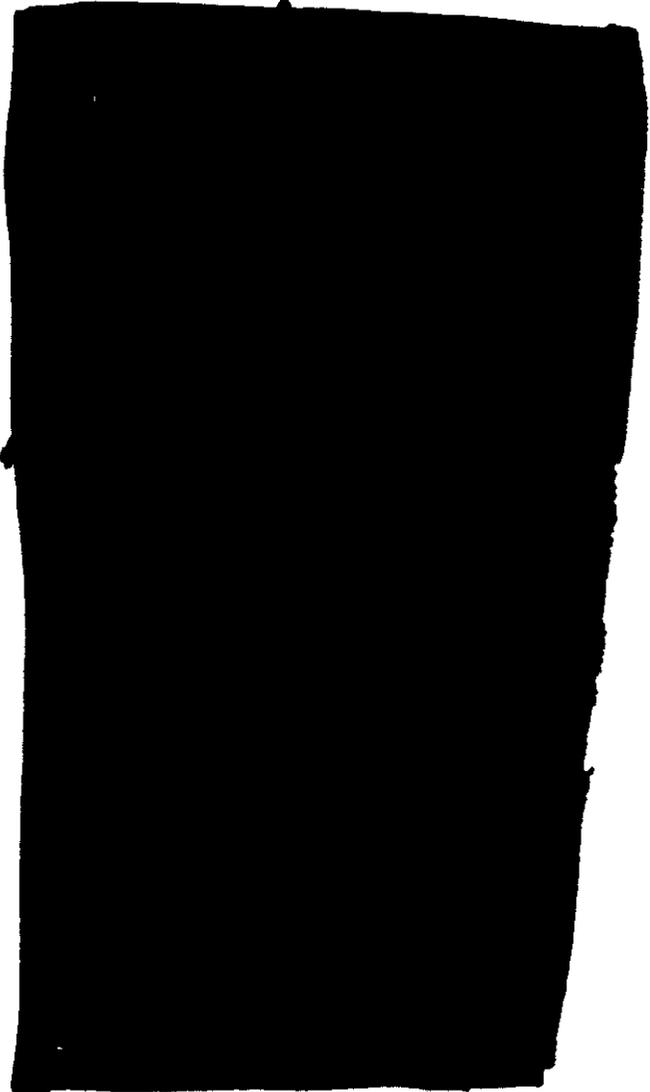
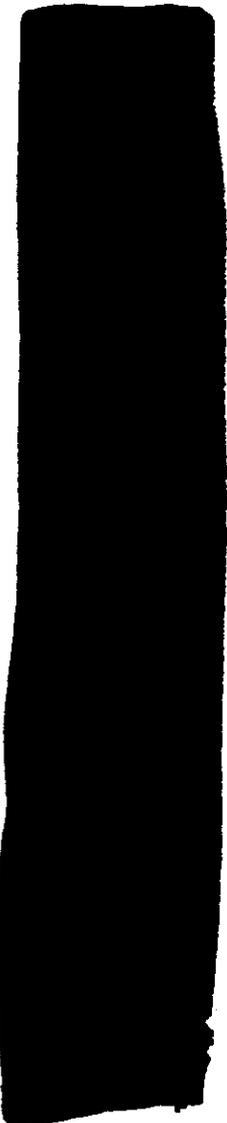
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LEADS

No new specific leads are being set out for other offices in this report because investigation will be requested in separate communications.

CHICAGO

Two copies of this report are being designated for the Chicago Office because they have outstanding leads and because of information contained in this report concerning SAM GIANCANA.

LAS VEGAS

Two copies of this report are being designated for Las Vegas because they have outstanding leads and because ROSELLI spends a considerable amount of time in Las Vegas, Nevada.

LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Will conduct continuing investigation concerning ROSELLI's activities.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles  
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Report of: [REDACTED] b7c  
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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: ROSSELLI, FBI No. 3339986, claims birth at Chicago, Illinois, on 7/4/04. FBI Laboratory examination of signatures on Report of Birth, filed in 1936, and on Affidavit of Birth, upon which report of Birth is based, reveals signatures to be forgeries. ROSSELLI married WINIFRED JUNE VLASEK (actress JUNE LANG) in 1940, was divorced in 1943, and has not remarried. In 1950 ROSSELLI testified before Kefauver Committee and stated he engaged in buying and selling liquor in Los Angeles during prohibition era; that he was acquainted with AL CAPONE, and that he engaged in wire service for horse racing information in the late 1930's. He was convicted in Federal Court in New York City on 12/23/43 on charge of conspiracy to extort money from individuals in movie industry, sentenced to ten years imprisonment, and paroled in 1947. In 1957-1958, he was allegedly active in management of Tropicana Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, in an unofficial capacity. He obtained concessions from Tropicana Hotel but sold these in 1958 upon request of Nevada Gaming Control Board. He was officer in Monte Proser Productions, Inc., which produced floor shows at Tropicana Hotel, from 1957 until first part of 1959. Since 1959 has engaged in promoting and investing in various enterprises in Las Vegas area. He is currently engaged in producing motion picture of Las Vegas night life through Showcase Enterprises, Inc. He obtained contracts from all major hotels to shoot scenes in the casinos. Investigation indicates ROSSELLI may be handling various matters in Las Vegas for SAM GIANCANA, Chicago gambling figure. In December, 1961, he reported to

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GIANCANA concerning matters in Las Vegas. In latter part of 1961 he and GIANCANA involved in wire tap case in Las Vegas. He is in contact in Los Angeles with [redacted] who is friend of GIANCANA [redacted]

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[redacted] ROSSELLI has admitted he associates with highly controversial individuals who are friends, and said he would continue to associate with them. He allegedly stated he invests money for others in legitimate enterprises, but the money may be "illegitimate." He maintains apartments in Los Angeles and in Las Vegas and travels back and forth frequently. u

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DETAILS:

At Los Angeles, California

A report of birth filed in 1936 reflects ROSSELLI's name is spelled ROSELLI, however, investigation has shown for many years he has spelled his name ROSSELLI. This is the spelling which will be used throughout this report.

PERSONAL HISTORY  
AND BACKGROUND

BIRTH DATA

Bureau of Vital Statistics  
County Clerk, Cook County,  
Chicago, Illinois

These records contain a report of birth (certified copy of which is maintained in the Los Angeles files) No. 14328, filed June 1, 1936, which contains the following information:

Name of child	GIOVANNI ROSELLI
Sex	Male
Race or color	White
Number of children of this mother	3
How many now living	2
Date of this birth	July 4, 1904
Place of birth	190 Grand Avenue
Residence of mother	190 Grand Avenue
Place of birth of father	Italy, age 29
Place of birth of mother	Italy, age 23
Name of mother	MARIA ROSELLI
Maiden name of mother	MARIA RUSSO
Name of father	VINZENZO ROSELLI
Occupation of father	Laborer
Reported by	JOSEPH EVANGELISTA 5642 Belleplaine
Date	June 1, 1936

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These records also contain an affidavit of birth (certified copy of which maintained in the Los Angeles file) which reflects that JOSEPH EVANGELISTA being first sworn, states that he is a cousin of GIOVANNI ROSELLI, whose certificate of birth is hereto attached, and that he has full knowledge of the facts regarding the birth and that the facts contained in the certificate of birth of said GIOVANNI ROSELLI are true and correct. The affidavit further reflects that the mid-wife who attended the birth "is now deceased" - "cannot be located." (One of these phrases was to be crossed out but neither was.) The affidavit is signed by JOSEPH EVANGELISTA and reflects that he signed this before JOHN B. OLSON, a notary public, on June 1, 1936.

b7C JOSEPH ANTHONY EVANGELISTA

[REDACTED]  
Chicago, Illinois

On January 6, 1954, EVANGELISTA was interviewed by representatives of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) and advised them that his father, JOSEPH EVANGELISTA, who resided at 5642 Belleplaine Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, died in August, 1952; that his father, with their family moved to Chicago from Hazelton, Pennsylvania, in about 1910; that to the best of his knowledge he has no relative named ROSELLI or RUSSO, and that the signature on the affidavit of birth of GIOVANNI ROSELLI is not the signature of his father or of himself. JOSEPH ANTHONY EVANGELISTA furnished INS with a document executed in September, 1931, upon which appeared the signature of JOSEPH EVANGELISTA, the father.

(On September 19, 1958, INS at Los Angeles made available a photostat of a document upon which appears the signature of JOSEPH EVANGELISTA which document, according to INS, was executed on September 16, 1931 and this photostate was submitted to the FBI Laboratory by the Los Angeles Office.)

b7C [REDACTED] EVANGELISTA [REDACTED] died in 1952 [REDACTED] does not know ROSELLI nor does he know of any relatives of his named

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ROSSELLI. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

"Chicago Sun Times"  
Chicago, Illinois

In September, 1956, a Special Agent of the FBI obtained photographs of the signature of JOSEPH EVANGELISTA, the father, from the records of this newspaper and these photographs were forwarded to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with the signature on the above-mentioned affidavit of birth.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] JOHN B. OLSON, who resided at 4124 North Major, Chicago, Illinois, in the 1930s, and who held a notary public commission [REDACTED] died in 1938 and he knows nothing of the affidavit signed by JOSEPH EVANGELISTA, neither does he know EVANGELISTA.

FBI Laboratory  
Washington, D.C.

By letter dated July 9, 1958, the FBI Laboratory advised that examination of the JOSEPH EVANGELISTA signature on the affidavit of birth mentioned above and comparison of this signature with the known signature [REDACTED] was made and it was concluded that [REDACTED] did not write the JOSEPH EVANGELISTA signature on the affidavit.

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On October 23, 1958, the FBI Laboratory advised that examination of the known signatures of JOSEPH EVANGELISTA, the father, with the JOSEPH EVANGELISTA signature on the affidavit of birth, was made and it was concluded that the JOSEPH EVANGELISTA signature on the affidavit was not written by JOSEPH EVANGELISTA, the father, mentioned above.

Records of U.S. Board of Parole,  
[redacted]

United States Army, Special Committee  
of United States Senate to Investigate  
Organized Crime in Interstate Commerce  
(Kefauver Committee)

These records reflect ROSSELLI's birth date as June 4, 1905 at Chicago, Illinois, rather than July 4, 1904.

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[redacted]  
Records of this department concerning an arrest of ROSSELLI on May 11, 1926 reflect his place of birth as New Jersey.

Records of the [redacted]  
as of 1938 reflect ROSSELLI was born in 1907 in Illinois.

[redacted]  
Records of this Department concerning an arrest of ROSSELLI on June 6, 1938 reflect his birth date as July 1, 1904 and his birth place as New York City.

Immigration and Naturalization  
Service (INS)  
Los Angeles, California

INS caused the records of Local and County authorities at Newark, New Jersey and the State Bureau of Identification of the State of New Jersey to be checked concerning ROSSELLI with negative results. In July and August, 1954, INS representatives could find no record of JOHN ROSSELLI having attended

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any of the public school in Chicago nor at any Catholic churches or schools in Chicago in the vicinity where ROSSELLI would have normally attended.

They also examined death records at Chicago, Illinois but found no record of death for VINCENZO ROSSELLI or MARIA RUSSO ROSSELLI.

INS checked their card index of arrivals of aliens into the United States from the period of about 1890 to 1920 at Boston, Massachusetts, Baltimore, Maryland, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and New York City, but found no record of an entry of JOHN ROSSELLI.

1904 City Directory  
City of Chicago

b7C On March 6, 1958, SA [REDACTED] examined this directory which is maintained on microfilm at the Chicago Public Library, Chicago, Illinois, and found no one by the last name of ROSSELLI residing in Chicago in 1904.

National Archives  
Washington, D.C.

This agency advised INS at Los Angeles that no information was located concerning a draft registration during World War I for VINCENZO ROSELLI.

b7C [REDACTED]  
Los Angeles, California

In June, 1954, representatives of INS, Los Angeles interviewed [REDACTED] who according to INS is allegedly a cousin of ROSSELLI, and he stated that he was a distant cousin of ROSSELLI but had not known ROSSELLI prior to 1930, and had never known him very well. He said he believed ROSSELLI was born either in San Francisco or Chicago and he knows nothing concerning ROSSELLI's early life.

[REDACTED] who is also known as [REDACTED] and who has other aliases, has FBI No [REDACTED]

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b7D According to records of the [REDACTED] he has been a bookmaker, tout, lay-off man, gambler and he has associated with well-known bookmakers. He has an arrest record with [REDACTED] dating from November, 1926 to August, 1951, for gambling, suspicion of robbery and assault with intent to commit murder. He was born in 1896 in Italy and is a naturalized citizen.

U.S. Penitentiary  
Atlanta, Georgia

INS reviewed the files on JOHN ROSSELLI, No. 63775, at this institution, wherein it was reflected that ROSSELLI stated his father was a native of Italy, a laborer, had no arrest record, and died when JOHN ROSSELLI was quite young; that his mother, MARIA RUSSO ROSSELLI was also a native of Italy and died soon after the death of his father; that after the death of his parents, ROSSELLI was reared in Chicago by an uncle, ANTHONY D'ACUNTO, who died in Los Angeles in 1930; D'ACUNTO moved to Los Angeles, leaving ROSSELLI with another family and about a year later ROSSELLI moved to Los Angeles to be with his uncle, and that he was 15 or 16 years of age when he came to Los Angeles; that about a year later he moved out of the D'ACUNTO home and lived by himself. According to the Penitentiary records, ROSSELLI said he had no brothers or sisters.

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/ [REDACTED]  
Los Angeles, California

The records, [REDACTED] reflect that ANTHONY D'ACUNTO died on January 30, 1930 and that FRANCES L. BROZMER was his wife.

Archives, City of  
Avellino, Italy

These records reflect that ANTHONY D'ACUNTO was born in Avellino on March 3, 1876. These records reflected no birth record of a JOHN ROSSELLI with the spellings ROSELLI, ROSSELLI and RUSSELLI.

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These records revealed that ANTHONY D'ACUNTO was naturalized on April 2, 1903 at Chicago, Illinois.

Los Angeles City Directories

Los Angeles City Directories for the years 1917, 1918, 1920, and 1922 reflect that one ANTHONY D'ACUNTO was a resident of Los Angeles.

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On September 11, 1958 [REDACTED] was interviewed by SA [REDACTED] was over 80 years old and it was apparent that at the time she had difficulty in recalling dates and in fixing the date of a particular event with relation to another occurrence.

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She believes she first met ROSSELLI about 1920 but it could have been a year or two before or after 1920; that she was introduced to ROSSELLI by ANTHONY D'ACUNTO and it is her recollection that D'ACUNTO was allegedly just a friend of ROSSELLI, but she gathered the impression that D'ACUNTO felt a closer relationship to ROSSELLI than that of just a friend. She knew of no actual blood relationship between ROSSELLI and D'ACUNTO, and to her knowledge ROSSELLI and D'ACUNTO never resided together at Los Angeles. It was her opinion that there was no blood relationship between ROSSELLI and D'ACUNTO and added that D'ACUNTO was a well-mannered individual, whereas ROSSELLI was rough in his actions and speech. [REDACTED] said D'ACUNTO never referred to ROSSELLI as a relative.

It is her recollection that she met D'ACUNTO for the first time in about 1916 in Los Angeles and it was several years after this that she first met ROSSELLI. She said ROSSELLI

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had never visited in her home and she never heard ROSSELLI and D'ACUNTO make any statements regarding the early childhood of ROSSELLI or statements concerning his birth.

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[REDACTED] said that sometime during the period 1920 to 1930, her mother rented a house at 11201 South Mariposa in Los Angeles to JOHN ROSSELLI and that several months after the house was rented there was a raid by law enforcement officers and JOHN ROSSELLI and another individual were arrested for operating a still in the basement of the house. She did not know the name of the individual arrested with ROSSELLI.

[REDACTED] believed that D'ACUNTO lived in Boston, Massachusetts or somewhere in New England, prior to coming to the West Coast, and that he may have operated a liquor business in San Francisco prior to the enactment of the Volstead Act. She believed he made a considerable amount of money in the East and then came to the West Coast and lost it in various business ventures. She recalled that in about 1920 he operated a business called the Golden Bear Brokerage, an import firm in Los Angeles.

It was [REDACTED] recollection that ROSSELLI was in his late teens or early 20s when she first met him and that allegedly he came from Chicago, but she does not know whether or not he actually came to Los Angeles from Chicago.

[REDACTED] said that just prior to D'ACUNTO's death he told her that when he died he did not want her to have anything to do with any of his friends. She asked him, "Do you mean JOHNNY ROSSELLI, too?" He hesitated and then said, "Well I don't know." She said she has never been able to determine in her own mind why D'ACUNTO made this statement and she did not know whether D'ACUNTO made this statement because he did not fully trust ROSSELLI.

With reference to this statement made by D'ACUNTO prior to his death, it varies with the information she furnished to INS in about 1954, at which time she said that on his deathbed, D'ACUNTO told her to sever all relationships with all of his friends except ROSSELLI.



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On October 17, 1960, [redacted] advised that ROSSELLI was first [redacted] in 1947, at which time he was in the hospital for 12 days.

He was again at the hospital on May 7 through 12, 1958, and again from March 27 to April 1, 1960, with hernia difficulty.

He was a patient at the hospital from July 27, 1960 to August 2, 1960, at which time he underwent an operation for hernia.

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[redacted] advised [redacted] that in 1936 ROSSELLI had been hospitalized [redacted] and in that same year [redacted] for tuberculosis.

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This informant advised on October 17, 1960, that ROSSELLI first came [redacted] in 1947.

Informant advised that in May, 1958, ROSSELLI returned to the hospital for treatment for arthritis and hernia.

The source advised that in about 1959 ROSSELLI became interested in the work of the clinic on cancer research. He offered to help and was instrumental "through his contacts" not known to informant, in obtaining a grant of \$10,000 from the Damon Runyon Cancer Fund for cancer research by the clinic.

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On December 2, 1960, [REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that she had conducted a complete search of the records [REDACTED] and had found no indication that JOHN ROSSELLI or ROSELLI had ever been a patient at the hospital and her search had covered the entire period of the 1930s.

[REDACTED]

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On December 16, 1960, [REDACTED] advised that JOHN ROSSELLI, 1251 North Crescent Heights Boulevard, was admitted to the hospital on December 7, 1960, suffering from a fractured right fibula and part of the right hip and from a sprained right foot and ankle. At the time he was admitted he stated these injuries were suffered through a fall on ice in Las Vegas, Nevada. He left the hospital on December 13, 1960. He listed as a friend [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He furnished his age as 52, stating he was born on June 4, 1908 at Chicago, Illinois.

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On December 15, 1960, [REDACTED] furnished information that [REDACTED] (friend of ROSSELLI) and MURRAY HUMPHREYS of Chicago, Illinois were together and [REDACTED] asked HUMPHREYS if he had heard about HUMPHREYS' little boy friend breaking his leg and HUMPHREYS indicated he had heard this. [REDACTED] then reportedly stated that he (referring to the little boy friend) took a cab from the Desert Inn Hotel to the Diplomat Apartments and when he got out of the cab slipped, kicked his own leg, and broke it.

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[REDACTED] (supra)

On December 20, 1960, [REDACTED] advised that she had checked with several persons [REDACTED] concerning the manner in which ROSSELLI arrived at the hospital. She said that the only information she could gather was that ROSSELLI arrived at the hospital in a wheel chair. She said the hospital records and the individuals interviewed by her could furnish no information as to ROSSELLI's mode of transportation to the hospital.

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On December 12, 1961, [redacted] advised SAs [redacted] ROSSELLI is a hypochondriac who always believes there is something physically wrong with him and frequently goes to hospitals. She says he thinks very highly of the Sansum Medical Clinic in Santa Barbara, California and has been a patient there on several occasions;

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[redacted] She said ROSSELLI has also been a patient at a clinic in La Jolla, California, and further that ROSSELLI told her that when he was a young man he had tuberculosis and spent some time in a Sanitarium in Arizona.

EDUCATION

Records of the U.S.  
Board of Parole  
Los Angeles, California

Records of the U.S. Board of Parole, reflect that ROSSELLI claimed to have attended school in Chicago, Illinois and completed the sixth grade.

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RESIDENCES

Current

ROSSELLI maintains a residence at Apartment C, 1251 North Crescent Heights Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, [REDACTED] He has resided at this address since 1950.

He also maintains a residence at apartment No. 106, Diplomat Apartments, 3478 Paradise Road, Las Vegas, Nevada, [REDACTED] He has resided at this apartment for about two years.

Past

Records of the [REDACTED] U.S. Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia; U.S. Parole Office, Los Angeles, California, reflect the following addresses for ROSSELLI:

Prior to 1936	315 Whitner (probably Witmer) Street, Los Angeles, California
	419 Columbia Street Los Angeles, California
1930	1043 West 6th Street Los Angeles, California
1934 - 1935	Colonial House Los Angeles, California
1935 - 1938	Garden of Allah Apartments Los Angeles, California
1940	10311 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, California
1942 - 1943	Camp Cook, California
1943 - 1947	Inmate of Federal prisons

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1947	627 South Catalina Street Los Angeles, California
1948	631 South Catalina Street Los Angeles, California
1948	3900 Ingraham Avenue Los Angeles, California
1949	1259 Crescent Heights Boulevard Los Angeles, California
1950 to date	1251-C North Crescent Heights Blvd. Los Angeles, California

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Information was received on various dates from the [redacted] that ROSSELLI resided during most of 1957 and 1958 at the Tropicana Hotel and for much of this time occupied Room 312 on a permanent basis.

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In August, 1958 [redacted] furnished information that ROSSELLI had left the Tropicana Hotel.

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[redacted] on numerous dates during the latter part of 1958 and of 1959 furnished information reflecting that ROSSELLI resided at the Desert Inn Hotel in Las Vegas.

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On May 25, 1960, [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that during the first three months of 1960, ROSSELLI resided on two occasions for short periods of time at this motel.

On September 15, 1960, [redacted] furnished information that ROSSELLI, when in Las Vegas, stayed at an apartment in the Diplomat, [redacted]

Special Agents of the FBI observed that during the latter part of August and the first part of September, 1960 ROSSELLI, while in Los Angeles, resided at an apartment

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b7c at 882 North Doheny Drive, Apartment No. 2. This apartment is listed as the residence of [redacted]

MILITARY SERVICE

Military Personnel Records Center  
Adjutant General's Office  
U.S. Army,  
4700 Goodfellow Boulevard  
St. Louis, Missouri

Records of this agency reflect that JOHN ROSSELLI Army Serial No. 39547191, was inducted into the U.S. Army on December 4, 1942, at Fort MacArthur, California, from Selective Service Board No. 245 in Los Angeles. On December 23, 1942 he was transferred to the Fifth Armored Division, Camp Cook, California, and on May 24, 1943, he was transferred to the 1202nd Service Command, Governor's Island, New York City. He remained at Governor's Island until he was confined by civil authorities on December 30, 1943. He received a discharge, not honorable, on June 30, 1945, at Fort Mc Pherson, Georgia, under provisions of Section 3 AR 615-306, because of his conviction of a crime in a civil court.

IDENTIFICATION RECORD

b7d There is set out below the record of arrests of JOHN ROSSELLI as reflected in the records of [redacted] and the FBI. His FBI number is 3339986, and his LAPD number is 23903M1.

<u>Contributor of Fingerprints</u>	<u>Name and Number</u>	<u>Arrested or Received</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
Los Angeles PD Los Angeles, Calif.	JOHN ROSELLI	1924	Carrying concealed weapon	Dismissed

Regarding this arrest, probation records -  
Los Angeles reflect ROSELLI admits this arrest.

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<u>Contributor of Fingerprints</u>	<u>Name and Number</u>	<u>Arrested or Received</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
Los Angeles PD Los Angeles, Calif.	JOHN RASSELLI #23903-M-1	1/28/25	Suspicion of grand larceny & carrying a concealed weapon	G. L. Dismd \$100 bail forfeited on CCW

Regarding this arrest, INS records show that ROSELLI was accompanied at the time by

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Los Angeles PD Los Angeles, Calif.	JOHN RASSELLI #23903-M-1	3/26/25	Assembly Bill #253 Gun without numbers	Dismissed 6/8/25
Los Angeles PD, Los Angeles, Calif.	JOHN ROSSELLI	5/4/26	Suspicion of robbery	Dismissed 8/19/26
PD San Francisco, Calif.	JOHN F. STEWART	5/11/26	\$1,000 vag. & fug. suspect	5/17/26 dismd
Los Angeles PD Los Angeles, Calif.	JOHN ROSSELLI	1/31/29	Disturbing the peace	3/5/29 \$100 fine or 20 days
Los Angeles PD Los Angeles, Calif.	JOHN ROSSELLI #48853	6/16/30	Suspicion robbery	Released 6/18/30
Los Angeles PD Los Angeles, Calif.	JOHN ROSSELLI #57317-8	7/29/30	DW Act 1970, Sec. 5, Suspicion robbery	Released robbery chg. held on CCW released 8/29/30

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<u>Contributor of Fingerprints</u>	<u>Name and Number</u>	<u>Arrested or Received</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
Los Angeles PD Los Angeles, Calif.	JOHN ROSSELLI	6/3/32	Susp. of robbery	6/6/32 rob. chg. dismd. Held to ans. on 3 traffic warrants
SO, Los Angeles Calif.	JOHN RASSELLI #---	gun permit 11/14/41		
U.S. Marshal New York, New York	JOHN ROSSELLI #C23-462	3/19/43	unlaw- fully conspir- ed to inter- fere with trade and commerce	see notation
U.S. Marshal New York, New York	JOHN ROSSELLI #C23-452	3/19/43	mail fraudulent	
Federal Detention Headquarters, New York, New York	JOHN ROSSELLI #41923	2/15/44	Anti- Racket- eering act - conspir- acy	10 years 3/25/44 discharged to U.S. Penitentiary Atlanta
U.S. Penitentiary Atlanta, Ga.	JOHN ROSELLI #63774	4/4/44	Conspir- acy to interfere with trade and commerce by coercion threats and violence	10 years 9/29/46 transferred U.S. Peniten- tiary, Terre Haute, Ind.

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<u>Contributor of Fingerprints</u>	<u>Name and Number</u>	<u>Arrested or Received</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
U. S. Penitentiary Terre Haute Indiana	JOHN ROSELLI #4305	10/7/46 in transfer from U. S. Penitentiary Atlanta	conspir- to in-terfere with inter-state trade and commerce by coercion threats and violence	10 years 8/13/47 discharged parole released from custody and reinstated to supervision
U. S. Marshal, Los Angeles, California	JOHN ROSSELLI #20864	7/27/48	violate parole	11/15/48 parole reinstated
SO, Los Angeles Calif.	JOHN ROSSELLI #B 70091	7/27/48	violate parole (conspiracy)	11/15/48 released custody U. S. Probation Officer

#38190, \$1,000 vagrancy dismissed Police Court No. 4 5/17/26. Fugitive dismissed 5/12/26 Police Court No. 4 en route Los Angeles dismissed 5/12/26 Police Court No. 4

#023-452, guilty on C/14/101 after trial 12/31/43 sentenced to ten years and fined \$10,000. Judge, using the mails to defraud and this case was Nolle Prosequi on 5/6/47 before Judge.

GUN PERMIT

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Records [redacted] reflect that on November 18, 1941, JOHN ROSSELLI was issued a permit to carry a Smith and Wesson .38 caliber revolver, serial

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number 42795, for the purpose of self-protection. On his application he stated that he had no prior convictions on misdemeanors or felonies and that he could not recall where he obtained this gun.

Records of the U.S. Probation Office, Los Angeles, California, reflect that in 1947 when ROSSELLI was released from prison and placed on parole, his attorney turned over to the U.S. Probation Officer the above-mentioned .38 caliber Smith and Wesson Revolver, serial No. 42795.

On February 28, 1958, [redacted] Los Angeles, California, advised that ROSSELLI completed the term of his parole in 1954, at which time [redacted] offered to return the above gun to ROSSELLI. According to [redacted] ROSSELLI said he did not want anything to do with the gun and made a statement to the effect that [redacted] could keep the gun. [redacted] said that he took this to mean that ROSSELLI was giving the gun to him personally and he then had the gun in his possession at his residence.

PRISON CORRESPONDENTS

Records of the U.S. Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, and Terre Haute, Indiana, reflect the following persons were authorized to correspond with ROSSELLI:

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when he was sent to prison. He stated that it is his firm conviction that [REDACTED] knew nothing of any criminal activities on the part of ROSSELLI and would be unable to furnish any information concerning him.

[REDACTED]

Investigation at Dayton, Ohio, has revealed that [REDACTED] is a Negro, who on interview denied any knowledge of ROSSELLI. Investigation has revealed that her present name is [REDACTED] and that her name as [REDACTED] was probably entered on ROSSELLI's file by mistake rather than on the file of her brother, [REDACTED]

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CONTACTS AND ASSOCIATES

JOHN IGNATIUS DRAGNA  
also known as  
Jack I. Dragna  
FBI No. 307014

b7c, d According to [redacted] JACK IGNATIUS DRAGNA,  
FBI No. 307014, who died on February 24, 1956, has been  
arrested by the LAPD for lewd conduct, extortion, and other  
charges.

A memorandum contained in the morgue file of the  
"Los Angeles Examiner," a former daily newspaper, which memorandum  
bore no date but was probably written in about the early or  
middle 1930s, stated that the closest man to ROSSELLI was  
JACK DRAGNA; that they were partners in several local ventures  
that ROSSELLI had had; that it was no particular secret that  
ROSSELLI was in partnership with JACK DRAGNA in the operation  
of a gambling ship, the Montfalcone, of Long Beach, California,  
and that DRAGNA and ROSSELLI were partners in a dog racing  
track venture which stayed open about two weeks and which was  
located in Los Angeles, and that DRAGNA and ROSSELLI lost  
several thousand dollars in this venture.

On June 20, 1948, ROSSELLI was observed by Special  
Agents of the FBI in attendance at the wedding of the daughter  
of JACK DRAGNA in Los Angeles, California.

b7c, d On April 21, 1960, [redacted] advised SAs  
[redacted] and [redacted] that he first met ROSSELLI  
a number of years ago through JACK DRAGNA. [redacted]

b7c, d [redacted] through this association with DRAGNA he met  
ROSSELLI. He said that JACK DRAGNA knew ROSSELLI when  
ROSSELLI was just a kid. He said, "JACK used to wipe  
ROSSELLI's nose."

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SAMUEL M. GIANCANA, aka.  
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MICKEY GIANCANA  
SAMUEL GIANCANA

b7c SAMUEL M. GIANCANA was born on May 24, 1908, at Chicago, Illinois. He has FBI Number 58437 and a criminal record dating back to 1925. He has been convicted of attempted burglary, larceny, disorderly conduct and conspiracy to violate the Internal Revenue Laws. In 1957 he reportedly associated with [redacted] and MURRAY HUMPHREYS of Chicago, Illinois, and allegedly operated a wire service to bookies in the Westside districts and Northwest suburbs of Chicago, Illinois. Information has recently been received from various informants linking GIANCANA with certain gambling casinos and hotels in Nevada, and that he has tentative plans to look into gambling possibilities in Puerto Rico, Jamaica and the West Indies.

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This source advised in July, 1961, that on July 3, 1961, ROSSELLI was observed in company with SAM GIANCANA at the Green Gables Ranch, Las Vegas, Nevada.

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This informant advised on July 10, 1961, that SAM GIANCANA, [redacted] and others, one of whom was possibly JOHN ROSSELLI, were in conference in Las Vegas, Nevada, during which time slot machines and locations at Las Vegas were discussed. Informant was not familiar with the places discussed by GIANCANA and others in the group.

Information has been set out in this report under the heading "Criminal Activities" reflecting that in December, 1961, ROSSELLI was in contact with SAM GIANCANA in Chicago, Illinois, at which time it was learned that GIANCANA asked ROSSELLI to come to see him and ROSSELLI reported on matters concerning various hotels in Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Robert Maheu

155 - South Bristol  
Brentwood, Calif

Information has also been set out in this report under the heading "Criminal Activities" reflecting that in the latter part of 1960, ROBERT A. MAHEU was requested by CIA to contact SAM GIANCANA regarding Cuban matters, and that MAHEU got in touch with GIANCANA through JOHN ROSSELLI; that thereafter, a wire tap was placed on the telephone of DAN ROWAN at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, allegedly at the request of MAHEU, and according to MAHEU, to discover if there had been a leak of information through PHYLLIS MC GUIRE, a girl friend of SAM GIANCANA, who was then keeping company with DAN ROWAN. MAHEU advised that he had discussed some type of an installation with ROSSELLI prior to the time it was actually made.

Information is also set out in this report under the heading "Contacts and Associates" and specifically under the heading "JUDITH E. CAMPBELL" reflecting that CAMPBELL, a friend of GIANCANA, has been in frequent contact with GIANCANA's residence in Chicago via telephone, and she has also been in contact with JOHN ROSSELLI. u

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Observations by Special Agents of the FBI during the latter part of August and first part of September, 1960, revealed that [REDACTED] was residing in the apartment of JOHN ROSSELLI at 1251 North Crescent Heights Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

Observations by Special Agents of the FBI during the last part of January and February, 1961, revealed that [REDACTED] residing at ROSSELLI's apartment at 1251 North Crescent Heights Boulevard.

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[REDACTED] furnished information that [REDACTED] was residing in ROSSELLI's apartment at 1251 North Crescent Heights Boulevard.

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[REDACTED]. It is noted that in 1958, as previously reported in this investigation, [REDACTED] purchased [REDACTED] from JOHN ROSSELLI.

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FRANK DESIMONE  
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DESIMONE, who is an attorney, has represented a number of known hoodlums in Los Angeles and was associated with OTTO CHRISTENSEN, the attorney who represented ROSSELLI in the conspiracy case in 1943. DESIMONE was one of approximately 65 persons who attended what the New York State Police called a "gangland convention" at the home of JOSEPH BARBARA, Apalachin, New York, on November 14, 1957.

Special Agents of the FBI during the period April and May 1948 observed ROSSELLI in frequent contact with FRANK DESIMONE.

The records of the United States District Court, Los Angeles, Civil Case 8483, in which JOHN ROSSELLI was the petitioner against the United States Marshal regarding the legality of a warrant which had been served against ROSSELLI, reflects that OTTO CHRISTENSEN and FRANK DESIMONE were the attorneys for ROSSELLI.

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[redacted] stated that he visited the residence of ROSSELLI at 1251 North Crescent Heights Boulevard in about 1949, at which time DESIMONE was at ROSSELLI's apartment and DESIMONE made the statement that he was living at this address with JOHN ROSSELLI.

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On October 19, 1959, [redacted] advised that on October 15, 1959, DESIMONE and JOHN ROSSELLI had lunch at Perino's Restaurant in Los Angeles.

DESIMONE refused to testify concerning the "Apalachin Meet" before the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, and received a sentence of six months on contempt of court charges. On May 21, 1959, he was arrested on obstruction of justice charge and on December 18, 1959 was found guilty and received a sentence of four years. An appeal was filed and the conviction was reversed.

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Information is set out below in this report under the head "Monte Proser Productions" and "Lucey's New Orleans Restaurant" showing association between [REDACTED]

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On September 9, 1960, [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] he first met ROSSELLI through [REDACTED] about two or three years ago.

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[REDACTED]

On April 26, 1960, [REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] that he has heard of ROSSELLI on many occasions

[REDACTED] desire to include ROSSELLI in some of the business interests [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] had attempted to ascertain if ROSSELLI had some financial interest in Las Vegas holdings.

[REDACTED] seemed reluctant to openly discuss ROSSELLI [REDACTED]

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b2 b7D, C [redacted] stated that it is very evident to him that ROSSELLI is actually a powerful man in the Las Vegas investment picture and that [redacted] merely acts as a "front man" for ROSSELLI. He said that he arrived at this conclusion through the manner in which [redacted] seems to take orders from ROSSELLI and from comments made [redacted]

[redacted] said that he had not been able to obtain specific information as to the source of ROSSELLI's funds, but has obtained the impression that ROSSELLI probably has substantial financial backing. It is his supposition that ROSSELLI is probably one of the principal financiers of the Lake Mead Marina Development, but that his name will probably not appear on any formal document. He said that in his own mind [redacted] are the men whose names appear, while in reality ROSSELLI is the actual stockholder.

[redacted] Informant believes [redacted] is "fronting" for ROSSELLI in some of ROSSELLI's investments and that, in informant's opinion, [redacted] has an interest in the Sands Hotel or Motel in Phoenix, Arizona, and that he is a "front" for ROSSELLI in this hotel.

On May 25, 1961, Special Agents of the FBI observed JOHN ROSSELLI leaving the Brown Derby restaurant shortly after 2:00 p.m. with an unknown man. They proceeded to ROSSELLI's 1961 Cadillac, California license VPA 846 and drove to the Beverly Crest Hotel, 125 South Spaulding, Beverly Hills, where both men entered the hotel. Shortly thereafter, the unknown man proceeded to Los Angeles International Airport where he departed on Western Airlines Flight 14 at 3:30 p.m. for Las Vegas.

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On August 2, 1961, [REDACTED] furnished information that ROSSELLI made arrangements to have dinner with [REDACTED] on the evening of August 2, 1961 at the Coach and Four restaurant, Las Vegas, Nevada.

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named ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI was arrested by local authorities and in which JOHN ROSSELLI was involved. BALLETTI revealed that he was told by ROBERT MAHEU, a private detective and a friend of ROSSELLI, that he, BALLETTI, was to contact a [redacted] at the New Frontier Hotel in Las Vegas and [redacted] would pay him \$1000. BALLETTI contacted [redacted] and received the \$1000. [redacted] upon interview by Bureau Agents, denied this.

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Additional information concerning [redacted] and his relationship with JOHN ROSSELLI is set out below in this report in connection with the various business enterprises in which they have both been interested.

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JOSEPH STACHER, aka  
Beverly Hills, California

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On February 3, 1962, this informant furnished information that JOHN ROSSELLI was in contact with [REDACTED] regarding an unidentified matter which ROSSELLI said the "professor" (JOSEPH STACHER) had asked him about several times the last couple of days.

According to informant, ROSSELLI informed [REDACTED] that he had told him 40 years ago not to deal with this kind of guy. Informant said that the matter in question involved in some way what ROSSELLI called an "inquisition" and more specifically involved something which [REDACTED] had signed.

It is possible that the matter concerning ROSSELLI and [REDACTED] was in connection with a current Grand Jury investigation in Los Angeles concerning JOSEPH "DOC" STACHER, who was in Las Vegas over the week end of February 3 and 4, 1962.

On the same date, this informant advised that ROSSELLI told [REDACTED] he had taken care of that thing, indicating that ROSSELLI was in contact with [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] request.

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STACHER was formerly associated in the Newark - New York area with MEYER LANSKY and ABNER ZWILLMAN. STACHER currently is alleged to have interests in gambling casinos in Las Vegas and Reno, Nevada.



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New York City

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On July 13, 1961, [REDACTED] furnished information that a friend of ROSSELLI's named [REDACTED] (last name unknown), informed ROSSELLI that he had seen FRANK COSTELLO in New York City and FRANK had asked about ROSSELLI. Informant was unable to furnish any additional information concerning this and it is not known whether the FRANK COSTELLO referred to is the notorious gambler in New York.

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Information is set out above under the heading

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[redacted] was introduced to ROSSELLI [redacted]  
[redacted] in the early or middle 1930's, and that he had  
very little, or no contact with ROSSELLI until about 1939  
or 1940 [redacted]  
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On January 3, 1961, a Special Agent of the FBI  
observed ROSSELLI leave his apartment at about 12:51 PM  
and entered a 1958 two door white over blue Chevrolet which  
bore California license plates PFV 111 driven by a man  
about 60 years of age.

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According to the records of the Department of  
Motor Vehicles, State of California, California license  
plate PFV 111 is registered to [redacted]  
[redacted], Los Angeles, California.

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Considerable information is set out in this report showing business association of [REDACTED] with ROSSELLI in such enterprises as [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and others.

Information has also been set out in this investigation that during the past several years, ROSSELLI on occasions is in contact with [REDACTED]

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Observation by Special Agents of the FBI on August 30, 1960, revealed that [redacted] and JOHN ROSSELLI were seen in company of a man in Beverly Hills, California, who was identified by [redacted] as [redacted]

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several years ago. [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] He said he called upon ROSSELLI for advice in methods he might utilize in this collection. [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] said he traveled to Las Vegas with [redacted] and met ROSSELLI [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] said he later learned that ROSSELLI and [redacted] have been friends for a number of years. He claimed he knew of no relationship other than social between ROSSELLI and [redacted]

[redacted]

On June 6, 1961 [redacted]

[redacted] was interviewed by SA [redacted] and [redacted] at which time he advised that he is personally acquainted with JOHN ROSSELLI, but not on a

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close personal basis, and when asked if he had knowledge of ROSSELLI's interest in the Las Vegas area, [redacted] advised that he had no factual knowledge regarding this, however, it was his opinion [redacted]

[redacted] that all of the successful hotels and casinos in Las Vegas are controlled by some type of overall criminal syndicate, and that in his opinion, [redacted] is possibly the most powerful individual of the group. He added, however, that [redacted] has a lot to say about the "Cleveland group" operations. [redacted] said that numerous restaurants that opened in Las Vegas and appear to have no "hoodlum backing" seem to fail very shortly after their initial opening, but other places which rumor places in control of the hoodlums appear to have a very successful operative schedule.

[redacted] said since he left Las Vegas, he had contacted [redacted] and JOHN ROSSELLI in 1960 [redacted]

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On January 10, 1962, Special Agents of the FBI observed that JOHN ROSSELLI and [REDACTED] visited the Luau Restaurant in Beverly Hills, California and when they left, they were observed talking to an unknown man who went to one of two cars parked in the Luau parking lot and who then returned to the Luau Restaurant. One of these cars, a 1957 Cadillac, bore California license PLY 053, which is registered to

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It is further noted that on January 11, 1962, ROSSELLI was observed by Special Agents of the FBI to enter Room 602 at 9107 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills, California, where he remained for about 20 minutes. A sign on the door of Room 602 indicated it was the office of Gilbert & Gilbert, Investigators.

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It has been previously reported in this investigation that in November, when ROSSELLI and [REDACTED] were guests at [REDACTED]

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The current Los Angeles Telephone Directory reflects the following listings:

[REDACTED]

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Information is set out above in this report that  
in September, 1961, when ROSSELLI and [redacted] were residing  
at [redacted]

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On May 25, 1961, Special Agents of the FBI observed ROSSELLI alone in a 1961 Cadillac bearing California license plate VPA 846, proceed to St. Johns Hospital in Santa Monica, California, where he entered the hospital and proceeded to Room 309 where he remained for approximately 45 minutes.

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During the afternoon of the same day, ROSSELLI was again observed to proceed to St. Johns Hospital.

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Previous residence [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] listed JOHN ROSSELLI, 1251 North Crescent Heights Boulevard, telephone OL 6-7098, as a friend.

[REDACTED]

(It is noted that this generally fits the description of JOHN ROSSELLI.)

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On June 22, 1961, SAs of the FBI observed ROSSELLI proceed in his 1961 Cadillac to the apartment house at 8375 Fountain Avenue and park his car in the garage of the apartment house. He remained at the apartment for about two hours and then left alone.

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[REDACTED]  
JOHN ROSSELLI (identified by informant from a photograph) accompanied [REDACTED] apartment, [REDACTED] used a 1961 Cadillac which belonged to ROSSELLI and [REDACTED] kept in the garage of the apartment.

During the first part of August [REDACTED] had broken off with ROSSELLI.

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[REDACTED] is all through with ROSSELLI [REDACTED] did not want to get into any trouble by associating with him.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Informant said that JOHN ROSSELLI has not been observed at the apartment since [REDACTED] returned [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] which were  
occupied by JOHN ROSSELLI [REDACTED]

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On January 11, 1962, Special Agents of the FBI observed JOHN ROSSELLI [REDACTED] and an unknown woman leave Romanoff's restaurant in Beverly Hills at approximately 3:00 p.m. ROSSELLI and the unknown woman entered a 1961 Thunderbird bearing California license plate VPC 488 and departed from the restaurant.

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The Department of Motor Vehicles, State of California, furnished information that California license VPC 488 is assigned to a 1961 Ford Thunderbird registered to [REDACTED] Los Angeles, California. The legal owner of this automobile is the Bank of America, Beverly-Wilshire Branch, Beverly Hills, California.

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On November 14, 1961, [REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that Nevada automobile license C61988 is listed to [REDACTED] for a 1953 Pontiac convertible.

The current Las Vegas telephone and city directories, [REDACTED] and the indices of the Las Vegas Office, contained no information concerning [REDACTED]

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Special Agents of the FBI on January 11, 1962, observed JOHN ROSSELLI and [REDACTED] leave the Luau restaurant in Beverly Hills, California, at about 6:05 p.m. and proceed in a 1962 tan Chevrolet Monza bearing California license VZY 574, owned by JOHN ROSSELLI, to the intersection of Beverly Glen Boulevard and Olympic Boulevard, in West Los Angeles. They stopped momentarily at this intersection and then drove to a gasoline service station about a block from the intersection where they bought gas, and one of the men made a telephone call.



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[REDACTED] related that in the fall, probably  
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and fell and broke his leg. Subsequent to this, he was  
at his apartment in Los Angeles recuperating

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On September 7, 1961, [REDACTED] furnished information that on that date ROSSELLI made reservations at an unknown hotel in Las Vegas for a girl named [REDACTED] for September 8, 1961.

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[REDACTED] and that [REDACTED] may be a girl friend of ROSSELLI.

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[REDACTED] he never saw [REDACTED] in the company of JOHN ROSSELLI.

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CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

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The morgue file of the "Los Angeles Examiner," a former daily newspaper, contained a memorandum which bore no date, but which was probably written in about the early or middle 1930s, which states that ROSSELLI had been in Los Angeles eight or ten years and had never been on the inside of things; that is, had never been used by the main gambling and political bosses of the city, although it had never been a secret that he had attempted to join the main group on several occasions. The memorandum states that to gamblers and the underworld, ROSSELLI had a reputation of being tough and was known to them as the main representative of the Eastern underworld in Los Angeles.

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[REDACTED] Los Angeles, stated that JOHN ROSSELLI at that time was the "little AL CAPONE" in Los Angeles.

In testimony before the Kefauver Committee in October, 1950, ROSSELLI said he first met AL CAPONE at the time he went to Chicago to attend the DEMPSEY-TUNNEY prizefight and believes met CAPONE at the Hotel Metropole through JOE ESPOSITO, a committeeman on the west side of Chicago who was a friend of ROSSELLI. CAPONE and CHARLES FISCHETTI visited the West Coast in about 1930 and ROSSELLI went to the Biltmore Hotel to see them and was with them for about one day.

b2 b7d On March 29, 1961, [REDACTED] advised that at the present time he had no information that ROSSELLI is engaged in any illegal activity, and he said it is his belief that ROSSELLI has "reformed." However, he said, ROSSELLI lives very well and that he, informant, has no idea regarding the source of ROSSELLI's income.

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On March 12, 1958, JOHN ROSSELLI was interviewed at the Tropicana Hotel in Las Vegas by SA [REDACTED] in connection with another investigation, during which interview ROSSELLI stated that he has not engaged in criminal activity since being released from prison (1947) and has engaged only in legitimate enterprises. ROSSELLI said he has associated with highly controversial individuals in the past; that these persons are his friends and that he will continue to associate with them in the future. He did not identify any of these individuals.

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Source said that in recent years he has had very little contact with ROSSELLI and pointed out that ROSSELLI comes to Beverly Hills

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The source stated that through his experiences in the Las Vegas area, and through current sources that he declined to identify, it is his belief that every major casino in Las Vegas is currently under the domination of "hoodlums." He said that he would divide the "hoodlums" having interests in Las Vegas into three major groups as follows: The "Eastern Mob" including New York, Boston and Miami; the Chicago mob and the Cleveland mob. Source stated that, in his opinion, there is an overall control of these groups and close coordination of the groups. He cited that JOHN ROSSELLI acts in a capacity of coordinator of the groups on the scene in Las Vegas. It is his purpose to settle minor difficulties and he is to see that things run smoothly. The source was questioned regarding his opinion in this matter and stated this was a fact but that he did not know how it could be proven as a fact.

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On December 6, 1961, [redacted] furnished information that on December 5 and 6, 1961, ROSSELLI and [redacted] were in Chicago, Illinois, and were staying at the Ambassador Hotel, and further that ROSSELLI, on December 5, 1961, was attempting to contact MURRAY HUMPHREYS [redacted] and that he did get in contact with HUMPHREYS on the evening of December 5, 1961.

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[redacted] furnished information that ROSSELLI was in contact with SAM GIANCANA in Chicago, Illinois on December 6, 1961, and made arrangements to see GIANCANA on December 7, 1961. According to the information received, GIANCANA indicated that he had sent for ROSSELLI to come and see him. Thereafter, ROSSELLI reported considerable information to GIANCANA regarding happenings and affairs in Las Vegas, Nevada, primarily concerning various hotels, and he related to GIANCANA information he had received from [redacted] regarding the necessity of investing additional money in an unidentified hotel in order to build additional rooms so they could compete with other hotels, in Las Vegas. [redacted] said it is his understanding that ROSSELLI and GIANCANA also discussed a matter which may be efforts by [redacted] to obtain a loan on some property in which [redacted] has a 20 per cent interest. This could refer to the New Frontier Hotel in which [redacted] have interests. According to [redacted] [redacted] is taking part in obtaining the loan, and there is some indication that the Teamsters Union may be making the loan and that ROSSELLI and [redacted] may receive a commission for obtaining the loan.

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According to informant, ROSSELLI was concerned because the FBI had talked to [redacted] a number of times, and stated that the FBI does not talk to a man that many times unless they are getting something from him. ROSSELLI allegedly said that he does not say that [redacted] is a stool pigeon, but believes either [redacted] is cooperating or is not cooperating, and further they, the FBI, are either trapping him or getting something out of him. Information was received that ROSSELLI stated that he does not discuss things with the FBI.

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With reference to SAM MOONEY mentioned above, in connection with [redacted] it is noted that SAM MOONEY is an alias of SAMUEL GIANCANA mentioned elsewhere in this report.

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NARCOTICS

On January 14, 1948, [REDACTED] Bureau of Narcotics, U.S. Treasury Department, stated that their files contained no investigation concerning narcotic violations on the part of JOHN ROSSELLI since about 1940. [REDACTED] stated that a report dated May, 1940, set forth that there was no definite indication that ROSSELLI was engaged in illicit traffic of narcotics.

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GAMBLING - HORSE RACING

In January, 1957, information was received from the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice, setting out that according to sworn testimony on several occasions before a number of different state agencies, EUGENE NORMILE stated that he was a partner in the Nationwide News Service, Inc., which concerned itself with horse racing information, in 1938; that JOHN ROSSELLI appeared at NORMILE's office Los Angeles making demands that he and certain others receive a percentage of the business; that this was no less than extortion and was backed up with threats; and that thereafter as long as Nationwide and NORMILE continued in business in California, ROSSELLI and his associates received a percentage of the profits of the business.

In testimony before the Kefauver Committee, ROSSELLI stated that he is acquainted with GENE NORMILE, having met him somewhere in 1935 or 1936. He said he was talking with NORMILE and NORMILE said he was going to try to get a contract for a wire service which, at that time, was called the General News; that NORMILE said a new company would be formed which would be called Nationwide. NORMILE stated if he could get the West Coast contract, he would like to have ROSSELLI associated with him and give ROSSELLI an interest. ROSSELLI said that NORMILE thought that ROSSELLI would have the ability to get some customers and that it would not cost ROSSELLI very much. ROSSELLI said he had no access to the books, but he received a certain interest each month. ROSSELLI recalled that NORMILE set up his office in the Bank of America Building at Sixth and Spring in about 1936; that

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ROSSELLI did refer whatever customers he could to NORMILE; that ROSSELLI went to the office occasionally and received anywhere from 2 per cent to 10 per cent of the profit. However, he said he was not on the payroll. ROSSELLI said he would refer bookmakers to NORMILE and said he didn't really have to sell the bookmaker, but he was more concerned in talking somebody into not stealing the service. He said he persuaded them merely by talking to them. He admitted he probably had a reputation for being a tough guy during the prohibition time and this reputation stayed with him. He said the local wire service never got along without local corruption.

ROSSELLI said he had received monthly checks amounting to from \$500 to \$2,000 per month and that this amounted to from 2 per cent to 10 per cent of NORMILE's monthly profit.

ROSSELLI said that JACK DRAGNA had nothing to do with ROSSELLI becoming a partner of NORMILE.

He continued by stating that Nationwide went out of business about 1939 and shortly thereafter he lost interest in the wire service business. He said he worked for a few months with BROPHY (probably R. L. BROPHY) and recalled that BROPHY was severely beaten sometime during early 1940. He said BROPHY was the son-in-law of RAGEN (probably JAMES RAGEN) and that he, ROSSELLI, backed away from the wire service after BROPHY had been beaten. He said he did not know who beat up BROPHY. He recalled that BROPHY's service was called the L.A. Journal, but BROPHY went out of business when the telephone company refused to serve him. He said that he acted as a consultant for BROPHY for a few months and he worked with him.

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On October 15, 1961, [REDACTED] furnished information that ROSSELLI had informed him that he had made several bets on professional football games with an individual known to informant only as JIMMY and ROSSELLI claimed to have made \$200 on the football games on that day.

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On October 26, 1961, SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] at approximately 1 a.m., observed ROSSELLI playing poker

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at the Stardust Hotel with seven other individuals none of whom were known to the Agents. These Agents observed ROSSELLI leave at approximately 1:45 a.m.

On February 27, 1962, ROSSELLI was observed by a Special Agent of the FBI in the cardroom of the Stardust Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada.

INFLUENCE WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT ORGANIZATIONS

On December 6, 1961, [redacted] furnished information that ROSSELLI claims to have made contact with an employee of the Sheriff's Office in Las Vegas, and to have given this employee some money, and that this employee has told ROSSELLI not to trust [redacted]

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because he gives information to the Federal Government, the State Government, and to the Sheriff's Office. According to [redacted] ROSSELLI said he found out that [redacted]

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[redacted] but ROSSELLI's contact told him that [redacted] gives the FBI everything. ROSSELLI, according to the informant, believes that maybe his contact will be able to give him some information on some of those who have been talking (apparently to law enforcement organizations).

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The possibility is considered that if ROSSELLI made contact with the Clark County Sheriff's Office concerning the filming of this motion picture, the person he contacted may be the individual referred to previously, whom ROSSELLI described as a contact, to whom he has paid money and received information.

ILLEGAL UNION ACTIVITIES -- EXTORTION

An indictment was filed March 18, 1943 in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, file

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No. C114-102, containing three substantive counts charging violation of the Mail Fraud statutes and a conspiracy count predicated upon the underlying illegal agreement to commit the completed offenses. The indictment in substance alleged that FRANK NITTO, alias Francis Nitti, LOUIS CAMPAGNA, PAUL DE LUCIA, aka Paul Ricca, PHIL D'ANDREA, FRANCIS MARITOTE, aka Frank Diamond, CHARLES GIOE, aka Charley Joy, RALPH PIERCE, and JOHN ROSSELLI, together with GEORGE E. BROWNE, WILLIAM BIOFF and others, conspired to defraud the International Alliance of Stage Employees and Motion Picture Machine Operators (IATSE), a labor union with which only BROWNE and BIOFF were officially connected, by levying a 2 per cent assessment against the weekly wages of members for purpose represented to be bona fide union activities, whereas it was the plan and intention of the defendants to apply the funds so assessed to their own use and benefit. In carrying out this scheme, the indictment charges various uses of the mail were made. At the time that the indictment was returned, the Grand Jury for the Southern District of New York also returned a companion indictment of one count charging violation of the Anti-Racketeering Act on the part of the defendants, alleging that they extorted over \$1,000,000 from producers and exhibitors engaged in the motion picture business and looted the union in that industry of their funds.

The records of the United States District Court, New York City, reflect that on December 22, 1943 ROSSELLI was found guilty after a jury trial for violation of Section 402A, Title 18, U.S. Code (conspiracy charge). Others convicted with ROSSELLI were CAMPAGNA, GIOE, D'ANDREA, DE LUCIA, BROWNE and BIOFF. They received sentences of ten years and were paroled on August 13, 1947 after serving the minimum sentences in Federal Penitentiaries.

In September, 1947, investigation was conducted concerning allegations that the paroles were obtained through bribery. Testimony was taken by a Federal Grand Jury at Chicago concerning the allegation. The allegation was not proved.

ROSELLI's parole was revoked and on July 23, 1948 the U.S. Marshal at Los Angeles received a parole violator's warrant for ROSSELLI on the following grounds:

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1. Dishonorable conduct.
2. Failure to register as an ex-convict with the Los Angeles Police Department and the Palm Springs Police Department in violation of City Ordinances.
3. Association with known criminals.

ROSSELLI surrendered to the U.S. Marshal on July 27, 1948, and was confined to the Los Angeles County Jail from which he was released on November 16, 1948, on order of the U.S. Board of Parole, which revoked its previous order.

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On August 12, 1959, SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] interviewed [redacted] at his office [redacted] in Los Angeles in connection with another investigation. During this interview [redacted] furnished the following information:

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Further investigation revealed that Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in connection with their operations concerning FIDEL CASTRO in Cuba contacted [redacted] to act as "cutout" in contacts with SAM GIANCANA on the theory that GIANCANA through his gambling activities in Cuba under the Batista Government might still have sources and contacts in Cuba who could be of value to CIA. According to officials of CIA, this organization did not authorize the microphone surveillance on [redacted]

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On May 25, 1961, [redacted] advised SAs of the FBI that the original contact with GIANCANA after [redacted] had been requested by CIA to make contact with GIANCANA was made by "JOHNNY" who he declined to further identify.

On June 29, 1961, [redacted] advised [redacted] that he would verify "JOHNNY's" identity if the Agents named the man. When JOHN ROSSELLI's name was furnished to [redacted] he admitted that ROSSELLI was the "JOHNNY" he referred to and that ROSSELLI was also identical to J. A. ROLLINS who registered with him at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida, in October, 1960. u

[redacted] was interviewed at [redacted] on July 13, 1961. [redacted] was informed of his right to an attorney and that he did not have to answer questions and that anything he did say could be used against him in a court of law. u

[redacted] stated that in connection with the confidential assignment for CIA he had been in contact with SAMUEL GIANCANA and had received valuable assistance from GIANCANA, which, in turn, was furnished to CIA. [redacted] had reason to believe that

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GIANCANA may have disclosed information regarding the project and, in view of the sensitive nature of the project, he, [REDACTED] decided to determine whether or not GIANCANA had actually talked to unauthorized persons. He was aware that GIANCANA was very close [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He said that if GIANCANA had disclosed this information regarding project to anyone, he would have disclosed it to [REDACTED]. He said that he was also aware that in the fall of 1960 the relations between [REDACTED] and GIANCANA were strained and that [REDACTED] involved with [REDACTED] in Las Vegas. He considered it very vital to determine whether or not GIANCANA was reliable and decided to order an installation on [REDACTED] room in an effort to determine whether or not GIANCANA had disclosed any information regarding the project to [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] stated that this decision was his own and that GIANCANA had no knowledge that the installation was made. He said that he did discuss this with JOHN ROSSELLI, since he felt obligated to discuss it with ROSSELLI, as ROSSELLI had been instrumental in putting him in contact with GIANCANA. [REDACTED] denied that the installation was made at the request of ROSSELLI or GIANCANA or for the benefit of either ROSSELLI or GIANCANA. He said that he did discuss his decision with ROSSELLI some time prior to ordering the installation but does not recall the specific date or place where he discussed the matter with ROSSELLI. He pointed out that he does not recall whether or not this occurred during October, 1960, when they were both registered at the Kenilworth Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida. He pointed out that he had met with ROSSELLI on a number of occasions and, therefore, does not recall the specific occasion in which he discussed his decision with ROSSELLI. He does not recall what comment ROSSELLI made when informed of his decision. U

[REDACTED] said that he requested [REDACTED] to institute a technical surveillance of [REDACTED] room [REDACTED] in Las Vegas, Nevada. He said that he does not recall what his specific requests were regarding the

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type of installation to be used, but had left this up to [REDACTED]. He said that he was interested only in conversation within [REDACTED] room and had in mind the installation of a microphone and transmitter and not a telephone tap. He said, however, that he does not recall whether or not he specified not to make a telephone installation. He said that he does recall that he definitely did not request a physical surveillance of [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] stated that he does not know the identity of the unknown subject, also known as J. W. HARRISON. He said that he definitely did not contact [REDACTED] and tell [REDACTED] that he would send one of his men. He insisted that [REDACTED] furnished both men to handle this assignment in Las Vegas and that [REDACTED] had charged him for transportation and time for two men. U

[REDACTED] repeated that he would take full responsibility for ordering the installation, that the installation was made for the reasons he had given above and in a previous interview, and definitely was not made at the request or for the benefit of JOHN ROSSELLI or SAMUEL GIANCANA. U

JOHN ROSSELLI was contacted at Drucker's Hair-dressers for Men, 9740 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California. ROSSELLI was informed of his right to have an attorney and that he did not have to say anything and that anything he did say could be used against him in a court of law. U

ROSSELLI admitted that he has known [REDACTED] for approximately five years. When asked if he knew SAM GIANCANA, ROSSELLI stated, "Let's discuss the weather. I do not care to answer any more questions." ROSSELLI stated that he knew of nothing illegal that [REDACTED] had done, but for any additional information regarding his association with [REDACTED] the Agents should talk with [REDACTED] himself. U

ROSSELLI was telephonically contacted by [REDACTED] at his Los Angeles apartment, 1251 Crescent Heights Boulevard, Los Angeles, on July 19, 1961, in an effort to

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arrange an interview. ROSSELLI advised that he did not care to discuss his association with MAHEU at any time with the FBI. u

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[redacted] furnished information that during the evening of July 10-11, 1961, an individual believed by informant to be JOHN ROSSELLI visited the residence of [redacted] in Las Vegas and that SAM GIANCANA was also present. According to the informant, ROSSELLI offered to put GIANCANA in touch with an unknown individual in Los Angeles regarding some business venture, in which ROSSELLI would possibly also have an interest. ROSSELLI is reported to have remarked that it was a good location and would have slot machines and that there was no reason why they could not make money. u

POSSIBLE EXTORTION IN CONNECTION  
WITH SHOW "FLOWER DRUM SONG"  
THUNDERBIRD HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

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On January 4, 1962, [redacted] furnished the following information concerning a discussion held by JOHN ROSSELLI, [redacted] and an unknown individual [redacted] u

These men were discussing the currnt show "Flower Drum Song," which is playing at the Thunderbird Hotel in Las Vegas. [redacted] related that in the summer of 1961, they (believed to mean [redacted] JOHN ROSSELLI and [redacted] planned to sign up the Broadway show "My Fair Lady" to be presented at the Convention Hall in Las Vegas. [redacted] endeavored to sign up this play, but was unsuccessful. [redacted] allegedly heard of the attempts to obtain "My Fair Lady" and approached [redacted] requesting [redacted] to obtain one of the Rogers and Hammerstein musicals for the Thunderbird Hotel. Rogers and Hammerstein wanted to deal through a theatrical agency rather than direct with the hotel; there-after, [redacted] signed a contract with the Thunderbird Hotel to produce a Rogers and Hammerstein show and then obtained from Rogers and Hammerstein a contract to produce "Flower Drum Song." u

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[redacted] They then discussed the possible interest of ROSSELLI [redacted] informed them that if ROSSELLI and [redacted] were joint venturers or partners with [redacted] then [redacted] had authority to make a deal for them and they would be bound by it, but that if they had an idea and someone else knew about their idea, and if it was a patentable idea, or a copyrightable idea, on which they could bring suit, it would be a different situation. However, [redacted] said that it would have to be different, and that this is not the case in their situation inasmuch as there have been other musical shows in Las Vegas, although there never has been a Rogers and Hammerstein show. [redacted] then said that the only possible remedy is to claim that they are joint venturers with "Musical Packages," and that [redacted] in making a deal with "Musical Packages," brought ROSSELLI and [redacted] into it, too, and that [redacted] only had a third interest and that is all he could give to "Musical Packages;" and, therefore, ROSSELLI and [redacted] each owned a one-third interest in "Musical Packages."

ROSSELLI [redacted] appeared to think this was a good line of reasoning and discussed ways and means to claim this interest. [redacted] told them that they would have to advance their share of the initial amount of money required to start production of this show at the THUNDERBIRD, and ROSSELLI remarked that [redacted] loaned the corporation the money, and that they, in turn, could borrow the money from [redacted] if they had to put up some money. He said that if ROSSELLI and [redacted] put in a claim, that "Musical Packages" would return the money to [redacted] and ROSSELLI and [redacted] could borrow it from him. They also discussed the fact that they would have to move quickly so that it would not appear that they waited until after they saw the show was a profit-making venture to put in their claim.

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They then decided that they should make a demand on "Musical Packages" for their two-thirds interest, and [REDACTED] suggested that if a copy of the correspondence to "Musical Packages" was inadvertently sent to [REDACTED] and he becomes aware of their claim against "Musical Packages," he will probably step in because of his anxiety to continue this show. He added that [REDACTED] may go to "Musical Packages" and tell them to straighten out things with [REDACTED] and ROSSELLI because if they have a claim, he does not want the whole production to "go up in smoke."

They then discussed, at [REDACTED] instigation, the ability of both [REDACTED] and ROSSELLI to show that they have been engaged in the past in handling shows for various hotels in Las Vegas.

It was decided that [REDACTED] would mail a registered letter to "Musical Packages" informing them of their claim.

[REDACTED] made the remark that it seemed to him that the only thing ROSSELLI and [REDACTED] have is nuisance value, to which ROSSELLI replied that they did not want that. [REDACTED] said that they do not have a situation here on which they could bring suit.

An article appeared in the Monday, January 22, 1962, issue of "Variety" under the heading "The Las Vegas Strip" by FORREST DUKE, setting out "Thunderbird producer MONTE PROSER has inked a pact with Manager MATT GREGORY, encompassing PROSER's future productions and any theatrical package he may rep in Europe, Australia and the West Coast... TED HAMMERSTEIN, rumored unhappy with deal he had with smash LVersion of "Flower Drum Song" at T'Bird, may take his complaint to Equity."

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LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISESPASTCLUB NEW YORKER

In a memorandum contained in the morgue file of the "Los Angeles Examiner," a former daily newspaper, which memorandum is mentioned above, it is stated that ROSSELLI and FRANK KERWIN and brother of FRANK operated a place on Hollywood Boulevard called the New Yorker and that the New Yorker had quite a flury for awhile and was somewhat of a hangout for gamblers and underworld gentlemen and was often visited by police.

In testimony before the Kefauver Committee, ROSSELLI testified that he operated a restaurant with entertainment called the Club New Yorker in 1932.

HORSE RACING - CALIENTE RACE TRACK

In testimony before the Kefauver Committee, in 1950, ROSSELLI stated that in about 1937 he invested about \$20,000 to \$25,000 with GENE NORMILE in the Caliente Race Track in Tijuana, Mexico. He said that they operated this race track for about two seasons; that NORMILE ran the business and ROSSELLI did not have access to anything. He said he put some auditors in but they had to take the figures that NORMILE gave to them. He said the second season they got their money back with interest, but then labor trouble developed and it is ROSSELLI's recollection that the Mexican Government took the track away from NORMILE. He said they originally got control of the track by paying off a labor lien and taking possession of the track.

WESTERN TOM THUMB  
DONUT DISTRIBUTING COMPANY

Records of the United States Probation Office at Los Angeles reflect that in October, 1950, ROSSELLI was conducting an exclusive distributorship of Tom Thumb donut machines and Tom Thumb donut mix under the fictitious name

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of Western Tom Thumb Donut Distributing Company. The same records reflect that in December, 1952, this venture was abandoned and that ROSSELLI had received \$2,000 reimbursement for expenses and time devoted the previous year to this business.

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EAGLE LION STUDIOS

Records of the United States Probation Office reflect that in 1947 when ROSSELLI was released on parole from the United States Penitentiary, he obtained work as Assistant Purchasing Agent at Eagle Lion Studios and was hired for this position [REDACTED] ROSSELLI continued in this employment until the first part of 1948.

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ROBERT KANE PRODUCTIONS

In 1950, in testimony before the Kefauver Committee, ROSSELLI stated that in 1948 he owned an 11 per cent interest in Robert Kane Productions. United States Probation records in Los Angeles reflect that he was employed as an assistant to ROBERT KANE at a salary of \$150 per week. ROSSELLI testified before the Kefauver Committee that in 1948 he received about \$70,000 when the company sold two motion pictures.

MONOGRAM STUDIOS

The United States Probation records, Los Angeles, reflect that ROSSELLI was employed as an Associate Producer by Monogram Studios, Los Angeles, California, from July, 1951, through March, 1952.

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MUTUAL PICTURES  
OF CALIFORNIA

United States Probation records, Los Angeles, reflect that in April, 1952, ROSSELLI entered into a participation agreement in the production of a movie as a co-producer with Mutual Pictures of California, which agreement would be effective when the picture was completed. In July, 1952, ROSSELLI advised his parole officer that Mutual Pictures of California had temporarily discontinued the picture upon which ROSSELLI had been working.

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DIBURRO FILM COMPANY

Records of the Los Angeles County Clerk, Corporation and Miscellaneous Division, contain a certificate of business being conducted under a fictitious name, document No. 187774, dated June 11, 1952, which indicates that JOHN ROSSELLI, JACK DIETZ and G. D. BURROWS were conducting a business engaging generally in motion pictures under the fictitious name of DIBURRO Film Company.

U.S. Probation records, Los Angeles, California, reflect that from July, 1952 until January, 1953, ROSSELLI received income from this company in which he stated he had a one-third interest.

The following schedule was prepared which shows the investment, drawings and capital account of ROSSELLI in the Diburro Film Company from 1957 to 1960. Complete information pertaining to the more recent years is not yet available; however, as soon as that information is available it will be incorporated into the schedule in order to show a complete and up-to-date financial picture.

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 Lubrono Film Co, 703 Oakhurst Dr, Beverly Hills, Calif

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Note: other partners are:  
 George Burrows  
 Jack Dietz

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NEVADA CONCESSIONS, INC.

On March 12, 1958, ROSSELLI advised SA [REDACTED] that he was promised the gift shop concession at the Tropicana Hotel in Las Vegas prior to the opening of the hotel in May, 1957; that he never had an opportunity to operate this concession since the Nevada Gaming Control Board would not grant a gambling license to the hotel as long as ROSSELLI was connected with the operation of the hotel and that as a result he relinquished his interest in the gift shop and received remuneration for so doing. ROSSELLI claimed he was part owner of Nevada Concessions, Inc., Los Angeles, California, which sells ice-making machines and similar type equipment to hotels.

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The following investigation was conducted by

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On June 16, 1958, [REDACTED] Secretary of State Office, Carson City, Nevada, made available file pertaining to Nevada Concessions, Inc.

This file reflects articles of incorporation were filed on December 14, 1955, and the following list of individuals were affiliated with the corporation at that time:

BRYANT R. BURTON, President  
755 Hampton Road  
Arcadia, California

DORIS LITTERLY, Vice-President, Treasurer  
616 North Orange Drive  
Los Angeles, California

JOSEPH A. ZERWEKH, Secretary  
9800 Haas Avenue  
Los Angeles, California

On June 20, 1956, the following were listed as affiliated with this corporation:

LOUIS J. LEDERER, President, Director,  
8313 Fountain Avenue  
Los Angeles, California

BRYANT BURTON, Vice President, Treasurer, Director  
755 Hampton Road  
Arcadia, California

JOSEPH A. ZERWEKH, Secretary, Director  
9800 South Haas Avenue  
Los Angeles, California

JOSEPH I. BREEN, Jr., President  
5953 Lubao Avenue  
Woodland Hills, California

MONTE PROSER, Vice President, Treasurer  
Tropicana Hotel  
Las Vegas, Nevada

PAT N. LACKEY, Secretary  
9441 Wilshire Boulevard, Room 438  
Beverly Hills, California

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On May 26, 1958, JOHN ROSSELLI advised [REDACTED] that he is presently engaged in the supervision of the interest of Nevada Concessions, Inc. in Las Vegas, Nevada. He said that his interests consist of operation of a parking lot concession at the Tropicana Hotel.

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On July 6, 1961, [redacted] furnished information that on that date, [redacted] discussed with ROSSELLI the feasibility of [redacted] borrowing money at a local bank for one of the following purposes:

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1. To operate taxi cabs [REDACTED] had made necessary arrangements to obtain a franchise.
2. To enter some type of restaurant business.
3. To add to his car rental business by placing advertisement gimmicks in large hotels.

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MONTE PROSER PRODUCTIONS, INC. (MPP)

Document Number 343563, records of the County Clerk, Los Angeles County is the article of incorporation of MPP. It was filed September 5, 1957, and shows the business of the corporation was to handle literary and artistic properties used or likely to be used in the theater, motion pictures, radio or television and to produce, direct or procure the production of scenes, acts, plays, concerts, etc., and to own, lease, hire, or operate radio stations, motion picture or television studios, etc. The directors of the corporation were listed as MONTE PROSER, JOSEPH I. BREEN, JR., and BEVERLY W. MAGEE.

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MPP was dissolved as a California Corporation on April 10, 1959, at which time JOHN ROSSELLI was assigned all the rights and assets of the corporation and he assumed all the liabilities and became the sole stockholder.

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West Side Holding Corporation  
(WSHC); Carver House Hotel  
Las Vegas, Nevada

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Office of the Secretary of State  
State of Nevada  
Carson City, Nevada

File Number 148-50 reflects the incorporation of the WSHC in the State of Nevada on January 29, 1960. The officers were listed as follows:

President	MEL COOPER, 359 Desert Inn Road, Las Vegas, Nevada
First Vice President	HARLAN HEET, 461 South Fullerton, La Harba, California
Second Vice President	STANFORD GLUCK, Post Office Box 8125, San Francisco, California
Third Vice President	LOUIS J. LEDERER, 8318 Fountain Avenue, Hollywood, California
Secretary	MAURICE H. FRIEDMAN, 363 Desert Inn Road, Las Vegas, Nevada
Treasurer	JAMES CANTILLON, 9441 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California

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On October 31, 1960, the records [REDACTED] Los Angeles, California, were examined and no information was found in the Corporations' records of in the records of fictitious name businesses for the Don Rose Advertising Company.

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On January 18, 1962, SA [REDACTED] ascertained at the Division of Corporations for the State of California, State Building, Los Angeles, California, that articles of incorporation for Showcase Enterprises, Inc. were filed on August 24, 1960. At the time of filing, the directors and secretary were listed as follows:

MARY DENNISON  
6393 Wilshire Boulevard  
Los Angeles, California;

MARIAN KNOBLICH  
6393 Wilshire Boulevard  
Los Angeles, California;

CLARA BROWN  
6393 Wilshire Boulevard  
Los Angeles.

The principal office is located at 8822 West Washington Boulevard, Culver City, California. There was an authorization to issue 2,500 shares of stock at a value of \$100.00 per share. Only 30 shares of stock have been issued and all of these were issued to CARROLL CASE, who is listed as the president of the corporation.

The purposes of the corporation in general are to engage in production, distribution, exhibition, release advertising, publicizing, and other exploitation and disposition of motion picture films including television sound and talking films.

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On September 19, 1961, the law firm of Mitchell, Silberberg, and Knupp, 6399 Wilshire Boulevard, addressed a letter to the Division of Corporations for permission to sell the 30 shares of stock mentioned above to CARROLL CASE for \$3,000. This application was approved. CARROLL CASE was listed as the President and Director and gave his address as 510 North Bristol Avenue, Los Angeles, California. HAL ROACH, JR., 426 North Rockingham Drive, West Los Angeles, was listed as Vice President, Treasurer and a Director. WILLIAM HINCKLE, 100 South Windsor Boulevard, Los Angeles, was listed as a Director and Secretary.

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Las Vegas, Nevada

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On March 13, 1961 [REDACTED]

furnished information that the Paradise Valley Country Club is a new golf course and country club and is being presently developed in Paradise Valley immediately adjacent to Las Vegas, Nevada. [REDACTED] stated that there are no facilities presently available at this club to house guests, and he stated that it is his understanding that members are presently being accepted into the club.

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Possible Interest of ROSSELLI  
in New Frontier Hotel,  
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This source furnished information on January 4,  
1962, that on that date, JOHN ROSSELLI, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and an unknown individual [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] were discussing the  
financial situation of the New Frontier Hotel, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] The discussion concerned  
the possible sale of the hotel, contemplated purchasers,  
and financial situations involving this transaction.

According to this source, ROSSELLI took part in  
this discussion and on one occasion, in remarking about a  
certain suggestion concerning the hotel, used the pronouns  
"us" and "we", indicating that he might possibly have an  
interest [REDACTED] in the hotel.

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Information received during 1958, 1959, 1960 and 1961 from various travel agencies in Los Angeles and Beverly Hills, California, from [redacted] and from informants and sources of information in the Los Angeles and Las Vegas Offices, has shown that ROSSELLI usually travels back and forth between Las Vegas and Los Angeles, California, two, three or more times each month. As set out above, he maintains an apartment in Las Vegas and an apartment in Los Angeles, and when he travels between these two cities, he seldom carries luggage with him.

Information is set out above in this report regarding the wire tap at the Riviera Hotel in the fall of 1960; that from the period October 11 to October 29, 1960, ROBERT A. MAHEU and ROSSELLI, who was using the name J. A. ROLLINS, were registered at the Kenilworth Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. MAHEU admitted that the person registering as J. A. ROLLINS was ROSSELLI.

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In December, 1961, [redacted] furnished information that ROSSELLI was in Chicago for one, two or three days during the first part of December, 1961.

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On February 14, 1961, [redacted] advised that he had received information that ROSSELLI was still in Chicago, Illinois, as of February 10, 1961.

On February 16, 1961, [redacted] furnished information to Agents of the Miami Office that JOHN ROSSELLI was observed by him at the Fountainbleu Hotel in Miami in the company of a good-looking girl.

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ROSSELLI usually travels by air on his trips between Las Vegas and Los Angeles, California.

PASSPORTE

On August 22, 1961, SA [REDACTED] ascertained that the Passport Agency, U. S. State Department, Los Angeles, California, had no record that a passport had been issued in Los Angeles during the past year to JOHN ROSSELLI.

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On August 28, 1961, [REDACTED] Passport Office, Department of State, Washington, D. C., advised SA [REDACTED] that no record could be located of a passport application filed by ROSSELLI.

PLACES OF AMUSEMENT OR HANGOUT

Observation by Special Agents of the FBI has revealed that ROSSELLI, while in Los Angeles, frequents the following places:

In Los Angeles, California

Restaurants:

- (1) Perino's Restaurant, 4101 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, DU 3-1221.
- (2) Brown Derby Restaurant, 9537 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, CR 6-2311.
- (3) Romanoff's Restaurant, 140 South Rodeo Drive, Beverly Hills, CR 4-2105.
- (4) La Scala Restaurant, 9455 Santa Monica Boulevard, CR 5-0579.
- (5) Four Trees Restaurant, 7800 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, HO 6-1129.
- (6) La Rue Restaurant, 8631 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, OL 5-6356.

Club:

Friar's Club of California, Inc., new address -  
9900 Santa Monica Boulevard, Beverly Hills, CR 3-0850.

Barber Shop:

Drucker's Hairdressers, 9740 Wilshire Boulevard,  
Beverly Hills, CR 5-5805.

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In Las Vegas, Nevada

Various informants of the Las Vegas Office have furnished information that ROSSELLI spends considerable time in Las Vegas on the golf course of the Desert Inn Country Club.

The same sources advised that he has been observed in the card rooms of various hotel casinos, and that he has visited the Coach and Four Restaurant.

ATTORNEYS

Information set out previously in this investigation has revealed that attorneys used by ROSSELLI are:

- (1) Cantillon and Cantillon (JAMES P. CANTILLON),  
9107 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills,  
California.
- (2) EMANUEL ROTHMAN, 5979 West 3rd Street,  
Los Angeles, California, telephone number  
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California, advised that on April 21, 1961, JOHN ROSSELLI purchased a 1961 Cadillac

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On September 7 and October 3, 1961, SA [redacted] observed ROSSELLI's 1961 Cadillac parked near the Diplomat Apartments in Las Vegas, Nevada.

It is noted that ROSSELLI's Cadillac bears California license VPA 846, which, as of January, 1962, according to records of Department of Motor Vehicles, is still registered to the Standard Car Leasing Company.

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It is considered a possibility that ROSSELLI may have sold the 1961 Cadillac [redacted]

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Information has been set out previously in this report that ROSSELLI [redacted]

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On February 19, 1962, [REDACTED] advised that a black Lincoln Continental bearing California license VNG 609 was parked in ROSSELLI's garage stall at his apartment house in Los Angeles. According to Department of Motor Vehicles, Los Angeles, this car is registered to the law firm of Cantillon and Cantillon, mentioned above. [REDACTED] remarked to ROSSELLI about having a new car, and ROSSELLI replied that he had given his Chevrolet to his girl friend. The identity of this girl friend is not known at the present time.

DRIVER'S LICENSE

On June 6, 1961, the Division of Drivers Licenses, Department of Motor Vehicles, State of California, Sacramento, California, advised that JOHN ROSSELLI, whose birth date is reflected as June 4, 1905, has a valid, unrestricted California driver's license, number A795471.

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HANDWRITING SPECIMENS

On February 27, 1958, several pages of documents containing handwriting of JOHN ROSSELLI were obtained from the Immigration and Naturalization Service at Los Angeles. Photostats of these documents have been forwarded to the Bureau.

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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

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Name	JOHN ROSELLI, aka GIOVANNI ROSELLI, JOHN ROSSELLI, J. A. ROSSELLI, JOHN RASSELLI, JOHN RUSSELLI, JOHN F. STEWART, J. A. ROLLINS
Age	57
Birth Date	July 4, 1904, at Chicago, Illinois
Height	5'9½"
Weight	170 pounds
Hair	Gray
Eyes	Gray
Build	Husky, hollow-chested
Peculiarities	Heavy beard, wrinkled face
Glasses	Sunglasses only
Dress	Neat dresser, usually wears dark suits and no hat
Characteristics	Reportedly smokes foreign-made cigarettes, usually walks with hands in pockets and head bowed
Residence	Diplomat Apartments, Las Vegas, Nevada; 1251-C North Crescent Heights Boulevard, Los Angeles, California
Marital Status	Single, divorced
Relatives	Father - VINZENZO (VINCENT) ROSELLI (deceased); Mother - MARIA RUSSO (deceased); Distant cousin - [REDACTED], aka.,
FBI No.	3339986
Occupation	Former General Manager, Nevada Concessions, Inc., 8692 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California; Vice President, Monte Proser Productions, Inc., 8692 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California (ROSSELLI currently interested in Showcase Enterprises, Inc.)
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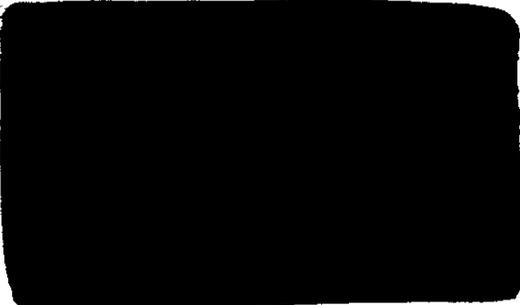
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Character	ANTI-RACKETEERING
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Two (2) copies of a characterization of informants memorandum.

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This is a joint report of SA's [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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The identity of the Special Agents mentioned in this report who conducted physical surveillances can be found in the 1-A section of this file.

The individuals who furnished information set out in FD-302's in this report and not identified therein are as follows:

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By airtel dated 4/9/63 the Las Vegas Office furnished pictures of [REDACTED], which are being maintained in the 1-A section of this file.

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By airtel dated 4/12/63 the Las Vegas Office furnished photograph of [REDACTED] which is being maintained in the 1-A section of the Los Angeles file.

By letter dated 3/21/63 the Bureau advised that they had been advised by the Department that [REDACTED] had been interviewed concerning any knowledge he may have of the activities of JOHN ROSSELLI and the Department advised that [REDACTED] stated that he does not know JOHN ROSSELLI, nor is he acquainted with any of the organized criminal element in Chicago.

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A review [redacted] reflects that ROSSELLI was acquainted with a number of people in the Hollywood area but contain no information of pertinence to this investigation and are not being set out or recorded in the body of this report.

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By airtel dated 4/12/63 in the case entitled, "Dunes Hotel, aka. Las Vegas, Nevada, AR", the Las Vegas Office advised that [redacted] on 3/10/63 advised that [redacted] and [redacted] engaged in a discussion involving the giving of markers and they believed that [redacted] made a bad mistake in giving credit to an unknown individual. [redacted] remarked to the effect that [redacted] had made other mistakes along these lines, particularly "with that fellow ROSSELLI from Los Angeles."

On 4/3/63 [redacted] advised that on the previous evening [redacted] evidently attended the late show at the Desert Inn Hotel with [redacted] and JOHN ROSSELLI. During the course of the evening, [redacted] became inebriated and, according to [redacted], made a spectacle of himself in front of hotel guests and hotel employees. Both [redacted] and [redacted] instructed [redacted] that under no circumstances was he to become involved in any way with [redacted] ROSSELLI. It was pointed out to him that they are both "nothing but trouble" and that they are looking for an opportunity to embarrass the hotel and to embarrass [redacted]

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[redacted] stated, according to informant, that he recalled that while having dinner with ROSSELLI, he had ordered [redacted] and much to [redacted] surprise, ROSSELLI took offense at this statement. [redacted] made the observation that he had been trying for years to keep "these people" out of here and if it had not been for him, they would have taken the place over long ago. He said the less you have to do with them, the better off you are. They would like nothing better than to create a disturbance and cause an incident. [redacted] stated that he stays away from ROSSELLI "like a plague" because he realizes he is nothing but trouble.

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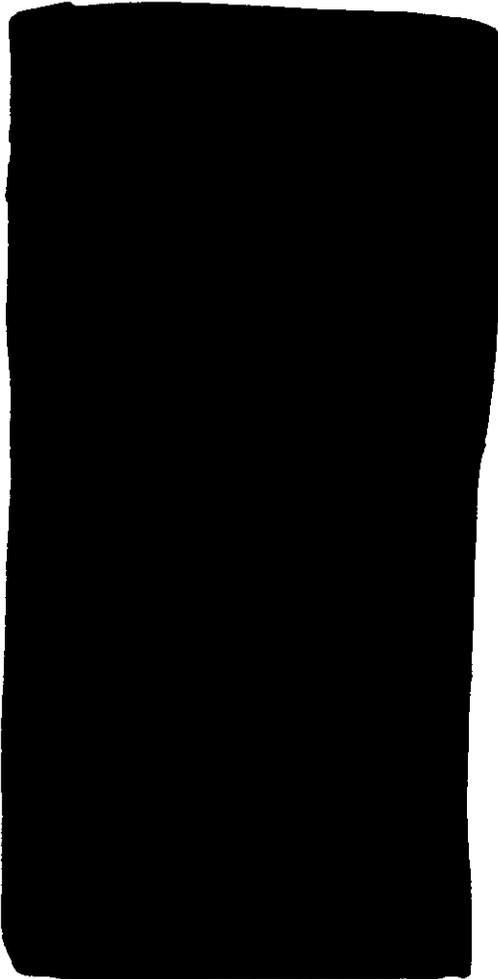
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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. Will continue conducting investigation concerning ROSSELLI's activities.

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Title:

JOHN ROSELLI

Character:

ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

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On 3/29/63, ROSSELLI drove his car to Las Vegas, Nevada, and was accompanied by [REDACTED] and two other men, believed to be [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ROSSELLI returned to Los Angeles on 4/6/63. His whereabouts since 4/16/63, not presently known. While in Los Angeles, ROSSELLI frequents the Friar's Club, Beverly Hills, California.

[REDACTED]

(associates of ROSSELLI)

building a hotel-casino south of Reno, Nevada.

[REDACTED] is reportedly a stock broker in New York

[REDACTED] Current

status of this corporation not known.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] friend of ROSSELLI for many years, stated ROSSELLI [REDACTED]

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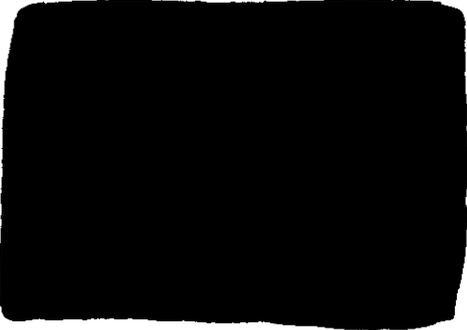
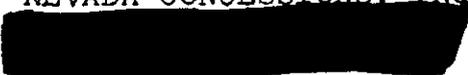
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DETAILS:

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

A report of birth filed by ROSSELLI in 1936 in Chicago, Illinois, reflected his name is spelled ROSELLI; however, investigation has shown that for many years, he has spelled his name, ROSSELLI, and this is the spelling that will be used throughout this report.

CURRENT RESIDENCE

7D ROSSELLI maintains a residence at Apartment C, 1251 North Crescent Heights Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. [REDACTED]

During the past several months when ROSSELLI has been in Las Vegas, Nevada, he has resided at the Desert Inn Hotel.

PAST RESIDENCES

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On March 26, 1963, Special Agents of the FBI, shortly after 4:00 P.M., observed ROSSELLI's car parked in the garage at the Friar's Club in Beverly Hills, California. At approximately 8:10 P.M., ROSSELLI and an unknown man left the Friar's Club in ROSSELLI's car and proceeded to Perino's Restaurant, 4101 Wilshire Boulevard.

At approximately 11:20 P.M., ROSSELLI and the unknown man left Perino's in ROSSELLI's car and proceeded towards Beverly Hills.

At the same time that ROSSELLI and the unknown man left Perino's, six individuals also left Perino's and departed in a 1960 Rolls Royce, bearing 1963 California license JLM 378.

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The Department of Motor Vehicles, State of California, Los Angeles, California, furnished information that California 1963 license JLM 378 is registered to Albert Parvin and Company, 120 South Robertson, Beverly Hills, California.

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On March 27, 1963, Special Agents of the FBI observed ROSSELLI leave the Friar's Club alone at about 4:37 P.M. in his 1963 Thunderbird, and he proceeded east on Santa Monica Boulevard.

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On March 28, 1963, Special Agents of the FBI observed ROSSELLI's automobile parked at his residence at 1251 North Crescent Heights Boulevard, at approximately 4:15 P.M. At approximately 6:35 P.M., ROSSELLI left his apartment alone in his automobile and proceeded to the Beverly Crest Hotel, Beverly Hills, California.

At approximately 8:10 P.M., ROSSELLI and a man and a woman were observed leaving the Beverly Crest Hotel in a black Chrysler Imperial bearing Nevada license C 53645.

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It has been previously reported in this investigation that this license is registered to [REDACTED]. This Chrysler proceeded to the area of 150 South Rodeo Drive in Beverly Hills, where it parked in front of the Grosvenor Apartments. ROSSELLI left the car and entered the apartment building and shortly thereafter returned to the car with an unknown blonde girl. They both entered the car which then proceeded to Jerry Lewis's restaurant on the "Sunset Strip" where all four individuals entered Jerry Lewis's restaurant.

Examination of the apartment directory of the entrance where ROSSELLI entered at the Grosvenor Apartments revealed that [REDACTED] also listed as [REDACTED] resided at [REDACTED]

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On March 27, 1963, [REDACTED] furnished information that ROSSELLI planned to leave Los Angeles by car on March 29, 1963, possibly going to Las Vegas, Nevada. On March 29, 1963, Special Agents of the FBI, at approximately 11:23 A.M., observed [REDACTED] arrive at ROSSELLI's apartment [REDACTED] bearing California 1963 license PUB 752. [REDACTED] parked his car in the garage beneath ROSSELLI's apartment.

At approximately 11:25 A.M. ROSSELLI [REDACTED] left the apartment in ROSSELLI's 1963 Thunderbird and proceeded to Beverly Hills, California, where they parked the car in an alley across the street from the Beverly Crest Hotel. At approximately 12:15 P.M., [REDACTED] and ROSSELLI entered the car and drove it across the street to the Beverly Crest Hotel. At about 12:20 P.M., ROSSELLI, [REDACTED] and a young man wearing a plaid shirt, from the Beverly Crest Hotel, entered the above Thunderbird and proceeded to the corner of Wilshire Boulevard and Sweetzer, where a fourth man entered the car, and they then proceeded to the Hollywood Freeway to the San Bernardino Freeway, proceeding east on the San Bernardino Freeway.

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[REDACTED] advised that shortly before 11:30 A.M., on March 29, 1963, ROSSELLI contacted an individual named [REDACTED] asking where an unknown individual was.

[REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as [REDACTED]. He said that on March 29, 1963, [REDACTED]

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On the evening of March 31, 1963, SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] observed ROSSELLI's 1963 Thunderbird bearing California license NZJ 429, parked in the front parking lot of the Desert Inn Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada. The Las Vegas Office advised that ROSSELLI was observed by Bureau Agents on the night of April 2, 1963, at the casino, Sands Hotel, in Las Vegas. On this occasion he was accompanied by an attractive girl in her middle twenties and by [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised that ROSSELLI's Thunderbird was not observed in the stall at the apartment on Crescent Heights Boulevard from April 1, through April 9, 1963, but was observed parked in the garage stall on April 10, 1963.

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On April 10, 1963, [REDACTED] advised that ROSSELLI told him that the audit being conducted by the IRS was keeping him very busy. ROSSELLI indicated to this informant that he would be in Los Angeles over Easter.

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On April 11, 1963, [REDACTED] learned that JOHN ROSSELLI had endeavored to get a job for [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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On April 12, 1963, Special Agents of the FBI observed ROSSELLI's Ford Thunderbird parked in the lot across the street from the Friar's Club. At approximately 5:03 P.M. ROSSELLI and [REDACTED] departed from the Friar's Club in ROSSELLI's Ford Thunderbird and proceeded to Beverly Hills where they window shopped and then proceeded to 1251 North Crescent Heights Boulevards where ROSSELLI let [REDACTED] out of the car and ROSSELLI returned to Beverly Hills where he parked the car on Santa Monica Boulevard near the Friar's Club and entered the Friar's Club.

At approximately 8:00 P.M., ROSSELLI left the Friar's Club alone in his automobile and proceeded to the Grosvenor Apartments, 150-160 South Rodeo Drive, where he picked up a blonde girl. They proceeded to Westwood Village, where they parked the car in the garage at Kirkeby Center and entered the building. It is noted there is a restaurant located on the top floor of this building.

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[REDACTED] On April 16, 1963, [REDACTED] advised that at approximately 7:20 P.M., ROSSELLI's car was not parked in the stall at his apartment; however, from the morning of April 17, 1963, through the morning of April 23, 1963, ROSSELLI's car was parked at the apartment garage.

[REDACTED] stated that on the evening of April 23, 1963, and the morning of April 24, 1963, ROSSELLI's Thunderbird was not in the garage; however, on the morning of April 24, 1963, there was a 1963 champagne-colored Thunderbird Convertible with a black top parked in ROSSELLI's stall. This car bore dealer's tag 1/J2731 and had a Brand Motor license plate holder. [REDACTED] stated that no information was obtained by him during the period from April 17, 1963, through April 24, 1963, indicating that ROSSELLI was in Los Angeles.

On April 18, 1963, the Las Vegas Office advised that ROSSELLI was not known to be in Las Vegas and was not observed in any of the Strip hotels in Las Vegas on the night of April 17, 1963.

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[REDACTED]

As previously reported in this investigation, [REDACTED] is a close friend of ROSSELLI.

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[REDACTED] M.I.D.

Information has been previously set out in this investigation reflecting that [REDACTED] was in Los Angeles at the Beverly Hilton Hotel on January 21, to January 23, 1963, and associated with [REDACTED] and JOHN ROSSELLI while in Los Angeles.

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