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FM CLEVELAND (87-22481) (P) (SQ 6)

TO DIRECTOR IMMEDIATE

BROOKLYN-QUEENS (87-81067) IMMEDIATE

NEW YORK IMMEDIATE

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ATTENTION TRANSPORTATION CRIMES UNIT, CID, SUPERVISOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ROOM 5042, JEH BUILDING

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RE BROOKLYN-QUEENS TEL TO BUREAU AND CLEVELAND, MAY 15, 1980;
CLEVELAND TEL TO BROOKLYN-QUEENS, MAY 15, 1980.

MAY 16, 1980, [REDACTED] INTERVIEWED AT HIS PLACE OF
BUSINESS, NORTH AMERICAN COAL CORP., 12830 SHAKER BLVD., CLEVELAND,
OHIO, REGARDING HIS DISCUSSION WITH U.S. REPRESENTATIVE JOHN P.
MURTHA INVOLVING ARAB MONEY.

[REDACTED] STATED THAT THE INITIAL CONVERSATION TOOK PLACE ON
OR ABOUT JANUARY 17, 1980, AT MURTHA'S OFFICE IN WASHINGTON AND

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LASTED ABOUT FIVE MINUTES. AT THAT TIME, MURTHA TOLD [REDACTED]
"THERE'S SOME (ARAB OR MIDDLE EAST) OIL PEOPLE WHO WANT TO
GET INTO THIS COUNTRY, THEY'VE GOT ALL KINDS OF MONEY. WHAT
CAN WE BUILD (INVEST) IN MY DISTRICT?" THE AMOUNT OF MONEY
MENTIONED BY MURTHA THAT WAS AVAILABLE BY THE "OIL PEOPLE" WAS
\$40-\$50 MILLION.

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AFTER [REDACTED] RETURNED HOME FROM WASHINGTON, HE RECALLED
KNOWING OF A SMALL COAL COMPANY THAT WAS FOR SALE: THE OCEANIC
LIGHTING CO. IN BLAIRSVILLE, PA. HE THEN TELEPHONED MURTHA THE NEXT
DAY, JANUARY 18, 1983, TO FURNISH THE INFORMATION TO HIM. MURTHA
THEN SAID TO [REDACTED] "HELL, THAT'S TOO SMALL, WE'VE GOT TO HAVE
SOMETHING BIGGER THAN THAT."

APART FROM THE ABOVE TWO CONVERSATIONS, [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT
HE NEVER MENTIONED THE SUBJECT TO MURTHA AGAIN, ALTHOUGH HE HAS
SEEN MURTHA TWICE SINCE THEN.

[REDACTED] HAS KNOWN MURTHA SINCE 1974, AND ASSISTED HIM IN
HIS POLITICAL CAMPAIGN BECAUSE MURTHA IS IN THE COAL CAUCUS.

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THE FOLLOWING IS BACKGROUND DATA OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MARION, OHIO, WHITE, MALE,

DOB: [REDACTED], NORTH

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