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August 28, 1935.

MEMORANDUM

Re: Charles Luciana, with aliases.

During the course of the investigation conducted by the New York City Office in September, 1933, in the Kansas City Massacre case in connection with long distance telephone calls and other data pertaining to Benjamin Siegel, it was ascertained that Siegel was an associate of Louis Buchalter, Morris "Dimples" Wolinsky, Charles "Lucky" Luciana and other well known New York racketeers and gangsters. Other than this association with racketeers and gangsters, the Kansas City Massacre file contains no other information.

In the report submitted by the New York City office listing the friends and associates of Arthur Flegenheimer, alias "Dutch" Schultz, the following notation is contained as to Luciana:

"CHARLES LUCIANA, called "LUCKY", N.Y. P.D. No. B 72321.

Is the leading racketeer along Italian lines. Is very powerful and made considerable money in liquor."

An individual signing his name as James Cowle by letter, dated February 14, 1935, made the statement that Meyer Lansky and Charles Luccio, alias "Lucky" is the head of the underworld in New York City and also alleged that the individual is connected with other well known racketeers and gangsters. The writer evidently had reference to Luciana.

The files of the Identification Division contain the following general information as to Luciana:

"Is a general gangster and racketeer - is a boss of a lower East Side gang. Operates chiefly in beer and liquor. Has business connections with Lepke, Longie and the other mobs. Is usually in the company of Coppola, Periso and Iandosco. Is apparently wealthy."

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A confidential circular from the Bureau of Narcotics in the files of the Identification Division reflects that Luciana was an associate of the late Jack Diamond and accompanied him, Diamond, and Charles Entratta to Europe in the summer of 1930,

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when it was believed that a conspiracy existed to smuggle narcotics from Europe into the United States. Diamond was arrested in Germany and deported, and the statement was made by the Narcotic Bureau that they believe the resulting publicity disrupted the plans of Diamond, Luciana and the other associates who were named as being one Vic Miller, Morris Weig and Salvatore Arcidiaco.

On July 2, 1935, Special Agent in Charge R. Whitley, of the New York City Office, advised the Bureau that one Ike McAnally, reporter for the New York "Post" had furnished him with information to the effect that about two weeks ago the chauffeur for one Cire Terranova, a well known Bronx racketeer, had informed him during a casual conversation that "somebody mighty hot was in town." About a week ago, Bill Breen, also a well known racketeer and one of Jake Factor's associates, inquired concerning McAnally's home address and how he might be reached. Later, Mike Capolo, another well known racketeer, informed McAnally "some of the boys might know where Karpis is." Later an Italian whose name was unknown to McAnally but with whom he was familiar informed him that Charles Luciano who is also known as Charles Luckie or Lucky Luciano wanted to see him, McAnally, at the club house at the Aqueduct Race Track, on July 4th. McAnally was of the opinion that Luciano might possess information as to the whereabouts of Karpis and might desire to furnish that information to him. He also offered to endeavor to persuade Luciano to get in touch with Special Agent in Charge Whitley personally.

McAnally visited the bar in the Ritz Hotel on July 1, 1935, at which time he saw Luciano who inquired of him, McAnally, whether he would meet him at the Aqueduct Race Track on July 4th, Luciano stating that he wanted to give McAnally a "good horse". At this time Luciano inquired of McAnally what he thought of the vice campaign being conducted by the local New York offices, and Luciano stated he did not worry about any of the organizations affiliated with politics but indicated that those free of such influences did trouble him.

In compliance with Luciano's request, McAnally was in attendance at the Aqueduct Race Track on July 4th, at which time Luciano informed him that some time ago he received information through "his party" whom he knows by sight but whose name and whereabouts were unknown to him that Karpis was coming to New York. Luciano advised that he might possibly be able to get in contact with this party again and secure additional information. According to McAnally, Luciano then informed him that certain New York

racketeers had learned that former United States Attorney Conboy had secured additional and very damaging evidence to be used at the second trial of "Dutch" Schultz, and that Luciano indirectly and more by innuendo than direct statements suggested that McAnally endeavor to get word to Mr. Conboy through Acting United States Attorney Frank Adams that he, Luciano, and others would endeavor to secure information and "turn up" Karpis in the event Schultz was not prosecuted too vigorously. According to McAnally, he informed Luciano that such a proposition was out of the question, and that he would not undertake it under any circumstances. McAnally also informed Luciano that if he or any of his associates had any information concerning Karpis, the "smart" thing for them to do would be to get in touch with Special Agent in Charge Whitley.

On July 17, 1935, McAnally again called at the New York Office, at which time he stated he had recently seen Luciano and had brought up the subject of their previous conversations in a casual manner, inquiring of Luciano whether "his friend" who might know where Karpis is, had arrived in town. Luciano informed him that "the friend" had arrived in New York, but that he had not had an opportunity to see him or find out if he knew anything about Karpis. McAnally again suggested to Luciano that the best thing for him to do would be to discuss this matter with Special Agent in Charge Whitley. When this suggestion was made, according to McAnally, Luciano immediately and emphatically stated, "I don't know Karpis, never saw him, don't know where he is, and don't know whether I could find out anything about him or not." He further advised that he merely thought his friend might be able to furnish information of interest but was not sure of this.

McAnally stated that Luciano, after this preliminary statement, indicated that he might be receptive to the idea of meeting and talking to Special Agent in Charge Whitley. McAnally suggested that he might arrange for an introduction. Special Agent in Charge Whitley through McAnally endeavored to make arrangements to meet Luciano personally to secure from him any information he might have as to the whereabouts of Karpis.

In furtherance to the arrangements made, Special Agent in Charge Whitley accompanied McAnally to the Empire Racetrack, Yonkers, New York, on July 20, 1935, for the purpose of contacting

Luciano. Upon arriving at the club house, Special Agent in Charge Whitley states that all of the well known New York racketeers including Frank Costello, Louis Buchalter, Tommy Guinon, Jack Silvers and Luciano were present. McAnally sent word to Luciano, whom he had not advised that he had kept Special Agent in Charge Whitley fully informed of all developments, that Mr. Whitley was with him, and that if he, Luciano, would come around casually, he would introduce him to Mr. Whitley. Luciano advised McAnally that there was a party watching him and he could not appear for the introduction at that time. He was not seen again until after the races were over, at which time he was located by McAnally and apologized for not having come around, informing McAnally that the reason he had failed to do so was because "there was a gaze that he could not shake". McAnally later contacted Luciano again on the night of July 29th and asked him why he had avoided meeting Mr. Whitley at the Empire Racetrack, and he stated that Costello "hates all cops", and that he, Luciano, did not want Costello to see him meet Mr. Whitley.

Special Agent in Charge Whitley has stated that he was convinced of the sincerity of the efforts of McAnally to effect a meeting between himself and Luciano and believed that Luciano might possess information which would be of interest to this Bureau.

On August 24, 1935, Mr. Whitley advised that Luciano had been absent from New York recently, and that McAnally was still endeavoring to ascertain the purpose behind Luciano's activities.

The files of the Identification Division of the Bureau reflect the following criminal record on Luciana:

Subject as Charles Lucania #B-135-A, arrested PD Jersey City, N. J., Dec. 15, 1921; charge--carrying concealed weapon; disposition not given.

As Charles Lucania, arrested PD New York, N. Y., Nov. 17, 1928; charge--assault and robbery (gun); discharged.

As Charles Lucania, arrested PD New York, N.Y., Oct. 17, 1929; charge--grand larceny; discharged Oct. 29, 1929.

As Chas. Lucania #4615, arrested SO Miami, Fla., Feb. 28, 1930; charge--operating gambling game, carrying concealed weapon, vagrancy; disposition--$1000.00 paid March 7, 1930.

As Charles Lucania, arrested PD, New York, N.Y., Feb. 8, 1931; charge--Fel. assault; disposition not given.

As Chas. Lucania, #--, arrested PD Cleveland, Ohio, July 4, 1931, charge investigation; pending.

The following notations appear on our records:

"6-27-16, as Charles Lucania, New York, N.Y., drugs, Penitentiary.
12-1921, as Charles Lucania, weapon, Jersey City, N.J., discharged.
6-1923, as Charles Lucania, New York, N. Y., violation Harrison Act; on 3-1-26 nolle prossed.
7-27-26, as Charles Lucania, New York, N. Y. 1897 P. L., on 7-27-26 discharged.
12-28-26, as Charles Lucania, New York, N. Y. fel. assault, on 12-29-26, discharged.
1927, 1897 P. L."

There are also photographs of Luciana appearing in the files of the Identification Division, and his fingerprints have been entered in the Single Fingerprint Section of the Technical Laboratory under #K-820.

The Bureau's files reflect no further information in connection with this individual.

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TITLE: SALVATORE LUCANIA with alias Charles Lucania, Charles Luciant, "Lucky" Lucania, Charles Lane.

CHARACTER OF CASE: INTERNAL SECURITY — I (Alien Enemy Control)

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject was born 11-11-97 at Palermo, Italy; entered U. S. in 1905 at Port of New York. Sentenced 6-18-36 to term of from 30 to 50 years for placing women in house of prostitution. Subject presently incarcerated at Great Meadow Prison, Comstock, N. Y., and being held for his maximum sentence until 1986.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau letter dated June 15, 1942, Re: Deportation Warrants Outstanding, Alien Enemy Control.

DETAILS:

AT GREAT MEADOW PRISON, COMSTOCK, NEW YORK:

Mr. VERNON MOREHOUS, Warden, made available subject's file which reflected the following information:

Subject was sentenced June 18, 1936 to serve a term of from thirty to fifty years for the crime of placing women in a house of prostitution.

Subject was born November 11, 1897, at Palermo, Italy and entered the United States in 1905 at the Port of New York. Subject's F.B.I. No. is 62920; Sing Sing #C-24806; and Great Meadow Prison #15684.

Subject's occupation was listed as barber and bookseller, and that he was formerly employed by the Goodman Hat Company, Green Street, New York

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from 1914 to 1916; and the Gem Toy Company, Worcester Street, New York from 1919 to 1920.

According to the file, subject has never served in any military organization. He listed one sister, FANNIE GALOSO, as residing in the United States at the present time, her address being East White Plains, New York.

The records show him to be dominated by reddessness and a craving for action; however, the files also show him to be able to get along with his fellow inmates.

According to subject's file, he was arrested on twenty-five occasions prior to 1936; offenses involving traffic violations and minor offenses. At the present time, there are nine warrants outstanding and filed against him, and since his term does not expire until 1986, this case is being closed upon the authority of the Special Agent in Charge.

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Is it desired that attached memo be kept in Director's office longer, in view of recent conviction?

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LA GUARDIA

30 Rockefeller Plaza - New York City

14th February, 1946 C

Hon. Thomas Clark
Attorney General
Constitution Ave. & 9th St.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Attorney General:

I am sending you a tear sheet from my Sunday broadcast. It may seem rough, but I want to say that the way some of the racketeers are strutting around and their conduct on the pier the other day would indicate, from past experience, that the bums are getting in right again.

I am sure Mr. Edgar Hoover will bear out my fears. I cannot understand how officials on the pier tolerated the conduct. From my experience in the Immigration Service, the alien was in custody of the Immigration Service. It is pretty difficult to understand how he was permitted to carry on and entertain. I believe the matter deserves thorough investigation and appropriate action against any dereliction of duty.

Sincerely yours,

(S) F. H. LaGuardia

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F. H. LA GUARDIA TALK TO THE PEOPLE February 10, 1946 12-12:25

Well, this is only the early part of February and Frank Costello is strutting and doing his stuff. We all read in the papers about Lucky Luciano, the peddler of human flesh on his way to Italo on an order of deportation and lo! and behold, the over boss, the big shot for whom Lucky Luciano, it is said, was a Lieutenant, Frank Costello, the judge-maker home-breaker, appears in regal form at Ellis Island to visit his lieutenant, but that isn't all. He is received with all kinds of courtesy, and I have here yesterday's World Telegram which carries a story that reporters went to the pier where Lucky Luciano was on the ship but were chased off by the stevedores. Jimmy the Bull, boss stevedore of Pier 5, says, "What do you guys want? Go home. Why don't you go home?" That is from the World Telegram, and then when the representative of the immigration service came, he says: "Well, I'll see what I can do." He pleaded with the stevedores, but they wouldn't let the reporters on to see Lucky Luciano and they didn't go on the ship.

Now the Department of Immigration is under the Department of Justice, and the Attorney General is Tom Clark. Did you get word from Tammany Hall that the courtesy of the ports should be extended to Frank Costello? I served in the immigration service 35 to 36 years ago. That couldn't happen when Oscar Straus was secretary of Commerce and Labor, and Arthur you promised me faithfully that the racketeers wouldn't return. How come that Frank Costello appeared in public places -- South Ferry? He is certainly coming back fast, and here is this man I kept out of public places--- Here is this man that was subdued. Now I don't know what influence he may now have. I see that Luciano entertained on board ship. He is a deportee on board ship entertaining. Were the seals of the locker broken so that Lucky could serve refreshments? How did the refreshments come aboard ship? What is the matter with the Custom Department? Was the order issued from Frank Costello through political organizations to the custom officials to extend courtesy, breaking the seals of the locker or permit refreshments to come on board?

How about the Shipping Administration? Why were all these courtesies given to Frank Costello's lieutenant, this peddler of human flesh? What is the limit of Frank Costello's power in this City? Are we to return to the control of racketeers of the Department of the City. Are such despicable characters to strut around and show their political power and connection? I think it is something that requires attention now before it gets started and gets beyond control again. We do not want to return to the days of prohibition when racketeers had great power and strong political connections. I knew what it required in my time to break the control of racketeers in this city. It wasn't easy. I didn't get the support from certain sources that I was entitled to get help from, and I know what it means when characters of this kind get hold and how easy it is to impress officials of the departments when they know that there is political protection.

I feel sorry for poor Italy getting this bum back, but he is gone. He is out of the country, but let us not forget Frank Costello, and then there is that Joy Rao, and how about Frank Erickson? You will see what is going to happen. What will the courts do with the Frank Erickson case? I don't think anything will happen to Frank Erickson. I make that prediction now in the sincere hope for the good of the City of New York that I am wrong. Unless the court gives

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aid and support to the Police Department in the enforcement of law, it won't take long for the word to go out what the situation is, and New York City, the people of this city will be the ones to suffer. So let's get back to Frank Costello. I want to appeal to the Commissioner of Police who is a fine, able, competent public servant, experienced, not to permit any suggestion, direct or indirect, or even implied to give any protection or to give any latitude to this big bum. Frank Costello is nothing but a bum. E avanti a lui trema tutta New York!

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The Attorney General

February 26, 1946

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

LUCKY LUCIANO
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I am returning herewith the letter dated February 14, 1946, addressed to you from Mayor LaGuardia and his enclosure giving his broadcast of February 10, 1946, wherein certain allegations are made against Frank Costello and others.

Per your request an immediate investigation has been instituted in this matter and you will be promptly advised of all pertinent developments.

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SUBJECT: LUCKY LUCIANO
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In connection with the letter which LaGuardia sent to the Attorney General, enclosing a copy of his Sunday broadcast, February 10, 1946, in which it is alleged that Frank Costello visited Lucky Luciano on Ellis Island and that Costello attended a party on board ship at the time Luciano was leaving the United States, I telephonically instructed the New York office to check the following allegations:

(1) The circumstances under which Costello was allowed to visit Ellis Island.
(2) The circumstances of the alleged party on board ship at the time Luciano was being deported to Italy.

The Attorney General requested that a check be made of the allegations contained in Mr. LaGuardia's correspondence and also a check of the circumstances under which Costello was allowed to visit Ellis Island.

ASAC Belmont, New York, was instructed to give this matter expeditious attention.

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The Attorney General

February 28, 1946

J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

CHARLES LUCIANO, with aliases
Charles Luciana, "Lucky" Luciano;
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As a result of the notation you made on the letter received by you from the Honorable Fiorello H. LaGuardia dated February 14, 1946, I caused an immediate investigation to be instituted relative to the following matters:

(1) The circumstances under which Costello was allowed to visit Ellis Island.
(2) The circumstances of the alleged party on board ship at the time Luciano was being deported to Italy.

By way of background, Charles Luciano, alias Charles Luciana, alias "Lucky" Luciano, was born in Italy November 11, 1897. He came to the United States in 1907 with his parents. At the early age of 14, he was sent to the Brooklyn Truant School. In 1916, he served time for possessing narcotics. He was at one time the head of "Unione Siciliano which has been reported as "an Al Capone group." The name of "Lucky" was given to him when he survived a "gang ride" on Staten Island on the night of October 16, 1929. He was subsequently convicted in New York Court on 62 out of 90 counts during June of 1936 on a charge of compulsory prostitution. At this time he was considered a member of the "Broadway Big Six" along with Frank Costello and others. Luciano was committed to Dannemora Prison, Clinton, New York, during July, 1936. Legal steps were taken in an effort to obtain a new trial for him but such efforts were ultimately defeated when the New York Appellate Division upheld the sentences on July 16, 1937.

On February 6, 1943, Luciano made application for a suspension of the two 15-year sentences before Judge J. McCook in New York. Judge McCook reportedly stated that Luciano had been useful in the war effort of this country. It was the claim of Attorney George Wolf, counsel for Luciano, that both Army and Navy personnel had sought Luciano's assistance. Accordingly, Governor Thomas E. Dewey paroled Luciano on January 3, 1946, on the express condition that Luciano be deported. He was thereupon released to Immigration and Naturalization custody from Sing Sing on February 2, 1946, and transported to Ellis Island, New York City.

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Appropriate interviews were conducted with representatives of the Department of Justice employed by the Immigration and Naturalization Service in order to ascertain the circumstances under which Frank Costello was allowed to visit Ellis Island. Lloyd H. Jansen, Chief of Detention, Deportation and Parole Division, Immigration and Naturalization Service, has advised that on February 2, 1946, he issued instructions to Philip Forman of the Detention and Deportation Section, to arrange for passes to Ellis Island for Luciano's lawyer, Moses Polakoff, and three relatives.* This arrangement was made pursuant to a telephone call from lawyer Polakoff. According to Mr. Jansen, it is the practice

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to issue passes to lawyers and relatives desiring to visit individuals in custody at Ellis Island. In the ordinary case, a deportee is escorted to various points in the New York area in order to wind up his affairs and make necessary purchases incidental to his deportation. Such procedure was deemed unwise by the Immigration authorities regarding Luciano and he was, therefore, permitted to receive various articles brought to him by Polakoff and the "three relatives."

It has been ascertained that Polakoff was, in fact, accompanied by Frank Costello, Meyer Lansky and Michael Lascar. These four individuals appeared at the Manhattan side of the barge office in order to board the Ellis Island ferry at 1:30 P. M., February 2, 1946. Polakoff asked Guard Ward C. Matheson, Immigration and Naturalization Service, for passes to Ellis Island which had been previously authorized.

Robert Dwyer, New York Daily News reporter, had been at the barge office since morning trying to get a pass for Ellis Island but had been unsuccessful. He recognized Costello and tried to interview him. He also attempted to go through to the slip where the ferry boat was docked in spite of the fact that an interview had been refused and entry had not been granted. Mr. Jensen stated that reporter Dwyer should be aware of the fact that newspaper men have never been allowed on Ellis Island except on very rare occasions. An example of such a rare exception, according to Jensen, was your recent visit to Ellis Island on February 8, 1946. Immigration Guard Matheson did not know Frank Costello and acted on the usual presumption that the lawyer and his companions were relatives of Luciano. Polakoff played his part by merely identifying his companions as, "these men are with me."

At this point the guard told reporter Dwyer to leave the barge office and on his refusal to do so, Guard Matheson instructed the Shore Patrol Coast Guard stationed at the door to remove Dwyer. Mr. Jensen has stated that the Immigration and Naturalization officials have deemed that Guard Matheson used poor judgment in ejecting Dwyer and have removed him from his post at the barge office and assigned him to Ellis Island duty.

Immigration Guard Frank S. Ciancola was on duty during the actual interview by the Polakoff group with Luciano at Ellis Island. Guard Ciancola has stated that the entire conversation was in English and was chiefly between Polakoff and Luciano. Luciano asked Polakoff if he could be released on bond. He was told that it might be possible but that he would be arrested immediately by the New York State authorities and returned to prison. Polakoff thereupon advised Luciano to return to Italy as a deportee. To comply with the rule that only $60.00 in currency may be taken out of this country, Luciano turned over to Frank Costello $400.00 in cash; however, since there is no limitation on the traveler's checks, Costello then handed Luciano $2,500.00 in

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traveler's checks. Polakoff proceeded to explain to Luciano the proper method of signing these checks. The group spent less than one hour visiting with Luciano during which time no liberties were reportedly allowed Luciano who was under constant supervision by Guard Ciancola. Clothing was also brought by Polakoff and these items were examined and itemized by this same guard. The Polakoff group departed from Ellis Island for Manhattan on the 3:15 P. M. ferry.

Luciano was placed aboard the freighter SS Laura Keene at 2:45 P. M., February 8, 1946, as evidenced by an executed receipt of this alien signed by E. J. Romaine, First Mate. The ship was then located at Pier 7, Brooklyn, on premises which are private property maintained and policed by the Bush Terminal Company. Luciano was delivered into the control of the ship's master by Immigration and Naturalization guards who were stationed on the ship in order to insure that the subject actually departed from the United States.

W. F. Watkins, District Director, Immigration and Naturalization Service, has stated that he notified the various press associations of Luciano's presence on board this ship and suggested 10 A. M., February 9th, as the time to interview him. He advised the press that every possible courtesy would be extended them. Harry Batzke, Assistant Supervisor, Security Unit, Ellis Island, stated that approximately 20 reporters, including a woman photographer, appeared at the pier for the scheduled interview. They were denied admittance on their press cards by Pier Superintendent Bard. After calling Immigration and Naturalization Offices, Mr. Batzke appeared at Pier 7. Batzke consulted with Bard who in turn called his superior, Mr. Esposito. The result was that the reporters were denied access to the pier and the ship, the reason furnished being that the reporters would delay the loading of the ship and the company would be liable for any possible personal injury resulting to the reporters. They were furnished with Esposito's name and his telephone number which is Sterling 8-6202. Batzke then advised the press of the decision of the Bush Terminal officials and pointed out that the Immigration and Naturalization officials lacked authority to permit entry to the pier or the ship.

At the request of the press representatives, Batzke boarded the ship and asked Luciano if he wished to see the press. Luciano reportedly stated that the press had not been too nice to him in the past so he did not desire to issue a statement. The reporters were furnished this information by Batzke. The unauthorized entry of the reporters to the pier was prevented by stevedores. These men were reportedly standing in the usual manner of stevedores awaiting employment, according to Batzke. However, it is reported that one individual calling himself "Harry the Bull", boss of the stevedores, told the reporters to "Beat it." The stevedores were firm in their refusal and Batzke was of the opinion that there would have been bloodshed if the reporters had stormed the pier in an effort to make an unauthorized entry. Batzke stated that upon presenting his own credentials

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at Pier 7, he was not stopped by anyone including pier official Bard, pier guards, or stevedores. Natale stated that six Immigration guards working in pairs watched Luciano 24 hours a day in eight-hour shifts during the period of custody on board the SS Laura Keene, from 2:45 P. M., February 6 until 2 P. M., February 10, at which time the ship was on the high seas and these guards returned to shore on a launch. It is noted that the actual sailing time of this ship was delayed as a result of rain on February 9, 1946, which made it necessary to suspend the loading of flour.

All six of the guards have been interviewed by Bureau Agents and denied that Luciano had any visitors during this entire period. These guards also denied the presence of any intoxicating liquor and state that the only food given to Luciano was at the regular scheduled meals in the ship's mess room with only guards and crew members present.

Mr. Watkins advised that there was no reason to anticipate that any unusual situation would arise with regard to the press and Luciano. He cited the Fritz Kuhn incident where the press had ample opportunity to both interview and photograph Kuhn prior to his deportation. The Immigration and Naturalization file regarding Luciano was made available by Mr. Watkins and it reflects that all personnel guarding Luciano denied that any whiskey or unauthorized food had been in evidence aboard the ship.

Detective Lieutenant Dobson of the New York Police Department had obtained permission of the Immigration authorities to interview the guards relative to the allegation that one Albert Anastasia had visited Luciano early on the morning of Sunday, February 10, 1946. However, the guards did not identify the photograph of Anastasia and denied that Luciano had visitors at this time. It is pointed out that Anastasia is a racketeer leader of the Brooklyn waterfront and received considerable notoriety in connection with the prosecution of "Murder, Incorporated."

This is being furnished to advise you of the facts in this matter; however, the information was largely obtained from Immigration and Naturalization employees and interviews were not conducted with pier officials, newspaper men and other outside sources in view of the possibility that additional publicity might result. Accordingly, no further investigation is being conducted by this Bureau in the absence of instructions from you to the contrary.

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LUCKY LUCIANO, MISC., INFO CONCERNING, DEPARTURE. BACKGROUND INFO REVEALS CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, ALIAS CHARLES LUCIANA, BORN IN ITALY NOV. ELEVEN, NINETYSEVEN. CAME TO US NINETEEN SEVEN WITH PARENTS. AT AGE FOURTEEN SENT TO BROOKLYN TRUANT SCHOOL. NINETEEN SIXTEEN SERVED TIME FOR POSSESSING NARCOTICS. AT ONE TIME HEADED UNIONE SICILIANO, FORMERLY AN AL CAPONE GROUP. OBTAINED NAME OF LUCKY AS RESULT OF SURVIVING A GANG RIDE ON STATEN ISLAND ON NIGHT OF OCT SIXTEEN, TWENTYNINE. CONVICTED NY COURT OF SIXTYTWO OUT OF NINETY COUNTS IN JUNE, THIRTYSIX, ON CHARGE OF COMPULSORY PROSTITUTION. THEN CONSIDERED AS MEMBER OF BROADWAY BIG SIX ALONG WITH FRANK COSTELLO. COMMITTED DANNEMORA PRISON, CLINTON, NY, JULY, THIRTYSIX. LEGAL STEPS FOR NEW TRIAL ULTIMATELY DEFEATED WHEN NY APPELLATE DIVISION UPHELD SENTENCES ON JULY SIXTEEN, THIRTYSEVEN. FEB EIGHTH, FORTYTHREE, APPLICATION FOR SUSPENSION OF TWO FIFTEEN-YEAR SENTENCES FILED BEFORE JUDGE J. MC COOK IN NY. MC COOK STATED SUBJ HAD BEEN USEFUL IN WAR EFFORT, GEORGE WOLF, COUNSEL FOR LUCIANO, CLAIMED ARMY AND NAVY PERSONNEL HAD SOUGHT ASSISTANCE OF SUBJ. GOVERNOR DEWEY GRANTED PAROLE JAN THREE, FORTYSIX, ON CONDITION THAT LUCIANO BE DEPORTED. RELEASED TO INS CUSTODY AT SING SING FEB TWO,

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FORTYSIX, AND REMOVED TO ELLIS ISLAND, NYC. IN NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS REFLECTED ROBERT DWYER, NY NEWS REPORTER, WAS FORCIBLY EJECTED FROM PUBLIC LOBBY ON MANHATTAN SIDE OF ELLIS ISLAND FERRY DEPOT, AT SAME TIME FRANK COSTELLO AND ATTORNEY MOSES POLAKOF PERMITTED TO ENTER AND PRESUMABLY PROCEED VIA FERRY TO ELLIS ISLAND. DISTRICT DIRECTOR, INS, W. F. WATKINS, NOTIFIED PRESS THAT LUCIANO WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW TEN AM, FEB NINTH, FORTYSIX, PIER FIVE, BROOKLYN, ABOARD LIBERTY SHIP LAURA KEENE. AT SCHEDULED TIME FIFTEEN JOURNALISTS WERE REFUSED ADMITTANCE TO PIER. OBSTRUCTIVE LINE FORMED BY STEVEDORES. ONE INDIVIDUAL CALLING HIMSELF QUOTE HARRY THE BULL UNQUOTE, BOSS OF THE STEVEDORES, TOLD REPORTERS TO QUOTE BEAT IT UNQUOTE. HARRY RATZKE, ASST SUPERVISOR OF SECURITY AT ELLIS ISLAND, ARRIVED AT PIER FIVE AND TOLD REPORTERS TO FOLLOW HIM, WHEREUPON STEVEDORES AGAIN BARRED ENTRY TO THE PIER. RATZKE ALONE WAS PERMITTED TO BOARD VESSEL. RATZKE, RETURNING FROM OFFICE OF UNIVERSAL TERMINAL AND STEVEDORING CO., ADVISED PRESS THEY COULD NOT BOARD VESSEL. LUCIANO, WHEN ASKED WHETHER HE WOULD SEE REPORTERS, REPLIED HE HAD ENOUGH OF THE PRESS. INS DISTRICT DIRECTOR W. F. WATKINS BEING INTERVIEWED AFTERNOON FEB TWENTYFIVE, FORTYSIX

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LUCKY LUCIANO, MISC., INFO CONCERNING DEPARTURE. ATTENTION MR ROSEN. W. F. WATKINS, INS DISTRICT DIRECTOR, STATED THAT ELLIS ISLAND HAS ALWAYS BEEN OFF BOUNDS FOR REPORTERS, THEREFORE EXCLUDING NY NEWS REPORTER ROBERT DWYER WAS PROPER. WATKINS CALLED SYNDICATED NEWS AGENCIES FEB EIGHT, FORTYSIX AT SEVEN PM ADVISING THAT LUCIANO WOULD BE AT PIER SEVEN, BROOKLYN, ABOARD QUOTE LAURA KEENE UNQUOTE. TO AVOID CONFUSION HE SUGGESTED THAT PRESS GATHER AT PIER SEVEN AT TEN AM, FEB NINTH, FORTYSIX, INDICATING THAT INS WOULD EXTEND EVERY COURTESY BUT THE ENTERING ON PIER AND INTERVIEW CONSIDERED AS PROBLEM FOR SOLUTION BY PRESS. HARRY RATZKE, ASST SUPERVISOR SECURITY UNIT, ELLIS ISLAND, APPEARED AT PIER SEVEN AFTER PRESS HAD BEEN DENIED ACCESS THERETO. RATZKE ADVISED PIER SUPERINTENDENT BARD THAT INS HAD NO OBJECTION TO GRANTING LUCIANO INTERVIEW WITH PRESS. BARD REPLIED HE HAD ORDERS FROM OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT NOT TO ADMIT ANY NEWSPAPER MEN TO PIER. BARD CLAIMED HIS INSTRUCTIONS RECD FROM ONE ESPOSITO. RATZKE ADVISED PRESS OF THESE FACTS FURNISHING ESPOSITO-S NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER, STERLING EIGHT DASH EIGHT TWO ZERO TWO. ALSO INFORMED PRESS THAT INS HAD NO JURISDICTION OVER ENTRY TO PIER OR BOARDING OF SHIP. RATZKE IDENTIFIED HIMSELF TO ONE OF PIER GUARDS AND ENTERED PIER AND BOARDED SHIP UNMOLESTED. HE TOLD LUCIANO THAT PRESS DESIRED INTER-

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VIEW. SUBJ SAID PRESS HAD NOT BEEN TOO NICE TO HIM IN PAST SO HE HAD NO DESIRE TO ISSUE STATEMENT. SAILING TIME DELAYED AS RESULT OF RAIN FEB. NINTH, FORTYSIX WHEN LOADING OF FLOUR CARGO SUSPENDED. WATKINS ADVISED THERE WAS NO REASON TO ANTICIPATE UNUSUAL SITUATION WHICH AROSE AS TO PRESS WITH LUCIANO. CITED FRITZ KUHN INCIDENT WHERE PRESS HAD AMPLE OPPORTUNITY TO INTERVIEW AND PHOTOGRAPH KUHN. INS FILE, MADE AVAILABLE BY FULL COOPERATION OF WATKINS WITH INTERVIEWING AGENTS, REFLECTED ALL PERSONNEL GUARDING LUCIANO DENIED ANY WHISKEY OR FOOD HAD BEEN IN EVIDENCE ABOARD SHIP. DETECTIVE LT. DOBSON, NYPD, HAD PERMISSION OF INS TO INTERVIEW GUARDS ABOUT ALLEGATION TO EFFECT THAT ALBERT ANASTASIA VISITED LUCIANO EARLY SUNDAY MORNING, FEB TENTH, FORTYSIX. PHOTOGRAPH OF ANASTASIA NOT IDENTIFIED BY GUARDS WHO DENIED LUCIANO HAD VISITORS AT TIME IN QUESTION. ANASTASIA, RACKETEER LEADER OF BROOKLYN WATERFRONT, RECD LOCAL NOTORIETY IN CONNECTION WITH PROSECUTION OF MURDER, INC. REASON FOR NYPD INTEREST UNKNOWN. NO CONTACT BEING MADE WITH NYPD UNLESS BUREAU SO INSTRUCTS. ON FEB TWO, FORTYSIX, INS ISSUED PPERMITS FOR PASSAGE TO ELLIS ISLAND VISIT TO MOSES POLAKOFF, LUCIANO-S ATTORNEY, WHO WAS ACCOMPANIED BY FRANK COSTELLO, NY KING PIN GAMBLER, MEYER LANSKY AND MICHAEL LASCAR AT WHICH TIME VARIOUS CLOTHING AND TWENTYFIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS IN TRAVELER-S CHECKS WERE FURNISHED LUCIANO. FURTHER INFO REGARDING COSTELLO-S VISIT BEING DEVELOPED TODAY.

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LOYD H. JENSEN, CHIEF OF DETENTION DEPORTATION AND PAROLE DIVISION INS UPON INTERVIEW ADVISED THAT ON FEB. FIRST FORTYSIX ISSUED INSTRUCTIONS TO PHILIP FORMAN, CHIEF OF DETENTION AND DEPORTATION SECTION, TO ARRANGE FOR PASSES TO ELLIS ISLAND FOR LUCIANOS LAWYER, MOSES POLAKOFF AND THREE RELATIVES. THIS ARRANGEMENT MADE AS RESULT OF TELEPHONE CALL FROM LAWYER. IT IS PRACTICE TO ISSUE PASSES TO LAWYERS AND RELATIVES DESIRING TO VISIT ELLIS ISLAND. IN ORDINARY CASE DEPORTEE IS ESCORTED TO VARIOUS POINTS IN NY AREA IN ORDER TO WIND UP HIS AFFAIRS AND MAKE NECESSARY PURCHASES. THIS PROCEDURE DEEMED UNWISE AS TO SUBJECT AND THEREFORE HE WAS PERMITTED TO RECEIVE VARIOUS ARTICLES BROUGHT BY POLAKOFF GROUP. POLAKOFF, MEYER LANSKY, FRANK COSTELLO AND MICHAEL LASCAR APPEARED AT MANHATTAN SIDE OF BARGE OFFICE FOR ELLIS ISLAND FERRY ABOUT ONE THIRTY PM., FEB. SECOND, FORTYSIX AND POLAKOFF ASKED INS GUARD WARD C. MATHEWSON FOR PASSES PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED. ROBERT DWYER, NY DAILY NEWS REPORTER,

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HAD BEEN AT BARGE OFFICE SINCE MORNING TRYING TO GET PASS FOR ELLIS ISLAND BUT HAD BEEN REFUSED. WHEN FRANK COSTELLO APPEARED HE WAS RECOGNIZED BY DWYER WHO THEN ATTEMPTED TO INTERVIEW COSTELLO AND GO THROUGH TO FERRY SLIP DESPITE REFUSAL OF INTERVIEW AND ENTRY. MR. JENSEN STATED THAT DWYER SHOULD BE AWARE OF FACT THAT REPORTERS HAVE NEVER BEEN ALLOWED ON ELLIS ISLAND. RARE EXCEPTION TO THIS RULE OCCURRED WHEN REPORTERS IN TOUR PARTY OF ATTY GENERAL VISITED ELLIS ISLAND FEB. EIGHTH FORTYSIX. GUARD MATHEWSON DID NOT KNOW FRANK COSTELLO AND ACTED ON USUAL RESUMPTION THAT HE AND THE OTHER TWO ACCOMPANYING THE LAWYER WERE RELATIVES OF LUCIANO. POLAKOFF MERELY IDENTIFIED HIS COMPANIONS BY SAYING "THESE MEN ARE WITH ME." AT THIS POINT GUARD TOLD DWYER TO GET OUT OF BARGE OFFICE AND UPON HIS REFUSAL MATHEWSON INSTRUCTED THE SHORE PATROL COAST GUARD STATIONED AT THE DOOR TO REMOVE DWYER. MR. JENSEN STATED INS OFFICIALS DEEMED GUARD MATHEWSON HAD USED POOR JUDGMENT IN EJECTING DWYER AND AS RESULT MATHEWSON WAS REMOVED FROM HIS POST AT THE BARGE OFFICE AND ASSIGNED ELLIS ISLAND DUTY. AGENTS INTERVIEWED GUARD FRANK R. GIANCOLA, ON DUTY DURING CONTACT BY POLAKOFF GROUP WITH LUCIANO AT ELLIS ISLAND, WHO STATED ALL CONVERSATION WAS IN ENGLISH CHIEFLY BETWEEN POLAKOFF AND LUCIANO. SUBJECT ASKED IF HE COULD BE RELEASED ON BOND AND POLAKOFF STATED IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE BUT SUBJECT WOULD BE ARRESTED

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IMMEDIATELY BY NY AUTHORITIES AND RETURNED TO STATE PRISON. LAWYER ADVISED LUCIANO TO RETURN TO ITALY AS DEPORTEE. TO COMPLY WITH RULE THAT ONLY SIXTY DOLLARS IN CURRENCY WAS PERMITTED TO BE TAKEN OUT OF THE COUNTRY, LUCIANO GAVE FRANK COSTELLO FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS IN CASH. THERE BEING NO LIMITATION ON TRAVELERS CHECKS, COSTELLO HANDED LUCIANO TWENTY FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS IN UNSIGNED TRAVELERS CHECKS. POLAKOFF EXPLAINED TO LUCIANO THE PROPER METHOD TO SIGN THE TRAVELERS CHECKS. THE GROUP SPENT LESS THAN ONE HOUR WITH SUBJECT DURING WHICH TIME NO LIBERTIES ALLOWED LUCIANO WHO WAS UNDER CONSTANT GUARD BY ITALIAN SPEAKING GUARD GIANCOLA. CLOTHING BROUGHT BY POLAKOFF EXAMINED AND ITEMIZED BY THIS GUARD. JENSEN STATED GROUP DEPARTED ELLIS ISLAND FOR MANHATTAN ON THREE FIFTEEN PM FERRY. SUBJECT PLACED ABOARD FREIGHTER SS LAURA KEENE AT TWO FORTYFIVE PM FEB. EIGHTH FORTYSIX, EVIDENCED BY AN EXECUTED RECEIPT OF ALIEN SIGNED BY B. J. ROMAINE, FIRST MATE. SHIP LOCATED AT PIER SEVEN BROOKLYN. PIER PREMISES ARE PRIVATE PROPERTY MAINTAINED AND POLICED BY BUSH TERMINAL CO. DELIVERY OF SUBJECT TO SHIP PLACED HIM IN CONTROL OF SHIPS MASTER. INS GUARDS STATIONED ON SHIP THEREAFTER MANLY FOR ASSURANCE THAT SUBJECT DEPARTED USA. W. F. WATKINS, INS DISTRICT DIRECTOR INTERVIEWED AND STATED HE NOTIFIED PRESS ASSOCIATIONS OF LUCIANOS PRESENCE ON BOARD THE SHIP AND SUGGESTED TEN AM FEB. NINTH AS TIME TO INTERVIEW

LUCIANO. WATKINS TOLD PRESS EVERY POSSIBLE COURTESY WOULD BE EXTENDED THEM. HARRY RATZKE, ASST. SUPERVISOR, SECURITY UNIT, ELLIS ISLAND INTERVIEWED AND STATED APPROXIMATELY TWENTY REPORTERS INCLUDING A WOMAN PHOTOGRAPHER APPEARED AT PIER SEVEN AT TEN AM, FEB. NINTH FORTYSIX TO INTERVIEW SUBJECT. DENIED ADMITTANCE ON THEIR PRESS CARDS BY PIER SUPT. BARD, PRESS CALLED INS RESULTING IN APPEARANCE AT PIER SEVEN OF RATZKE. RATZKE CONSULTED BARD WHO CALLED HIS SUPERIOR ESPOSITO. THIS RESULTED IN DENYING PRESS ACCESS TO PIER AND SHIP. REASONS FURNISHED WERE THAT REPORTERS WOULD DELAY LOADING OF SHIP AND SUBJECT COMPANY TO LIABILITY FOR POSSIBLE PERSONAL INJURY OF REPORTERS. RATZKE ADVISED PRESS MEMBERS OF DECISION OF BUSH TERMINAL OFFICIALS. HE POINTED OUT LACK OF JURISDICTION OF INS TO AUTHORIZE ENTRY TO PIER AND SHIP. AT PRESS REQUEST RATZKE BOARDED SHIP AND ASKED LUCIANO IF HE WISHED TO SEE PRESS AND UPON REFUSAL OF SUBJECT HE SO ADVISED REPORTERS. UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY OF REPORTERS PREVENTED BY STEVEDORES ON PIER PREMISES., THESE MEN APPEARED TO BE STANDING BIN IN USUAL MANNER OF STEVEDORES AWAITING EMPLOYMENT ACCORDING TO RATZKE. STEVEDORES FIRM IN REFUSAL. RATZKE BELIEVES THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN BLOOD SHED IF REPORTERS STORMED PIER IN UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY. RATZKE STATED THAT UPON PRESENTING HIS CREDENTIALS AT PIER SEVEN HE WAS NOT STOPPED BY ANYONE INCLUDING PIER OFFICIAL BARD, PIER GUARDS OR STEVEDORES. RATZKE STATED SIX GUARDS WORKING IN PAIRS WATCHED LUCIANO TWENTY FOUR HOURS A DAY

IN EIGHT HOUR SHIFTS DURING PERIOD OF CUSTODY OF LUCIANO ON BOARD SS LAURA KEENE FROM TWO FORTYFIVE PM., FEB. EIGHTH TO TWO PM., FEB. TENTH AT WHICH TIME SHIP WAS ON HIGH SEAS, AND GUARDS RETURNED TO SHORE BY A LAUNCH. THESE SIX GUARDS INTERVIEWED BY AGENTS AND DENY THAT LUCIANO HAD ANY VISITORS DURING ENTIRE PERIOD. ALL GUARDS ALSO DENY PRESENCE OF ANY INTOXICATING LIQUOR. NO FOOD DELIVERED TO SUBJECT WHO ATE REGULAR MEALS AT REGULAR TIME IN SHIPS MESSHALL WHERE ONLY GUARDS AND CREW MEMBERS WERE PRESENT. THE PRECEDING INFO REPRESENTS A FACTUAL SUMMARY OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THIS CASE AS OBTAINED FROM DEPT. OF JUSTICE EMPLOYEES CONNECTED WITH INS. INTERVIEW OF PIER OFFICIALS, NEWSPAPERMEN AND OTHER OUTSIDE INDIVIDUALS IS NOT CONTEMPLATED AND WILL NOT BE UNDERTAKEN UNLESS SO AUTHORIZED BY THE BUREAU. THIS LINE OF INVESTIGATION MAY RESULT IN ADDITIONAL PUBLICITY AND NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION IS BEING CONDUCTED WITHOUT BUREAU AUTHORIZATION.

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PAROLE AND DEPORTATION CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, MISCELLANOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING.

NEW YORK INSTRUCTED TO INAUGURATE IMMEDIATELY A COMPLETE DETAILED AND DISCREET INQUIRY CONCERNING FACTS UPON WHICH GOVERNOR THOMAS E. DEWEY BASED THE PAROLE RECENTLY GRANTED TO LUCIANO. EXPERIENCED AGENT SHOULD BE ASSIGNED AND A REPORT SUBMITTED FOR RECEIPT AT THE BUREAU NOT LATER THAN [MARCH FOURTEENTH, NINETEEN FORTY SIX.] (U) NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY ALBANY UNTIL SO DIRECTED BY NEW YORK WHICH IS OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

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Mr. Hoover:

As you will recall, on January 7th, I furnished you a note concerning the appointment of Charles Radcliff Haffenden to the position of Commissioner of Marine and Aviation. At that time you were advised of an affidavit prepared by Haffenden, formerly a Commander in ONI, for Governor Dewey, setting forth that while Haffenden was in ONI he had received information from "Lucky" Luciano which aided in the invasion of Italy.

Recently this office received in the strictest confidence from an outside source photostatic copies of correspondence of ONI. This correspondence includes a letter written by Haffenden to Charles Breitel, Counsel to Governor Dewey, a copy of which is attached hereto.

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The ONI office in New York received an anonymous letter from a newspaperman stating the claim, supported by Haffenden, that Luciano had contributed to this country's success in the invasion of Italy, was untrue and that Haffenden had perjured himself. Subsequently, Haffenden's superior demanded an answer from him to these charges. In reply Haffenden submitted a statement in which he claimed his first contact with Moses Polakoff, underworld attorney, came about after conferences with the District Attorney's office of New York County, during which Murray I. Gurfein, then an Assistant District Attorney, but later a [redacted] suggested that contacts be made with attorneys for underworld characters in order to secure their cooperation in preventing sabotage by enemy agents in the Port of New York, and enlisting

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An official of the New York Police Department has advised Haffenden was a guest at a cocktail party at which Moses Polakoff was the host, which no doubt was paid for by Frank Costello, the outstanding New York City racketeer.

Haffenden admitted he was friendly with Costello and had played golf with him.

There has been talk around the city that $250,000 would be paid for the release of Luciano from State Prison. This money, however, would probably not go to Haffenden, but rather to others in political circles. It is observed that Haffenden has already been rewarded with the position of Commissioner of Marine and Aviation.

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the assistance of fishing boats operating from the Third Naval District to submarines.

After this contact Polakoff and other friends of Luciano made several trips to prison to see Luciano, and contact was also had with [redacted] b7D [redacted] racketeer in New York City.

During February, 1943, Haffenden and Gurfein appeared before Justice Philip J. McCook and testified in generalities as to the assistance rendered by Luciano for the purpose of securing a parole for him. However, Justice McCook denied the application.

In his reply to his superior, Haffenden claimed he had made a request of Polakoff for any information on Italy or Sicily, as a result of which informants on this area called on him constantly. He said these informants were turned over to officers familiar with the territory. Haffenden advised he kept a record of the informants which he left in his office when he was detached from the District Intelligence Office.

Captain W. B. Phillips stated the District Intelligence Office files indicated Luciano never furnished any assistance or information to ONI.

Haffenden was forced to sign a statement in which he promised to notify his commanding officer if he were approached to give additional information as to Luciano.

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May 17th, 1945

Hon. Charles Breitel,
Counsel to the Governor of the State of N.Y.
Albany, New York

Re: Charles Luciano

Dear Sir:

The writer of this letter was in charge of the Investigating Section, Naval Intelligence, Third Naval District, from approximately July 1940 to June 1944, during which time it was his duty to locate informants in the United States who could give intelligence information that would be of value, both domestic and foreign.

Approximately through the cooperation of Major Murray Gurfein, [redacted] b7E who was formerly an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan, contacts were made with Mr. Moses Polakoff, who was attorney for the subject, Charles Luciano. This contact was made for the purpose of reaching Sicilian-born Italians who could give pertinent information regarding the conditions in Sicily that would be helpful to our Armed Forces preparing the intelligence for the campaign which eventually developed in the aforementioned country.

Large numbers of informants were constantly sent to my office, then located at 50 Church Street, and were interviewed by agents under my command. It is difficult to say how many such informants came to my attention through the cooperation of Charlie Luciano, as many times one informant would develop other informants who were familiar with certain questions that we would bring to their attention, but I am confident that the greater part of the intelligence developed in the Sicilian campaign was directly responsible to the number of Sicilians that emanated from the Charlie "Lucky" contact. Additional assistance on various subjects came from this same informant which can be explained to you in detail at a later date. I might further say that the negotiations to reach the attorneys of the informants were primarily directed by Major Gurfein who, in turn, brought me in contact with Mr. Hogan, District Attorney of Manhattan, who further cooperated with me in making the contacts possible.

At the present time, I am recovering from wounds received at Iwo Jima, and as soon as the doctors turn me loose, I will be glad to meet you in person, or anyone you may direct, and give you further information on the subject.

Sincerely yours,

CHARLES P. HAFFENDEN
Commander, U.S.N.R.

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SALVATORE LUCANIA, with aliases: Charles Lucanio, Charles Lucania, Lucky Luciano, Charles Lane	MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING DEPARTURE

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: LUCIANO transferred from Sing Sing Prison, NY to Ellis Island, 2/2/46, to await deportation to Italy. Visited at Ellis Island by Attorney MOSES POLAKOFF, and friends, MEYER LANSKY, FRANK COSTELLO and MICHAEL DASCAR. New York News reporter, ROBERT DWYER, ejected from Barge Office of INS, Manhattan. He was refused a pass because reporters never have been allowed to go to Ellis Island. POLAKOFF group brought $2500 in Travelers Cheques and articles of clothing to subject. LUCIANO placed aboard SS LAURA KEENE 2:45 p.m., 2/8/46. INS guards remained to assure subject left USA. District Director W. F. WATKINS of INS notified press associations subject would be available for interview 10:00 a.m., 2/9/46 at Pier 7, Brooklyn. Pier maintained and policed by Bush Terminal Company, officials of which refused to allow 20 reporters to enter pier and ship area. Press denied admittance on press cards. Reason advanced was loading would be delayed and possible claims against company might arise for personal injuries. No obstruction to entering of INS guards and official. Six INS guards placed aboard ship watched LUCIANO 24 hours a day in 8-hour shifts from 2:45 p.m., 2/8/46 to 2:00 p.m., 2/10/46, when 2 guards returned from high seas via launch. Upon interview all 6 guards denied LUCIANO had visitors, foodstuff or liquor.

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Lucky Luciano

DETAILS:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Herman O. Bly and the writer:

The records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service reflected the name of SALVATORE LUCANIA, which apparently is the correct unused name of the subject. However, for reporting purposes the popular name of LUCIANO is being used in this report.

Available background data reflects that CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO was born in Italy on November 11, 1897. He accompanied his parents in 1905 when they migrated to the United States. At the age of 14 LUCIANO was sent to the Brooklyn Truant School. He again became involved with the law in 1916 when he was convicted and required to serve time for possessing narcotics. LUCIANO at one time headed the Unione Siciliano, which was formerly one of AL CAPONE's outfits. LUCIANO was given his nickname "LUCKY" as a result of his having survived a gang ride to Staten Island, New York, on the night of October 16, 1929.

In June, 1936, LUCIANO was convicted in the New York State Court on 62 out of 90 counts on the charge of compulsory prostitution. He is reported at that time to have been considered as one of the members of the "Broadway Big Six", of which FRANK COSTELLO was also a member. LUCIANO was committed to Dannemora Prison, Clinton, New York, in July, 1936. Various legal steps for a new trial were defeated when the New York Appellate Division upheld the sentences imposed when a decision was handed down on July 16, 1937.

On February 8, 1943 an application was filed before Judge J. MC COOK, asking for the suspension of two 15-year sentences. At this time Judge MC COOK stated LUCIANO had been useful in the war effort. GEORGE WOLF, attorney for LUCIANO, claimed the subject had been sought out by the Army and Navy officials.

On January 3, 1946, LUCIANO was paroled by Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York State, on the condition that he be deported.

He was released to United States authorities for deportation, when Immigration and Naturalization guards took him into custody at Sing Sing Prison on February 2, 1946, and removed him to Ellis Island, New York.

W. F. WATKINS, District Director of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, New York City, upon being interviewed, stated that when ROBERT DWYER, New York News reporter, was excluded from the Barge Office of the INS, Manhattan, the action was proper in that the entry by news reporters to Ellis Island has never been allowed.

Mr. WATKINS stated that he called the AP, UP and the newspaper PM, and probably the International News Service, about 7:00 p.m., February 8, 1946, advising the various agencies that LUCIANO would be located at Pier 7, Brooklyn, on February 9, 1946, aboard the SS LAURA KEENE. He stated that he suggested to the news agencies that they send their representatives at 10:00 a.m. in order to avoid confusion. Mr. WATKINS advised that he told these news agencies that INS would extend every possible courtesy, but the actual entering on the pier and obtaining an interview would, of course, be the problem of the members of the press.

Mr. WATKINS also advised that when the members of the press appeared at the pier the following day at the appointed time they were unable to gain access to the pier, and they telephoned officials of INS, requesting assistance. As a result of this, HARRY RATZKE, Assistant Supervisor, Security Unit, Ellis Island, appeared at Pier 7. RATZKE consulted the Pier Superintendent, one BARD, advising BARD that INS had no objection to granting LUCIANO an interview with the press. Mr. WATKINS added that BARD then told RATZKE that he had orders from the office superintendent, not to admit any newspapermen to the pier premises. BARD claimed, according to Mr. WATKIN's statement, that his instructions had been received from one ESPOSITO, whose telephone number as given by BARD was Sterling 8-8202. Mr. WATKINS stated that then INS representative RATZKE returned to the newspapermen, furnished ESPOSITO's telephone number and advised that INS had no jurisdiction over the entering of the pier or the boarding of a ship.

Mr. WATKINS further stated that RATZKE encountered no difficulty either in entering the pier or boarding the ship. Mr. WATKINS said that RATZKE went aboard the SS LAURA KEENE and advised LUCIANO that the press desired an interview. LUCIANO then stated to RATZKE that the press had not been favorable to him on previous occasions, and therefore he had no desire to issue a statement at this time.

Mr. WATKINS stated that the delay in the departure of the SS LAURA KEENE was caused by rain on February 9, 1946, when it was necessary to suspend the loading of the cargo of flour for fear of damaging the flour.

Mr. WATKINS said that he had no reason to anticipate an unusual situation would arise as to the attempt of members of the press to interview LUCIANO. He cited the FRITZ KUHN incident, where the press had ample opportunity to interview and photograph KUHN. He stated that the difference arose as a result of jurisdiction because in the FRITZ KUHN case INS had control not only of the pier but also of the ship, the GRIPSHOLM. Mr. WATKINS advised that he regretted the incident and if he had anticipated what was going to happen he said he would certainly have made arrangements for the press to photograph and interview LUCIANO prior to his departure.

Mr. WATKINS made available the entire file on LUCIANO. A summary of the various events leading up to the departure of LUCIANO is set forth in a memorandum of H. A. RATZKE, Assistant Supervisor, Security Unit, to L. H. JENSEN, Chief, Detention, Deportation and Parole Section, dated February 11, 1946. This memorandum quoted in full is as follows:

"Verification of Departure: CHARLES LUCIANO

Charles Luciano was escorted by guards Bernstein and Brosman on the 1:15 ferry, Friday, February 8, 1946 to be placed on board the S. S. 'Laura Keene' for deportation, sailing from pier #7, Bush Terminal, Brooklyn, N. Y. Verbal instructions were given guards Bernstein and Brosnan prior to leaving Ellis Island regarding this case. It was also made clear to the guards that the Service had no objections if the press desired an interview with Mr. Luciano, and that they were to extend whatever courtesies and assistance they could give the press. Written instructions were given to each supervisory guard and assistant supervisory guard regarding the relief guards who were to be assigned to this detail. Guards Incarnato and Caravella were the relief guards on the 4:00 p.m. to midnight watch. Guards Erhard and Giancarlo were the relief guards from midnight to 8:00 a.m. watch. Guards Sessa and Scanlon were the relief guards from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. They were told to contact the guard who they were to relieve for verbal instructions as given to Bernstein and Brosnan.

"Saturday morning, February 9, 1946, I received a call from Assistant Supervisory Guard Leo Kombacher at Ellis Island, informing me that the press had called the Island from Pier #7, and said that they were denied an interview with Mr. Luciano by the Immigration guards on duty there. I arrived at the pier at 10:20 and upon my arrival there, I met about 20 newspapermen and women at the entrance of the pier. I identified myself as Harry Ratzke, Assistant Supervisor, Security Unit, Ellis Island, and inquired as to the trouble. I was informed that the representat

"of the press were denied entrance. I contacted the pier superintendent and informed him that the Immigration Service had no objections granting Luciano an interview with the press if he so desired. Mr. Bard, Pier Superintendent, informed me that he was carrying out orders and that no newspaper reporters would be permitted on the pier regardless of who authorized it unless he received the order direct from the Office Superintendent. I placed a call to Mr. Forman who had a talk with Mr. Bard. After the conversation with Mr. Forman, Mr. Bard gave me the name and phone number of Mr. Esposito, Sterling 8-8202, who was in charge of this pier. I again appeared before the group of newspaper men and women, explaining to them that the Immigration Service which I represented had no objections in regard to a press conference with Mr. Luciano, and that the matter was entirely out of my hands. I explained to them further that the Immigration and Naturalization Service had no jurisdiction over who could or who could not enter the pier, or board the ship. I also gave them Mr. Esposito's name and phone number and told them that he was the responsible person to see. The reporters requested that I ask Mr. Luciano a few questions in regard to his attitude towards his freedom, leaving the country, and about his plans for the future. I told the newspapermen that I did not think it would be proper for me to ask these questions, but if Mr. Luciano wished to give a statement, I would have him brought down to the end of the pier and they could do their own questioning.

"Upon entering the pier, I was stopped by one of McRoberts steamship guards, asking me for my identification. I had no trouble whatsoever with the stevedores on the pier or on board the ship, nor was I molested or threatened. Upon boarding the ship, I was stopped again at the gangplank by a McRoberts steamship guard and asked to produce identification. This was not at all unusual as these restrictions are always placed on all persons entering or leaving ship and pier. On board, I met Guard Sessa who was standing in front of the passageway leading to Mr. Luciano's cabin. Guard Scanlon waved to me from the starboard way of the passageway. When I entered Mr. Luciano's cabin, I told him that I was stopped by the representatives of the press at the end of the pier and that they would like to interview him. He reacted unfavorably to the idea and he told me that since the press had not been any too nice to him in the past, he had no desire to give any statements.

"Mr. Luciano was quartered in a cabin known as the "gun crew quarters" aft of amidship. In the cabin with Mr. Luciano was the first mate who informed Luciano that he would have to remain in the quarters assigned to him, until the 'old man', meaning the captain, orders the change of quarters.

"I left the cabin and returned to the end of the pier. I informed the newspaper reporters that I spoke with Mr. Luciano and that he had no statement to make to the press. After the newspaper group left the pier, I returned to the ship which was loading flour. Due to a heavy rain, the loading was stopped, delaying the sailing. The first officer informed me that whether or not the ship was fully loaded, she would sail sometime Sunday, February 10th, between the hours of 8:00 and 9:00 a.m. at ebb tide. I left the pier at 3:30 p.m., giving instructions to guards Sessa and Scanlon to report for duty at 6:00 a.m., Sunday, February 10, since I believed that the ship would sail sometime after 8:00 a.m. Sunday morning.

"On Sunday, February 10th, I arrived at the pier, at 6:00 a.m. In order to gain entrance to the Bush Dock Terminal, it is necessary to receive a pass from a uniformed police, employed by the Bush Dock Terminal. This I obtained without trouble. Upon my arrival there, I saw a gang or a mob of 60 to 80 men and about 20 to 30 cars. I have no idea as to their identity or their purpose for being on hand.

"As I entered pier #7, the same gang of stevedores was at the entrance, but I was not stopped by any of them after I had identified myself to a McRoberts guard. Sessa and Scanlon were on board ship when I arrived. The ship left the pier at 8:50 a.m. As/we were edging our way out from the slip, I noticed a launch cruising back and forth at the end of the pier. I discussed my observations with guards Sessa and Scanlon and the three of us watched this launch as we entered midstream. The launch followed the ship for approximately three miles. I could not find out why it followed the ship although I surmised that it might be the press making a final try at an interview with Luciano. We arrived in the vicinity of Ambrose Lightship about 10:30 a.m. We left the ship at 2:00 p.m. and were taken to the pilot ship for our journey back. We were informed by the pilots on board the pilot ship that they had no knowledge of any incoming ships and it would probably be sometime before we would be taken off. Sometime later, we hailed a commercial fishing boat, the 'Helen B' sailing from Mill Basin, Brooklyn, which took us aboard and returned us to Brooklyn docks at 5:50 p.m."

LOYD H. JENSEN, Chief of Detention, Deportation and Parole Section, INS, upon interview stated that on February 1, 1946 he issued instructions to PHILIP FORMAN, Chief of Detention and Deportation Section, to issue passes to Ellis Island for LUCIANO's lawyer, MOSES POLAKOFF and three relatives, un-named.

Mr. JENSEN stated that this arrangement was made as a result of a telephone call received from lawyer POLAKOFF. He advised that it is the practice to issue passes to lawyers and relatives. He said that in the case of an ordinary deportee the individual is escorted to various points in the New York area in order to wind up his affairs and make necessary purchases. He said, however, that this procedure was deemed unwise as to LUCIANO and therefore the subject was permitted to receive various articles brought to Ellis Island by the POLAKOFF group.

Mr. JENSEN advised that POLAKOFF, 475 Fifth Avenue, MEYER LANSKY, 525 W. 43rd Street, FRANK COSTELLO, 111 Central Park West, and MICHAEL LASCAR, 485 York Avenue, appeared at the Barge Office of the Ellis Island Ferry Terminal, Manhattan, at about 1:30 p.m., February 2, 1946. POLAKOFF asked INS guard WARD C. MATHEWSON to issue the passes previously authorized. Mr. JENSEN stated that New York Daily News reporter, ROBERT DWYER, was present at the Barge Office at this time. He stated that DWYER had been at the Barge Office for a period of several hours and had been refused a pass to Ellis Island. Mr. JENSEN advised that upon the arrival of FRANK COSTELLO with the POLAKOFF group, DWYER recognized COSTELLO and he made an attempt to get through to the ferry slip despite the previous refusals of INS guard WARD C. MATHEWSON to allow him on the slip. Mr. JENSEN stated that DWYER should be aware of the fact that reporters have never been allowed to go to Ellis Island. He pointed out one exception to this rule which had occurred when a group of reporters accompanied the party of the Attorney General when he recently visited Ellis Island on February 8, 1946.

Mr. JENSEN stated that guard MATHEWSON did not know FRANK COSTELLO, and he acted on the usual presumption that he was a relative of LUCIANO. POLAKOFF merely identified his companions by stating, "these men are with me". Mr. JENSEN said that at this point guard MATHEWSON told DWYER to get out of the Barge Office and upon DWYER's refusal he instructed the Shore Patrol Coast Guardsman stationed at the door to remove DWYER. Mr. JENSEN advised that INS officials regarded guard MATHEWSON's conduct unfavorably and the officials considered he had used poor judgment in ejecting DWYER.

As a result of this MATHEWSON was removed from his post and assigned to Ellis Island duty.

INS Guard FRANK R. GIANCARLO, upon being interviewed advised that he was on duty during the contact by POLAKOFF and the three others with LUCIANO at Ellis Island. GIANCARLO stated that he understands and speaks Italian, but that during the meeting of LUCIANO with these four individuals all conversation was in English. He stated that most of the conversation took place between POLAKOFF and LUCIANO. The subject asked his lawyer POLAKOFF if he could obtain his release on bond and POLAKOFF advised that this might be allowed but would probably result in the immediate arrest of LUCIANO and his return to the New York

authorities for incarceration in the state prison. POLAKOFF advised LUCIANO to return to Italy as a deportee. Guard GIANCARLO stated that FRANK COSTELLO took $400 in cash from LUCIANO and furnished him with $2500 in unsigned Travelers Cheques. At this point lawyer POLAKOFF explained to LUCIANO the manner in which the cheques should be signed. Guard GIANCARLO said that the POLAKOFF group spent less than an hour with the subject, during which time no liberties were allowed to LUCIANO, who was under constant surveillance by Guard GIANCARLO. GIANCARLO stated that the clothing brought to Ellis Island by POLAKOFF was examined and itemized by him. He stated that the group left Ellis Island for Manhattan on the 3:15 p.m. ferry.

Mr. JENSEN advised that LUCIANO was placed aboard the SS LAURA KEENE on the afternoon of February 8, 1946, as reflected by an executed receipt of alien signed by B. J. ROMAINE, First Mate. Mr. JENSEN and H. A. RATZKE both advised that the pier premises are private property, maintained and policed by the Bush Terminal Company. Mr. JENSEN explained that the delivery of the subject to the ship placed him in the direct control of the ship's master. He stated that the presence of INS guards on board ship thereafter was mainly for the assurance that the subject did leave the United States.

HARRY RATZKE upon being interviewed repeated substantially the same information contained in the memorandum previously set forth in this report. He explained that when he arrived at Pier 7 in Brooklyn on Saturday morning, February 9, 1946 he was not molested by the stevedores or Pier Superintendent BARD. He advised he was given ready access both to the pier premises and the ship, upon presenting his credentials. He explained that the group of stevedores who barred the way of the reporters had taken up a position immediately inside the pier premises. He advised that these men were not working as stevedores at the time but were merely standing by as is the custom with stevedores, when a ship is in the process of being loaded. Mr. RATZKE explained that it is possible for stevedores to be hired at any stage of the loading and as a result of this the practice has grown up for stevedores to wait around while the ship is being loaded in the hopes of obtaining employment. Mr. RATZKE stated there was nothing to be questioned about the firm attitude taken by the stevedores in barring the entrance of the newspapermen. He expressed the opinion that there would have been bloodshed if the reporters tried to storm the pier in an unauthorized entry. RATZKE stated that he did not know where the idea of barring the reporters had originated. He speculated, however, that the order either could have come from Pier Superintendent BARD or possibly have originated with LUCIANO. RATZKE explained that the stevedores, chiefly Italians, look upon LUCIANO as more or less of a hero, and that any word from him requesting that the reporters be barred was all that was needed to have it carried out by the stevedores as an order.

He pointed out that the press cards were not honored by the pier officials and that INS was completely lacking in jurisdiction in so far as allowing the press to enter the pier premises was concerned.

Mr. RATZKE stated that upon arriving at Pier 7 on Sunday, February 10, 1946 at 6:00 a.m., he noticed a group of men, 60 to 80, at the Bush Dock Terminal. At this time there were 20 to 30 cars about the premises. Mr. RATZKE advised that he believes these men were stevedores, although he did not understand what reason the stevedores would have for being present at the Bush Dock Terminal at that time. He stated, however, that the men were dressed like stevedores and for this reason he gave the matter no further consideration.

Mr. RATZKE also stated that as the SS LAURA KEENE left the pier about 8:50 a.m., he noticed a launch cruising back and forth at the end of the pier. This launch followed the ship for approximately three miles. Mr. RATZKE stated it was his opinion that the launch had been hired by some disappointed newspaperman who had hopes of being able to board the ship and interview LUCIANO after it had left the pier. Mr. RATZKE advised that LUCIANO was brought aboard the SS LAURA KEENE on the afternoon of February 8, 1946 by INS guards BERNSTEIN and BROSNAN. These men remained until 4:00 p.m., after which a 24-hour guard schedule was maintained by the following individuals:

Guards DANIEL INCARNATO and NICHOLAS CARAVELLA - 4:00 p.m. to Midnight, February 8th and 9th.

Guards NELSON S. ERHARD and FRANK R. GIANCARLO, Midnight to 8:00 a.m., February 9th and 10th.

Guards JAMES SESSA and THOMAS SCANLON, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., February 9th and 10th.

Individual interviews with these six guards resulted in categorical denials that LUCIANO received any visitors or had access or partaken of any alcoholic beverages. All the individual guards also denied that food of any type was delivered to LUCIANO aboard the SS LAURA KEENE. It is stated by these men that LUCIANO ate regular meals at regular times in the mess hall of the ship, where only the guards and crew members were present.

Guards INCARNATO and CARAVELLA advised that they both understand Italian. They stated that from approximately 4:30 until 6:00 p.m. on the afternoon of February 9th, various men, all of whom appeared to be stevedores, called out to LUCIANO with various salutations. Some of these spoke in Italian.

These guards estimated that there were about 20 of these individuals whom LUCIANO called by their first names. These guards stated that all these stevedores were in the 30 to 40 year old bracket. They did not have any prolonged conversation with LUCIANO. None of these individuals was allowed to enter the cabin where LUCIANO was located.

INCARNATO and CARAVELLA advised that around 6 o'clock they entered the mess hall with LUCIANO. In the mess hall there were two tables, one of which was utilized by LUCIANO and the two guards, and the crew members used the other table. Occasionally, these guards stated, one of the members of the crew would sit down at the table with the two guards and the subject, possibly staying five minutes for a cup of coffee, and engage in current conversation at the table at the particular time.

INCARNATO and CARAVELLA explained that the cabin assigned to LUCIANO was approximately five by eight feet and was not too comfortable. Therefore, LUCIANO and the two guards remained in the mess hall listening to the radio, from approximately 6:00 p.m. until 10:30 p.m., when LUCIANO retired to his cabin under the surveillance of the guards. These guards advised that on Saturday evening, February 9th, LUCIANO had baked macaroni and steak for dinner. To drink he requested tea, but when informed there was no tea available he took milk. INCARNATO and CARAVELLA state that there was no evidence of any alcoholic beverages in the mess hall during this time or any time during their watch.

INCARNATO and CARAVELLA stated that as a general rule, LUCIANO was silent but that Saturday evening he did make a statement to the effect that he would be glad to get away from the United States and all the publicity he ha d created. He stated that everything he ever did had been highly publicized.

Guards FRANK R. GIANCARLO and NELSON S. ERHARD stated that they were on duty from Midnight to 8:00 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday, February 9th and 10th. They advised that there had been no evidence of any parties, drinking or visitors to LUCIANO during the time he was under their surveillance.

GIANCARLO and ERHARD on February 14, 1946, with the permission of their superiors, appeared at the Municipal Building in Borough Hall, Brooklyn, for an interview with Lt. Detective DOBSON. Detective DOBSON questioned these two guards concerning any visitors LUCIANO might have received at 3:30 a.m. or 5:20 a.m. on Sunday, February 10th. Detective DOBSON exhibited a photograph of ALBERT ANASTASIA. Both guards denied having seen this individual. Both guards stated that LUCIANO had not been visited by anyone in his cabin. Lt. Detective DOBSON explained to these guards that his interest in LUCIANO merely concerned the possibility that he had been visited by ALBERT ANASTASIA. Lt. Detective DOBSON stated he was not interested in LUCIANO, who was now a free man.

He added that if ANASTASIA had visited LUCIANO his, DOBSON's, office would be in trouble because they were supposed to have two men surveilling Pier 7 in Brooklyn while LUCIANO was aboard the SS LAURA KEENE.

Guard GIANCARLO asked Lt. DOBSON what source of information he had concerning the presence of ANASTASIA aboard the SS LAURA KEENE on the morning of Sunday, February 10th. Guard GIANCARLO stated in reply, Lt. DOBSON smiled and said, "It's not too good".

It will be noted that an allegation in one of the local New York newspapers contained a statement that ALBERT ANASTASIA had visited LUCIANO early Sunday morning, February 10th.

An AP News release dated February 28, 1946 at Naples, Italy, announced the arrival of LUCIANO in Naples, Italy on that date.

No further investigation having been indicated as desirable in this case, it is being considered as closed by the New York Office.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

On or about July 17, 1945, an anonymous letter was received by ONI, 3rd Naval District, charging that CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO had recently appeared before the New York State Parole Board seeking his freedom on false and repulsive claims that he had contributed in great measure to the U.S. success in the invasion of Sicily. This anonymous letter charged that Commander HAFFENDEN, U.S.N., had supported LUCIANO in this false claim. Because of this letter, ONI conducted an investigation of CHARLES RADCLIFFE HAFFENDEN, who was a Commander, U.S.N., attached to ONI, 3rd Naval District, from July, 1940 to June, 1944. This investigation revealed that HAFFENDEN on his own initiative and at the request of MOSES POLAKOFF, attorney for CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, sent a letter dated May 17, 1945 to the Honorable CHARLES BREITEL, Counsel for [redacted] DEWEY at Albany, alleging [redacted], had made available for interview by ONI a number of informants who furnished information assisting in the invasion of Sicily and Italy. HAFFENDEN also admitted talking with a representative of the New York State Parole Board. He stated that he had never talked with LUCIANO directly but had carried out many transactions through LUCIANO's attorney, POLAKOFF. HAFFENDEN was extremely vague in furnishing details as to the extent of [redacted] ONI files do not reflect any information backing up HAFFENDEN's claims. Information has been received that HAFFENDEN, who was appointed Commissioner of Marine and Aviation at New York City on January 1, 1946 by Mayor O'DWYER,

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is a close friend and golfing companion of FRANK COSTELLO and he is also a good friend of MOSES POLAKOFF, attorney for LUCIANO.

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REFERENCE: Bureau teletype dated March 8, 1946 entitled: "Parole and Deportation CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO; MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING".

DETAILS: On February 11, 1946, Confidential Informant T-1 called at the New York Field Office and talked with Assistant Special Agent in Charge T. J. Donegan. During the course of this conversation, this informant advised that he had obtained considerable information concerning the efforts of CHARLES RADCLIFFE HAFFENDEN, a former Commander of the Office of Naval Intelligence assigned to the 3rd Naval District, New York City, in assisting in the release of CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO from New York State Prison for the purpose of being deported to Italy. The informant furnished this office with photostatic copies of confidential ONI communications which the informant had obtained through a confidential source. These ONI communications pertained to an investigation conducted by ONI of HAFFENDEN's efforts while in ONI in assisting in obtaining the release of LUCIANO from State Prison for the purpose of being deported to Italy.

According to the above mentioned ONI communications, the Commandant of the 3rd Naval District on or about July 17, 1945 received an anonymous letter. The writer of this anonymous letter stated that "one of the most vicious characters ever spewed by the sidewalks of New York or any other city, LUCKY LUCIANO, recently appeared before the Parole Board of the State of New York, in an effort to gain his freedom and the important allegation on his behalf to justify his release was that he - LUCIANO - had contributed in great measure to our country's success in the invasion of Europe, particularly in Italy, and this assistance was given directly to the United States Navy by him - LUCIANO - and the United States Navy in appreciation for services rendered through the person of a Commander HAFFENDEN supported LUCIANO in his false and repulsive claim".

In view of the above mentioned anonymous letter, the Commandant of the 3rd Naval District directed Commander C. R. HAFFENDEN, USNR, file #27653, to answer the following three questions on or about July 20, 1945:

(a) Have you appeared before the Parole Board of the State of New York or been questioned by any of its personnel regarding CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO's application for parole?

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(b) Have you written any letters to any agencies of the State of New York recommending the parole of CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO. If so, forward a copy to the Commandant, 3rd Naval District, with the reply to this letter.

(c) If it has come to your knowledge that CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO supplied any information of value to the U. S. Navy, please indicate what the information consisted of.

On or about July 25, 1945, Commander C. R. HAFFENDEN, USNR, who was assigned to the Investigating Section of ONI, 3rd Naval District, from approximately July, 1940 to June, 1944, furnished the following answers to the above questions:

(a) "I have not appeared before the Parole Board of the State of New York nor given written request for parole of CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO. Sometime during the latter part of June, 1945, I was questioned by a representative of the Parole Board, named HEALEY, to whom I reiterated the general information set forth in Enclosure A (the statement of Commander C. R. HAFFENDEN). I did not discuss cases or detailed facts with said investigator but referred him for his information to the District Intelligence Office, 3rd Naval District."

(b) Commander C. R. HAFFENDEN furnished the 3rd Naval District with a copy of the following letter:

"May 17th, 1945

"Hon. Charles Breitel,
Counsel to the Governor of the State of N.Y.
Albany, New York

"Re: Charles Luciano

"Dear Sir:

"The writer of this letter was in charge of the Investigating Section, Naval Intelligence, Third Naval District, from approximately July 1940 to June 1944, during which time it was his duty to locate informants in the United States who could give intelligence information that would be of value, both domestic and foreign.

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"Accordingly, through the cooperation of Major Murray Gurfein, [redacted] who was formerly an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan, contacts were made with Mr. Moses Polakoff, who was attorney for the subject, CHARLES LUCIANO. This contact was made for the purpose of reaching Sicilian-born Italians who could give pertinent information regarding the conditions in Sicily that would be helpful to our Armed Forces preparing the intelligence for the campaign which eventually developed in the aforementioned country. b7E

"Large numbers of informants were constantly sent to my office, then located at 50 Church Street, and were interviewed by agents under my command. It is difficult to say how many such informants came to my attention through the cooperation of CHARLIE LUCIANO, as many times one informant would develop other informants who were familiar with certain questions that we would bring to their attention, but I am confident that the greater part of the intelligence developed in the Sicilian campaign was directly responsible to the number of Sicilians that emanated from the Charlie "Lucky" contact. Additional assistance on various subjects came from this same informant which can be explained to you in detail at a later date. I might further say that the negotiations to reach the attorneys of the informants were primarily directed by Major Gurfein who, in turn, brought me in contact with Mr. Hogan, District Attorney of Manhattan, who further cooperated with me in making the contacts possible.

"At the present time, I am recovering from wounds received at Iwo Jima, and as soon as the doctors turn me loose, I will be glad to meet you in person, or anyone you may direct, and give you further information on the subject.

"Sincerely yours,

CHARLES R. HAFFENDEN
Commander, U.S.N.R.

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In explaining how he came about writing the above letter, HAFFENDEN stated, "I have not written any letter to any agencies in the State of New York, recommending the parole of CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO. The only letter I've written is Enclosure B (the above letter). This letter sets forth in generalities my connection with CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO and

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does not involve Naval Intelligence and at the same time permits me to carry out previous commitments made under the approval of Captain MacFALL. At the time of writing, I was a patient at Brooklyn Naval Hospital. The letter was requested by Mr. MOSES POLAKOFF and was written with no suggestion of or interest in the question of the LUCIANO parole. Mr. POLAKOFF stated that a similar statement would be forthcoming from Lieutenant Colonel MURRAY I. GURFEIN, and I am led to believe that such a statement is in the possession of the District Attorney's office, New York County. (Mr. POLAKOFF states that on July 9th, by word from Mr. HOGAN, New York District Attorney, Naval Intelligence had refused consent of the release of Lt. Col. GURFEIN's statement or affidavit.)"

(c) On July 25, 1945, CHARLES R. HAFFENDEN, Commander, U.S.N.R., prepared the following statement for the Third Naval District:

"July 25th, 1945

"SUBJECT: CHARLES LUCIANO

"The following is a statement to the best of my memory of how I came in contact with the subject party through his attorney, Mr. MOSES POLAKOFF. The statement also sets forth to the best of my knowledge the purpose for making this contact and others of a similar nature.

"Sometime in March 1942, or slightly prior to that date, Lt. JAMES O'MALLEY, USNR, was attached to the Office of Naval Intelligence, Third Naval District. Lt. O'MALLEY, prior to his coming into the service, was an Assistant District Attorney for the County of New York. Capt. ROSCOE McFALL, then District Intelligence Officer, Third Naval District, believed that Lt. O'MALLEY would be an ideal liaison with the District Attorney's office. Accordingly, Lt. O'MALLEY reestablished his contacts with the District Attorney's office and introduced the writer to MURRAY I. GURFEIN, then Assistant District Attorney and Chief of the Rackets Bureau in that office. Mr. GURFEIN, now Lt. Col. GURFEIN [redacted] introduced the writer and Capt. McFALL to District Attorney HOGAN, at which conference it was discussed what help could be given from the District Attorney's office to Naval Intelligence. District Attorney HOGAN agreed that whatever assistance could emanate from that office would come through Lt. Col. GURFEIN. b7E

"After several meetings with Lt. Col. GURFEIN, at which the two important points of interest to Naval Intelligence were discussed - namely

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"(a) possible sabotage by enemy agents in the Port of New York that might affect shipping from that port

and

"(b) possible assistance given to submarines by fishing boats departing from ports in the Third Naval District and returning thereto

"the suggestion developed that some underworld characters might be of assistance in connection with the problems confronting Naval Intelligence. It was thought that enemy agents might approach questionable characters with an inducement of money to perform acts of sabotage. We thereupon decided to set up a flow of information from the underworld to combat the possibility or to entrap the culprits.

"Lt. Col. GURFEIN suggested that contacts be made with the attorneys who had handled affairs of questionable characters, in order to get the desired results. District Attorney Hogan approved this plan, with the result that the writer of this statement was introduced to MOSES POLAKOFF, a member of the New York Bar, who, in turn, had previously represented CHARLES LUCIANO, the subject of this statement. Interviews were carried on with Mr. POLAKOFF in my private suite in the Astor Hotel, New York City.

"Mr. POLAKOFF said that he felt quite sure CHARLES LUCIANO would render any service he could without any compensation, and requested permission to see said LUCIANO, then a prisoner in Dannemora Prison. Lt. Col. GURFEIN arranged for this conference as he also did for one [redacted] who later became a good informant on the fishing industry and was, in some way, connected with LUCIANO. b7D

"If I recall correctly, there were several occasions where the attorney, MOSES POLAKOFF, and friends of the subject, LUCIANO, made trips to the prison in order to discuss matters which were of interest to Naval Intelligence.

"The writer has never seen or talked to said LUCIANO - all transactions have been carried on through said MOSES POLAKOFF or informants sent through him.

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"During February of 1943, the writer appeared before Mr. Justice PHILIP J. McCOOK with the permission of Capt. ROSCOE McFALL, District Intelligence Officer, Third Naval District, at which time the writer was questioned and testified to the facts set forth herein, together with the possible assistance given to Naval Intelligence by said CHARLES LUCIANO. As we were at the time involved in war with Germany, no information was given in my testimony, other than generalities, [redacted] b7D no case, no facts, or anything that could be inferred as jeopardizing Naval interest was brought forth by the writer. Lt. Col. GURFEIN appeared before, and was interviewed by, Justice McCOOK at the same time.

"The above statement is purely from memory; there is a possibility that other facts not set forth herein may come to my mind at a later date.

"All through my negotiations with any informants [redacted] b7D and the information which they produced, was, at all times, discussed with my then Commanding Officer, Capt. ROSCOE McFALL, and if the information had no bearing on my particular department, it was given to Capt. McFALL, who, in turn, disseminated it to the department of Naval Intelligence or other Government agency where it would be of interest.

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"When Capt. McFALL released his command and Capt. W. B. HOWE became District Intelligence Officer, he was made fully aware of the action set forth in this statement.

"CHARLES R. HAFFENDEN,
Commander, USNR

CRH:men"

In addition to the above information, CHARLES R. HAFFENDEN advised that no public record was kept in the District Intelligence Office of the informants emanating from the source set forth in his statement. The names of the true informants never reached the general files. Their identity was only known to Captain ROSCOE MacFALL and to HAFFENDEN and a few other

officers who might have had a small part in this work. HAFFENDEN stated that he personally kept a record of all informants who were given a key, in the nature of a digit; such digit was then placed in the file of said informant so that he was able to refer to such files readily. The files containing this information and the key were left in HAFFENDEN's office when he was detached from the District Intelligence Office, Third Naval District, to go to the South Pacific.

In addition to the information set out above, HAFFENDEN stated that he had made a request of MOSES POLAKOFF, the attorney of CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, for any information on Italy or Sicily with the result that several strange looking Italians, referred to as "pedrons" with whom HAFFENDEN had to speak through an interpreter, came to him. HAFFENDEN told them that he wanted pictures and information of all kinds and set forth the particular needs. A few days after their departure, HAFFENDEN stated that the informants on the subject areas called constantly on him who, in turn, turned these informants over to officers familiar with the territory on which they had information. HAFFENDEN stated that the exact number of these would be impossible to estimate as many of these informants were never even seen by HAFFENDEN. HAFFENDEN further advised that waterfront strikes by stevedores not under control of JERRY RYAN took place in Brooklyn which interfered with shipping. As it was not the policy of Naval Intelligence to involve itself in labor disputes, information of the annonyance was given to MOSES POLAKOFF and practically immediately the annoyance subsided. Mr. POLAKOFF told HAFFENDEN that he had communicated with waterfront characters and had accomplished this mission.

The above mentioned ONI papers further reflects that the files of the District Intelligence Office of the Third Naval District failed to indicate that CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO had ever furnished any assistance or information to the Third Naval District or to the Office of Naval Intelligence.

On December 12, 1945, according to the above mentioned ONI papers, Commander CHARLES R. HAFFENDEN (D) USNR, 35-25 167th Street, Flushing, Long Island, New York, directed a communication to the Chief of Naval Personnel, Navy Department, Bureau of Naval Personnel, Washington 25, D.C. In this communication, HAFFENDEN stated, "If I am subpoenaed or approached to give additional information on this subject (petition for parole of CHARLES LUCIANO) I will comply with Paragraph 2 of Reference E (letter from Navy Department, Bureau of Naval Personnel, dated November 30, 1945) and notify the Chief of Naval Personnel and the Commandant, Third Naval District of such action. Since the letter, reference C (to Honorable

CHARLES BREITEL, Counsel to the Governor of New York, dated May 17, 1945) was written, I have not been approached or asked in any way to cooperate or give information in reference to the subject (petition for parole of CHARLES LUCIANO) or to any other informants that may have assisted the intelligence efforts in the Third Naval District. If, through Civil Law, I am forced to appear and testify, I will protect the Navy interest to the best of my ability".

Background of CHARLES RADCLIFFE HAFFENDEN

As set out above, HAFFENDEN advised Honorable CHARLES BREITEL, Counsel to the Governor of the State of New York, that he, CHARLES R. HAFFENDEN, was in charge of the Investigating Section, Naval Intelligence, Third Naval District, from approximately July, 1940 to June, 1944.

While HAFFENDEN had the above position, the New York Field Office had considerable difficulty in keeping HAFFENDEN within the delimitation agreement. Captain ROSCOE MacFALL, Director of Naval Intelligence, Third Naval District, finally took HAFFENDEN to task. He first limited HAFFENDEN's jurisdiction, later transferred him to more innocuous duties and finally got him transferred out of New York. HAFFENDEN later was transferred to the Coast Patrol in California and finally saw a limited amount of action on Okinawa. He received the Purple Heart decoration.

Captain WILLIAM B. PHILLIPS, who was later Director of Naval Intelligence in New York City, advised Special Agent in Charge E. E. CONROY of the New York Field Office that he, Captain PHILLIPS, was the one who personally pinned the Purple Heart on HAFFENDEN. Captain PHILLIPS stated positively that HAFFENDEN received no wounds but that he was hospitalized because a large gun went off near him renewing a stomach ailment. HAFFENDEN later returned to New York City and unquestionably was in poor health. He is reputed to have told several sources about the wounds that he received. HAFFENDEN, it has been alleged, has regaled his friends and acquaintances with various stories of how he organized and led landings at Okinawa.

On January 7, 1946, in a letter from Special Agent in Charge E. E. CONROY to the Director, the Bureau was advised that CHARLES RADCLIFFE HAFFENDEN had been appointed to the position of Commissioner of Marine and Aviation by Mayor O'DWYER. The position of Commissioner of Marine and Aviation is one of extreme importance. In addition to having control of the docks of the City of New York, he has under his jurisdiction the LaGuardia and Idlewild Airports.

Confidential Informant T-1, mentioned previously herein, stated that he interviewed CHARLES R. HAFFENDEN, Commissioner of Marine and Aviation, and he asked HAFFENDEN whether or not he knew FRANK COSTELLO. HAFFENDEN was quite evasive and would not admit knowing COSTELLO until the informant asked him if he did not play golf with COSTELLO at the Pomonok Country Club in Flushing. HAFFENDEN then suddenly acted as though his memory had been refreshed and stated that he was friendly with FRANK COSTELLO and had played golf with him.

HAFFENDEN told Confidential Informant T-1 that after he had returned from Iwo Jima, after being wounded and while he was in the hospital, he had been visited by his good friend, MOSES POLAKOFF and that POLAKOFF had induced him, HAFFENDEN, to write a letter to CHARLES BREITEL, Counsel to the Governor of the State of New York. HAFFENDEN explained to the informant that he was not feeling very well and he wanted to do a good turn and he did not see anything wrong about writing the letter on CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO.

Confidential Informant T-1 further advised that it was apparent that FRANK COSTELLO had HAFFENDEN appointed as Commissioner of Marine and Aviation although he could not prove how it came about except that it is generally felt that FRANK COSTELLO has considerable control in the present city administration.

Confidential Informant T-1 further stated that there had been talk around the city that $250,000 would be paid for the release of CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO from State Prison but that he had no way of proving that any of this money went to HAFFENDEN.

The report of Special Agent CHARLES A. GANNON, dated March 5, 1946 at New York, contained considerable information concerning the deportation of CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO. That report reveals that on January 3, 1946, LUCIANO was paroled by Governor THOMAS E. DEWEY of New York State on the condition that he be deported. On February 2, 1946, LUCIANO was removed from Sing Sing Prison and placed on Ellis Island, New York. On February 2, 1946, MOSES POLAKOFF, MEYER LANSKY, FRANK COSTELLO and MICHAEL LASCAR visited CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO at Ellis Island and furnished him with wearing apparel and $2500 in unsigned traveler's checks.

This report further reflects that at 8:50 PM, February 10, 1946, the SS LAURA KEENE left its pier in Brooklyn, New York, carrying

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CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO bound for Italy. An A.P. news release dated February 28, 1946 at Naples, Italy, announced the arrival of CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO in Naples, Italy on that date.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT

Confidential Informant T-1 mentioned in the report of Special Agent Herman O. Bly dated March 13, 1946 at New York, New York is [redacted] has requested that his name be kept in strictest confidence as it would jeopardize his present position if it were known that he had furnished the New York Field Office with the information contained in this report. b7D

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The New York Division has submitted a closing report regarding the parole of Luciano in response to our wire of March 8, 1946. This report sets out information obtained in confidence by [redacted] (1) The information purports to come from the ONI files and sets out Commander Charles Radcliffe Haffenden's official explanation of his dealings with Luciano. It is not believed that the information contained in the New York report is sufficiently clear and it, therefore, has been deemed desirable to make arrangements so that the ONI files might be examined and an attempt made to obtain official photostatic copies of information contained therein concerning the Haffenden-Luciano relationship.

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The attached teletype has been prepared for dispatch to the New York and Albany Divisions. It requests that they follow this matter and attempt to obtain the above-mentioned photostatic material through their regular channels; further that they ascertain either through their own sources of information or through the Albany Division the specific grounds for Governor Thomas E. Dewey's signing the parole in question. New York is also being requested to obtain the details of negotiations held before the New York Parole Board in behalf of Luciano.

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REBUTEL MARCH EIGHTH (U) AND YOUR CLOSING REPORT OF MARCH THIRTEENTH (U) BUREAU DESIRES THAT YOU IMMEDIATELY OBTAIN THROUGH YOUR REGULAR CONTACTS WITH ONI THE OFFICIAL INFORMATION IN ONI FILES PERTAINING TO THIS MATTER. CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO PHOTOSTATING PERTINENT PORTIONS OF THE FILE. THIS INQUIRY SHOULD BE AIMED AT ASCERTAINING ALL ACTION TAKEN ON THE PART OF NAVAL PERSONNEL IN FURTHERING LUCIANO'S PAROLE. IT IS FURTHER DESIRED THAT YOU BY DISCREET INQUIRY DETERMINE THE INFORMATION OR EVIDENCE PRESENTED TO THE PAROLE BOARD, THE GUBERNATORIAL HEARING OR OTHER AUTHORITIES AND UPON WHICH GOVERNOR THOMAS E. DEWEY'S PAROLE OF LUCIANO WAS PREDICATED. CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO SETTING OUT APPROPRIATE TELETYPE LEADS TO THE ALBANY DIVISION FOR ASSISTANCE IN THIS INVESTIGATIO HOWEVER, ALBANY IS TO TAKE NO ACTION UNTIL REQUESTED BY NEW YORK, WHICH IS OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

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PURPOSE

To furnish some background concerning recent newspaper items dealing with Charles "Lucky" Luciano's parole by Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York subject to his deportation to Italy. While news reports attributed Luciano's release to his assistance to Army and Navy authorities, the New York Division has advised that these stories about Luciano's war work might be laid to a fraudulent affidavit on the part of Commander Charles Radcliffe Haffenden.

BACKGROUND

Luciano, who received his nickname after surviving a gang ride on Staten Island in New York in 1929, originally entered the United States from Italy with his parents, in 1907. At the time he was approximately ten years of age. His criminal career started four years later when he was sent to the Brooklyn Truant Home. He at one time headed the Unione Siciliano, reputed to be an Al Capone faction. In June of 1936 Luciano was convicted on sixty-two of ninety counts charging compulsory prostitution. He was committed to Dannemora Prison, Clinton, New York, in July of 1936.

According to information contained in Bureau files, on February 8, 1943, Luciano made application for a suspension of the two 15 year sentences which he was serving. That application was made before Judge J. McCook in New York. It was the claim of Attorney George Wolf, counsel for Luciano, that both the Army and Navy had sought Luciano's assistance. On January 3, 1946, Governor Thomas E. Dewey paroled Luciano on the express condition that Luciano be deported. He was thereupon released to Immigration and Naturalization custody on Feburary 2, 1946, and transported to Ellis Island, New York, to await deportation. Luciano departed from the United States for Italy aboard the SS Laura Keene on February 10, 1946.

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Haffenden is generally known as "Radcliffe" Haffenden. He was a Commander of Naval Intelligence in New York City for a considerable period before the war and during the war. The New York Office had considerable difficulty in keeping Haffenden within the Delimitation Agreement and Captain Roscoe McFall, Director of Naval Intelligence, finally took Haffenden to task for his actions in this regard. He first limited Haffenden's jurisdiction and then later transferred him to other duties, finally transferring him out of New York. Haffenden subsequently was transferred to the Coast Patrol in California and eventually saw a limited amount of action on Okinawa. It might be noted that while Haffenden did receive the Purple Heart decoration, Captain William B. Phillips, who later was Director of Naval Intelligence in New York, advised SAC E.E. Conroy that Haffenden received no wounds. He stated that Haffenden was hospitalized as a result of a large gun going off near him thus renewing a stomach ailment. Captain Phillips was the officer who pinned the Purple Heart on Haffenden.

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Haffenden is a friend of Moses Polikoff, a former Assistant United States Attorney in the Southern District of New York and who for some time past has been employed as the personal attorney for "Lucky" Luciano. This service appears to be in addition to that of Attorney Wolf mentioned above. The New York Division advises that Haffenden, after his return from the Pacific, prepared an affidavit for Governor Dewey setting forth that while he, Haffenden, was in the Office of Naval Intelligence in New York, he had received valuable information from Luciano which aided considerably in the invasion of Italy. It is of considerable interest to note that the New York Division also advises that a check by the Office of Naval Intelligence did not reveal that Haffenden had ever visited Luciano in prison. New York points out that Haffenden necessarily would have had to go to the prison to obtain such information. It is also noted that the Office of Naval Intelligence stated that Luciano had never submitted any information of value whatsoever. It is reported that the Navy Department conducted considerable investigation concerning this matter and Haffenden barely escaped court-martial.

It does not appear that Haffenden was ever involved in politics prior to his recent appointment on January 1, 1946, as Commissioner of Marine and Aviation, in New York City by Mayor William O'Dwyer. It is understood that this latter appointment was sponsored by Congressman Jim Roe, Democratic leader of Kings County, who lives diagonally across the street from Haffenden. The New York Division admits that this report is surprising in view of the fact that Jim Roe previously is said to have expressed intense dislike for Haffenden. SAC Conroy has advised that the position of Commissioner of Marine and Aviation is of extreme importance. In addition to having control of the docks of the City of New York, this Commissioner has under his jurisdiction LaGuardia and Idlewild Airports. When the latter airport is completed there will be a tremendous number of concessions to be leased and the possibilities of graft are said to be great.

FORMER GOVERNOR OF NEW YORK CHARLES POLETTI

A review of the files reflects that Detective Harold Fox of the New York City Police Department has stated that former Governor Poletti, who went to Italy with the Amgot organization, is controlled by Tony Bender. In this connection, it is noted that Vito Genovese, formerly head of the gang now lead by Bender in New York, also worked for the Amgot organization in Italy. He held the position of interpreter prior to being taken into custody in Italy on a black market charge. Prior to 1934, Bender was one of Genovese's chief lieutenants. It was Genovese and Charles "Lucky" Luciano who organized various gangs in New York City into a well-knit system each gang having its own territory and paying tribute to the overlords, Genovese and Luciano. When Genovese returned to Italy, it is said he designated Frank Costello, notorious gambler and racketeer, and Tony Bender to take care of the New York Gangs. While mentioning Costello, it might be of interest to note that he, together with two associates, Meyer Lansky and Michael Lascar and Attorney Moses Polikoff, visited Luciano while the latter was being held on Ellis Island prior to his deportation. Some unfavorable publicity resulted as a result of that visit. On the basis of information secured from Immigration and Naturalization authorities it is understood permission for this visit was granted after Attorney Polikoff advised by telephone that he and three relatives of Luciano desired to call upon Luciano.

Mr. A. Rosen

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There is no information in the Bureau files indicating that former Governor Poletti took any action in behalf of Luciano. However, in view of the fact that he is reported to be under the influence of Tony Bender and further that Genovese is reported to have worked for Amgot in Italy, it is apparent that he would be in a position to lend such assistance.

Other general background information available on Poletti shows that in 1937 he was listed as a member of the Board of Directors of the American Constitutional Liberties Union. On November 21, 1938, he spoke at a meeting in Madison Square Garden called by the Jewish Peoples Committee in protest against Germany. This meeting, however, was reported to be actively supported by the Communist Party. In December of 1938, while he was Lieutenant Governor elect of New York, he sent a message to the Fourth Annual Convention of the American Students Union extending his greetings and best wishes and regretting his inability to be present. He formerly was a member of the National Lawyers' Guild, an organization allegedly controlled by pro-Communist individuals. He resigned, however, from this organization in June of 1940. Other information indicates that Poletti at one time reportedly was the Director of the National Urban League for Social Service Among Negroes.

Information was received in November of 1941 indicating that Generoso Pope had promised to deliver the Italian vote of New York City to District Attorney William O'Dwyer when he was running for office against Mayor LaGuardia. It was said that Poletti was involved in this deal in order that Pope, who was said to be once active as a pro-Fascist, could salvage himself and his newspaper with the aid of O'Dwyer.

Other information indicates that on January 30, 1943, Lydia Altschuler of the Russian espionage case bearing her name in a conversation with Milo Lathrop remarked that Charles Poletti "used to get money from the Communist Party. His wife was a Communist and was connected with the Russian War Relief, Inc., as secretary, and you have to be pretty close to the Party to get that." (U)

ACTION TAKEN

These facts are submitted for your information.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. URGENT MARCH 27, 1946

Transmit the following message to: SAC, NEW YORK

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, MISCELLANEOUS, INFORMATION CONCERNING, PAROLE AND DEPORTATION. RE PAGE EIGHT YOUR REPORT DATED MARCH THIRTEENTH LAST THIS MATTER. IS REFERENCE TO JERRY RYAN CORRECT AND IF SO SUPPLY BACKGROUND DATA ON HIM. SUBJECT IMMEDIATELY.

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PAROLE AND DEPORTATION, CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, MISC., INFO CONCERNING. REBUTEL MARCH TWENTYTWO, CAPT. R. WOODSON, USN, DISTRICT INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, THIRD NAVAL DISTRICT, NYC, UPON INTERVIEW BY BUREAU AGENTS STATED FROM RECOLLECTION OF FILE REVIEW OF CHARLES RADCLIFFE HAFFENDEN THAT ORIGINAL APPLICATION FOR SUPPORT OF PAROLE PETITION OF LUCIANO WAS REFUSED BY NAVAL AUTHORITIES. SAID REQUEST FOR SUPPORT OF PAROLE PETITION WAS DIRECTED AND ANSWERED THROUGH REGULAR NAVAL CHANNELS. LETTER SENT BY HAFFENDEN TO CHARLES BREITEL, COUNSEL TO THE GOVERNOR OF NY STATE, WAS WRITTEN AS COMING FROM AN INDIVIDUAL SINCE IT WAS IRREGULAR FOR HAFFENDEN TO WRITE DIRECTLY TO STATE AUTHORITIES. WOODSON DID NOT KNOW WHETHER HAFFENDEN USED HIS NAVY TITLE OR OFFICIAL STATIONERY IN WRITING LETTER IN QUESTION. ONI REPRESENTATIVES WERE REFUSED ACCESS TO ORIGINAL LETTER OF HAFFENDEN WHEN APPLICATION PERSONALLY MADE TO STATE PAROLE AUTHORITIES IN ALBANY. LAST ITEM OF INFO FURNISHED FROM MEMORY BY LIEUT. COMMANDER LOUIS J. WADE, ONI LIAISON WITH NY OFFICE, WHO WAS PRESENT AT INTERVIEW WITH WOODSON. WADE ALSO OF OPINION THAT LETTER WAS WRITTEN BY HAFFENDEN WHILE LATTER WAS HOSPI-

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TALIZED IN BROOKLYN. WOODSON STATED ALL INFO PERTAINING TO HAFFENDEN-LUCIANO IS AVAILABLE IN NAVY DEPT, WASH, DC, THEREBY INDICATING HIS DESIRE THAT FURTHER INQUIRY FOR SPECIFIC INFO BE OBTAINED THROUGH BUREAU CONTACT WITH NAVY DEPT OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON. WOODSON STATED NAVY DEPT RECD NO INFO FROM LUCIANO SOURCES. FURTHER NO REPRESENTATIVE OF NAVY AUTHORIZED TO APPEAR BEFORE PAROLE BOARD HERE ON BEHALF OF ANY LUCIANO PETITION FOR PAROLE. CAPT. WILLIAM B. PHILLIPS, USN, FORMER DIO, NY, BEING INTERVIEWED THIS AFTERNOON REGARDING HIS PERSONAL DEALINGS WITH HAFFENDEN. PAROLE RECORDS OF NY STATE NORMALLY MAINTAINED EIGHTY CENTER STREET, NYC. LUCIANO-S PETITION FOR PAROLE AND PAROLE BOARD RECORDS WILL BE REQUESTED FOR REVIEW BY BUREAU ~~AGENTS~~ ON MARCH TWENTYEIGHTH UNLESS ADVISED TO CONTRARY BY BUREAU.

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TO : Mr. A. Rosen

FROM : E. J. McCabe

DATE: March 28, 1946

Call 8:50 A.M.

SUBJECT: "LUCKY" LUCIANO
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ASAC R. J. Lynch of the New York Division was contacted relative to the New York teletype dated March 27, 1946, indicating that unless advised to the contrary by March 28, 1946, a request would be made of the Parole Board for permission to review the file on "Lucky" Luciano.

Mr. Lynch was advised to hold this action in abeyance and [redacted] meantime to make a similar request of the Parole Board for the file of [redacted] other known criminal who was paroled. He was further instructed to [redacted] the Bureau the results of this inquiry so that further consideration [redacted] given to their request concerning "Lucky" Luciano.

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TO : Mr. A. Rosen

DATE: March 29, 1946

FROM : E. J. McCabe

Call 4:30 P.M.

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
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ASAC Lynch of the New York Division was of the opinion that some additional information could be developed from an examination of the Immigration and Naturalization Service files in this case since arrangements had been effected through Immigration and Naturalization for Luciano's deportation after his release from prison.

ACTION TAKEN

Mr. Lynch was advised that since a previous contact had been made with the District Director of Immigration and Naturalization Service in connection with this case and he had made his files readily available there was no objection to a second contact.

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CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, MISCELLANEOUS, INFO CONCERNING, PAROLE AND DE-PORTATION. REURTEL MARCH TWENTY TWO LAST. RECORDS OF INS, NYC, REFLECT THAT A WARRANT OF DEPORTATION HAD BEEN PLACED AGAINST LUCIANO ON NOVEMBER TWENTY, FORTY SIX BY T. W. BATTLE, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF LABOR. ON JANUARY FIVE, FORTY SIX A COMMUNICATION FROM THE WARDEN OF GREAT MEADOW PRISON, COMSTOCK, NEW YORK, ADVISED THAT LUCIANO WAS AVAILABLE AS A RESULT OF QUOTE A SPECIAL COMMUTATION TO CUSTODY FOR DEPORTATION ONLY UNQUOTE. ON THEORY RECORDS POSSIBLY AVAILABLE NEW YORK STATE PAROLE BOARD, EIGHTY CENTRE STREET, NYC, CONTACT THERE BY AGENT ON ANOTHER CASE REVEALED PROCEDURE CONSISTS OF CONTACTING RECEPTIONIST WHO OBTAINS NAME OF SUBJECT AND INSTITUTE FROM WHICH PAROLED AND DATE OF SENTENCE. THEN OBTAINING FILE SHE PERSONALLY DELIVERS IT TO PAROLE REPRESENTATIVE WHO INQUIRES AS TO THE SPECIFIC INFO DESIRED. THERE IS NO OPPORTUNITY FOR A BUREAU AGENT TO INSPECT THE FILE. IN NY A CONVICT MAY NOT APPLY FOR PAROLE. HE AUTOMATICALLY COMES UP FOR PAROLE CONSIDERATION AT EXPIRATION OF MINIMUM SENTENCE LESS GOOD TIME.

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BOARD THEN DECIDES WHETHER THE PAROLE WAS DEFERRED FOR SIX MONTHS OR MORE FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION. NO WITNESSES OR ATTORNEY MAY APPEAR FOR A PAROLE APPLICANT. RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE INDICATE NEW YORK STATE PAROLE BOARD IS GENERALLY COOPERATIVE IN FURNISHING SPECIFIC INFO ON ROUTINECASES. DETECTIVES OF MAIN OFFICE SQUAD, NYCPD, WHO ACT AS LIAISON WITH PAROLE BOARD FOR POLICE HAVE BEEN USED IN PAST ON NON ROUTINE CASES. LOUIS F. COSTUMA, FORMER FIRST DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF NYCPD IS NOW COMMISSIONER OF NEW YORK STATE PAROLE BOARD IN NYC. CONTACT WITH LESSER PLACED OFFICIALS WHICH MIGHT RESULT IN NONCOMPLETE INFO NOT BELIEVED DESIRABLE AS MAY ACT AS DETERRENT IN OBTAINING DESIRED INFO LATER FROM RESPONSIBLE OFFICIALS. FOR THIS REASON IF CONTACT IS TO BE MADE IN NYC, COSTUMA WILL BE CONTACTED. HOWEVER IN ORDER TO PRECLUDE OVERLOOKING POSSIBILITY THAT BETTER CONTACT AVAILABLE TO ALBANY OFFICE, THAT OFFICE HAS BEEN REQUESTED TODAY TO SUTEL BUREAU AND NY POSSIBILITIES OF DISCREETLY OBTAINING DESIRED INFO THERE.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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Transmit the following message to:

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CHARLES "LUCKY" [redacted], MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING, PAROLE.

MURTEL APRIL TWO NINETEEN FORTY SIX. ADVISE CONTACT THAT PRESENT (U)
INQUIRY NOT AIMED AT IMPLICATION OF ANY PERSONS BUT SOLELY FOR
OBTAINING BACKGROUND INFORMATION RE LUCIANO WHO TOGETHER WITH HIS
ASSOCIATES HAS BEEN SUBJECT OF PAST BUREAU INVESTIGATIONS.

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CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING, PAROLE AND DEPORTATION. REGARDING BUREAU TELETYPE MARCH 8 AND 22 LAST AND NEW YORK TELETYPE APRIL 1 POSSIBILITY SECURING DESIRED INFORMATION DEPENDS UPON MANY FACTORS. USE OF CONTACT IN GOVERNOR DEWEY'S OFFICE LOGICAL SOURCE BUT SINCE THERE ARE IMPLICATIONS OF GRAFT AMONG POLITICIANS CERTAIN FACTS WOULD BE SOUGHT BY THIS CONTACT. THIS OFFICE MUST BE IN A POSITION TO ADVISE CONTACT SCOPE OF INVESTIGATION, PERSONS IMPLICATED, AND PERSONS OUTSIDE OF BUREAU INCLUDING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT WHO WOULD HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF ANY DISCLOSURE FROM GOVERNOR'S OFFICE. THE GENERAL POLICY IN DEALING WITH CONTACT CAN BEST BE DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS. ANY INFORMATION WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO BUREAU PROVIDED CONTACT IS ASSURED SUCH DISCLOSURE WILL NOT DAMAGE GOVERNOR DEWEY OR HIS ASSISTANT, APPOINTEES, ETC. ADVISE WHAT ACTION DESIRED.

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TO : Mr. E. A. Tamm

FROM : A. Rosen

DATE: April 3, 1946

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
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PURPOSE

To advise that the New York Division upon contacting officials of ONI was referred for information concerning Commander Charles Radcliffe Haffenden's connection with the Luciano parole to the Washington Headquarters of ONI, indicating that complete files on that matter are available here.

BACKGROUND OF LUCIANO PAROLE

In February of 1943, an application for the suspension of the two 15 year terms Luciano was serving after being convicted on 62 of 90 counts charging compulsory prostitution in the State of New York was made before Judge Phillip J. McCook in New York. Attorney George Wolf, counsel for Luciano at that time, claimed that his client had been of assistance to military authorities and Commander Haffenden supported these claims, and it is further understood that Lieutenant Colonel Murray Gurfein, formerly Assistant District Attorney in New York, likewise supported them. On January 3, 1946, Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York paroled Luciano on the condition that he be deported and Luciano did depart from the United States for Italy aboard the SS Laura Keane on February 10, 1946.

[redacted] in New York, confidentially made available to the New York Division considerable photostatic information which he had obtained in strictest confidence from the files of the Office of Naval Intelligence. This material dealt with the investigation conducted by ONI concerning Commander Haffenden's effort in behalf of Luciano. According to this information, ONI became interested in the Haffenden-Luciano relationship as a result of an anonymous letter received by ONI in July of 1945. This letter commented on the fact that Commander Haffenden had supported Luciano in his claim of assistance to the United States during the war. As a result of the anonymous communication three questions were submitted for answer to Commander Haffenden by ONI. He was asked if he had ever appeared before the Parole Board of the State of New York or had been questioned by any of its personnel regarding Luciano's parole. He was also asked if he had written any letters to agencies of the State of New York recommending such a parole and, if so, was requested to supply a copy of such correspondence. He was also asked if he had any knowledge of information supplied by Luciano which had been of value to the United States Navy and to indicate of what the information consisted.

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It is understood that Haffenden in reply to these interrogatories stated he had not appeared before the Parole Board of the State of New York or given a written request for the parole of Luciano. He did admit, however, being [redacted] by a representative of the Parole Board and submitted a copy of the letter he had sent to the Honorable Charles Breitel, Counsel for Governor Dewey, relative to his,

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Haffenden's, informants developed for the Navy through the Luciano contact. It is understood that a detailed statement of Haffenden dated July 25, 1945, was also on file with the ONI and this statement explains how Haffenden happened to employ Luciano's contacts as informants. The statement also advises that Haffenden at all times acted with the knowledge of his Commanding Officer, Captain Roscoe McFall, former Director of Naval Intelligence in New York.

It is also understood that the files of ONI fail to indicate that Luciano had ever furnished assistance or information to ONI. It is further understood that Haffenden directed a communication to the Chief of Naval Personnel at Washington, D. C., dated December 12, 1945. This letter stated that in the event Haffenden was approached to give additional information regarding Luciano, he would notify the Chief of Navy Personnel and the Commandant of the Third Naval District.

NEW YORK CONTACT WITH LOCAL OFFICE OF ONI

Captain R. Woodson, USN, District Intelligence Officer, Third Naval District, stated it was his recollection that the original application for support of Luciano's parole petition was reviewed by Naval authorities and that this request was directed and answered through regular Naval channels. Captain Woodson stated the letter sent by Haffenden to Charles Breitel, Counsel for Governor Dewey, was written as coming from an individual since it was irregular for Haffenden to write otherwise to State authorities. Woodson did not know if Haffenden had used his Navy title or official stationery.

Lieutenant Commander Louis J. Wade, ONI liaison with the New York Division, states that it is his recollection that ONI representatives were refused access to the original letter of Haffenden when it was sought from State Parole authorities in Albany. Captain Woodson indicated that he desired that further inquiry for information concerning Haffenden and Luciano be obtained through contact with Navy Department officials in Washington. He stated that all information pertinent to this situation was available in Washington, D. C.

Captain William B. Phillips, former District Intelligence Officer, ONI, recalls receiving a letter from the New York Parole Board inquiring concerning alleged assistance furnished in the war effort by Luciano and states he answered this letter after determining Luciano had not aided the Navy in the war effort. He added, however, that he would not make a statement regarding the Luciano matter and referred the New York Division to ONI in Washington, D. C.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that this memorandum be referred to the Liaison Section and that that Section make the necessary inquiries at ONI and attempt to obtain photostatic copies of material in their files dealing with the Luciano-Haffenden relationship.

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TO : Mr. E. A. Tamm

FROM : A. Rosen

DATE: 4-4-46

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
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[redacted] The Albany Division reports that it believes it is in a position to obtain confidential information concerning the Luciano parole through a contact in Governor Thomas E. Dewey's office. Albany advises, however, that informant requires to be advised concerning the scope of the Bureau investigation and persons outside the Bureau who would have knowledge of disclosures made from the Governor's office.

The Director has expressed an interest in obtaining the details of Luciano's parole and it is recommended that the attached teletype be dispatched to the Albany Division. This teletype authorizes the Albany Division to contact its informant in the Governor's office of New York State and to advise that informant that this inquiry is limited to the gathering of information concerning the facts surrounding Luciano's parole and is not aimed at implicating any individuals.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. URGENT APRIL 10, 1946

Transmit the following message to: SACS, NEW YORK AND ALBANY

CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING, PAROLE.

ALBANY INSTRUCTED TO SUBMIT FOR RECEIPT AT BUREAU APRIL TWELVE, INFORMATION REQUESTED IN BUREAU TELETYPE APRIL FOUR LAST. NEW YORK INSTRUCTED TO SUBMIT, FOR RECEIPT AT BUREAU APRIL SIXTEEN NEXT, COMPREHENSIVE REPORT SETTING OUT ALL INFORMATION DEVELOPED IN THIS MATTER.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: April 11, 1946

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO
MISCELLANEOUS, INFORMATION CONCERNING
PAROLE AND DEPORTATION

Reference is made to Bureau teletype dated March 27, 1946 in which information was requested as to the identity of JERRY RYAN who was alleged to have been influential in the waterfront strikes by stevedores in Brooklyn.

It is believed that the individual referred to is JOE RYAN who is the International President of the A. F. of L. Longshoremen's Union which is headquartered in New York City. RYAN has been a waterfront leader for the past 25 years. He is an American citizen and known to be anti-Communist.

During the strike which occurred on the waterfront in October, 1945, RYAN opposed NATHAN WITT, a New York City Attorney and former official in the NLRB who represented the Communist Group within the A. F. of L. in instigating the strike.

RYAN apparently has considerable strength in waterfront matters. Rumors, for which this office has no foundation in fact, have linked RYAN with FRANK COSTELLO and LUCKY LUCIANO in that he allegedly was friendly with them in prior years.

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CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING, PAROLE.

REBURTEL APRIL TENTH. CONTACT AND DESIRED INFORMATION NOT YET AVAILABLE. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED NEXT WEEK CONCERNING INFORMATION DESIRED.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. APRIL 17, 1946 #1

Transmit the following message to: SAC, NEW YORK URGENT CODE

SALVATORE LUCANIA, WAS, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING PAROLE AND DEPORTATION. RE REPORT DATED APRIL FIFTEEN NINETEEN FORTY SIX IN THIS (U) MATTER. SUBMIT FOR RECEIPT AT BUREAU BY APRIL TWENTY SECOND ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION RE JOE ADONIS AND TESTIMONY HE GAVE IN LUCIANO TRIAL. ALSO IDENTIFY QUOTE POPULAR OPINION UNQUOTE REFERRED TO BY [redacted] b7D

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April 19, 1946

Director, FBI

RE: CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION
CONCERNING PAROLE AND DEPORTATION

Dear Sir:

(U) Reference is made to Bureau teletypes to Albany dated March 8, March 22, April 6 and April 10, 1946 requesting available information regarding Governor DEWEY'S parole of Subject LUCIANO.

[redacted] was interviewed in his office at the State Capitol on April 15, 1946. [redacted] b7D specifically requested that his identity not be disclosed to any other agencies.

[redacted] stated he was somewhat familiar with the case as he was [redacted] in New York City when LUCIANO was investigated.

It is believed pertinent to state here that at the beginning of the interview [redacted] immediately stated that he had heard WALTER WINCHELL or some other newspaper columnist was spreading a rumor that LUCIANO had bought his parole. [redacted] expressed the opinion that he did not believe there was anything to the rumor.

[redacted] said that Governor DEWEY held no special hearings of any nature and remained entirely out of the whole proceedings. [redacted] b7D suggested that to clarify the facts surrounding the parole, the mechanical steps of such be traced.

[redacted] said that LUCIANO was tried and sentenced by the Supreme Court in New York City before Judge PHILIP J. MC COOK in 1936. MC COOK by choice made LUCIANO'S sentence run concurrently. As Judge MC COOK was approaching seventy years of age (compulsory retiring age) LUCIANO'S b7D attorney filed the necessary affidavits in the same court before MC COOK, requesting a parole for deportation for LUCIANO. According to [redacted] information, MC COOK then passed upon the matter and referred

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same to the New York State Parole Board, who review all facts and make all decisions. The Parole Board's decisions are adhered to in practically all cases and the Governor's signature is regarded as routine, as his signature was regarded in the LUCIANO parole. [redacted] stated that due to the termination of the war and the availability of transportation, eight or nine other men were given paroles for deportation at the same time LUCIANO was. b7D

In connection with reviewing initial proceedings at the Supreme Court in New York City, [redacted] suggested that ARCHIBALD WATSON, Clerk of the Court, be contacted, then the matter could be followed to the Parole Board. [redacted] expressed the opinion it is unlikely the New York State Parole Board would be involved in any scandal as the Board is composed of substantial individuals of both the Republican and Democratic Party. b7D

[redacted] also stated that as far as he knows, CHARLES HAFFENDEN has written only one letter to CHARLES BREITEL, Counsel to Governor DEWEY (such letter is the same as contained in the report of Special Agent HERMAN C. BLY dated 3-13-46 at New York). [redacted] advised he would confer with BREITEL as soon as both of them are in Albany and will advise if there were any additional negotiations carried on with the exception of the aforementioned letter. The Bureau will be advised as soon as possible as to additional facts or lack of such. b7D

Very truly yours,

A. Cornelius, Jr.

A. CORNELIUS, JR.
Special Agent in Charge

cc - New York (62-8768)

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. APRIL 22, 1946 (U)

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SALVATORE LUCANIA, WAS, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING PAROLE AND DEPORTATION. SUBMIT IMMEDIATELY PHOTOSTATIC COPIES OF ALL MATERIAL OBTAINED FROM [redacted] IN THIS MATTER. b7D

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. E. A. Tamm

DATE: April 18, 1946

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
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The New York Division advises that [redacted] a former paid National Defense b7D informant of the New York Office, who has for many years been employed as [redacted] reports that Joe Bendix, described as a witness for the prosecution in the trial of Lucky Luciano, [redacted] further states that considerable opinion exists to the effect that Luciano was not guilty of the charges for which he was convicted and that Governor Dewey's parole of Luciano was motivated partially as an easing of Dewey's conscience. [redacted] is described as having [redacted]

The New York Division is maintaining contact with [redacted] and the latter is b7D attempting to develop information relative to Luciano's parole and Haffenden's recent appointment as Commissioner of Marine and Aviation in New York City, which reportedly was inspired by racketeer Frank Costello.

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You will be promptly advised of any new developments along this line.

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SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
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By memorandum of April 3, 1946, we suggested that the Liaison Section contact ONI in an attempt to obtain photostatic copies of material in that organization's file dealing with the Luciano - Commander Charles Radcliffe Haffenden relationship. This matter was taken up orally with Captains Keisker and Whitfield of ONI, who have suggested that a letter be written requesting the specific information desired.

OBSERVATION

While we do have available information developed by the New York Division relative to the actual contents of the ONI file on the Luciano - Haffenden relationship, which information was obtained through a confidential source, it is felt if we were to make specific requests in this regard that we might be divulging our confidential source of information. b7D
Our information was obtained from [redacted]
who furnished the New York Division with photostatic copies of material taken from the New York Office of ONI.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the attached letter be directed to the Chief of Naval Intelligence as suggested by the Liaison Section.

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TO : D. M. Ladd

DATE: April 12, 1946

FROM : E. G. Fitch

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
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Reference is made to the memorandum of Assistant Director Rosen to Mr. Tamm, dated April 3, 1946, setting out the background of the Luciano parole and contact had with the local office of ONI. This memorandum requested the Liaison Section to make inquiries at ONI and attempt to obtain photostatic copies of material in their files dealing with the Luciano-Haffenden relationship.

This matter was discussed with Captain Keisker, ONI, who advised that he has had numerous conferences with Haffenden regarding his relationship with Luciano. He stated that the request made by this Bureau for material in the files of the Navy was believed by him to be too general. He suggested that the Bureau write a letter to the Chief of Naval Intelligence setting out specifically what information is desired and the purpose for which this information is to be used.

This matter was also discussed with Captain Whitfield, ONI, who stated that the Navy was not cognizant of Haffenden's activities and that as far as he could recall Haffenden obtained no information from Luciano or any of his gang which assisted the Navy in its war effort.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that a letter be written as requested setting out specific questions to be answered by the Navy relative to the relationship between Luciano and Haffenden. It is further recommended that the above be forwarded to the Investigative Division for the attention of Supervisor O'Grady.

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NEW YORK	APR 15 1946	3/27,28;4/12/46	CHARLES A. GANNON

TITLE: SALVATORE LUCANIA, with aliases: Charles Lucania, Charles Lucania, Lucky Luciano, Charles Lane

CHARACTER OF CASE: MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING PAROLE AND DEPORTATION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Captain CHARLES R. WOODSON, USN, District Intelligence Officer, 3rd Naval District, New York City, stated that from memory of case he recalled original application for support of Parole petition of LUCIANO refused by Naval authorities. HAFFENDEN's letter in support of LUCIANO's petition was irregular since it was not directed through Naval channels. WOODSON advised Navy received no information from LUCIANO source. He referred Agents to Navy Department, Washington, for complete information and detailed reports. Captain WILLIAM B. PHILLIPS, USN, assumed like attitude.

X CONF. INFT. [redacted] stated that HAFFENDEN backed LUCIANO's petition for Parole by writing letter to Board and as consequence was rewarded by present political position in O'DWYER Administration effected through FRANK COSTELLO's sponsorship. [redacted] Claims that popular opinion holds that LUCIANO, although a racketeer, was not guilty of charges for which convicted, therefore DEWEY's Parole partially based on easing of DEWEY's conscience.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent HERMAN O. BLY, New York, 3/13/46.
Bureau teletypes to New York, 3/27; 4/10/46.
Bureau teletype to New York and Albany 4/6/46.

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DETAILS: Captain CHARLES R. WOODSON, USN, District Intelligence Officer of the 3rd Naval District, 90 Church Street, New York City, was interviewed by Special Agent JOSEPH I. HART and the writer. Captain WOODSON stated that in his recollection of the information contained in the file on CHARLES RADCLIFFE HAFFENDEN the original application for the support of the Parole petition submitted on behalf of LUCIANO was refused by Naval authorities. He stated that the letter written by HAFFENDEN as an individual was irregular since it was directed to the Parole authorities for the State of New York without going through the regular Naval channels. Captain WOODSON advised that he did not know whether HAFFENDEN had used the official title as Commander in the Navy or whether the letter directed to the State authorities had been written on official stationery. He advised that ONI representatives had gone to Albany to see the original letter submitted by HAFFENDEN but that the ONI representatives had been refused access to HAFFENDEN's original letter. He stated that he believed HAFFENDEN wrote the letter to the Parole Board during the time he was hospitalized in Brooklyn, New York.

Captain WOODSON said that ONI had not received any information directly or indirectly from a source which could be attributed to LUCKY LUCIANO. The Captain suggested to the interviewing Agents that the files of the Navy Department in Washington, D.C. be consulted inasmuch as complete facts as developed by the ONI investigation were on file in Washington.

Captain WILLIAM B. PHILLIPS, USN, stated that he was District Intelligence Officer for ONI at the time the HAFFENDEN incident occurred and he caused a complete investigation to be conducted regarding the incident. He stated that he did not care to make any comment on the matter at this time and referred the interviewing Agents to the Navy Department, Washington, D. C. where, he stated, the cooperation between the Bureau and the Navy was of such a high degree that there would not be any difficulty in obtaining reports prepared by ONI representatives relative to HAFFENDEN's sponsoring LUCIANO's petition for parole.

Special Agent WILLIAM A. HALPIN ascertained the following information at the New York State Parole Board which Board has offices at 80 Centre Street, New York City:

"A man incarcerated in a New York State Institution cannot make application for parole on his own initiative. He automatically is given consideration for parole at the expiration of his minimum sentence less good time. When this situation exists the Parole Board decides whether the man will be paroled or held for six months, a year, or some indeterminate time before he again appears before the Board of Parole. Under the New York Parole System no witnesses are

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permitted to appear before the Board nor is the prospective Parolee permitted to be represented by an attorney. At the hearing members of the Board question the potential Parolee and endeavor to arrive at a conclusion as to whether he merits Parole at the particular time."

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Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, was interviewed at the New York Field Office concerning his knowledge of the LUCIANO Parole as effected with the assistance of HAFFENDEN and others instrumental in obtaining the release of LUCIANO from State's Prison. [redacted] stated that HAFFENDEN backed LUCIANO's petition for Parole by writing a letter to the New York State Board of Parole and HAFFENDEN was rewarded for this by being appointed to his present political position in the O'DWYER Administration. [redacted] said that this appointment was effected through sponsorship of FRANK COSTELLO who was known to be influential with New York Mayor O'DWYER.

[redacted] also said that [redacted] b7D

[redacted] claims that popular opinion holds that LUCIANO, although a racketeer, was not guilty of the charges for which he was convicted and therefore Governor DEWEY's Parole of LUCIANO was partially based on the easing of DEWEY's conscience. [redacted] stated that he would endeavor to obtain additional information relative to LUCIANO's Parole and the appointment of HAFFENDEN to his present political position in the O'DWYER Administration.

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At Albany, N. Y.

Will report the results of inquiries made at Albany to determine information upon which LUCIANO's parole was based.

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At New York, N. Y.

Will recontact Confidential Informant [redacted] to determine if he has succeeded in obtaining any additional information regarding this matter. b7D

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Chief of Naval Intelligence
Navy Department
Washington, D. C.

CHARLES "[illegible]" LUCIANO

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The attention of this Bureau has been called to the recent parole and deportation of Charles "Lucky" Luciano. Because of Luciano's widespread criminal associations and our interest in his activities prior to his incarceration in New York in 1936, we desire to maintain, as far as possible, complete information relative to him.

It is our understanding that Commander Charles Radcliffe Haffenden, USNR, formerly attached to the Office of Naval Intelligence in New York, gave unauthorized information in the capacity of a private individual to officials of the State of New York. This information indicated that Luciano had been of assistance in the war effort and it is our further understanding that this said assistance was taken under consideration when Luciano was placed on parole. It is also understood that Commander Haffenden appeared in behalf of Luciano in February of 1943, when Luciano's attorney made application before Judge Phillip J. McCook for the suspension of the prison terms his client was serving.

If your organization has conducted any investigation relative to Commander Haffenden's efforts in behalf of Luciano, we would appreciate receiving from you the results of the same together with photostatic copies of pertinent documents. Any assistance you might afford in this matter would be very much appreciated.

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PAROLE AND DEPORTATION, CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, MISC, INFO CONCERNING. CAPT. WILLIAM B. PHILLIPS, FORMER DISTRICT INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, ONI, STATED IN INTERVIEW WITH BUREAU AGENTS THAT HE WOULD NOT MAKE A STATEMENT. HE REFERRED AGENTS TO ONI, WASHINGTON TO OBTAIN FACTS AS REPORTED BY FULL INVESTIGATION OF HAFFENDEN DASH LUCIANO MATTER. HE STATED SHORTLY AFTER HIS ARRIVAL IN NYC, JULY FORTYFIVE, THERE WAS A LETTER FROM NY PAROLE BOARD MAKING INQUIRY CONCERNING ALLEGED ASSISTANCE FURNISHED IN WAR EFFORT BY LUCIANO. CAPT. PHILLIPS STATED HE ANSWERED LETTER AFTER DETERMINING LUCIANO HAD NOT AIDED NAVY IN WAR EFFORT. SUGGEST BUREAU OBTAIN ANY FJRTHER INFO ALONG THIS LINE THROUGH ONI, WASHINGTON.

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CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, PAROLE, MISCELLANEOUS, INFORMATION CONCERNING. REBUTEL MAY 3 REQUESTING MEMORANDUM FOR RECEIPT AT BUREAU MAY 8 LIST OF VISITORS RECEIVED BY LUCIANO WHILE AT DANNEMORA DURING WAR TIME PERIOD. INFORMATION REGARDING VISITORS AT DANNEMORA AND GREAT MEADOWS IS IN FILE AT SING SING. NO INFORMATION AVAILABLE DANNEMORA. LIST OF VISITORS GREAT MEADOWS FORWARDED BUREAU AND NEW YORK TODAY. NEW YORK REQUESTED VERIFY THIS LIST IMMEDIATELY AND OBTAIN LIST OF VISITORS DANNEMORA.
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NEW YORK	5/9/46	4/17,23/46	CHARLES A. GANNON

TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
SALVATORE LUCANIA, with aliases	MISCELLANEOUS -- INFORMATION CONCERNING PAROLE AND DEPORTATION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Confidential Informant [redacted] believes TOM CURRAN and MURRAY I. GURFEIN backed LUCIANO parole. [redacted] also advised that [redacted] BENDIX's criminal record indicates he was serving sentence from 4/23/36 until paroled from Sing Sing 8/16/43. [redacted] advised that his contact [redacted]

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REFERENCES: Report of Special Agent Charles A. Gannon, New York, 4/15/46.
Bureau teletypes to New York, 4/18/46 and 4/22/46.
New York teletypes to Bureau, 4/19/46, 4/23/46, 4/24/46.

DETAILS: Confidential Informant [redacted], whose identity is known to the Bureau, stated that as a result of inquiry into the LUCIANO matter, he has been led to believe that TOM CURRAN and MURRAY I. GURFEIN were behind the appointment of CHARLES RADCLIFFE HAFFENDEN as Commissioner of Docks for the City of New

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York under the O'Dwyer administration. He stated that TOM CURRAN is the Republican leader for the City of New York and he believes that CURRAN formerly served as State Senator and is now Secretary of State for the State of New York. He advised that CURRAN is "wired in at the Powerhouse", meaning that CURRAN has the confidence of Francis Cardinal Spellman.

Confidential Informant [redacted] remarked "Of course, Cardinal Spellman knows absolutely nothing about this particular political deal of Curran". b7D

Confidential Informant [redacted] also stated that he could not go deeper into the inquiry concerning the activities of MURRAY I. GURFEIN and CURRAN due to the possible political repercussions. b7D

MURRAY IRWIN GURFEIN served under THOMAS E. DEWEY as Assistant District Attorney in New York City. During the war he received a commission in the Army and rose to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] b7E [redacted] It is noted that HAFFENDEN, in his reply to the inquiry by the Naval authorities, stated that MAJOR MURRAY GURFEIN [redacted] was formerly an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan and was instrumental in putting HAFFENDEN in touch with MOSES POLAKOF, Attorney for LUCIANO.

Confidential Informant [redacted] also said that [redacted] b7D

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[redacted] expressed the opinion that BENDIX left New York City for Florida about 1940. It will be noted, however, that BENDIX was sentenced on April 23, 1936, and was not paroled until August 16, 1943. This is reflected in the criminal record of JOSEPH BENDIX as obtained from the files of the New York City Police Department: b7D

"Name JOSEPH BENDIX - NYPD # 28706

12-6-11 as Joseph Bendix, at Bridgeport, Conn; Theft. On 12-13-11 30 days Jail and $15. costs.

6-6-12 as Jos. Bendix, at Bklyn; Grand Larceny. On 6-24-12 Elmira Refty, Judge Fawcett, County Court.

11-27-14 as Jos. Benedict, at Manh; Attempt Gr. Larceny. On 1-5-15 Acquitted, Jdge Malone, Gen Sess. Det Devaney, 2nd Branch.

1-27-15 as Jos. Bendix, at Manh; Grand Larceny. On 2-26-15, 4 yrs and 6 mos Sing Sing Prison, Jdge Malone, Gen Sess. Crt.

8-3-18 as Jos. Bendix, at Manh; Unlawful Entry. Final charge; Dis. Conduct. On 8-8-18, 6 mos Wkhse, Mag Barlow, 2nd Crt. Ptl. Fitzgerald, 23rd Pct.

10-30-19 as Jos. Bendix, Cleveland, O. Grand Lar. (Hotel Thief) On 11-22-19 Ohio State Penty. Indef. 1 to 7 yrs.

6-4-21 as John Bower, Manh. Burglary, (Final Charge Att. Burg. 3rd) On 8-17-21 2 yrs. and 2 mos. Sing Sing, Judge Koenig, Gen. Sess Ct. Off. Potter, 21st Pct. D. D.

1-15-23 as Jos. Bendix, Manh. Unlaw. Entry; on 1-17-23- Penty. Spec. Sess. Ct. Off. McAvoy, Tr. A.

3-26-24 As Jos. Bendix, Manh. Grand Larceny. (Final Charge Att. Gr. Lar. 2nd) On 5-29-44 2½ yrs. Sing Sing, Judge Rosalsky, Gen. Sess. Ct. Off. Clancy, 23rd D.D.

6-25-26 As Joseph Bendix, Manh. Pet Lar. On 7-9-26- Sent. Susp. Spec. Sess. Ct. Off. Finnan, 5th Ave. Sqd.

12-29-31 As Jos. V. Bendix, Manh. Unlaw. Entry & Revolver. On 2-11-32- Penty for Revolver. On 1-2-32 Discharged Gr. Jury. Off. Carey, 18th Pct.

"7-10-34 As Joseph Bendix, Manh. 1897 P. L. On 7-25-34- Dismissed, Grand Jury. Off. Mullee, Meehan, 18th Sqd.

11-13-34 As Jos. V. Bendix, Miami Bch, Florida, suspect. 30 days, Sent. Susp. ordered out of Town.

1-11-36 As Joseph Bendix, Manh. Burglary (Hotel Room) Final Charge Burg. 3rd. On 4-23-36- 15 yrs. to Natural Life, States Prison. Judge Nott, Gen. Sess. Ct. Off. Mitchell, Midtown Sqd. 9-24-45

8-16-43 Paroled from Sing Sing Prison No. 91906 - Expiration Life. "

By teletype dated April 24, 1946, the Bureau was requested to furnish the complete criminal record of JOSEPH BENDIX together with the latest available photograph. A photograph of BENDIX taken in connection with his arrest on July 10, 1934, has been obtained from the New York Police Department and two copies of this photograph are being enclosed with this report for the Bureau.

[redacted] claimed that BENDIX was paroled shortly after THOMAS E. DEWEY took office as Governor of the State of New York. [redacted] characterized BENDIX as the most outstanding hotel thief in the United States. He described BENDIX as 44 years of age; 5' 8" tall; slender build; 150 lbs. He stated that insofar as he knew, BENDIX had no legitimate occupation. He believes that his last known place of residence was in Miami, Florida. b7D

In the report of reference, mention was made of [redacted] statement that popular opinion holds that LUCIANO, although a racketeer, was not guilty of the charges of which he was committed. [redacted] stated that by "popular opinion", he meant those men in and around New York "who are in on the know". b7D

[redacted] said that he is very apprehensive about the information he has furnished for fear that it should fall into the wrong hands and be used to persecute him. He stated that under no circumstances could the information furnished by him be considered as useful for evidence or as testimony to be given by him. b7D

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Through the Office of Mr. W. F. Watkins, District Director of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, New York City, it has been ascertained that a warrant of deportation had been placed against LUCIANO on November 20, 1936, by T. W. BATTLES, Assistant Secretary of Labor. The number of the warrant was 172-278-59933-844. On January 5, 1946, a communication from the warden of Great Meadows Prison, Comstock, New York, advised Mr. Watkins' agency that LUCIANO was available as a result of a "special commutation to custody for deportation only".

The criminal record of JOSEPH BENDIX under FBI No. 36848 reflects the additional fingerprint record of his application with the War Department on October 25, 1943, as JOSEPH VICTOR BENDIX when he applied for a job of process operator "C".

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2 Photographs of JOSEPH BENDIX.

A copy of this report is being furnished to the Albany Field Division for the information of that office.

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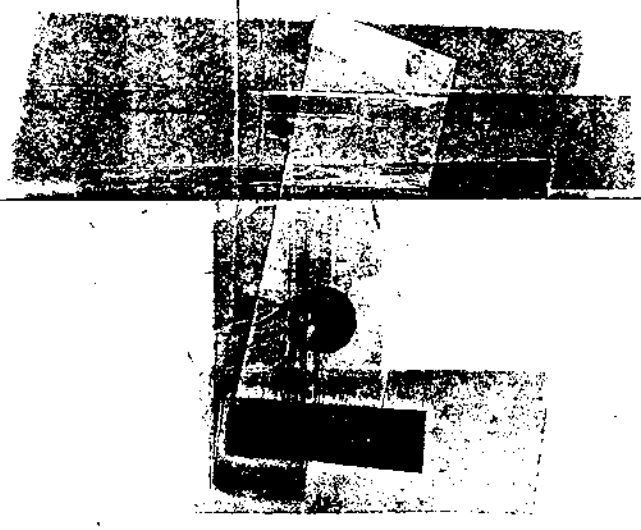

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SAC, New York PERSONAL ~~AND~~ CONFIDENTIAL May 3, 1946

Director, FBI

CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
PAROLE

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ON 11/2/82

Reference is made to the photostatic material which you recently forwarded to the Bureau in connection with the above-captioned matter. This material was obtained by your office in strictest confiden b7D from [redacted]

You are referred to page two of the photostat of a memorandum allegedly from Commander Charles B. Haffenden to the Commandant, Third Naval District, entitled "Luciano, Charles:-Anonymous letter alleging Commander Haffenden's assistance in connection with Luciano's application for parole," where the following two paragraphs are contained:

"D. During 1942, exact month unknown, Senator Walsh, then and now Chairman of the Naval Affairs Committee, was attacked in the press by one newspaper, the New York Post, which charged him with being in a house of ill fame. Needless to say, this charge was exceedingly annoying to the Senator and created a lot of discussion in the City of NY.

"Through an informant emanating from Moses Polakoff, the information came to my attention that the true identity of the Senator in the house of ill fame was not Senator Walsh, but a man of eighty-some-odd years of age, who, at one time, had been a New York State Senator, and who was referred to, in the house of ill fame, as 'The Senator.' This information was given to Capt. McFall, and although I am not sure, I believe it was probably forwarded to the F.B.I., as they were investigating the case."

You are requested to immediately review the case file in the above-mentioned matter to determine whether the Office of Naval Intelligence at New York City ever supplied you with information concerning the alleged true identity of the Senator who frequented the house of ill fame in Brooklyn. This review should receive immediate attention and the Bureau must be advised not later than May 10, 1946.

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CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WAS. PAROLE AND DEPORTATION, MISCELLANEOUS, INFO CONCERNING. REFERENCE BUREAU LETTER MAY THREE. FILE REVIEW OF CASE CONCERNING SENATOR WALSH REFLECTS MEMORANDUM DATED MAY SEVEN FORTY TWO STATING LT. COMMANDER HAFFENDEN CALLED NYFD AND STATED HE HAD AN INDIVIDUAL WHO KNEW A PERSON WHO HAD BEEN MISTAKEN FOR SENATOR WALSH. HAFFENDEN STATED INFO AROSE OUT OF ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE. INFORMANT WAS [redacted] WHO WAS INTERVIEWED MAY SEVENTH BUT DID NOT FURNISH ANY INFO OF VALUE. SPECIAL AGENTS DETERMINED TRUE IDENTITY OF MAN ALLEGED TO BE SENATOR WALSH WITHOUT ANY ASSISTANCE FROM ONI. INDIVIDUAL MISTAKEN FOR SENATOR WALSH WAS DR. HARRY RUSSEL STONE, AGE SIXTY THREE AT THE TIME NOT EIGHT SOME ODD AS HAFFENDEN STATED. FURTHERMORE STONE WAS NEVER STATE SENATOR AS HAFFENDEN CLAIMED. CLOSING REPORT IN LUCIANO CASE FORWARDED TO BUREAU. IT WAS DICTATED PRIOR TO RECEIPT OF OUTSTANDING LEADS. CASE NOW IN PENDING STATUS.

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CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, PAROLE, MISCELLANEOUS, INFORMATION CONCERNING. (U)

SUBMIT MEMORANDUM FOR RECEIPT AT BUREAU MAY EIGHTH LIST OF VISITORS RECEIVED BY LUCIANO WHILE AT DANNEMORA DURING WARTIME PERIOD.

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cc New York (by regular mail)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. ROSEN

DATE: 5/28/46
Call: 12:05 PM

FROM : P. J. SHINE

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

On May 28, 1946, ASAC Belmont, New York City, while calling the Bureau on other matters informed the writer that the New York Division received information today indicating that Mayor William O'Dwyer of New York City fired Commander Charles H. Haffenden on Friday last as Commissioner of the city's Marine and Aviation Department. According to an item appearing in the New York morning newspapers, Mayor O'Dwyer took this action purportedly because he "was not satisfied with Haffenden's administration of the Marine and Aviation Department."

ASAC Belmont further advised that Commander Haffenden will be replaced by Mr. Frederick G. Reinicke as Commissioner of the Marine and Aviation Department. ASAC Belmont further stated that Mr. Reinicke recently retired from the regular U. S. Navy with the rank of Commodore after 39 years of active service. During the war Mr. Reinicke was Director of the Naval Transportation Service for the Third Naval District, New York City.

ACTION BEING TAKEN

These data are being furnished to you for your information and were made available to the Bureau because of the interest which it has previously manifested in the activities of Commander Haffenden in connection with subject Luciano, when Haffenden was affiliated with ONI.

Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, no further action is contemplated by the New York Division in this matter.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : MR. E. A. TAMM

DATE: May 17, 1946

FROM : A. ROSEN

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
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PURPOSE

To advise that the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations has responded to our inquiry concerning information it might have available relative to former Commander Charles R. Haffenden's actions in behalf of Charles "Lucky" Luciano's parole. This letter acknowledges that [redacted] However, it states that the nature and extent of his assistance is not reflected in Navy records, and further that Haffenden was censured officially for his actions.

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A letter has also been received from the Albany Division, setting out names of some of the individuals who visited Luciano while he was incarcerated in Great Meadows Prison, to which place he was transferred during the early part of the war. Information is also set out in this letter disclosing that Haffenden's claim that an informant emanating from Moses Polakoff, attorney for Luciano, furnished the true identity of the man observed in a Brooklyn house of ill fame, and believed to be United States Senator Walsh, is without foundation.

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The letter from the Office of Chief of Naval Operations sets out that in 1941, the security of the port of New York was a matter of great concern, not only to the Third Naval District, but to the Secretary of the Navy and the President of the United States, and further that in accordance with the directive issued by the Secretary of the Navy, the activities of the District Intelligence Organization in the Third Naval District were expanded to afford the required coverage in the port of New York.

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It was also pointed out that considerable newspaper publicity concerning the Navy's responsibility in this regard occurred in 1941, and as a result of it, the District Attorney of New York County invited the DIO to discuss matters concerning the port of New York. At a conference subsequently held, the District Intelligence Officer was informed that the "Rackets" Section of the District Attorney's Office had numerous contacts in the underworld familiar with waterfront situations. Arrangements thereupon were made whereby pertinent information would be called to the attention of the District Intelligence Officer through Mr. Gurfein of the District Attorney's Office and Commander Haffenden.

According to the Navy, Haffenden advised the DIO that Luciano still wielded influence in his organization and had directed its members to give

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A shocking example of misuse of Navy authority in interest of a hoodlum. It surprises me they

assistance to the District Intelligence Office. It is set out that Haffenden from time to time reported information he obtained from underworld characters about waterfront activities, none of which, however, was of very serious portent.

EXPLANATION OF HAFFENDEN'S APPEARANCE BEFORE JUDGE PHILLIP McCOOK IN 1943

The Navy advised that when an article appeared in a New York newspaper stating that Luciano was appealing for a reduction in sentence [redacted] the DIO sent Commander Haffenden to explain the circumstances under which Naval Intelligence was having contacts with the underworld and "to inform him that Naval Intelligence had no interest in the reduction of Luciano's sentence." Haffenden reported to the DIO that satisfactory explanation had been made to Justice McCook, and the Navy points out when Luciano's appeal was later denied, the incident was closed. b7D

COMMENTS REGARDING [redacted] IN MEDITERRANEAN AREA b7D

The Navy points out that because of the large Italian population in New York City, every effort was made to obtain any and all information concerning the Mediterranean area, which might be useful in planning operations in that theater. Haffenden was placed in charge of collecting such intelligence and submitted numerous reports on information assembled from all available sources in the New York area.

It is further pointed out by the Navy, however, that the files of the Navy do not indicate what particular items in these reports of Haffenden emanated from individual informants, nor do the files indicate that particular items were of greater value than others. The Navy concludes, "Hence it is impossible to substantiate, from available records, that any information was [redacted] so furnished, that it was of value in the successful prosecution of the Italian campaign." b7D
In this regard, it will be recalled that Haffenden in his letter of May 17, 1945, to Charles Brietel, Secretary to Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York, said he was "confident" that the greater part of intelligence developed in the Sicilian Campaign was directly responsible to the number of Sicilians [redacted]

INQUIRY FROM NEW YORK PAROLE BOARD

The Navy informs that the Parole District Supervisor carried out an investigation ordered by the Governor of New York, and requested the DIO to indicate the nature, quantity, and value [redacted] to the armed services. The Navy advises us without indicating what its reply to the Parole Board was, that "A thorough search of the files of the District Intelligence Office, Third Naval District, failed to indicate that Luciano furnished any information to that office." b7D

NAVY CENSURE OF HAFFENDEN

The Office of the Chief of Naval Operations advises that Commander Haffenden's actions [redacted] were not known to or authorized by Naval authorities; that his actions were expressions of his personal opinions which official records failed to substantiate; and further, that he was informed "of his lack of judgment in this case and directed to inform naval authority if he is ever requested to appear, or does appear, at a hearing for parole of any of the members of the underworld with whom he associated while on duty in the District Intelligence Office, Third Naval District." b7D

VISITORS OF LUCIANO'S AT GREAT MEADOWS PRISON

A list of Luciano's visitors while incarcerated at the above prison, to which he was transferred during the early part of the war, indicates that in 1942 and 1943, on ten occasions he was visited by Moses Polakoff, his attorney. It also appears that he was visited several times by Meyer Lansky [redacted] b7D M. Merandi, and on one occasion by Frank Costello. The latter individuals are no doubt identical with the well-known racketeers of those names who frequent the New York area and formerly associated with Luciano.

It will be recalled that Haffenden advised Naval authorities when questioned about his relationship with Luciano, that he had never met Luciano and that he was put in contact with informants by third parties, such as Moses Polakoff, and friends of Luciano's.

ONI DID NOT IDENTIFY INDIVIDUAL ONCE BELIEVED TO BE SENATOR WALSH

As previously pointed out, Haffenden in outlining his actions regarding Luciano to the Navy, stated that in 1942 an informant "emanating from Moses Polakoff" disclosed the true identity of an individual frequenting a house of ill fame in Brooklyn and who was believed to be United States Senator Walsh. Haffenden also stated that he believed this information was forwarded to the FBI.

The New York Office advises that Special Agents in that division determined the true identity of the individual who was at first reported as being Senator Walsh without any assistance from Haffenden or the ONI. The individual mistaken for Senator Walsh was Dr. Harry Russell Stone, at the time 63 years of age. Stone was never a state Senator as Haffenden stated in his communication of explanation to the Navy, nor was he 80 some odd years of age as Haffenden further described him. New York advises that Haffenden did call the New York Division and report that he had an individual who knew the person who had been mistaken for Senator Walsh. This informant of Haffenden's proved to be [redacted] b7D who upon interview furnished no information of value.

ACTION TAKEN

This data is called to your attention for information purposes only and if additional material of value is developed in the field, this matter will be called to your attention promptly.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. E. A. TAMM

DATE: May 6, 1946

FROM : A. ROSEN

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
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PURPOSE

To call your attention to photostatic copies of material contained in ONI files relative to the activity of Commander Charles Radcliffe Haffenden, USNR, in behalf of Luciano's parole. This data contains a statement on the part of Haffenden concerning the history of his connection with Luciano, a copy of a letter written by Haffenden to Honorable Charles Breitel, Counsel to Governor Dewey of New York, and responses Haffenden made to three questions directed to him by ONI. It is also interesting to note that the information from the ONI files reflects that the latter organization apparently used [redacted] b7D [redacted] It also appears that Murray Gurfein, An Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan, and subsequently [redacted] prepared a statement similar b7E Haffenden but that this statement, in accordance with the desires of ONI, was not released by the District Attorney's Office.

This memorandum also points out that [redacted] advised in confidence that the Governor held no special hearings regarding the Luciano parole and that his signature on the findings of the Parole Board was routine.

The attached photostatic material was obtained in strictest confidence from [redacted] and reflects that the ONI b7D inquiry grew out of an anonymous letter calling the Navy's attention to Haffenden's action in behalf of [redacted] 2141-40 b7D [redacted] specifically requested that his identity not be disclosed to any other agency. [redacted] heard Walter Winchell or some other newspaper columnist was spreading a rumor to the effect that Luciano had bought his parole. [redacted] he did not believe there was anything to this rumor.

[redacted] Luciano's parole recently came to the fore due to the fact that Judge Philip J. McCook, who sentenced Luciano in 1936, was approaching the compulsory retirement age of 70 years and that Luciano's attorney filed the necessary affidavits in Judge McCook's court. The Judge thereafter passed upon the matter and referred it to the New York State Parole Board.

At the time Haffenden responded to the three questions mentioned above, which were directed to him by ONI, he submitted an extract from the opinion of Judge Philip J. McCook relative to Luciano's first application

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for parole in February of 1943. This extract indicates that while Judge McCook felt Luciano had assisted the government in the war effort, he did not feel, at that time, 1943, that the situation warranted Luciano's parole. He concluded "If the defendant is assisting the authorities and he continues to do so, and remains a model prisoner, executive clemency may become appropriate at some future date."

[redacted] advised that all the facts were reviewed by the Parole Board and that in practically all cases the Governor's signature is regarded as routine after the Board has made its decision. He placed the Luciano parole in the latter category. [redacted] at the time of his interview had not had an opportunity to [redacted] b7D

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SIGNED STATEMENT GIVEN BY COMMANDER HAFFENDEN

In this statement dated July 25, 1945, Haffenden reports that while he was with the ONI in New York around March of 1942, he met Mr. Murray I. Gurfein, then an Assistant District Attorney and Chief of the Rackets Bureau in Manhattan and later [redacted] This meeting w[redacted] b7E in the course of his official duties and later District Intelligence Officer Captain Roscoe McFall, District Attorney Frank Hogan, Mr. Gurfein and Haffenden had a conference relative to assistance which the District Attorney's Office might extend to the Navy.

At subsequent meetings between Haffenden and Gurfein, it was decided some underworld characters might be of assistance to the ONI inasmuch as it was believed the Axis agents might attempt to enlist the services of such individuals. Gurfein suggested contacting attorneys who had handled affairs of such "questionable characters." District Attorney Hogan approved this procedure and Haffenden was subsequently introduced to Attorney Moses Polakoff, representative of Luciano. Gurfein also introduce[d] Haffenden to [redacted] b7D [redacted] later became a good informant on the fishing industry and was in

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If Haffenden's description of how [redacted] was used by ONI at the b7D outset of the war is factual, it is a sad commentary on the condition of Naval Intelligence at that time. Haffenden reports that prior to the setting up of a more competent method of checking the fishing industry,

[redacted]

In this statement Haffenden advises that in February of 1943, he appeared before Judge Philip J. McCook with the permission of Captain Roscoe McFall, District Intelligence Officer, and that at the time he was questioned and testified to the facts set forth above. He indicates that Gurfein also appeared in behalf of Luciano at this time.

Haffenden states that he has never seen or talked with Luciano and that all his transactions were carried on through Attorney Polakoff or informants sent through him. He recalled how Polakoff and friends of Luciano on several occasions visited Luciano in prison. The Albany Field Division has been requested to check Luciano's visiting list at Dannemora Prison to test the veracity of this statement. In this statement Haffenden also claims that all his negotiations with informants [redacted] b7D and the information they produced were discussed with his Commanding Officer, Captain Roscoe McFall. The advisability of interviewing Captain McFall relative to his knowledge of assistance [redacted] in the war effort will be considered after a response is received from our written inquiry to the Chief of Naval Personnel relative to information in their files concerning the Luciano and Haffenden relationship..

HAFFENDEN'S ANSWERS TO ONI QUESTIONS

After the anonymous letter (photostatic copy attached) referring to Haffenden's assistance in obtaining a parole for Luciano was received by ONI, three questions were addressed to Commander Haffenden. He was asked if he ever appeared before the Parole Board of New York State or had been questioned by any of its personnel regarding Luciano's application for parole. Another question inquired if he had written any letters to agencies in the State of New York recommending parole for Luciano and, if so, to attach a copy of such correspondence. He was also asked if he had any knowledge of information of value supplied [redacted] b7D to the Navy, and if so, to indicate of what the information consisted.

Haffenden replied that while he did not appear before the Parole Board, he had been interviewed by a representative of the Board named Healey to whom he gave the general information set forth in the signed statement referred to above. Haffenden also stated that he had not written to any agency in New York State recommending Luciano's parole, but that he had written to the Honorable Charles Breitel and he attached a copy of this letter. (A photostat of this letter is also attached.) b7D

This letter is dated May 17, 1945, and is captioned "Re: [redacted] " Haffenden in the letter stated that from July, 1940 to June, 1944, he had been in charge of the Investigating Section of Naval Intelligence in the Third District and it had been his duty to locate informants in the United States who could give intelligence information "that would be of value both domestic and foreign." He states that through the assistance of Murray Garfein that he made contacts with Moses Polakoff, attorney for Luciano. He then goes on to state that this contact was made for the purpose of reaching Sicilian-born Italians "who could give pertinent information regarding the conditions in Sicily that would be helpful to our Armed Forces preparing the intelligence for the foreign campaign which eventually developed in the aforementioned country."

Haffenden also stated in this letter that it was difficult to say how many informants came to his attention [redacted] b7D but that he was "confident" that the greater part of the intelligence developed in the Sicilian campaign was directly responsible to the number of Sicilians that emanated from [redacted]. He concluded his letter stating that he was recovering from wounds received at Iwo Jima and that as soon as he was well again he would be glad to discuss the matter further with Mr. Breitel or anyone the latter might direct.

With regard to Haffenden's wounds, it might be noted that

previous information developed in this inquiry reflects that Haffenden's wounds consisted of an old stomach injury that recurred when a large gun was fired as he was standing nearby.

It is of interest to note that Haffenden in referring to his letter to Mr. Breitel states that although it was requested by Attorney Moses Polakoff, it was written "with no suggestion of or interest in the question of the Luciano parole." Haffenden advised that Polakoff said a similar statement would be forthcoming from Lieutenant Colonel Gurfein and that he, Haffenden, had been lead to believe "that such a statement is in the possession of the District Attorney's Office, New York County." He went on to state that he had learned through Polakoff on July 9, 1945, that District Attorney Hogan had advised the latter that "Naval Intelligence had refused consent of the release of Lieutenant Colonel Gurfein's statement or affidavit."

In response to the ONI inquiry concerning Haffenden's knowledge of information of value [redacted] it appears that Haffenden's reply is evasive. He mentions assistance received by Ryan, Head of the Longshoremen's Union in New York, and by [redacted] b7D the general inference being that these contacts were made through [redacted] He does not, however, in answering this question state specifically that [redacted] did develop these contacts.

In outlining the assistance extended by [redacted] to the ON[redacted] b7D Haffenden points out, in addition to furnishing information concerning fishing boats, that [redacted] was also helpful in settling a waterfront strike. The location of the strike and the persons involved are not described but it is mentioned that the striking stevedores involved were not a group under the control of Ryan.

Again, Haffenden mentions that an informant developed through Polakoff also was of assistance in 1942 when Senator Walsh, Chairman of the Naval Affairs Committee, was attacked in the New York Post and charged with being in a house of ill fame. He reports that this unnamed informant ascertained the true identity of the Senator visiting the house of ill fame, who proved to be a man of 80 years or more, who had been a New York State Senator at one time. Then, Haffenden states that although he is not sure, he believes, that the latter information was probably forwarded to the FBI who, he understood, was then investigating the case concerning Senator Walsh because the operator of the house in question was a German and suspected of trying to get information from Navy personnel. A letter is being directed to the New York Division requesting that the files of that office regarding this case in which Senator Walsh was mentioned be immediately reviewed to determine whether the New York Division received any information from the Office of Naval Intelligence at New York City to the effect that one of its informants had ascertained the true identity of the Senator visiting the house of ill fame was a former New York State Senator.

Haffenden also advises that following a request made to Moses Polakoff for information on Italy and Sicily, several strange-looking Italians came to see him and a few days later these informants "called constantly on the writer" and were turned over to officers familiar with the territory on which they were reporting.

NO RECORD OF INFORMANTS MAINTAINED IN THE DISTRICT INTELLIGENCE OFFICE

Haffenden states that the names of the informants referred to above never reached the general files and that their identities were known only to Captain Roscoe McFall and himself, together with a few officers who might have had a small part in the work. Haffenden claims that he personally kept a record of all informants and that when he was transferred from the New York Office of ONI, he left this personal file in his New York office. Haffenden states that each informant was given "a key in the nature of a digit; such digit was then placed in the file of said informant, so that I was able to refer to such files readily."

HAFFENDEN LETTER TO CHIEF OF NAVAL PERSONNEL

Haffenden addressed a letter dated December 12, 1945, to the Chief of Naval Personnel. He advised that if he, Haffenden, were subpoenaed or approached to give additional information that he would comply with instructions which apparently had been given to him. He stated that since writing to Mr. Breitel, Counsel for Governor Dewey, he had not been approached or asked in any way to cooperate or to give information concerning Luciano or any other informants that "may have assisted the intelligence efforts in the Third Naval District." He also stated that if through civil law he were forced to appear and testify, apparently in regard to Luciano, he would protect the Navy interest to the best of his ability.

ACTION TAKEN

The Chief of Naval Intelligence at Washington, D. C. has been advised that because of Luciano's widespread criminal associations and our interest in his activities prior to his incarceration in New York, we are desirous of maintaining, as far as possible, complete information relative to him. In this letter, it was requested if that organization had conducted any investigation relative to Commander Haffenden's efforts in behalf of Luciano, that we would appreciate receiving the results of the same, together with photostatic copies of any pertinent documents.

A letter has been sent to the New York Division requesting that the files of that Division be checked to ascertain if ONI furnished information relative to the true identity of the individual who was believed to be U. S. Senator Walsh. The Albany Division has been requested by teletype to check the visitor's list at the institution in which Luciano was incarcerated during the wartime period.

ACTION BEING TAKEN

If any valuable information in addition to that set out in instant memorandum is received from the Navy or any other source, the same will be called to your attention promptly. When information is received from the Chief of Naval Intelligence, Washington, D. C., regarding this matter, consideration will be given to interviewing Captain Roscoe McFall.

Attachment

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20 July 1945.

From: Commandant, THIRD Naval District.
To: Commander C. B. HAFFENDEN, USNR, File #27653.

Subject: LUCIANO, Charles:- Anonymous letter alleging Commander HAFFENDEN'S assistance in connection with LUCIANO'S application for parole.

References: (a) Articles 197 and 202, U. S. Navy Regulations, 1920.
(b) Anonymous letter received by the Commandant, THIRD Naval District, on or about 17 July 1945.

Enclosure: (A) Copy of reference (b).

1. Enclosure (a) alleges that you made a petition or plea to the Executive Department, Division of Parole of the State of New York, to assist the subject named individual in obtaining a parole from prison, and that you made certain statements regarding official service rendered to the U. S. Government by the subject named person.

2. The District Intelligence Office, THIRD Naval District, files indicate that the subject named individual never furnished any assistance or information to this office or to the Office of Naval Intelligence.

3. In view of the above, Enclosure (A) is forwarded for such statement as you may desire to make. If you do not desire to make a statement, you will so state in writing.

4. It is directed that you answer the following specific questions:

(a) Have you appeared before the Parole Board of the State of New York or been questioned by any of its personnel regarding the subject named individual's application for parole?

(b) Have you written any letters to any agencies of the State of New York recommending the parole of the subject named individual? If so, forward a copy to the Commandant, THIRD Naval District, with the reply to this letter.

(c) If it has come to your knowledge that the subject named individual supplied any information of value to the U. S. Navy, please indicate what the information consisted of.

W. E. PHILLIPS,
By direction.

W. E. Phillips, Capt., USN
[redacted], USNR

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Admiral Monroe Kelly.

A recent disloyal and disgraceful performance perpetrated by a Naval officer ~~[illegible]~~ reported to be attached to the Intelligence Dept., 3rd, Naval District is hereby brought to your attention by one who has great in that Service and a brother in the South Pacific.

The writer and a few other newspapermen and members of the District Attorney's Office have been aware of a recent abortion on the Altar of Justice unequalled in History.

One of the most vicious characters ever stewed by the sidewalks of New York or any other city Lucky Luciano recently appeared before Parole Board of the ~~Swiss~~ State of New York in an effort to gain his freedom, and the important allegation on his behalf to justify his release was that he - Luciano - had contributed in Great measure to Our Country's success in the invasion of Europe, particularly in Italy and this assistance was given directly to the UNITED STATES NAVY by him - Luciano - and the UNITED STATES NAVY in appreciation for services rendered through the person of a Commander Heffenden supported Luciano in his false and repulsive claim.

Officials in poession of all of the facts concerning Luciano are experiencing unpleasant conjecture as to what connection or inducement would cause a Naval Officer to commit such a loathsome perjury.

This matter, unfortunately is very likely to appear on the front page if it has not already done so.

This report is submitted with the hope that the proper party can ward off the feeling of revulsion and bitter disappointment that will shake the public should same appear in print.

This scribe for obvious reasons does not care to sign his name - preferers to let the record speak for its regretable self -

LUCIANO PETITION FOR PAROLE

District Attorney's Office New York.
New York State Parole Board.

United States Navy - on behalf of LUCKY LUCIANO
Represented by Commander Heffenden, U.S.N.

[redacted]
DATE 11/19/82 By [redacted]

July 25th, 1945

From: Commander C. R. HAFFENDEN, USNR, File #27653.
To: Commandant, THIRD Naval District

Subject: LUCIANO, Charles-Anonymous letter alleging Commander HAFFENDEN's assistance in connection with LUCIANO's application for parole.

References: (A) Letter of 20 July 1945 from Commandant, THIRD Naval District. File No. ND3/DHq-11
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Enclosures: (A) Statement of Commander C. R. Haffenden
(B) Letter written to Hon. Charles Breitel, May 17th, 1945.
(C) Extract from the information of Mr. Justice McCook.
(This is the only part of said information that interested Naval Intelligence.)
(D) Newspaper article printed in the New York Herald Tribune, May 23rd, 1945.

1. Reference A, Par. 4, Question a.

I have not appeared before the Parole Board of the State of New York, nor given written request for parole of subject, Charles Luciano.

Sometime during the latter part of June 1945, I was questioned by a representative of the Parole Board named Healey, to whom I reiterated the general information set forth in Enclosure A. I did not discuss cases or detailed facts with said investigator, but referred him for his information to Naval Intelligence Office, Third Naval District.

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2. Reference A, Par. 4, Question b.

I have not written any letter to authorities in the State of New York recommending the parole of the subject named individual. The only letter I have written is Enclosure B. This letter sets forth in generalities my connection with the subject, Charles Luciano, and does not involve Naval Intelligence and, at the same time, permits me to carry out previous commitments made under the approval of Capt. McFall. At the time of writing, I was a patient at Brooklyn Naval Hospital. The letter was requested by Mr. Moses Polakoff, and was ~~[illegible]~~ written with no suggestion of or interest in the question of the Luciano parole. Mr. Polakoff stated that a similar statement would be forthcoming from Lt. Col. Murray I. Gurfein, and I am led to believe that such a statement is in the possession of the District Attorney's office, New York County. Mr. Polakoff states that on July 9th, by word from Mr. Hogan, New York District Attorney, Naval Intelligence had refused consent of the release of Lt. Col. Gurfein's statement or affidavit.

3. Reference A, Par. 4, Question c.

A. The constant flow of information on waterfront activities given by Jerry Ryan, head of the Longshoremen's Union, who established a liaison with the writer through a man named Daily. All information from this source was routed to Capt. McFall, the ultimate results unknown to the writer.

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B. Prior to a more competent method of checking the fishing industry, [redacted] Given latitude and longitude, this informant was able to supply the information desired. [redacted]

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[redacted] and the officer performi this check was Lt. Herb Kemp; this officer was later transferred to B-5, and continued, for time, on this work, and, as far as I know, used the contact of [redacted]

C. Waterfront strikes by stevedores not under the control of Jerry Ry took place in Brooklyn an interfered with shipping. As it was not the olicy of Naval Intelligence to involve itself in labor disputes, information of the annoyance was given to Moses Polakoff, and practically immediately the annoyance subsided. Mr. Polakoff tells me he communicated with waterfront characters and accomplished this mission.

D. During 1942, exact month unknown, Senator Walsh, then and now Chairman of the Naval Affairs Committee, was attacked in the press by one newspaper, the New York Post, which charged him with being in a house of ill fame. Needless to say, this charge was exceedingly annoying to the Senator and created a lot of discussion in the City o

Through an informant emanating from Moses Polakoff, the informa tion came to my attention that the true identity of the Senator in the house of ill fame was not Senator Walsh, but a man of eighty-some-odd years of age, who, at one time, had been a New York State Senator, and who was referred to, in the house of ill fame, as "The Senator". This information was given to Capt. McFall, and although I am not sure, I believe it was probably forwarded to the F.B.I., as they were investigating the case.

Naval interest came about due to the fact that Brooklyn Navy Yard had the house of ill fame under observation as it was suspected of trying to get information fr Navy enlisted personnel. Said House was reputed to be operated by a German and I had asked Moses Polakoff for any information on the house in question.

E. I made a request of Moses Polakoff for any information on Italy o Sicily with the result that several strange-looking Italians, referred to as "pedrons" with whom I had to speak through an interpreter, came to me. I told them that I wanted pictures and information of all kinds, and set forth the particular needs of what is now referred to as the F section. A few days after their departure, informants on the subject areas called constantly on the writer who, in turn, turned these informants over to officers familiar with the territory on which the had information. The exact number of these would be impossible to estimate as many of these informants were never even seen by the writer

4. Reference A, Par. E.

No public record was kept in the District Intelligence Office of the informants emanating from the source set forth in this statement. The names of the true informants never reached the general files; their identity was only known to Capt. Roscoe McFall and the writer, and a few other officers who might have had a small part in this wor I personally kept a record of all informants, who were given a key, in the nature of a digi such digit was then placed in the file of said informant, so that I was able to refer to su files readily. The files containing this information, and the key, were left in my office when I was detached from the District Intelligence Office, Third Naval District, to go to t South Pacific.

Respectfully request permission to send a complete copy of this statement to Capt. Roscoe McFall.

CHARLES R. HAFFENDEN,
Commander, USNR

CRH:men

CC to: District Intelligence Office,
Attn: Capt. W. B. Phillips

December 12th, 1945

From: Commander Charles P. Haffenden, (D), U.S.N.R.
35-25 167th Street, Flushing, L.I., New York

To: The Chief of Naval Personnel
Navy Department
Bureau of Naval Personnel
Washington 25, D. C.

Subject: Charles Luciano - Petition for Parole of.

Reference:
(a) Ltr from Com 3 to me dated 20 July 1945.
(b) My ltr to Com 3 dated 25 July 1945.
(c) My ltr to Hon. Charles Breitel, counsel to Gov. of N.Y. dated 17 May 1945.
(d) U.S. Navy Regulations, Article 76 3 (a) (4)
(e) Ltr from Navy Dept. Bureau of Naval Personnel, dated 30 November 1945.

1. Instructions set forth in reference (e) will be complied with to the best of my ability.

2. If I am subpoenaed or approached to give additional information on this subject, I will comply with paragraph 2 of reference (e) and notify the Chief of Naval Personnel, and the Commandant, Third Naval District of such action.

3. Since the letter, reference (c) was written, I have not been approached or asked in any way to cooperate or give information in reference to the subject or to any other informants that may have assisted the Intelligence' efforts in the Third Naval District.

4. If, through Civil Law, I am forced to appear and testify, I will protect the Navy interest to the best of my ability.

CHARLES P. HAFFENDEN,
Commander, U. S. N. R.

cc - Headquarters, Third Naval District

ENCLOSURE "A" July 25th, 1942

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SUBJECT: Charles Luciano

The following is a statement to the best of my memory of how I came in contact with the subject party through his attorney, Mr. Moses Polakoff. The statement also sets forth to the best of my knowledge the purpose for making this contact and others of a similar nature.

Sometime in March 1942, or slightly prior to that date, Lt. James O'Malley, USNR, was attached to the office of Naval Intelligence, Third Naval District. Lt. O'Malley, prior to his coming into the service, was an Assistant District Attorney for the County of New York. Capt. Roscoe McFall, then District Intelligence Officer, Third Naval District, believed that Lt. O'Malley would be an ideal liaison with the District Attorney's office. Accordingly, Lt O'Malley reestablished his contacts with the District Attorney's office and introduced the w to Murray I. Gurfein, then Assistant District Attorney and Chief of the Rackets Bureau in b7E office. Mr. Gurfein, [redacted] introduced the writer and Capt. McFall to District Attorney Hogan, at which conference it was discussed what help could be given from the District Attorney's office to Naval Intelligence. District Attorney Hogan agreed that whatever assistance could emanate from that office would come through Lt. Col. Gurfein.

After several meetings with Lt. Col. Gurfein, at which the two important points of interest to Naval Intelligence were discussed - namely

(a) possible sabotage by enemy agents in the Port of New York that might affect shipping from that port

and

(b) possible assistance given to submarines by fishing boats departing from ports in the Third Naval District and returning thereto

the suggestion developed that some underworld characters might be of assistance in connectio with the problems confronting Naval Intelligence. It was thought that enemy agents might approach questionable characters with an inducement of money to perform acts of sabotage. We thereupon decided to set up a flow of information from the underworld to combat the possibility or to entrap the culprits.

Lt. Col. Gurfein suggested that contacts be made with the attorneys who had handled affairs of questionable characters, in order to get the desired results. District Attorney Hogan approved this plan, with the result that the writer of this statement was introduced to Moses Polakoff, a member of the New York Bar, who, in turn, had previously represented Charles Luciano, the subject of this statement. Interviews were carried on with Mr. Polakoff in my private suite in the Astor Hotel, New York City.

Mr. Polakoff said that he felt quite sure [redacted] b7D [redacted] to see said Luciano, then a prisoner in Dannemora Prison. Lt. Col. Gurfein arranged for this conference as he also did for one [redacted]

If I recall correctly, there were several occasions where the attorney, Moses Polakoff, friends of the subject, Luciano, made trips to the prison [redacted]

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The writer has never seen or talked to said Luciano - [redacted]

SUBJECT: Charles Luciano

During February of 1943, the writer appeared before Mr. Justice Philip J. McCook with the permission of Capt. Roscoe McFall, District Intelligence Officer, Third Naval District, at which time the writer was questioned and testified to the facts set forth herein, together with the possible assistance given to Naval Intelligence [redacted] b7D [redacted] As we were at the time involved in war with Germany, no information was given in my testimony, other than generalities, as to the assistance rendered by [redacted] no case, no facts, or anything that could be inferred as jeopardizing Naval interest was brought forth by the writer. Lt. Col. Gurfein appeared before, and was interviewed by, Justice McCook at the same time.

The above statement is purely from memory; there is a possibility that other facts not set forth herein may come to my mind at a later date.

All through my negotiations with any informants [redacted] b7D [redacted] and the information which they produced, was, at all times, discussed with my then Commanding Officer, Capt. Roscoe McFall, and if the information had no bearing on my particular department, it was given to Capt. McFall, who, in turn, disseminated it to the department of Naval Intelligence or other Government agency where it would be of interest

My identity as to collecting the information was protected by Capt. McFall at all times, and other officers in the District Intelligence Office were not aware of the source or the action taking place.

When Capt. McFall released his command and Capt. W. B. Howe became District Intelligence Officer, he was made fully aware of the action set forth in this statement.

CHARLES R. HAFFENDEN,
Commander, USNR

CRH:men

ENCLOSURE (C)

EXTRACT FROM OPINION OF
MR. JUSTICE McCOOK

Re: CHARLES LUCIANO

Finally, we reach the argument that the defendant has assisted the Government in the war effort. Following the precedent in the Metropolitan matter, the authorities have been interviewed, privately, in the public interest. As a result, the Court is able to conclude that the defendant probably attempted to assist them, and possibly with some success. Again, we are presented with a situation far from justifying the court in granting the present application. If the defendant is assisting the authorities and he continues to do so, and remains a model prisoner, executive clemency may become appropriate at some future date.

Application denied.

Dated, February , 1942.

J. C. C.

ENCLOSURE "D"

Newspaper article printed in the New York Herald Tribune 5/27/45 headed -

LUCIANO SEEK[illegible] CLEMENCY,
SAYS HE HELPED [illegible]

Tells of Getting Friends to Aid Sicily Invasion, Asks Cut in His 30-Year Term.

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Mr. Tolson	( )
Mr. E. A. Tamm	( )
Mr. Clegg	( )
Mr. Glavin	( )
Mr. Ladd	( )
Mr. Nichols	( )
Mr. Rosen	( )
Mr. Tracy	( )
Mr. Carson	( )
Mr. Gurnea	( )
Mr. Harbo	( )
Mr. Hendon	( )
Mr. Nease	( )
Miss Gandy	( )
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See Me	( )
Note and Return	( )
For Your Recommendation	( )
What are the facts?	( )

Remarks:

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This is an amazing & ~~fantastic~~ case. We should get all the facts for it looks natters to me from several angles.

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Memo Mr. Tamm 5-11-46

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: April 24, 1946

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: SALVATORE LUCANIA, WAS
MISCELLANEOUS, INFORMATION CONCERNING
PAROLE AND DEPORTATION

Reference is made to Bureau teletype dated April 22, 1946 in the above captioned matter in which a request was contained for photostatic copies of all material obtained from [redacted]

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Enclosed are two copies of the desired material.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. ROSEN

DATE: June 6, 1946

FROM : J. V. O'Grady

Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
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Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Beahm
Miss Gandy

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
PAROLE
MISCELLANEOUS; INFORMATION CONCERNING

In the course of developing the facts surrounding the granting of parole to Luciano and his subsequent deportation to Italy, we ascertained that Commander Charles R. Haffenden, USNR, was of considerable assistance to Luciano in obtaining his parole from Governor Dewey and the New York Parole Board. As previously reported this fact was established through [redacted] b7D
[redacted] who confidentially obtained photostatic copies of material from ONI files in the Third Naval District. The fact of Haffenden's assistance was further established and corroborated by information obtained directly upon request from the Office of Chief of Naval Operations in Washington, D. C.

The Albany Division has also submitted a list of visitors received by Luciano during the wartime period [redacted] This list reflects that his attorney, Moses Polakoff and former underworld associates such as Frank Costello, Meyer Lansky and [redacted] contacted Luciano as visitors. b7D

A three page memorandum addressed to Mr. Tamm dated May 17, 1946 summarized the Chief of Naval Operations response to our inquiry concerning Haffenden's relationship with Luciano and indicated if additional material was developed it would be brought to the attention of Mr. Tamm.

The Director commented on the latter memorandum as follows:

"A shocking example of misuse of Navy authority in interest of a hoodlum. It suprises me they didn't give Luciano the Navy Cross. H."

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ACTION BEING TAKEN

No further action is being taken regarding the gathering of information in this case. However, in the event the New York Division subsequently furnishes information of value it will be called to your attention promptly.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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May 9, 1946

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Director, FBI

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Re: CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO
MISCELLANEOUS
INFORMATION CONCERNING
PAROLE AND DEPORTATION

Dear Sir:

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Reference is made to Bureau teletype of May 3, 1946 instructing this office to submit a memorandum for receipt at the Bureau by May 8 containing a list of visitors received by LUCIANO at Dannemora during the wartime period.

Some delay has been incurred in obtaining this information inasmuch as it was ascertained at Dannemora that LUCIANO was transferred from Dannemora to Great Meadows Prison, Comstock, New York during the early part of the war, and further investigation at Great Meadows Prison reflected that he had subsequently been transferred to Sing Sing at Ossining, New York, which is within the New York Field Division. All information with reference to visitors of LUCIANO at Dannemora is contained in his file at Sing Sing.

At Great Meadows Prison it was ascertained that Warden VERNON MORHOUS had made two lists at different intervals of visitors to LUCIANO during the time he was at Great Meadows. One of these lists was prepared for the Division of Parole, New York City and according to the Warden he believes this list was prepared when consideration was being given to his deportation. The second list was prepared by the Warden for the District Attorney of New York County, Mr. HOGAN, and was sent for the attention of Mr. JOHN F. O'CONNELL, Special Investigator for the New York County District Attorney's Office.

The information supplied to the Division of Parole and to Mr. HOGAN did not contain the names of relatives who had visited LUCIANO, but data collected with reference to the visitors by the Warden did contain a list of such relatives. The Warden has supplied this office with information which he has in his possession and which is based upon information gathered during the course of the preparation of data for the Division of Parole and Mr. HOGAN.

The following is a list of visitors by LUCIANO while at Great Meadows Prison as furnished by the Warden.

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Director

May 9, 1946

Re: CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO

May 15, 1942	MOSES POLIKOFF MEYER LANSKY
June 8, 1942	POLIKOFF LANSKY MICHAEL LASCARI
July 17, 1942	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI
August 25, 1942	POLIKOFF LANSKY [redacted] b7D FRANK COSTELLO M. EINSBERG JOHN MARTINI WILLIAM MORELI
Oct. 21, 1942	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI M. MERANDI
Dec. 29, 1942	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI MERANDI
Feb. 17, 1943	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI
May 11, 1943	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI

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Director May 9, 1946

Re: CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO

Sept. 28, 1943	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI
Nov. 30, 1943	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI
Jan. 11, 1944	LANSKY LASCARI
March 1, 1944	W. KLINE G. BONDELL
May 16, 1944	POLIKOFF LANSKY H. FILKINS
July 12, 1944	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI Mr. FRANKS
September 19, 1944	POLIKOFF LASCARI MORELI Mr. ROSEN
Nov. 23, 1944	POLIKOFF LASCARI B. SEGEL MORELI J. MARTINI
March 3, 1945	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI

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Director May 9, 1946

Re: CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO

May 2, 1945	POLIKOFF LASCARI LANSKY
May 31, 1945	LANSKY LASCARI
Aug. 21, 1945	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI
Nov. 20, 1945	LANSKY LASCARI
Nov. 29, 1945	LANSKY LASCARI

RELATIVES

FANNY GALASSO, Sister, East White Plains, New York
June 15; Sept. 3, 1942; July 28, 29; Sept. 25, 26, 1943; June 3, 4, 1944; August 11, 12, 1944; April 21; August 24, 1945.

JOSEPH LUCIANO, Brother, 1638 East 24th Street, Brooklyn, New York
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VICTORIA GALASSO, Niece, East White Plains, New York
September 25 and 26, 1943; August 11 and 12, 1944; April 21 and July 15, 1945.

MICHAEL GALASSO, Brother-in-law, East White Plains, New York
June 3 and 4, 1944; July 15, 1945.

ANTHONY LUCIANO, Nephew, 1638 East 24th Street, Brooklyn, New York
June 12, August 11 and 12, 1944; August 30, 1945; January 3, 1946

LILLIAN LUCIANO, Niece, 1638 East 24th Street, Brooklyn, New Yo
September 10, 1944

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Director

May 9, 1946

Re: CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO

It will be noted that this office has not been able to obtain the specific information requested by the Bureau as to his visitors at Dannemora. It is believed that the list of visitors at Great Meadows includes the names of all of the visitors received by LUCIANO during his entire stay at Great Meadows.

(U) By conference teletype to the New York Office and the Bureau dated May 9, 1946, the New York Office was requested to obtain at Sing Sing the list of visitors of LUCIANO at Dannemora during the wartime period.

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Very truly yours,

A. Cornelius Jr.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

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TO : MR. ROSEN

DATE: March 22, 1946

FROM : J. V. O'GRADY

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
PAROLE

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Miss Gandy

PURPOSE

To advise concerning information received in the closing report from the New York Division which shows that Commander Charles Radcliffe Haffenden apparently is responsible for the story about Luciano's assisting in the war effort; further, that Haffenden was called to task by ONI for his action in this regard. New York also sets out confidential information obtained from ONI files by [redacted] which information deals with Haffenden's relation with Luciano. b7D

CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO

Luciano, who entered the United States at the age of ten, started his criminal career four years later when he entered a Brooklyn, New York, truant home. He at one time was one of the outstanding hoodlums in the New York area and was reputed to be associated with Al Capone. In June, 1936, Luciano was convicted on 62 of 90 counts, charging compulsory prostitution, and committed to Dannemora Prison in New York in July of 1936.

In February of 1943 an application for the suspension of the two 15 year terms Luciano was serving was made before Judge Phillip J. McCook in New York. Attorney George Wolf, counsel for Luciano at the time, claimed that his client had been of assistance to military authorities. At that time Commander Haffenden supported the claims of Luciano and it is reported that Lt. Colonel Murray Gurfein, formerly Assistant District Attorney in New York, likewise testified.

On January 3, 1946, Governor Thomas E. Dewey paroled Luciano on the express condition that he be deported. Luciano was released to the custody of the Immigration and Naturalization Authorities on February 2, 1946, and thereafter transported to Ellis Island to await deportation. He departed from the United States for Italy on the SS Laura Keane on February 10, 1946.

CHARLES RADCLIFFE HAFFENDEN

Our files show that in October, 1935, Haffenden called on Mr. Tolson, having been referred to the Bureau by the Naval Intelligence Service Reserve Corps. t this time Haffenden advised his business consisted of forming contacts in the mmercial field. He left a card indicating that he held the title of "Coordinator"

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of the "Executives Association of Greater New York, Inc.", located in the Biltmore Hotel in that city. He stated that his organization developed personal contacts with the officials of a great number of companies throughout the country. Haffenden indicated that he believed the contacts of his organization might be of value to the Bureau in certain cases. Other information indicates that he subsequently was contacted by the New York Division.

Haffenden is generally referred to as "Rad" Haffenden. For a considerable period before the war and during hostilities he was a Commander of Naval Intelligence in New York City. The New York Division experienced considerable difficulty in keeping Haffenden within the Delimitation Agreement during this period and Captain Roscoe McFall, Director of Naval Intelligence, is reported to have taken Haffenden to task for his actions, and further to have limited the latter's jurisdiction, finally transferring him to other duties and out of New York. Haffenden received the Purple Heart decoration as a result of a stomach ailment which was reportedly renewed after a large gun went off near him. The officer, Captain William B. Phillips, who held the office of Director of Naval Intelligence in New York, and who pinned the Purple Heart decoration on Haffenden advised of this information.

In addition to appearing before Justice McCook in February, 1943, in behal of Luciano, Haffenden also addressed a letter to the Honorable Charles Breitel, Counsel for the Governor of the State of New York, concerning the activities of Luciano in behalf of the Navy. Until Haffenden's recent appointment as Commissioner of Marine and Aviation in the city of New York, it does not appear that he ever was involved in politics. Previous information received from the New York Division indicated that Haffenden had been sponsored for this post by Congressman Jim Roe of Queens County, New York. However, the latest information suggests that this appointment resulted from Haffenden's association with racketeer Frank Costello. Haffenden's position as Commissioner of Marine and Aviation is an important one inasmuch as he has control not only of the docks of the city of New York but also has jurisdiction over LaGuardia and Idlewild Airports.

BACKGROUND OF ONI INQUIRY CONCERNING HAFFENDEN AND LUCIANO b7D

[redacted] made available considerable information which he had obtained in the strictest confidence from files of the Office of Naval Intelligence. This material dealt with investigation conducted by ONI about Commander Haffenden's efforts in behalf of Charles "Lucky" Luciano.

According to the above-mentioned material, ONI became interested in the case when an anonymous letter was received at that office in July, 1945, commenting

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on the fact that Commander Haffenden had supported Luciano in his false claim of assistance to the United States during the war.

As a result of this anonymous communication three questions were submitted for answer to Commander Haffenden by ONI. He was asked if he had ever appeared before the Parole Board of the state of New York or been questioned by any of its personnel regarding Luciano's application for appeal. Another question inquired if he had written any letters to agencies of the state of New York recommending parole for Luciano and, if so, he was requested to supply a copy of such correspondence. He was asked directly if he had any knowledge of information supplied by Luciano which was of value to the U. S. Navy and to indicate what the information consisted of.

In response to these questions, Haffenden replied that he had not appeared before the Parole Board of the state of New York or given a written request for the parole of Luciano. He did admit being questioned by a representative of the Parole Board.

A statement dated July 25, 1945, prepared by Commander Haffenden submitted to the Third Naval District was also made available. It explains that Haffenden came in contact with Luciano through the latter's attorney, Moses Polakoff. It relates how in March, 1942, Lieutenant James O'Malley, USNR, attached to the Office of Naval Intelligence in New York, and a former Assistant District Attorney in the County of New York, operated as a liaison officer with the District Attorney's Office and ONI. He reports that it was through Lieutenant O'Malley that he, Haffenden, became acquainted with Murray I. Gurfein, then an Assistant District Attorney in New York [redacted] b7E

Haffenden advised in this statement that he and Captain Roscoe McFall, former Director of Naval Intelligence in New York, met with Gurfein and District Attorney Frank Hogan and that at this conference the possible help which the District Attorney's Office might offer to the Navy was discussed. According to Haffenden, it was there agreed that Gurfein would serve as the liaison man for the District Attorney's Office.

Subsequent conferences with Gurfein resulted in the conclusion that some underworld connections might be of assistance in connection with problems confronting Naval Intelligence. It was thought, Haffenden states, that enemy agents might induce questionable characters to perform acts of sabotage for money and that it was, therefore, decided to set up a flow of information from the underworld to combat such a possibility and to entrap such culprits.

According to Haffenden's statement, Lt. Colonel Gurfein suggested that contacts be made with the attorneys who handled the affairs of the above-mentioned questionable characters. District Attorney Hogan is said to have approved the plan with the result that Haffenden was introduced to Moses Polakoff, described by Haffenden as the attorney previously representing Charles Luciano. Interviews were held between Haffenden and Polakoff in the former's private suite in the Astor Hotel and Polakoff informed that he was sure Luciano would render any service he could without compensation. When Polakoff requested permission to see Luciano, Gurfein, according to Haffenden's statement, arranged for this conference. It is Haffenden's recollection that on several occasions Polakoff and friends of Luciano made trips to Dannemora Prison to discuss matters which were of interest to ONI. Haffenden pointed out, however, that he himself had never seen nor talked to Luciano.

In this statement Haffenden admits having appeared before Justice Phillip J. McCook and states it was done with the permission of Captain Roscoe McFall. He said that his comments before Justice McCook were limited to generalities due to the fact that the United States was then at war with Germany.

Haffenden asserts that all through his negotiations with any informants developed through the Luciano contact information produced was discussed with his Commanding Officer, Captain McFall. He further points out that his identity was protected by Captain McFall and other officers in the District Intelligence Office were not aware of the source or the action taking place.

In addition to the foregoing statement, Haffenden also advised that he had requested Moses Polakoff to request information from Luciano regarding Italy and Sicily. He advises that as a result several strange looking Italians, referred to as "Pedrons," came to see him and that it was necessary to talk to them with the aid of an interpreter. According to Haffenden's story, he told them he wanted pictures and information of all kinds and a few days later these informants returned. The type of information they supplied is not indicated and, according to Haffenden it would be impossible to estimate the number of informants developed because many of them were never seen by him.

Haffenden also advised that waterfront strikes by stevedores not under the control of Jerry Ryan subsided after they had been called to the attention of Moses Polakoff who reported that he had gotten in touch with certain waterfront characters. While the report refers to Jerry Ryan, it is assumed that this reference is to Joseph P. Ryan, President of the International Longshoremen's Union. The New York Division is being requested to clarify this point.

ONI PAPERS REFLECT NO ASSISTANCE RECEIVED FROM LUCIANO

According to the photostatic copies of papers supplied by informant [redacted] b7D the files of the Third Naval District failed to indicate that Luciano had ever furnished assistance or information to the Office of Naval Intelligence.

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In this regard it is interesting to note Haffenden advised ONI officials that no public record was kept in the District Intelligence Office of the informar [redacted] He stated that the names of the informants never reached the general files and that their identity was known only to Captain McFall, to Haffenden, and a few others, unnamed, who might have had a small part in the program. Haffenden claims that he personally kept a record of the informar as a ready reference for himself but that when he was detached from the District Intelligence Office to go to the Pacific he had left this file in his office.

HAFFENDEN'S LETTER TO COUNSEL FOR GOVERNOR DEWEY RE: LUCIANO

While Haffenden stated as indicated earlier in this memorandum that he had not given a written request for the parole of Luciano, he did forward to ONI a copy of a letter he sent to the Honorable Charles Breitel. This letter is datec May 17, 1945, and is captioned "Re: Charles Luciano." In it Haffenden states tha from July, 1940, to June, 1944, he had been in charge of the Investigating Sectior of Naval Intelligence in the Third Naval District and that it had been his duty to locate informants in the United States who could given intelligence informatior that would be of value both in domestic and foreign fields.

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Haffenden went on to advise that through the cooperation of Murray Gurfeir [redacted] he had made contacts with Attorney Polakoff, representative of Luciano. He states this contact was made for the purpose of reaching Sicilian-born Italians for information concerning conditions in Sicily which would be helpful to our arme forces preparing intelligence for the campaign which eventually developed on that island.

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He states that it is difficult for him (Haffenden) to say how many informa came to his attention [redacted] because one informant would develop other informants. However, he did write, "I am confident that the greater part of the intelligence developed in the Sicilian campaign was directly responsible to the number of Sicilians [redacted] The letter concluded with the comment that the writer, Haffenden, was recovering from wounds received at Iwo Jima and that as soon as the doctors released him he would be glad to meet Mr. Breitel in person "or anyone you may direct and give you further information on the subject."

Information made available to the New York Division reflects that Haffende directed a communication to the Chief of Navy Personnel, Washington, D. C., on December 12, 1945. In this letter he advised that in the event he was approached to give additional information regarding Luciano he would notify the Chief of Navy Personnel and the Commandant of the Third Naval District. He further advised that

he had not been approached or asked in any way to cooperate or give information concerning Luciano since his letter to Charles Breitel, counsel for Governor Dewey.

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ACTION TAKEN

A teletype has been dispatched to the New York Division requesting that they follow this matter further and attempt to obtain the above-mentioned photostatic material through their regular channels and further ascertain either through their own sources of information or through the Albany Division the specific grounds for Governor Thomas E. Dewey signing the parole in question. New York is also being requested to obtain the details of negotiations held before the New York Parole Board in behalf of Luciano.

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NEW YORK	7/2/46	5/21-6/13/46.	CHARLES A. GANNON

TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
SALVATORE LUCANIA, with aliases, Charles Lucanio, Charles Lucania, Lucky Luciano, Charles Lane.	MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING PAROLE AND DEPORTATION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

List of visitors to LUCANIA at Sing Sing and Great Meadows Prisons set forth. HAFFENDEN furnished no information of value aiding in solution of case involving the identifying of DR. HARRY RUSSELL STONE, who had been mistaken for Senator DAVID I. WALSH during STONE's frequenting of house of ill-fame in Brooklyn. HAFFENDEN forced to resign his political position in O'DWYER administration. Reason not known.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau letter 5/3/46.
Bureau teletype to Albany 5/3/46 (U)
Report of Special Agent CHARLES A. GANNON, New York, 5/9/46.
Teletype to Bureau 5/10/46. (U)

DETAILS:

A list of visitors entertained by LUCIANO while he was located at the Great Meadows Prison, as reflected in the letter from the Albany Field Division to the Bureau, dated May 9, 1946, is as follows:

May 15, 1942	MOSES POLIKOFF MEYER LANSKY
June 8, 1942	POLIKOFF LANSKY MICHAEL LASCARI
July 17, 1942	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI

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August 25, 1942	POLIKOFF LANSKY [redacted] b7D FRANK COSTELLO M. ZINGBERG JOHN MARTINI WILLIAM MORELLI
October 21, 1942	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI M. MERCANDI
December 29, 1942	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI MERANDI
February 17, 1943	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI
May 11, 1943	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI
September 28, 1943	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI
November 30, 1943	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI
January 11, 1944	LANSKY LASCARI
March 1, 1944	M. KLINE G. BONDELL
May 16, 1944	POLIKOFF LANSKY H. HILKINS

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July 12, 1944	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI Mr. FRANKS
September 19, 1944	POLIKOFF LASCARI MORELLI Mr. ROSEN
November 23, 1944	POLIKOFF LASCARI B. SIEGEL MORELLI J. PLATINI
March 3, 1945	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI
May 2, 1945	POLIKOFF LASCARI LANSKY
May 31, 1945	LANSKY LASCARI
August 21, 1945	POLIKOFF LANSKY LASCARI
November 20, 1945	LANSKY LASCARI
November 29, 1945	LANSKY LASCARI

RELATIVES

FANNY CAIASSO, Sister, East White Plains, New York
June 15; September 3, 1942; July 28, 29; September 25, 26, 1943; June 3, 4, 1944; August 11, 12, 1944; April 21; August 24, 1945.

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LILLIAN LUCIANO, Niece, 1638 East 24th Street, Brooklyn, New York September 10, 1944.

This information was obtained by the Albany Field Division from Warden VERNON MOURHOUS, who advised that there had been two lists prepared regarding the visitors of LUCIANO. One was prepared for the Division of Parole, New York City. Warden MOURHOUS believes that this was prepared and consideration was given to LUCIANO's deportation. The other list was prepared by the Warden for the District Attorney of New York County, Mr. HOGAN. This list was directed to the attention of JOHN F. O'CONNELL, Special Investigator for the New York County District Attorney's Office.

Special Agent NORMAN W. PHILCOX contacted Chief Clerk JOHN McCUE at Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, New York, regarding LUCIANO. Mr. McCUE advised that LUCIANO, #92-168, was originally received at Sing Sing from June 18, 1936 to serve a term of 30 to 50 years. He was transferred to Clinton Prison, Dannemora, New York, on July 2, 1936. Subsequently on May 12, 1942 he was transferred to Great Meadows Prison, Comstock, New York, and finally he was returned to Sing Sing on January 9, 1946 where he was discharged in accordance with a special commutation by Governor DEWEY on February 2, 1946.

Mr. McCUE permitted a review of the prison file pertaining to LUCIANO. This file contained a copy of the commutation signed by DEWEY but did not include any information as to the reason for LUCIANO's release. The commutation contained conditions to the effect that the subject would be deported upon his release and that he would be considered a fugitive and required to serve the balance of his term if any time he re-entered the United States.

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The following individuals were listed as visitors to LUCIANO while he was confined in Sing Sing Prison:

Attorney MOSES POLAKOFF
475 5th Avenue
New York City

Attorney F. P. CANTOR
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

Attorney M. GOMES
475 5th Avenue
New York City

Judge PHILLIP J. McCOOLE
New York City

Attorney JAMES P. MORAN
75 State Street
Albany, New York

M. F. GLYNN
New York County District
Attorney's Office

LOUIS A. PAGNUCCO
New York County District
Attorney's Office

Detective JAMES LEECH
310 East 54th Street
New York City Police Department

Attorney HARRY JAFFIE
475 5th Avenue
New York City

Attorney I. SPIELER
1015 Gerard Avenue
New York City

JOSEPH LEONE
475 5th Avenue
New York City

Detective D. D. FITZPATRICK
240 Centre Street
New York City Police Department

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MEYER LANSKY (friend)
525 West 43rd Street
New York City

MICHAEL LASCARI (friend)
1485 York Avenue
New York City

A notation was observed in the prison file to the effect that Deputy Commissioner WILLIAM LEON, New York State Department of Correction, had telephoned Assistant Warden CLEMENT FERLING at Sing Sing and instructed him to permit LANSKY and LASCARI to visit LUCIANO together with POLAKOFF, and had instructed FERLING that it would not be necessary to follow the customary procedure of fingerprinting the visitors in this case. It was noted that the file did not contain any indication that any official visitors were received by LUCIANO as being representatives of the War Department [redacted] b7E [redacted]

Warden WILLIAM E. SNYDER of Sing Sing Prison had previously served as warden of Clinton Prison, Dannemora, New York. This was prior to 1942. Warden SNYDER stated that he did not receive any representatives of [redacted] b7E [redacted] the War Department during the time he was at Clinton Prison. He stated that he had heard a rumor to the effect that such visits had allegedly been made while LUCIANO was confined in Great Meadows Prison, Comstock, New York. He pointed out that special arrangements had been made that the Warden at Great Meadows Prison or that the New York State Department of Correction at Albany could handle these visits in an extremely confidential manner so that the visits would not have to be recorded officially anywhere in the prison files.

SNYDER also mentioned that when LUCIANO was first transferred to Clinton Prison, one MURPHY was then warden and SNYDER was holding the position of Principal Keeper at Clinton Prison. He confidentially advised the interviewing agent that occasionally during the evening, several visitors would arrive at Warden MURPHY's home near the prison and that LUCIANO would then be taken to the warden's home. It was an opinion had among the prison employees that Warden MURPHY was assisting LUCIANO in having unofficial visits with individuals who probably would not have been admitted as visitors under the ordinary rules. Warden SNYDER also remarked that Warden MURPHY, while stationed at Clinton Prison, had been extremely careless in the handling of his visiting records.

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The Bureau was advised by teletype dated May 10, 1946 to the effect that a review of the file in the New York Office on the case concerning Senator WALSH indicated that there was no evidence that CHARLES A. HAFFENDEN had furnished any information of value which aided in the solution of this case. Investigation by Bureau agents revealed that DR. HARRY RUSSELL STONE, who frequented a house of ill-fame, was mistaken for Senator DAVID I. WALSH.

On May 7, 1942 HAFFENDEN, then Lieutenant Commander, called the New York Field Division and stated that he had an individual who knew a person who had been mistaken for Senator WALSH. HAFFENDEN indicated that this information came from the Anti-Defamation League. The informant was one [redacted] who was interviewed by Bureau agents on May 7, 1942 but was unable to furnish any information of value. b7D

Contrary to the statement made by HAFFENDEN, the individual mistaken for Senator WALSH was age 63, and not "80 some odd years old". Also contained in HAFFENDEN's statement was the fact that DR. STONE had never been a state senator as alleged in HAFFENDEN's memorandum, the pertinent portion of which is quoted in the Bureau letter of reference dated May 3, 1946.

Confidential Informant T-1, by letter advised Special Agent VINCENT E. LOUGHLIN, that CHARLES R. HAFFENDEN resigned from his position in the O'DWYER Administration about May 31, 1946, when he received a memorandum from Mayor O'DWYER telling him to either submit his resignation by mid-night or he would be summarily discharged. HAFFENDEN accordingly resigned. One of the rumored reasons for his resignation, according to T-1, is the allegation that HAFFENDEN formed a corporation with two congressmen from Brooklyn, for the purpose of getting a monopoly on all the concessions at the Idlewild Airport now under construction. The purpose of HAFFENDEN doing this was to gain a monopoly and thereafter grant the concessions out on the basis of subleases. Informant T-1 stated that there was some indication that PAUL O'DWYER, brother of Mayor O'DWYER, was trying to gain a foothold in the obtaining of these concessions at the Idlewild Airport.

A copy of this report is being furnished the Albany Field Division for the information of that office.

There being no further investigation to be conducted, this case is being closed on the authority of the Special Agent in Charge.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT

The Confidential Informant mentioned in the report of Special Agent CHARLES A. GANNON, New York, 7/2/46 is as follows:

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. E. A. TAMM

DATE: July 10, 1946

FROM : A. ROSEN

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, WAS,
PAROLE - MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION
CONCERNING

Mr. Tolson
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In furtherance of information reported from Los Angeles indicating that Luciano was staying at the present time in Tia Juana, Mexico, which information was received from confidential informant [redacted] we have received a cablegram from [redacted] in this regard. b7D b7E

[redacted] advises that investigation regarding this rumor about Luciano was conducted with negative results at [redacted]. Checks were made [redacted] at night clubs and in hotels [redacted] The cablegram points out that a Mexico City newspaper in March of this year carried a story concerning Luciano, indicating that he was making efforts to establish himself in Mexico. Inquiry concerning the origin of this newspaper story reflected that it had been received from a press service in the United States. The cablegram does not, however, indicate the identity of the press service or the date of the release. The cablegram does advise, however, that a report is being submitted. b7E

ACTION BEING TAKEN

The Los Angeles Division is being advised of the results of our inquiry in Mexico and is being requested to remain on the alert for information concerning Luciano. Copies of the letter are being forwarded to the New York and Salt Lake City Offices with the further request that these offices likewise remain on the alert for information concerning Luciano's whereabouts.

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MEXICO CITY	7/18/46	6/30; 7/1, 2, 3, 4, 8/46	[redacted] LW

Title	Character of Case
CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, with aliases.	FOREIGN MISCELLANEOUS ITAL

Synopsis of Facts:

ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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A review of the Mexico City file pertaining to the subject of instant investigation fails to reflect that this office has been supplied with the known aliases of LUCIANO which have been indicated in titles of communications previously addressed to the Mexico City Office. It is respectfully suggested that the Bureau make the known aliases of this subject available in view of the probability that the subject, in the event he is or has been in Mexico, is not using his true name.

The Bureau's attention is invited to the fact that Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, is now covering the investigation requested [redacted] (U)

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The Bureau's attention is also invited to information appearing in a report submitted by [redacted] in the case entitled RUBIN SHETSKY, WAS, FUGITIVE, I.O. #2023; UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECUTION - MURDER. In this report of reference there appears information which indicates a possibility that the subject of instant investigation had been at Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico, with SHETSKY during the month of May of the current year.

Reference: Bureau cable to [redacted] (U)
[redacted] cable to Bureau dated July 8, 1946 (No. 525).
Bureau cable to [redacted]

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ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS (Cont'd)

It is respectfully suggested that the Bureau may deem it advisable to conduct additional investigation in the United States on the basis of information appearing in the referenced report, in an effort to verify or deny the possibility of LUCIANO having accompanied SHETSKY.

In view of a lack of local interest in the information appearing herein and in further view of possible ramifications in the United States, copies of this report are not being distributed locally.

IDENTIFICATION OF SOURCES

Source C Bureau cable to [redacted] (U)

Source D [redacted] Confidential Informant [redacted] (U) b7D b7E

Source E [redacted]

Source F [redacted] Confidential Informant [redacted] (U)

July 18, 1946

RE: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO,
with aliases.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Inquiry by reliable sources fails to reflect the presence of LUCIANO in Tijuana, B.C., Mexico, during any time. Mexican Immigration files, Tijuana race track, prominent night clubs and hotels in Tijuana and Ensenada, B.C., negative. Mexico City newspaper "Excelsior" dated March 26, 1946, carried front page story concerning alleged efforts on part of LUCIANO and associates to establish themselves in Mexico. Story carried background of LUCIANO and included report to effect that two of LUCIANO's "agents" were then in one of principal hotels in Mexico City making preparations for subject's establishment. Newspaper reporter of cited story advises his inquiries failed to reveal identity of reported "agents", and that entire story was translated from Associated Press release in United States.

The following investigation is predicated upon the receipt of information from reliable Source C who advised that CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, a notorious racketeer who formerly operated primarily in the State of New York, was presently reported to be residing or at least present in the city of Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico.

At Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico:

Reliable Source D advised that he reviewed the records of the Mexican Immigration Service at Tijuana in an effort to obtain any information concerning the subject of this investigation, with negative results. This source pointed out that the territory which includes the vicinity of Tijuana and extends down to and beyond the vicinity of Ensenada, Baja California, is called what is commonly referred to as a "free zone". This source explained that this territory derives this terminology due to the fact that it is not necessary for an individual to secure any sort of tourist card or other legal permit to enter that portion

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of Baja California, Mexico. This source continued by stating that in view of this fact it would be highly improbable that the subject's name would appear on the official records of the Mexican Government at Tijuana as having entered the country.

Source D stated that he conducted inquiry on numerous occasions of a relatively large number of his contacts who are members of the Police Department at Tijuana, in an effort to determine whether or not LUCIANO was known to them. This source stated that his inquiry conducted in this connection met with completely negative results. This source added however that the integrity of the Tijuana Police Department may well be questioned and that it might be quite possible that his inquiries in this regard would not be productive of the best results.

Source D in company with reliable Source E conducted an extensive inquiry at the Tijuana race track in an effort to obtain any possible information there concerning the subject. It is noted that the Tijuana race track presently has races only on Sunday of each week. It is noted that due to the relatively infrequent racing days, there is a large amount of congestion at the race track on racing days. Although efforts were made, for the most part successful, to interview numerous officials and minor employees of the race track, it is quite possible that a number of officials and employees were not interviewed. During the course of the interviews which were consummated, the above mentioned sources displayed to the individuals whom they interviewed a photograph of the subject which appeared in a newspaper published in Mexico City during the month of March, 1946. Further mention will be made concerning this newspaper story. It is noted that the photograph of the subject which appeared in the newspaper was rather obscure and did not appear to be a true likeness of the subject. Efforts to locate anyone who might have information pertaining to the subject through the inquiries indicated above met with negative results.

Sources D and E contacted the manager and employees of all of the prominent hotels, night clubs, taverns, bars, and other business establishments of that nature in Tijuana. The inquiry of these sources in this connection likewise met with negative results.

Source D, who makes his permanent residence at Tijuana, advised Source E that he would continue his efforts to obtain any

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information concerning the subject of instant investigation, and that in the event he is successful in obtaining additional information, he will make same immediately available to Source E. &u

At Rosarito Beach, Baja California, Mexico: &u

Sources D and E conducted inquiry of the employees and executive staff of the above mentioned establishment, which is a resort hotel located approximately midway between the cities of Tijuana and Ensenada. Due to its location this establishment is frequented by a large number of patrons enroute between the above mentioned cities. Rosarito Beach furthermore enjoys the reputation of being a rather exclusive resort which is especially popular during the vacation season. Inquiry conducted of numerous individuals, including the manager, desk clerk, bartenders, headwaiters, etc., concerning the possibility of the subject having stopped at this establishment, met with negative results. &u

At Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico: &u

Sources D and E contacted all of the prominent hotels, resort establishments, night clubs and bars in an effort to obtain any information concerning the subject. Inquiry in this connection was negative. &u

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ROBERTO PARIDES, who is the owner and manager of Bungalows "Del Mar" y Hotel "Del Mar

[redacted]

At Mexico, D.F. &u

Reliable source F advised that he reviewed the records maintained by the Central Mexican Government in an effort to obtain any information which those records might contain with relation &u

to the subject of instant investigation, with negative results. This source stated that under normal conditions the files which he reviewed would contain information pertaining to all foreigners who have entered or are presently residing in the country of Mexico.

Source F made available the March 26, 1946, edition of a newspaper entitled Excelsior which is one of the most prominent periodicals published at Mexico City. The cited newspaper carried a front-page story which bore the headline "'Vice Czar' Intends to Return to Mexico."

Instant story contained an account of the subject's background, with special emphasis as to his racketeering activities in the United States. The cited story described LUCIANO as being the "Vice Czar" and a prominent gangster in the United States. It continued by furnishing an account of LUCIANO's conviction and imprisonment for his racketeering activities in the United States and of his having been pardoned by the Governor of the State of New York on condition that he be deported to his country of origin.

The newspaper story carried a photograph of LUCIANO hand-cuffed to a detective as the latter was escorting the subject to Sing Sing. A second picture appeared in connection with this story, the subject of which was one GUY ORLOVA who was described in the cited story as being LUCIANO's "sweetheart".

The newspaper story contained further information to the effect that LUCIANO was at the time of the publication of the story attempting to establish himself supposedly in his racketeering activities in the country of Mexico. In this connection the story continued by stating that two of LUCIANO's "agents" were already in the country of Mexico and stopping at one of the more prominent hotels in Mexico City.

Source F advised [redacted] the reporter who is employed by the above mentioned newspaper and who was responsible for the above mentioned story appearing in the newspaper. This reporter, RAMON DE NEGRI, [redacted] on the basis of information appearing in the story he conducted an extensive inquiry in an effort to determine the identity of the two "agents" referred to in the story and who were reported to

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be in Mexico City at the time of the story's appearance. NEGRI [redacted] met with completely negative results.

NEGRI [redacted] was unable to furnish any information which would be of assistance in the investigation of this matter and stated that as a matter of fact the story which appeared in the Mexico City newspaper had been obtained from a press release of the Associated Press in the United States. b7D

[redacted] in the event the reporter obtains any information concerning LUCIANO or any of his associates at any time in the future. At such time Source F will make this information available to Source E.

The newspaper article referred to above, including the cited photographs, is being forwarded as an enclosure with instant memorandum.

Source F concluded by stating that he contacted numerous individuals who have been in a position to furnish information of value in investigations of this nature in the past. He stated that although his inquiry in this regard met with negative results, he had made arrangements to be advised in the event either of his sources should obtain any information concerning this matter at any time in the future.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

MEXICO CITY

At Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico

Will report the results of inquiry conducted by Confidential Informant [redacted] who is presently conducting investigation [redacted] (U)

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At Mexico, D.F.

Will report any information which Confidential Informant [redacted] may be able to obtain concerning instant investigation. (U)

ENCLOSURE TO THE BUREAU:

Pertinent portion of front page of Mexico City newspaper entitled "Excelsior", dated March 26, 1946, containing a story concerning subject of instant investigation.

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ENCLOSURE

Ultimas de Noticias

EXCELSIOR

PRIMERA EDICION — DIARIO DE LA TARDE

DIRECTOR: L. ORDORICA | DIRECTOR GENERAL: RODRIGO DE LLANO | MEXICO, D. F.—MARTES 26 DE MARZO DE 1946 | GERENTE GENERAL: GILBERTO FIGUEROA | Registrado como Artículo de Segunda Clase en la Administración de Correos con fecha 21 de Mayo de 1926. | NUMERO 3,123

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EN TODAS SUS CALIDADES Y MODELOS DESDE $42

Sombrerería EL MUNDO ELEGANTE

5 DE FEBRERO Y V. CARRANZA

PROVOCA OTRA PUGNA EN LA JUNTA

"...del Vicio" Intenta Venir a México

El Temido "Zar del Vicio"

Ofrecen Ayuda al Gobierno

Medio Millón de Sinarquistas Para Anular a Rojillos

Previendo que los comunistas pretendan provocar desórdenes y agitación en nuestro país, lo mismo que en otros, para apoyar la política internacional de Rusia, la Unión Nacional Sinarquista ha ofrecido al gobierno del Presidente Avila Camacho su cooperación más amplia y sincera para frustar dichos planes.

La Unión Nacional Sinarquista dice que cuenta con más de medio millón de hombres, disciplinados, patriotas y conscientes de sus deberes como ciudadanos, dispuestos a servir al Gobierno en cualquier forma, si el comunismo altera el orden público.

La UNS afirma que hay muchos comunistas prominentes que en un momento dado, con tal de apoyar la política imperialista de la URSS, no titubearían en arro-

Es un Gangster de Nueva York

Rival de Al Capone. Dos Agentes Suyos Están Aquí

Uno de los más temibles gangsters de los Estados Unidos, el famoso Charles "Lucky" Luciano (El "Afortunado" Luciano), conocido como "El Zar del Vicio", que en la época del florecimiento gangsteril en Chicago, Nueva York y otras principales ciudades de la Unión Americana, llegó a ganar millones de dólares anuales, trata de internarse en México para establecer en nuestra metrópoli su cuartel general y reanudar, sin duda alguna, sus reprobables actividades en grande escala.

En efecto, se ha sabido que dos agentes de Luciano se encuentran alojados en uno de nuestros principales hoteles y que gestionan ya el ingreso al país del temible bandido, cosa que esperan lograr, pues para ello disponen de cantidades fabulosas de dólares.

Una Historia Pintoresca

Cuando Al Capone y demás poderosos señores del hampa tenían aterrorizado al pueblo de los Estados Unidos, rivalizó con los más poderosos bandidos un italiano llamado Charles Luciano, quien a poco de iniciarse en la vida tempestuosa conquistó el mote de "Lucky" (Afortunado), por la buena suerte que tenía en todas sus operaciones.

Su principal fuente de ingresos

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 7-8-46

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles

SUBJECT: REPORTED INTEREST OF RACKETEERS IN PURCHASE OF HOTELS
MISCELLANEOUS; INFORMATION CONCERNING

HANDLED BY
SOP DESK
DEFERRED RECORDING

[redacted] has determined that CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO allegedly purchased a ranch in Mexico for $100,000 in January or February of this year. The money was put up by BENJAMIN BUGSY SIEGEL. To date the informant has not been able to determine the exact location of the ranch, but he does not believe it is located in Tijuana, Mexico. However, his information leads him to believe that LUCIANO's home is located near the border and somewhere in the vicinity of the California line. Also, his information leads him to believe that LUCIANO has positively been seen on the Sunset Strip in the Los Angeles area within the last 90 days. LUCIANO's home was purchased for him in his absence by SIEGEL while the former was still in Italy. The informant is attempting to develop further information along these lines and the Bureau and the Chicago Office will be notified immediately as soon as additional facts are available.

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Mr. D'Grady

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

CABLEGRAM

JULY 18, 1946 (U)

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: VICE CONSUL
ROME, ITALY

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CHARLES QUOTE LUCKY UNQUOTE LUCIANO, WAS. BUREAU HAS RECEIVED HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION INDICATING THAT LUCIANO IS LIVING AT THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY AT ROME AWAITING AN OPPORTUNITY TO RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES. LUCIANO IS THE NOTORIOUS NEW YORK RACKETEER AND HOODLUM WHO WAS SENTENCED IN NEW YORK STATE COURT ON THE CHARGE OF COMPULSORY PROSTITUTION IN NINETEEN THIRTYSIX. HE WAS PAROLED BY GOVERNOR THOMAS E. DEWEY ON JANUARY THREE NINETEEN FORTYSIX, ON CONDITION THAT HE BE DEPORTED. IT IS REPORTED THAT HIS PAROLE WAS GRANTED POSSIBLY BECAUSE OF ALLEGED ASSISTANCE HE RENDERED TO THE UNITED STATES NAVY DURING THE WAR ON MATTERS DEALING WITH THE MEDITERRANEAN CAMPAIGN. THE NAVY HAS DENIED THAT HE WAS OF ANY REAL ASSISTANCE. HE WAS DEPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES ON FEBRUARY TEN, NINETEEN FORTYSIX, ITALY BEING HIS DESTINATION. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE FURTHER INDICATES THAT FRANK COSTELLO, NATIONALLY KNOWN RACKETEER IN THE NEW YORK AREA, AND BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE SIEGEL, ANOTHER NOTORIOUS RACKETEER WITH CONNECTIONS ON THE EAST AND WEST COASTS OF THE UNITED STATES, ARE NEGOTIATING FOR LUCIANO'S RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES. THE BUREAU IS EXTREMELY INTERESTED IN HAVING THIS REPORT CHECKED PROMPTLY AND RECEIVING YOUR RESPONSE IN THIS RECORD AS WELL AS ANY INFORMATION YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO DEVELOP CONCERNING LUCIANO'S PRESENT MOVEMENTS.

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[redacted] - Mr. Tolson
Mr. Boson
Mr. McCabe
Mr. O'Grady

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. CABLEGRAM JULY 12, 1946

Transmit the following message to: CIVIL ATTACHE
MEXICO, D. F. URGENT

CHARLES QUOTE LUCKY UNQUOTE LUCIANO, AKA. MURPHY JULY EIGHT, NINETEEN FORTY-SIX. INFORMATION NOW DEVELOPED INDICATING LUCIANO PURCHASED SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLAR RANCH SOMEWHERE ALONG MEXICAN BORDER IN VICINITY OF CALIFORNIA LINE. LOCATION OF RANCH NOT KNOWN BUT IT IS REPORTED IT WAS PURCHASED FOR LUCIANO BY BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE SIEGEL, NATIONALLY NOTORIOUS RACKETEER AND HOODLUM. REFERENCE IS MADE TO BUREAU RADIOGRAM TO YOUR OFFICE DATED JULY THREE, NINETEEN FORTY-SIX. LATTER COMMUNICAT ON REQUESTED YOUR OFFICE TO ASCERTAIN THE IDENTITY OF A CORRESPONDENT NAMED RANCHER OF TIA JUANA, MEXICO, AND WHOM SIEGEL ASKING FOR SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS. YOU SHOULD FORM POSSIBILITY THAT THERE MIGHT BE SOME CONNECTION BETWEEN THIS REQUEST FOR MONEY FROM SIEGEL AND LUCIANO'S REPORTED PRESENCE IN MEXICO. CONDUCT THIS INVESTIGATION IMMEDIATELY AND SUBMIT FOLLOWING WITH DETAILED MEMORANDUM.

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TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: CIVIL ATTACHE
MEXICO, D. F.

CHARLES "LUCKY LUCIANO", WAS. BUREAU HAS RECEIVED CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION INDICATING THAT LUCIANO IS NOW IN TIAJUANA, MEXICO. IMMEDIATELY AND WITH UTMOST DISCRETION ASCERTAIN IF THIS REPORT IS TRUE. LUCIANO IS NOTORIOUS NEW YORK RACKETEER WHO WAS SENTENCED IN STATE COURT IN NEW YORK FOR COMPULSORY PROSTITUTION IN NINETEEN THIRTYSIX. HE WAS PAROLED BY GOVERNOR DEWEY OF NEW YORK ON JANUARY THREE, NINETEEN FORTYSIX ON THE CONDITION THAT HE BE DEPORTED. HE WAS DEPORTED, DEPARTING FROM THE UNITED STATES FOR ITALY ON [redacted] FEBRUARY TEN, NINETEEN FORTYSIX. [redacted] (U) SUTHERLAND
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. JUNE 28, 1946 (U) CIPHER FAX CODE (U) URGENT

Transmit the following message to: CIVIL ATTACHE, MEXICO, D. F.

CHARLES (U) QUOTE LUCKY UNQUOTE LUCIANO, WAS. REBUTEL JUNE EIGHTEEN, NINETEEN FORTY-SIX. (U) SUBMIT IMMEDIATELY RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION CONCERNING REPORT THAT LUCIANO IS NOW IN TIAJUANA, MEXICO. IN THE EVENT INVESTIGATION NOT YET CONDUCTED, DISPATCH AGENT IMMEDIATELY TO HANDLE AND SUTEL.

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(U) REFERENCE ACTIVATION CAPONE GANG, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION, CRIME SURVEY. REFERENCE YOUR CABLE DATED JULY 4 LAST AND CABLE DATED JULY 12 LAST, ENTITLED CHARLES QUOTE LUCKY UNQUOTE LUCIANO. INVESTIGATION TIJUANA, MEXICO, REVEALED THAT SANCHEZ, WRITER OF LETTER TO QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE SIEGEL AT LOS ANGELES, IS ONE FRANCISCO ORBE GALEANA, ALIAS FRANK ORBE, TIJUANA DOPE SMUGGLER, PRESENTLY IN CUSTODY TIJUANA POLICE WITH ONE MELECIO ALVARDO SANCHEZ AND MAX COSSMAN, THESE THREE BEING HELD FOR MURDER OF ENRIQUE DIERTE, DOPE SMUGGLER. GALEANA IN [redacted] HE HAD WRITTEN SIEGEL USING b7D SANCHEZ' NAME TO REQUEST SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS. GALEANA STATED COSSMAN OWED HIM MONEY FOR MURDER BUT THAT COSSMAN HAD REFUSED PAY BECAUSE SIEGEL HAD NOT FORWARDED HIM SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS, WHEREBY GALEANA WROTE SIEGEL THREE LETTERS OF WHICH TWO WERE RETURNED. HE FURTHER STATED COSSMAN IS KNOWN AS GROSSMAN, MAX WEBBER, PHILLIPI MARTIN AND JOHN SMITH, HAVING SERVED TIME AT LEAVENWORTH. GALEANA FURTHER STATED SIEGEL SENT COSSMAN SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS WHILE IN JAIL AS PAY - OFF MONEY WHICH HAS BEEN SEIZED BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES. INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ALLEGED RANCH PURCHASED BY QUOTE LUCKY UNQUOTE LUCIANO ALONG MEXICAN BORDER NEGATIVE. HOWEVER INVESTIGATION CONCERNING COSSMAN REVEALED THAT COSSMAN OWNED RANCH ON BORDER NEAR TIJUANA WHICH WAS BEING USED BY HIM AND ASSOCIATES TO REFINE NARCOTICS. RANCH HAS ALSO BEEN CONFISCATED BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES. SUBJECT GALEANA REFUSED TO TALK FURTHER REGARDING ACTIVITIES OF SIEGEL. COSSMAN AND SANCHEZ REFUSED TO FURNISH ANY INFORMATION. NO INFORMATION REGARDING HARBORING OF BUCHALTER. COSSMAN DESCRIBED AS 48 YEARS, 5 feet 5 INCHES, 145 POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, MUSTACHE. GALEANA, 56 YEARS 5 FEET 5 INCHES, 150 POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, HIGH CHEEKBONES. SANCHEZ, 38 YEARS, BLACK HAIR, 5 FEET 7 INCHES, 150 POUNDS, MUSTACHE. PICTURES OF SUBJECTS BEING FORWARDED BUREAU WITH REPORT. BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH ALL INFORMATION CONCERNING SUBJECTS AND SIEGEL'S CONNECTION WITH COSSMAN SO THAT AGENTS CAN BE ASSIGNED TO CONDUCT FURTHER EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION AT TIJUANA. FOR POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION OF COSSMAN BUREAU REQUESTED TO HAVE SAN DIEGO OFFICE OBTAIN FINGERPRINTS THROUGH AMERICAN CONSUL AT TIJUANA.

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Mr. E. A. TAMM

August 6, 1946

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BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION - CRIME SURVEY
CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
PAROLE

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He recently requested [redacted] to conduct inquiry in the vicinity of [redacted] in an effort to identify a ____Sanchez, who was known to have written Benjamin "Bugs" Siegel at Las Vegas recently requesting $60,000. In conjunction with this lead, [redacted] was also requested to probe the possibility that ____Sanchez might be identical with Charles "Lucky" Luciano, who, according to [redacted] confidential informant of the Los Angeles Division, was living in Tijuana or on a ranch on the Mexico-California border. The informant stated that Siegel had purchased the latter ranch for Luciano but could not identify it as to location. b7D b7E

[redacted] at Rome, Italy, reports that Luciano is at present residing in Rome. This information is in keeping with the report from [redacted] in Mexico who advised there was no information developed in Mexico indicating that Luciano was in that area. b7E

[redacted] however, was successful in identifying ____Sanchez as Francisco Ortiz Galeana, alias Frank Ortiz, who is at present in jail in Tijuana, being held there on the charge of murder with Eulecio Alvarado Sanchez and Max Cossman, alias Max Grossman, Max Webber, Phillipi Martin and John Smith. Cossman is reported to have served time in Leavenworth and according to [redacted] owned a ranch on the border of California, near Tijuana, which was used by him and his associates to refine narcotics. The ranch has been taken over by Mexican authorities. Sanchez, Cossman and Galeana are being held in the Tijuana jail for the murder of Enrique Fierte, described as a dope peddler. Of the Fierte mur those accused of his murder are identifiable at present in Bureau files. The Identification Division, however, is continuing a search in this regard and the Los Angeles Division, in accordance with a request contained in [redacted] incoming teletype is being requested to advise San Diego of all facts in instant case and have that office obtain fingerprints of the individuals through the American Consul at Tijuana. b7E

ACTION BEING TAKEN

The Los Angeles Division, by the attached teletype, is being requested to take appropriate steps for the obtaining of fingerprints and photographs of Sanchez, Galeana, Fierte and Cossman. Los Angeles is also being requested by this teletype to submit a memorandum setting forth all available information Albert Siegel's relations with the deceased Fierte and those accused of his murder.

The Identification Division is at present attempting to effect a possible identification of Sanchez, Galeana, Fierte and Cossman.

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MEMO FOR A. H. BELMONT

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[redacted] has advised that the Mexican representative is being notified to discontinue investigation to determine the whereabouts of Luciano in view of the latter's presence in Rome, Italy. Further, the Mexican representative is being requested to submit a detailed report on the above matter clarifying and setting forth the details concerning the murder for which Coleman, with aliases, allegedly owes Calleros a sum of money.

Salt Lake is being requested by teletype to furnish the Los Angeles Division with all information relative to the Carmichael matter.

The New York Division is being advised of Luciano's whereabouts by copy of the attached teletype.

RECOMMENDATION

That the attached teletype be dispatched.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

AUGUST 6, 1946 [redacted]

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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LOS ANGELES AND SALT LAKE

Transmit the following message to:

BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE SIEGEL, CHARLES QUOTE LUCKY UNQUOTE LUCIANO, MISCELLANEOUS, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

REFERENCE LETTERS ADDRESSED TO BENJAMIN BUGS SIEGEL AT LAS VEGAS BY FRANK SANCHEZ, TIJUANA, MEXICO, DEMANDING SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS. CORRESPONDENT IDENTIFIED AS FRANCISCO CRUZ GALEANA, WITH ALIAS FRANK CRUZ, HELD AT PRESENT IN TIJUANA JAIL ON MURDER CHARGE. [redacted] ADVISED AS FOLLOWS CONCERNING SANCHEZ AND ALSO CONCERNING REPORT THAT LUCIANO WAS RESIDING ON RANCH NEAR MEXICO DASH CALIFORNIA BORDER. QUOTE INVESTIGATION [redacted] REVEALED THAT SANCHEZ WRITER OF LETTER TO QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE SIEGEL AT LOS ANGELES, IS ONE FRANCISCO CRUZ GALEANA, ALIAS FRANK CRUZ, TIJUANA DOPE SMUGGLER, PRESENTLY IN CUSTODY TIJUANA POLICE WITH ONE MELECIO ALVARDO SANCHEZ AND MAX GOSSMAN. THESE THREE BEING HELD FOR MURDER OF ENRIQUE DIFRIN, DOPE SMUGGLER. GALEANA IN INTERVIEW THROUGH INFORMANT ADMITTED HE HAD WRITTEN SIEGEL USING SANCHEZ' NAME TO REQUEST SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS. GALEANA STATED GOSSMAN OWED HIM MONEY FOR MURDER BUT THAT GOSSMAN HAD REFUSED PAY BECAUSE SIEGEL HAD NOT FORWARDED HIM SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS, WHEREBY GALEANA WROTE SIEGEL THREE LETTERS OF WHICH TWO WERE RETURNED. HE FURTHER STATED GOSSMAN IS KNOWN AS GROSSMAN, MAX WEBBER, PHILLIPI MARTIN AND JOHN SMITH, HAVING SERVED TIME AT LEAVENWORTH. GALEANA FURTHER STATED SIEGEL SENT GOSSMAN SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS WHILE IN JAIL AS PAYOFF MONEY WHICH WAS SEIZED BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES. INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ALLEGED RANCH PURCHASED BY QUOTE LUCKY UNQUOTE LUCIANO MEXICAN MURDER WARRANTS. RECENT INVESTIGATION CONCERNING GOSSMAN REVEALED

ORIGINAL FILE IN 62-61516

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DUPLICATION AND TRANSMISSION

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THAT COSSMAN OWNED RANCH ON BORDER NEAR TIJUANA WHICH WAS BEING USED BY HIM AND ASSOCIATES TO HANDLE NARCOTICS. RANCH WAS ALSO BEING CONFISCATED BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES. SUBJECT CALZADA REFUSED TO TALK FURTHER REGARDING ACTIVITIES OF SIEGEL. COSSMAN AND SANCHEZ REFUSED TO FURNISH ANY INFORMATION. NO INFORMATION REGARDING WHEREABOUTS OF MICHALETZ. COSSMAN DESCRIBED AS FORTY-EIGHT YEARS, FIVE FEET FIVE INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, MUSTACHE. CALZADA, FIFTY-SIX YEARS, FIVE FEET FIVE INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, HIGH CHEEKBONES. SANCHEZ, THIRTY-EIGHT YEARS, BLACK HAIR FIVE FEET SEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY POUNDS, MUSTACHE. PICTURES OF SUBJECTS BEING FORWARDED BUREAU WITH REPORT. BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH ALL INFORMATION CONCERNING SUBJECTS AND SIEGEL'S CONNECTION WITH COSSMAN SO THAT AGENTS CAN BE ASSIGNED TO CONDUCT FURTHER EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION AT TIJUANA. FOR POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION OF COSSMAN BUREAU REQUESTED TO HAVE SAN DIEGO OFFICE OBTAIN FINGERPRINTS FROM AMERICAN CONSUL AT TIJUANA, MEXICO. FOR INFORMATION OF MICHIGAN OFFICES, SEE REPORTS LOCIANO RESIDING AT PRESENT ROME, ITALY. DISCONTINUE ALL INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE COSSMAN IN USA OR MEXICO. SALT LAKE REQUESTED TO FURNISH LOS ANGELES WITH ALL AVAILABLE INFORMATION REGARDING SANCHEZ CONNECTIONS. LOS ANGELES REQUESTED TO FURNISH SAN DIEGO DIVISION WITH NECESSARY INFORMATION CONCERNING SANCHEZ MATTER AND ALSO TO REQUEST SAN DIEGO TO OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPHS AND FINGERPRINTS OF DIERZ, CALZADA, WAS., COSSMAN, SAS., AND SANCHEZ. LOS ANGELES REQUESTED TO SUBMIT MEMORANDUM SETTING FORTH ALL AVAILABLE INFORMATION CONCERNING SIEGEL'S RELATIONSHIP WITH VICTOR DIERZ, AND THE VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS CONNECTED WITH SAID MURDER, COSSMAN, SANCHEZ AND CALZADA. MEXICAN DEPORTATION BEING REQUESTED FOR ADDITIONAL

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FACTS CONCERNING MEMBER FOR WHICH CORSICAN CUPID CALENDAR MONEY. ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED WILL BE CALLED TO THE ATTENTION OF INTERESTED OFFICES.

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[AUGUST 6, 1946] (U)

CIVIL ATTACHE
MEXICO CITY, MEXICO

CABLEGRAM - URGENT
CIPHER PAD CODE (U)

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES. LUCIANO RESIDING IN ROME, ITALY.

DISCONTINUE INVESTIGATION.

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Sent via Cable [8-7-46] 2:14 A.M. (U)

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : E. A. TAMM

DATE: July 18, 1946

FROM : A. ROSEN

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
PAROLE
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION - CRIME SURVEY

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[redacted] confidential informant of the Salt Lake Division, has advised that Benjamin "Bugs" Siegel, Frank Costello, and Joe Adonis have for many years been intimately associated with Luciano. [redacted] states that two years prior to the time Luciano was deported (he was deported February 10, 1946) [redacted] Costello, Adonis, and he (Siegel) were working "an angle" to obtain Luciano's release from prison on the condition that Luciano be deported to Italy. Siegel at the time indicated he was certain these plans would meet with success. b7D

[redacted] further states that Siegel and Costello saw Luciano prior to his departure for Italy, and Siegel has since stated that Luciano is now living at the United States Embassy in Rome, awaiting an opportunity to return to the United States in accordance with the plans of Siegel and Costello. Siegel has advised that he and Costello plan to bring Luciano to Mexico sometime in the near future and maintain him there until Governor Dewey is "out of power". They then expect to bring Luciano back to New York to head a vice organization for Costello and Siegel.

ACTION BEING TAKEN

A cablegram has been prepared for dispatch to [redacted] in [redacted] requesting that the above mentioned report of [redacted] be checked and that the Bureau be advised immediately regarding the results of this check. b7D b7E

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Rome, Italy
July 24, 1946

~~SECRET~~ - U. S.
ARMY COURIER

Director, FBI

Re: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO,
with aliases

Dear Sir:

(U)

Reference is made to Bureau cablegram [redacted] b7E
dated July 19, 1946, to the effect that the Bureau had information that Subject was living in the American Embassy, Rome, in anticipation of ultimately returning to the United States.

Please be advised that said information is completely without basis in fact, inasmuch as no one resides in the American Embassy at Rome, since it is devoid of living quarters.

A review of the Consulate files reflects that one SALVATORE LUCANIA, alias CHARLES LUCANIA, born Licara, Italy, November 11, 1897, was being deported from the United States to Licara, Italy, aboard the SS. LAURA KEENE, sailing from New York, February 3, 1946. Said file further reflects that one SALVATORE LUCANIA had applied to the Police Department at Palermo, Sicily, for an Italian passport, valid for travel to Argentina. At this time the Italian police reported to the American Consulate at Palermo that said LUCANIA had been deported from the United States for connection with white slave trade. During his stay in Sicily, Subject resided at the Grand Hotel and appeared to be provided with plenty of money. The Italian police inquired of the American Consulate at Palermo if there was any objection to giving LUCANIA a passport to go to Argentina. The Italian authorities were advised that, since Subject had served his sentence in the United States he would not be permitted to return there, but that there would be no objection to the issuance of an Italian pass-

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Re: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, with aliases.

port to him. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

[redacted] b7E

[redacted] advised that Subject came to Rome where he resides presently at the Albergo Internationale, and has come to Rome for the purpose of applying for an Argentine visa to be granted him on his Italian passport.

One copy of a photograph of SALVATORE LUCANIA, who is believed to be identical with "LUCKY" LUCIANO, is forwarded herewith to facilitate identification at the Bureau.

The matter of the possible return of Subject to the United States has been discussed with Vice Consul Byron B. Snyder, who has advised that Subject would never receive a visa of any kind to enter or to transit the United States. He advised however, that should it be so desired, the Argentine Consulate would be approached in Rome with a view toward having them ultimately refuse any visa to Subject to enter Argentina. The Bureau desires in this regard are therefore requested by the Rome office. Should the Bureau desire that efforts be made to block Subject from entering Argentina, same will be done upon receipt of such a request.

In view of the foregoing, no further action is contemplated in instant case at this time, and this case is being regarded as closed.

Very truly yours,

Stanley R. Russo

Stanley R. Russo
Vice Consul

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. E. A. Tamm

FROM : A. Rosen

DATE: August 6, 1946

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SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, with aliases,
PAROLE,
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION - CRIME SURVEY

On the basis of information furnished by [redacted] confidential informant of the Salt Lake City Division, [redacted] at Rome, Italy was requested to check a report to the effect that Charles "Lucky" Luciano was residing in the U. S. Embassy at Rome. b7D b7E

We are advised that this report is entirely without basis. A review of the Consulate files at Rome reflects that Luciano was deported from the United States on February 3, 1946, to Licara, Italy. The file further reflects that after his arrival Luciano applied at the Police Department at Palermo, Sicily for an Italian passport valid for travel to Argentina. The Italian Police reported this matter to the American Consulate. During his stay in Sicily, Luciano resided at the Grand Hotel and it is said that he appeared to be provided with plenty of money.

The Italian authorities were advised with regard to Luciano's request for a passport that the latter had served penal sentence in the United States and would not be permitted to return there but there would be no objection to the issuance of an Italian passport.

[redacted] b7E

[redacted] Luciano is now residing at the Albergo Internationale and further that Luciano is in Rome for the purpose of applying for an Argentine visa to be granted him on his Italian passport.

Foregoing information has been discussed with Vice Consul Byron B. Snyder who has stated that Luciano would never receive a visa of any kind to enter or to transit the United States.

He also advised should it be so desired the Argentine Consulate would be approached in Rome with a view toward having refused any visa Luciano might seek for the purpose of entering Argentina.

REQUEST OF OUR ROME REPRESENTATIVE

Our Vice Consul at Rome has requested to be advised concerning the Bureau's desires with regard to having Vice Consul Snyder approach the Argentine Consulate with a view toward having that Consulate refuse a visa to Luciano to enter Argentina.

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the attached letter to our representative at Rome be dispatched requesting him to have Vice Consul Snyder take the above suggested action.

Attachment
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cc- [redacted] E. A. Tamm
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DATE: August 6, 1946

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TO: Vice Consul, Rome, Italy

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FROM: Director, FBI

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, with aliases,
[redacted]
ESPIONAGE - OTHER SUBJECT

Reference is made to your communication of July 24, 1946, relative to the above-captioned matter. With regard to your inquiry contained in the second last paragraph on page two, please be advised it would be agreeable with the Bureau if arrangements were made whereby [redacted] was approached with a view toward having any visa application of Luciano's to enter Argentina refused.

(This communication should be routed through Mr. Carson's section before mailing.)

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July 24, 1946 (U)

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: Civil Attache
Mexico, D. F.

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CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES. REFERENCE BUREAU CABLEGRAM DATED JULY 11, 1946 (U) ADVISE IMMEDIATELY STATUS OF INVESTIGATION.

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CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES. REFERENCE YOUR CABLE JULY 24, 1946. REPORT OF [redacted] DATED JULY 18 WENT FORWARD IN POUCH JULY 19. (U)

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ cc: J. J. Ryan
Room 5712

Vice Consul
The American Consulate
Rome, Italy

CABLEGRAM URGENT [CIPHER PAR CODE] [U] [SEPTEMBER 4, 1946]

RE CHARLES (LUCKY) LUCIANO. ASSOCIATED PRESS RELEASE DATED SEPTEMBER THIRD STATES LUCIANO OBTAINED ILLEGAL PASSAGE TO MEXICO ON FREIGHTER; THAT QUESTURA OR CID CANNOT LOCATE MEN. VERIFY AUTHENTICITY OF RELEASE AND REPORT LUCIANO'S PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.

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'Lucky' Luciano Reported On Illegal Trip to Mexico

By the Associated Press

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.--The New York Daily News said today in a dispatch from Naples that Charles (Lucky) Luciano, onetime New York City vice overlord who was deported to Italy last February, reportedly has obtained illegal passage to Mexico on a freighter and may now be "plotting a return to power in the North American underworld."

The dispatch said Luciano, whose 30-to-50-year prison term for compulsory prostitution was commuted by Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, was last seen six weeks ago near Salerno and that "Neapolitan stoolpigeons reported to the Italian police that he wangled illegal passage to Mexico on a freighter."

"In any event," the story added, "neither the Questura nor the Criminal Investigation Division of the United States Army can locate him. Agents privately agree that it's very likely he skipped the country, probably hoping to contact some of his old henchmen from Mexico or actually smuggle himself into the States."

Luciano, who had spent nine years in prison, was freed as a reward for services rendered the United States military forces before the invasion of Sicily, but on the condition that he be deported.

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September 16, 1946

Sent in by C. A. Barclay, Yale Club, Vanderbilt Avenue and Forty Fourth Street, N.Y. 17, N.Y.

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claim that Lucky Luciano's recently reported "disappearance" from Naples, and subsequent stories reporting him in Rome, are all part of a well-laid plan by the gangster, who wants to [illegible] hoodlums in the know disappear completely in the near future...Lucky, who still expects to wind up in Mexico City (and may be there now), desires to become one of those "Bo Weinberg legends," with everyone declaring he is dead, but no trace of a body...Next step on the agenda is have him reported en route to Mexico or a South American port on a tramp freighter . . . But if plans go through, he won't be seen again after "reliable witnesses" take an oath that he boarded the ship, and Luciano will be very happy to have everybody—particularly Government immigration authorities—believe that a sailor who had agreed to smuggle him into the port gave him what used to be known as "the Chinese treatment"—in other words, took him aboard ship and, after getting his money, slugged him and dropped him over the side during the night...Just thought you'd like a little mobland bedtime story.

In Saturday's Journal-American Dorothy Kilgallen devotes her column to news and gossip about Hollywood stars.

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RE LUCKY LUCIANO. SUBJECT OBSERVED BY SPECIAL AGENT RUSSO 12:00 PM [redacted] IN CAR [redacted] [redacted] RECENTLY DISCHARGED AND ORDERED TO RETURN TO UNITED STATES.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. LADD

FROM : E. G. FITCH

DATE: September 18, 1946

SUBJECT: "LUCKY" LUCIANO, was
PAROLE; MISCELLANEOUS
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Reference is made to the attached memorandum to Mr. Tamm from Mr. Rosen, setting forth information concerning the above-mentioned individual.

As may be noted, it was stated it was not believed advisable to make a direct request of the State Department to [redacted] b7D b7E for the purpose of requesting that Luciano's visa be denied.

Upon discussion of this matter by Mr. Roach of the Liaison Section with Mr. Cherp of the State Department, the latter stated that a letter (copy attached) had been directed to the Bureau, setting forth information in the possession of the State Department concerning this individual. There is also set forth in this letter a request that the Bureau inform the State Department what further action should be taken. Mr. Cherp has asked that a communication be directed to the State Department in answer to the attached letter, setting out the Bureau's desires in this matter, and that based upon the Bureau's request, further action will be taken by the State Department.

It is recommended that this memorandum be referred to the Investigative Division for appropriate handling.

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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

October 9, 1946

Mr. Jack D. Neal
Chief, Division of Foreign Activity Correlation
State Department
Washington, D. C.

CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, with aliases,
PAROLE; MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

Reference is made to the conference between a representative of this Bureau and Mr. Cherp of the Department of State regarding one Charles "Lucky" Luciano.

This is to advise that the primary interest of this Bureau is to be certain that the individual deported from the United States as Charles "Lucky" Luciano is not granted a visa to enter or transit the United States.

It would also be of great interest to this Bureau to be apprised at any time that Charles "Lucky" Luciano might apply for a visa to travel to any other country outside of Italy in order that such action as is appropriate might be taken at that time.

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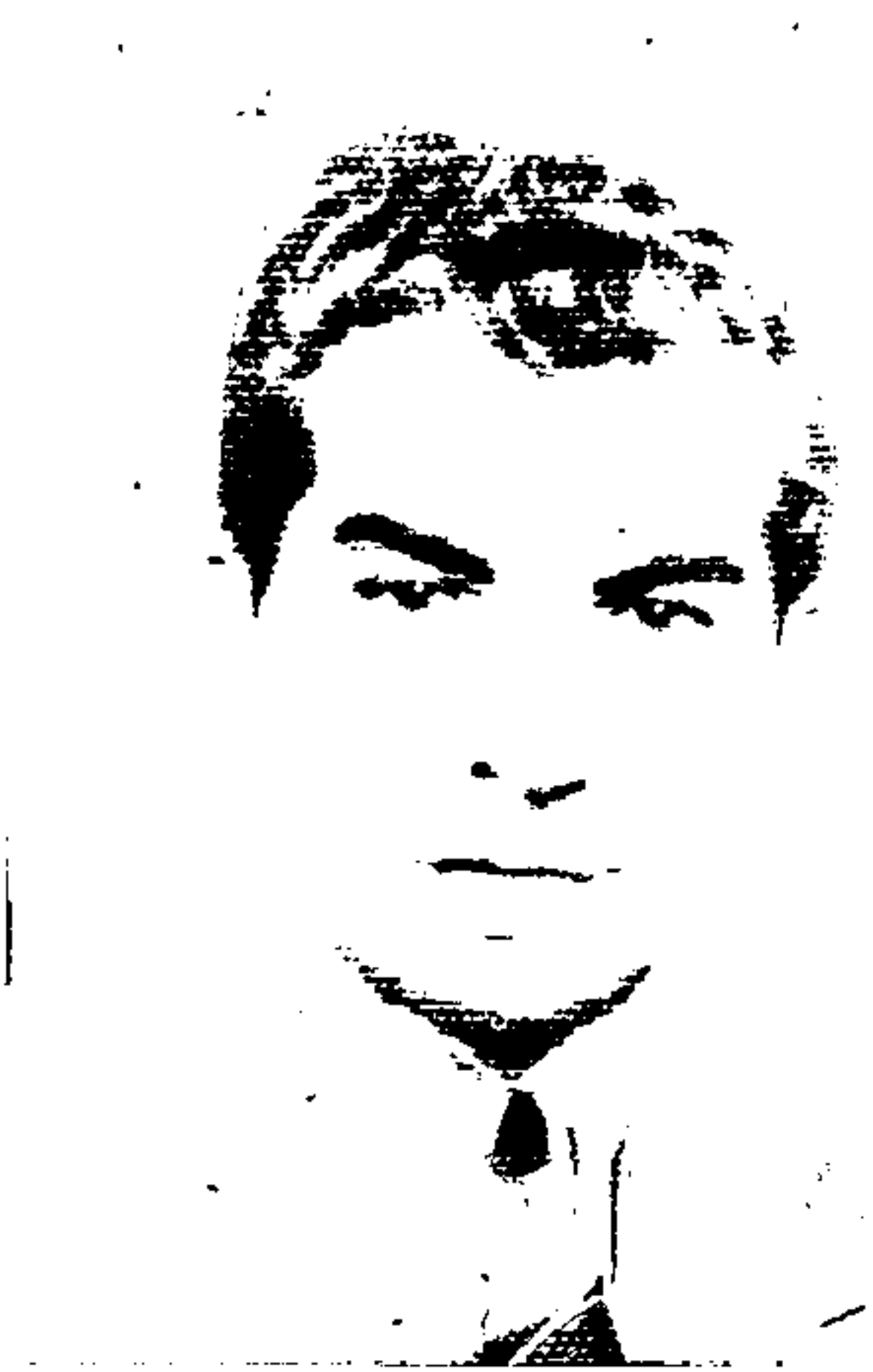

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. ROSEN

DATE: October 8, 1946

FROM : Mr. C. C. Nelson

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, with aliases,
PAROLE; MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION
CRIME SURVEY

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PURPOSE

To submit a proposed acknowledgment to the Department of State in answer to that Department's request for the desires of the Bureau regarding the granting of an Argentine visa to Charles "Lucky" Luciano.

BACKGROUND

On July 24, 1946, the [redacted] advised that Luciano was in Rome at that time and [redacted] advised that subject would never receive a visa to enter or to transit the United States. b7D b7E

[redacted]

On August 6, 1946, [redacted] advised that it would be satisfactory with the Bureau if arrangements were made whereby the

[redacted]

The Bureau's representative by letter of August 21, 1946 requested that the Bureau consider the advisability of requesting the State Department through liaison channels to direct [redacted] to deny the granting of any Argentine visa to Luciano.

On September 11, 1946, however, the conclusion was reached that it did not appear advisable to make a direct request of the State Department to have [redacted] It was decided to have the Liaison Section determine what instructions were sent to [redacted] by the State Department.

CONFERENCE WITH STATE DEPARTMENT

Special Agent R. R. Roach thereupon discussed this matter with Mr. Cherp of the State Department and received from Mr. Cherp a letter which had been directed to the Bureau requesting that the Bureau inform the State Department what further action was desired.

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Memo Mr. Tamm

Cherp requested that a communication be directed to the State Department in answer to the letter setting out the Bureau's wishes in the matter. He stated that further action to be taken by the State Department would be based upon the Bureau's request.

RECOMMENDATION

It is not recommended that the Bureau make a direct request, by letter, that the State Department [redacted] in order to b7E have [redacted] It is recommended that the State Department be advised, by letter, that the Bureau's principal interest is in assuring that Luciano does not ever enter the United States, and that the matter of approaching a consulate with a view toward having any visa application made by Luciano denied, is being left to the entire discretion of the Department of State.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

There is attached a proposed letter to the State Department containing such advice. It is suggested that this memorandum be forwarded to the Liaison Section for informative purposes.

Attachment

Rome, Italy
August 21, 1946

~~SECRET~~ - U. S.
ARMY COURIER

Director, FBI

Re: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, with aliases;
PAROLE; MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION - CRIME SURVEY

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated August 6, 1946, advising that it was agreeable to the Bureau for arrangements to be made with [redacted] to block any visa application of Subject to enter Argentina.

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Please be advised that this matter was discussed with [redacted]

It is therefore respectfully requested that the Bureau consider the advisability of requesting the State Department, through liaison channels, to direct [redacted] to attempt to block the granting of any Argentine visa to Subject.

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Very truly yours,

Stanley R. Russo

Stanley R. Russo
Vice Consul

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. E. A. TAMM

DATE: September 10, 1946

FROM : A. ROSEN

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, with aliases,
PAROLE; MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION -
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PURPOSE

To advise you that [redacted] b7E

BACKGROUND

[redacted]

REQUEST OF BUREAU'S REPRESENTATIVE IN ROME

[redacted] requested the Bureau to consider the advisability of requesting the State Department through liaison channels to direct [redacted] b7E

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OBSERVATION

It does not appear advisable to make a direct request of the State Department to have the State Department [redacted] for the purpose of requesting that Luciano's visa be denied.

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SALVATORE LUCANIA

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
HABANA, CUBA

October 11, 1946

Director, FBI

RE: CHARLES LUCANIA, alias
Charles "Lucky" Luciano
FOREIGN MISCELLANEOUS

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DATE 11/18/82 BY sp8 6016d

Dear Sir:

Mr. Joseph A. Fortier, United States Treasury Representative at this Embassy, has advised that he is in receipt of a letter from the United States Treasury Department in Washington, D.C., advising that the above-captioned Subject has reportedly disappeared from Italy and is believed to have secured passage to Mexico on a freighter.

It will be recalled that Subject was deported from the United States to Italy after serving a prison term in the State of New York. According to the information furnished Mr. Fortier, the Subject is suspected of complicity in the murder of Dutch Schultz. [redacted] b7E

[redacted] The Treasury Representative was requested to endeavor to ascertain if LUCANIA had passed through Cuba on his way to Mexico.

The original information in the instant matter was secured from the United States Army MID Unit in Italy. No data was available concerning the name under which Subject travelled, the name of his ship or the date of his departure from Italy.

Mr. Fortier advised that his investigation concerning the possible presence of Subject in Cuba was negative.

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This data is being forwarded to the Bureau and Mexico for information purposes. Any additional information secured which would indicate that LUCANIA has transited Cuba en route to Mexico will be forwarded immediately to the Bureau and the Office of the Civil Attaché in Mexico.

Very truly yours,

James P. McMahon

JAMES P. McMAHON
L.A.

cc Mexico

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Liaison Section of the Bureau contact the State Department to determine what instructions were sent by the State Department to Byron B. Snyder in Rome.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

That this matter be referred to the Liaison Section of the Bureau for the purpose of contacting the State Department in Washington.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. CODE (U) JANUARY 31, 1947 (U)

Transmit the following message to LEGAL ATTACHE
(U) HAVANA, CUBA

CHARLES QUOTE LUCKY UNQUOTE LUCIANO, WAR, MISCELLANEOUS. RE YOUR RADIOGRAM JANUARY TWENTY NINE LAST. UNABLE TO LOCATE RECORD OF TONY [redacted]META, WAR, IN BUREAU FILES OR IDENTIFICATION DIVISION RECORDS UNDER NAMES GIVEN. SUBMIT FURTHER DESCRIPTIVE AND IDENTIFYING DATA IF AVAILABLE. PHOTOGRAPHS, FINGERPRINTS AND CRIMINAL RECORD OF SUBJECT BEING FORWARDED.

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DATE: 11/4/82

cc: SIS

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January 31, 1947

To: Legal Attache
Havana, Cuba

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From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, was,
MISCELLANEOUS

Reference is made to your radiogram dated January 29, 1947. (U)

Attached, pursuant to your request are the following items:

1. Two photographic copies of the fingerprints of Luciano together with complete descriptive data.
2. Two copies of the Identification Record of Charles "Lucky" Luciano, FBI #62920.
3. Two separate photographs of Luciano.

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As you were advised by Bureau radiogram of January 31, 1947 (U) the Bureau was unable to locate a record of Tony Trombta, with aliases under the names given in either the Bureau's general indices or the records of the Identification Division. Should you be able to supply further identifying or descriptive data, a further search of the Bureau's records will be made.

Your report reflecting the information which has been developed thus far should be forwarded to the Bureau as expeditiously as possible.

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FROM HAVANA 1-29-47 NR 995 4:50 PM EST (U)

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES; MISCELLANEOUS. REFERENCE BUREAU LETTER JANUARY 21, 1947. CUBAN POLICE ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE SUBJECT UNSUCCESSFULLY FOR PAST SEVERAL MONTHS. REFER TO HAVANA LETTER OCTOBER 11 LAST ENTITLED CHARLES LUCANIA ALIAS CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO. RECENT UNCONFIRMED REPORTS THAT TONY TROMETA ALIAS TONY SAVAGE OR SALVAGE, ALLEGED FORMER CHAUFFEUR OF DILLINGER WHO SERVED TIME SING SING AND DEPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES IN 1936 OR 1937, IS CONTACT MAN WITH LUCIANO. PLEASE FURNISH COMPLETE DESCRIPTION, ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS, TWO PHOTOSTATIC COPIES OF FINGERPRINTS AND TWO EXTRA COPIES OF CRIMINAL RECORD OF SUBJECT. ALSO REQUEST PHOTOGRAPHS, PHOTOSTATIC COPIES OF FINGERPRINTS AND CRIMINAL RECORD OF TROMETA. CUBAN SECRET POLICE VERY INTERESTED LOCATING LUCIANO. (U)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. FEBRUARY 11, 1947 (U) URGENT

Transmit the following message to: LEGAL ATTACHE
HAVANA, CUBA

TO BE CODED (U)

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WAS., MISCELLANEOUS. RE YOUR RADIOGRAM FEBRUARY TENTH (U) LAST. ADVISE BY RETURN WIRE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION DEVELOPED IN THIS MATTER.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO Mr. E. A. Tamm

DATE: February 10, 1947

FROM A. Rosen

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, was
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

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PURPOSE

To advise that "Lucky" Luciano has been identified by [redacted] in Havana, Cuba where he is allegedly backing gambling at the local race track and National Casino. Subject reportedly secured a Cuban visa through Dr. Indalecio Pertierra, Cuban Congressman. Subject is being questioned today by Cuban Secret Police.

BACKGROUND

Charles "Lucky" Luciano was born in Italy, November 11, 1897. He entered the United States in 1907 with his parents, and shortly thereafter his criminal career started. When he was 14 years of age he was sent to a Brooklyn truant school. In 1916 he served time for possessing narcotics. He became well-known throughout the country and was considered a member of the "Broadway Big Six" along with Frank Costello and others. Luciano was subsequently convicted in New York on 62 out of 90 counts during June, 1936 on a charge of compulsory prostitution. He was sent to Dannemora Prison, Clinton, New York where he remained until he was transferred to Sing Sing Prison. On February 8, 1943 Luciano made application for a suspension of the two fifteen year sentences before Judge J. McCook in New York. It was the claim of Luciano's attorney George Wolf that both Army and Navy personnel had sought Luciano's assistance during the war period. Based on affidavits submitted to the court and recommendations submitted to the counsel for the Governor of the State of New York, Governor Thomas E. Dewey paroled Luciano on January 3, 1946 on the express condition that Luciano be deported. He was thereupon released to Immigration and Naturalization custody from Sing Sing on February 2, 1946 and transported to Ellis Island, New York City to await deportation. He departed from the United States for Italy on the U.S.S. Laura Keane on February 10, 1946.

ACTIVITIES SINCE BEING DEPORTED

Shortly after Luciano was deported to Rome numerous rumors were received alleging Luciano had left Italy and gone to other countries. Luciano's presence was verified in Rome, Italy until the time that the Bureau's representative in Rome returned to the United States. Continued reports were received indicating that Luciano was seen in Mexico, Los Angeles and in Havana, Cuba. On each occasion investigation by the Bureau proved negative until information was received that Luciano was presently in Havana, Cuba. The information that Luciano was presently in Havana was furnished by confidential informant [redacted] b7D who informed that Siegel planned to visit b7E Luciano in Havana during the latter part of January, 1947. [redacted]

Memo Mr. E. A. Tamm

in Havana, Cuba has now informed that Luciano was observed by Agents of this Bureau on February 8 last and that he is going under the name of Salvatore Luciano. It has been reported that Luciano secured his Cuban visa through Dr. Indalecio Pertierra, a Cuban Congressman who also has a financial interest in the local race track and National Casino. It is further reported that Luciano is allegedly backing gambling at the local race track and the National Casino. It is further reported that subject is being questioned today, February 10, by the Cuban Secret Police.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

[redacted] are following this matter closely and upon receipt of additional information you will be immediately advised. b7E

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FROM HAVANA 2-12-47 NR 13 2:57 PM EST (U)

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES, MISCELLANEOUS. REFERENCE YOUR RADIOGRAM NUMBER 315. SUBJECT ARRIVED CUBA VIA AIR ON OCTOBER 29, 1946 FROM MONT MARIO, ITALY, ON ITALIAN PASSPORT ISSUED IN NAME OF SALVATORE LUCANIA, BEARING CUBAN VISE GRANTED BY CUBAN CHARGE D'AFFAIRES IN ROME ON SEPTEMBER 19, 1946, WHICH VISE HAD BEEN FACILITATED BY CUBAN CONGRESSMAN DOCTOR INDELECIO PERTIERRA AND CUBAN SENATOR MANUEL CAPESTANY. WHEN QUESTIONED BY CUBAN SECRET POLICE ON FEBRUARY 10, 1947, SUBJECT CLAIMED TO HAVE NO BUSINESS CONNECTIONS HERE BUT INDICATED HE PLANNED TO STAY IN CUBA AND ESTABLISH LEGITIMATE BUSINESS. NUMEROUS REPORTS RECEIVED THAT SUBJECT IS MANAGING GAMBLING CONCESSION AT JOCKEY CLUB AND NATIONAL CASINO FOR PERTIERRA. CHARLES SIMMS, CONRAD IMMERMAN, ADDRESS HOTEL ABBEY, NEW YORK CITY; VICTOR VESTA; AND MEYER LANSKY, ADDRESS 525 WEST 43 STREET, NEW YORK CITY, FORMER UNDERWORLD ASSOCIATE BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE SIEGEL, ARE ALL REPORTEDLY CONNECTED WITH SUBJECT IN GAMBLING OPERATIONS HERE. SUBJECT RELEASED BY SECRET POLICE ON FEBRUARY 10, 1947 [redacted] b7E
[redacted] REPORT FOLLOWS. (U)

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LESLIE SIMMONDS - ROBERT P. DALY
Publicity Associates

2430 S. W. 25th Terrace
Miami 33, Florida

Jan. 30, 1947

G.I.R.-5

Dear Walter Winchell:

Here is good authentic beat from Leslie Bain. He is running the complete story in The Week (Miami) magazine in issue of Feb. 7. If possible, will you use that in connection with item?

"Lucky Luciano, king of prostitute purveyors in New York City who was given clemency by Gov. Dewey instead of the electric chair he so richly deserved, was deported to Italy after the war ended. He is now in Havana, Cuba, seen in the best gambling spots and night clubs. Attention FBI and other authorities--watch out for Lucky Luciano's next move. It will probably be toward American shores."

If you'd rather use this item as an exclusive, can you mention that Leslie's mag has expanded to the Caribbean area?

Leslie Simmonds
Leslie Simmonds

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FROM HAVANA [2-10-47] (U) NR 9 (U) 10:58 AM EST

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES; MISCELLANEOUS. SUBJECT LOCATED AND IDENTIFIED FEBRUARY 8 BY AGENTS OF THIS OFFICE. PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION REFLECTS SUBJECT RESIDING CUBA UNDER NAME OF SALVATORE LUCANIA. REPORTEDLY SECURED CUBAN VISE THROUGH ASSISTANCE OF DOCTOR INDALECIO PERTIERRA, CUBAN CONGRESSMAN, WHO HAS CONTROLLING INTEREST IN LOCAL RACE TRACK AND NATIONAL CASINO. LUCIANO ALLEGEDLY BACKING GAMBLING TABLES AT RACE TRACK AND SOME TABLES AT CASINO. [CUBAN SECRET POLICE INTERROGATING SUBJECT TODAY AND RESULTS WILL BE FORWARDED IMMEDIATELY.] (U)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. E. A. TAMM

DATE: February 14, 1947

FROM : A. ROSEN

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO

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PURPOSE

To advise you of information appearing in Bureau files concerning individuals assisting subject in entering Cuba and those individuals reportedly connected with subject in gambling operations in Havana.

BACKGROUND

(U) By radiogram of February 10, 1947 the Legal Attache at Havana, Cuba, advised that subject was presently in Havana, Cuba, and had received his Cuban visa through the assistance of Dr. Indalecio Pertierra, a Cuban Congressman. By radiogram (U) dated February 12, 1947 the Legal Attache advised that in addition to receiving assistance from Congressman Pertierra, subject received assistance from Cuban Senator Manuel Capestany. It was further reported that subject is managing gambling concessions at the Jockey Club and National Casino for Pertierra and that he is associated with Charles Simms, Conrad Immerman, Victor Vesta and Meyer Lansky.

CUBAN CONGRESSMAN DR. INDALECIO PERTIERRA

The following information appears in the Bureau files. The Legal Attache by letter dated July 3, 1944 re Cuba - Political Trends, advised that Pertierra, a member of the Liberals, was elected to the Senate.

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CUBAN SENATOR MANUEL CAPESTANY

By report dated December 1, 1943 the Legal Attache at Havana, Cuba, reported that Dr. Manuel Capestany, a Liberal leader in Havana, aided Dr. Ramon Grau San Martin, who formerly headed the Government of Cuba. The files further reflect that a proposed bill was presented to the Cuban Senate on May 20, 1942 by Senator Capestany with two other senators acknowledging the Good Neighbor Policy proposed by the late Franklin Delano Roosevelt in endeavoring for closer relations among the nations of the hemisphere. The Legal Attache advised that it was reported in official circles in Havana, Cuba, that the German Legation in Havana had delivered to the Cuban Government a note asking that Cuba formally indicate whether or not Cuba was in accord with the terms of President Roosevelt's policies.

It was rumored that Cuba had replied in the affirmative at that time; however, they were not officially confirmed. It was reported at that time in the "Havana Post" that the offices of the Ministry of State declined to comment concerning Cuba's position. The German Legation likewise would not issue any statements concerning this matter. It was reported that Senator Manuel Capestany in a signed statement in the newspaper "Accion" stated that these reports are true and he asked why the reply of the Government had not been made public in endorsing President Roosevelt's policy.

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Mr. E. A. Tamm

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CONRAD IMMERMAN

In connection with the case entitled "Louis Buchalter - Antitrust, Harboring, Conspiracy to Harbor", one Jack R. Lerner upon interview furnished the following information concerning individuals connected with the gambling in New York City. He advised that "Dutch" Goldberg had been a partner of Conrad Immerman in Herman's Restaurant on Broadway between 94th and 95th Street and that Immerman then operated a night club in the vicinity of 49th Street and Broadway known as Garney's Night Club. In addition, Lerner advised that Goldberg muscled in on Immerman while Immerman was running the restaurant near 95th Street and Broadway.

VICTOR VESTA

By letter dated January 8, 1941 the Legal Attache at Havana, Cuba, advised at that time that one Victor Vesta of New York City was residing in a high type boarding house in one of the best residential sections of Havana; that Vesta was working the winter season as a croupier in the Casino Nacional reportedly the largest gambling palace in Havana. On this occasion, Vesta was interviewed in connection with Otto Precht, who was a partner of Gene Castro who operated the Casino Nacional. Otto Precht was reportedly pro-Nazi.

MEYER LANSKY

Lansky is a well known New York racketeer of long standing. He first entered the rackets as a sub-lieutenant of the notorious "Dutch" Goldberg, working for Goldberg along with Benjamin "Bugs" Siegel as alcohol runner. Siegel and Lansky worked in conjunction for a considerable period of time and after having allied themselves formed the well known "Bugs" - Meyer gang. In 1939, Lansky was engaged with Frank Erickson, a well-known New York gambler in the operation of the Oriental Racetrack in the Nacionale Gambling Casino, Havana, Cuba. At the present time, Lansky's chief business connections apparently are with the Emby Distributing Company, Inc., 525 West 43rd St., New York City, of which he is vice-president.

In addition to the above, it has been reported that Lansky has connections with the following business corporations: The Elaine Produce and Fruit Company, The Lansky Food Company, Inc., the Paruth Realty Corporation, The Rospol Realty Corporation and he is also listed as vice-president of the firm of Crieg Spector and Citron, a retail grocery organization, 727 Monroe Street, Hoboken, New Jersey.

CHARLES SIMMS

The files reflect numerous references concerning Charles Simms; however, a review fails to identify in any way the individual presently associating with Luciano in Havana, Cuba.

ACTION TAKEN

This matter is being followed closely by the Legal Attache. Upon receipt of additional information, you will be advised.

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February 11, 1947

Attached was received from Walter Winchell.

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TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION FEBRUARY 24, 1947 (URGENT)

Transmit the following message to LEGAL ATTACHE
AMERICAN EMBASSY
HAVANA, CUBA

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, W.A., MISC. YOUR WIRES DATED FEBRUARY TWELVE AND TWENTYONE LAST (U) AIVISING OF SUBJECT'S PRESENCE, CONTACTS AND ASSOCIATES IN CUBA. WIDESPREAD PUBLICITY GIVEN TO SUBJECT'S PRESENCE IN HAVANA, CUBA AND HIS REPORTED ARREST BY CUBAN SECRET POLICE AND CONTEMPLATED DEPORTATION. (U) CONTINUE TO FOLLOW ACTIVITIES AND ADVISE BY WIRE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS RE LUCIANO'S CONTACTS AND ASSOCIATES.

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HABANA, CUBA	2-12-47	1-28 thru 31; 2-4,6,8,11-47	LEO J. FOX vlw

Title	Character of Case
CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, with aliases Charles Lucania, Salvatore Lucania	FOREIGN - MISCELLANEOUS

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Administrative Details:

~~Synopsis of facts~~

Mr. Joseph Fortier, United States Treasury Representative at the American Embassy, Habana, Cuba, has been endeavoring to locate Subject since October, 1946, inasmuch as Mr. Fortier had received information indicating that LUCIANO might attempt to establish himself in illegal narcotic traffic. Summary of instant report was furnished Mr. Fortier and a copy of this report is being designated for the American Embassy in Habana inasmuch as it is believed to be of interest to them.

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Identification of Sources:

Source C: Bureau letter dated January 21, 1947

Source D:
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Source F:
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Source H: Files of the Office of the Legal Attaché, Habana, Cuba.

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Reference: Habana letter dated October 11, 1946, entitled "Charles Lucania, alias Charles "Lucky" Luciano; Foreign-Miscellaneous"

Bureau letter dated January 21, 1947

Habana radiograms #995, 009, 013

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Habana, Cuba
February 12, 1947

RE: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, with aliases
Charles Lucania, Salvatore Lucania

SYNOPSIS

Subject, using name SALVATORE LUCANIA, arrived Cuba October 29, 1946, proceeding from Mont Mario, Italy, and traveling on Italian passport. Cuban entrance and visa arranged by Dr. INDALECIO PERTIERRA, Cuban Congressman who reportedly controls gambling at Habana Jockey Club and Gran Casino Nacional. Cuban Senator MANUEL CAPESTANY also interested in facilitating Subject's entrance into Cuba. LUCIANO residing Calle 30, #29, Miramar, Habana, Cuba. Claims to have no business connections here but numerous reports received that he is actually managing gambling at Jockey Club and Gran Casino Nacional for PERTIERRA. MEYER LANSKY, CHARLES SIMMS, CONRAD ZIMERMAN and VICTOR VESTA reportedly members of group of American gambling operators associated with LUCIANO in Habana. Subject in contact with numerous Americans, as well as Cuban residents. Description set out.

per release [redacted] 11/6/82

INVESTIGATIVE DETAILS

Reliable information was received from Source C indicating that CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO had left Italy and was presently believed to be residing in Habana, Cuba. According to Source C, LUCIANO was born in Italy November 11, 1897. He came to the United States in 1907 with his parents. At the early age of fourteen years he was sent to the Brooklyn Truant School and in 1916 he served time for possessing narcotics. He was subsequently convicted in New York State Court on 62 out of 90 counts during June of 1936 on a charge of compulsory prostitution. LUCIANO was then committed to Dannemora Prison, Clinton, New York, during July of 1936.

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On February 8, 1943, LUCIANO made application for a suspension of the two 15 year sentences before Judge J. McCook in New York City. Judge McCook reportedly stated that LUCIANO had been useful in the war efforts of this country. It was the claim of Attorney George Wolf, counsel for LUCIANO, that both Army and Navy personnel had sought LUCIANO'S assistance. Accordingly, Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York paroled LUCIANO on January 3, 1946, on the express condition that LUCIANO be deported. He was thereupon released to Immigration and Naturalization custody on February 2, 1946, and transported to Ellis Island, New York City. LUCIANO departed from the United States for Italy aboard the S. S. Laura Keene on February 10, 1946.

LUCIANO was located and identified by Sources D and E at the Oriental Park Race Track, Habana, Cuba, on February 8, 1947. It was observed by Source E that LUCIANO conversed with numerous American tourists and Cuban residents while seated at a table in the Jockey Club at Oriental Park. Among the Cubans who appeared to recognize and converse with LUCIANO were EMILIO SANCHEZ, wealthy Cuban sugarman, and RAUL DEL MONTE, a member of a socially prominent Cuban family.

[redacted] LUCIANO through which it was ascertained that Subject had entered Cuba on October 29, 1946, as the bearer of an Italian passport issued by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Relations. This passport contained a Cuban visa valid for six months dated September 19, 1946, and issued by the Cuban Charge d'Affaires in Rome, Italy. The passport also contained visas issued in Rome by the proper consuls for Venezuela, Bolivia and Colombia. LUCIANO advised Source F that he had no present business connections in Cuba, but hoped to establish himself in some legitimate business in the near future. According to Source F, LUCIANO indicated he planned to remain in Cuba for some time. It was noted that Subject's passport was made out in the name of SALVATORE LUCANIA, which, according to Subject's own statement, is his correct name.

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Records of the Cuban Immigration Department (Expediente #5268-946) reflect that ANTONIO MADAN (VALDES), a Cuban citizen residing at Calle Goicuria 353, Habana, requested authorization from the Immigration authorities for the issuance of a Cuban visa to CHARLES LUCIANO, a native of Italy, who resided at Via Lucillo #6,

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Mont Mario, Italy. MADAN'S request, which was dated July 1, 1946, was accompanied by the required deposit of $500 (U.S.) to guarantee the return passage of the Subject in the event he became a public charge in Cuba. &u

It was also noted that Immigration Department records contained a letter from Cuban Senator MANUEL CAPESTANY, stating he knew LUCIANO personally and guaranteed him as a person of democratic ideals, who had sufficient financial resources to prevent him from becoming a public charge. Cuban Immigration records reflected that Subject, as SALVATORE LUCANIA, arrived at Camaguey, Cuba, via airplane on October 29, 1946. &u

Source F stated that ANTONIO MADAN (VALDES), mentioned above, was the negro "leg-man" for Dr. INDALECIO PERTIERRA, a Cuban Congressman, who reportedly controls the gambling at the Jockey Club at Oriental Park and at the Gran Casino Nacional, Habana. &u

He also pointed out that Senator MANUEL CAPESTANY, elected by the Liberal Party in the Province of Las Villas in 1944, was a close friend of Dr. PERTIERRA. Source F stated that Dr. PERTIERRA was undoubtedly the moving force behind the plan to bring Subject to Cuba. &u

It is noted in the February 9, 1947, edition of the Cuban weekly magazine "TIEMPO EN CUBA" that the leading article is devoted to crooked gambling in Cuba, allegedly under the direction of Dr. PERTIERRA and CARLOS (The Goat) MIRANDA. The article charges PERTIERRA with operating the gambling at the Casino and Jockey Club with the assistance of CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO and his lieutenants, MEYER LANSKY and CHARLES SIMMS. The magazine carried a picture of PERTIERRA as the frontispiece with the caption "The Organization of Crooked Gamblers is Complete . . .". A summary translation of the article, captioned "The Biggest Racket" is as follows:

> "If you go to Habana, keep out of the races. Beware of the gamblers" -- this is the message that inexpert American tourists are bringing back to the United States, after leaving Cuba convinced. The Government of Cuba would be able to present the finest tourist attractions to Americans but these

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would be useless in view of the protest that the Americans make who have had any contact with the races at Oriental Park or the gambling tables at the National Casino or Jockey Club. There, a band of fourteen men are operating under the famous international gambler, CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO and his lieutenants, CHARLES SIMMS and MEYER LANSKY, wanted in the states of California and Florida as card sharks. In association with INDALECIO (NENO) PERTIERRA and CARLOS (The Goat) MIRANDA, the agile fingers of the Yankees are really making money.

"Under the view of tolerantly suspicious police and soldiers, and surrounded by killers, bouncers and gorrillas, the cheaters are dividing thousands of dollars every night. Any time that a police official dares to intervene, he will be immediately transferred to another district. PERTIERRA, a Congressional representative, who never needs to sit on the benches of the Government, has powerful friends.

"Recently, a group of American tourists went to the Jockey Club roulette tables to try to win back what they lost on the races. Two Cuban friends, who knew the situation, tried to dissuade them. But the Americans insisted and began to lose immediately. On the last play, they won and should have received $442 but only got $342. The Americans protested and immediately the killers were called and recommended that they leave.

"The Americans reported the fact in Miami to Mayor PARRINE PALMER, City Manager R. G. DANNER, Director of Publicity ROBERT QUINN and AL ALDRON, an editor of a newsreel. With this type of publicity, Habana will soon equal the reputation of Chicago during the time of TORRIO and CAPONE."

It is reported that Dr. PERTIERRA sent men to buy up all copies of this magazine from the local newsstands.

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Various reliable sources have advised this office that LUCIANO frequents the Gran Casino Nacional and the Oriental Park Race Track. It was ascertained that the roulette, baccarat, 21 and crap game operators at both these places (the only two places in Cuba where gambling is legal) are reportedly American citizens. Officials of the Cuban Tourist Police have advised that several reports have been made by American tourists to the effect that the gambling being run at the named places is crooked and that the tables are fixed. It has further been reported by reliable eye-witnesses that they have seen the dice being palmed by the gamblers running the crap tables.

Source G advised that most of the professional gamblers operating at the named places are frequently seen at the Hotel Nacional de Cuba, Habana. He stated that CONRAD IMMERMAN, whose home address is given as the Hotel Abbey, 51st Street, New York City, is the only one of this group who actually resides at the Nacional. However, MEYER LANSKY has registered there on various occasions and has given his home address as 525 W. 43rd Street, New York City. According to Source G, LANSKY is spending the winter season in Florida and he makes frequent trips to Habana. Another of the group known at the Hotel Nacional is CHARLES SIMMS, who has rented a cabaña there for the season. He is seen frequently with VICTOR VESTA, another member of the organization. Source G stated he had never seen LUCIANO at the Hotel Nacional, but had heard he visited the Gran Casino Nacional and Oriental Park Race Track on numerous occasions.

According to Source G, MEYER LANSKY was associated with BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL in New York City during prohibition days, and their gang skyrocketed in underworld circles where they were known as the "Bugs and Meyer mob". Before the 18th Amendment was repealed, SIEGEL and LANSKY had acquired and controlled the Capitol Distilleries, the King's Ransom Distilling Company, the White Horse Scotch Distilling Company and several other whiskey distilleries and distributorships. After the appeal of prohibition, SIEGEL and LANSKY declined in power and thereafter disposed of their interests in the mentioned companies. The gang then broke up and members are scattered throughout the country. SIEGEL has a lengthy criminal record in the United States. Source G stated he had no knowledge indicating SIEGEL has been in Cuba recently.

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Regarding Dr. INDALECIO PERTIERRA, it was ascertained through Source H that he is a Cuban lawyer and Congressman who maintains a law office at Avenido Maceo #9, Habana, Cuba. He is reportedly associated in business with his brothers and cousins, Dr. JULIO PERTIERRA, JOAQUIN PERTIERRA and JESUS PERTIERRA. These individuals operate or operated the Cia. Operadora de Espectaculos (Cabaret Mont-Martre, Habana); the Cia. Operadora del Hipodromo Oriental Park (Oriental Park Race Track and Jockey Club, Marianao, Habana); the Cia. Operadora del Casino Deportivo (Sports Casino, Marianao) and the Cia. Operadora del Casino Nacional (National Casino, Marianao).

According to Source E, the Cia. Operador del Casino Nacional, which operated the National Casino for the past few years sold out to the Cia. Promotora de Turismo in the fall of 1946 and the latter organization is operating the National Casino during the present winter season. Although Dr. PERTIERRA does not appear as one of the officers or directors of the Cia. Promotora de Turismo, it is believed that he maintains at least partial control of the gambling concession at the National Casino.

A description of the Subject is as follows:

Name:	CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
Aliases:	Charles Lucania, Salvatore Lucania
Date of Birth:	November 11, 1897
Nationality:	Italian
Height:	5 feet 9 3-4 inches
Weight:	145 to 150 pounds
Build:	Slim
Hair:	Dark brown turning gray; wavy, heavy
Eyes:	Dark chestnut
Occupation:	Bookmaker
Complexion:	Medium
Marks:	Tatooed both arms
FBI #:	# 62920
Residence:	Calle 30, #29, Miramar, Habana, Cuba (2-11-47)
Passport:	Italian passport #370 issued in Rome, Italy; Cuban tourist visa #118 issued in Rome, Italy October 19, 1946.

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AT HABANA, CUBA:

Will maintain contact with [redacted] in an effort to ascertain the true activities of the Subject in Cuba. (U)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. E. A. Tamm

DATE: February 24, 1947

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, was ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

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To advise that subject "Lucky" Luciano arrived at Camaguey, Cuba via airplane on October 29, 1946. Cuban immigration records reflect his entrance was facilitated by Cuban Senator Manuel Capestany and Dr. Indalecio Pertierra, a Cuban Congressman who reportedly controls gambling at Habana Jockey Club and Gran Casino Nacional.

BACKGROUND

By radiogram dated February 10, 1947 (U) [redacted] at Havana, Cuba advised that he had personally observed subject Luciano. It was further reported that Luciano was allegedly backing gambling tables at the race track and the Gran Casino Nacional. [redacted] has now advised that records of the Cuban Immigration Department reflected that Antonio Madan Valdez, a Cuban citizen requested authorization for the issuance of a Cuban visa to Charles Luciano a native of Italy. This request was dated July 1, 1946 and was accompanied by the required deposit of $500.00 to guarantee the return passage of Luciano in the event he became a public charge in Cuba. It was further noted from the records of the Immigration Department a letter from Cuban Senator Manuel Capestany stating that he knew Luciano personally and guaranteed him as person of democratic ideals who had sufficient financial resources to prevent him from becoming a public charge. The Immigration Records further reflected that subject arrived at Camaguey, Cuba via airplane on October 29, 1946.

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[redacted] advised that Antonio Madan Valdez was the negro "leg man" for Dr. Pertierra. He also advised that Senator Capestany was a close friend of Dr. Pertierra and that Dr. Pertierra was undoubtedly the moving force behind the plan to bring subject to Cuba. (U)

PUBLICITY CONCERNING LUCIANO IN HAVANA

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It was reported in the Cuban weekly magazine "Tiempo en Cuba" that the crooked gambling in Cuba was under the direction of Dr. Pertierra who operates the Casino and Jockey Club with the assistance of Charles "Lucky" Luciano and his lieutenants, Meyer Lansky and Charles Simms. The article goes on to state that a group of American tourists went to the Jockey Club roulette tables and immediately began to lose. On the last play they won and should have received $442 but only got $342. It was reported that the Americans protested however two of the strong arm men were called and recommended that they leave. It was reported that this incident was called to the attention of the Mayor of Miami, Parrine Palmer, City Manager R. G. Danner, Director of Publicity Robert Quinn and Al Waldron an editor of a newsreel. According to [redacted]

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it is reported that Dr. Pertierra sent men to buy up all copies of the magazine "Tiempo en Cuba" which contained the above mentioned article.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

The Legal Attache has been instructed to follow this matter closely and upon receipt of additional information you will be further advised.

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P. O. Box 4261
Miami 26, Florida
February 19, 1947

PERSONAL

Mr. Clyde A. Tolson
Assistant to the Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Tolson:

There are enclosed herewith photostatic copies of the front sheet and page 3 of "Time in Cuba" dated February 24, 1947. You will undoubtedly be interested in the article entitled "Tourism, The Biggest Racket." A free translation of this article is attached.

Very truly yours,

J. E. THORNTON
Special Agent in Charge

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TOURISM

The Biggest Racket

"If you go to Havana, keep out of the races. Beware of the gamblers." This was more or less the watchword which was made current in the United States by those inexperienced tourists who had entered by way of the Morro of Havana or landed in the airport Rancho Boyeros and had left "by invitation."

The Cuban Government and its tourist corporations could carry out the best campaigns of attraction for the North American travelers and these would turn out to be useless, because of the protest of the Yankees, who had had something to do with the race horses at Oriental Park or the gambling tables of the Casino Nacional or the Jockey Club, where players from an outfit of forty men of Charles (Lucky) Luciano and his dangerous lieutenants, Charles Simms and Meyer Lansky, imported from the states of California and Florida as unscrupulous cheats of the incautious, are active. In dangerous association with Indalecio (Neno) Pertierra and Carlos (The Goat) Miranda, the agile fingers of the Yankees were tossing the loaded dice of "Seven-Eleven" and the marked cards of "Twenty-one" in a real jauja.

The cheats who divided up thousands of dollars every night with the suspicious tolerance of police and military and in a beehive of bullies, bouncers and gorillas, had not known a similar heyday. Every time some police official dared to look with indiscreet insistence at the rapid roll of the bones, the ingenuous one had been removed from office. Pertierra, the representative to the Chamber who did not even have to sit on the Government benches, had powerful friends.

The organization of the sharks was complete. Professionals of the thousand games which take place in the Jockey and the Casino distribute cards in the Hippodrome grandstand to drag "easy marks" to the green tables. Supposed inspectors who move in the lush gaming salons check the sentimentality of any "dealer" who is disposed to give an impoverished roulette player a chance. Pitilessly, the ball must rest in the section which suits the house.

Recently, a group of North Americans with an excess of highballs and daiquiris landed at a table with two Cuban friends. Trying to deliver themselves from the bad luck of the horses at the track, they got involved in playing roulette. They expected to win the 90 probabilities against the numbered disc. The Cubans,

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who knew the ropes in the elegant gambling house, tried to persuade the Yankees, but the latter insisted. In the twinkling of an eye they were relieved of their burden of bills. Toward the end they were given a chance, as one gives encouragement to an animal with fodder. They were supposed to collect $442 and were paid only $342. The house coolly kept the rest, following a good old custom. The protests of the "mister" attracted the bullies, who unceremoniously requested that they leave the place.

The victims told the story in Miami in a few days. They were the mayor of the city, Perrine Palmer, R. G. Danner, city manager and chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; Robert Quinn, director of publicity and Al Waldron, editor of cinema news.

Things of this sort assure to Havana a prestige equal to that of Chicago in its evil days of Torrio and Capone.

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TIEMPO

SEMANARIO INDEPENDIENTE DE INFORMACIÓN NACIONAL E INTERNACIONAL

Indalecio (Neno) PERTIERRA

(Ver Pág. 31)

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TIEMPO EN CUBA

Año III Núm. 6

SEMANARIO INDEPENDIENTE DE INFORMACION NACIONAL E INTERNACIONAL

9 de Febrero de 1947

COMENTANDO LA ACTUALIDAD

TURISMO

The Biggest Racket

"If you go to Havana, keep out of the races. Beware of the gamblers". Esta era más o menos la consigna que estaban haciendo correr en Estados Unidos los turistas inexpertos que habían entrado por la boca del Morro de La Habana o descendido en el aeropuerto de Rancho Boyeros y se habían marchado "puestos y convidados".

El gobierno cubano y sus corporaciones de turismo, podrían llevar a cabo las mejores campañas de atracción para los viajeros norteamericanos y éstas resultarían inútiles por la protesta de los yanquis que habían tenido alguna relación con los caballos de carrera del Oriental Park o las mesas de juego del Casino Nacional o el Jockey Club, donde estaban haciendo de las suyas jugadores "a la mala" de un equipo de catorce hombres del famoso tahur internacional Charles (Lucky) Luciano, y sus peligrosos lugartenientes Charles Simms y Meyer Lansky, reclamados por los Estados de California y Florida como desplumadores sin escrúpulos de los incautos. En peligrosa asociación con Indalecio (Nano) Pertierra y Carlos (el chivo) Miranda, los ágiles dedos de los yanquis estaban tirando los dados cargados del "seven eleven", las cartas marcadas de el "twenty one" (21) en una verdadera jauja.

Los desplumadores que se repartían miles de pesos cada noche con la tolerancia sospechosa de policías y soldados y de un enjambre de matones, bouncers y gorilas, no habían conocido una danza de millones parecida. Cada vez que algún oficial policíaco se había atrevido a mirar con indiscreta insistencia los rápidos tiros de los huesos, el ingenio había sido trasladado de demarcación. Pertierra, representante a la Cámara, que ni siquiera necesitaba sentarse en los bancos del gobierno, tenía poderosos amigos.

La organización de los tahures era completa. Profesionales de los mil juegos que tienen lugar en el Jockey y el Casino distribuyen tarjetas en el Grand Stand del hipódromo para arrastrar "los buenos puntos" a las mesas verdes. Supuestos inspectores que se mueven en los repletos salones de juego detienen a tiempo el sentimentalismo de cualquier "dealer" que se disponga a dar una oportunidad a un jugador esquilmado en la ruleta. Despiadadamente, la bola debe descansar en el sector que convenga a la casa.

Recientemente, un grupo de norteamericanos con exceso de **highballs** y **daiquiris** cayó en una mesa en compañía de dos amigos cubanos. Tratando de aliviarse de la mala suerte de los caballos en la pista tuvieron empeño de jugar en la ruleta. Pensaban ganarle a las 90 probabilidades en contra del disco numerado.. Los cubanos que sabían dónde el jefe de la picardía había puesto el huevo en el elegante garito, trataron de persuadir a los gringos. Pero éstos insistieron. En un santiamén le aligeraron su carga de billetes. Con los últimos se le dió una oportunidad como para darlo aliento con el cebo. Debieron cobrar 442 pesos y sólo les pagaron 342. La casa se quedaba frecuentemente con la diferencia siguiendo una buena costumbre. Las protestas del "mister" atrajeron a los matones que destemplada-mente le recomendaron abandonar el lugar.

Los robados hacían el cuento en Miami a los pocos días. Eran el alcalde de la ciudad Perrine Palmer, R. G. Danner, detective-manager y jefe del Buró Federal de Investigaciones; Robert Quinn, director de publicidad y Al Waldron, editor de noticias cinematográficas.

Cosas de este tipo aseguraban a La Habana un prestigio a la altura de Chicago en sus malos tiempos de Torrio y Capone.

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José Manuel Alemán estaba aprovechando que sus enemigos habían hecho un alto y se reponían del esfuerzo propagandístico realizado en su contra para lanzar su propia ofensiva. Todos los periódicos publicaron las fotografías tomadas en el mercado de Almacenes del Ministerio donde aparecían los obreros cargando enormes paquetes de material escolar que era en-

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FROM HAVANA 3-3-47 NR 35 1:00 PM EST

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES, MISCELLANEOUS. HEARING OF HABEAS CORPUS PETITION OF SUBJECT BEGINS TODAY. ATTORNEY ALFONSO GONZALEZ OF PARTIDO SOCIALISTA POPULAR LEGAL STAFF REPRESENTING LUCIANO. ONE OF CLAIMS IS THAT SUBJECT VICTIM OF PRO-NAZI PERSECUTION BY ELEMENTS IN THE UNITED STATES. ATTEMPTS BEING MADE TO ARRANGE TRANSPORTATION OF SUBJECT TO ITALY VIA QUOTE SS BAKIR (U) UNQUOTE, TURKISH VESSEL ARRIVING HERE ABOUT MARCH 3 AND SCHEDULED PROCEED GENOA, ITALY VIA CANARY ISLANDS. UNVERIFIED NEWSPAPER REPORT STATES RALPH CAPONE VISITED SUBJECT HERE SOME MONTHS AGO USING ALIAS DOC BOTTLES. (U) RELIABLE SOURCE SAW SUBJECT AT HAVANA AIRPORT ON FEBRUARY 12 DATE WHEN MEYER LANSKY WAS SCHEDULED ARRIVE HERE FROM FLORIDA. POLICE INFORMATION FROM CUBAN SERVANTS EMPLOYED BY SUBJECT AND NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION NEGATIVE RE ASSOCIATES SUBJECT. (U)

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February 28/1947,

I am a one Veterans -
World War one. I glad.
that you are Coming to
your senses about
the Luciano's mobsters.
they had me put away
at North Port Nuthouse,
because I could stand
up to it they did. I been
avoiding all of since
I got out Bellvue is
full of them Doctors
nurses, they try to put
you out of the way
Thank for your Work.
as a Country born
American your truly
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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

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Mr. Edgar Hoover,
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TO : E. A. TAMM

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DATE: February 24, 1947

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SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, with aliases
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

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PURPOSE

To advise of information contained in Bureau files regarding Lucky Luciano who is presently being held by the Cuban Secret Police.

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BACKGROUND

Charles Lucky Luciano was born in Italy November 11, 1897. He came to the United States in 1907 with his parents. At the early age of fourteen he was sent to the Brooklyn Truant School. In 1916 he served time for possessing narcotics. Luciano was subsequently convicted in New York court on 62 out of 90 counts during June of 1936 on a charge of compulsory prostitution. Luciano was thereafter committed to Danemora Prison, Clinton, New York, and subsequently transferred to Sing Sing Prison in New York State. On February 8, 1943 Luciano made application for a suspension of the two fifteen-year sentences before Judge J. McCook, New York. Judge McCook reportedly stated that Luciano had been useful in the war effort of this country. It was the claim of Attorney George Wolf, counsel for Luciano, that both Army and Navy personnel had sought Luciano's assistance. Accordingly, Governor Thomas E. Dewey paroled Luciano on January 3, 1946 on the express condition that Luciano be deported. He was released to Immigration and Naturalization custody from Sing Sing on February 2, 1946 and transported to Ellis Island, New York City. Luciano departed from the United States for Italy aboard the SS Laura Keene on February 10, 1946. The parole and subsequent deportation of Luciano received considerable publicity and it was reported that his release was due to his assistance to Army and Navy authorities. Information was subsequently received that the stories about Luciano's war work might be laid to a fraudulent affadavit on the part of former Commander Charles Radcliff Haffenden of the Office of Naval Intelligence.

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CHARLES RADCLIFF HAFFENDEN

Haffenden was a Commander of Naval Intelligence in New York City for a considerable period before the war and during the war. The New York Office had considerable difficulty in keeping Haffenden within the delimitation agreement and Captain Roscoe MacFall, Director of Naval Intelligence, took Haffenden to task for his actions in this regard. Haffenden subsequently was transferred to the Coast Patrol in California and eventually saw a limited amount of action on Okinawa. Haffenden, in an interview with [redacted] advised that b7D after he, Haffenden, had returned from Iwo Jima after being wounded and while he was in the hospital he had been visited by his good friend, Moses Polakoff, and that Polakoff had induced him to write a letter to Charles Breitel, counsel to the Governor of the State of New York. Haffenden explained to [redacted] that he was

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not feeling very well and he wanted to do a good turn and he did not see anything wrong about writing the letter on Charles Lucky Luciano. The Office of Naval Intelligence, Third Naval District, New York City, on or about July 17, 1945, received an anonymous letter stating that Commander Haffenden had supported Luciano in a false claim that Luciano had contributed in great measure to the United States success in the invasion of Sicily. As a result of the anonymous communication Haffenden was confronted by W. B. Phillips, Commandant, Third Naval District, concerning the anonymous allegations. Haffenden was required to answer the following specific questions:

1. Have you appeared before the parole board of the State of New York or been questioned by any of its personnel regarding the subject, namely, Lucky Luciano?

2. Have you written any letters to any agencies of the State of New York recommending the parole of the subject?

3. If it has come to your knowledge that the subject supplied any information of value to the United States Navy, please indicate what the information consists of.

Haffenden replied to these questions that while he did not appear before the parole board, he had been interviewed by a representative of the board named Healey to whom he gave general information. Haffenden also stated that he had not written to any agencies in New York State recommending Luciano's parole but that he had written to the Honorable Charles Breitel in this regard, a photostatic copy of which is in the Bureau files. Haffenden stated that he was in charge of the Investigating Section, Naval Intelligence, Third Naval District, from approximately July, 1940, to June, 1944, during which time it was his duty to locate informants in the United States who could give intelligence information that would be of value both domestic and foreign. Haffenden stated that, accordingly, through the cooperation of Major Murray Gurfein, who was formerly an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan, contacts were made with Mr. Moses Polakoff, who was the attorney for the subject, Charles Luciano. Haffenden states that as a result of this contact a large number of informants were sent to his office located at 50 Church Street, New York City, where they were interviewed by agents under his command. Haffenden stated that it was difficult to say how many such informants came to his attention through the cooperation of Charles Luciano. Haffenden continued in his letter that he was "confident" that the greater part of the intelligence developed in the Sicilian campaign was directly responsible to the number of Sicilians that emanated from the Charlie "Lucky" contact.

NAVY CENSURE OF HAFFENDEN

The Office of the Chief of Naval Operations advised that Commander Haffenden's actions in behalf of Luciano were not known to or authorized by Naval authorities, that his actions were expressions of his personal opinions which official records failed to substantiate, and further, that he was informed of his lack of judgment in this case and directed to inform Naval authorities

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if he is ever requested to appear or does appear at a hearing for parole of any of the members of the underworld with whom he associated while on duty in the Naval Intelligence Office, Third Naval District.

ACTIVITIES OF LUCIANO SINCE DEPORTATION

As reported above, Luciano was deported on February 10, 1946 aboard the SS Laura Keene. Luciano remained in Italy until October 29, 1946 at which time he departed via airplane and went to Cemaguey, Cuba. Cuban Immigration Department records reflected that a Cuban citizen by the name of Antonio Madan Valdez, a negro "leg man" for Doctor Indalecio Pertierra, a Cuban congressman, requested the issuance of a Cuban visa to Charles Luciano. This request was dated July 1, 1946 and a deposit of $500 was posted which guarantees the return passage of Luciano in the event he becomes a public charge in Cuba. The records of the Immigration Department at Havana, Cuba reflect a letter from Cuban Senator Manuel Capestany stating he knew Luciano personally and guaranteed him as a person of Democratic ideals who had sufficient financial resources to prevent him from becoming a public charge. It has been reported that subject is associating with Charles Simms, Conrad Immerman, Victor Vesta, and Meyer Lansky in connection with gambling operations in Havana, Cuba.

ACTION TAKEN

The Legal Attache at Havana, Cuba is following this matter very closely and upon receipt of additional information you will be immediately advised.

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FROM HAVANA 2-25-47 (U) NR 25 2:22 PM EST

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES, MISCELLANEOUS. UNITED STATES NARCOTIC BUREAU DECISION CUTTING OFF CUBAN SUPPLY OF NARCOTICS UNTIL SUBJECT EXPELLED FROM CUBA RATED HEADLINES PRACTICALLY ALL LOCAL NEWSPAPERS. LUCIANO ARRESTED FEBRUARY 23 LAST BY CUBAN SECRET POLICE AND CONFINED TO CUBAN IMMIGRATION CENTER AWAITING DEPORTATION. SUBJECT AGREEABLE TO RETURN ITALY IMMEDIATELY RATHER THAN AWAIT DEPORTATION PROCEEDING. CUBAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ENDEAVORING TO ARRANGE DIRECT TRANSPORTATION FOR SUBJECT TO EUROPE. UNITED STATES TREASURY DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE THIS EMBASSY ADVISED HIS REPORT, WHICH WAS BASED ON INFORMATION FURNISHED HIM BY THIS OFFICE, UNDOUBTEDLY CAUSED NARCOTIC BUREAU DECISION. THIS OFFICE HAS NO CONCRETE INFORMATION THAT SUBJECT ENGAGING IN ILLEGAL NARCOTIC TRAFFIC HERE AND REGULAR TREASURY DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE THIS EMBASSY HAS ADVISED THAT HE LIKEWISE HAS NO SUCH EVIDENCE. SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF TREASURY DEPARTMENT WHO ARRIVED HAVANA FEBRUARY 23, 1947 STATED CONFIDENTIALLY THAT DEFINITE PROOF AVAILABLE CONCERNING SUBJECT'S ILLEGAL NARCOTIC SMUGGLING. LOCAL NEWSPAPERS MENTIONED UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES HAD INVESTIGATED SUBJECT BUT REFERRED TO THEM AS SECRET SERVICE AGENTS. NEW YORK DAILY NEWSPAPER CONTACTED LOCAL SENSATIONAL MAGAZINE QUOTE TIEMPO EN CUBA UNQUOTE FOR STORY AND WILL REPORTEDLY PUBLISH ACCOUNT CONNECTING SUBJECT WITH CUBAN POLITICIANS AND CHIEF OF POLICE GOMEZ GOMEZ. MATTER BEING FOLLOWED AND BUREAU WILL BE KEPT PROMPTLY INFORMED.

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___ Mr. Hendon	
___ Mr. Pennington	
___ Mr. Quinn Tamm	
___ Mr. Nease	
___ Mr. Coyne	
___ Miss Gandy	___ Call me re this
___ Mr. Carson	___ Note and return
	___ File
___ Miss Gray	___ Stamp and mail
___ Miss Lyon	___ Prepare tickler
___ Miss Butcher	___ Call these files

___ See Me

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February 26, 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

[redacted]

[redacted] copies of sixteen different bills that have been introduced by various Congressmen to stay deportation proceedings on sixteen different alien narcotic users, all of whom were key men for Luciano in the United States. [redacted] stated it can be shown in a carefully written story that Luciano has been reorganizing the old Mafia Society (Black Hands Society), and each of the sixteen persons whose deportation is imminent have been active as Luciano's leg men in the Black Hands Society in the United States.

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[redacted] to obtain from the Bureau's Identification Division files the complete criminal records on each of the sixteen persons. He was told that by Congressional enactment the data appearing in the Bureau's Identification Division files is restricted to law enforcement agencies and Federal officers, and that we could not be of assistance to him. [redacted] advised that he had been trying to see [redacted] all day as he feels [redacted] probably has the records on them, and if not, might want to request the Bureau's records for the completion of his files; but he is afraid that [redacted] will not want to do this as he might incur some difficulties with the various Congressmen involved which would be embarrassing to him at this time in view of the fact [redacted].

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MR. TOLSON

February 26, 1947

[redacted] understands that our files are ~~confidential~~ but states his New York office insists that he keep trying the FBI with the thought that the material might be furnished. He was told that we can not be of assistance. b7D

Respectfully,

L. B. Nichols

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FROM HAVANA 2-28-47 NR 33 5:05 PM EST (U)

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES, MISCELLANEOUS. REFERENCE OUR RADIOGRAM FEBRUARY 27 SECRET POLICE REPORT NO INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED OF AMERICANS ALLEGEDLY INVOLVED WITH SUBJECT. (U) STATED DOC APPLES, GEORGE HUFFMAN, CHARLES OLDENBURGH, CHESTER SIMMS, CONRAD IMMERMAN, VICTOR VESTA, DAVID WEISS, JOHN DEMAS, J. H. AYRES, AND JACK HOAG ARE INDIVIDUALS HANDLING GAMBLING ORIENTAL PARK JOCKEY CLUB AND BACCARAT AND CRAP GAMES AT NATIONAL CASINO. NEWSPAPER SOURCE RELIABILITY UNKNOWN STATES RUTH CLAYTON REPORTEDLY GIRL FRIEND OF SUBJECT. [redacted] GAVE b7D OPINION THAT AFTER SUBJECT'S ENTRANCE HERE ARRANGED BY INDALECIO PERTIERRA THAT LUCIANO RECOMMENDED ABOVE AMERICANS TO PERTIERRA TO OPERATE GAMBLING WHICH LATTER CONTROLS. STATES NO CONTRACT OR WRITTEN EVIDENCE OF SUCH ACTIONS AVAILABLE AND NEITHER PERTIERRA NOR SUBJECT WILL ADMIT CONNECTION WITH EACH OTHER. SECRET POLICE WILL ATTEMPT OBTAIN FINGERPRINTS OF ABOVE GAMBLERS FOR SUBMISSION TO BUREAU. PRESIDENT GRAU WAS SURPRISED AND VERY PLEASED WHEN [redacted] FURNISHED HIM BUREAU CRIMINAL RECORD OF SUBJECT WHICH HAD BEEN MADE AVAILABLE BY THIS OFFICE. METHOD OF DEPORTING SUBJECT NOT YET DETERMINED. (U)

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FROM HAVANA 2-27-47 NR 31 (U) 6:11 PM EST (U)

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES, MISCELLANEOUS. REFERENCE YOUR RADIOGRAM FEBRUARY 27 BEST AVAILABLE INFORMATION REGARDING AMERICANS INVOLVED WITH SUBJECT SET OUT HAVANA RADIOGRAM NUMBER 13. BUREAU BEING KEPT PROMPTLY ADVISED REGARDING INSTANT CASE BUT UNVERIFIED PRESS RUMORS NOT BEING REPORTED. LOCAL PRESS REPRESENTATIVE BELIEVED IDENTICAL WITH SOURCE OF PRESS RELEASE MENTIONED REFERENCE BUREAU RADIOGRAM ADVISED FOLLOWING AMERICANS SEEN WITH SUBJECT AT HOTEL NACIONAL BAR: DOCTAPPLES, GEORGE HOFFMAN, CHARLES OLDENBURGH, JACK HOACT, RUTH CLAYTON, ONE LLOYD OR LOYD AND MRS. J. H. AYRES. ALL SPELLING PHONETIC AND RELIABILITY OF SOURCE UNKNOWN. SOURCE UNABLE TO EXPLAIN HOW THESE INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED WITH SUBJECT. [redacted]

CUBAN MINISTRY STATES ADVISED UNITED STATES EMBASSY HERE THAT DEPORTATION DECREE SIGNED TODAY AND LUCIANO WILL BE DEPORTED FIRST AVAILABLE MEANS. SUBJECT PRESENTLY CONFINED TO CUBAN IMMIGRATION CENTER AWAITING DEPORTATION. SECRET POLICE ADVISE TO DATE NO EVIDENCE DEVELOPED INDICATING SUBJECT WAS ENGAGED ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES HERE. (U) b7D b7E

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. (U)

LEGAL ATTACHE
HAVANA, CUBA

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Transmit the following message to:

CHARLES QUOTE LUCKY UNQUOTE LUCIANO, WAR, MISCELLANEOUS. REFERENCE YOUR RADIOGRAM FEBRUARY TWENTYEIGHT LAST FURNISHING NAMES OF AMERICAN INDIVIDUALS ALLEGEDLY RECOMMENDED BY SUBJECT TO OPERATE GAMBLING CONTROLLED BY INDALECIO PERTIENRA. IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU CHECK CUBAN IMMIGRATION RECORDS AND FURNISH FURTHER IDENTIFYING DATA REGARDING THESE INDIVIDUALS. IN THE EVENT THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE FINGERPRINTED BY CUBAN SECRET POLICE IT IS DESIRED THAT YOU ADVISE BY RADIOGRAM DATE FORWARDED TO BUREAU. (U)

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TO : MR. LADD

DATE: 2/21/47

FROM : E. G. Fitch

SUBJECT: Lucky Luciano

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Mr. G. C. Jacobus of MID telephoned and stated that Colonel Clarke was very much interested in information as to what Lucky Luciano did during the war. Mr. Jacobus was advised that Luciano had been released from prison and allegedly had furnished some information to the Navy, however there was some doubt as to just how much value he had been to the Navy.

Mr. Jacobus was advised that it would be necessary to review the files before more detailed information could be furnished to Colonel Clarke. Mr. Jacobus stated that Colonel Clarke was anxious to receive the information by Monday, February 24.

ACTION:

If you approve, a memorandum will be prepared for Colonel Clarke setting forth what the Bureau files reflect with respect to Luciano's activities during the war.

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TO : Mr. A. Rosen

DATE: March 3, 1947

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FROM : E. J. McCabe

SUBJECT: CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, was
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The attached letter from James P. McMahon, Legal Attache, Cuba, dated February 25, 1947, reflects that Carter Ogden, American businessman and local contact at Cuba, pointed out Luciano to Agents Connors and McMahon at the Oriental Park Race Track on February 8, 1947. Agent Connors contacted Agent Fox, police liaison [redacted] b7D b7E (U) the Cuban Police took up the investigation and surveillance of Luciano. Mr. McMahon in his letter points out that regardless of the publicity given to other agencies indicating that they were responsible for the location of Luciano in Cuba, the true facts are as reflected above and the Bureau was actually responsible. He suggests the Bureau send a letter of acknowledgment to Carter Ogden and letters of commendation to Agents Leo J. Fox and James C. Connors.

FACTS

A short time after Luciano's deportation to Italy in February, 1946, reports were received at the Bureau indicating that Luciano was variously reported as having left Italy and returned to the United States in California, to Mexico, Cuba, and South American countries. [redacted] b7E was instructed to keep the Bureau advised concerning Luciano's activities, and as of September 11, 1946, Sepcial Agent Stanley R. Russo advised that he had personally seen Luciano on September 9, 1946, at Rome, Italy. By letter dated October 11, 1946, James P. McMahon, Legal Attache at Cuba, advised that Joseph A. Fortier, U. S. Treasury representative, informed him that Luciano had left Italy and had secured passage to Mexico on a freighter. There was no information indicating that Luciano had transited Cuba en route to Mexico.

Information was received through [redacted] b7D b7E that Luciano was in Cuba and that Bugsy Siegel contemplated visiting him there. The Bureau furnished the information concerning this, together with descriptions, photographs, and copies of FBI identification records of Siegel and Luciano to the Havana, Cuba, [redacted] by letter dated January 21, 1947. By wire dated January 29, 1947, [redacted] advised that the Cuban Police had been unsuccessfully attempting to locate Luciano in Cuba for the past several months. Under date of January 31, 1947, photographic copies of Luciano's fingerprints were also sent. (U)

OBSERVATION

It appears that the first definite information concerning Luciano's residence in Cuba was furnished by confidential informant [redacted] b7D and that the locating of him there by Bureau Agents, although most fortunate, was in the nature of an accident, as there was no indication that the Agents had indicated to [redacted] their interest in locating and identifying Luciano.

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RECOMMENDATION ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

It is recommended, therefore, that no letters of commendation be directed to the Agents and since Luciano was not being sought for any crime within the Bureau's jurisdiction that no letter of acknowledgment be directed to [redacted] b7D

I agree

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
HABANA, CUBA

February 25, 1947

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Director, FBI

RE: CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, with
aliases Charles Lucania,
Salvatore Lucania.
FOREIGN - MISCELLANEOUS

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DATE OF REVIEW 11/8/82 CADR

Dear Sir:

In view of the widespread publicity given this case in the newspapers in the United States and Cuba, it is thought the Bureau will be interested in knowing the exact manner in which LUCIANO was located and identified by Agents of this office.

As far back as October, 1946, (it will be recalled that LUCIANO arrived in Cuba on October 29, 1946) reports reached this office of LUCIANO'S possible presence in Cuba. Informants of this office were alerted and instructed to advise of any information substantiating these reports.

In the latter part of January, 1947, various sources of this office reported that LUCIANO had been seen at the Habana Oriental Park Race Track; that he was using an assumed name, and was believed to be mixing among Cuban social circles who probably were unaware of his true identity.

On February 8, 1947, Special Agent James P. McMahon and Special Agent James C. Connors visited the Oriental Park Race Track. [redacted] a contact of this office, sought out Agent McMahon and advised that a person he suspected was LUCIANO was present at the Race Track, and indicated the table at which the suspect was seated. On the basis of photographs furnished by the Bureau with cover letter dated January 21, 1947, Agent McMahon immediately recognized the suspect as being in fact Subject LUCIANO. LUCIANO was thereupon pointed out to Agent Connors who personally surveilled the Subject from that point.

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Special Agent Leo J. Fox, police liaison agent of this office, was telephonically contacted and apprised of the above

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Letter to the Director
from the L.A., Habana,
dated February 25, 1947

Re: CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, was.
FOREIGN - MISCELLANEOUS

information. Agent Fox immediately located [redacted] b7D
[redacted] and arranged
to take [redacted] to Oriental Park. It should
be noted that Fox had previously discussed this case with [redacted]
[redacted] was familiar with our interests in LUCIANO and our suspicions of his presence in Cuba. (U)

Agent Fox, accompanied by [redacted] two Secret b7D
Police Officers, arrived at Oriental Park within about 45 minutes b7E
from the time LUCIANO was first pointed out to Agent McMahon. Agent Fox immediately confirmed the identity of the Subject and LUCIANO was then pointed out to [redacted] took over the surveillance and investigation at that point. (U)

The local Habana press has credited various sources, including the Cuban Secret Police, the United States Treasury Department Representatives, and the American Secret Service with having located and identified LUCIANO. I wish to assure the Bureau that location and identification of LUCKY LUCIANO was made by the above-mentioned Bureau Agents assigned to this office.

It is suggested that the Bureau may wish to send a letter of acknowledgment [redacted] b7D
for his assistance in this investigation. It is further suggested that the Bureau may desire to send letters of commendation to Special Agents Leo J. Fox and James C. Connors for their work in this connection.

Very truly yours,

James P. McMahon

JAMES P. McMAHON
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TO : D. M. LADD

DATE: March 1, 1947

FROM : E. G. Fitch

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SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, was.;
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to my memorandum to you in the above-captioned matter dated February 21, 1947, which indicates that Mr. G. C. Jacobus of the Military Intelligence Division had indicated that Colonel Carter W. Clarke of MID was anxious to receive the information in the possession of the Bureau as to Luciano's activities during the war.

Special Agent S. W. Reynolds of the Liaison Section subsequently discussed this matter with Colonel Clarke and Clarke indicated that he was interested primarily in obtaining information for Secretary Patterson as to whether or not Luciano was used by the Army during the war and whether or not any Army personnel had been instrumental in effecting Luciano's release from prison.

Pursuant to your instructions, Mr. Reynolds advised Colonel Clarke confidentially that a Commander Charles Radcliff Haffenden, Office of Naval Intelligence, was in charge of the Investigative Section, Third Naval District, from approximately July, 1940, to June, 1944. It was his duty during this time to locate informants in the United States who could give intelligence information that would be of value, both domestic and foreign. He alleged that through the cooperation of Major Murray Gurfein, who was formerly an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan, contacts were made with Mr. Moses Polakoff, who was the attorney for Luciano. Colonel Clarke was also advised that Haffenden had alleged that as a result of this contact a large number of informants were sent to his office in New York City where they were interviewed by Agents of the Office of Naval Intelligence. Further, that Haffenden had alleged that it was difficult to say how many such informants came to his attention through the cooperation of Luciano, but he was confident that the greater part of the intelligence developed in the Sicilian campaign was directly responsible to the number of Sicilians that emanated from the Luciano contact.

Colonel Clarke was also advised that when Haffenden returned to the United States from the Pacific, Moses Polakoff, Luciano's attorney, had induced Haffenden to write a letter to Charles Breitel, counsel to the Governor of the State of New York. Clarke was further informed that the Bureau had ascertained that there were rumors to the effect that Luciano was visited by [redacted] b7E [redacted] or the War Department, when he was confined in Great Meadows Prison, Comstock, New York. Colonel Clarke was advised, however, that an informant had stated that special arrangements had been made so that the Warden of Great Meadows Prison or the New York State Department of Correction could handle these visits in an extremely confidential manner in order that the visits would not have to be recorded officially anywhere in the prison files.

Colonel Clarke indicated to Mr. Reynolds that he was appreciative of the Bureau confidentially making this information available to him.

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Legal Attache
Havana, Cuba

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CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES,
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to your radiogram of February 25, 1947. (U)

Attached are two copies of the identification record of Charles "Lucky" Luciano, FBI [illegible].

G. I. R. -5

Enclosures (2)

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FROM HAVANA [2-25-47] (U) NR 28 5:34 PM EST

LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES. PLEASE FURNISH AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TWO MORE COPIES OF SUBJECT'S CRIMINAL RECORD.

RECEIVED [2-25-47] (U) 5:39 PM EST MD

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cc-Mr. Rosen
Mr. McCabe
Mr. Ryan

TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. FEBRUARY 27, 1947 (ROUTINE)

Transmit the following message to LEGAL ATTACHE CONFIDENTIAL
AMERICAN EMBASSY
HAVANA, CUBA

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, W.A., MISC. REBUWIRE [FEBRUARY TWENTYFOUR LAST] REQUESTED YOU TO FOLLOW SUBJECT'S ACTIVITIES AND TO ADVISE BUREAU OF SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS RE SUBJECT'S CONTACTS AND ASSOCIATES. PRESS REPORTS INDICATE SUBJECT UNDER INVESTIGATION ALONG WITH EIGHT AMERICANS. ADVISE IMMEDIATELY IDENTITY OF INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED. (U)

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FROM HAVANA 3-5-47 (U) NR 38 5:46 PM EST

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES, MISCELLANEOUS. SUBJECT DENIED AUTHORIZATION OF HABEAS CORPUS PROCEEDINGS STATING HE WAS INSTITUTED WITHOUT HIS CONSENT OR KNOWLEDGE. RECENT CONTACT WITH [redacted] REFLECTS POLITICAL PRESSURE HAMPERING INVESTIGATION OF AMERICAN GAMBLERS BROUGHT HERE BY INDALECIO PERTIERRA ALLEGEDLY ON RECOMMENDATION OF SUBJECT. RELIABLE SOURCE ADVISED RAY OLIVERA, SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF UNITED STATES NARCOTIC BUREAU SENT HERE FOR INVESTIGATION OF CASE (REFERENCE OUR RADIOGRAM NUMBER 25) IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH LOCAL UNITED PRESS REPRESENTATIVES THUS ACCOUNTING FOR NUMEROUS REPORTS EMANATING FROM HERE REGARDING INSTANT MATTER. [redacted]

[redacted]

PLEASE (U) ADVISE ANY AVAILABLE INFORMATION REGARDING INDIVIDUALS LISTED HAVANA RADIOGRAM 33. THIS OFFICE ENDEAVORING OBTAIN MORE IDENTIFYING DATA CONCERNING THEM. NO DEFINITE DATE YET DECIDED CONCERNING SUBJECT'S DEPORTATION.

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[MARCH 6, 1947] (U)

TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to:

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HAVANA, CUBA

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CHARLES QUOTE LUCKY UNQUOTE LUCIANO, WAS, MISCELLANEOUS. RE YOUR RADIOGRAM [MARCH FIVE LAST] (U) REQUESTING INFORMATION IN BUREAU FILES ON INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED IN YOUR RADIOGRAM [FEBRUARY TWENTYEIGHT LAST] (U) BUREAU BY RADIOGRAM [MARCH ONE LAST] REQUES[redacted] YOUR OFFICE TO CHECK IMMIGRATION RECORDS ON THESE INDIVIDUALS FOR FURTHER IDENTIFYING DATA. MAKE REQUESTED CHECK AND FURNISH FURTHER IDENTIFYING DATA BY RADIOGRAM.

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FROM HAVANA 3-14-47 NR 52 5:22 PM EST

(U) CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, (U) WITH ALIASES, (U) MISCELLANEOUS. TURKISH SHIP ARRIVED HAVANA MARCH 13 AND REPORTEDLY DUE TO LEAVE WITH SUBJECT ABOARD MARCH 17 OR 18. [redacted]

[redacted] ABOVE LIST WILL BE INCORPORATED IN FORTHCOMING REPORT OF THIS OFFICE. (U)

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FROM HAVANA [3-11-47] (U) NR 50 5:58 PM EST

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES, MISCELLANEOUS. TURKISH SHIP ON WHICH SUBJECT TO BE DEPORTED SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE HAVANA MARCH 13 OR 14. IMMIGRATION RECORDS LIST CHESTER SIMS, 37 YEARS OF AGE, ACCOUNTANT, AND WILLIAM A. HORN, 28 YEARS, SALESMAN ARRIVED CUBA DECEMBER 17 LAST VIA PAN-AMERICAN AIRWAYS IN SAME PLANE WITH CARLOS MIGUEL MIRANDA. MIRANDA IS CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF INDALECIO PERTIERRA. CONRAD IMMERMAN HAS RESIDED AT HOTEL NACIONAL SINCE DECEMBER 20 LAST BUT NO RECORDS FOUND TO DATE OF ENTRANCE INTO CUBA. DESCRIBED AS 50 YEARS, 5 FEET 10 INCHES, 205 POUNDS, BLACK-GREY HAIR, BALD FRONT AND TOP, LARGE BULBOUS NOSE, HEAVY EYEBROWS, RUDDY COMPLEXION, WEARS LOUD SPORT CLOTHES. HAS BEEN SEEN IN FRIENDLY CONVERSATION WITH FRANK SINATRA AND LARRY MCPHAIL, OWNER OF NEW YORK YANKEES. VICTOR VESTA DESCRIBED 42 YEARS, 5 FEET 10 INCHES, 158 POUNDS, SLIGHT BUILD, HAZEL EYES, GREYISH BROWN HAIR, LIGHT COMPLEXION, SMOOTH TALKER, HALF INCH SCAR ABOVE LEFT SIDE OF UPPER LIP, CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY EMPLOYED WAR PLANT IN LONG ISLAND. DAVE WEISS DESCRIBED AS AGE 50, HEIGHT 5 FEET 2 INCHES, WEIGHT 165 POUNDS, HEAVY BUILD, VERY LIGHT BLUE EYES, MEDIUM BROWN RECEDING HAIR, MEDIUM COMPLEXION, SQUINTS REGULARLY, CLAIMS HOME STATE NEW YORK, WEARS DISCHARGE BUTTON, CLAIMS SERVICE BOTH WARS. LOWE ABOUT 38 YEARS, 6 FEET, 180 POUNDS, MEDIUM BUILD AND COMPLEXION, BLACK WAVY HEAVY HAIR TURNING GREY. HAS BEEN SEEN PALMING DICE AND BELIEVED TO BE TRICKIEST OF GROUP. [redacted] b7E

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cc Mr. Ladd
cc Mr. Carson

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TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. [MARCH 10, 1947] (U) URGENT

LEGAL ATTACHE
HAVANA, CUBA

Transmit the following message to:

CHARLES QUOTE LUCKY UNQUOTE LUCIANO, WAS, MISCELLANEOUS. REFERENCE YOUR RADIOGRAM [MARCH EIGHT LAST] (U) REQUESTING INFORMATION ON VERNON LOWE AND MAX APPEL. FROM INFORMATION FURNISHED UNABLE TO IDENTIFY OR CONNECT VERNON LOWE OR MAX APPEL WITH SUBJECT OR OTHER KNOWN ASSOCIATES. RE ROBERT BLANCHE MENTIONED REFERENCED RADIOGRAM, BUREAU FILES REFLECT ONE ROBERT BLANCHE RESIDING SIXTEEN BROOME STREET, NEW YORK CITY, DESCRIBED AS FIFTY-FIVE TO SIXTY YEARS OF AGE, HEIGHT FIVE FEET SIX INCHES, WEIGHT ONE HUNDRED FIFTY POUNDS, MEDIUM COMPLEXION. ON OCTOBER SEVEN LAST BENJAMIN SIEGEL OBSERVED IN NINETEEN FORTYSIX OLDSMOBILE REGISTERED TO ONE ROBERT BLANCHE, SIXTEEN BROOME STREET, NEW YORK CITY, BELIEVED TO BE THE DRIVER OF INSTANT CAR AND ACCOMPANYING SIEGEL ON OCCASIONS IN NEW YORK CITY. VICTOR WESTA ACCORDING TO BUREAU FILES WORKED THE WINTER SEASON AS A CROUPIER AT THE CASINO NACIONAL NINTEEN FORTY TO NINETEEN FORTYONE AND WAS INTERVIEWED BY LEGAL ATTACHE AT HAVANA IN CONNECTION WITH OTTO PRECHT WHO WAS REPORTEDLY PRO-NAZI. ENDEAVOR TO SECURE FURTHER IDENTIFYING DATA RE INDIVIDUALS REPORTED TO HAVE ASSOCIATED WITH SUBJECT.

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FROM HAVANA 3-8-47 (U) NR 46 4:28 PM EST

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES, MISCELLANEOUS. CUBAN MINISTER OF INTERIOR ANNOUNCED SUBJECT TO BE DEPORTED MARCH 12 OR 13 ON TURKISH BOAT QUOTE SS DAKIR UNQUOTE DESTINED FOR GENOA, ITALY. (U)
CUBAN IMMIGRATION RECORDS NEGATIVE REGARDING ALL REPORTED LOCAL ASSOCIATES EXCEPT CHARLES OLDENBURGH WHO ARRIVED CUBA JANUARY 14 LAST VIA PAN-AMERICAN AIRWAYS FROM MIAMI AND NOW REQUESTED EXTENSION OF REGULAR THIRTY DAY TOURIST PERMIT. ALL OTHER ASSICIATES MUST BE CHECKED THROUGH DAILY PASSENGER LISTS SINCE ALL HERE AS TOURISTS. (U)

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[redacted] (U)

RECORDS CONTAIN INFORMATION RE VERNON LOWE AND MAX APPEL AS POSSIBLY CONNECTED WITH INSTANT GAMBLERS.

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cc Mr. Ladd
cc Mr. Coyne

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cc - Mr. Rosen CC-150
Mr. McCabe
Mr. Ryan

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. URGENT MARCH 15, 1947

Transmit the following message to:
SAC, MIAMI

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WAS, MISCELLANEOUS. [redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen

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DATE: 3-15-47

FROM : F. L. Price

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, was
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ASAC R. J. Lynch advised that the following data had been obtained with regard to the three individuals [redacted] b7E

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ACTION TAKEN

Supervisor Ryan has been advisedof this information, and he indicated that he already has obtained the pertinent files mentioned here as a result of the Bureau file check.

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cc - Mr. Rosen
Mr. McCabe
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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. URGENT MARCH 15, 1947

Transmit the following message to:

SAC, NEW ORLEANS

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WAS, MISCELLANEOUS. ON DECEMBER TWENTY-FOUR LAST

SUBJECT FROM HAVANA, CUBA [redacted] b7E

[redacted]

[redacted] SUMMARY OF INFORMATION YOUR FILES (U)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Mr. Ryan

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. MARCH 15, 1947 URGENT

Transmit the following message to: LEGAL ATTACHE, HAVANA, CUBA

CHARLES LOCH[illegible], WAS, MISCELLANEOUS. REFERENCE YOUR RADIOGRAM MARCH TWELVE LAST REVEALING THAT SUBJECT CLAIMS FORMER ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY DESPIL, PARENTHESIS PHONETIC END PARENTHESIS, WHO PROSECUTED HIM IN NINETEEN THIRTY SIX, [redacted] CONTACTED HIM FOR INFORMATION REGARDING SICILY AND ASSISTED IN ARRANGING PAROLE. BUREAU UNABLE TO IDENTIFY DESPIL OR VARIATION OF NAME IN CONNECTION WITH PAROLE OF LUCIANO FILE REFLECTS ONE MURRAY I. GURFEIN, FORMER ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY IN NEW YORK, LATER [redacted] REPORTEDLY SERVED AS LIAISON MAN FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND ONI. POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT DESPIL REFERRED TO MAY BE MURRAY I. GURFEIN. SUGGEST YOU RECONTACT UNITED STATES TREASURY REPRESENTATIVE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO DETERMINE IF DESPIL IS, IN FACT, GURFEIN. SUTEL.

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FROM HAVANA [3-12-47] NR 51 6:05 PM EST

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES, MISCELLANEOUS. UNITED STATES TREASURY REPRESENTATIVE THIS EMBASSY [redacted] SUBJECT STATED MEYER LANSKY, BENJAMIN SIEGEL AND FRANK COSTELLO HAD VISITED CUBA DURING PRESENT WINTER SEASON AND THEY HAD CONTACTED HIM. SUBJECT SAID THEY WERE ALL OLD FRIENDS. DENIED THAT RALPH CAPONE VISITED CUBA THIS SEASON. ANOTHER LUCIANO CONTACT HERE REPORTEDLY ROBERT WEISSMULLER. ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTIONS OF LOCAL GAMBLERS: CHARLES OLDENBURGH, AGE 48, REPORTEDLY NATIVE OF WISCONSIN, 6 FEET, 200 POUNDS, LIGHT COMPLEXION, b7E LIGHT BROWN THINNING HAIR, BROWN EYES, WEARS GLASSES. CHESTER SIMS ALSO KNOWN AS CHARLES SIMMS, AGE 37, 5 FEET 11 INCHES, DARK COMPLEXION, BLACK HAIR, LATIN TYPE. JOHN DEMAS, 5 FEET 5 INCHES, 175 POUNDS, DARK SKIN, BLACK EYES, DARK BROWN HAIR ALMOST BALD, ITALIAN DESCENT AND SPEAKS WITH ITALIAN ACCENT, NEAT DRESSER, BROWN GREYING NEAT MUSTACHE. RELIABLE SOURCE STATED SUBJECT EXTREMELY BITTER TOWARD UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AND EXPRESSED DISTASTE RETURNING TO ITALY. CLAIMS FORMER ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY DESFIL (PHONETIC) WHO PROSECUTED HIM 1936 [redacted] CONTACTED HIM FOR INFORMATION REGARDING SICILY. BELIEVE DESFIL HELPED ARRANGE PAROLE.

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FROM HAVANA 2-21-47 NR 22 3:19 PM EST

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WITH ALIASES, MISCELLANEOUS. RALPH BRECKENRIDGE, LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR STERLING DRUG PRODUCTS, ADVISED HE RECEIVED CABLE FROM HIS UNITED STATES HEADQUARTERS INFORMING THEY WERE STOPPING SHIPMENTS OF NARCOTICS TO CUBA BECAUSE SUBJECT ORGANIZING CONTRABAND NARCOTIC RING HERE. ORIGINAL SOURCE OF INFORMATION NOT STATED IN CABLE, BUT BRECKENRIDGE WAS INSTRUCTED TO ADVISE CUBAN CUSTOMERS OF ABOVE DECISION AND REASON THEREFOR. FRANCIS MCCARTHY, LOCAL UNITED PRESS CORRESPONDENT, ADVISED NEW YORK DAILY NEWS HAS REQUESTED HIM FOR FEATURE STORY ON SUBJECT AND ACTIVITIES HERE. [redacted] b7E

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This wire never reached my office until 3.30 Feb 24 though received Feb 21 at 3.27 P.M. & not it is marked out of Communications at 2.43 P.M. Feb. 22. Something is wrong somewhere. Let me know.

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LETTER from ROME

Lucky Takes the Air in a Huge Red Car

by

James Wellard

Rome, July 7.—I was standing outside the Palms Hotel in Palermo, Sicily, when a new automobile, painted red and about a block long, if not longer, goes by. And naturally, I am interested in such a big, red car, because who is sitting in it in a straw hat but a character called Lucky Luciano, who is a very well-known character indeed in this man's town. I wish to state that I give this Lucky a big hello; likewise the guy who is with him in this car, for he is a citizen by name of 'U Longo.'

"And while Lucky Luciano and this 'U Longo' are guys such as I do not care to meet at night in a back street, or on the main stem in broad daylight for that matter, I am always one to extend the hand of friendship. But they do not see me, being no doubt occupied with their private affairs, such as putting the bite on some old guy for a million of these lire, which is what they call potatoes in these parts. . . ."

This, with apologies to the late and much lamented Damon Runyon, introduces that well-known character, Lucky Luciano, formerly of New York city, now resident of Palermo, Sicily. It also presents a new member of the underworld, one "U Longo," at present a lesser-known guy, but one of considerable capacity, particularly in the handling of an automatic.

It also introduces a big, shiny, red Dodge automobile, license plate NY 32-43, which is causing a great sensation in Palermo, Sicily, and that more than somewhat, for it is the biggest and most beautiful car on the island—and naturally many citizens are wondering how Lucky Luciano got it.

If Runyon could write this story on the basis of some facts and more rumors, he would undoubtedly have a humdinger. For it now appears that Lucky Luciano is no less than the master mind behind that legendary bandit king of Sicily, Salvatore ("Call me Toriddu") Giuliano.

The facts seem to be these: Giuliano is officially believed to be still operating in Sicily at the head of 10,000 followers, active or sympathetic. A number of mountain villages are in his pay or under his domination. This makes the task of the carabinieri and Italian Army units who are pursuing him doubly difficult. He has never been caught.

This Giuliano is blamed for the recent political massacres in Sicily, committed in daylight with the cold-blooded gunning of crowds of men, women and children. He has long called himself the "Defender of the Poor." This is a typical gradiose title to justify his robbing, pillaging and blackmailing. Apparently he has certain vague political affiliations, probably with the Mafia, which is Sicily's Ku Klux Klan.

The rumors are that Giuliano actually pulled out of Sicily about six months ago, with loot estimated at 250,000,000 lire. He is said to have left his "practical" and his bandit army to his lieutenants, chief of whom is "U Longo," a former longshoreman who can now afford to live in millionaire style. Several weeks ago Luciano arrived in Sicily and took up residence in the island's swankiest hotel, the Palms, of Palermo.

Luciano and "U Longo" have been seeing a lot of each other, and some observers, not excluding the police, hold the theory, which a Damon Runyon could undoubtedly make the theme of a story, that Lucky Luciano is now uncrowned bandit king of Sicily.

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Regina Coeli, or "Queen of Heaven," is not the name you would expect the county jail to have; but neither would you expect a fourteenth-century convent to have been converted into a prison. But such is the name and such the origin of Rome's principal penitentiary, and a very grim and curious place it is.

Regina Coeli stands in the heart of the city, on the banks of the Tiber. It has accommodations for 1,050 inmates, but at times, as last year before the political amnesty, over 3,000 prisoners were jammed within its walls. Of these 2,600 remain. Most of them are awaiting trial; and since Italian courts are already overburdened, and the wheels of justice grind slowly indeed, there is many an innocent man in Regina Coeli who has cause to ponder on the inscription Dante placed over the gates of hell: "Abandon Hope All Ye Who Enter Here."

Regina Coeli has 952 one-man cells which are reminiscent of medieval dungeons. Three or more prisoners are jammed into each cubicle, with straw mattresses as the only furniture. Formerly there were wooden cots, but on June 4, 1944, when the Allies were busy liberating Rome, the prisoners decided to liberate themselves, and among the weapons they used to overpower the guards were staves and cudgels made from these wooden beds. The whole lot were liberated that day with the exception of those too sick to get out of the hospital.

Of the 2,600 male residents, only 120 are actually serving sentences. The others are political prisoners, such as Fascists and collaborators, and men awaiting trial, either by the Italian or Allied authorities. They include Austrian, Brazilian, Egyptian, German, Spanish and Yugoslav nationals.

Their diet consists of bread, vegetable soup and ersatz coffee, with meat once a week. Recreation is limited to an hour's exercise in long, narrow, roofless pens. There is a library for the "intellectuals," which means those who can read. A tradition of the prison is for the prisoners to write to the director in much the same manner as newspaper readers with personal problems write to Uncle Ezra or Aunt Elizabeth. The director receives 200 such letters a day.

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FBI NEW ORLEANS 3-17-47 3-28 PM RB

DIRECTOR, FBI URGENT

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WAS, MISC. REURTEL FIFTEENTH INSTANT. NEW ORLEANS TELEPHONE NUMBER CEDAR FOUR TWO SEVEN ONE, A FOUR PARTY LINE, LISTED UNDER DAVID J. MC CODE, ONE NINE TWO MAPLERIDGE DRIVE, METAIRIE. CEDAR FOUR TWO SEVEN ONE M LISTED TO THRUMAN A. JONES, TWO NAUGHT SIX EAST MAPLE STREET, METAIRIE. CEDAR FOUR TWO SEVEN ONE W, LISTED TO L. P. CROZAT, TWO NAUGHT FOUR EAST MAPLE, METAIRIE. CEDAR FOUR TWO SEVEN ONE R LISTED TO WILLIAM JOHN GONZALES, IRVING STREET, SOUTHPORT, NEW ORLEANS. INDICES THE ABOVE NAMES NEGATIVE. TELEPHONE NUMBER CEDAR FOUR THREE SEVEN ONE LISTED TO BEVERLY COUNTRY CLUB, WELL KNOWN GAMBLING CASINO IN JEFFERSON PARISH, NEW ORLEANS, LA., WHICH IS REPORTED TO BE CONTROLLED BY THE COSTELLO INTEREST. RUC (U)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. ROSEN

DATE: March 18, 1947

FROM : J. Ryan

SUBJECT: CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, with aliases

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Mr. Ladd
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PURPOSE

To advise you that subject in interview with Treasury Department representative advised that one Desfil assisted in arranging for his parole. On reinterview Treasury representative believes individual referred to as Desfil is undoubtedly identical with Murray I. Gurfein, who visited subject while he was in prison in New York State. Subject states that Commander Haffenden visited him several times seeking information helpful to the war effort.

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BACKGROUND

(U) As the result of the investigation conducted by the Legal Attache at Havana, Cuba in connection with Lucky Luciano, information was obtained from U. S. Treasury representative at the American Embassy that he had interviewed subject at the Cuban Immigration Center. The Treasury representative advised that subject claimed that a former assistant United States Attorney by the name of Desfil (phonetic) who prosecuted him in 1936, [redacted] Based on the above information a review of the Bureau's files failed to reflect anyone with the name of Desfil in connection with the parole of Luciano. The Bureau files reflect that one Murray I. Gurfein, former assistant District Attorney in New York [redacted] reportedly served as liaison officer for the District Attorney's office in ONI. This information was forwarded to the Legal Attache at Havana, Cuba, requesting that the Treasury representative be recontacted to determine if the party mentioned by the name of Desfil could possibly have been Murray I. Gurfein.

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By radiogram dated March 17, 1947 (U) the Legal Attache advised that the Treasury Department representative recalled that subject stated a Major Gurfeil and Commander Haffenden visited him several times while he was in prison, seeking information helpful to the war effort. The Treasury representative advised that the interview with the subject was conducted in the presence of [redacted] The Treasury representative advised that the name of Gurfeil was spelled out [redacted] he believes that this individual is undoubtedly identical with Murray I. Gurfein.

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It is observed that subject admitted to the Treasury representative [redacted] that he was interviewed and visited by Commander Haffenden. The files of the Bureau fail to reflect that Haffenden visited with Luciano while he was incarcerated in Sing Sing, Dannemora or Great

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Meadows Prison. It should likewise be pointed out that at no time did Commander Haffenden when interviewed by Naval authorities admit that he visited Luciano while he was incarcerated. The Bureau files reflect that when Warden William E. Snyder of Sing Sing was interviewed he advised that while Luciano was confined in Great Meadows Prison it was rumored that subject had received visitors that were not recorded. Warden Snyder pointed out that this was possible as special arrangements could be made through the Warden at Great Meadows Prison or through the New York State Department of Correction so that visitors could be handled in an extremely confidential manner and would not have to be recorded anywhere in the Prison's files.

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The above is for your information.

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FROM HAVANA 3-17-47 (U) NR 56 2-54 P.M. EST

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WAS, MISCELLANEOUS. REFERENCE YOUR RADIOGRAM 399. TREASURY DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE NOW RECALLS SUBJECT STATED MAJOR GURFEIL AND COMMANDER HAFFENDEN VISITED HIM SEVERAL TIMES AT DANNEMLIA PRISON SEEKING INFORMATION HELPFUL TO WAR EFFORT. SUBJECT STATED MOST OF HIS CONVERSATIONS WITH GURFEIL. TREASURY REPRESENTATIVE TOOK NOTES ON INTERVIEW BUT RECALLS STATEMENTS BY [redacted] KNEW GURFEIL AND THAT ON ONE OCCASION LATTER DENIED TO GENERAL DONOVAN THAT HE HAD EVER CONTACTED SUBJECT. SUBJECT STATED GURFEIL AND HAFFENDEN HELPED ARRANGE HIS PAROLE. TREASURY REPRESENTATIVE STATES NAME OF GURFEIL WAS SPELLED OUT FOR HIM BY [redacted] BUT BELIEVES INDIVIDUAL UNDOUBTEDLY IDENTICAL WITH MURRAY L. GURFEIN.

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cc Mr. Carson
cc Mr. Ladd
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Office Memorandum ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : E. A. TAMM

DATE: March 20, 1947

FROM : A. ROSEN

SUBJECT: CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO

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PURPOSE

To advise you of the identity of [redacted] (U)

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BACKGROUND

The Legal Attache at Havana, Cuba furnished the Bureau with [redacted]

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CONFIDENTIAL - AIR MAIL

Date: March 25, 1947

To: Legal Attache
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

From: Director, FBI

Subject: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
Foreign Miscellaneous

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For your information Lucky Luciano was repatriated to Italy from Cuba on the Turkish ship, "Cakir," which left Havana on March 20, 1947. The ship will call at the Canary Islands before it arrives at Genoa, Italy and Luciano is under no sort of custody. It has been reported that he may debark at the Canary Islands.

Luciano advised a representative of the United States Treasury Department that he had intended to buy shares in the Gambling concessions at the Oriental Park Race Track and the Casino Nacional but he did not complete his deal. He stated further that he intends to return to South America if possible.

Luciano was travelling on Italian identity papers using the name Salvatore Lucania. He is, as you will recall, a notorious racketeer, gambler, dealer in white slave traffic, and is suspected of dealing in narcotics. In the event you hear reports that Luciano may be coming to your country, notify the Bureau at once.

cc - Legal Attache
Havana, Cuba

cc - Civil Attache
Mexico, D. F.

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FROM HAVANA [3-20-47] NR 62 6:02 PM EST

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, WAS, MISCELLANEOUS. TURKISH MERCHANT SHIP QUOTE BAKIR UNQUOTE LEFT HAVANA 1:00 P.M. MARCH 20 EN ROUTE GENOA, ITALY VIA CANARY ISLANDS. [redacted]

(U) [redacted] SUBJECT ADVISED UNITED STATES TREASURY DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE HE HAD INTENDED BUYING SHARES OF GAMBLING CONCESSIONS OF ORIENTAL PARK RACE TRACK AND CASINO NACIONAL HERE BUT INDICATED DEAL NEVER WAS COMPLETED. STATED HE INTENDS TO PROCEED SOUTH AMERICA FROM ITALY IF POSSIBLE. INTERVIEW WITH DAVID WEISS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS MEMBER OF GAMBLING GROUP HERE REFLECTS HE IS NOT ACTUALLY INVOLVED WITH THEM. WEISS OPERATES WEISS MEMORIAL, 368 SOUTH BROADWAY, YONKERS, NEW YORK AND WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED BOTH WORLD WARS. HIS FREQUENT ATTENDANCE AT RACES AND CASINO CAUSED ERRONEOUS POLICE REPORT THAT WEISS WAS MEMBER OF GROUP.

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cc. Mr. Carson

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Report Made At	Date When Made	Period for Which Made	Report Made By
HABANA, CUBA	3-22-47	2-19--22,25--28;3-1, 4--7,8,11--21-47	LEO J. FOX val

Title	Character of Case
CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, with aliases Charles Lucania, Salvatore Lucania	I.R.A. FOREIGN - MISCELLANEOUS

Administrative Details: No distribution of instant report is being made in Habana since the Embassy is cognizant of the essential details of this case as it pertains to Cuba. [redacted]

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Habana, Cuba
March 22, 1947

RE: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, with aliases
Charles Lucania, Salvatore Lucania

SYNOPSIS

LUCIANO arrested February 22, 1947, Habana, Cuba, and deported to Italy March 20, 1947, as undesirable alien. Passage effected via Turkish merchant ship SS BAKIR destined to Genoa, Italy. Arrest was direct result of United States Narcotics Bureau statement that narcotic shipments from United States to Cuba would cease as long as LUCIANO remained at large. No evidence developed indicating LUCIANO engaged in narcotic trafficking or other illegal activities in Cuba. He intended purchasing share of gambling concessions at Casino Nacional and Oriental Park Jockey Club, but indicated deal not completed because of political situation here. Reported friendly with group of American gamblers presently operating in Cuba. Names and descriptions of members of this group set out. Dr. INDALECIO PERTIERRA, Cuban Congressman who controls above-mentioned gambling concessions, denied any connection with LUCIANO. LUCIANO admitted that MEYER LANSKY, BENJAMIN SIEGEL and FRANK COSTELLO had visited him in Cuba. LANSKY registered at Hotel Nacional, Habana, on three occasions during recent months and was accompanied by ROBERT BLANCHE, N.Y.C.; M. LASCARE, N.Y.C.; VICTOR VESTA, Flushing, N.Y.; and BERNARD A. FRANK, Miami Beach, Florida. [redacted] LUCIANO claims he gave information pertaining to war effort to Major GURFEIL [redacted] and Commander HAFFENDEN of ONI and that these individuals helped to arrange his parole. LUCIANO expressed intention to return to Western Hemisphere in future. Case received extensive publicity and developed into political football in Cuba.

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On February 21, 1947, RALPH BRECKENRIDGE, Habana representative for Sterling Drug Products, advised he had received

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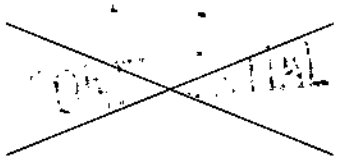

References: Report of Special Agent LEO J. FOX dated 2-12-47 at Habana, Cuba.

Habana Radiograms 022, 025, 028, 031, 033, 035, 038, 046, 050, 051, 062.

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notice from his United States headquarters to the effect that no further narcotic shipments would be made from the United States to Cuba due to the presence of CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO in Cuba. On the same date, JOSEPH FORTIER, U.S. Treasury Department Representative at the U.S. Embassy in Habana, stated he had been informed that all narcotic shipments to Cuba from the United States would be suspended until such time as subject was taken into custody. Mr. FORTIER believed that his report, which was based on information furnished him by this office, had resulted in the narcotics ban. He stated that he had no evidence whatsoever reflecting that subject was engaged in illegal narcotic traffic, but apparently the Bureau of Narcotics in Washington considered LUCIANO'S mere presence in Cuba sufficiently dangerous to place an embargo on narcotic shipments to this country.

LUCIANO was arrested by the Cuban Secret Police on February 22, 1947, and sent to the Tiscornia Immigration Camp on the same date. His arrest was a direct result of the announcement of the United States Bureau of Narcotics that Cuba would receive no more narcotics from the United States as long as subject was at large. Both the Cuban and United States press afforded wide publicity to the decision of the Bureau of Narcotics and the resultant arrest of the subject. (U)

(U) [redacted] (U) [redacted] in an attempt to determine his activities and associates in Cuba, but that he had been prematurely forced to arrest LUCIANO in view of the action of the United States Bureau of Narcotics. [redacted] (U) advised that he interviewed subject on various occasions but could obtain no statements indicating that LUCIANO was engaged in any illegal activities in Cuba. (U)

[redacted] said that undoubtedly LUCIANO was connected with Cuban Congressman Dr. INDALECIO PERTIERRA in handling gambling at the Oriental Park Race Track and Casino Nacional, both in Habana, but no evidence or admissions could be obtained to support this belief. [redacted] pointed out that ANTONIO MADAN VALDES, negro "procurador" of PERTIERRA, had signed the necessary papers to effect issuance of subject's visa and that PERTIERRA had the con-

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cession for the baccarat and crap tables at the Casino Nacional as well as control of all gambling at the Jockey Club at Oriental Park. LUCIANO was known to frequent both these places and reportedly was very friendly with the American gamblers who handled the gambling at the tables.

Dr. PERTIERRA was interviewed by press representatives in connection with the instant case and stated he had never known LUCIANO before a mutual friend introduced them at the racetrack; that he had nothing to do with LUCIANO'S entrance into Cuba; and that he considered subject a fine gentleman who was being made the victim of a vicious persecution. Cuban Congressman JOSE SUAREZ RIVAS made a public statement that he would ask Cuba's President to suspend sugar shipments to the United States until all the Black Market dealers in that commodity were incarcerated. He stated that this would be just reciprocity in view of the United States' ban on narcotic shipments to Cuba. It may be noted that JOSE SUAREZ RIVAS is a brother of EDUARDO SUAREZ RIVAS, ex-President of the Cuban Senate, who reportedly receives his "cut" from PERTIERRA'S gambling concessions.

The Cuban press, in general, favored the Cuban Government's decision to deport LUCIANO although the papers pointed out that the United States could have presented the case in a more diplomatic manner. The anti-administration papers pointed out that the action of the United States proved that Cuba and Cuban police and law enfrccement agencies had fallen into complete disrepute for so drastic a step to be taken by a neighboring country. The Communist newspaper "Hoy" used the instant case as an example of United States "imperialism and intervention into the affairs of small nations."

On February 27, 1947, Cuban President Dr. RAMON GRAU SAN MARTIN signed a decree classifying LUCIANO as an undesirable alien in Cuba in view of his past criminal activities and ordering his deportation to Italy by the earliest possible means. The American Embassy in Habana was advised of this decision on the same day, and in turn advised the Cuban Ministry of State that no actual embargo had been placed on shipments of narcotics to Cuba, despite the statements to the contrary made by United States Narcotic Bureau officials.

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Through investigative efforts [redacted] it was determined that LUCIANO was known to be friendly with most of the American gamblers operating with Dr. INDALECIO PERTIERRA [redacted] believed PERTIERRA either contacted these men directly upon the recommendation of the subject, or had LUCIANO contact them directly to effect their coming to Cuba.

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The above sources ascertained that the following group is presently operating the baccarat and crap tables at the Casino Nacional and all gambling facilities at the Jockey Club of the Oriental Park Race Track: CONRAD IMMERMAN, CHARLES A. SIMMS also known as CHESTER SIMS, VICTOR VESTA, CHARLES OLDENBURG or OLDENBURGH, GEORGE KAUFMAN or HOFFMAN, _____ LOWE, WILLIAM _____, J. H. AYRES or AYERS and JOHN DELAS or DIMOS.

These individuals are described as follows:

Name:	CONRAD IMMERMAN
Age:	50-55
Height:	5' 10"
Weight:	210 pounds
Hair:	Black-gray, bald front and top
Eyes:	Brown
Complexion:	Very Ruddy
Nose:	Large, bulbous
Eyebrows:	Bushy
Remarks:	Dresses in loud sport clothes; acquainted with American tourists; has been seen conversing with FRANK SINATRA and LARRY McPHAIL.
Occupation:	Unknown; acts as official "greeter" at Casino Nacional and Oriental Park Race Track, Habana; has never been seen actually operating gambling tables.
Address:	Hotel Abbey, New York City; usually winters in Cuba residing at Hotel Nacional, Habana.
Build:	Stocky, fat

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Name:	CHESTER SIMS
Alias:	CHARLES A. SIMMS
Age:	37
Height:	5' 11"
Hair:	Dark brown, straight, thinning at temples, combed straight back
Eyes:	Dark brown
Complexion:	Light
Weight:	175 pounds
Build:	Medium
Occupation:	Gambler
Remarks:	Has worked various winter seasons in Habana gambling houses since 1932; serious type; Latin features but light complexion; large mouth; stained teeth.

Name:	CHARLES OLDENBURGH
Age:	48-50
Height:	6 feet
Weight:	200 pounds
Hair:	Light Brown; almost bald
Eyes:	Brown; wears glasses
Complexion:	Light
Build:	Heavy
Occupation:	Gambler
Remarks:	Reportedly born in Wisconsin

Name:	VICTOR A. VESTA
Age:	42-45
Height:	5' 10"
Weight:	155-160 pounds
Build:	Slim
Eyes:	Hazel
Hair:	Brown, almost gray; heavy
Complexion:	Medium, ruddy
Occupation:	Gambler; has worked various seasons in Casino Nacional, Habana
Scars:	½ inch scar above left side upper lip

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Address:	3406 34th Street, Flushing, N.Y.
Remarks:	Claims to have worked in machine plant in Long Island during war; smooth talker and neat dresser.

Name:	_____ LOWE
Age:	38-40
Height:	6 feet
Weight:	170 pounds
Build:	Medium
Complexion:	Medium ruddy
Hair:	Brown, wavy, heavy
Occupation:	Gambler
Eyes:	Blue-gray
Remarks:	Appears to be trickiest of group; has been seen palming dice; neat dresser and handsome

Name:	JOHN DEMAS (or Dimas or Dimos)
Age:	45-50
Height:	5' 6"
Weight:	175 pounds
Complexion:	Olive
Hair:	Dark Brown, almost bald
Eyes:	Black
Remarks:	Is of Greek descent and speaks with accent; reportedly served 5 years in U.S. Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia.

Name:	WILLIAM _____
Age:	27
Height:	5' 5"
Weight:	145 pounds
Build:	Medium stocky
Hair:	Brown, heavy
Complexion:	Very ruddy

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Eyes: Hazel
Remarks: Has baby face; full name may be WILLIAM HORN, who arrived with CHESTER SIMS in Cuba on December 17, 1946.

No descriptions have been secured for GEORGE KAUFMAN or HOFFMAN, "DOC" APPLE or APPEL, or J. H. AYERS. These individuals, according to the Cuban Secret Police, worked for a short time with the instant group of gamblers and then returned to the United States. It was reported that GEORGE KAUFMAN and "DOC" APPLE live in New York and work at the pari-mutuel betting windows during the racing season. It is not known at which track these individuals work.

The Cuban Secret Police originally reported that DAVID WEISS was a member of this gambling clique. However, WEISS appeared at the American Embassy on March 19, 1947, and stated he was anxious to correct any wrong impression which the Embassy might have received from the numerous press reports connecting him with LUCIANO and the American gamblers in Cuba. WEISS stated that he frequented the Oriental Park Race Track and the Casino Nacional but denied working in either place.

WEISS advised he was born in Yonkers, New York, on April 6, 1897, and served in the United States Army in both World Wars. He exhibited photostatic copies of honorable discharges from the United States Army, one dated July 15, 1919, and the other dated February 3, 1943. WEISS stated he operated the WEISS MEMORIAL HOME, 368 South Broadway, Yonkers 5, New York. He is a licensed undertaker in New York, and operates the above-named funeral home and another home by the same name, located in the East Side of New York. His brother, JOSEPH WEISS, and a nephew, STANLEY WEISS, are associated in business with him.

DAVID WEISS advised he had been spending the winter season in Florida for over 25 years and that he spent the last two winters in Habana. He is presently residing at Calles 19 and 6, Apartment 8, Vedado, Habana, Cuba. He emphatically denied having any business interests or connections in Cuba and stated he came here only because his health was poor.

WEISS exhibited cards reflecting his membership in American Legion Post No. 7, Yonkers, New York; Jewish War Veterans Post No. 68, Yonkers; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 505, New York City, and Post No. 3083, Yonkers; and the Yonkers Lodge No. 451 of the B'nai B'rith organization. WEISS stated that he did his banking with the Central National Bank of Yonkers and gave FRANK KEENAN, cashier, as a reference.

WEISS advised that he knew "DOC" APPLE and GEORGE KAUFMAN and had seen them working at the Oriental Race Track. However, according to WEISS, they remained in Cuba for only a month or six weeks and returned to the United States about the middle of February, 1947. He stated he had heard that JOHN DIMOS, one of the gamblers at the Casino, had served 5 years in the United States Penitentiary in Atlanta, Georgia, and that a new member of the group, name unknown, but described as about 5 feet 3 inches tall, 110 pounds, 70 years of age, referred to as "SAMMY", had served a 40 year prison term in the United States. WEISS also stated that he had been told that LUCIANO owns a part of the Colonial Inn, Hollywood, Florida.

WEISS, himself, is described as 5 feet 4 inches tall, 185 pounds, reddish hair, bald on top and in front, light blue eyes, light complexion, heavy, fat build, single, undertaker by occupation, home address is 40 Carrol Avenue, Yonkers, or 368 South Broadway, Yonkers. He advised he has never been arrested and has never followed any other occupation than that of an undertaker. He stated he knew CHESTER SIMS and CONRAD IMMERMAN by sight but knew nothing about their respective backgrounds. WEISS has Social Security Number 085-16-1791.

Records of the Cuban Immigration Department were searched with negative results regarding all the above-mentioned individuals except CHARLES OLDENBURGH (Expediente No. 1666). Immigration Department records indicate OLDENBURGH arrived in Cuba on January 14, 1947, from Miami, Florida, via Pan American Airways, Plane NC-333281 as a tourist. On February 13, 1947, OLDENBURGH requested and received authorization to remain in Cuba for an additional 30 days. Immigration Department Officials advised that the other individuals apparently entered Cuba as tourists and therefore no record is kept on them.

Passenger manifests of Pan American Airways for the months of December, 1946, and January and February, 1947, were examined by the writer and Special Agent W. C. SPEARS. The only identification made was the arrival in Habana from Miami of CHESTER SIMS, 37, accountant, single, to reside at Fifth Avenue and 7th, Miramar, Habana, Cuba. This address does not exist. SIMS was accompanied by WILLIAM HORN, 28, married, salesman, to reside at the same address. On the same flight, CARLOS MIGUEL MIRANDA y GUTIERREZ, 30, married, Cuban citizen, resident of Paseo 102, Habana, arrived in Cuba from Miami, Florida. MIRANDA is a close associate of Dr. INDALECIO PERTIERRA and is commonly known as "EL CHIVO" (the Goat) MIRANDA.

Records of the Hotel Nacional de Cuba were examined with reference to the above-captioned individuals. The only one of the group who resides there is CONRAD HILTERMAN who checked in on December 20, 1946, and is still residing at the Nacional. He gave his home address as the Hotel Abbey, New York City. As previously reported, CHESTER SIMS and VICTOR VESTA have a cabaña rented at the Hotel Nacional swimming pool. JAMES ENNIS, JR., manager of the Nacional, states that SIMS and VESTA often have other men with them at the Cabaña and he saw LUCIANO there on several occasions.

Hotel Nacional records reflect that MEYER LANSKY, 525 West 43rd Street, New York City, checked in on December 27, 1946. He was accompanied by ROBERT BLANCHE, 1416 Broome Street, New York City. Telephone records reflect that LANSKY phoned "Az" at number 1054, Hollywood, Florida, on January 29, 1947, and phoned subject's number (FO-6544) on January 29 and 30, 1947. The room at the Hotel Nacional which was reserved by LANSKY and BLANCHE on December 27, 1946, was not given up until January 30, 1947.

Despite the hotel room arrangement noted in the preceding paragraph, MEYER LANSKY registered again at the Hotel Nacional on January 6, 1947. He was accompanied by M. LASCARE, 110 South 90th Street, New York City, and V. VESTA, 3406 34th Street, Flushing, New York. These individuals checked out of the Hotel Nacional on January 7, 1947.

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MEYER LANSKY, Sheldon Hotel, Hollywood, Florida, again registered at the Hotel Nacional on February 24, 1947, accompanied by BERNARD A. FRANK, Miami Beach, Florida. These individuals checked out of the Nacional at 8:30 A.M. on February 25, 1947. It was also noted that M. LASCARE arrived at the Hotel Nacional on February 25, 1947, and departed on February 26, 1947.

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(U) [redacted] JOSE GRANDA is a Cuban citizen, 50 years of age, who is a member of the group of individuals headed by Dr. INDALECIO PERTIERRA. It was also ascertained that the concession for the baccarat and crap tables at the Casino Nacional are in the name (U) of JOSE GRANDA who, in fact, is the representative for PERTIERRA in this negotiation. (U)

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FORTIER again interviewed LUCIANO on March 19, 1947, at the Tiscornia Immigration Center where LUCIANO was held since his arrest. FORTIER stated that LUCIANO, on this occasion, seemed resigned to the fact that he would have to return to Italy. His only complaint was the immense publicity that his case had received and stated he would have departed from Cuba voluntarily if anyone had requested it. He told FORTIER that his original intention in coming to Cuba was to be near his friends and relatives who reside in the United States.

LUCIANO stated he had planned to buy a share in the gambling concession at the Casino Nacional and Oriental Park Race Track and had had no intention of running narcotics. He indicated

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that he had not fulfilled his intention to buy a share of the gambling, stating that the gambling in Cuba was so deeply involved in politics that he wanted no part of it.

It may be noted that various anti-government politicians have made the instant matter a means of attacking their political enemies, by claiming they were tied up with LUCIANO in illegal narcotic traffic between Cuba and the United States. At least 20 prominent Cuban officials have been linked with LUCIANO at one time or another, according to various unsubstantiated press and radio reports.

A petition for Habeas Corpus was presented to the Cuban courts on March 2, 1947, by Attorney JOSE ALFONSO GONZALEZ, a member of the PARTIDO SOCIALIST POPULAR (Cuban Communist Party). One of the allegations set forth in the petition was that the subject was the victim of a vicious prosecution by pro-Nazi elements in the United States. LUCIANO denied having given his authorization for the presentation of the Habeas Corpus proceedings and stated they had been instituted without his consent or knowledge. There followed a well-publicized legal battle, wherein the Cuban Courts maintained that LUCIANO had to be presented for the Habeas Corpus hearing whether or not he had given his authorization therefor. The Minister of Interior refused to present him to the courts and stated he had complete jurisdiction over the case. The Cuban Bar Association filed a written protest against the Minister of Interior stating he was violating the Constitution, but nevertheless LUCIANO never appeared before the Courts. There is presently an outstanding contempt of court charge against the Minister of Interior.

In one of the weekly radio talks of Senator EDUARDO CHIBAS, an accusation was made against Senator FRANCISCO PRIO SOCARRAS, brother of the Cuban Prime Minister, to the effect that he was protecting LUCIANO in Cuba. This resulted in a fist-fight the next day on the floor of the Cuban Senate between CHIBAS and PRIO. At the last report, mutual friends were trying to seek a solution to patch up the enmity between them. If this is impossible, a Cuban duel will undoubtedly be arranged so the honor of both individuals will be satisfied.

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The Cuban Secret Police reported that a neighborhood investigation conducted in the vicinity of subject's residence was negative. Independent inquiry reflected that the subject's name was not even known by his immediate neighbors and the only unusual thing noted was the fact that groups of men called at subject's home frequently. According to these inquiries, women were never noted to have entered subject's residence (U)

LUCIANO was deported to Italy from Cuba on March 20, 1947, via the Turkish ship SS BAKIR. This vessel was destined for Genoa, Italy, via the Canary Islands. It was ascertained that the American Embassy at Habana intended to communicate with the American Consulate at Las Palmas, Canary Islands, to ascertain that LUCIANO was still aboard the SS BAKIR when it arrived at Las Palmas. LUCIANO, according to his last interview (U) with [redacted] advised b7D b7E that he intended to return to the Western Hemisphere if the proper arrangements could be made in Italy. He did not specify where he would go, but mentioned Venezuela and Mexico as possible countries of destination. ~~X~~

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE HABANA OFFICE

At Habana, Cuba

Will maintain contact with the Cuban Secret Police in order to obtain more complete identifying data and, if possible, the fingerprints of the American gamblers operating for Dr. INDALECIO PERTIERRA. (U)

ENCLOSURES

To Bureau:

Recent photograph of LUCIANO.

Newspaper photograph of FRANK SINATRA in company with CONRAD IMMERMAN.

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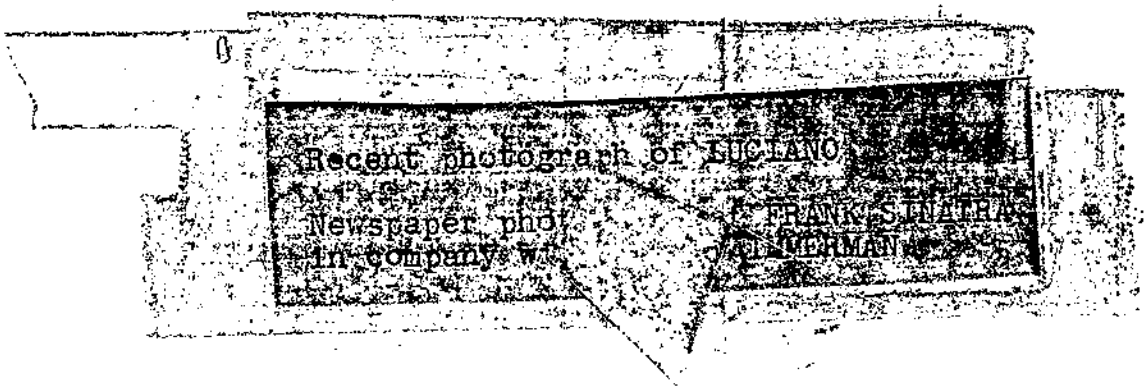

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FRANK SINATRA AT THE CASINO NACIONAL

A daily visitor to the Gran Casino Nacional is Frank Sinatra, America's most popular singer, who appears in this photo chatting with Capt. Arias, President of the Casino and Mr. Connie Immerman, outstanding member of the American colony here.

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United States champion Al Duffy, Canada's Walt Fusco, Mexico's Diego Toran and Ollie Gundunfunson of Sweden in addition to the local boys, who have been longing to match their skill, ability and courage against drivers of international fame. The Cuban group includes veteran Rosendo Fumero, the experienced Rafael Gallinat and the intrepid Ernesto Vila. Another mai
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'It Won't Be Long Now' and Mickey Vernon

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ACUSADO DE TRAFICO DE DROGAS

DETENIDO.—Charles Luky Luciano o Salvatore Lukania, acusado por las autoridades de Estados Unidos de dedicarse al tráfico de narcóticos en gran escala. (Foto Sánchez)

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
HABANA, CUBA

April 12, 1947

Director, FBI

RE: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO;
FOREIGN MISCELLANEOUS

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent LEO J. FOX dated March 22, 1947, in the above-captioned case.

As of possible interest to the Bureau, there are enclosed numerous newspaper clippings taken from Habana newspapers concerning LUCIANO'S detention in Cuba and his deportation to Italy.

Very truly yours,

James P. McMahon

JAMES P. McMAHON
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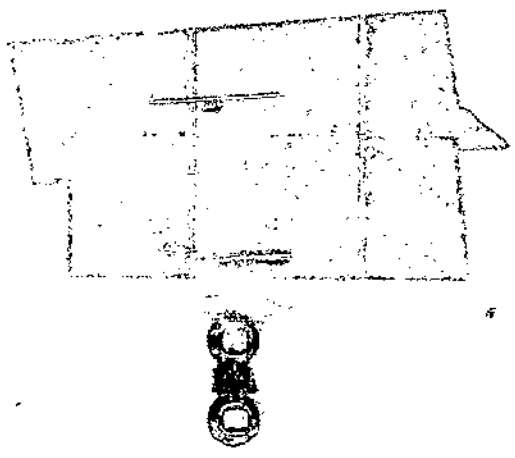


I. PERTIERRA
...el secuestrador y sus atributos...

TURISMO

The Biggest Racket

Esta semana TIEMPO EN CUBA se veía obligada a reproducir una información contra el escandaloso despojo de que eran víctimas turistas norteamericanos y burgueses cubanos en el ring de juego del representante Indalecio (Neno) Pertierra. La información, que mereció la portada del semanario la pasada semana y que evidentemente puso el dedo en la podrida llaga de las ruletas preparadas, los dados cargados y las barajas marcadas de los casinos y clubs del peligroso hampón, llevó a éste y sus poderosos amigos de la policía y la política a secuestrar grandes cantidades de ejemplares en los lugares más céntricos de la capital.

Significativamente, un solo periódico, el noticiero COCO del limpio Pardo Llada protestó del método de los piratas del hipódromo. Más significativamente aún, el leído "Prensa Libre" que se disponía a dedicar un cintillo en colores al escándalo, atribuyéndole falsamente el secuestro al general Pérez Dámera, recibió contraorden del administrador Enrique Yániz, quien personalmente ordenó al más leído Mario Kuchilán retirar dos líneas de "Babel" que objetivamente trataban de la cuestión. Difícilmente podía esperarse otra cosa de Enrique Yániz, uno de los beneficiarios de las barajas y el tapete verde que además no tenía voluntad para resistirse a la nutritiva manteca de cualquier burlador de la ley. Después de todo, cualquier peso era bueno para apostar a una buena mano de poker en el podrido "Unión Club" de Malecón y de San Lázaro.

La información, objeto del secuestro, decía así textualmente:

"If you go to Havana, keep out of the races. Beware of the gambles". Esta era más o menos la consigna que estaban haciendo correr en Estados Unidos los turistas inexpertos que habían entrado por la boca del Morro de La Habana o descendido en el aeropuerto de Rancho Boyeros y se habían marchado "puestos y convidados".

El gobierno cubano y sus corporaciones de turismo, podrían llevar a cabo las mejores campañas de atracción para los viajeros norteamericanos y éstas resultarían inútiles por la protesta de los yanquis que habían tenido alguna relación con los caballos de carrera del Oriental Park o las mesas de juego del Casino Nacional o el Jockey Club, donde estaban haciendo de las suyas jugadores "a la mala" de un equipo de catorce hombres del famoso tahur internacional Charles (Lucky) Luciano, y sus peligrosos lugartenientes Charles Simms y Meyer Lansky, reclamados por los Estados de California y Florida como desplumadores sin escrúpulos de los incautos. En peligrosa asociación con Indalecio (Neno) Pertierra y Carlos (el chivo) Miranda, los ágiles dados cargados del "seven eleven", las cartas marcadas del "twenty one" (21) en una verdadera jauja.

Los desplumadores que se repartían miles de pesos cada noche con la tolerancia sospechosa de policías y soldados y de un enjambre de matones, bouncers, y gorilas, no habían conocido una danza de millones parecida. Cada vez que algún oficial policíaco se había atrevido a mirar con indiscreta insistencia los rápidos tiros de los huesos, el ingenuo había sido trasladado de demarcación. Pertierra, representante a la Cámara, que ni siquiera necesitaba sentarse en los bancos del gobierno, tenía poderosos amigos.

La organización de los tahures era completa. Profesionales de los mil juegos que tienen lugar en el Jockey y el Casino distribuyen tarjetas en el Grand Stand del hipódromo para arrastrar "los buenos puntos" a las mesas verdes. Supuestos inspectores que se mueven en los repletos salones del juego detienen a tiempo el sentimentalismo de cualquier "dealer" que se disponga a dar una oportunidad a un jugador esquilmado en la ruleta. Despiadada-

mente, la bola debe descansar en el sector que convenga a la casa.

Recientemente, un grupo de norteamericanos con exceso de **highballs** y **daiquirís** cayó en una mesa en compañía de dos amigos cubanos. Tratando de aliviarse de la mala suerte de los caballos en la pista tuvieron empeño de jugar en la ruleta. Pensaban ganarle a las 90 probabilidades en contra del disco numerado. Los cubanos que sabían dónde el jején de la picardía había puesto el huevo en el elegante garito, trataron de persuadir a los gringos. Pero éstos insistieron. En un santiamén le aligeraron su carga de billetes. Con los últimos se le dió una oportunidad como para darle alientos con el cebo. Debieron cobrar 442 pesos y sólo le pagaron 342. La casa se quedaba frescamente con la diferencia siguiendo una buena costumbre. Las protestas del "míster" atrajeron a los matones que destemplada-mente le recomendaron abandonar el lugar.

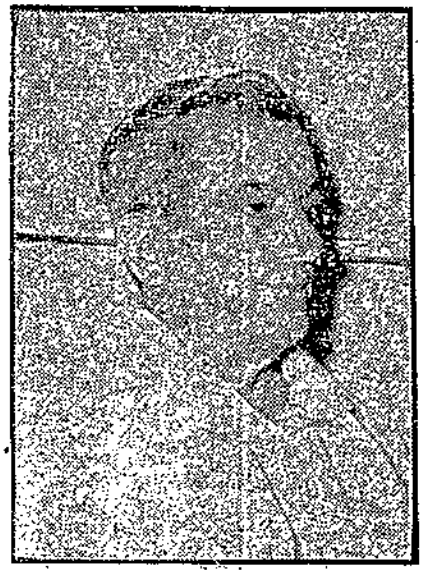
Los robados hacían el cuento en Miami a los pocos días. Eran el alcalde de la ciudad, Parrine Palmer, R. G. Danner, city-manager y jefe del Buró Federal de Investigaciones; Robert Quinn, director de publicidad y Al Waldron, editor de noticias cinematográficas.

Cosas de este tipo aseguraban a La Habana un prestigio a la altura de Chicago en sus malos tiempos de Torrio y Capone.

VIAJANTES

Otro agente apaciguador

Caía la semana pasada por Cuba otro compinche de esa tercera España, que se sacaron de la sesera convenienzuda el ilustre Pérez (de Ayala, queremos decir), el casquivano clínico Marañón, el intelectualizado Ortega y Gasset y ese bueno de don Salvador de Madariaga, que anda por estas latitudes poniendo discos conferencistas ya muy rayados en otras partes —aunque cobrados como nuevos en todas— sobre Hamlet, don Quijote, Fausto y otros bellos mitos estéticos "au dessus de la melée". Claro que el desconocido Alicio García, que venía a pasarse una temporada a Cuba —según dijo "La Marina"— y dispuesto a departir con el falangismo jesuita del Padre Rubinos y el monarquismo diplomático de Seminario, nada decía a los cubanos. Siquiera los otros inventores de ese difícil equilibrio de hacerse los sordos ante el clamor español y los ciegos a las riadas de sangre y duelo, tienen un nombre. El ilustre Pérez escribió nada menos que "La pata de la raposa", y "Tigre Juan", y "Troteras y danzaderas", y hasta, para su ludibrio, "A. M. D. G." En cuanto al yerno



E. YANIZ
...dió contraorden...

de Moya —léase Gregorio Marañón— conoce, bastante, aunque menos de lo que finge, de endrocrinología, y es un médico que sabe mucho de literatura. Ortega, por su parte, hace filosofía literaria, con trucos ya un poco "demodées", e "improvisa" discursos y conferencias muy bonitas... y muy bien aprendidos de memoria. De Madariaga, dueño de una prosa tersa y de una cultura honda, puede decirse que lo mismo garrapatea un editorial para el "Times" que nos empuja una biografía sobre cualquier trotamundos conquistador de América.

¡Pero de este nuevo agente de la Tercera España, que se apellida García, aunque él le añada un "toral" postizo para aristocratizar el patronímico, ¿qué es lo que archivó la Historia? Apenas unos reportajes falsificando escandalosamente la etiología, los capítulos de valor y sangre y las motivaciones de vuelo ideológico y de ambiciosos derechos humanos de la guerra civil que le hicieron a la República.

Eso es todo. Sin embargo, no son tan inocentes como pudiera creerse estos viajantes que se han sacado debajo de la manga —como en el símil orteguiano— la apaciguadora "Tercera España", de intención desconcertante para el mundo y coadyuvante hacia Franco.

JUDICIALES

Cheques falsos

El día 10, martes de la semana pasada, el administrador de la Sucursal del Banco Agrícola Industrial de Tunas, Rubén Portuondo estaba presentando ante el juez de Instrucción del mismo término, una denuncia contra Raúl Chibás, hermano del senador Eddy Chibás, por estafa. Raúl Chibás había dado a un ingeniero un cheque sin fondos por la suma de dos mil pesos.

Las cosas habían ocurrido así. Por las influencias del senador Eddy Chibás, cuando aun no había roto con Palacio, obtuvo su hermano Raúl y el cuñado de éste, Elizondo Martínez, la contrata para la construcción de la carretera de Tunas a Puerto Padre. La obra avanzaba con dificultades ya que los contratistas no pagaban regularmente los jornales a los obreros ni los suministros de materiales. Los pagos fueron espaciándose hasta desaparecer completamente y así se paralizaron también las obras.

En esas circunstancias los contratistas Raúl Chibás y Elizondo Martínez vendieron los derechos de la contrata a otro ingeniero y en la negociación se extendió el cheque que después resultó sin fondos y dió lugar a la denuncia por estafa.

En marcha la denuncia los amigos de Chibás se movilizaron y el senador Millo fué encargado de intervenir cerca del administrador Rubén Portuondo; durante la gestión el senador Millo fué informado que el administrador Portuondo había trabajado anteriormente en el Banco Núñez, suegro del senador, y que había renunciado cuando el banquero Núñez y el mismo senador Millo produjeron un contrabando de oro. Ante esto el senador Millo renunció a intervenir diciendo que Rubén Portuondo era un hombre intransigente.

A mediados de la semana pasada se estaban haciendo las gestiones en la misma Habana para que la central del Banco Agrícola paralizase la denuncia producida en su sucursal de Tunas.

En nuestro número anterior publicaba TIEMPO EN CUBA la noticia de que el senador Chibás había visto rechazados varios de sus cheques por no tener fondo; aquello podía ser estimado por muchos como un golpe político del demagogo senador; ahora se producía la denuncia contra su hermano Raúl: la extensión de los cheques de éste último ya no eran tan políticos ni tan inofensivos: mordían carne ajena.

MUNICIPIO

El pequeño Segundo Piso

El domingo anterior, en el segundo piso del Palacio Municipal, la líder de la fracción "yeyista" del PRC (A) acompañada por el anciano alcalde Manuel Fernández Supervielle y un nutrido grupo de Super-Alonso, etc., procedió a condecorar al señor Domingo Orta, bien palanqueado fun-

DIEZ CENTAVOS — 2 DE MARZO DE 1947

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Charles "Lucky" LUCIANO
...personajes del Gobierno eran sus asociados...

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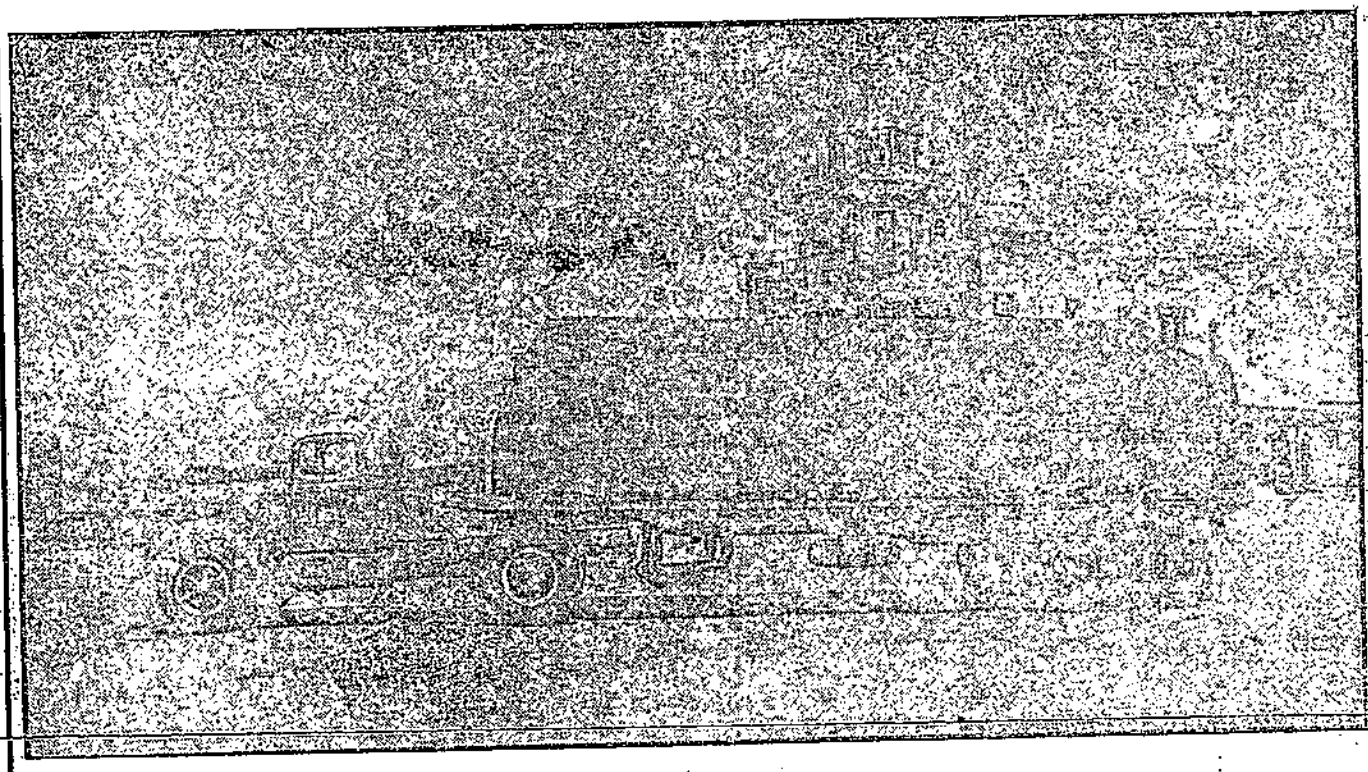

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COMENTANDO LA ACTUALIDAD

POLICIA

La vergüenza del año

Cuando los serios directores de periódicos publicaban a medias las noticias y silenciaban a los amigos, culpables de graves delitos, el respetable público no se enteraba y la prensa dejaba de cumplir su más elevada función.

TIEMPO EN CUBA llamaba las cosas por su nombre y era discreta con los amigos sólo en sus pecados menores. Por eso le tocó el alto honor de tirar el primero del telón y desnudar con música al siciliano Charles "Lucky" Luciano y sus amigos cubanos y norteamericanos. Los periódicos norteamericanos saludaron a esta sección por su tremendo éxito periodístico. Los periódicos cubanos con sospechosa unanimidad, negaron a TIEMPO EN CUBA lo que era suyo.

Ahora había que completar la denuncia: El rey de las drogas, la prostitución y el juego norteamericanos estaba en Cuba desde el mes de Octubre del pasado año. Había venido con la protección del Senador Eduardo Suarez Rivas.

Estaba asociado en sus actividades ilícitas en Cuba al magnate del juego habanero Indalecio (Neno) Pertierra, representante a la Cámara por el Partido Liberal, que operaba los garitos del Jockey Club y el Casino Nacional, donde se jugaba a la mala con la tolerancia de la Policía Nacional del general Abelardo Gómez Gómez. Para mejor desplumar a los incautos Luciano y Pertierra trajeron de Estados Unidos y México a los jugadores profesionales fichados como delincuentes en Estados Unidos: Doc Apples, David Wise, George Hoffman, Jack Hoc, Vic A. Miller, Chester Hood, Charles Oldenburg, Connie Hemmerman. Estaban asociados a ellos las norteamericanas Ruth Clayton y J. H. Ayres, la mayor parte de ellos vivían en el Hotel Nacional y trabajaban como "dealers" en los centros de Pertierra, aun cuando la ley de turismo prohibía en forma terminante que lo hiciesen. (La asociación de dealers cubanos toleraba la intromisión de los americanos porque Pertierra pagaba los salarios de 14 "dealers" cubanos que no trabajaban: 600 pesos).

Era sabido que las autoridades norteamericanas estaban gestionando del gobierno cubano, desde meses atrás, la expulsión de Luciano de nuestro país. Recientemente, un embarque de estupefacientes hecho de Estados Unidos a Cuba apareció con sus remisiones completas en la ciudad de Chicago, aun cuando se sabía que había sido recibido en Cuba. El Buró Federal de Investigaciones norteamericano sabía que por el puerto de Batabanó, en la costa sur cubana, habían entrado grandes cantidades de drogas de contrabando. Otro tanto había ocurrido por la vía del aeropuerto internacional de Camagüey.

Benito HERRERA y Charles "Lucky" LUCIANO
...el gangster sería expulsado...

Por estadísticas del Health Departament de Washington se sabía que Cuba estaba a la cabeza de los países latinoamericanos en el consumo de drogas heroicas. Personas prominentes del mundo cubano, que incluían legisladores, jefes policíacos, ministros, directores de periódicos, eran conocidos vicios de las drogas. Las altas clases sociales cubanas acusaban idénticas tendencias. No era pues una casualidad que Luciano hubiese escogido a Cuba como el lugar apropiado para su "come back" al mundo del raqueterismo. Habiéndole resultado fácil su estancia en Cuba, sus abogados cubanos y aun el norteamericano Allen Saunders, de 1650 Broadway, Nueva York, recién venido a Cuba donde se le había visto en compañía de Mario García, asociado de Pertierra, preparaban la nacionalización cubana del peligroso italiano. Después se le casaría con una norteamericana y estaría de patitas en Nueva York como en sus buenos tiempos.

Que Luciano mantenía sus viejos contactos con el hampa neoyorkina lo probaban los nombres de sus visitantes: Frank Costello, el hombre de los traganikeles y Ralph

SUNDAY NEWS, FEBRUARY 23, 1947

Lucky's Undoing Told by Cuban

By RONALDO MASFERRER

(Editor of the weekly magazine Tiempo de Cuba which first exposed the presence of Lucky Luciano in Cuba)

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Havana, Feb. 22.—Lucky Luciano, former czar of white slave and the dope trade in the United States, was revealed to be in Cuba by the brash young Cuban newspapermen of the Tiempo.

Lucky has very influential friends here. I know many of them. These friends are disposed to punish the discoveries of my staff. I'm not afraid.

My reporters and I have no confidence that we will get any real protection from Gen. Gomez' police. We will rely on our own .45s.

Luciano has been dipping his long fingers into Havana's lush gambling take, depending largely upon wealthy Americans who winter here. He brought some of them down from Miami and Miami Beach on special planes "for the kill."

Had Planned to Wed Cuban Girl.

But more than that, Lucky has been interested in establishing Cuban citizenship. Everything appears to indicate that his influential friends, who are accustomed to selling Cuban citizenship, had arranged for a Cuban girl to marry him. After that, citizenship would have come his way easily—but for a price.

Luciano undoubtedly has the money. Until the secret police nabbed him today, he was piling it up, night after night.

It is pretty well est... last Fall from Mexico. ... characters—planed in ... women, mostly men.

Every one of them ... They've hung onto ...

It wasn't long after ... the close associate of ... gambling houses.

American T...

These are the favor... the folding money, the ... of chance, and who don... a time or two.

Lucky and the roul...

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DEL DAILY NEWS Y EL NEWSWEEK
...los americanos reconocieron el éxito periodístico de TIEMPO EN CUBA...

Capone, hermano del fallecido "Caracortada", habían estado en La Habana en compañía del cantante Frank Sinatra. Los tres habían celebrado largas charlas con Luciano y con Pertierra. Había la impresión de que fueron portadores de grandes sumas de dinero al viejo "Boss".

Llamaba la atención el hecho de que la policía nacional del general Gómez Gómez no se enterase de nada. Tanto como ello resaltaba el hecho de que el Presidente de la República, que había pregonado a voz en cuello que el juego de azar hacía más daño que la tuberculosis a los cubanos hubiese mostrado tan sorprendente tolerancia ante los vergonzosos manejos del "gangster". No obstante, todo parecía indicar que ahora el "pool" de Pertierra sería barrido. La policía recibiría instrucciones de recoger los dados, las ruletas y las barajas. Luciano sería puesto en un barco rumbo a su país. El país había tenido la oportunidad de mirar con la brillante luz de la gente insobornable de la prensa, la gusanera del bajo mundo habanero. En la suciedad había identificado las caras de señores del gran mundo que durante años habían estado haciéndose pasar por gente respetable: Carlos Saladrigas, Piro Pendás, Sánchez del Monte, Santiago Claret, Pablo Suárez, Aróstegui Néstor y Mario Mendoza.

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Desorganización

Los vecinos de la región norte de la provincia de Oriente estaban pensando muy seriamente que la Dirección de Obras Públicas allí desarrollaba un plan de obras al estilo de Potemkin, el favorito de Catalina La Grande que hacía construir aldeas ficticias a lo largo del camino de la reina.

Los de la zona se quejaban de que la distribución de las escuelas se hacía de manera caprichosa, situándolas en lugares donde no había población escolar de ninguna especie, dejando sin atender a lugares muy necesitados.

Se señalaba que solamente desde Holguín al puente sobre el río Cautó se habían construido a ambos lados de la carretera 7 nuevas escuelas, y de Holguín a Báguanos, 6 más. Mientras tanto, los residentes en los barrios de Yareyal, Tacámara, Sagua Arriba, Melones y otros se quejaban de que en sus distritos no había escuelas, al paso que se construían muchas de relumbrón a la orilla de la carretera central.

Man With a Taint: Last week the news spotlight picked up Luciano—not in Italy but in Havana. The Cuban weekly, Tiempo de Cuba, published a story about Luciano's presence in the country and strongly suggested that Cuba would be a far healthier place without him. Robert C. Ruark, also visiting Havana, carried the story back to the United States public in his daily syndicated Scripps-Howard column. The onetime vice overlord had arrived in Cuba last October by plane. He was living lavishly in the fashionable Miramar residential section and could be seen every day at the race track and every night at the gambling casinos with his body guards.

...la prensa comentaba...

Censuras

La culpa de todo esto —decían los de Holguín— la tenía mayormente el Ingeniero Julio Lora (El Japonés), al cual se acusaba de haber convertido a O. P. en un centro de enemigos del Gobierno. En la zona norte de Oriente, decían los quejosos, todos los puestos claves estaban en manos de amigos de Millo Ochoa y de Eddy Chibás, los cuales se encargaban de sabotear el plan del gobierno y hacerlo fracasar. Algunos botones para muestra:

Las obras de Holguín a Baracoa no pasaban todavía de las formas de Rejondón. En Victoria de las Tunas, seguían paralizadas las construcciones de obras y la reparación de calles por motivos inexplicables.

La represa sobre el río Cacoyuguín, que suministraría el agua para el acueducto de Holguín no pasaba del estado de proyecto a pesar de haberse votado créditos por más de $500,000. Los que pasaban cerca de Uñas podían ver las lomas de materiales acumuladas allí sin que nadie trabajara en ellas.

En contraste con la poca actividad constructiva, los jefes de O. P. no se quedaban cortos en eso de hacerse la propaganda. Era un dicho corriente en la región oriental que se gastaba más dinero en hacer las tablas para anunciar las construcciones del gobierno de la "cubanidad" que lo que se gastaba en las propias obras.

Exposición

Mientras los vecinos de Baracoa proseguían en su justa actitud de reto al gobierno central, anunciando que no pagarían im-

9 DE FEBRERO DE 1947

TIEMPO EN CUBA

SEMANARIO INDEPENDIENTE DE INFORMACION NACIONAL E INTERNACIONAL

Indalecio (Neno) PERTIERRA 39-2141-11 ENCLOSURE

(Vea Pág. 3)

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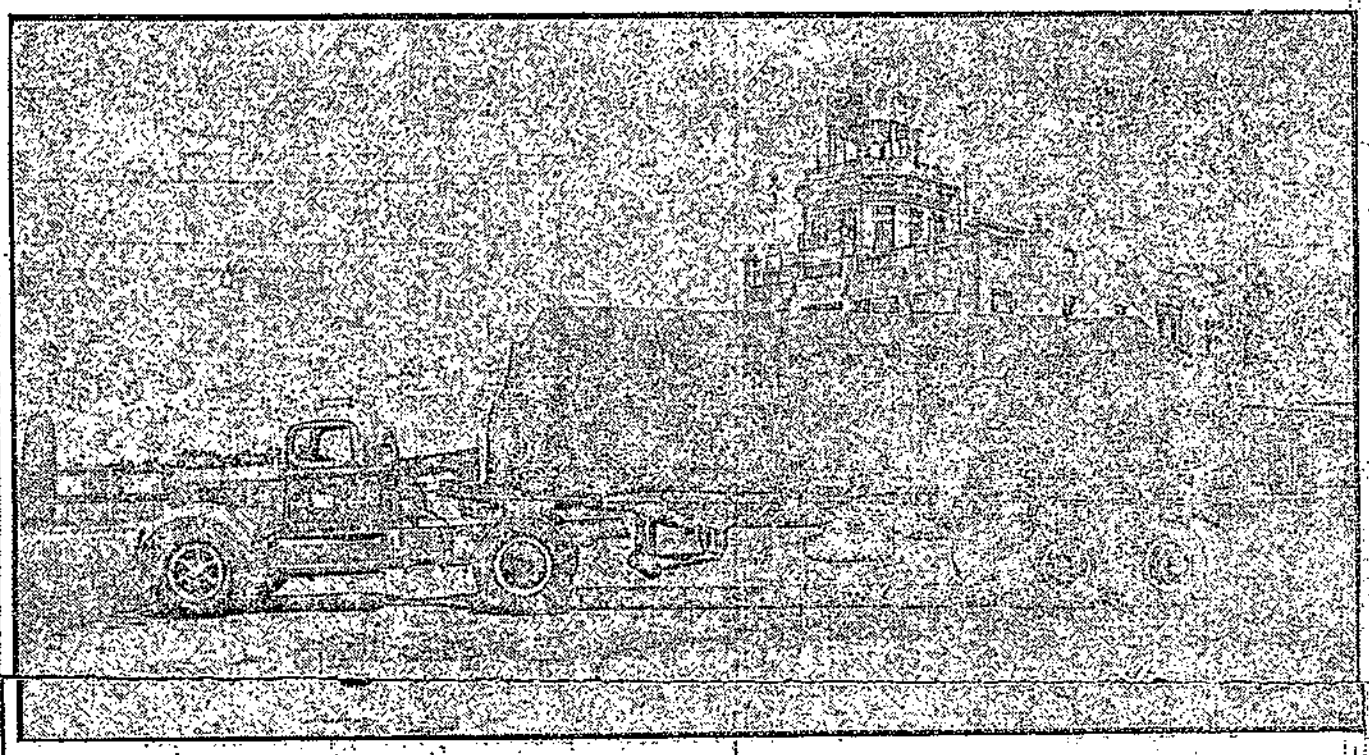

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TO : D. M. LADD

DATE: 4/26/47

FROM : E. G. Fitch

SUBJECT: CRIMINAL RECORD OF LUCKY LUCIANO; FBI-62920
SPECIAL INQUIRY - STATE DEPARTMENT
(ITALIAN EMBASSY)

Mr. James T. Lewis of the State Department advised Mr. Roach this morning that the State Department had received a request from the Italian Embassy in Washington, asking that the State Department obtain for their use the criminal record from the FBI files of Lucky Luciano. According to Mr. Lewis, Luciano is presently in Italy and thus the reason for the Italian Embassy's request for a criminal record.

ACTION:

It is suggested that this memorandum be referred to the Investigative Division for appropriate handling, if deemed consistent with the Bureau's policy to supply a criminal record to the Italian Government. The Liaison Section should be informed as to what reply should be made to the State Department.

RRR:AJB

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Criminal Record Dept given to State Dept 5/6/47

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Feb. 25, 1947

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Comedy Angle Added to Lucky Luciano's Case by Legislator

BULLETIN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25. (AP.)—Cuba's prompt action toward deporting Charles "Lucky" Luciano lifted today a five-day old ban on shipments of narcotics from the United States.

Narcotics Bureau officials told a reporter they were satisfied that Cuba will carry out its announced intention of expelling Luciano.

They said they are ready, therefore, to resume granting licenses to export drugs to Cuba.

By HENRY WALLACE

An injection of ironic comedy into the well-worn Lucky Luciano dope case was the shot-in-the-arm that kept the story on page one today.

As Lucky sat quietly in Tiscornia holdover and reports from Washington said Cuba would drop a planned protest against the U.S. drug ban, Liberal Party Representatives Jose Suarez Rivas of Las Villas province came out with the following:

"I am going to request the president of Congress to ask President Grau to suspend shipments of sugar to the United States until Jose Martinez, who has been expelled from Cuba and is head of a sugar black market in the United States, and who at present is living in Miami Florida, is deported from the United States to Catalonia, Spain, which is his native land. This is just reciprocity in view of the U. S.'s ban on shipment of narcotics to Cuba because of Luciano's presence here."

Although Suarez Rivas did not indicate his statement was issued in a humorous vein, political observers were inclined to believe the Las Villas representative spoke with tongue-in-cheek.

He did not elaborate on the identity of "Jose Martinez", but several well-informed persons expressed the view that he might be a product of congressman's imagination. Reaction from official sources in Havana and Washington to this latest phase of the celebrated case was immediately available.

Editor's Note: Antonio [illegible] president of the Casino Nacional said in a statement to The Havana Post last night that he had no connection with or interest in Charles "Lucky" Luciano and had not even established friendship with him. He issued the statement, he added, to avoid any possible confusion arising from reports in some Havana papers that Luciano had frequented the Casino.

Meanwhile, another New York State legislator broke into print with the statement that he understood Lucky had provided the U. S. Navy with valuable information in its fight against Nazi submarines and dock saboteurs. This information was procured through the ex-gangster's contacts with the outside world while he was serving time early in the war, the legislator Harry A. Reouk, declared.

Reouk's statement came on the heels of a declaration by New York Assemblyman Owen McGivern that he would ask for an investigation of Luciano's release from prison for deportation to Italy.

No confirmation was obtainable here of the report that Cuba had dropped plans to protest the U. S.'s ban on narcotics shipments because of Luciano's presence here. It had been rumored that the Cuban government considered the drastic action unjustified.

Also lacking confirmation was a report that Interior Minister Alfredo Pequeno would submit a draft decree for Luciano's deportation at the regular cabinet meeting today. After cabinet approval, the decree must have the signature of President Grau, who would set the deportation date.

From the Minister of Health, Jose M. Andreu, came word that the drug shipment prohibition imposed by the U. S. last week was still in force and would continue until Luciano had been deported.

More Trouble for Lucky?

ROME, February 25. (AP).—A spokesman for Premier Alcide de Gasperi's office said tonight that Charles ("Lucky") Luciano, former New York vice lord awaiting deportatio to Italy from Cua, would certainly be arrested upon arrival should it develop that he left Italy "irreguraly."

No order for arrest had yet been issued, however.

EN LA GACETA, EL DECRETO DE EXPULSION

En la edición de ayer de la Gaceta Oficial se inserto el decreto presidencial número 416 por el que se dispone la expulsión de "Lucky" Luciano. El decreto dice:

Por cuanto: Del expediente instruído en el Ministerio de Gobernación en virtud de informe de la Policía Secreta Nacional, aparece que el extranjero de nacionalidad italiana nombrado Salvatore Lucania o Charles Lucian, alias "Lucky Luciano", natural de Sicilia, Italia, de 50 años de edad, soltero, es conocido como habilidoso traficante de productos narcóticos, comerciante en la Trata de Blancas, ha sido condenado reiteradamente por Tribunales Extranjeros y expulsado por el Gobierno de los Estados Unidos de América después de haber cumplido diez años de prisión.

Por cuanto: Las investigaciones practicadas por el citado Cuerpo Policíaco demuestran que dicho extranjero estaba desarrollando en Cuba actividades que están comprendidas entre los casos en que procede declarar indeseable a un extranjero y disponer su expulsión del Territorio de la República.

Por tanto: En uso de las facultades que me están conferidas, a tenor de lo que se establece en el inciso b) del Artículo 19 de la Constitución de la República, en relación con el Decreto Ley número 52 de 5 de marzo de 1934, a propuesta del Ministro de Gobernación y asistido del Consejo de Ministros,

Resuelvo:

Declarar indeseable al extranjero nombrado Salvatore Lucania o Charles Lucian, alias "Lucky Luciano", natural de Sicilia, Italia, a que se refiere los Por Cuantos de este Decreto, y expulsarlo del Territorio Nacional, para el país de su procedencia.

El Ministro de Gobernación queda encargado del cumplimiento de lo que por el presente Decreto se dispone.

Dado en el Palacio de la Presidencia, en La Habana, a los veintisiete días del mes de febrero de 1947.

RAMON GRAU SAN MARTIN,

Presidente.

Carlos Prío Socarrás,
Primer Ministro.

Alfredo Pequeño,
Ministro de Gobernación.

EMBARCARAN EL DIA 4 A LUCIANO

El Ministro de Gobernación, doctor Alfredo Pequeño, dará cumplimiento al decreto presidencial que dispone la expulsión de "Lucky" Luciano, embarcando a éste en el vapor "Bakir" que saldrá el próximo día 4 del puerto de La Habana, hacia Génova, Italia, según pudo extraoficialmente conocerse ayer en el ministerio de Gobernación.

INFORME DE LA JUDICIAL

Asegurando que Charles "Lucky" Luciano —aunque no se le conocen actividades delictivas en Cuba— es un extranjero peligroso que debe ser deportado, el inspector Gabriel Herrera, perteneciente a la Policía Judicial, elevó un informe al Ministro de Gobernación, revelando, también, detalles de la entrada en Cuba del connotado expandillero y otros datos que se estiman de importancia.

Al comenzar su informe, el Inspector Gabriel Herrera, expone:

Que Salvatore Luciano, hijo de Antonio y Rosalía, natural de Sicilia, Italia, de la raza blanca, de 50 años, soltero, con instrucción y vecino de 30 número 29, en el Reparto Miramar, llegó a esta República el día 29 de octubre de 1946, por avión, desembarcando en el aeropuerto "Ignacio Agramonte" situado en Camagüey, procedente de la República de Venezuela. De Camagüey se dirigió a esta capital y fijó su residencia en el lugar antes indicado, haciendo las gestiones para su estancia en el país el señor Antonio Madan Valdés, vecino de Goicuría número 53, en Santos Suárez, el cual es jefe del bufete del doctor Indalecio Pertierra, Representante a la Cámara, que tiene instalada su oficina en Malecón número 9.

CAMBIO DE NOMBRE

El informante prosigue diciendo que el expediente de entrada tiene el número 5268 de 1946 en el Departamento de Inmigración, en el cual, después de aportar el señor Madan la documentación necesaria y prestar la fianza de quinientos pesos que señala la Ley, se le concedió el correspondiente permiso autorizándosele a permanecer durante seis meses en Cuba en calidad de turista, con el nombre de Charles Luciano.

Pero, más tarde, —sigue el informe— el señor Madan aclaró que el verdadero nombre del supuesto turista era Salvatore Luciano, con el cual, según se conoce, desembarcó en Cuba.

SU ESTANCIA EN EL PAIS

El inspector informante, agrega que pudo conocer que "Lucky" Luciano observó una vida de persona adinerada desde su llegada a la capital, arrendando completamente amueblada, la casa donde residía, a la señora viuda del capitán Zorrilla, actual propietaria, y contratando como chofer al señor Angel Viada Machado, vecino de Cuba número 27, en Regla; como criada de mano a Juana Vera López y de cocinera, María Vallar Menas, residente la última en San Miguel 807.

También —asegura el inspector Herrera— Luciano visitaba todos los centros de diversión y lugares elegantes, viéndosele frecuentemente en el Casino Nacional, Jockey Club y los mejores cabarets.

NO COMETIO DELITOS

En el curso de su informe prosigue diciendo el inspector Herrera que durante su estancia en la República Charles "Lucky" Luciano no cometió delitos, o, por lo menos, éstos no se conocen.

Pero, a pesar de lo expuesto —continúa Herrera— Luciano es un individuo peligroso, de triste celebridad en los Estados Unidos, donde radicó por muchos años cometiendo toda clase de fechorías, al extremo de estar reputado en aquellos días, como el zar de la droga y el principal explotador de la "trata de blancas".

CONDENAS CUMPLIDAS

Asegura el informante que Luciano ha extinguido condenas en las prisiones de Jersey City, Miami, New York, Cleveland, Arkansas y Sing Sing, por usar armas sin licencia, asalto y robo, juego prohibido, infracción de la Ley de Narcóticos, y otros.

Por último, afirma Herrera en su informe, que es de presumir por los pasos que dió en Cuba que Luciano trataba de organizar una banda dedicada a las mismas actividades ilícitas que lo hicieron notorio en los Estados Unidos.

LA DETENCION DE "LUCKY" LUCIANO

Rechazó el Supremo el recurso de hábeas corpus

Se declaró incompetente... Debió instarse ante la Audiencia o jueces... Publicado el decreto de expulsión

Créese que será embarcado el día 4... Hacia Génova

Protesta la Junta de Salubridad contra el Bureau de Narcóticos de E. U... Debe quitársele el control, dice

La Sala de lo Criminal del Tribunal Supremo de Justicia resolvió ayer no admitir el recurso de habeas corpus interpuesto a favor del italiano Salvatore Lucania o Charles Lucian, alias "Lucky Luciano", que se encuentra internado en Tiscornia y cuya expulsión del territorio nacional fué dispuesta por un decreto presidencial, refrendado por el ministro de Gobernación, alegándose que "estaba desarrollando en Cuba actividades que están comprendidas entre los casos en que procede declarar indeseable a un extranjero y disponer su expulsión".

La Junta Nacional de Salubridad y Asistencia Social tomó ayer por unanimidad el acuerdo de protestar contra la disposición del Bureau de Narcóticos de los Estados Unidos, que prohibió el suministro de esos productos a Cuba, así como de "pensar seriamente" en gestionar de las naciones latino-americanas la manera de arrancar el control mundial de narcóticos a los Estados Unidos. El acuerdo de la Junta califica de ofensivas para Cuba las medidas dictadas por el Bureau de Narcóticos y de calumniosas las suposiciones en las cuales se basaron las mismas.

Al darsele cuenta al Tribunal Supremo, integrado por los magistrados Eláno, Duval, Tabío, Rodríguez Morejón y Chávez, con un escrito suscrito por el doctor José A. G. Suárez, en que se pedía se despachara un mandamiento para la presentación de Luciano, dictó una resolución declarando no haber lugar a proveer sobre el fondo de la cuestión planteada,

(Continúa en la PRIMERA)

estimar que en todo caso debía acudirse a los jueces de Instrucción o a la Audiencia, por haber sido una autoridad civil la que, según el propio recurrente, privó de libertad a Luciano.

LA ALEGADO

El doctor Suárez en su recurso, alega que como mandatario verbal de Luciano, ejercita el derecho reconocido por la Orden 427 de 15 de octubre de 1900, poniendo en conocimiento del Tribunal, que "el mismo se encuentra detenido en Tiscornia a la disposición del ministro de Gobernación, que lo mantiene incomunicado y que esa medida se ha adoptado con el fin de acceder a la presión de los intereses políticos y partidaristas de una facción gubernamental de los Estados Unidos, con influencias suficientes ante nuestras esferas oficiales".

Se expone también que con esa detención "han hecho caer sobre nuestra patria el baldón ignominioso de privar de libertad a un ciudadano que estaba legalmente en el territorio nacional", donde realizaba actividades lícitas, dedicándose a diversos negocios, y sin que la Policía tuviera necesidad de actuar en relación a él.

A través del escrito se nota que el recurrente fustiga lo que él considera un acto de imperialismo, para servir a un sector político. Se acompañaron diversos recortes de periódicos.

FUNDAMENTOS DE LA SALA

La Sala de lo Criminal en su resolución expresa que, conforme a lo dispuesto en el artículo 2, inciso 4 de la Orden 427 que está vigente y como en reiteradas ocasiones lo ha declarado, la solicitud para el mandamiento de habeas corpus, debe presentarse a los jueces de Instrucción o a las Audiencias, cuando proceda de actos de cualquier autoridad civil o empleado del mismo orden, que haya dispuesto la privación de libertad de un individuo, por lo que en este caso no es competente el Supremo para conocer de la solicitud.

PROTESTA LA JUNTA DE SALUBRIDAD

La Junta Nacional de Salubridad y Asistencia Social acordó ayer, según se informó rechazar las aseveraciones del comisionado W. Aslinger, del Buró de Drogas Narcóticas de Estados Unidos, en relación con el caso "Lucky" Luciano y gestiona con los países latinoamericanos tomen medidas para trasladar el control mundial de drogas, a otros países distintos de los Estados Unidos con el fin de evitar que se repita la actuación que califica de irrespetuosa, del actual comisionado norteamericano.

Se dijo que el doctor Pedro Nogueira explicó el trámite legal seguido con motivo de las declaraciones de Aslinger, al tener conocimiento de la estancia en Cuba de Charles "Lucky" Luciano. Después se leyó la ponencia del vocal farmacéutico doctor Gerardo Fernández Abreu en el sentido anteriormente relatado, la que fué aprobada por unanimidad.

LA ...LARACION

El texto ... acuerdo de la Junta es el si...iente:

"Protesta ... enérgicamente contra la disposición del Bureau de Narcóticos de los Estados Unidos, que ha tenido el atrevimiento de prohibir el suministro de esos productos a Cuba con suposición calumniosa y ofensiva para la dignidad nacional".

"Protestar igualmente de las declaraciones hechas a la prensa periódica por funcionarios de aquel país, donde se afirma haber notado la distracción de narcóticos hacia canales ilegales desde que llegó al nuestro un gangster formado allí y puesto en libertad por las autoridades americanas antes de cumplir las sanciones que le fueron impuestas. Acusación que aseguramos es falsa con relación a los productos importados legalmente".

"Si de los propios Estados Unidos o de otras naciones pueden introducirse drogas en Cuba ilegalmente por los que estando acostumbrados a realizar allá esos negocios, tratan de establecerlos aquí, es evidente que las autoridades de ambos países deben dictar las medidas tendentes a evitarlo y a castigar los culpables de esos delitos; pero de ningún modo atribuir calumniosamente que ello procede de los productos importados para usos médicos, y científicos, sujetos al control del Departamento correspondiente del Ministerio de Salubridad".

"Las disposiciones y declaraciones de los funcionarios de los Estados Unidos son de tal gravedad, por lo ofensivas para Cuba, que hay que pensar seriamente en la necesidad de una gestión ante todas las naciones latinoamericanas, para buscar la manera de arrancar el Control Mundial de Narcóticos de una nación que tiene funcionarios encargados del mismo, que, ensoberbecidos con el poder de la nación a que pertenecen, proceden de manera impulsiva y sin respeto, con naciones pequeñas que saben cumplir con sus deberes internacionales".

"En cuanto a la referencia que de mala fe se hace al caso de los hermanos Antolori hemos declarar, que ese caso quedó demostrado hasta su completa evidencia que el tráfico que hubieran establecido no salió en modo alguno de los productos importados legalmente, como hube de informarlo en su oportunidad".

"Por lo que en manera alguna podemos admitir sin nuestra más enérgica protesta es que, porque un gangster americano dejado salir de allí legalmente, se introduzca en Cuba con nombre supuesto, no sea posible administrar a los enfermos cubanos que lo necesitan la codeína o morfina indispensables para el alivio de sus dolencias. ¡Que cumplan las autoridades norteamericanas con el deber que tienen de impedir la entrada y salida ilegal de narcóticos es lo procedente, sin demostrar como demuestran estas medidas arbitrarias, abusivas e indignas de un país serio, su capacidad para conseguirlo.—(Firmado) G. Fernández Abreu".

11/8/32 — El Sol de Cuba

Wrong Friends

By Robert C. Ruark

HAVANA, Feb. 20.—It is probably my wistful old worldliness cropping up again, but I am frankly puzzled as to why Frank Sinatra, the lean trust and the fetish of millions, chooses to spend his vacation in the company of notorious, convicted vice operators and assorted goodums from Miami's plush gutters.

This is, of course, none of my personal business. If Sinatra wants to mob up with the likes of Lucky Luciano, the chastened panderer and permanent deportee from the United States, that seems to be a matter for Sinatra to thrash out with the millions of kids who live by his every bleat.

Private and Public

The weedy warbler has been having a high old time in Havana. He was here for four days last week, and during that time, his companion in public and private was Luciano, Luciano's bodyguard, and a rich collection of gamblers and highbinders. The friendship was beautiful: They were seen together at the race track, the gambling casino, and at special parties.

Your remember Luciano. Governor Dewey sent him up on a charge of vice-traffic, which was about the only thing that Dewey could nail him with. He was sprung from the jug last spring, was deported to Italy, and has been living quietly in the Miramar section of Havana for the last three months or so. He is said to be a very pleasant man, if he likes you, full of quiet charm and money.

Setting Odd Example

This curious desire to cavort among the scum is possibly permissible among citizens who are not peddling sermons to the nation's youth, and may even be allowed a mealy mouthed celebrity if he is smart enough to confine his social tolerance to a hotel room.

But Mr. Sinatra, the self-confessed savior of the country's small fry, by virtue of his lectures on clean living and love-thy-neighbor, his movie shorts on tolerance, and his frequent dabblings into the do-good department of politics, seems to be setting a most peculiar example for his hordes of impy, shrieking slaves, who are alleged to regard him with the same awe as a practicing Mohammedan for the prophet.

Unless, of course, our values have changed so abruptly that continuous fraternization with permanently deported woman-exploiters and other breeds of gangsters now is regarded as jolly good fellowship and social uplift, like settlement work. But I am apt to doubt that the most slavish bobby-soxer would approve of the guest list at a farewell party for Frankie, the day he left for Miami.

In addition to Luciano, I am told that Ralph Capone was present. This I cannot prove, since I wasn't invited to the party myself. But Luciano was definitely there, and so was a rather large and well-matched assortment of the goons who find the South salubrious in the winter, or Grand Jury time. The party, liberally spangled with young and pretty girls, was hurled, I am told, by Jorge Sanchez, the big sugar fellow.

Farewell Frankie

After the boys had pinned tails on the donkey, bobbed for apples and played going to Jerusalem and spin the bottle, they shoved Frankie Boy on the plane for Miami. Something clean and bright went out of their lives when the big ship pointed its nose to sea.

But, if—as I am told—the nation's young models itself on Sinatra, I shudder for the future generation.

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Contestó que nada podía hacer, ya que Luciano ha manifestado que se irá del país si no lo desean. "Lamento no poder ayudarlo", agregó, y continuó diciendo: "Las autoridades cubanas han admitido que no tienen nada contra él. Las únicas cosas que hay contra Luciano son esas alegadas desde el exterior (los Estados Unidos)".

Pertierra objetó al uso que hice de la palabra "deportado" en relación con la próxima idea de Luciano. "No puede ser deportado", señaló. "Parte voluntariamente, para regresar a su tierra nativa. Legalmente, Luciano debería ser ahora un hombre libre en las calles de La Habana".

Interrogué a Pertierra sobre si había visto a Luciano con "gangsters" norteamericanos. Su contestación fué: "No puedo decir si lo vi o no, porque no conozco a ningún "gangster" norteamericano. Luciano tenía muchos amigos, cubanos y norteamericanos por igual".

Le pregunté sobre las informaciones aparecidas en un semanario local en el sentido de que Luciano —y sus socios cubanos— se habían dedicado recientemente al contrabando de drogas hacia los Estados Unidos.

"Eso es ridículo", declaró Pertierra. "Es falso y bajo mencionar mi nombre, o los nombres de otros, en relación con eso. Soy representante y hombre del pueblo. Asumo todas las responsabilidades por mis actos".

Pertierra concluyó diciendo que "habio sólo en mi nombre, pero estimo que los otros congresistas nombrados —e insisto en que ésta es mi opinión personal— sienten lo mismo que yo hacia Luciano. Que su situación en Cuba es enteramente legal, que sus papeles están en perfecto orden y que tiene todo derecho a permanecer en Cuba".

IGNORASE COMO OBTUVO EL PASAPORTE

ROMA, febrero 25, (United).—El cuartel general de la policía italiana anunció que Charles "Lucky" Luciano será arrestado tan pronto como llegue a Italia, procedente de Cuba, por "partida clandestina sin las credenciales debidas".

Un vocero del Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores dijo no tener información de cómo Luciano había obtenido un pasaporte italiano a nombre de Salvatore Lucatani, y declaró que el racketeer italo-americano "no había solicitado pasaporte".

Cuando Luciano llegó a Italia después de haber sido deportado de los Estados Unidos, los periodistas le buscaron durante varios meses pero nunca lograron establecer definitivamente su paradero, después de haber partido hacia Sicilia.

En cierta ocasión se reportó que había muerto en Sicilia.

CRITICAS A DEWEY POR EL INDULTO

NUEVA YORK, febrero 25.—(United). — La detención y la proyectada deportación de Lucky Luciano, en La Habana, ha tenido repercusiones en Nueva York, donde el asambleista demócrata Owen McGivern pidió a la legislatura que investigue las razones que guiaron al gobernador republicano Thomas F. Dewey, para perdonar a Luciano.

Por otra parte, el periódico PM demandó que Dewey "ofrezca una total y franca explicación de la extraña cadena de eventos que llevaron a la conmutación de su sentencia".

El periódico republicano "Herald Tribune", defendiendo al gobernador, dice que Dewey conmutó la sentencia a Luciano, siguiendo una vieja práctica de deportar a los sentenciados para ahorrar al Estado el dinero que éstos gastan en sus instituciones.

El secretario del gobernador dijo que este dió poca importancia a las declaraciones juradas mostrando que Luciano había logrado la cooperación del bajo mundo para organizar una cadena de contraespionaje.

REANUDADO EL ENVIO DROGAS

WASHINGTON, febrero 25. (United).—El jefe del Bureau de Narcóticos de los Estados Unidos, Harry J. Anslinger, anuló hoy la suspensión de los embarques de narcóticos a Cuba, que anteriormente se había dicho que permanecería en vigor mientras el "gangster" Charles "Lucky" Luciano estuviera en ese país.

Anslinger explicó que estaba satisfecho por la forma en que las autoridades cubanas han atendido el caso del ex jefe de pandilleros norteamericano, y repitió que había suspendido los embarques de narcóticos a Cuba sólo ante el temor de que Luciano iniciara en esa isla la organización del contrabando de drogas heroicas como lo tenía en los Estados Unidos antes de ser encarcelado y deportado.

Agregó que había sabido "por medio de amigos mutuos o más bien conocidos", que Luciano, desde que fué deportado, tenía intenciones de establecerse en Cuba, pero desmintió que "Lucky" sea el jefe de una pandilla internacional de contrabando de drogas heroicas "pues tal organización no existe ahora".

NO HABRA PROTESTA CUBANA, DICEN EN EE. UU.

WASHINGTON, febrero 25, (SRI).—La pronta acción de Cuba, para la expulsión de Charles "Lucky" Luciano, dió por resultado, hoy, la suspensión de la prohibición, decretada hace cinco días, sobre los embarques de narcóticos de los Estados Unidos a Cuba.

Un funcionario diplomático, manifestó también hoy que el gobierno cubano, había desistido de sus planes de protesta ante los Estados Unidos, por la suspensión de los embarques de narcóticos a la isla, mientras permaneciese en ella "Lucky" Luciano.

El mencionado funcionario manifestó que el Gobierno cubano había recibido una explicación satisfactoria del gobierno de los Estados Unidos, en la cuestión de la prohibición de los embarques de narcóticos.

El informante manifestó que el comisionado Anslinger, y el Embajador cubano, Guillermo Belt, discutirán el asunto, en una conferencia, esta tarde.

Originalmente, se reportó que el Gobierno cubano se disponía a presentar hoy ante el Departamento de Estado de Washington, una nota protestando contra la suspensión de los embarques de narcóticos, alegando que tal medida no estaba justificada.

Un informante diplomático significó el sábado, que el caso de Luciano podía resolverse por medio de consultas entre los dos Gobiernos. Esta misma fuente, significó hoy que el Gobierno cubano, había sido informado por el de los Estados Unidos, que la acción del comisionado Anslinger, había sido, simplemente, una negativa a emitir licencias para el embarque de narcóticos a Cuba, mientras Luciano estuviese en ese país.

Antes de que se dieran estas explicaciones al Gobierno cubano, un informante diplomático, bien enterado de los asuntos cubano americanos, calificó la orden de prohibición, como "una amenaza de una gran potencia, contra un país pequeño" y que "equivalía a que los Estados Unidos hubiesen enviado un acorazado a Cuba para obligar al Gobierno cubano a deshacerse de Luciano".

DE FEBRERO DE 1947

LA DETENCION DE "LUCKY" LUCIANO

Revocada la suspensión del envío de drogas a Cuba

Luciano era vigilado por la Policía desde que llegó... Créese que se irá en un barco que zarpará el día 4.

Abona el representante Pertierra, su buena conducta

Conoce a mucha gente en los centros de diversión habaneros... Censuran en los E. U. que lo indultaran

El caso de "Lucky" Luciano, notorio huésped de La Habana, quedó cerrado ayer en su aspecto internacional, cuando el Buró de Drogas de Washington anunció que ante la actividad desplegada por las autoridades cubanas, había revocado la orden de suspensión del envío de narcóticos a Cuba. Pero en lo interno seguía siendo un tema preferente en las actividades policíacas.

La orden de suspensión había sido emitida con la condición de vigencia mientras el ex rey del vicio neoyorkino permaneciera en la capital cubana, a 45 minutos de vuelo de los Estados Unidos, que lo deportaron por indeseable hace meses, una vez que el gobernador del estado de New York, Thomas E. Dewey, lo indultó a cambio de que fuera reintegrado a su patria de origen, Italia, de donde salió poco después con documentos que las autoridades de Roma consideran falsos o, por lo menos, entregad bajo otro nombre. En efecto, el pasaporte que le sirvió para entrar en Cuba aparece extendido a Salvatore Luciano.

Las actividades del ex "racketeer" neoyorkino en Cuba fueron minuciosamente chequeadas por la policía hasta el momento de su detención, según se informó ayer extraoficialmente en centros policíacos.

Según los datos que se atribuyen a la Policía, Luciano había instalado ya en Cuba determinados negocios, si bien legales en apariencia, objetables en sus manos, de acuerdo con sus antecedentes.

Extraoficialmente se informó ayer, que Charles "Lucky" Luciano será embarcado hacia Europa, en un barco que zarpará de la Habana el día 4 de Marzo. Agentes de la Policía Secreta lo custodiarán hasta el barco y será puesto bajo la custodia del capitán de la nave, según esa fuente.

Por otra parte, se ha informado, también extraoficialmente que el Gobierno de Cuba está, buscando el medio de sacar a "Lucky" del país por la vía aérea, caso que no sea posible hacerlo por la vía marítima el 4 de Marzo.

UNA ACLARACION

Con motivo de haber publicado algunos periódicos informaciones en las cuales se relaciona "Lucky" Luciano con el Gran Casino Nacional, el señor Antonio Arias, presidente de la Compañía Promotora de Turismo, S. A., operadora del Casino, aclaró anoche que "en ningún momento "Lucky" Luciano ha tenido nexo o relación alguna con esa empresa, ni en particular con ninguno de sus componentes".

ENTREVISTA CON EL DOCTOR PERTIERRA

Por FRANCIS L. McCARTHY
(Corresponsal de la United Press)

LA HABANA, febrero 25. (United). — Un congresista cubano censuró duramente la "persecución" de los Estados Unidos a Charles "Lucky" Luciano —de quien dijo que había pagado su deuda a la sociedad—, y tanto en nombre propio como en el de dos senadores de Cuba rechazó ciertas "informaciones calumniosas y detractoras que han aparecido en la prensa local y extranjera (norteamericana)".

Ese congresista era el acaudalado y joven representante Indalecio Pertierra, que además de sus funciones públicas es presidente del lujoso Jockey Club y de la empresa aérea cubana "Aerovías Q".

En una entrevista exclusiva con la United Press, Pertierra manifestó que "el único motivo por el cual se obliga a Luciano a salir de Cuba es por la "presión" del gobierno norteamericano. La razón para su partida de Cuba es estrictamente un asunto de los Estados Unidos. Su conducta y comportamiento en Cuba han sido perfectamente correctos".

Como los nombres del representante Pertierra y de los senadores Eduardo Suárez Rivas y Francisco Prío Socarrás, este hermano del Primer Ministro de Cuba, han sido mencionados en informaciones aparecidas aquí y en el exterior como "cómplices" de Luciano, la United Press pidió a Pertierra una entrevista. Este voluntariamente la concedió —vino a las oficinas de la United Press a la medianoche.

Se ha publicado aquí y en el exterior que Pertierra y sus asociados eran responsables de la presencia de Luciano en Cuba. Esto lo desmiente Pertierra.

"Nunca en mi vida conocí a Luciano antes de que me fuera presentado en el Jockey Club", declara enfáticamente Pertierra. "Lo conocí únicamente en el Hipódromo, como una persona que, al igual que cualquiera otra, busca diversiones. Allí (en el Hipódromo) él concurre a todas las escalas sociales. Y ellos están asumiendo de haberlo conocido. Todos lamentan lo que le pasa".

Pertierra, de poca estatura y grueso, mostraba indignación al hablar.

"Luciano era una persona encantadora", manifestó.

Pregunté a Pertierra si conocía la reputación de Luciano antes de que le fuera presentado. Se encogió de hombros.

"Es lamentable que un país libre como Cuba y un país que se llama una democracia, como los Estados Unidos, persigan a un hombre y no le permitan vivir su propia vida", dijo. "Todo lo que sé del pasado de Luciano es lo que he leído en los dos últimos días. Pensaba que cuando un hombre paga su deuda a la sociedad era un hombre libre".

Nadie en Cuba tiene nada contra Luciano, declaró Pertierra. "Ellos (los cubanos) están completamente satisfechos de ser sus amigos y conociendo su pasado también", dijo.

Pertierra ha sido presidente del Jockey Club durante los últimos seis años. Esa empresa opera un hipódromo conocido como "Oriental Park", que se admite es uno de los mejores de la América Latina.

Pregunté a Pertierra cuáles habían sido exactamente sus relaciones con Luciano —si se había asociado a él, etc.

Pertierra contestó enfáticamente que "aún si Luciano lo hubiera querido no habría podido ser mi socio. Luciano no podía proporcionarme nada. Ni dinero ni nada. Durante los últimos seis años he sido presidente de esa empresa. ¿Para qué yo lo necesitaba?"

Le interrogué sobre quién le había presentado a Luciano. No lo pudo recordar.

"Como presidente del Jockey me presentan a todo el mundo en el Hipódromo, dijo sonriendo. Conocí a Luciano como un amante de las carreras de caballos, como un conocido de barra; le conocía sólo del Jockey Club".

Le pregunté si estaba haciendo algo por Luciano en la situación en que éste se encuentra.

Cub Ridd

Unwelcome Guest Soon To Be On Way To His Native Land

By HENRY WALLACE

Lucky Luciano cooled his heels in Cuba's "Ellis Island" yesterday as government officials hurriedly prepared deportation papers that will send the one-time racket czar back to his native Italy.

And while Lucky reminisced in his Tiscornia cell on hi happy 4 months of carousing through Havana cabarets by night and sleeping in his comfortable Miramar home by day, word came from Washington that the United States government was "pleased" to hear that Cuba intends get rid of the one-time triple-threat gangster as soon as legal formalities can be dispensed and transportation to Italy found.

If Luciano is sent on his way in short order, says Washington the ban clamped on drug shipments to Cuba will be lifted It was this ban, imposed by the U. S. Narcotics commission because of the possibility that Lucky might be dabbling in the dope trade, that caused Cuban police to pick him up for investigation early Saturday.

Benito Herrera, secret police chief, who arrested Luciano in a Vedado cafe, said Luciano had been under surveillance by Cuban police for a couple of months. Herrera added that Lucky had been taken to headquarters two months ago after being spotted at the racetrack. As his papers were in order and there was no evidence he was guilty of misdoing here, he was released, Herrera recounted.

The secret police head said Lucky had $4,000 in cash when he entered Cuba by plane last October 29, and that he still had $1,000 in the bank when he was arrested Saturday. Herrera surmised that the former New York rackets leader had received money from friends, and possibly from business interests in the States. Lucky's sister visited him for the New Year's holiday, and presumably aided him financially, Herrera said.

As Luciano lived well and spent lavishly while he and his pals cut a swath through Havana night spots, it was obvious to notice that his original $4,000 was not his only source of income There was no evidence, however, that he was engaged in business, illicit or otherwise, during his stay here, Herrera asserted, adding that this did not rule out the possibility that he engaged in money-making activities unknown to police.

Meanwhile, a Democratic assemblyman of New York state announced at Albany that he would ask for a legislative probe of the conditions surrounding Luciano's release after he served 10 years of a 30-to-50 year sentence for white slavery. The assemblyman, Owen McGivern commented: "The unexplained release of Luciano has given rise to widespread suspicion that others of his ilk may have been similarly released..."

Governor Thomas Dewey of New York, the man whose prosecution put Lucky behind bars commuted his sentence 13 months ago on the condition he be deported to Italy. It is generally understood, though not officially confirmed that Lucky's contacts were valuable in the invasion of Italy and that his rumored assistance to the Allied armed forces figured in his early release from prison. Asked about this yesterday, Lucky said the U. S. Army was a better source of information on this matter than he. He did not elaborate.

Dewey, in a comment on Luciano's case, said on Jan. 3, 1946:

"Upon the entry of the United States into the war, Luciano's aid was sought by the armed services in inducing others to provide information concerning possible enemy attack It appears that he cooperated in such effort, though the actual value of the information procured is not clear."

Minister of the Interior Alfredo Pequeno, under whose jurisdiction lies Luciano's case, said deportation papers would take at least five to six days to prepare. After that, a presidential decree ordering deportation is required, Meanwhile, Lucky is held incommunicado, with Secret Police Chief Herrera the only person authorized to see him.

It is believed Lucky will go back to Italy by plane, as there is no direct ship service. His departure will depend on availability of passage after legal formalities have been arranged. It is believed unlikely that he will be allowed to go to Colombia or Venezuela, although his passport is visaed for both. Deportation proceedings are based on Lucky's "previous activities" which is another way of saying he is regarded as an undesirable alien.

In an interview at Tiscornia, Lucky expressed regret at the prospect of being tossed out of Cuba, stating that he had many friends here, had lived quietly and enjoyed himself and renewed many contacts he made many years ago when he visited Havana to spend some of the loot that poured into his pockets as he rode the crest of Manhattan's underworld.

In addition to the drug shipment ban, Lucky's presence has created a diplomatic headache, for the Cuban government is reported to be preparing a protest to the United States against its method of getting action against Luciano. It is reported that Cuban officials believe the drug ban was unnecessary to accomplish the desired result and that less drastic measures would have been more in keeping with relations between the two nations.

Incidentally, credit for bringing the presence of Luciano here to light goes to Bob Ruark, New York World-Telegram syndicated columnist, who spotted him night-clubbing in company with Frank Sinatra, the singer, and wired the story to his paper.

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WAR AID FROM LUCIANO

FORMER NAVY OFFICER REVEALS RACKETEER'S ROLE.

In Prison in 1942, He Was Called Upon to Co-operate on Pre-Invasion Information About Sicily.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.(AP)—Charles R. Haffenden, former lieutenant commander assigned to naval intelligence, said today Charles (Lucky) Luciano through his underworld connections aided the navy in obtaining pre-invasion information about Sicily.

Haffenden said Luciano, deported racketeer and erstwhile vice overlord, gave "normal co-operation" to the government when asked to assist the war effort.

Lifting the curtain part way on the wartime role of Luciano before Gov. Thomas E. Dewey commuted his prison sentence, Haffenden said it would be difficult to evaluate the racketeer's services.

Haffenden, a former New York City commissioner of marine and aviation, said at a news conference that Luciano, while in prison in 1942, was called upon to aid naval intelligence in gathering pre-invasion information about Sicily.

AT BEHEST OF NAVY CAPTAIN.

A plan to seek the help of Luciano and Joseph (Socks) Lanza, convicted union racketeer, was initiated by Capt. Roscoe McFall, then commander of the third naval district intelligence office, Haffenden said.

The former officer said he never had seen or talked to Luciano, and had relied on Lanza and Moses Polakoff, Luciano's lawyer, to make arrangements with Luciano in prison.

"Luciano was called on through Polakoff and Lanza for information available from Sicilians living in New York City," Haffenden explained. "Like other informants, Luciano did nothing more than any other American would do when called on to help the war effort. It is difficult to tell whether the information his contacts provided was useful. I would say he rendered normal co-operation in the war effort."

Haffenden expressed the opinion that Luciano's wartime services had little or nothing to do with the commutation of his 30-to-50-year sentence to deportation last year after he had served nine and a half years for compulsory prostitution.

FACES CUBAN DEPORTATION.

Luciano, now in Cuba, faces deportation to Italy as an undesirable entrant, and in Italy he faces charges of illegal departure from there.

Meanwhile, it was learned unofficially that at least eight Americans were being watched by the Cuban secret police to determine whether they had any connections with Luciano. Two of these men, it was said, were under particularly close surveillance.

The U. S. Navy department has disclaimed any connection with Luciano, and has said that if any naval officer figured in the case he did so on his own responsibility.

Haffenden disclosed that he had sent a letter to Charles Breitel, Dewey's legal adviser, in May, 1945, outlining the nature of Luciano's co-operation. Haffenden described the communication as a "cursory, factual letter regarding use of underworld characters" in intelligence work.

In addition, Haffenden said, he gave a statement to a district officer of the state parole board about Luciano's co-operation.

AN INDIANA

ENCLOSURE

LA DETENCION DE "LUCKY" LUCIANO

POSPUESTA PARA HOY LA VISTA DEL RECURSO DE HABEAS CORPUS

No presentaron al detenido... Desautorizó las gestiones en su favor.. Fué requerido el Ministro de Gobernación

La Sala Quinta de lo Criminal de la Audiencia de la Habana hizo ayer un nuevo señalamiento, para hoy a las nueve de la mañana, de la vista del recurso de habeas corpus presentado a favor de Charles "Lucky" Luciano, el italiano que espera en el campamento de inmigrantes de Tiscornia el momento de ser embarcado hacia su país por haber sido decretada su expulsión del territorio nacional a causa de sus actividades "indeseables".

La vista del mencionado recurso había sido fijada para ayer a las ocho de la mañana, pero fué suspendida por no haber sido presentado el detenido por el Ministerio de Gobernación, de acuerdo con el proveído dictado al efecto por la Sala Quinta. En el acuerdo de la Sala, se dispone asimismo que dicho Ministro rinda el informe que de él demandó el Tribunal y que se le requiera para que presente a Luciano en el acto de la vista y exprese las causas por las cuales no lo presentó en el primer señalamiento ni rindió el informe mencionado.

A las nueve de la mañana llegó a la Audiencia el Ministro de Gobernación, doctor Alfredo Pequeño, sin el detenido "Lucky" Luciano. Varios letrados lo rodearon, interrogándolo al respecto.

—No voy a traer a "Lucky"...

—Pero la Sala lo ha ordenado —interrumpió un letrado.— Tiene que traerlo.

—No lo traigo, ni pidiéndolo la Sala ni pidiéndomelo personalmente el Presidente de la República.

—Señor Ministro, ¿usted se da cuenta de qué el que habla no es abogado, sino el Ministro de Gobernación?, preguntó uno de los periodistas.

—No estoy hablando públicamente. Esto es en privado, entre nosotros solamente. —aclaró el doctor Alfredo Pequeño,— retirándose inmediatamente y penetrando en el despacho de los magistrados de la Sala Quinta de lo Criminal de la Audiencia de la Habana.

CONFERENCIA

Durante más de una hora, permaneció conferenciando con los magistrados doctores José R. Cabezas, Antonio de J. Vignier, Carlos Reyes y Braulio González, el Ministro de Gobernación. Cuando salió, se informó que el asunto había sido resuelto, ya que se había entregado a la Sala un escrito firmado por el propio perjudicado, desautorizando al letrado que interpuso recurso de habeas corpus a su favor. Se dijo, además, que el escrito sería ratificado por el perjudicado ante el Secretario de la Sala, doctor Agustín Delaville, que acudiría a ese efecto al Campamento de Tiscornia.

Dice el escrito presentado:

Tiscornia, Habana, marzo 2 de 1947.

A la Sala Quinta de lo Criminal de la Audiencia de la Habana.

El que suscribe, Charles Luciano, conocido también por Salvatore Lucania, natural de Palermo, Sicilia, mayor de edad, accidentalmente en el Campamento de Tiscornia del Departamento de Inmigración de la República de Cuba, a esa Sala respetuosamente dice:

Que he tenido noticias y ha aparecido publicado en los periódicos de esta ciudad, que por un letrado de esta capital, que creo se llama Alfonso González u otra persona, se ha interpuesto Recurso de Hábeas Corpus en relación con mi persona, y me interesa hacer constar que no he autorizado a nadie para que establezca dicho recurso, ni para que haga gestión alguna en beneficio mío, por lo que desautorizo toda gestión o acción que se ejercite ante cualquier Tribunal.

Las autoridades de Inmigración de este país desean que yo lo abandone y como medida que ellas han estimado adecuada, me encuentro en este Campamento de Tiscornia, donde soy objeto de un trato adecuado, restándome breves horas para embarcar; no deseo realizar acto alguno y estoy conforme en abandonar el territorio de Cuba ya que es ese el deseo de las autoridades de este país.

A mi situación se le ha dado ya demasiada publicidad, y no deseo concurrir ante los Tribunales a virtud de gestiones que yo no he autorizado. Ignoro los motivos que haya habido para establecer un Hábeas Corpus, pero tengo el temor de que todo esto pueda traer u ocasionar gastos y honorarios que den lugar a reclamaciones o cualquier otra cosa que me ocasione nuevos contratiempos, y por todo esto es que produzco este escrito, en el ruego a la Sala de que se desestime toda acción o recurso en relación con mi persona, pues sólo deseo permanecer aquí, en Tiscornia, hasta que embarque o abandone este país.

Por tanto,

A la Sala suplico: que en mérito de lo alegado se sirva declarar sin lugar cualquier Recurso o Acción que se establezca o ejercite en relación con mi persona, ya que estoy conforme en permanecer en este Campamento de Tiscornia hasta que abandone el territorio de Cuba.

Otrosí: Autorizo al señor Miguel García para que presente este escrito, ya que es obvio que no puedo hacerlo directamente y puede la Sala, si lo tiene a bien, disponer que el Secretario de la Sala se persone en Tiscornia para ratificar yo el presente.

Fecha y lugar up supra.

Reparto Miramar, de cincuenta años de edad, soltero, a tenor de lo que al efecto dispone el expresado Decreto Presidencial número 1601 de 27 de julio de 1925, en calidad de depósito y a la disposición del que resuelve hasta tanto se investigue y resuelva en definitiva lo que en derecho proceda.

Segundo: Disponer que por el Negociado de Orden Público de este Ministerio urgentemente se inicie el expedientes correspondiente a los efectos de que, con el auxilio de los agentes de la autoridad y demás medios de investigación, proceda a diafanizar la situación del expresado extranjero, librándose para ello todos los despachos pertinentes así como la correspondiente orden de ingreso al referido campo de Tiscornia.

La Habana 22 de febrero de 1947.

Alfredo Pequeño,
Ministro de Gobernación.

INGRESADO EN TISCORNIA

Custodiado por el jefe de la Policía Secreta señor Benito Herrera, y varios agentes a sus órdenes, fué ingresado Lucky Luciano, en las primeras horas de la tarde, en el Campamento de Tiscornia a la disposición del Ministerio de Gobernación.

DECLARACIONES DEL DIRECTOR DE SALUBRIDAD

Sobre el problema planteado por el Comisionado de Narcóticos de los Estados Unidos, el director de Salubridad, doctor Pedro Nogueira, declaró lo siguiente:

«Hemos conocido por la prensa extranjera las manifestaciones del señor Anslinger, estimamos que son consideradas por el Departamento en el sentido de que el señor Anslinger no tiene fundamentos lgals alguno para poder pensar, por un momento, que la droga legal que a Cuba llega pueda correr, como él dice, "riesgo de distracción". Ello permite suponer, que este Ministerio sería capaz de permitir dicha «distracción» y, por lo tanto, una acusación directa a los funcionarios sanitarios».

«Entendemos —agregó el Dr. Nogueira—, que dicho señor no ha pensado la importancia de su declaración, máxime cuando repetidas veces hemos puesto nuestro Departamento de Control de Drogas a la disposición de las investigaciones que ese Buró de Wáshington ha querido hacer».

«Creemos que la medida puede ser de tipo coercitiva, para hacer salir de nuestro territorio a dicho señor Luciano; pero para ello hubiera sido conveninte que Wáshington hubiera comunicado con anterioridad por las vías legales, a este Ministerio, cuáles podrían ser las medidas a este respecto, pues por primera vez contemplamos en el mundo una medida de este tipo, cuando la realidad es que la droga que Cuba recibe es otorgada a través de un Convenio Internacional, aprobado después en sesión especial y que la misma llega y se expande de acuerdo con los requisitos exigidos por todas las autoridades correspondientes».

«Aparte de la acción que en Cuba se efectúe —terminó el doctor Nogueira—, con respecto a la estancia del señor Luciano en nuestro territorio las autoridades sanitaria exigirán una rectificación de sus palabras al señor Anslinger, para no dejar en la opinión pública la impresión de que funcionarios del Ministerio de Salubridad y Asistencia Social sean capaces de efectuar «distracciones» de drogas».

ASESOR DE LA EMBAJADA

Hoy visitó el Ministerio de Salubridad el señor James Bennet, Asesor de la Embajada de los Estados Unidos en La Habana, celebrando una entrevista con el Director del ramo.

EXTENSA HOJA PENAL

El Buró Federal de Investigaciones de los Estados Unidos tiene fichado a Charles «Lucky» Luciano el número 62920, y según consta de los referidos archivos Luciano fué arrestado por primera vez el 15 de diciembre de 1921 por portación de arma de fuego sin permiso y sucesivamente en 1928 hasta 1940 ha cumplido doce condenas por los delitos de asalto a mano armada, estafa y tráfico de drogas. Ha cumplido sanción en las cárceles de Pennsylvania, New York, Atlanta y otros presidios norteamericanos.

En los bajos fondos norteamericanos Charles Lucky Luciano era y es muy temido, habiendo salido de allí recientemente a establecerse en la América latina, siendo Cuba, país escogido por él para establecerse por el momento. Tenía visado su pasaporte para dirigirse a Venezuela, Bolivia y Colombia. Entró en Cuba por Camagüey, en 29 de octubre de 1946.

DEPORTADO A ITALIA

En 1946 cumpliendo sanción en la prisión de Sing Sing, en condena de 30 a 50 años, fué transferido a la penitenciaria de Dannemore, en Nueva York, con el número 024866, fué liberado bajo palabra para ser deportado a Italia con fecha dos de febrero de 1946, saliendo para Italia el diez del propio mes a bordo del vapor «Laura Koene». En los índices penales del Registro de Extranjeros aparece fichado con el nombre de Charles Lucania y con el número 1026745.

Internado en Tiscornia, sujeto a un expediente de deportación, el italo L. Luciano, detenido hoy en el Vedado

Sin ninguna espectacularidad se efectuó el arresto del ex zar de la narcomanía en los Estados Unidos, quien estaba desayunando. Es cancelado el permiso, que como turista, se le había extendido

REALIZO LA DETENCION LA POLICIA SECRETA, INFORMARAN AL GOBIERNO DE E. U. AFIRMA QUE COMBATIO EN ITALIA

Sin espectacularidad se llevó a efecto, a las once de la mañana de hoy, en un restorán de la barriada del Vedado, la detención del italiano Charles Lucky Luciano, en un tiempo zar de la narcomanía, el juego y la trata de blanca en los Estados Unidos, cuya permanencia en nuestro país, era motivo de que el gobierno estadounidense determinara no exportar más narcóticos a Cuba.

La reacción de las autoridades cubanas ante la inquietud causada en los círculos oficiales de Washington por la presencia en la Isla del famoso raquetero no tardó en manifestarse, determinando el Ministerio de Gobernación cancelar el permiso que se había concedido al mismo y ordenando su detención, que se efectuó a las pocas horas. Al mediodía se rumoró extraoficialmente en Palacio que por el Ministerio de Estado se daría rápida comunicación a Estados Unidos del arresto, del expediente de deportación que se le ha iniciado y la solicitud de una aclaración en torno a las manifestaciones de Harry J. Anslinger, el Comisionado del Buró de Narcóticos de aquel gobierno.

La detención del contrabandista y raquetero la realizó el jefe de la Policía Secreta, ingeniero Benito Herrera, quien ayer noche y luego de una entrevista que sostuvo con el

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LLEVADO A PRESENCIA DEL MINISTRO DE GOBERNACION EL EX RAQUETERO LUCIANO

Durante el interrogatorio a que sometió hoy el Ministro de Gobernación al ex zar de Estados Unidos, fué tomada esta [illegible] en la que aparece el detenido Charles Lucky [illegible] Pequeño [illegible] Jefe de la Policía Secreta

Ministro de Gobernación y con el Presidente de la República, había recibido la orden de localizar al italiano y remitirlo al Campamento de Tiscornia». El jefe de la Secreta, secundado por varios detectives, estuvo toda la madrugada efectuando registros en los lugares donde presumió encontrar al requisado, teniendo esta mañana noticias de que se hallaba desayunando en el café enclavado en Calzada y C, en el Vedado, donde lo localizó. El arrestado fué conducido al Ministerio de Gobernación e internado posteriormente en Tiscornia.

QUIEN ES LUCIANO

Charles «Lucky» Luciano cuenta 50 años, es oriundo de Nápoles, Italia y actualmente estaba residiendo en una casa de la calle 30, en el reparto Miramar. Es un hombre débil, trigueño, de pequeña estatura y al momento de ser detenido vestía correctamente un casimir color claro cruzado. Llamó en él la atención el hecho de no usar ninguna joya, como comunmente es el «hobby» de los raqueteros y elementos del hampa. Su fama la adquirió en los Estados Unidos, principalmente en la ciudad de Nueva York, donde comandó uno de los «gangs» de más tristemente célebre recordación por sus fabulosos negocios ilícitos. Hallándose en esas actividades fué detenido y sancionado a 30 años de encarcelamiento, sanción que le fué conmutada a los diez años por el gobernador neoyorkino, ocurriendo la gracia «gobernalicia» durante el período de guerra.

Según se ha reportado oficialmente, Luciano arribó a Cuba, por el aeropuerto de Camagüey, el 29 de octubre último, mostrando un pasaporte expedido a nombre de Salvatore Lukania, de 50 años, soltero, al que se había concedido visa por un período de seis meses que debía expirar el 29 de abril próximo. El pasaporte, además, estaba visado para Colombia, Venezuela y Bolivia, habiendo sido expedidas en Italia.

COMPLICE DE MARRONE

«Lucky» Luciano, el ex zar de la narcomanía en los Estados Unidos, era de esa ralea de hampones napolitanos que emigraron a la América. Contrario al famoso Alí Ben Amar de Sharpe (pseudónimo con el que vivió y murió en la Argentina el famoso Pedro Marrone). Luciano llegó a la ciudad de Nueva York, logrando rápidamente convertirse en el «racketeer» más peligroso de la trata de blancas, el tráfico de drogas y el juego en Norteamérica, gozando de poderosas influencias y controlando a un grupo de hombres que en más de una ocasión sostuvieron violentos encuentros a tiros con la Policía y con «gangs» riyales.

Al ocurrir su deportación a Italia, debido al perdón que le concedió el entonces gobernador de New York, Thomas Dewey, en círculos norteamericanos se comentó la posibilidad que «Lucky» hubiera sido seleccionado para una tarea de contraespionaje, poniendo sus influencias en las zonas de la criminalidad italiana al servicio norteamericano. Es rumor, sin embargo, nunca tuvo confirmación oficial, llegando incluso los centros oficiales a mostrarse escépticos.

La versión que Dewey formuló al firmar la libertad condicional del «racketeer» (quien cumplió solamente diez años de los treinta que le impuso la Corte Federal) dió motivo a que se creyera en la posible ayuda de Luciano. El gobernador neoyorkino expresó: «al entrar los Estados Unidos en la guerra los servicios de inteligencia militar han creído encontrar una ayuda en Luciano, considerando que éste podía inducir a otros a suministrar informes». Pero nunca se ha dado versión oficial sobre el valor de lo que hizo o pudo hacer.

Extraoficialmente se ha podido conocer que Luciano, al arribar a Nápoles, trabó conocimiento con otro ex gangster, a quien se conocía con el «Al Capone de la Argentina», ya que durante muchos años tuvo su campo de acción en la república americana, de la que huyó al frustrarle un audaz robo al banco de Rosario. La hija de éste «racketeer», competidor de Marrone en los «gangs» argentinos, cumple hoy sanción en una penitenciaría.

La amistad que en Nápoles sostuvieron los dos ex zares del delito no tuvo largo término, porque el «Al Capone II» falleció a causa de un síncope durante un bombardeo aliado. Sin embargo, se estima que fué la causa de que Luciano determinara venir a este continente, en busca de campos propicios para sus actividades.

En centros oficiales de Washington se ha comentado que el primer esfuerzo para introducir drogas en Norteamérica en gran escala, procedentes de Europa, se descubrió coincidiendo con la llegada a Cuba de «Lucky». De este hecho no se tienen pruebas, aunque no por ello es menos firme la sospecha que se tiene de que el famoso gangster estuviese complicado.

EN GOBERNACION

La presencia del jefe de la Policía Secreta, ingeniero Benito Herrera, a quien acompañaban varios agentes de ese Cuerpo y un individuo de aspecto extranjero, pequeño, bien vestido, quien se asemejaba más a un jockey que a un experimentado de la criminalidad, causó gran expectación esta mañana en el Ministerio de Gobernación. Poco después se supo que se trataba del famoso «Lucky» Luciano, el contrabandista de drogas en mayor escala que ha existido en los Estados Unidos, que actualiza la curiosidad del país y de los vecinos del Norte.

El pequeño italiano, vestido con sobria elegancia, queriendo desdibujar con una sonrisa el gesto apocado de su rostro, penetró en el despacho del Ministro, doctor Alfredo Pequeño, para conocer de los motivos de su detención y del expediente de extradición que se le ha iniciado. Inútilmente el ex raquetero quiso hacer valer su tretas de que estaba autorizado a permanecer en el país hasta el 29 de abril próximo. Los motivos por los cuales se ordenó el expediente de su deportación son tan poderosos, de tanta trascendencia para nuestro país, que han hecho posible la cancelación de los seis meses que como turista y mediante fianza de 500 pesos se le concedieron al arribar a nuestro puerto el 29 de septiembre de 1946.

Tras un breve interrigatorio formulado por el Ministro de Gobernación, el detenido fué sacado del despacho y trasladado al Departamento de Inmigración para su confinamiento en el Campamento de Tiscornia. Durante el interrogatorio Luciano fué fotografiado por los reporters de los diarios capitalinos, mostrando por ello gran desagrado.

INVESTIGACIONES

Al adoptar el gobierno la resolución de iniciarle expediente de deportación al ex raquetero, la comisión de su búsqueda recayó, como hemos dicho, en el jefe de la Secreta. Las primeras investigaciones se realizaron por medio de llamadas telefónicas a los principales hoteles capitalinos. El resultado fué nulo. Posteriormente se logró saber que «Lucky» residía en Miramar y frecuentaba lugares de diversión capitalinos. En su busca fué a dichos lugares la Policía, pero en todos se les informó que Luciano no había concurrido ayer noche. Al parecer el ex zar de la narcomanía, enterado por la prensa de la actitud que adoptaba el gobierno de Estados Unidos, desistió ayer de su acostumbrada vida, teniendo noticias de que pasó la noche en la residencia de una persona amiga, en Miramar.

NO HIZO DECLARACIONES

Tanto en la Policía Secreta como en el Ministerio de Gobernación se informó a la Policía que el detenido no había querido hacer manifestaciones con respecto a su detención. Sin embargo un repórter de AVANCE logró por breve momento cambiar unas frases con él, habiéndole expresado que «había peleado en Italia a favor de la causa aliada».

CONTINUAN LAS PESQUISAS

El ingeniero Herrera ha sido comisionado también por el Ministro del Interior para que a la mayor brevedad le rinda un informe acerca de las actividades que Luciano desenvolvió en nuestra capital, ya que extraoficialmente se ha conocido que el ex raquetero llegó al país bajo una amiga de influencia y que frecuentaba nuestros elegantes night clubs, el hipódromo y el Casino Nacional.

De conformidad con el resultado de estas pesquisas se dictará la resolución oportuna para su extradición, bien hacia los lugares donde tiene visado su pasaporte o a la disposición de los Tribunales de Justicia de Cuba en el caso de que se demuestre que durante su estancia realizó delitos.

LA ORDEN DE INTERNAMIENTO

Primero: Disponer el internamiento en el campamento de Tiscornia, del extranjero que parece ser de nacionalidad italiana nombrado Salvatore Lucania, Charles Luciano

"Lucky" evitó dar una respuesta directa a la serie de preguntas sobre la cantidad de dinero que tiene. Respondió sólo que "un poco aquí y otro allá". Manifestó además que había comprado cuatro mil dólares en cheques de viajero aquí, con dinero que le fué traído "por amigos de los Estados Unidos".

Luciano dijo que su hermana, la señora Fanny Salasso, de Nueva York, le acompañó durante las fiestas de Año Nuevo en La Habana.

Pedí a Luciano me dijese cuáles servicios, si los había, prestó a los aliados durante la guerra. Le dije que Walter Winchell, el columnista de Washington, había dicho que se concedería la Medalla de Honor Congresional póstuma a él.

"Quizás Winchell sepa más del asunto que yo. Lo que se pidió de mí, lo hice por la guerra. Hice mi parte. Ignoro qué importancia ello tuvo.

"Nada sé de medalla alguna".

"Lucky" repitió una y otra vez la frase de "hice mi parte. Donde pude, coloqué mi piedrecita".

Pregunté a Luciano si algún gangster de Cuba trató de obligarlo a entregar algún dinero. Respondió rápidamente: "Deje eso".

DETENDRAN A LUCIANO SI LLEGA A ITALIA

ROMA, febrero 24. (INS).—Las autoridades italianas manifestaron hoy que de ser deportado "Lucky" Luciano de Cuba a Italia será arrestado, juzgado y encarcelado tan pronto llegue. Agregaron que aunque la ley italiana solo determina una pena poco severa por el delito de emigración clandestina, se está haciendo una investigación de los antecedentes de Luciano en busca de motivos para mantenerlo resguardado por algún tiempo.

LUCIANO ORGANIZABA UN SINDICATO CRIMINAL

CHICAGO, febrero 24. (United).—El coronel George White, jefe del Buró Federal de Narcóticos en Chicago, reveló que Charles "Lucky" Luciano proyectó convertir a Chicago en centro de una organización de vicio y drogas, que superaría todas las actuales famosas organizaciones criminales del Medio Oeste.

Dijo que los planes de Luciano comprendían una minuciosa campaña de publicidad que le presentaría como héroe de la guerra.

Agregó que "la organización que tenía Al Capone sería juego de niños comparado con lo que proyectó Luciano".

El coronel White dijo que Luciano formuló sus planes durante su estancia en La Habana, para la formación de un sindicato que eventualmente hubiese organizado la trata de blancas y la venta de drogas sobre una gran parte de los Estados Unidos.

Según agregó White, los encargados de la publicidad de Luciano tenían órdenes de circular el relato de que el ex monarca del bajo mundo ayudó a la Oficina de Servicios Estratégicos del ejército norteamericano en Italia, a cuyo país fué deportado el año pasado.

Dijo asimismo que Luciano ordenó el asesinato de dos gangsters de Chicago que rehusaron cooperar con su organización el año pasado. Uno de ellos fué muerto en Chicago, después de declarar contra dos miembros del grupo vendedor de narcóticos, y el otro fué asesinado en Tampa, Florida, cuando intentó demandar más dinero de Luciano en un negocio de drogas. Los asesinos de estos dos individuos aun no han sido identificados.

REANUDARAN LOS EMBARQUES

WASHINGTON, febrero 24.—(SIR).—El Comisionado de Narcóticos, Harry J. Anslinger, declaró que le satisfacía la noticia de que Cuba se proponía deportar a Charles "Lucky" Luciano, a Italia.

"Si Cuba hace tal cosa rápidamente —declaró el comisionado,— los Estados Unidos levantarán también la prohibición impuesta a las exportaciones de narcóticos a Cuba".

Anslinger reiteró que la orden suspendiendo la exportación de narcóticos a Cuba, fué una medida de precaución, agregando que no había pruebas concretas de que Luciano estuviese distrayendo estas drogas o proyectase distraerlas, para reembarcarlas a los Estados Unidos, clandestinamente.

Reveló también que Luciano, en un tiempo "gangster" de Nueva York, que fué deportado a Italia el año pasado, al ser excarcelado en Nueva York, había dirigido la "Mafia" en los Estados Unidos.

En el último caso de embarques ilícitos de droga desde Cuba a los Estados Unidos, según Anslinger, figuraba una "mafia" que operaba en Tampa, Florida, y en Kansas City.

Esta banda, agregó el comisionado fué destruída en 1943, con la condena impuesta en Kansas City, a Paul y Joseph Antinori. Los hermanos Antinori, eran hijos de Ignacio Antinori, muerto en Tampa, en 1940, en aparente represalia por el asesinato de un "gangster" rival.

LA DETENCION DE "LUCKY" LUCIANO

Ofrece irse sin esperar el decreto de expulsión

El Gobierno accederá si lo hace en un buque que vaya a Italia directamente... Lo pondrá la Policía a bordo

"No me dejan tranquilo en ninguna parte" dijo Luciano

Rechaza tener intenciones de comerciar con drogas... Aspira a un negocito decente... Redoblan la vigilancia

Las investigaciones de las actividades en Cuba del ex rey de las drogas en las grandes ciudades americanas, Charles "Lucky" Luciano, detenido el pasado sábado y enviado al Campamento de Tiscornia, fueron intensificadas ayer por la Policía Secreta, respondiendo a las recomendaciones del Ministerio de Gobernación, que tiene abierto el caso para cerrarlo lo más rápidamente posible con un expediente de expulsión.

Las autoridades cubanas desean hacer salir del territorio nacional al exraquetero, con objeto de obtener que sea cancelada la prohibición de exportar narcóticos a Cuba, dictada por el Buró de Drogas de los Estados Unidos, mientras se encuentre en este país el en otro tiempo famoso pandillero.

El Ministro de Gobernación, doctor Alfredo Pequeño, declaró ayer que fué informado por el Jefe de la Policía Secreta, ingeniero Benito Herrera Porro, que Luciano había expresado sus deseos de abandonar el territorio nacional sin necesidad de ser sometido a un expediente de expulsión, por cuanto tiene libre entrada en su país natal, Italia. Interrogado acerca de si el Gobierno cubano accedería a lo deseado por el detenido, expresó el Ministro de Gobernación, que él por su parte no pone reparo, ya que el propósito del Gobierno es obtener que abandone el territorio nacional en cualquier forma, en el más breve plazo posible.

El Ministro agregó: "Si en el puerto se encuentra algún barco que lo pueda conducir directamente a Italia, y él mantiene su ofrecimiento de salir de Cuba, en la forma expuesta, ordenaré que sea custodiado desde el Campamento de Tiscornia y entregado a bordo al capitán. Y así nos dejará en paz..."

Después el doctor Pequeño explicó el internamiento de Luciano obedece a los antecedentes informado el Gobierno de dos Unidos, y que justifi- expulsión del territorio in- mediatamente, por lo cual desde su ingreso en Tiscornia está sujeto a un expediente de ese tipo, no de investigaciones, que sólo se realizan para cumplir un requisito legal para la expedición del correspondiente decreto.

REDOBLADA LA VIGILANCIA

También informó el Ministro que obtuvo del Jefe de la Policía Nacional, le facilitara una Perseguidora, y varios vigilantes que custodian el campamento de Tiscornia desde que "Lucky" ingresó, con el objeto de evitar cualquier intento de fuga del mismo.

Además, dijo el doctor Pequeño, la Policía Secreta también mantiene vigilancia sobre el detenido.

El Ministro no quiso hacer comentarios en relación con la medida adoptada por el departamento de narcóticos de los Estados Unidos suprimiendo la cuota señalada a Cuba para uso medicinal, limitándose a decir que las autoridades cubanas tratan siempre de cumplir con su deber y que en el problema del vicio de las drogas heroicas, han adoptado severas medidas contra el elemento perturbador que trafica con las drogas.

UNA ENTREVISTA CON LUCIANO

N. de la R.—La United Press obtuvo una entrevista exclusiva de treinta minutos con Charles "Lucky" Luciano, en las oficinas de la Policía Secreta, poco después de su detención. Debido a que el ingeniero Benito Herrera, jefe de ese cuerpo, no había aun terminado el interrogatorio del detenido, la United Press accedió a no dar publicidad a esta entrevista hasta recibir una autorización para ello. Ayer el jefe de la Policía Secreto concedió la autorización a esta agencia y por ello la ofrecemos a nuestros lectores.

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LA HABANA, febrero 24. (United) — Dando muestras de profundo cansancio y agotamiento, mostrando la preocupación en el rostro, Charles "Lucky" Luciano dijo a la United Press: "Si el Gobierno de Cuba no me desea aquí, me iré".

Con la cara hinchada en su parte derecha como resultado de una úlcera en el interior de la boca, Luciano lió rienda suelta a sus pensamientos.

"¿De qué se trata?" —me preguntó. "Yo vine a Cuba porque me gusta, está más cerca de mi hogar (los Estados Unidos), más cerca de mi familia; me gusta el clima".

"Todo me viene encima", dijo Luciano quejosamente. "Ahora es la "basura" droga. Ya he tenido suficientes problemas. Si no me dejan tranquilo, ¿qué he de hacer? Me he estado portando bien".

Luciano se mo[illegible]cació y deprimido. Se in[illegible] al hablar. Momentos desp[illegible] dijo en tono quejoso: "He estado cargando con todas las acusaciones. Ahora dicen que estoy negociando con "basura". Todo por una información publicada en los periódicos, que la gente creyó".

Pregunté a Luciano si contaba con un abogado. La respuesta, amarga, no se hizo esperar:

"¿Para qué? ¿Por qué habría de necesitarlo? Cinco mil policías pueden investigarme. Nada tengo que ocultar. Se trata de un dolor de cabeza tras otro dolor de cabeza. Todo lo que deseo es estar solo. No molesto a nadie. Me divierto solo. Ya estoy muy viejo para andar jugando".

Luciano caminaba por el local en que estábamos con pasos cortos, presa de nerviosismo. Hablaba suavemente, pero denotando profunda amargura en su tono, y utilizando sus manos para ilustrar su disgusto con la situación.

"No puedo vivir en paz. Si hago algo, debo pagar por ello. No hago nada, ¿por qué he de tener problemas? Estoy tratando de vivir decente y tranquilamente, y ni eso puedo hacer", —dijo,— agregando: "Si no quieren que esté aquí, me iré. No deseo estar en ninguna parte donde no me quieran".

"Lucky" no fué explícito sobre su futuro destino. Informado sobre que Colombia y Venezuela no lo deseaban, dijo:

"Si he de tener problemas en otros lugares como aquí me voy al otro lado". (Europa).

Dijo Luciano que vino a Cuba vía Brasil y Venezuela, y que voló todo el camino desde Italia.

"Si he de tener problemas como éste, regresaré a Italia. Sólo deseo ser decente y tranquilo. No quiero que me empujen de un lado a otro como ahora, sin razón alguna. Todo parece indicar que el otro lado será más cómodo para mí. ¿Qué puedo hacer? No me es posible pelear con el departamento de policía".

Dije a "Lucky" que se estaba criticando al cantante Frank Sinatra en los Estados Unidos por supuesta intimidad con él durante sus vacaciones en Cuba.

"Lo conocí en Cuba" —respondió—. "Yo no lo conocía en Nueva York".

"¿Qué demonios ha de hacer uno?" —me preguntó Luciano. "Me están dando muy mala publicidad. No comprendo este maldito asunto".

Interrogué a Luciano sobre lo que hacía en Cuba, a lo cual respondió simplemente: "Divirtiéndome".

Le pregunté si había hecho "contacto con el otro lado", refiriéndome a los Estados Unidos.

"¿A qué contactos se refiere?" —dijo.

"A los rackets", repliqué.

"¿Bromea usted? Eso es todo "basura". He estado guardando todos estos años (en la cárcel). ¿Qué racket podría yo tener? Si pudiera establecer un negocito bueno y legal, lo haría".

otorgada a través de un Convenio Internacional, aprobada después en sesión especial y que la misma llega y se expende de acuerdo con los requisitos exigidos por todas las autoridades correspondientes".

"Aparte de la acción que en Cuba se efectúe, con respecto a la estancia del señor Luciano en nuestro territorio las autoridades sanitarias exigirán una rectificación de sus palabras al señor Anslinger, para no dejar en la opinión pública la impresión de que funcionarios del Ministerio de Salubridad y Asistencia Social, sean capaces de efectuar "distracciones" de drogas, como hace entrever en sus palabras que estimamos completamente fuera de lugar y muy desafortunadas y para ello, el Ministerio está estableciendo las correspondientes consultas que aclaren, por el señor Anslinger, sus manifestaciones".

BUSCAN A UNA MUJER

Después de su llegada a Cuba, "Lucky" Luciano, según se supo ayer extraoficialmente, emprendió distintos negocios y algunos de ellos estímase sospechosos por agentes policíacos, relacionándolos con el tráfico de drogas. Según los informes de la Policía, el ex pistolero visitó continuamente cabarets y centros de diversión, entrevistándose con algunos individuos que estímase actúan como "contactos" de expendedores de drogas.

Cumpliendo órdenes del Ministro de Gobernación, durante todo el día de ayer el Jefe de la Policía Secreta, ingeniero Benito Herrera Forra, continuó las pesquisas relacionadas con las actividades en Cuba de "Lucky" Luciano, sabiéndose que el mismo llevó a su residencia de Miramar, poco después de su llegada, a una joven extranjera. Créese que la mujer está relacionada con supuestas visitas del ex hampón a contrabandistas y tratan de localizarla.

DOS GUARDAESPALDAS

También se supo ayer que desde su llegada a Cuba, "Lucky" Luciano contrató a dos cubanos para que actuaran de guardaespaldas y que los mismos lo seguían a todas partes; se hallaban con él en el momento del arresto. Ninguno de ellos intervino, al saber que se trataba de una detención.

Uno de los guardaespaldas acompañó al ex pistolero al Ministerio de Gobernación y más tarde al Campamento de Tiscornia.

SOBRE LOS PASAPORTES

Por otra parte, despachos procedentes de Roma dieron cuenta ayer que los funcionarios del Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores y de las oficinas de Inmigración declaran que ignoraban que Luciano hubiera salido de Italia, añadiendo que estiman que los pasaportes utilizados son falsos.

Pero, en los mismos despachos, se agrega que las autoridades italianas, reconocen que no se adoptaron precauciones especiales para impedir su salida.

OTROS DETALLES

Entre otros detalles sin confirmar relacionados con las actividades policíacas, se afirmó ayer que "Lucky" Luciano —entre otros— estaba organizando varios negocios ilegales, como juego, apuestas, trata de blancas etc., habiendo invertido grandes cantidades de dinero [illegible] algún capital en [illegible] otros centros de diversión.

Comentando el asunto, un agente policíaco expresó: "Visitaba en plan de negocios todas las casas de dudosa moralidad de primera clasificación de La Habana".

QUIEN ES "LUCKY" LUCIANO

El individuo arrestado ayer por agentes de la Policía Secreta es natural de Nápoles y comenzó su carrera delictiva en la propia Italia, destacándose como jefe de una banda de delincuentes especializados en la trata de blancas y contrabando de narcóticos, siendo uno de los primeros en apelar a la violencia contra los integrantes de bandas rivales. En esas condiciones, se hizo enemigo acérrimo de otro célebre pistolero, Pedro Marrone, y emigró a la América, instalándose en New York.

Rápidamente, "Lucky" se convirtió en uno de los más destacados delincuentes. Organizó una banda y comenzó la explotación de mujeres, creando numerosos centros de diversiones ilícitos en los cuales uno de los poderosos "alicientes" era la entrega de drogas heroicas. Luego, continuó su carrera criminal —según los detalles suministrados por algunos investigadores— organizando juegos prohibidos y extorsionando a los comerciantes. En más de una ocasión, sus hombres sostuvieron fuego de ametralladoras con miembros de otras organizaciones rivales y los agentes policíacos que pretendían capturarlos.

¿AYUDO A LOS ALIADOS?

Debido a las continuas denuncias de la policía, acusándolo de actuar impunemente por sus grandes influencias "Lucky" Luciano fué arrestado por órdenes judiciales y sometido a juicio. Se le consideró culpable y lo condenaron a treinta años de prisión, de los cuales cumplió diez.

Al entrar los Estados Unidos en la guerra —se afirma— el ex pandillero fué utilizado por el Servicio de Inteligencia Naval para obtener informes en los bajos fondos sociales en previsión de sabotajes.

DEPORTADO A ITALIA

La libertad de "Lucky" Luciano, la otorgó el gobernador de New York, Thomas Dewey en forma condicional, deportándolo a Italia. En esa oportunidad, expresó: "Al entrar los Estados Unidos en la guerra los servicios de inteligencia militar han creído encontrar una ayuda en Luciano, considerando que éste podía inducir a otros a suministrar informes.

También se supo que una vez en Italia, Luciano trabó íntima amistad con otro gangster, a quien se conocía por el "Capone Argentino" y que murió de un síncope durante un bombardeo aliado. La hija del mencionado delincuente se encuentra cumpliendo sanción en una penitenciaría.

CARGAMENTO DE DROGAS

La relación de Luciano y los supuestos actuales contrabandos de drogas se conoció por primera vez al comentar distintos funcionarios de los Estados Unidos que el primer esfuerzo por introducir cargamentos de drogas en Norteamérica, coincidió con la llegada de Luciano a Cuba.

LA HOJA PENAL

Según consta en los archivos del Buró Federal de Investigaciones de los Estados Unidos, Luciano aparece dichado al número 6920 y fué arrestado por primera vez el 15 de diciembre de 1921 por el delito de portar arma sin licencia. Desde el año 1928 al 1940 cumplió más de doce condenas por asalto y robo a mano armada, estafa, tráfico de drogas y explotación de mujeres, habiendo sido internado en cárceles de los estados de Pennsylvania y Nueva York, en la prisión federal de Atlanta y otras.

(Vea más información sobre la suspensión del embarque drogas en primera plana, columna 7).

LA DETENCION DE "LUCKY" LUCIANO

Alegó ser un hombre respetable, al ser arrestado

En un restaurant, fué rodeado por los agentes... Llevado a Gobernación... Remitido a Tiscornia

Investigan sus actividades... Vino de Italia como turista

Dícese que trataba de organizar centros de vicio... Revocado su permiso de estancia... Sus andanzas

—"Ustedes están equivocados; yo soy un hombre respetable"—fueron las únicas palabras pronunciadas ayer en el momento de su arresto, por el célebre Charles "Lucky" Luciano, en un tiempo director de uno de los más peligrosos "gangs" que campeaban por el respeto de sus pistolas en los E. U., y ex-zar del tráfico de narcóticos, trata de blancas, y otros negocios ilegales fabulosos en aquel país, quien ayer mismo fué internado en el Campamento de Tiscornia, para su posible deportación a Italia. La detención del ex jefe de pistoleros, causó sensación ayer en los círculos policíacos y fué ampliamente tratada por los servicios informativos internacionales.

El arresto se llevó a cabo sin ninguna espectacularidad, sin la menor resistencia por parte de Luciano, y fué ordenado como consecuencia de la medida del Gobierno de los Estados Unidos, prohibiendo la exportación de productos narcóticos a Cuba, mientras Luciano permanezca en el país, relacionando su estancia en Cuba con numerosos contrabandos descubiertos en América. Agentes de la Policía Secreta lo localizaron en un restorán del Vedado, diciéndole que se diera preso. Contestó haciendo protestas de respetabilidad y agregando que estaba debidamente autorizado para permanecer en Cuba.

El Jefe de la Policía Secreta Nacional, ingeniero Benito Herrera Porra, recibió el jueves una orden del Ministro de Gobernación para que procediera al arresto del pandillero, cuyo permiso para permanecer en el territorio nacional había sido cancelado, iniciándose una investigación que se cree dará por resultado un expediente de expulsión.

La orden de arresto se produjo debido a la inquietud que produjo su estancia en Cuba. Se sospe[illegible] investigaciones [illegible] norteamericanos, al descubrir contrabandos de narcóticos que, —afírmase— iban a ser enviados a Cuba.

Después de la orden de referencia, el Jefe de la Policía Secreta fué citado por el Ministro de Gobernación, doctor Alfredo Pequeño, quien lo condujo al Palacio Presidencial, sosteniendo una entrevista con el Presidente de la República. A su salida del despacho del Ejecutivo, el funcionario policíaco se dirigió a sus oficinas. Instantes más tarde, salió al frente de varios agentes, realizando numerosos registros en distintos lugares de la Habana.

LA DETENCION

Siguiendo diversas pistas, los detectives supieron que "Lucky" Luciano residía en una casa del Reparto Almendares, en unión de dos guardaespaldas y frecuentaba distintos clubs y espectáculos, especialmente las carreras de caballos. El viernes no acudió a ninguno de esos lugares y ayer, a las diez y media de la mañana, se tuvo noticias de que el ex-zar de las drogas en los Estados Unidos se hallaba desayunando en el café establecido en Calzada y C, en el Vedado. En el acto los agentes partieron hacia el lugar, donde se distribuyeron en distintos lugares, cerrando todas las salidas...

Cuando algunos parroquianos comenzaban a extrañarse de las medidas adoptadas, el Jefe de la Policía Secreta se acercó al requisitoriado, diciéndole: "Lucky" Luciano, queda usted arrestado".

El ex pistolero trató de convencer al funcionario de que se trataba de un error. Una respuesta tajante lo hizo desistir, decidiéndose a acompañar a los policías. En ese momento —afírmase— no dió la menor muestra de intranquilidad.

EN GOBERNACION

Minutos después del arresto, el detenido fué conducido al Ministerio de Gobernación. La presencia del Jefe de la Policía Secreta, acompañado de varios agentes y de un individuo elegantemente vestido, alto, trigueño, de aspecto enfermizo, causó sorpresa. En seguida se conoció quién era el detenido y la presencia del famoso ex pistolero produjo la natural curiosidad.

"Lucky" Luciano, sonriendo ligeramente, vestido con elegancia, sin llevar una sola joya, detalle por el que siempre se distinguió de los demás gangsters famosos, penetró en el despacho del Ministro de Gobernación, donde fué interrogado por el doctor Alfredo Pequeño, a quien —según se supo— pidió le informara el motivo de su arresto. En ese aspecto fué complacido. Se le dijo que había móviles poderosos que hacían pensar en actividades ilícitas en Cuba y posibles contrabandos de drogas, determinándose cancelar su permiso como turista, que era válido hasta el día 29 de septiembre.

Solamente unos minutos duró el interrogatorio del detenido. Luego lo sacaron para llevarlo al Campamento de Tiscornia. En ese momento, varios reporters gráficos le hicieron fotografías; sus facciones se contrajeron e hizo ligero movimiento de desagrado. Pero acto seguido, sonrió ampliamente y no trató de ocultarse...

Según se informó en el Ministerio de Gobernación, quien dictó la orden de arresto se dictó por estimar las autoridades cubanas que los funcionarios americanos encargados de la vigilancia del tráfico ilícito de narcóticos, determinaron clausurar todos los envíos por la presencia en el país del famoso ex pistolero.

La prohibición americana se ampara en la cláusula 15 del vigente convenio de Ginebra, relacionado con la organización para el control de drogas.

Se explicó —de modo extraoficial— que el internamiento de Luciano en Tiscornia, a disposición del Ministro de Gobernación, se ajusta a las investigaciones ordenadas sobre sus actividades en Cuba.

También se dijo que el arresto de "Lucky" Luciano, seguramente, daría lugar a la rectificación de las medidas restrictivas sobre los embarques de drogas dispuestas por los E. U.

SU LLEGADA A CUBA

De acuerdo con las noticias captadas, el ex pistolero italiano que actuó en los Estados Unidos, visó su pasaporte en Roma ante el Cónsul cubano con el nombre de Salvatore Lucania llegando a nuestro país por la vía aérea el día 29 de octubre último, desembarcando como turista en el aeropuerto de Camagüey y logrando permiso de los funcionarios de Inmigración para permanecer hasta el día 29 del mes próximo. Su pasaporte, también se encontraba visado para dirigirse a Venezuela, Colombia y Bolivia, adonde seguramente pensaba ir al vencerse el término de su estancia en Cuba.

Antes del arresto —según se supo en Gobernación— el Ministro del ramo dispuso revocar la autorización concedida dictando una resolución al respecto. En la misma no se dispone abrir expediente de expulsión, sino la práctica de investigaciones, del resultado de las cuales puede surgir aquel, determinándose su reembarque a Italia.

SE NEGO A HABLAR

A pesar de sus palabras —en pésimo español— en el momento de su arresto, a su salida del despacho del Ministro, al ser interrogado "Lucky" Luciano dijo a los periodistas, en inglés, que "no sabía hablar una sola palabra en nuestro idioma".

Con motivo de la remisión del detenido a Tiscornia y comentando el asunto, el Ministro de Gobernación, doctor Alfredo Pequeño, expuso que el departamento de referencia debía estar bajo el dominio directo del Ministerio de Interior y nunca adscripto al de Hacienda, y que en ese sentido haría la solicitud próximamente a Presidente de la República.

EL PROBLEMA DE LAS DROGAS

Debido —según se informó— a la respuesta enérgica del Ministro de Salubridad, doctor José R. Andreu, a las declaraciones de Mr. Harry L. Aslinger, comisionado de Narcóticos de los Estados Unidos, asegurando que no se enviarán drogas heroicas a Cuba mientras permanezca en territorio [illegible] el "rey de las drogas" en los círculos de la delincuenc internacional, el asesor de la Embajada de los Estados Unid Mr. James Bennet, visitó ayer Ministerio, celebrando una lar entrevista con el director, doct Pedro Nogueira.

Según se dijo, el doctor Nogu ra expuso al funcionario nor americano la desagradable impr sión producida por las declarac nes del señor Aslinger y la enér ca protesta del Ministerio, así co la necesidad imperiosa de una r tificación, que demanda la opin pública cubana, y una aclarac de la drástica medida recomen da por dicho funcionario —agregó el director de Salu dad— va en contra de toda j cia y humanidad, pues solar ha de dañar a necesitados fermos, sólo, aparente, por la tancia de determinada persona nuestra República.

DECLARACIONES DEL DR. NOGUEIRA

Después de la entrevista rida y de departir con el M tro doctor José R. Andreu, doctor Nogueira hizo las siguie declaraciones:

"Hemos conocido por la pre extranjera las manifestaciones señor Harry L. Anslinger, Co sionado de Narcóticos de Wash ton y sobre ellas estimamos, las mismas son consideradas el Departamento en el sentid que el señor Anslinger no fundamentos legales para pensar, por un momento, qu droga legal que a Cuba pueda correr, como él dice, "r de distracción". Ello permite poner, que este Ministerio capaz de permitir dicha "dis ción", y, por lo tanto, una sación directa a los función sanitarios".

"Entendemos —agregó— q cho señor no ha pesado la i tancia de su declaración, aun, cuando repetidas ve mos puesto nuestro Depar de Control de Drogas a l sición de todas las investi que ese Bureau de Washin querido hacer, obteniendo s te de dichas investigacione licitación de sus funciona extremo de que las autorida ellos enviadas y aun declara del propio señor Anslinger reconocido como uno de los en que mejor funcionamie te a este respecto al de

"Entendemos, que la per cia del señor Luciano, s cual se establece o se p establecer la restricción de ticos a Cuba, es una medi consideramos completamente traria e ilegal, nada tien ver con el funcionamiento tra dependencia".

"Creemos que la medi ser de tipo coercitivo, pa salir de nuestro territorio señor Luciano; pero pa biera sido conveniente reau de Narcóticos de hubiera comunicado vidad por las vías le Ministerio, cuáles po medidas tomadas a pues por primera mos en el mundo u este tipo, cuando

Los funcionarios oficiales de aquí conceden mucha importancia a las informaciones procedentes de La Habana en el sentido de que Luciano había obtenido la visa de su pasaporte a través de un acaudalado cubano, que goza influencia política.

NIEGASE QUE VICENTE SINATRA TRATARA A LUCIANO

NUEVA YORK, febrero 22. — (United). — El representante local del cantante Frank Sinatra dió a la publicidad unas declaraciones desmintiendo las informaciones periodísticas en el sentido de que hubiese confraternizado con "Lucky" Luciano durante su visita a La Habana.

Agregó ese vocero, que Luciano fué llevado hasta la mesa de Sinatra en un nightclub de La Habana, para una presentación momentánea, a la cual el cantante respondió casi automáticamente.

ESTUDIAN EL PROBLEMA EN VENEZUELA

CARACAS, febrero 22. (United). — Las autoridades venezolanas están estudiando las informaciones sobre la posibilidad de que el pandillero Charles "Lucky" Luciano, en proceso de deportación de Cuba, trate de entrar en Venezuela.

Extraoficialmente se adelantó que no se permitirá la entrada de Luciano en el país.

REHUSA HABLAR EL EMBAJADOR CUBANO

WASHINGTON, febrero 22. (United).—El Embajador cubano doctor Guillermo Belt se negó a revelar si el gobierno de Cuba está contemplando el presentar una protesta formal ante los Estados Unidos, por la suspensión de las exportaciones de ese país de narcóticos legales.

Sin embargo, los centros diplomáticos creen que la protesta puede producirse.

Señalaron que Cuba es una nación amiga, y, de acuerdo con las informaciones de La Habana, Luciano entró en ese país bajo el nombre de Salvatore Lucania, ocultando por consiguiente su verdadera identidad a las autoridades cubanas.

Belt dijo que estimaba que no constituía falta alguna por parte del gobierno de Cuba, el que Luciano se encontrara actualmente en La Habana.

Indicó que había discutido el "asunto Luciano" en una conversación telefónica con el gobierno, pero se negó a revelar si se había llegado a una decisión.

SE DICE QUE PROTESTARA

SHINGTON, febrero 22. (S). — Un funcionario diplomático reveló el sábado que Cuba protestaría contra el movimiento de los Estados Unidos prohibiendo los embarques de narcóticos a dicha República, mientras el ex raquetero neoyorquino "Lucky" Luciano, permanezca en dicha isla. Informase que la nota cubana será presentada ante el gobierno de los Estados Unidos, la semana próxima, probablemente el martes. Señálase que la prohibición era innecesaria toda vez que la cuestión podía haber sido resuelta por consulta entre Cuba y los Estados Unidos.

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NUEVA YORK, febrero 22. (INS).—Charles Lucky Luciano, está hoy de malas habiendo sido detenido por la policía secreta cubana e internado en el campo de inmigración de Tiscornia, mientras se hace una investigación de su llegada a la Habana.

La decisión de las autoridades cubanas fué tomada a raíz de haber prohibido los Estados Unidos todos los embarques de drogas heroicas a Cuba, a fin de impedir que éstas cayesen en las manos de traficantes y narcóticos quienes se cree que están dirigidos por Luciano.

Luciano, rey del vicio, de la trata de blancas y de los narcóticos en Nueva York, llegó a la Habana procedente de Italia, habiendo entrado en Cuba por la vía aérea por la ciudad de Camagüey.

Se sabe que Luciano depositó en Cuba una fianza de 500 dólares como garantía de su pasaje para salir del país. Luciano, al parecer, entró legalmente en Cuba, a pesar que los despachos de Roma dicen que es falsa la visación de su pasaporte.

La presencia de Luciano en la Habana, donde frecuentaba hipódromos y casinos de juego, llevó a que los Estados Unidos prohibiesen todos los embarques de drogas a Cuba. La policía cubana pasó en seguida a seguirle la pista, siendo evidente que el ministerio de Salubridad Pública de esa Antilla se sintió perturbado por la medida norteamericana, pues es baja en la nación la existencia de narcóticos para fines medicinales.

Mientras tanto, en Nueva York, las vagas informaciones que de han sido calificadas de un mito cían que "Luciano el afortunado" había ayudado al ejército norteamericano en la invasión de Italia.

Luc[illegible] algún tiempo en Sing Sing con[illegible]do como traficante en blanc[illegible] durante meses han corrido su[illegible]es de que se le permitió salir en libertad después de haber servido sólo parte de la sentencia, porque poseía "informaciones valiosas".

Ahora se cree que su libertad de esa prisión y su deportación eran parte de una campaña organizada para hacer aparecer al pistolero como un héroe de la guerra.

Se estima que esa campaña estuvo financiada por el hampa la cual comenzó haciendo insinuaciones de que Luciano había prestado una "ayuda misteriosa" a la invasión de Italia desde su celda en Sing Sing.

Esa campaña alcanzó su culminación en las recientes informaciones diciendo que el amo de los bajos fondos sería recomendado para recibir la medalla de honor del Congreso, la más alta condecoración que otorgan los Estados Unidos, una investigación de los hechos en Albany, capital del Estado de N. York y Washington, revela: Primero, el Ejército, la Armada y el mayor general William J. Donovan, que fué jefe de la Oficina de Servicios Estratégicos, afirman que nada abona la idea de que Luciano haya hecho algo en bien de la campaña militar durante la guerra. Segundo, Paul Lockwood, secretario del gobernador de Nueva York, Thomas Dewey, declaró que los servicios que se dice que Luciano habría prestado durante la guerra nada tuvieron que ver con la libertad que se le otorgó después de haber cumplido nueve años y medio de una condena de treinta a cincuenta años. Tercero, Lockwood declaró que Luciano había sido puesto en libertad a recomendación de la Junta de Perdones, de acuerdo con la política estatal de deportar a los reclusos extranjeros que han cumplido "una parte substancial de sus condenas". Cuarto: Reveló que los documentos presentados a la Junta de Perdones en apoyo de Luciano había sido una declaración jurada de un ex comandante de la armada norteamericana.

Se están haciendo investigaciones a fin de determinar si ese oficial presentó el documento en cumplimiento de instrucciones de la Armada. Quinto, Lockwood señaló que el gobernador Dewey procedió guiado únicamente por las recomendaciones de la Junta de Perdones, al igual que en otros casos similares.

LA SUSPENSION DE EMBARQUES DE DROGAS

Será anulada cuando salga de Cuba 'Lucky' Luciano

Hubo casos análogos antes... Afírmase en Washington que las autoridades cubanas no actuaron con eficacia

Esperan que el Gobierno cubano haga una protesta

Se dice que la visa del pasaporte la logró mediante un alto personaje cubano... Belt no quiso hablar

Por H. W. SHARPE
(Corresponsal de la United Press)

WASHINGTON, 22 de febrero. (United).—Harry Anslinger, jefe del Bureau de Narcóticos de los Estados Unidos, declaró que la suspensión del envío de esos productos a Cuba será cancelada tan pronto como Charles "Lucky" Luciano salga de dicho país.

Anslinger dijo que el arresto de Luciano por las autoridades cubanas y los planes de las mismas para deportarlo, en nada afectan a la suspensión de los embarques de narcóticos legales a Cuba.

Declaró que la suspensión será dejada sin efecto tan pronto como Luciano salga de Cuba, y el Bureau de Narcóticos esté convencido de que no existe la menor posibilidad de que las drogas que envía los Estados Unidos vuelvan al país por conductos ilegales.

Interrogado sobre si se impondría una suspensión similar contra otros países latinoamericanos como Colombia, Venezuela, Costa Rica y Bolivia, para los cuales se tiene entendido que Luciano poseía visas, y a los cuales quizás se dirija al salir de Cuba, Anslinger declaró que de existir la menor posibilidad de que las drogas enviadas a dichos países puedan ser devueltas a los Estados Unidos para fines ilegales, se procederá en igual forma que con Cuba.

Anslinger explicó que la firme actitud adoptada con respecto a Cuba obedece a que en el pasado, las autoridades cubanas no tomaron decisión alguna en casos similares. Manifestó que "hace cerca de un año", dos hermanos de apellido Antanori, ex miembros de la pandilla de Luciano, hacían viajes frecuentes desde Tampa a Cuba, donde obtenían las drogas enviadas por los Estados Unidos, y luego regresaban en avión con las mismas, que llevaban a Chicago, San Luis y otros centros del Oeste para el mercado ilegal de drogas.

El padre de esos elementos actuaba de corredor, y en una ocasión, obtuvo algunas drogas que no eran buenas. La pandilla de Chicago protestó, y el padre de los Antanori fué a Cuba para tratar de recobrar el dinero. Al fracasar en sus gestiones, la pandilla de Chicago lo mató.

Varios miembros de la pandilla fueron juzgados y condenados, y cuando uno de los principales testigos se dirigía a Chicago, uno del "gang" le voló la cabeza de un disparo con una escopeta recortada.

"Dijimos a los cubanos exactamente quiénes eran los responsables en aquel país, pero no se realizó ningún arresto. Esta vez decidimos actuar por nuestra cuenta primero", manifestó Anslinger.

Dijo que si Luciano va a cualquier país latinoamericano, "examinaremos el asunto cuidadosamente, y a menos que estemos convencidos de que no existe la menor posibilidad de que las drogas sean reintroducidas ilegalmente, este país impondrá la suspensión de las exportaciones".

Es sabido que antes del arresto de Luciano en Cuba, funcionarios del Servicio de Inmigración en todos los puertos de entrada, y especialmente los destacados a lo largo de la frontera mexicana, habían recibido órdenes de mantenerse alertas, contra un posible intento de "Lucky" por regresar ilegalmente a los Estados Unidos.

CAUSO PLACER EL ARRESTO, DICE MR. GARLAND WILLIAMS

NUEVA YORK, febrero 22 (United).— El Coronel Garland Williams, jefe de la oficina neoyorquina del Buró de Narcóticos, declaró que el arresto de "Lucky" Luciano y su proyectada deportación de Cuba había "causado un gran placer aquí", rehusó decir si serían reanudados los envíos de drogas de los Estados Unidos hacia dicho país.

Dijo que la acción de las autoridades cubanas estaba "de acuerdo con los mejores intereses de este país y totalmente apropiada."

Mientras tanto, se ha sabido que toda la ayuda prestada por el gangster de 59 años al esfuerzo bélico de los Estados Unidos fué cooperar con los agentes del Servicio de Inteligencia Naval en la movilización del bajo mundo contra posibles tentativas de los saboteadores del Eje, así como para evitar el reabastecimiento de los submarinos nazis de largo alcance.

Cuando Luciano fué deportado de Nueva York corrieron fantásticas historias sobre la forma misteriosa en que ayudó a preparar la invasión de Sicilia.

Pero el ex Teniente Coronel Murray Gurfein, quien estuvo a cargo de la División de Guerra Psicológica del Supremo Cuartel Aliado, declaró en relación con el caso:

"No tengo conocimiento de ninguna ayuda prestada por Luciano en la preparación de la campaña de Sicilia, pero sí sé que se le pidió que utilizara sus contactos con los jefes del bajo mundo en las ciudades portuarias de los Estados Unidos. Fué una idea del Servicio de Inteligencia Naval, que nos habló del peligro que atravesaban los buques norteamericanos y las instalaciones portuarias, recordando la explosión del buque "Black Tom" en la bahía de Nueva York, durante la Primera Guerra Mundial.

"Los agentes del Servicio de Inteligencia Naval creían que los espías nazis podrían establecer contactos con el bajo mundo norteamericano, y querían hablar con los jefes de éste para establecer una red de contraespionaje entre los criminales. Sugerimos que, probablemente, fuera más efectivo hablar con los abogados que manejan los asuntos de esos líderes del hampa y dejar que transmitieran la proposición.

"El nombre de Luciano surgió durante la discusión del asunto y se arregló que un agente naval lo visitara en la cárcel de Dannemora, donde estaba cumpliendo una larga condena por trata de blancas. No existían dudas sobre que Luciano ejercía una peculiar influencia en el bajo mundo y tengo entendido que rindió algunos beneficios creando tal sistema de contraespionaje dentro del hampa."

Gurfein dijo que por lo que sabía, Luciano nunca dejó la prisión, sino que informaba a los investigadores que acudían a verle.

REPRESENTACIONES AL GOBIERNO DE CUBA

Por su parte el coronel Williams dijo que el departamento de Estado había formulado representaciones ante el gobierno de Cuba para la deportación de Luciano, antes de anunciarse que serían suspendidos los embarques de narcóticos legales mientras se permitiera al gangster continuar allí.

Reveló que los agentes del Bureau de Narcóticos habían estado observando las actividades de Luciano en Cuba desde poco después de su llegada a la isla, el pasado mes de octubre, y que comenzaron a notar la "distracción" de narcóticos hacia canales ilegales.

Williams manifestó que los agentes no iniciaron una acción directa contra Luciano porque deseaban reunir datos, con la esperanza de apresar a toda la banda.

LA DETENCION DE "CHO" LUCIANO

Nuevo hábeas corpus... Admitido por la Audiencia

Señalan la vista para mañana. "Lo que deseo es salir de Cuba pronto", declaró... Vigilado estrechamente

Niega que esté complicado en el "racket" del azúcar

Visto en Cuba el hermano de Al Capone... Se reunían en un bar habanero 8 americanos... Socios de Luciano

Un nuevo recurso de hábeas corpus a favor del siciliano Salvatore Lucania, llamado también Charles Lucian o "Lucky" Luciano, que se encuentra internado en el Campamento de Tiscornia y cuya expulsión fué dispuesta por el Presidente de la República, fué admitido ayer por la Sala Quinta de la Audiencia de la Habana, que señaló la vista del mismo para mañana lunes a las 8 a. m., con el fin de resolver la cuestión planteada.

Se dijo que el recurso de referencia fué impugnado a su presentación por el Fiscal, sobre el fundamento de que el Tribunal Supremo declaró sin lugar otro recurso de la misma naturaleza, a favor del mismo individuo y basado en los mismos hechos.

El recurso de hábeas corpus interpuesto por el doctor Alfonso González, del cuerpo jurídico del Partido Socialista Popular, lo ha sido contra resolución verbal del Ministro de Gobernación, doctor Alfredo Pequeño, en virtud de la cual se dispuso que el extranjero Luciano fuera recluído en el campamento de inmigrantes de Tiscornia e incomunicado en dicho lugar.

En su escrito da a entender el letrado que actúa sin mandato expreso del detenido, ya que no le fué posible ponerse en contacto con éste, en el lugar donde se encuentra, por impedirlo las autoridades del campamento, las que le manifestaron —dijo— que ni con una orden del Presidente de la República se le permitiría hacerlo.

...presarios... ganizaci... ...olaboración... ...cia y reco... ...labor de alto inte... ...que vienen realizando.

El nuevo organismo en cuestión, está integrado en la forma siguiente: Presidente: José Luis Martínez Rodríguez, (estudiante); director: José Calmerón, (técnico agrícola); secretario de correspondencia: doctor Jorge Vázquez López, (médico); secretario de actas: doctor Orlando Acosta Ayala, (abogado); vocales Margarita Alvarez Rivera, (estudiante); Roberto Alfonso (del sector obrero); y Clemente Hernández Vega, (del sector campesino).

...o que el tribunal dictó una providencia notificando al doctor González que se tramitará el recurso si insta en el mismo.

A este respecto se dijo que el letrado de referencia desistió de prestar juramento en la sala cuarta, por haberlo hecho ya ante la sala quinta, en el otro recurso presentado.

SERA CONSIGNADO A GENOVA

En el ministerio de Gobernación se informó ayer que el barco de bandera turca "Bakir", en el que dijo que será embarcado "Lucky" Luciano, llegará a La Habana próximamente, con un cargamento de avena para el Ejército de Cuba, y que de esta capital se dirigirá al puerto italiano de Génova, vía Islas Canarias.

Por este motivo —se dijo— se pedirá al capitán de la nave que no permita el desembarco de Luciano en el lug— de escala, ya que el mismo va consignado a Italia. Igualmente se supo que está siendo estudiado el envío de varios agentes policíacos cubanos que darán custodia a Luciano hasta el término del viaje.

ENTREVISTA CON LUCIANO

"Lo que deseo es salir de Cuba prontamente", dijo ayer "Lucky" Luciano, cuando lo interrogó extensamente un repórter de INFORMACION y agregó: "Antes podía visitar tranquilamente cualquier país; podía irme a Brasil, Venezuela, Colombia y nadie seguramente me reconocería. Ahora, donde quiera que vaya dirán: ¡Ese es Mr. Luciano... Ese es Mr. Luciano!". Y volviéndose a nuestro compañero le dijo: "¿Usted puede hacerme salir de Cuba, pronto? Por favor, sáqueme en avión"...

Luciano estaba sin afeitar y vestía una combinación de pantalón y camisa azul; en su muñeca un reloj de oro. Ni una sola prenda más. Estaba serio y preocupado. Sólo rió cuando nuestro reporter le preguntó si había leído las noticias del día. Ante la respuesta negativa y la pregunta inquisitiva de Lucky, indagando por qué, le informamos que se acusaba en los Estados Unidos de estar en tratos con Ralph Capone, hermano del famoso "Cara Cortada", en el fabuloso negocio de la "Bolsa Negra" del azúcar y dijo:

VIGILADO ESTRECHAMENTE

Un sargento de la Policía Nacional y tres agentes custodian de noche a Charles "Lucky" Luciano, tienen órdenes de no dejarlo, sólo un momento. Está bien entendido y nada le falta, más que libertad. Puede ir, dentro del campamento, a donde se le antoje, pero custodiado. Se le ha prohibido recibir visitas y hasta los agentes de la Policía Judicial o de Policía Nacional que quieran interrogarlo, tienen que identificarse primero y traer la orden de investigación o si no, no pueden verlo. La orden es terminante.

LE GESTIONAN LA VISA DEL BRASIL

La persona que nos acompaña le dice que se está gestionando la visa de su pasaporte para el Brasil.

Lucky, responde: "Miguelito tiene mi pasaporte. (Este señor es Miguel García, que ha estado cerca de Luciano, desde que llegó a Cuba), y trata de arreglarme la visa.

Después le informan que el "Bakir", el barco, donde será deportado, no estará en Cuba hasta el día 7 o 9, ya que está actualmente en Filadelfia, cargando. Lucky insiste en que le permitan marcharse en avión. Afirma que quiere irse de Cuba y que desea estar en Italia. Puso un marcado interés en lo del avión. Nada más quiere decir.

Créese que Luciano intentará quedarse en cualquiera de los países donde haga escala el avión, si se escoge esta vía para deportarlo.

VIERON EN CUBA AL HERMANO DE CAPONE

CHICAGO, marzo 1. (United) En un círculo del gobierno federal se reveló que agentes secretos gubernamentales están siguiendo las actividades del hermano mayor del difunto "Cara Cortada", Al Capone, con el fin de determinar si él encabeza la multimillonaria bolsa negra del azúcar en los Estados Unidos.

La propia fuente reveló que agentes federales siguen los pasos del ex-convicto Ralph "Bottles" Capone y de sus secuaces desde hace varios meses, en un esfuerzo por obtener pruebas concluyentes contra ellos.

Se señala que según informes de La Habana, Ralph Capone fué recientemente visto en Cuba en compañía de Charles "Lucky" Luciano, ex-zar del contrabando de narcóticos, que en breve será deportado de ese país. Hasta ahora no hay indicación de que las actividades del "sindicato" del azúcar se extiendan a Cuba.

Cuarentitrés personas, la mayor parte acusada sólo de desempeñar papeles secundarios en la bolsa negra del azúcar, fueron procesadas aquí esta semana. Gran número de agentes federales lleva a cabo una investigación que comprende todos los Estados Unidos. En breve se cree que serán procesadas otras personas.

DIRIGE EL "RACKET" DE AZUCAR

Un interesante dijo a la United Press que "todos los indicios hacen pensar que Ralph Capone es el líder de este "racket" de azúcar, y esperamos obtener pruebas contra él para mostrarlo. No gustaría atraparlo".

Ralph Capone, que ya pasó de los 50 años de edad, fué uno de los miembros del famoso sindicato del crimen que dirigió su hermano Al "Cara Cortada" Capone entre 1930. Se dice que Ralph Capone está percibiendo utilidades del funcionamiento de ese sindicato.

Según informaciones procedentes de Nueva York, despachos telegráficos privados de La Habana habían comentado la visita de los hermanos Capone a la capital de Cuba, donde había sido visto en numerosas ocasiones en compañía de Luciano.

A Capone se le conocía en La Habana como "Doc" o "Bottles", lo cual condujo a los investigadores en dicha capital a identificarlo provisionalmente como "Doc Bottles".

Sin embargo, cuando se confirmó que Capone había visitado a Luciano, los investigadores creyeron establecer que "Doc Bottles" no era otro que Ralph Capone.

Se tiene entendido en Nueva York que "Doc Bottles", o Capone es uno de los siete ciudadanos norteamericanos que en La Habana se hallan sujetos a investigación por asociarse a Luciano.

Fuentes privadas indican que existe la posibilidad de que la conexión de algunas de estas personas con Luciano fuera enteramente accidental o social, pero los hechos bien ponen de relieve el hecho de que tres, por lo menos, son personas conocidas en el bajo mundo.

El lugar de reunión favorito mencionado grupo era el bar del conocido hotel habanero.

El grupo, según se ha informado, incluía no menos de dos jefes.

Aunque los nombres de los norteamericanos que se sabe en La Habana que han estado asociados con Luciano, obran en poder de las autoridades, éstos no han sido facilitados para su publicación debido a razones obvias.

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No Pertenece el Doctor Alfonso González al Buró Jurídico del PSP

En relación con las informaciones publicadas en algún periódico de esta Capital, aseverando que el doctor Alfonso González, que presentó recursos judiciales en favor del gangster nombrado Lucky Luciano, es miembro del Buró Jurídico del Partido Socialista Popular, interrogamos al Presidente del Comité Provincial de la Habana, Manuel Luzardo, quien desmintió al instante tales versiones confusionistas.

Refiriéndose a las mencionadas informaciones erróneas nos declaró el dirigente Luzardo lo siguiente:

"En un periódico de esta Capital se publicó el pasado domingo una información, en relación con un recurso de "Habeas Corpus" presentado por el doctor Alfonso González en favor del gangster Lucky Luciano, en el que se dice que el mencionado abogado pertenece al Buró Jurídico del Partido Socialista Popular."

"Queremos aclarar ante la opinión pública que el doctor González, aunque es afiliado de nuestro Partido, no pertenece al Buró Jurídico ni a ningún organismo de dirección del mismo, ni sus actividades profesionales tienen nada que ver con nuestras líneas o puntos de vista."

Por el Comité Provincial de la Habana del PSP, Manel Luzardo, Presidente.

TAMPOCO DE LA C.T.C.

Interrogados en el mismo sentido los dirigentes del Buró Jurídico de la Confederación de Trabajadores de Cuba, manifestaron que el referido abogado doctor Alfonso González, tampoco pertenece a dicho organismo.

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"LUCKY" READY FOR EXPULSION TO HOMELAND

President Grau Clears Way For Luciano's Exit

By HENRY WALLACE

Final legal barriers for expulsion of Charles "Lucky" Luciano were swept away by President Grau San Martin yesterday in a hurry-up move to get the ex-New York vice overlord out of Cuba.

The President's quick action left to be decided only the means of transportation and the route it will take to Luciano's Italian homeland.

In order to assure that Lucky will not be able to reenter this country, his offer to leave on his own accord was turned down. Also, forceful expulsion excludes the possibility that he might exercise his visaes for entry into Colombia or Venezuela.

Thus the sensational "Luciano case" was virtually wound up as far as expulsion technicalities were concerned, but the repercussions of his four-month stay in Cuba lingered on....

In Havana police reportedly were keeping an eye on eight Americans possibly connected with the one-time racketeer's presence here, and in Washington Cuban Ambassador Guillermo Belt administered an indirect spanking to United States Narcotics Commissioner Harry J. Anslinger for his reported announcement that drug shipments to Cuba would be cut off as long as Luciano remained in Cuba.

Said Belt: "I have informed the U. S. government that Cuba considers the ban ordered by Narcotics Commissioner Harry J. Anslinger thoroughly unjustified....

"I want to make it clear that Luciano's arrest in Havana by the Cuban government was not prompted by the reported order prohibiting drug shipments to my country. As a matter of fact, my government has not received any notice about this order.

"The arrest of Luciano was in accordance with the policy laid down by President Grau San Martin. It is the policy of my government not to grant residence rights in Cuba to any ex-convict from another country. In this case, Luciano was not entitled to residence, not only because he was an ex-convict but also because he had not served the full sentence given him in the U. S.

"The Cuban government did not know in an official way that 'Lucky' was in Havana. There were rumors that he was there, but the Cuban government was not aware of his presence in the country, since he came with the name of 'Salvator Luciana'. This whole affair is unfortunate since the impression has been given that our government was threatened to do something about Luciano."

The Ambassador added he considers the "Luciano affair" completely settled.

From New York came additional comment on the "he did, he didn't" question of Lucky's aid to the Allies in the war, and even greater mystery than the little Italian's entry into and activities in Cuba. Charles R. Haffenden, former lieutenant commander assigned to naval intelligence, said Lucky, through his underworld connections aided the Navy in obtaining pre-invasion information about Sicily. This opinion came after several conflicting reports from politicians and other on Lucky's war role.

Also injected into the case was a report that a U. S. narcotics bureau official had come to Cuba especially to see Minister of Health Jose Andreu and explain the motives behind the drug ban. Minister Andreu said his department had not been officially informed of the ban, and added that it had not affected shipments.

And finally from the sunny land where Charles Luciano was born some 50 years ago, came a report that Italian government officials would meet "Lucky" at the airport for further investigation of just how he managed to get out of Ita-

Luck Out Again

One-Time New York Gang Leader Picked Up by Cuba Police For Deportation

By HENRY WALLACE

A wiry little Italian whose whispered name once sent tremors through New York's vice-ridden underworld late yesterday was committed to Tiscornia, Cuba's Ellis Island high on a bluff across the bay overlooking Havana harbor.

For Charles "Lucky" Luciano, known to fellow gangsters of the Roaring Twenties as a guy who was always "right", had been wrong in picking Cuba for a postwar haven.

It was the second time the canny Naples-born immigrant had overplayed his luck. A decade ago, while czar of rackets ranging from handbooks to white slavery, Lucky ran afoul of a then upstart gangbuster, Thomas E. Dewey, who cut short the gangster's roughshod race through Manhattan underworld to send him up the river for from 30 to 50 years. Lucky had become too bold, too sure of himself, too confident that fear would seal the mouths of those upon whom his rackets fed. But one by one the small fry, under grilling by Dewey's staff, began to squeal, and Luciano's nickname became a mockery.

Ten years behind bars and Lucky was out, pardoned on the condition to return to Italy and never enter the United States again. Back in his native land his activities were lost in a maze of story and legend. Popular belief is that he aided the Allied in devious ways and won the unofficial condemnation of the Allied armed forces. But with the war over and prostrate Italy holding little for a man who had lived in the resplendent wealth of Manhattan, Lucky once more left his native land, first for South America, then Cuba.

Landing in Camaguey last October, Lucky came to Havana, his winter playground in his "lucky" days. Well-padded with money, Luciano lived at the best hotels for a while, then took a comfortably furnished house in Miramar. His servants and friends [illegible] Mr. Charles [illegible] noticed an [illegible]

But as time passed Lucky became bolder. He began frequenting the races, night clubs, cabarets. A local magazine took note of his presence, published a story about him. Lucky's pals bought up all copies to squelch the news, but the magazine ran off another batch for its newsstand customers. Then a New York columnist spotted Lucky nightclubbing with Ralph Capone, brother of the late Al Capone of Chicago gangland notoriety, and Frank Sinatra, the bobby-soxers' favorite singer, and the cat was out of the bag.

With publication of the news in the United States, narcotics agents set up a hue and cry that drugs could not be shipped to Cuba as long as Lucky remained at large, for Lucky had been known in his heyday as a manipulator of the illicit dope trade.

Thus Lucky's name once again made sensational headlines and his status raised an international issue. Cuban police were put on his trail and the press sought him out.

Contacted by a reporter of the Havana Post, Lucky, informed that he was back in the news spotlight, remarked: "This is terrible. I came here to live quietly and now all this blows up in my face." A couple of hours later he was picked up by police as he sipped coffee in a Vedado cafe.

After a brief investigation through which police found Lucky had entered the country on a six-months tourist permit and had visas for Colombia and Venezuela, he was transferred to the alien holdover, his case to be settled by the immigration department.

But with Lucky facing exit from the country by his own will or deportation against it, the international headache his presence had created lingered on. The Cuban government was reported planning a protest to the United States for the sudden order to shut off drug shipments, and the health department was offended by the institution in the stoppage order that Luciano, or anyone else, could use illegally the drugs that entered Cuba for medical purposes.

Rumors that Lucky's entry into the United S[illegible] ently were without federal agents mile away was see[illegible]

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HABANA, CUBA

June 17, 1947

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Director, FBI

Re: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
Cuba - FOREIGN MISCELLANEOUS - X

Dear Sir:

Reference is the report of Special Agent LEO J. FOX, entitled CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, with aliases, FOREIGN MISCELLANEOUS, dated March 22, 1947 at Habana, Cuba, in which a lead was set out for the Habana Office to maintain contact with [redacted] (U)

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The names of the various gamblers are set out in reference report and the interest in them was due to the belief that these men were probably associated in some manner with PERTIERRA and-or LUCIANO.

Upon the departure of Agent FOX from Habana on April 14, 1947, he advised that [redacted] had been rather reluctant to take any affirmative action in this matter [redacted] (U)

Since that date, the writer has asked [redacted] on several occasions for the fingerprints of these gamblers. Each time he has promised to see what he could do. (U)

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On June 11, 1947, the writer [redacted] trying to get some action out of him in this matter. [redacted] (U)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: January 9, 1948

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles

SUBJECT: "LUCKY" LUCIANO
Information Concerning

On January 7, 1948, Major R. M. KIMBROUGH, Public Relations Officer, Long Beach Air Port, called in person at the office and stated that from a source he could not disclose, he understands that "LUCKY" LUCIANO is in the Dominican Republic and is active in fomenting revolution there, and guns are being sent to that place from New Orleans packed in frozen fish. It is reported that this entire arms smuggling affair is promoted by LUCIANO, although the exact place where he operates from in the Dominican Republic was not known.

It was reported that persons who wished to work on these fishing boats go to a bar known as "The Porthole" in Mobile, Alabama and ask for "TONY" who reportedly has a tattoo of a sailor's grave on his left forearm. JOE PALOOKA's bar in New Orleans is also said to be a contact place for this group.

KIMBROUGH assured me that his source of information is not involved in this in any way and that they never have been to New Orleans but have just received this information through some source available to them; that they had no additional information.

This is submitted as a matter of interest to the Bureau and offices indicated.

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CC New Orleans
Mobile

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Director, FBI

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The Bureau is in receipt of a letter from the Los Angeles office dated January 9, 1948, captioned, "'Lucky' Luciano, Information Concerning," wherein it was disclosed that Luciano is in the Dominican Republic and is active in fomenting a revolution there. It was indicated that guns are being sent to the Dominican Republic packed in frozen fish. It was further reported that this arms smuggling affair is promoted by Luciano and that persons that wish to work on the fishing boats exporting the arms should go to a bar known as "The Porthole" in Mobile, Alabama, and ask for "Tony," who reportedly has a tattoo of a sailor's grave on his left forearm. "Joe Palooka's Bar" in New Orleans is said to be the contact place for this group in New Orleans.

For the information of the Mobile Office the Bureau has conducted considerable investigation under the above caption with reference to efforts on the part of certain Dominican exiles to secure arms, ammunition, planes, etc., in the United States for exportation to Cuba where a revolution would be launched against the Dominican Republic. The efforts of this group were thwarted during November of 1947 when the Cuban Army seized the arms and ammunition stored in Cuba and arrested a large number of the participants.

The Mobile Office is instructed to make inquiry at "The Porthole" in Mobile in an effort to verify the allegation that this is a contact place for persons desirous of working on fishing boats that transport arms for use in the revolution in the Dominican Republic. The New Orleans Office is likewise instructed to make similar inquiry at "Joe Palooka's Bar" in New Orleans.

Miami is origin and should be furnished with copies of reports submitted in this matter.

cc-Mobile
New Orleans
Los Angeles

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February 14, 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. ROSEN

RE: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, was.
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The attached obscene memorandum from the New Orleans Division reflects information of interest to the Narcotics Bureau concerning the alleged smuggling of narcotics into this country by Luciano and others. [redacted] supplied this information with the request that her identity be kept strictly confidential. b7D

An appropriate memorandum based on this information is attached hereto. It is suggested this be forwarded to the Liaison Section for transmittal to the Narcotics Bureau.

Respectfully,

J. G. LEGGETT

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: February 8, 1949

FROM : SAC, New Orleans

SUBJECT: CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, was. B S C E N E
MISC.

The following information relative to the captioned subject is being furnished to the Bureau and the New York Office for whatever action may be deemed appropriate:

Mr. TOM KAPLINGER and Miss MARY COLLINS, operators of the Cafe LaFitte, 941 Bourbon Street, New Orleans, La., advised an agent of this office on February 2, 1949, that [redacted] was then in this city [redacted] b7D

[redacted] KAPLINGER indicated that [redacted]

[redacted] was interviewed on February 3rd and 4th, 1949, and she furnished the following information concerning herself and her association with the subject. It may be noted that when first contacted [redacted] was in an obviously intoxicated condition, but on the following day she verified the information which she had previously furnished. b7D

[redacted] Newspaper clippings in the possession of [redacted] apparently taken from both Washington, D.C. and New York City papers, indicated [redacted] b7D

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[redacted] The only available picture of LUCIANO, which appeared in the local newspaper, the Morning Tribune, on May 14, 1936, was displayed to her, and she said without hesitation that there could be no doubt but that LUCIANO is identical with "Mr. L."

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LUCIANO is responsible for a tremendous narcotic traffic into this country at the present time and that most of the smuggled goods come in the country through New York and other east coast ports. [redacted] b7E

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[redacted] indicated that she will be willing to cooperate with this Bureau in any possible manner, but she requested that her identity be kept in strictest confidence.

cc- New York

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cc: Mr. Rosen
Mr. McCabe
Mr. Leggett

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February 14, 1949

DIRECTOR, FBI

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO

A confidential informant who [redacted] has furnished the Federal Bureau of Investigation the following information concerning the captioned subject.

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[redacted] believes to have been Charles "Lucky" Luciano. The informant has identified a 1936 photograph of Luciano as being identical with "Mr. L."

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62-75147-34	54X,
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62-28915-607,	
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29-5892	567X,
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62-75147	36-20,
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62-81518-	378, 416, 392, 504,
62-81093-35-	18,
60-1501-	1474,
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62-51653	1,
31-72816	4 p 18,
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62-75147-34	54X,
62-81093-32	16,
31-30902	92,
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62-53029-	73,
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62-45146-47
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62-52817	579
62-81093	34-25,
31-44269	412, 320,
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62-51653	2,
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The following information concerning the captioned individual was set forth in a communication from him dated December 20, 1948.

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[redacted] Grombach is connected with Lucky Luciano as his special representative in New York and that he has made various trips to Europe and Cuba for Luciano. According to Grombach, there is a further statement in this dossier reported to have been made by someone in the FBI that "it could be true".

Grombach, in the referenced communication, advised that his only contact with Luciano was sometime in 1943, in connection with a War Department assignment when negotiations were had with certain people with respect to help which Luciano and his friends in Italy might render the United States Government and in return for which Luciano might be "sprung". Grombach states his negotiations were on a basis that Luciano might be "sprung" if the following were accomplished:

A. That Benito Mussolini should be assassinated and
B. That military espionage lines be organized and activities started to operate giving important military information on the Axis and particularly data with respect to the Mediterranean area, North Africa, Sicily and Southern Italy.

Negotiations along this line according to Grombach were discontinued when contacts reported that representatives of Luciano had found [redacted] were easier to negotiate with and did not first require the accomplishment of A and B mentioned above before "springing" Luciano. Grombach additionally advised it was his understanding [redacted] did arrange and bring about the "springing" of Luciano through Governor Dewey without the delivery of any major results before hand. Grombach stated these persons may or may not have known of his negotiations. He states this is the only connection he ever had with Luciano and that these facts were known to his superiors at the time in the War Department. Grombach stated that all of his trips to Europe were made either for the War Department or on behalf of the Universal Service Corporation, Schenley International and other commercial organizations and that the only connection he had on any European trip with Italy involved a prominent matter of the Vatican.

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There is attached an article entitled "Lucky and the Angel" dealing with Lucky Luciano which appeared in the April, 1949, issue of Esquire magazine. This article was written by R. Michaels which is Michael Stern. It is suggested that this be filed.

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Lucky and the Angel

Lucky Luciano, back in Italy by U. S. invitation, is overshadowed by a Sicilian bandit who masquerades as Robin Hood. Lucky, alas and alack, feels terribly hurt

An Article by

R. MICHAELS

THERE is a certain Signor Salvatore Lucania, a globe-trotter of considerable notoriety, who is especially allergic to newsprint. When it rubs his sensitive epidermis, he breaks out in an irritating rash.

The horrid red splotches that have covered his sallow skin lately are the result of an odious comparison to which Italian newspapers have subjected him—an undeserved comparison, the good signor says bitterly. The sensitive globe-trotter—his international journeyings have been at the pointed invitation of the ungrateful land of his adoption—was, during his American residence, connected with a number of interesting and remunerative businesses. During Prohibition days, under the nom de gang of Lucky Luciano, he filled the national need for Scotch with Mulberry Street juice, a bathtub product manufactured in New York's Little Italy. Suffering hop-heads were grateful for his well-organized service. Men out on a tear and in need of agreeable feminine companionship knew that Lucky would provide. He even had a reputation as a stabilizer in industry. While the duration of a strike in which he took a personal interest was bound to be short, it has been pointed out that the number of new arrivals in hospitals and morgues for the same period was unnaturally high.

His only reward for these services was a sentence to a thirty-to-fifty-year term of imprisonment in New York's Dannemora Prison, which was followed, nine-and-one-half years later, by an order deporting him to his native Italy.

Lucky's bitterness has turned to sad resignation. "It was a bum rap," he said recently. "And after all I did for those people in the States."

There will be no attempt here to enter into a discussion of the merits of Lucky's complaint, for the present treatise deals with the uncomplimentary comparison he has been subjected to ever since arriving on the sunny shores of the land he quit at the age of nine.

It was no more than natural that Lucky Luciano, America's most publicized gang leader, should find that the Italian press would draw comparisons between him and Giuliano the Great, who is the bandit king of Sicily. Lucky became uncomfortably aware of his Italian counterpart almost as soon as he stepped off the ship that brought him from America. As he strode down the dock, he saw a large police flyer, signed by the Minister of Interior, offering one million lire reward for the capture, dead or alive, of Il Bandito Giuliano. Alongside it was another flyer—it looked as official as the first—posted by Giuliano, offering two million lire reward for the capture of the Minister of Interior.

Giuliano's conduct differs from that of his American cousin in several ways. Giuliano, for instance, robs only the rich. Furthermore, he gives freely to the poor. He is, in fact, a modern-day Robin Hood. Of course, there have been cynics who say that he limits his victims to the rich not so much from social conscience as from a fine sense of double-entry bookkeeping. So vigorous are his efforts in this direction that he has become a one-man campaign for the redistribution of Sicilian wealth; as such, he is an important economic factor in the life of the island. The police, of course, are reluctant to give him any credit for generosity, since in the course of his philanthropy some two hundred people have lost their lives. They say, too, that part of the wealth, while in transit from the rich to the poor, sticks to his fingers. But thus far there have been no complaints on this score from the peasants who are his beneficiaries. To them, he is an angel—a kind of Pancho Villa played by Errol Flynn in Technicolor.

In the inevitable comparison between Lucky Luciano and Giuliano the Great, the older, more professional American product has taken a beating. One of the biggest laughs at the expense of the misunderstood Lucky stems from an article that appeared, some time ago, in an Italian daily. It pointed out that the birthplace of Lucky was Lercari Fidi, a small village just a few miles east of Montelepri, the mountain-fortress headquarters of Giuliano, and that, therefore, it was a not unreasonable assumption that Luciano and Giuliano were one and the same person; Giuliano, it said, could be a [illegible] disguise used by the American [illegible] to mask his operations in Italy. [illegible] correspondent, in knocking this [illegible] noted that while both Giuliano and [illegible] were acknowledged masters at [illegible] illegal wealth no one had ever accused Lucky of having anything to the poor. [illegible] outrageous bolshevik Il Bandito [illegible] Lucky, especially since, by [illegible] Giuliano, the level of a hero, it has [illegible] Lucky's own role as a heel. [illegible] no stone [illegible] from which [illegible] to sit [illegible] people [illegible] recently, when [illegible] a peasant [illegible] she could not [illegible] how Giuliano's [illegible] hijacked truckloads of wheat from [illegible] and distributed the grain [illegible] public *piazze*. Lucky [illegible] he Robin Hood-guy act is corny; but if it be corn, the peasants can't get enough of it.

An American crime baron has little time for the niceties in his profession, and so Lucky takes as bitter gall the Italian press reports which speak of Giuliano as "the gentleman bandit" (*Continued on page 125*)

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because of the exaggerated courtesy he accords his victims. There is the story of his encounter with the Duchess of Pratoameno.

The regal duchess was sipping her tea one day in her ancient castle when a handsome young man breezed in and kissed her hand. It was Giuliano announcing that his men were at the moment looting the castle from cellar to tower. The duchess, realizing resistance was impossible, pointed to a diamond ring she wore and said that it had been given her by her husband, a memento of her youth and great love. "I ask only that you permit me to keep this," she begged.

Guiliano bowed gallantly. "Knowing the story behind the ring will make me treasure it the more," he said, slipping it off her finger.

As a killer, too, Giuliano puts his American rival to shame. There is no skulking in dark corners or hiding clues from the police. He takes pride in his executions.

There's the story of the manner in which he dispatched the Misuraca brothers, members of his own gang, whom he suspected of treachery. Believing the brothers were informers, Giuliano decided to test them before passing sentence. He came out of the ghostly hills early one morning and knocked on the door of the Misuraca house.

"Who is it?" a sleepy voice asked.

"It is the Maresciallo of the Carabinieri," Giuliano responded. "We have trapped Giuliano in the hills. Get dressed quickly and help us take him."

The brothers, in common with most members of the band, had never seen their leader. They dressed hastily and joined the bandit. As they hurried toward the piazza, one of the brothers asked, "Where is he?"

"I am here," Giuliano replied.

The men were machine-gunned near the public fountain.

Not long ago, I had occasion to visit Montelepri, where I was entertained at luncheon by Maria, the dark, flashing-eyed, sultry Sicilian beauty who is Robin Hood's sister. Maria asked me if I knew soon learned that even here he paled into insignificance when compared with his Sicilian cousin.

The Sicilian bandit king is against Communism. In characteristic fashion, he expressed his dislike on May Day, 1947, by machine-gunning a Communist rally and leaving sixty victims. He kidnapped thirty-six of their leaders—only a few of whose bodies have been recovered.

His greatest triumph was a letter he wrote to President Truman for aid under the Truman Doctrine. He stated that he was the only military force opposing the Reds and that, as such, he was as much entitled to assistance as Greece and Turkey. And, lest Truman think he was merely asking for a handout, he wanted it understood that in payment for this aid he was willing to cede Sicily to the U. S. as its forty-ninth state.

Within the confines of his mountain empire, Robin Hood rules like a benevolent despot. Crimes are almost nonexistent—if his own pecadillos be omitted—since he deals severely with any competitors. An Italian newspaper, *Il Messaggero*, tongue-in-cheek, calls him a stabilizing influence in the field of law enforcement. Suppose, for example, that a victim receives a kidnap note from Giuliano. Knowing that it is useless to go to the police for protection, he pays the ransom in advance of any unpleasantness. In the future, he will never again be called upon for further contributions. If then, the victim receives a second kidnap note, he reports the incident to the police, since the second demand obviously comes from a thieving impostor who deserves to be jailed.

Because the comparison between the Italian and American bandits has been so intriguing, a correspondent once attempted to draw Luciano out on the subject. "I don't want to hear any more about that," Lucky cried. "I got enough troubles without having him in my hair. I'm over here minding my own business and I just want to be let alone by people like you. It's [illegible]

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Lucky Luciano. I said that I did —that I had, in fact, covered his trial in the Special Term of Supreme Court in New York. She was genuinely surprised when I told her that Luciano had received a stiff sentence and when I added that his presence in Palermo province was in consequence of a deportation order.

"But isn't it true that Luciano was a lieutenant in the United States Navy and was decorated for bravery during the war?"

"Who told you that?"

"Luciano did," she said. "He said there was a conspiracy in the American press to make light of his war activities."

Lucky always considered himself an expert in the political sphere, since he had used the blackjack at the polls. But he gotten me into trouble every time with the lies you spread about me. Take that time when I was down in Cuba—it was a phony story that got me sent back here."

The "phony" story stated that Lucky had gone to Cuba to organize the drug traffic—an endeavor in which even Giuliano the Great cannot rival him. Whatever the merits of the newspaper article were, Luciano's presence and activities in Havana were serious enough for Commissioner Anslinger, of the Federal Narcotics Bureau, to clamp an immediate embargo on all U. S. shipments of narcotics to Cuba.

Lucky's claim to keeping his nose clean is, at best, open to debate. As one who has dedicated the major part of his life to the pursuit of the easy buck, he has

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Link Luciano To $300,000 Dope Seizure

By ARA PIASTRO and JAMES CARTER

Federal authorities, who yesterday seized aboard a French freighter what they termed the biggest cache of contraband opium since 1941, declared that Charles (Lucky) Luciano, deported New York vice overlord, is involved in all dope-smuggling operations out of Mediterranean ports.

Acting on orders from Collector of Customs Harry E. Durning to search every ship arriving from ports near Luciano's Sicilian sanctuary, Customs agents swarmed over the Bastia, a former American Liberty ship, and found 50 pounds of opium in raw gum form and 10 pounds of heroin.

The value in present form was put at $300,000, but Deputy Surveyor Herman Lipski, in charge of the Customs Enforcement Division, said the narcotics if cut in the usual fashion would retail at "more than $1,000,000."

"We have positive information in our files," Lipski said, "that Luciano is involved directly or indirectly in all transportation of dope from Italian and French ports."

Lipski pointed out that Durning's order to search all ships from the Mediterranean—a practice begun soon after Luciano's deportation two years ago—produced $10,000,000 in dope seizures last year alone.

The latest find, which included 12 bottles of French perfume which had not been declared, was made in a lubricating oil tank beneath the floor plates of the engine room. Three burlap sacks were found floating in the oil. They contained the dope and perfume in heavy tarpaper wrappings.

The Bastia, which arrived Thursday at Pier 28 in the East River, was placed under extra-heavy guard immediately after the find. All crewmen were restricted to the ship and Supervisory Customs Agent Charles E. Wyatt began checking fingerprints against prints found on the contraband packages.

The ship had called at North African and Southern European ports, including Naples, which is not far from Luciano's stamping grounds.

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Date: November 18, 1950

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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

To: Mr. D. L. Nicholson
Chief, Division of Security
Office of Consular Affairs
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director - Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: LUCKY LUCIANO, et. al.
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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As of possible interest to your Agency there are being forwarded herewith photostatic copies of an anonymous communication postmarked November 1, 1950 at Brooklyn, New York, and directed to this Bureau.

This is furnished for your confidential information and is not to be disseminated outside your Agency.

Attachment

cc: The Commissioner
Immigration & Naturalization Service

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cc: Chief
Intelligence Division
Coast Guard Headquarters
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Washington, D. C.

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The Bureau is in receipt of an anonymous communication postmarked November 1, 1950 at Brooklyn, New York, photostatic copies of which are attached.

Copies of this communication have been disseminated to the Department of State, Immigration & Naturalization Service, and the United States Coast Guard.

Bureau files have not been searched for information concerning any of the individuals mentioned in attached communication and will not be searched in the absence of a specific request.

This is furnished for your information and appropriate action.

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cc: Newark

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in their tubing it is. double-trucks + they are running an express ring + reside in Jersey on Palisad home + live on Rat- Holes here in Coney Island. Also goes for some people from Long Island: You go to anywhere in Jersey + they cant even talk English it is "Mostrosa" they are supposed to be Polaskeits. They have guns + bombs on motorcycles in black uniforms down here. they + some are Negros in Jersey.

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This is to inform you that [redacted] Ground floor Stillwell Avenue, Coney Island, N.Y. Lucky Luciano is living with a woman, she has a slight limp + a scar on her right leg. It seems that Lucky is stuck with the Polish ambassadors sister Medrezyk, who is a communist, also Mr. Zykin is a friend of his he is supplying them opium. Lucky's younger brother is married to the girl he is supposed to be with in Italy. He made a strange statement not [redacted]

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Mr. Luciano seems to run his racket [redacted] in Jersey with the Hague boys.

Mr. Mulroy yelled is the [redacted]
ambassador + I think if
you investigate should be
sent home as he is an agitator
here + breaking an Internal
Code here. Mayor Hague
walks around here all day as
a policeman leading a party
People against people
that are supposed to be Communists
Some of them are bounded by
Red agents. They claim they
are with Jerseyites all N. Yorkers
are Communist dll prone

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But New York policemen
live, those that are on the force
+ live up to municipal law here
+ reside in New York are being
bounded by men doing here in
Eighth St Precinct Coney Island,
+ Sea Gate with a so called
Nelson who is really Eckhardt
of Philadelphia of the U.S. Coast
Guard his name is "Al."
There are plenty of men here
in N.Y. who reside in Jersey
they are not allowed to reside
in Jersey. He on the force or
had any other City job here

Most of these men on the force have fictitious names mostly Irish & they are of different extraction. But at one time Nicolayeff & Bychor did reside at 41 St & 2d Ave on the corner where there is a grocery Store, with women of a low nature sloppy low vulgar women they had one floor & a letter states was there It seemed to be a house of prostitution & a meeting place for Russian & Polish people.

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I wrote you before about
Leon Mobiniski on
Lubors Road. This man
Bruno I wrote you about
used to go to Algonia Village
in Jersey. I wrote before.
Thank you.

F. B. I. Headquarters,

Washington,

D. C.

attention Mr. J. E. Hoover Personally.

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Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service
Director, FBI

January 6, 1951

CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO

As a matter of possible interest to you, a person giving his name as James Donlan who was taken into custody recently by the Phoenix, Arizona, Police Department on a local charge, has stated to representatives of this Bureau that Charles "Lucky" Luciano is now in Phoenix at an unknown address.

This Bureau has conducted no investigation of this matter and the foregoing is being made available to you for whatever action may be deemed appropriate.

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WASH 11 FROM PHOENIX VIA LOSA 30 11-28 AM

DIRECTOR FBI D E F E R R E D

CHARLES LUCIANO, PHOENIX CRIME SURVEY. JIM DONLAN, NOW IN PHOENIX IN BEHALF OF DREW PEARSON, CLAIMS CHARLES, LUCKY, LUCIANO NOW IN PHOENIX AT UNKNOWN ADDRESS. BUREAU REQUESTED DETERMINE THROUGH AVAILABLE SOURCES IF LUCIANO STILL IN SICILY.

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Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service
Director, FBI

March 30, 1951

CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO

A source of unknown reliability who requested that his identity be kept confidential reported the following unverified information in a communication dated March 22, 1951:

"Several years ago (1946-7) information came to me, through an acquaintance, to the effect that 'Lucky' Luciano who had been deported from the United States, and who was supposed to be in Cuba, was in Miami, Florida. This acquaintance was in Miami on a vacation, and was in the company of a Police official from New York City who introduced him to Luciano. Also I distinctly remember that I was told that Luciano was frequently in the company of Police officials from New York City who 'Happened' to be there at the time."

NOTE: No Agent by the name of Peter Stickle was located in Bufiles; however, [redacted], is an Agent presently assigned to New York Office where he has been since 2-19-42. Grade GS-12: $7200; last efficiency rating, Excellent.

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Mr. Tolson

L. B. Nichols

January 2, 1952

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[redacted] telephonically b7D
advised Mr. McGuire that he had heard a rumor that the real purpose behind Lamar Caudle's trip to Europe last summer, which was ostensibly for the purpose of assisting the D'Agostino family to effect the release of $96,000 held by the Italian Government, was really to get the $96,000 to lay the groundwork for Lucky Luciano's return to the United States from Italy through Mexico. The money was to be used "to get the proper people's eyes closed."

In view of the friendship between Carmen D'Agostino, Johnny Torrio, and the Arcadi brothers in New Jersey, [redacted] thought there b7D might be something to this rumor. [redacted] stated he was just passing this on for whatever it may be worth.

cc: Mr. Rosen

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd

DATE: August 15, 1952

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT:

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[redacted] called to advise he had picked up hearsay information from an individual who had just returned from Europe that American cigarettes on the black market can be purchased for less than Italian cigarettes; that in Spain American cigarettes were selling for less than they cost in Canada; that he had heard Lucky Luciano was now in the cigarette business and he thought if this were true perhaps we might know something about it.

I, of course, explained we did not have jurisdiction out of the country and pointed out if the cigarettes were stolen from the Army would that make any difference. I told him it would then be an Army matter.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd

FROM : Mr. Rosen

DATE: November 18, 1952

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE
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By air mail teletype November 17, 1952, the Newark Office has advised that potential criminal informant [redacted] confidentially furnished information that Luciano was recently in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, date and hour of arrival unknown, but entry believed by air line from Havana, Cuba, to Philadelphia. [redacted] could not furnish the name of the air line or the route used but believed Luciano has arrived within the past two weeks. b7D

ACTION TAKEN:

SA [redacted] Newark Office, was contacted concerning the reliability of this information. He advised that [redacted] will not disclose the source of his information, therefore, it is difficult to measure the reliability. [redacted] stated in connection with [redacted] reliability he has furnished good information in a criminal matter which was found to be true on one occasion and he furnished information in another criminal matter which was found to be false. b6 b7C b7D

SA [redacted] Philadelphia, was telephonically instructed to discreetly ascertain through contacts with air lines and reliable informants on a selective basis whether or not Luciano has actually arrived as alleged. b6 b7C

SA [redacted] New York Office, and SA [redacted] Newark Office, were both instructed to cause inquiries to be made through reliable informants in effort to verify [redacted] allegations. All persons contacted were instructed to make inquiries very discreetly so that no rumors would be circulated concerning Luciano's alleged return to this country which would be attributable to the FBI. b6 b7C b7D

Night Supervisor John Creighton, Identification Division, has been requested to forward immediately by fastest mail the identification record, physical description, and most recent photographs to the Newark, New York, and Philadelphia Offices and to the Legal Attache, Havana, Cuba. Luciano's physical description was furnished in the above described contacts.

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This matter will be followed closely and you will be advised of developments.

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NOVEMBER 19, 1952

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LEA-TUCK TELEFILMS; PHILIP TUCKER, RESEARCH. DESIRE YOU ASCERTAIN FULL DETAILS REGARDING BACKING GIVEN TUCKER ON LUCIANO PICTURE; WHETHER PICTURE WILL BE RELEASED THROUGH TELEVISION OR THEATRE; WHERE BEING PRODUCED AND SIMILAR DETAILS. ALSO WHETHER SCRIPT HAS BEEN PREPARED AS YET AND IF SO WHETHER THE PICTURE WILL BE PRODUCED UNDER MOTION PICTURE PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION CODE OR INDEPENDENT PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION CODE.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd

FROM : Mr. Rosen

DATE: November 24, 1952

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SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE
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In connection with the information furnished by a potential criminal informant of the Newark Division to the effect that Luciano was recently in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and traveled there by air from Havana, Cuba, a check with informants of airlines by the Bureau's Legal Attache at Havana, has developed no information that Luciano travelled through Havana or has been seen there. (U)

The Philadelphia Office has made inquiry among carefully selected confidential informants, potential criminal informants and confidential sources including those within the Philadelphia Police Department, concerning this report but has developed no information that Luciano is or has been in Philadelphia. Discreet inquiry made at airlines in Philadelphia has also been negative.

No information has been received from the New York or Newark Offices indicating that Luciano has been in either of those territories.

ACTION:

This is for your information. The Identification Record, physical description and most recent photographs of Luciano have been forwarded to the Newark, New York, and Philadelphia Offices, and to the Legal Attache in Havana. They have been instructed to remain alert for any information indicating the presence of Luciano in this country.

You will be advised of any pertinent developments.

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NOVEMBER 21, 1952 (U)

LEGAL ATTACHE HAVANA, CUBA — CABLEGRAM NIGHT LETTER

CODE (U)

CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO DASH GIIF. REBU CABLEGRAM NOVEMBER EIGHTEEN, NINETEEN FIFTY TWO (U) ADVISE IMMEDIATELY RESULTS OF YOUR INQUIRY RE ALLEGATION LUCIANO RECENTLY IN PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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Mr. Leggett room, 5718

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NEWARK, N.J.
11/22/52

Transmit the following Teletype message to: AIR TEL

DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, PHILADELPHIA

CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO DASH GIIF. REBU AIR TEL NOV. TWENTYONE LAST.

IT IS BELIEVED DESIRABLE TO RECONTACT ORIGINAL INFORMANT AS MOST LIKELY SOURCE OF INFO. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT HE HAS LEARNED ADDITIONAL FACTS IN THE MEANWHILE AND WILL BE ABLE TO FURNISH LOGICAL BASIS OF INQUIRY. SINCE BUREAU PHONE CALL, ATTEMPTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO REACH ORIGINAL INFORMANT. MEETING IS SET FOR MONDAY MORNING NEXT AT WHICH TIME BUREAU WILL BE PROMPTLY ADVISED. INFORMANT IS EXTREMELY CAUTIOUS AND HAS NEVER CONSENTED TO DIRECT CONTACT. MEETING IS ALWAYS ARRANGED BY MAIL. RECOMMEND BUREAU CONSIDER ADVISABILITY OF INSTRUCTING NEW YORK TO CONTACT INFORMANTS ON SELECT BASIS. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED IMMEDIATELY RESULTS OF MEETING SET FOR MONDAY.

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DECODE OF CODED CABLE NUMBER 216 DATED NOVEMBER 22, 1952 AT HAVANA, CUBA. RECEIVED VIA WESTERN UNION. (U)

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, GIIF. REFERENCE YOUR CABLEGRAMS NOVEMBER 18 AND NOVEMBER 21. NO INDICATION FROM INFORMANTS OR AIRLINES THAT SUBJECT RECENTLY TRAVELED THROUGH HAVANA OR SEEN HERE. SEE HAVANA LETTER NOVEMBER 20. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING. (U)

W. C. SPEARS

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cc: Mr. Rosen.
cc: Mr. Ferrie

cc Legat

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems. (U)

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 1, 1952

FROM : SAC, Miami (62-1273)

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SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO;
GIIF.

Re telephone call of Supervisor MYERS of the Bureau on November 18, 1952, regarding receipt of information of a PCI of the Newark Office that LUCIANO had allegedly arrived in the United States from Havana, Cuba, and was in Philadelphia, Pennsylvia.

Discreet inquiries in this area have been negative concerning this allegation.

Since an AP release date-lined at Naples appeared in the "Miami Herald" for November 30, 1952, indicating that LUCIANO is in Italy where he is under constant surveillance by the Italian police, and since he was reported as having been interviewed on November 29, 1952, at Naples, no further inquiries are being made in this regard.

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NEWARK, N.J.
11/25/52

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Laughlin	
Mr. Mohr	
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Transmit the following Teletype message to: AIR TEL

DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, PHILADELPHIA

CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, GIIF. RE NWK TEL [NOV. TWENTYTWO LAST.] ORIGINAL INFORMANT RECONTACTED RE INFO PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED BY HIM THAT LUCIANO WAS RECENTLY IN PHILA. INFORMANT FLATLY REFUSED TO IDENTIFY HIS SOURCE OF INFORMATION. HOWEVER, HE DID STATE THAT THE SOURCE HAS PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED HIM AUTHENTIC INFORMATION RE THE UNDERWORLD, IS FROM PHILA. AND IS IN A POSITION WHERE HE WOULD KNOW IF LUCIANO CAME TO PHILA. INFORMANT STATED THAT HE IS REASONABLY CERTAIN THAT THE INFORMATION IS RELIABLE. HE INDICATED THAT LUCIANO, ACCORDING TO HIS SOURCE, CAME TO PHILA. BY PRIVATE PLANE FROM CUBA, LANDED AT SOME AIRFIELD IN OR AROUND PHILA., CONSUMATED HIS BUSINESS AND LEFT BY THE SAME PLANE EITHER THE DAY HE ARRIVED OR THE FOLLOWING DAY, APPARENTLY RETURNING TO CUBA. INFORMANT ADVISED THAT HE WILL ENDEAVOR TO ASCERTAIN FURTHER DETAILS RE LUCIANO'S TRIP INCLUDING DATES OF ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE, AIRFIELD USED AND PEOPLE CONTACTED, IF POSSIBLE. ARRANGEMENTS MADE WITH INFORMANT SO THAT HE CAN NOW BE CONTACTED DIRECTLY BY SA [redacted] R.A. AT ATLANTIC CITY.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: November 26, 1952
Havana, Cuba

FROM : Legal Attache, Havana, Cuba (62-8)

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE INTELLIGENCE FILE

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Rebucable [November 18 last] and Havana letter to Bureau November 20, 1952.

As set forth in reference letter [redacted] stated he would contact

[redacted]

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In all probability it is pure coincidence, but the November 25, 1952, issue of the Havana daily newspaper "ALERTA" devoted its daily front page editorial to the subject, the editorial being captioned "EL HONORABLE LUCKY" ("THE HONORABLE LUCKY"). This editorial comments rather sarcastically on subject's background and on the fact that according to recent news reports, subject is going to spend $300,000 to make a movie of his life.

RAMON VASCONCELOS, Editor of "ALERTA," is the author of its front page editorials, including the one mentioned above. He is an active supporter of the Batista regime but this does not deter him from criticizing the regime when he thinks such is merited. It may be that it has come to his attention that efforts have been made to secure permission for subject's entry into Cuba, as set forth in reference Havana letter, and the editorial is an indirect hint to the Cuban Government to proceed carefully; however, this is purely conjecture and this office has no concrete information to indicate that this is the case.

The only photograph of the subject in the possession of this office is one taken in 1936. Although reference cable indicated that a photograph of subject is being sent to this office, it has not been received to date. It is requested that the most recent photograph of the subject be forwarded to this office as soon as possible.

This matter is being followed closely here and any new developments will be reported immediately to the Bureau. Extra copies of this letter are attached in the event the Bureau desires to forward them to the Newark and Philadelphia offices for information.

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NOVEMBER 18, 1952 [(U) CODE] (U)

LEGAL ATTACHE
HAVANA, CUBA.

CABLEGRAM
NIGHT LETTER per call to mr myers 11/18/52

CHARLES LUCKY LUCIANO, GIIP. PCI, NEWARK OFFICE, CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED THAT LUCIANO RECENTLY IN PHILADELPHIA, PA. DATE AND HOUR OF ARRIVAL UNKNOWN. HOWEVER, ENTRY BELIEVED BY AIR LINE VIA HAVANA, CUBA, TO PHILADELPHIA. NAME OF AIR LINE AND ROUTE UNKNOWN. BELIEVE ARRIVAL WITHIN PAST TWO WEEKS. [CONDUCT IMMEDIATE DISCREET INVESTIGATION CONCERNING THIS MATTER AT HAVANA IN EFFORT TO IDENTIFY LUCIANO AS PERSON TRAVELING PER ABOVE] & (U) KEEP BUREAU PROMPTLY ADVISED OF ANY DEVELOPMENTS. LUCIANO DESCRIBED IN NINETEEN THIRTY SIX AS FOLLOWS. BORN NOVEMBER ELEVEN, EIGHTEEN NINETY SEVEN, FIVE FOOT NINE AND THREE FOURTHS INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY ONE POUNDS, MEDIUM COMPLEXION, DARK CHESTNUT EYES, DARK CHESTNUT WAVY HAIR, NOW PROBABLY GRAYING. Photographs Following.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED GOVERNMENT

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 5, 1952
Havana, Cuba

FROM : Legal Attache, Havana, Cuba (62-8)

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE INTELLIGENCE FILE

Re Havana letters to Bureau November 20 and November 26 last.

On 12-3-52 [redacted] exhibited a letter of introduction written to b7D
the subject [redacted] (S) (U)

This letter was addressed to subject as "SALVATORE LUCANIA, HOTEL TURISTICO NAPOLITANO, NAPOLES, Italia." In addition, source said that he had been told [redacted] (U)

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[redacted] if the possibility existed that subject might be traveling in the Western Hemisphere. [redacted] he definitely believes subject to be in Italy as he feels certain that subject would have communicated with him if he were coming to the Western Hemisphere. (S) (U)

This case is being maintained in a pending status in this office and contact will be maintained with [redacted] and other sources for any b7D
additional information on the subject's movements. (S) (U)

Extra copies of this letter are attached in the event the Bureau desires to forward them to the Newark and Philadelphia offices for information.

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SAC, Philadelphia

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Director, FBI

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CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
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There is attached for your information a copy of a memorandum from the Bureau's Legal Attache at Havana, Cuba, dated November 20, 1952, containing information concerning the gambling activities of Luciano and Meyer Lansky.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: November 20, 1952

FROM : Legal Attaché, Havana, Cuba

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE INTELLIGENCE FILE (U)

Rebucable November 18 last which reported that subject was recently in Philadelphia and that he supposedly had gone there from Havana via airline.

If subject came to Havana from Europe, the most logical way for him to have come would have been via KLM Airlines from Amsterdam or via Compañia Cubana de Aviación from Madrid, Spain. Neither of these flights touches the United States. Subject's name and known aliases were searched in the passenger lists of these two companies from November 1 to date with negative results.

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[redacted] (U) advised that he had received no information to indicate that subject had been in Havana recently. Source said that several months ago, but subsequent to the March 10, 1952 coup d'etat of the forces of General Fulgencio Batista, he had heard that efforts were being made to obtain official approval for subject's entry into Cuba. So far as source knows, such approval was never secured. He said that the person handling this matter was ANTONIO MADAN VALDES, a Cuban negro lawyer who in 1946 made the necessary arrangements for subject's entry into Cuba. MADAN VALDES is closely associated with former Cuban Congressman INDALECIO PERTIERRA. (U)

EXPEDITE PROCESSING

As has been previously reported to the Bureau, PERTIERRA has been the principal owner of the Montmartre Night Club in Havana, where open gambling is in operation, and up till several months ago held the concession at the Oriental Park race track just outside Havana. His activities at the track included the operation of gambling at the Jockey Club, which was located at the grandstand at the track.

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As was reported to the Bureau, [redacted] furnished information several weeks ago that MEYER LANSKY was trying to secure the concession at Oriental Park and that subsequently LANSKY purchased a share of the Montmartre from PERTIERRA. Source reported on 11-19-52 that MEYER LANSKY (U)

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after closing the Montmartre deal has had to remain in the United States because of some charge pending against him in New York, and that in the meantime his brother, JAKE LANSKY, is in Havana looking after his interests. (U)

The above background is set forth because when subject was in Havana in 1946 and 1947, MEYER LANSKY was one of his most frequent visitors. Subsequent to subject's arrest by Cuban authorities in February, 1947, and prior to his deportation to Italy, he told a representative of the U.S. Treasury Department that he had planned to buy a share in the gambling concession at the Casino Nacional and the Oriental Park race track. The Casino Nacional is not in operation at the present time, but otherwise the pattern appears to be the same in that LANSKY, a frequent visitor of subject in 1947, has obtained a share of the gambling at the Montmartre and is trying to obtain the concession at Oriental Park and the possibility is suggested that LANSKY might be fronting for the subject. (U)

[redacted] recalled that when subject was operating in the U.S., he was quite friendly with one Johnny BAGGIANO(ph), operator of the Versailles Restaurant and Night Club in NYC and one time Secretary of the Unione Siciliana, and source thinks that if subject is in the U.S. at present, he will probably get in touch with BAGGIANO. (U) b7D

[redacted] is planning a trip [redacted] in the near future [redacted] b7D (U)

Extra copies of this letter are attached in the event the Bureau desires to forward them to the Newark and Philadelphia offices for information.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 1-15-53

FROM : SAC, New Orleans (62-1590)

SUBJECT: LUCKY LUCIANO.
INFORMATION CONCERNING.

Night Clerk JOHN DUNNING, Senator Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana, advised that one WALLY MERILA, of 1624 Harmon Place, Minneapolis, Minnesota, had registered at the Senator Hotel, New Orleans, in an attempt to place a long distance call to Havana, Cuba to LUCKY LUCIANA. This call was made by name to LUCIANA to Havana, Cuba January 6, 1953, but the call was not completed. DUNNING was reinterviewed, at which time he advised that MERILA left the hotel without paying his bill after attempting to cash a check which was not accepted. He advised that MERILA also attempted to contact MARION FISKKIND, New Rochelle, New York, telephone number 69826 or 22937, but was advised by the operator that the party was out of town. DUNNING also advised that the registration card reflected that MERILA's wife's address was ANN ZEVELY, 2992 Northwest 54th Street, Miami, Florida.

Contact with the hotel bell boys and the management of the Senator Hotel failed to indicate any possible illegal activity on the part of MERILA or his wife.

WALTER VICKREY, Immigration & Naturalization Service, was advised of the information indicating that LUCIANA might be in Havana, Cuba.

PCI [redacted] who is familiar with Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota, advised MERILA was unknown to him and the address 1624 Harmon, Minneapolis, was a strictly third rate neighborhood. b7D

This information is being furnished to the Bureau, Miami and Minneapolis for their information, and no further investigation is being conducted by this office. The accuracy of the information furnished is not known, and it is possible that MERILA was attempting to perpetrate some kind of swindle at the Senator Hotel.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd

FROM : Mr. Rosen

DATE: January 13, 1953

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
CHARLES RADCLIFFE HAFFENDEN

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In accordance with the Director's request that a memorandum be prepared for transmission to Governor Dewey regarding the activities of Charles Radcliffe Haffenden in behalf of Luciano and the parole granted to Luciano on February 2, 1946, there is attached a letter to Governor Dewey enclosing a memorandum concerning the above matter.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: January 19, 1953
Havana, Cuba

FROM : Legal Attache, Havana, Cuba (62-8)

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
GIF

Re Havana letter to Bureau December 18 last.

[redacted] advised prior to his b7D departure that he had been shown a Christmas card sent by the subject to ANTONIO MADAN-VALDES, Cuban lawyer who in 1946 arranged subject's entry into Cuba. He said this card bore a Naples, Italy postmark dated December 15, 1952. It is recognized that the mere fact that one of subject's cards was mailed from Italy does not necessarily mean that subject is in Italy, but it is being mentioned for whatever value it may have. (U)

On 1-15-53, Mr. John Bonds, Officer in Charge of the INS office in the Embassy here, advised that INS in New Orleans had reported that on 1-5-53 an individual there had tried to call LUCIANO in Havana, apparently without success. Mr. Bonds said they were not furnished with any information as to what number was called in Havana, but that they had been requested to attempt to verify if subject was in Havana.

Subsequently, C. M. DeWitt of INS advised that he had made investigation and had been unable to find any indication that subject is or has been in Havana recently. DeWitt said that he had spoken with FRANK GENTILE, an Italian and former resident of the United States, who is presently employed at the Sans Souci night club, the gambling concession for which is held by American gambling interests. GENTILE was at one time connected with the rackets in the U. S. and according to DeWitt, was sent up for murder and later pardoned out. DeWitt said that GENTILE told him that definitely subject is not in Havana and went on to say that several people had received Christmas cards from subject in Italy and that "PEPE" GRANDE had even received a letter from subject in Italy. It will be recalled that GRANDE is a Cuban who is connected with the gambling interests and who had considerable contact with the subject in Havana in 1946-47.

The above is for the Bureau's information.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DATE: December 18, 1952
Havana, Cuba

FROM : Legal Attache, Havana, Cuba (62-8)

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE INTELLIGENCE FILE

Re Havana letter to the Bureau December 5 last.

On 12-16-52 [redacted] CARLOS "CHIVO" MIRANDA, Cuban gambler and playboy, that the movements of subject are no longer being closely watched by the Italian police and that it has been possible for subject to make at least one trip to Madrid, Spain (C) (U)

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Source states that if the above information is correct, he feels sure that subject must have a connection with some high placed official in the Spanish Government, as he does not feel that subject would be permitted to enter Spain otherwise (C) (U)

Source plans to make a trip [redacted] He says that the Spanish Ambassador to Portugal is the brother of General FRANCISCO FRANCO, head of the Spanish Government, [redacted] (U)

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Source plans to [redacted] advise on his return to Havana of the results of his visit [redacted] It is to be noted that source is making this trip on his own initiative and at no expense to this office (C) (U)

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Although it has probably already come to the Bureau's attention, it was noted that the December 14, 1952 issue of the "The American Weekly," a syndicated Sunday newspaper supplement carried an article captioned "I Talked With Luciano," written by one LLEWELLYN MILLER (apparently a woman). In this article the writer stated that contact with made with subject at the Turistico Hotel in Naples, Italy. It is noted that this is the place where source was told he could contact subject, as set forth in reference Havana letter of December 5, 1952.

Since the article mentioned carries what appear to be much more recent photographs of the subject than those in the Bureau's possession, this is to suggest that the Bureau may desire to contact LLEWELLYN MILLER through "The American Weekly" to ascertain if she can make available either the original photographs or negatives in order that more up-to-date photographs will be available in the Bureau files. At the same time, it would

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To: Director, FBI

December 18, 1952
Havana, Cuba

Subject: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE INTELLIGENCE FILE

be possible to determine when the interview of subject took place (this is not stated in the article) in order to determine if it coincided with the time when subject was supposed to have been in the United States.

Any additional information on this matter will be reported promptly to the Bureau.

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Honorable Thomas E. Dewey
Governor of New York
Albany, New York

My dear Governor:

I am enclosing for your information a memorandum concerning the activities of Charles Radcliffe Haffenden in behalf of Charles "Lucky" Luciano and the parole granted to Luciano on February 2, 1946.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

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THE ACTIVITIES OF
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IN CONNECTION WITH THE
PAROLE GRANTED TO
CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
ON FEBRUARY 2, 1946

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On February 8, 1943, Luciano made application for a suspension of his sentence before Judge Philip J. McCook in New York. At that time it was the claim of Attorney George Wolf, counsel for Luciano that both Army and Navy personnel had sought Luciano's assistance. Judge McCook said in part that the court was able to conclude that Luciano probably attempted to assist them (military authorities) and possibly with some success, but that he was nevertheless denying the application. 39-2141-83

CHARLES RADCLIFFE HAFFENDEN - BACKGROUND:

Haffenden was a Commander in the Office of Naval Intelligence in New York City, Third Naval District, from July 1940 to June 1944. Due to the difficulties experienced by the Office of Naval Intelligence in keeping Haffenden's activities within the limits of the delimitation agreement, he was transferred out of the New York area to the Coast Patrol in California, and he eventually saw a limited amount of action in Okinawa. He received the Purple Heart decoration.

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Enclosure

INCLOSURE 39-2141-157X

Captain William B. Phillips, a Director of Naval Intelligence in New York City, advised that although he had personally pinned the Purple Heart on Haffenden, Haffenden received no wounds, but was hospitalized because a large gun went off near him, renewing a stomach ailment. 39-2141-45

On January 1, 1946, Haffenden was appointed Commissioner of Marine and Aviation at New York City by Mayor O'Dwyer. This position gave him jurisdiction over the docks of the city of New York and over LaGuardia and Idlewild Airports. 39-2141-13

source employed in the city Government of New York confidentially advised in June 1946 that Haffenden resigned from his position in the O'Dwyer administration around May 31, 1946, when he received a memorandum from Mayor O'Dwyer telling him to either submit his resignation by midnight or he would be summarily discharged. The source advised that one of the reasons for O'Dwyer's action was that an allegation had been made that Haffenden formed a corporation with two Congressmen from Brooklyn for the purpose of getting a monopoly of the concessions at the Idlewild Airport, then under construction. The source also mentioned that there was some indication that Paul O'Dwyer, brother of Mayor O'Dwyer, was trying to obtain these concessions. Source [redacted] 39-2141-46. b7D

[redacted] On March 29, 1946, information was received that George Sander, Commissioner, New York City Department of Commerce, with the help of Haffenden, who was Commissioner of Marine and Aviation, was trying to force his way into a cut from the half million dollar corporation known as the Sightseeing Yachts, Incorporated. Sander, who was head of the Sutton Lines, requested a permit to dock its boats at a pier previously utilized by Sightseeing Yachts, Incorporated. Since Haffenden issued permits to dock boats, Sightseeing Yachts, Incorporated, it was alleged, would be required to deal with Haffenden and Sander and they thereby could demand an interest in Sightseeing Yachts, Incorporated in return for the permit. Source not named 94-1-18269-9.

HAFFENDEN'S ACTIVITIES IN BEHALF OF LUCIANO

As a result of an anonymous letter received by the Office of Naval Intelligence on or about July 17, 1945, to the effect that Commander Haffenden had aided Luciano in obtaining his parole the Office of Naval Intelligence conducted an investigation and obtained signed statements from Commander Haffenden, Photostats of which were obtained on February 11, 1946. 39-2141-40

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During an interview with a New York newspaperman Haffenden related that after he returned from Iwo Jima in May 1945 and while in a hospital recovering from a wound, he had been visited by his good friend Moses Polakoff, attorney for Luciano and Polakoff induced him to write a letter to the Honorable Charles Breitel, Counsel to the Governor of the State of New York. Haffenden explained that he was not feeling very well and wanted to do a good turn and he did not see anything wrong about writing the letter on Luciano. Source [redacted] of NYC 39-21-1-40 b7D

The Photostats previously mentioned reflect that Haffenden was required to furnish the Navy with answers to the following specific questions on July 20, 1945:

1. Have you appeared before the parole board of the State of New York or been questioned by any of its personnel regarding the subject, namely, Lucky Luciano?

2. Have you written any letters to any agencies of the State of New York recommending the parole of the subject?

3. If it has come to your knowledge that the subject supplied any information of value to the United States Navy, please indicate what the information consists of.

Haffenden replied to these questions that while he did not appear before the parole board, he had been interviewed by a representative of the board named Healey to whom he gave general information. Haffenden also stated that he had not written to any agencies in New York State recommending Luciano's parole but that he had written to the Honorable Charles Breitel, Counsel to the Governor of the State of New York, in this regard.

In the letter to Breitel, Haffenden stated that he was in charge of the Investigating Section, Naval Intelligence, Third Naval District, from approximately July 1940 to June 1944, during which time it was his duty to locate informants in the United States who could give intelligence information that would be of value both domestic and foreign. Haffenden stated that, accordingly, through the co-operation of Major Murray Gurfein,

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who was formerly an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan, contacts were made with Mr. Moses Polakoff, who was the attorney for Charles Luciano. Haffenden states that as a result of this contact a large number of informants were interviewed by agents under his command. Haffenden stated that it was difficult to say how many such informants came to his attention through the co-operation of Charles Luciano. Haffenden continued in his letter that he was "confident that the greater part of the intelligence developed in the Sicilian campaign was directly responsible to the number of Sicilians that emanated from [redacted] 39-2141-40 b7D

In February 1943, Haffenden with permission of Naval District Intelligence Office appeared before Judge Phillip J. McCook and testified concerning contacts with Luciano through Luciano's attorney. As to his testimony, Haffenden advised the Navy in July 1945 that "no information was given in my testimony, other than generalities, as to the [redacted]" 39-2141-43 b7D

In his statement to the Navy Haffenden said he had never seen or talked to Luciano and that all transactions were carried on through Luciano's attorney Moses Polakoff or informants sent through him. 39-2141-43

NAVY CENSURE OF HAFFENDEN:

On May 10, 1946, the office of the Chief of Naval Operations advised that Commander Haffenden's actions in behalf of Luciano were not known to or authorized by Naval authorities, that his actions were expressions of his personal opinions which official records failed to substantiate, and further, that he was informed of his lack of judgment in this case. A thorough search of the files of the District Intelligence Office, Third Naval District, failed to indicate that Luciano furnished any information to that office. 39-2141-43

STATEMENT OF LUCIANO, MARCH 12, 1947:

Luciano was arrested as an undesirable alien by the Cuban authorities on February 22, 1947, at Havana, Cuba. While in custody Luciano was interviewed on March 12, 1947, by Joseph J. Fortier, United States Treasury Representative and Ray Olivera, Special Representative of the United States Narcotics Bureau. Fortier advised that Luciano complained bitterly against

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the United States Government for having "forced" Cuban officials to deport him to Italy. Luciano stated he had been contacted by Major Gurfein [redacted] and a Commander Haffenden of Naval Intelligence for information relative to the war effort. He stated that these two men called on him several times at Dannemora Prison and that he, Luciano, gave all the information he had relative to their mission. Luciano stated he had talked principally with Gurfein during these visits and that Gurfein and Haffenden had helped him secure his parole. 39-2141-111 b7D

Reference to Major Gurfein is no doubt Major Murray I. Gurfein who was formerly an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan and later an officer in the Office of Strategic Services.

Inquiries made in May and June 1946, failed to reflect that any official visitors were received by Luciano while in prison in the United States as being representatives of the Navy Department [redacted] Warden William H. Snyder of Sing Sing Prison advised that he had heard a rumor to the effect that such visits had allegedly been made while Luciano was confined to Great Meadows Prison, Comstock, New York. He pointed out that special arrangements had been made which would permit the Warden at Great Meadows Prison and the New York State Department of Correction at Albany to handle visits in an extremely confidential manner so that the visits would not have to be recorded officially anywhere in the prison files. He advised that while he was Principal Keeper at Dannemora Prison, Clinton, New York, and while Luciano was an inmate, occasionally during the evening several visitors would arrive at Warden Murphy's home near the prison and Luciano would then be taken to the Warden's home. b7E

The prison employees were of the opinion that Warden Murphy was assisting Luciano in having unofficial visits with individuals who probably would not have been admitted as visitors under the ordinary rules. 39-2141-46

INTERVIEW WITH [redacted] b7D

On April 15, 1946, [redacted] was interviewed in his office at the State Capitol. He said that Governor Dewey held no special hearings of any nature in connection with the Luciano

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parole. He said that as Judge McCook who originally sentenced Luciano was approaching the compulsory retirement age Luciano's attorney filed the necessary affidavits requesting a parole for Luciano. According to [redacted] Judge McCook passed upon the matter and referred same to the New York State Parole Board who review all facts and make all decisions. The parole board decisions are adhered to in practically all cases and the Governor's signature is regarded as routine, as his signature was regarded in the Luciano parole. b7D

[redacted] added that as far as he knew Charles Haffenden had written only one letter to the Honorable Charles Breitel, Counsel to Governor Dewey. 39-2141-24

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GSA FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd

DATE: January 5, 1953

FROM : Mr. Rosen

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
CHARLES RADCLIFFE HAFFENDEN

SYNOPSIS:

Purpose:

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise concerning the activities of former Commander, United States Navy Reserve, Charles Radcliffe Haffenden in the obtaining of a parole by Charles "Lucky" Luciano on February 2, 1946.

Details:

Luciano had been sentenced to a term of 30 to 50 years in New York State on June 18, 1936, for the crime of placing women in a house of prostitution. Luciano applied for suspension of two 15 year sentences on February 8, 1943. Haffenden, who was then connected with the Office of Naval Intelligence, New York City, testified that [redacted] information of interest to the Navy was obtained. Reduction of sentence denied by Judge J. McCook. b7D

The Office of Naval Intelligence investigation in July 1945, reflects that Haffenden utilized informants sent to him [redacted] through Luciano's attorney Moses Polakoff. Haffenden admitted advising a representative of the New York State Parole Board in June 1945 that informants sent to him [redacted] furnished information concerning Italy and Sicily. He also admitted writing a letter on May 17, 1945, at the request of Polakoff, to Honorable Charles Breitel, Counsel to the Governor of the State of New York, [redacted] to the Navy and stating, "I am confident that the greater part of the intelligence developed in the Sicilian campaign was directly responsible to the number of Sicilians that [redacted] The Navy advised in May 1946, that the files of the Office of Naval Intelligence and the District Intelligence Office, 3rd Naval District, do not indicate what, if any, information was obtained from [redacted] b7D

Haffenden was appointed Commissioner of Marine and Aviation at New York City on January 1, 1946, by Mayor O'Dwyer and was subsequently requested to resign on May 31, 1946, because of an

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allegation that he formed a corporation with two Congressmen from Brooklyn for the purpose of getting a monopoly on all the concessions at the Idlewild Airport over which he had jurisdiction.

Luciano interviewed March 12, 1947, in Havana, Cuba, by Joseph A. Fortier, U. S. Treasury Department Representative, at which time Luciano claimed he had been contacted several times at Dannemora Prison, New York State, by Gurfeil (Murray I. Gurfein) and Haffenden whom he said helped him secure his parole. During Navy investigation of Haffenden he denied personally contacting Luciano. Bureau investigation at Sing Sing and Dannemora Prisons reflected no visits by Navy or military personnel, although information developed that Luciano frequently had visits with unknown individuals at prison Warden's home.

[redacted] advised b7D
on April 15, 1946, that decisions of New York State Parole Board usually adhered to and Governor's signature regarded as routine.

No Federal violations developed. Information not disseminated except to Military Intelligence Division in February 1947.

Prepare memo for transmission to Gov. Dewey

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CHARLES RADCLIFFE HAFFENDEN - BACKGROUND:

Haffenden was a Commander of Naval Intelligence in New York City, 3rd Naval District, from July 1940 to June 1944. The New York Office had considerable difficulty in keeping Haffenden within the delimitation agreement, principally because of his activities in sabotage and espionage investigations on the New York waterfront.

Captain Rosco MacFall, Director of Naval Intelligence, 3rd Naval District, as a result of this, limited Haffenden's jurisdiction, later transferred him to more innocuous duties and finally got him transferred out of New York. Haffenden later was transferred to the Coast Patrol in California and finally saw a limited amount of action in Okinawa. He received the Purple Heart decoration.

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Memorandum to Mr. Ladd

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[redacted], confidentially advised an Agent of the New York Office in June 1946, that Haffenden resigned from his position in the O'Dwyer administration about May 31, 1946, when he received a memorandum from Mayor O'Dwyer telling him to either submit his resignation by midnight or he would be summarily discharged. [redacted] advised that one of the reasons for O'Dwyer's action was that an allegation had been made that Haffenden formed a corporation with two Congressmen from Brooklyn for the purpose of getting a monopoly of the concessions at the Idlewild Airport, then under construction. [redacted] also mentioned that there was some indication that Paul O'Dwyer, brother of Mayor O'Dwyer, was trying to obtain these concessions.

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On March 29, 1946, former Special Agent in Charge Conroy advised that George Sander, Commissioner, New York City Department of Commerce, with the help of Haffenden who was Commissioner of Marine and Aviation was trying to force his way into a cut from the half million dollar corporation known as the Sightseeing Yachts Incorporated. Sander's who was head of the Sutton Lines requested a permit to dock its boats at a pier previously utilized by Sightseeing Yachts Incorporated. Since Haffenden issued permits to dock boats, Sightseeing Yachts Incorporated, it was alleged, would be required to deal with Haffenden and Sander and they thereby could demand an interest in Sightseeing Yachts Incorporated in return for the permit.

Memorandum to Mr. Ladd

HAFFENDEN'S ACTIVITIES IN BEHALF OF LUCIANO:

As a result of an anonymous letter received by the Office of Naval Intelligence on or about July 17, 1945, to the effect that Commander Haffenden had aided Luciano in obtaining his parole the Office of Naval Intelligence conducted an investigation and obtained signed statements from Commander Haffenden.

Photostats of Haffenden's statements to the Navy authorities were obtained in strictist confidence from [redacted] on February 11, 1946. b7D

[redacted]

The Photostats previously mentioned reflect that Haffenden was required to furnish the Navy with answers to the following specific questions on July 20, 1945:

1. Have you appeared before the parole board of the State of New York or been questioned by any of its personnel regarding the subject, namely, Lucky Luciano?

2. Have you written any letters to any agencies of the State of New York recommending the parole of the subject?

3. If it has come to your knowledge that the subject supplied any information of value to the United States Navy, please indicate what the information consists of.

Haffenden replied to these questions that while he did not appear before the parole board, he had been interviewed by a representative of the board named Healey to whom he gave general

information. Haffenden also stated that he had not written to any agencies in New York State recommending Luciano's parole but that he had written to the Honorable Charles Breitel, Counsel to the Governor of the State of New York, in this regard, a Photostat of which is in the Bureau files.

In the letter to Breitel, Haffenden stated that he was in charge of the Investigating Section, Naval Intelligence, 3rd Naval District, from approximately July 1940 to June 1944, during which time it was his duty to locate informants in the United States who could give intelligence information that would be of value both domestic and foreign. Haffenden stated that, accordingly, through the co-operation of Major Murray Gurfein, who was formerly an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan, contacts were made with Mr. Moses Polakoff, who was the attorney for the subject, Charles Luciano. Haffenden states that as a result of this contact a large number of informants were interviewed by agents under his command. Haffenden stated that it was difficult to say how many such informants came to his attention [redacted] Haffenden continued in his letter that he was "confident that the greater part of the intelligence developed in the Sicilian campaign was directly responsible to the number of Sicilians [redacted] " b7D

In February 1943, Haffenden with permission of Naval District Intelligence Office appeared before Judge Philip J. McCook and testified concerning contacts with Luciano through Luciano's attorney. As to his testimony, Haffenden advised the Navy in July 1945 that "no information was given in my testimony, other than generalities, as to [redacted] b7D

In his statement to the Navy Haffenden said he had never seen or talked to Luciano and that all transactions were carried on through Luciano's attorney Moses Polakoff or informants sent through him.

NAVY CENSURE OF HAFFENDEN:

On May 10, 1946, the office of the Chief of Naval Operations advised that Commander Haffenden's actions in behalf of Luciano were not known to or authorized by Naval authorities, that his actions were expressions of his personal opinions which official records failed to substantiate, and further, that he was informed of his lack of judgment in this case. A thorough search of the files of the District Intelligence Office, Third Naval District, failed to indicate that Luciano furnished any information to that office.

Memorandum to Mr. Ladd

STATEMENT OF LUCIANO, ... 12, 1947:

Luciano was arrested as an undesirable alien by the Cuban authorities on February 22, 1947, at Havana, Cuba. While in custody, Luciano was interviewed on March 15, 1947, by Joseph M. Fortier, United States Treasury Department representative and Mr. Oliveria, Special Representative of the United States Narcotics Bureau. Fortier advised the Bureau's representative in Havana that Luciano complained bitterly against the United States Government for having "forced" Cuban officials to deport him to Italy. Luciano stated that he had been contacted by Major Gurfeil [redacted] and a Commander Haffenden of Naval Intelligence for information relative to the war effort. He stated these two men called on him several times at Dannemora Prison and that he, Luciano, gave all the information he had relative to their mission. Luciano stated that he had talked principally with Gurfeil during these visits and that Gurfeil and Haffenden had helped him secure his parole. b7E

Reference to Major Gurfeil is no doubt Major Murray I. Gurfein who was formerly an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan and later an officer [redacted] b7E

BUREAU INVESTIGATIONS:

Since allegations had been made regarding Commander Haffenden's interceding for Luciano a discreet inquiry was conducted to ascertain the facts. No Federal violations were developed and Bureau files reflect that there was no dissemination except to Colonel Carter W. Clarke of Military Intelligence Division. In February 1947, former Special Agent S. W. Reynolds of the Bureau confidentially furnished to Colonel Clarke the substance of the above information concerning Haffenden's activities [redacted] b7D

Inquiry by Bureau Agents in May and June, 1945, failed to reflect that any official visitors were received by Luciano as being representatives of the War Department [redacted] b7E

Warden William E. Snyder of Sing Sing Prison advised during this investigation that he had heard a rumor to the effect that such visits had allegedly been made while Luciano was confined in Great Meadows Prison, Comstock, New York.

He pointed out that special arrangements had been made which would permit the Warden at Great Meadows Prison and the New York State Department of Correction at Albany to handle visits in an extremely confidential manner so that the visits would not have to be recorded officially anywhere in the prison files. He confidentially advised that while he was Principal Keeper at Dannemora Prison, Clinton, New York, and while Luciano was an inmate, occasionally during the evening several visitors would arrive at Warden Murphy's home near the prison and Luciano would then be taken to Warden's home.

The prison employees were of the opinion that Warden Murphy was assisting Luciano in having unofficial visits with individuals who probably would not have been admitted as visitors under the ordinary rules.

INTERVIEW WITH [redacted] b7D

On April 15, 1946, [redacted] was interviewed in his office at the State Capital. He said that Governor Dewey held no special hearings of any nature in connection with the Luciano parole. He said that as Judge McCook who originally sentenced Luciano was approaching the compulsory retirement age Luciano's attorney filed the necessary affidavits requesting a parole for Luciano. According to [redacted] Judge McCook passed upon the matter and referred same to the New York State Parole Board who review all facts and make all decisions. The parole board decisions are adhered to in practically all cases and the Governor's signature is regarded as routine, as his signature was regarded in the Luciano parole.

[redacted] added that as far as he knew Charles Haffenden had written only one letter to Honorable Charles Breitel, Counsel to Governor Dewey. (This letter previously identified in this memorandum) b7D

ACTION:

For your information.

29164

Date: January 30, 1953

To: The Honorable
The Secretary of the Treasury
Washington, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject:

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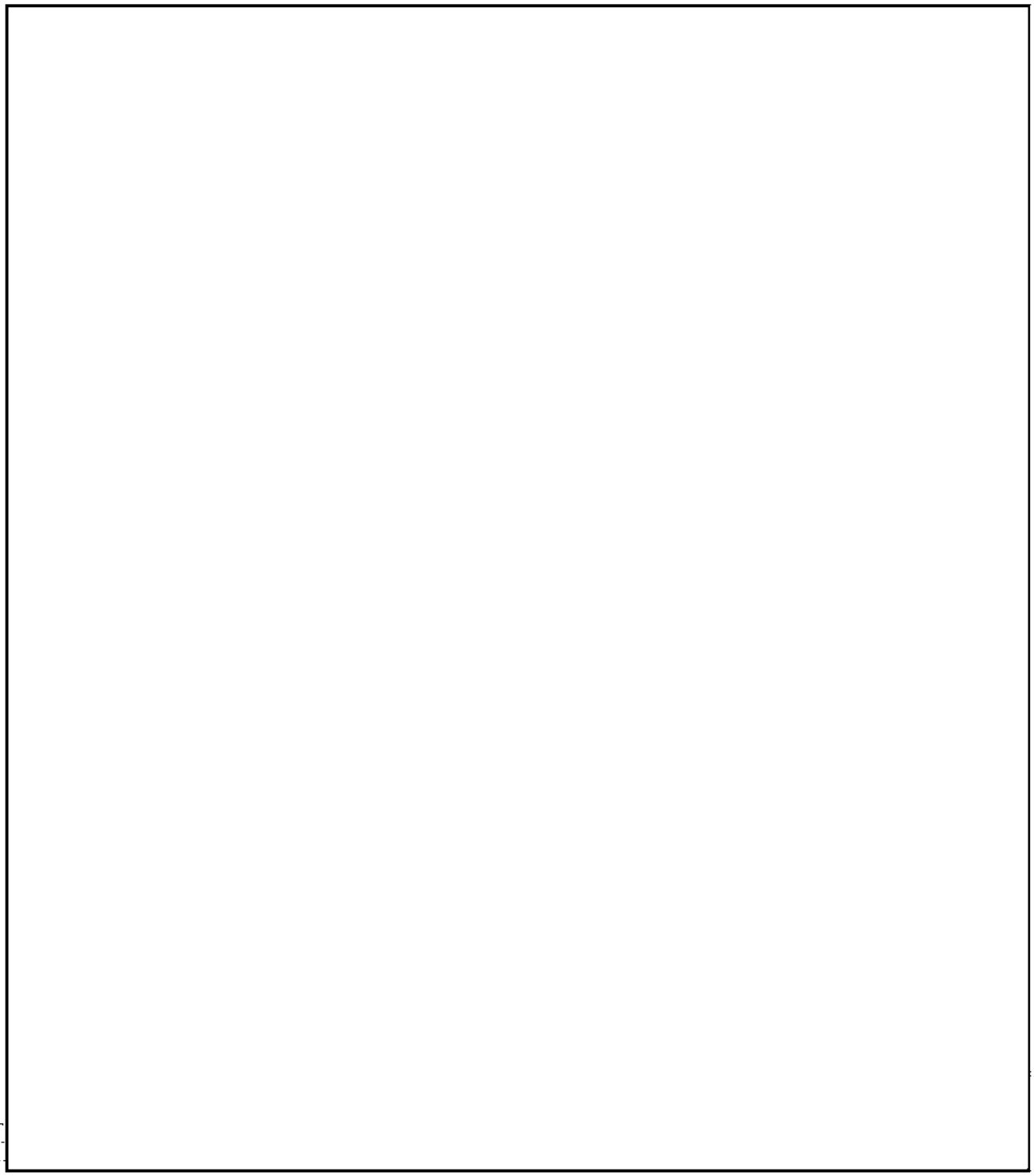

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March 10, 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. LADD
MR. NICHOLS

After the Attorney General's staff luncheon yesterday, the Attorney General talked with me in his office about a phone call which he received from Governor Dewey concerning a letter which had been sent by me to Governor Dewey under date of January 15, 1953, concerning the activities of one Haffenden in the matter of the parole of Lucky Luciano by the New York authorities. The Attorney General stated that Governor Dewey merely wanted to be certain that it was understood that his action in paroling Luciano was not predicated upon any grounds to the effect that Luciano had been or could be of service to the American authorities in Italy but was predicated upon entirely different grounds.

The Attorney General also informed me that a Michael Stern had recently made a broadcast over some New York radio station in which he charged that Luciano and his friends had paid large sums of money to Governor Dewey for the parole. As a result of this broadcast, Governor Dewey had had a lawyer in New York go into the matter and force a retraction by the radio station. During the course of the inquiry by the New York lawyer, Stern is alleged to have said that he was a friend of mine and, in fact, had dined with me the night before at the Stork Club. I told the Attorney General that I did not recall anyone by the name of Michael Stern as being a friend of mine, and certainly he had never dined with me, either at the Stork Club or any other place. I stated I wanted to look into this matter thoroughly and run it down as it sounded to me like a name dropper who should be told to either put up or shut up. I have asked Mr. Winterrowd to look into this matter and to let me have the facts pertaining to the same.

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BY

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

With reference to our conversation today concerning a letter to Governor Dewey, I am attaching hereto for your information a copy of a letter which I addressed to Governor Dewey on January 15, 1953, enclosing a memorandum, as reflected from our files, upon the activities of Charles Radcliffe Haffenden in behalf of Charles "Lucky" Luciano. You will note that at the conclusion of the memorandum there is a statement of the interview had with [redacted] than secretary to Governor Dewey, in which it was clearly indicated that the Parole Board decisions in New York are adhered to in practically all cases and that the Governor's signature is regarded as routine, as it was in the Luciano parole.

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Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ DATE: May 5, 1953
Havana, Cuba

FROM: Legal Attache, Havana, Cuba

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
GLF.

Re Havana letter March 16 last.

This office is in receipt of a report dated April 20, 1953 which was forwarded by [redacted] from Rome. Informant signed this report with his code name of [redacted] Because it may be of general interest to the Bureau, verbatim copies of informant's report are attached. (U) b7D

Informant is of necessity somewhat vague and uses a certain amount of double talk; the following is being mentioned to possibly clarify the report. (U)

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The above is for the Bureau's information. UACB no further action is being taken by this office. RUC.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 18, 1953
Havana, Cuba

FROM : Legal Attache, Havana, Cuba (62-8)

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nichols

DATE: July 24, 1953

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: EDWARD PAGE GASTON
Misc. Information Concerning

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Mr. Gaston appeared at the Director's Office on July 22, 1953, and was referred to Special Agent G. M. Peet, Crime Records Section, for interview.

Mr. Gaston advised that he resides at 1775 Massachusetts Avenue, Northwest, Telephone - HObart 2-9619. He is about 70 years of age and stated that he had done special work in the American Embassy in Germany during World War I, that he was formerly a Captain in the United States Army and that he was a friend of Senator Estes Kefauver.

He produced a letter from Senator Kefauver dated June 30, 1949, to Attorney General Tom Clark which indicated Gaston had been a guest in Kefauver's home.

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Mr. Gaston advised that for several years he has been active along temperance lines, and a liquor lobby was responsible for his arrest in 1943. He presented a photostat of a document which indicated that he was convicted May 5, 1943, Municipal Court, District of Columbia, for violation of Section 1394, Title 10, U. S. Codes, and was sentenced to 90 days and $150 fine. He appealed his conviction through the courts and on June 3, 1950, President Truman granted him a full pardon.

He indicated he was Head of the Patriotic Guard of America, Incorporated, with headquarters at his Massachusetts address. The purpose of this organization, according to Gaston, is to combat crime in America. Gaston stated the purpose of his visit to the Bureau was to obtain information in Bufiles concerning Lucky Luciano, narcotics hoodlum.

He was advised of the confidential nature of FBI files and he inquired if information would be made available if a written official request were made by a Senator. The confidential nature of FBI files was reiterated to him and he was informed such a request would be a matter for the Department of Justice to determine.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For record purposes.

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cc - Mr. Holloman
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New York, N. Y.
September 23, 1953

Mr. Hoover:

Former SA [redacted] advised that an informant of his [redacted] that some time prior to Labor Day Lansky took a plane to Brazil where he met Lucky Luciano.

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Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Winterrowd	
Mr. Holloman	
Miss Gandy	

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Date: September 25, 1953

To: Commissioner
Bureau of Narcotics
United States Treasury Department
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: LUCKY LUCIANO

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Information has been received by us from a previously accurate confidential source to the effect that, prior to Labor Day, Meyer Lansky took an airplane flight to Brazil where he visited with Lucky Luciano.

This is being furnished for whatever action you deem appropriate, and no investigation concerning this matter is being conducted by this Bureau.

cc: 1 - Legal Attache, Brazil

NOTE: Legal Attache, Brazil

The above is being furnished for your information, and you are requested to advise the Bureau of any information coming to your attention in this regard.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

AIR TEL

NEW YORK
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Transmit the following Teletype message to: BUREAU

CRIMINAL RACKET SURVEY. [redacted] FORMER SPECIAL AGENT, [redacted] PREVIOUSLY GIVEN EXTREMELY ACCURATE INFORMATION, ADVISED THAT PRIOR TO LABOR DAY, MEYER LANSKY TOOK AN AIRPLANE FLIGHT TO BRAZIL WHERE HE VISITED WITH LUCKY LUCIANO. HE COULD FURNISH NO FURTHER INFORMATION BUT IS ENDEAVORING TO GET MORE.

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Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. Rosen

cc [redacted]

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Mr. Rosen

Mr. Price

January 29, 1954

CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
CHARLES RADCLIFFE HAFFENDEN

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In the January 29, 1954, issue of the "New York Herald-Tribune," there appears an article quoting Murray Gurfein, formerd Assistant District Attorney in New York, as saying he personally went to Albany in 1942 and obtained the approval of then Commissioner of Correction, John Lyons, for underworld kingpins to visit vice lord Charles "Lucky" Luciano who was then in Dannemora Prison. The article states that in March, 1942, District Attorney Hogan of New York was visited by Captain R. McFall who was in charge of the Office of Naval Intelligence in the Third Naval District in New York, and thatMcFall asked the help of the District Attorney's office in the Navy's security problems.

Hogan agreed, according to Gurfein, and Gurfein was assigned to work with Lieutenant Commander Charles R. Haffenden, then in the Office of Naval Intelligence. Gurfein is quoted as saying that Haffenden asked the District Attorney's office to introduce him to underworld characters, that he wanted to "set up a network of informers in the underworld so that Naval Intelligence could be alerted if contacts were made by axis agents with the underworld."

The Director asked for a memorandum as to the true facts regarding this situation and stated that if he recalled correctly, the Navy at one time claimed this was without its knowledge and authority. This is correct. On May 10, 1946, the Navy advised that Haffenden's actions [redacted] were known or authorized by Naval authorities.

There is attached a memorandum dated January 5, 1953, which summarizes the facts in the Bureau's possession concerning this situation. Luciano had been sentenced to a term of 30 to 50 years in New York State on June 18, 1936, for the crime of placing women in a house of prostitution. Luciano applied for suspension of two 15-year sentences on February 8, 1943. Haffenden, who was then connected with the Office of Naval Intelligence, New York City, testified before Judge Philip McCook with permission of Naval authorities, [redacted] information of interest to the Navy was obtained. Reduction of sentence was denied by Judge McCook.

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EOD: [redacted]

Resigned: June 8, 1951 due to economic circumstances

As of August 1952 the file of [redacted] reflects that he was [redacted]

Services as Agent satisfactory.

Memorandum to Mr. Rosen

The Office of Naval Intelligence investigation in July, 1945, reflected that Haffenden utilized informants sent to him as a result of [redacted] b7D Luciano's attorney, Moses Polakoff. In the current article Gurfein is quoted as saying he introduced Haffenden to Polakoff at a conference in Hogan's office. Haffenden admitted advising a representative of the New York State Parole Board in June, 1945, that informants sent to him [redacted] furnished information concerning Italy and Sicily.

He also admitted writing a letter on May 17, 1945, at the request of Polakoff to the Honorable Charles Breitel, Counsel to the Governor of the State of New York, pointing out [redacted] to the Navy. The b7D Navy advised in May, 1946, that the files of the Office of Naval Intelligence and the District Intelligence Office, Third District, do not indicate what, if any, information was obtained from Luciano or his informants.

[redacted] b7E

[redacted] During Navy investigation of Haffenden, he denied personally contacting Luciano.

The Bureau made a discreet inquiry to ascertain the facts in May and June of 1946, which failed to reflect that any official visits were received by Luciano as being from representativesoof the War Department [redacted] b7E although information was developed that Luciano had visits with unknown individuals at prison warden's home.

In May of 1946, the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations advised that Haffenden's actions were not known to or authorized by Naval Authorities and that Haffenden was informed of his lack of judgement in this case.

In January of 1953, a memorandum concerning this situation was furnished Governor Dewey by the Bureau.

RECOMMENDATION:

For your information.

DAVID McKAY COMPANY, Inc. Publishers
55 FIFTH AVENUE • NEW YORK 3 • Telephone ALgonquin 5-6500 • Cable: DAVMACAY New York

January 10, 1955

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover: LUCKY LUCIANO

At the request of Mr. Sid Feder, co-author of "The Luciano Story", a copy of the book is being sent to you under separate cover with our compliments.

Sincerely,

DAVID MCKAY COMPANY, Inc.

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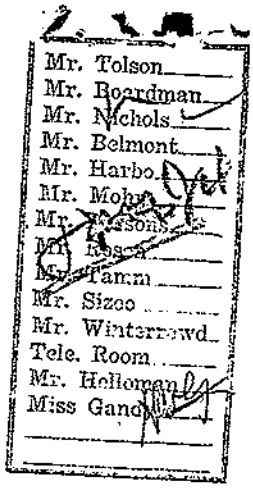
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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

29168

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nichols

DATE: January 19, 1955

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: BOOK ENTITLED "THE LUCIANO STORY"
By Sid Feder and Joachim Joesten

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By letter of January 10, 1955, the David McKay Company, Inc., 55 5th Avenue, New York 3, New York, advised that at the request of Mr. Sid Feder, a copy of the captioned book was being sent to the Bureau under separate cover. This letter is not signed; however, the typed closing is "Sincerely, DAVID MCKAY COMPANY, Inc." The book was received in the Bureau on January 17, 1955.

Bufile 62-96816 reflects that Feder collaborated with Burton B. Turkus in writing the book, "Murder, Inc.," which was received without cover letter at the Bureau in January, 1952. It is noted that the latter book contained derogatory remarks concerning the FBI and attributed false statements to the Director, and after a complete review of the book no acknowledgment was made.

On page 79 of "The Luciano Story," Mr. Hoover is quoted as stating that Louis "Lepke" Buchalter was "the most dangerous criminal in America." Chapter 7 of the book is entitled "Lucky in the Brothels." On page 275 of the book it is indicated that the FBI was after Francesco Callace "for a spot of blackmail in Milford, Connecticut, in 1948."

Due to the information contained in Bufiles concerning the derogatory comments about the Bureau in the book, "Murder, Inc.," and the references to the FBI in the instant book, along with the fact that the letter from the David McKay Company, Inc., was not signed, it is felt that no acknowledgment as to the receipt of the book should be made until we have had an opportunity to make a complete review of it in the Crime Records Section.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) That "The Luciano Story" be returned to the Crime Records Section for a complete review.

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(2) That no acknowledgment be made with regard to its receipt at this time.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

January 17, 1955

A letter was received from David McKay Company dated 1-10-55 which stated at the request of Mr. Sid Feder, co-author of "The Luciano Story" a copy was being sent.

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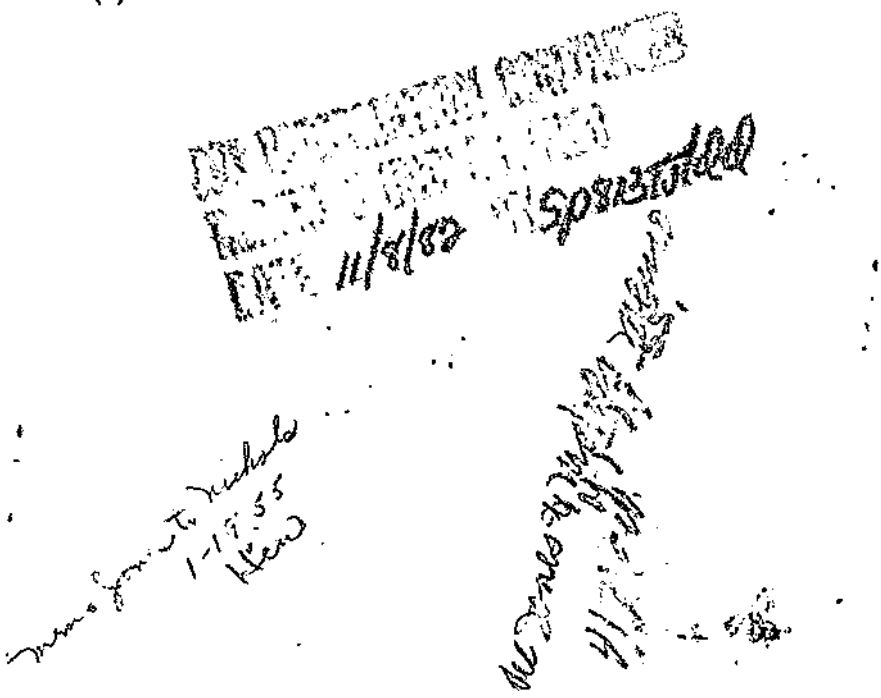

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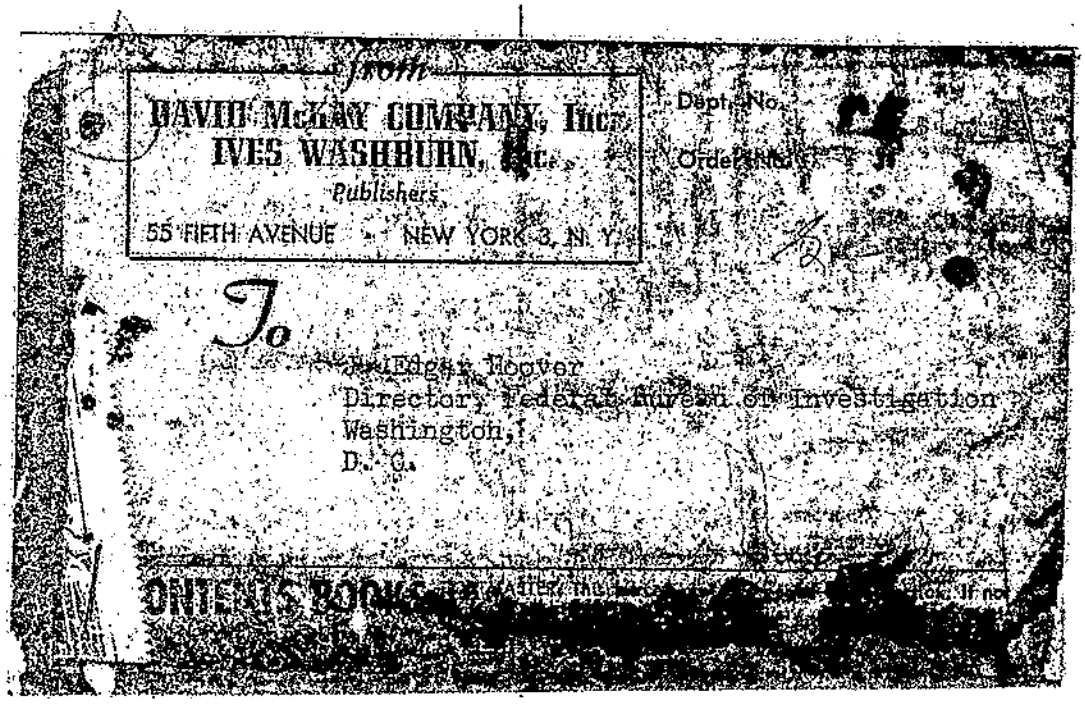

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nichols

DATE: March 7, 1955

FROM : M. A. Jones

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SUBJECT: THE LUCIANO STORY
BY SID FEDER AND JOACHIM JOESTEN
BOOK REVIEW

SYNOPSIS:

This memorandum summarizes the captioned book which was copyrighted in 1954. Author Sid Feder will be remembered as a co-author of the book, "Murder, Inc." (62-96816) Bufiles refect a pending "Internal Security" investigation concerning Joachim Joesten. (100-37044) The book, "The Luciano Story," is a readable account of "the inside facts on the greatest criminal conspiracy in history and the mastermind behind it--Lucky Luciano." Using much of the same material used in "Murder, Inc.," the authors trace Luciano's career in crime, through his subsequent arrest and deportation. They devote much space to the activities of the Federal Narcotics Bureau and particularly the Narcotics Bureau's "persecution" of Luciano since his deportation.

Of the nine references to the Director or the FBI throughout the book, none appears to be of a derogatory nature. The last chapter emphasizes the Federal Narcotics Bureau's "persecution" of Luciano and Luciano's hatred for Commissioner Anslinger. The author points out (page 319) that Luciano feels no such antagonism toward the Director and cites New York columnist Leonard Lyons' article in Esquire Magazine in which he quotes Luciano as saying, "Hoover's no friend of the hoodlums or the underworld. I like him because he never makes an announcement about what he's gonna do. He never says a guy is tied up in a racket, and he's gonna grab him for it. None of that yakity-yak. A guy does somethin', Hoover grabs him. No announcements. He don't shoot his mouth off. He's got efficiency!"

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

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Memorandum for Mr. Nichols March 7, 1955

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The book "The Luciano Story," by Sid Feder and Joachim Joesten was released recently by David McKay Company, Inc., New York.

AUTHORS - SID FEDER AND JOACHIM JOESTEN:

Author Sid Feder will be remembered as co-author, with Burton B. Turkus, of the book, "Murder, Inc., The Story of 'the Syndicate'" which came to the Bureau's attention in January, 1952. The only other reference to Feder in Bufiles reflects that "Salute," a magazine for veterans, published in November, 1946, carried an article about the Los Angeles Rams, West Coast football team, the owner and coach. [Bufile 100-344008-11 indicates that the National Committee of the Communist Party was interested in "Salute." (U)

Co-author Joachim Joesten, who is described on the cover as a veteran newspaperman and writer with years of experience in crime reporting, is the subject of an "Internal Security" investigation originating at New York. [This file was opened in August, 1941, following receipt in the State Department of an anonymous communication sent from Stockholm, Sweden, alleging that one Joaquim Joesten was a Communist.] An investigation conducted by Immigration and Naturalization Service in 1941 in this connection failed to produce any proof which would indicate Joesten was a Communist. (100-37044-24x)

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Joesten was born June 29, 1907, at Cologne, Germany, and has studied at universities in Germany, France and Spain. He traveled widely throughout Europe and parts of America, Asia and Africa. He became a permanent resident of the United States in April, 1941, and an American citizen in June, 1948. Having left Germany in March, 1933, as a foe of Nazism, Joesten became a correspondent for American, British, French, Belgian and Swiss newspapers in the Scandinavian countries where he lived from 1934 to 1940. After coming to the US, he was for three years an assistant editor in the foreign department of Newsweek magazine. Turning to free-lance writing in 1945, Joesten has contributed in recent years to such magazines as Liberty, This Week, The Nation, World Digest, etc., as well as to such newspapers as the New York Herald Tribune, New York Post, Washington Star, Wall Street Journal, Kansas City Star, Milwaukee Journal, Montreal Star and St. Louis Post-Dispatch. He writes a yearly review of events in nine European countries for The International Year Book and he has published four books on foreign affairs. (100-37044-25)

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At a citizenship hearing before the Immigration and Naturalization Service on February 14, 1947, Joesten stated he considered himself a "left wing liberal" and indicated that he may have adopted the Communist Party line in his youth as a means of fighting Nazism. (100-37044-28)

THE BOOK:

"The Luciano Story," by Sid Feder and Joachim Joesten, copyrighted in 1954, and published by David McKay Company, Inc., New York, is a very readable account of "the inside facts on the greatest criminal conspiracy in history and the mastermind behind it--Lucky Luciano."

The book is a somewhat detailed summary of the criminal career of Lucky Luciano; his activities as a member of the "Mafia" and later the "Unione Siciliano;" his deportation and his alleged tie-up with the present narcotics traffic.

The authors refer to Luciano's ability to cover his tracks and to avoid direct implication while actually directing the entire show. Much of the material prior to Lucky's arrest by the then District Attorney, Thomas E. Dewey, in 1935-36, is substantially the same as that which appeared in "Murder, Inc."

Chapter Nine, "Lucky and Operation Underworld," (pages 176-229) is devoted to Lucky's alleged wartime assistance to Naval Intelligence in preventing sabotage and espionage around the New York-New Jersey docks, and the subsequent "clamming up" on the part of Naval officials.

Much space is devoted to the activities of the Federal Narcotics Bureau and while there is no attempt on the part of the authors to play down any of Luciano's crimes, they give the definite impression that they agree with his claim that he is being "persecuted" by the Narcotics Bureau agents.

REFERENCES TO THE FBI:

The Director or the FBI is mentioned in only nine instances throughout the entire book. None of these references appear to be of a derogatory nature. References of a nonpertinent nature appear on pages 110, and 231.

On page 25, referring to Gene Giannini, dope peddler and Narcotics Bureau informant, the authors state that Giannini was arrested by Narcotics agents, arraigned on narcotics charges, admitted

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to $10,000 bail and released. "His only subsequent contact with the law, as far as can be ascertained," say the authors, "occurred on June 14, 1952, when FBI Agents questioned him."

The authors give much space to Louis "Lepke" Buchalter's seizure of the clothing industry and on page 79 the Director is quoted as describing Lepke as "The most dangerous criminal in America." This same quote had been cited in "Murder, Inc." Another incident, which was also cited in "Murder, Inc.," refers to FBI men, among other members of law enforcement, being at the bedside of the dying "Dutch" Schultz (page 102).

In chapter nine, which pertains to Luciano's alleged wartime assistance to Naval Intelligence, the authors refer to the danger of espionage and sabotage following the declaration of war. Mention is made of the burning of the "Normandie" in February of 1942, and then the authors go on to say: "Then, in June, a dozen enemy spies were landed by submarine near the village of Amagansett, on Long Island. They were caught, through the ever watchful FBI..." (page 177) In this same chapter, in describing the efforts of Naval Intelligence to prevent sabotage, the authors state: "On the intelligence staff were prewar FBI men, detectives, District and Federal Attorneys and their investigators, Treasury Department operatives, lawyers--all now in uniform." (page 180)

In chapter twelve, "Lucky and the Slow Murder," the authors discuss the traffic in dope from Italy to the United States in which they refer to a report the Italian Government submitted to the International Criminal Police Commission for forwarding to the United Nations "a couple of years ago." One paragraph, they state, concerned "one of the largest" heroin seizures in 1951 in which an American identified only as "C...Frank" was arrested and his uncle, named "C...Francesco" was subsequently taken into custody. The authors point out that "C...Frank" is actually Frank Callace, a New Yorker closely associated with the 107th Street mob of East Harlem. They go on to say that "C...Francesco" is Francesco Callace, young Frank's uncle, "whose twenty-five-year career in American crime ended when he disappeared while the FBI was after him for a spot of blackmail in Milford, Connecticut, in 1948." (page 275) In a footnote, the authors point out that "Francesco Callace turned up in New York and was murdered on November 14, 1954." Bufiles indicate that Callace had been the subject of I.O. #2185, charged with Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution-Attempted Extortion, but that the I.O. had been cancelled when process was dismissed at New Haven, Connecticut, on March 17, 1950. File also verifies Callace's murder. (88-3628)

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As previously stated, the theme throughout the entire book involves the alleged persecution of Luciano by the Federal Narcotics Bureau. The last chapter, "Lucky Talks," which is the work of co-author Joesten who interviewed Luciano in Italy, concerns Luciano's feeling of persecution by the Narcotics Bureau and his resentment toward U. S. Narcotics Commissioner Henry Anslinger. One paragraph, on page 319, reads:

"Oddly enough, he (Luciano) feels no such antagonism for J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. 'Hoover's no friend of the hoodlums or the underworld,' He (Luciano) was quoted by New York columnist Leonard Lyons in an article in Esquire Magazine. 'I like him because he never makes an announcement about what he's gonna do. He never says a guy is tied up in a racket, and he's gonna grab him for it. None of that yakity-yak. A guy does somethin', Hoover grabs him. No announcements. He don't shoot his mouth off. He's got efficiency!'"

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STANDARD FORM No. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 16, 1955

FROM : SAC, Minneapolis [redacted] b7E

SUBJECT: LUCKY LUCIANO
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re New Orleans letter to Bureau, Miami and Minneapolis dated January 15, 1953, reflecting that one WALLY MERILA attempted to place a long distance call at Havana, Cuba, to LUCKY LUCIANO, and also attempted to contact MARION FISKKIND at New [redacted] New York.

The following information is being recorded for information and for record purposes, and no further inquiries are being conducted by this office.

On May 5, 1955, Inspector of Detectives CHARLES WETHERILLE, Minneapolis Police Department, advised that in connection with one of their investigations he came across the name of an individual named WALTER I. MERILA, who was living at 316 Oak Grove, Minneapolis, Minnesota; that MERILA was driving a 1954 Cadillac El Dorado, with 1954 Minnesota license 1-054-126.

According to WETHERILLE, the above license was listed to WALTER I. MERILA of 1645 Hennepin Avenue, suite 222, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and the serial number of the Cadillac was 546277653.

WETHERILLE further advised he ascertained that the 1955 Minnesota license for the above car was EL 7048, and that the records of the Motor Vehicle Division, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota, reflect that the above Cadillac was transferred on March 28, 1955, to Motor City, 306 East Lake Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

WETHERILLE advised that on the previous evening, May 4, 1955, this same individual, MERILA, was reported to have been in the Flame Night Club and/or Hoop-D-Doo around 16th and Nicollet in Minneapolis, and that MERILA was with a discharged Minneapolis City Detective named BERNARD MC LAUGHLIN. According to WETHERILLE, the manager of one of these places had told Detective DONALD JOHNSON that this MERILA was "sounding off."

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cc: 33-35-DD
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Memo: Director, FBI 5/16/55
Re: LUCKY LUCIANO

WETHERILLE further advised that a Mrs. NORSEN, caretaker of the hotel at 316 Oak Grove, telephone LIncoln 6384, was suspicious of MERILA when he left there, as she did not like his looks, and that at that time he told her that he goes to Florida quite a bit.

IRVING RUTTER of Motor City, according to WETHERILLE, advised that MERILA sold the above car because he was unable to make payments on it, and that it would have been lost very soon to the Industrial Credit Company.

Records at the Identification Division, Minneapolis Police Department, as of May5, 1955, reflect the following data for an individual whom Inspector WETHERILLE believes is identical with the MERILA he referred to:

Name:	WALTER ILMARI MERILA
Residence:	New Rochelle, New York
Born:	January 16, 1912, Fitchburg, Mass.
Height:	5' 10 7/8"
Hair:	Light chestnut
Eyes:	Blue
Build:	Medium
Complexion:	Medium
Occupation:	Salesman
Police Number:	Minneapolis Police Department Number 39419; FBI Number 4112049
Fingerprint Classification:	15 I 29 W IOO 20 M 19 W OIO 15
Relatives:	Sister, Mrs. GEORGE SKY, New Rochelle, New York
Criminal Record:	Arrested 11/20/48, obtaining property by false pretense, 11/26/48 bound over to district court, 12/21/48 OMUFP - one year Minneapolis, Minn. workhouse

Memo: Director, FBI 5/16/55
Re: LUCKY LUCIANO

Criminal Record
Cont'd: 2/5/55, careless driving, 2/5/55, released $100 bail, $100 or 30 days--paid 2/17/55.

The records further revealed that as of February 5, 1955, his address was 1645 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota; that he was arrested at 2711 Golden Valley Road, by LARSON and AIGNER. The record revealed he was self-employed, his wife was listed as PATRICIA. He was listed as weighing 195 pounds; that he attended high school, and was divorced in Massachusetts.

His FBI record is in the above files of the Minneapolis Police Department, and the Identification Division of the Bureau has been requested by separate communication to furnish all offices receiving copies of this communication with his identification record.

Indices Check

In addition to the above mentioned New Orleas letter, indices reflect that in 1948 the Omaha Office had a case entitled "WALTER ILMARI MERILA, ITSP," and a copy of this communication is being furnished the Omaha Office.

The Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service

June 7, 1955

Director, FBI

CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO

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DATE 11/9/82 BY sp1375/pd

Information has been received by our New York Office to the effect that at a birthday party sometime between April 27 and May 7, 1955, at the Chantilly Cocktail Lounge, Boylston Street, Boston, Massachusetts, two individuals known as "Joe" and "Mario" were present. These individuals allegedly were in the process of making arrangements for Charles "Lucky" Luciano to re-enter the United States illegally.

The individual named Joe was described as an Italian National and "top gunman for Luciano" while Mario was described only as "a United States citizen of Italian descent." No further details are available concerning these persons.

The Bureau's informant has advised that the original source of this information is a person who is of doubtful reputation.

No investigation has been conducted by this Bureau in this matter and the above information is being furnished to you for whatever action may be deemed appropriate.

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NOTE: The informant is [redacted] b7D

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June 7, 1955 AIRTEL

SAC, NEW YORK (MAIL)

CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
GIIF

Urairtel 6/3/55 reflected sketchy descriptive information available concerning the two individuals allegedly arranging for illegal re-entry of Luciano into this country. You should, if possible, obtain more descriptive data and information concerning these persons. Contact should be maintained with informants and sources in order to assure that you are promptly advised of any further developments in this regard and the Bureau should be kept closely advised.

Boston likewise contact informants and sources for information concerning this matter and advise the Bureau promptly of any pertinent information.

Hoover

cc: 2- Boston (Mail)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

6/3/55

NY, NY

Transmit the following Teletype message to: BUREAU

CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO - GIIF.

Info confidentially received from [redacted] b7D

[redacted] two men known as "JOE" LNU and "MARIO" LNU who supposedly were in process of making arrangements for LUCIANO to re-enter the US illegally. "JOE" described as Italian National and "top gunman" for LUCIANO; "MARIO" only as US citizen of Italian descent. [redacted] Also requested [redacted] identity to be kept confidential. No other info available NYO at this time.

KELLY

* LAST NAME UNKNOWN

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Special Agent in Charge

Mr. Rosen

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

New York, 6/28/55

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Mr. Nichols
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Transmit the following Teletype message to: Bureau

CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO - GIIF. Rebuairtel 6/7/55 and Boston air-tel 6/7/55.

[redacted] who was previously unavailable, was interviewed 6/27/55, for more info on JOE (LNU) and MARIO (LNU). [redacted] advised that all info available to him [redacted] had been included in his original call to the NYO.

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Informants and sources NYC, alerted.

NY suggests dissemination INS, Boston, keeping in mind necessity for concealing identity [redacted]

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Mr. Rosen

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Date: November 22, 1955

To: Legal Attache
Havana, Cuba (62-8)

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
GIIF

Reurmemo 11-14-55 with which you transmitted six photographs of Luciano appearing in the October 30, 1955, issue of the Cuban magazine "Bohemia."

In accordance with your request, two sets of the photographs have been made for your files and are transmitted herewith, together with the original photographs, which you requested be returned to you. A copy of these photographs is also being retained in the Bureau files. (U)

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cc: -1- Foreign Liaison Unit (Route thru before mailing).

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DATE: November 14, 1955
Havana, Cuba

FROM : Legal Attache, Havana, Cuba (62-8)

SUBJECT: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
GIIF

Charles "Lucky" Luciano Photograph

The October 30, 1955 issue of the widely read Cuban magazine "BOHEMIA" published an interview of the above subject in Italy by one CARLOS M. CASTANEDA, said to be a reporter for "BOHEMIA." A clipping of this article is attached and it will be noted that it contains several different photographs of subject LUCIANO.

Inasmuch as it has been noted in the past that there are occasional rumors that LUCIANO may travel to Cuba or to the United States, and since no recent photographs of him are available in this connection, it was deemed desirable to endeavor to obtain the BOHEMIA photographs for copy. [redacted]

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There are transmitted herewith six photographs of LUCIANO taken at the time of the interview for BOHEMIA. It is requested that the Bureau copy these photographs and furnish two sets of same to the Havana office. It is suggested that the Bureau may also desire to retain a set in subject's file in Washington.

It is requested that the original BOHEMIA photographs be returned to this office as soon as possible so that they can be returned to the BOHEMIA files.

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JULY 5, 1955 AIRTEL

62-2141-172 SAC, NEW YORK (62-6768) MAIL

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CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO
SIP

Re New York airtel 6-28-55.

For the information of Boston and New York, the Bureau by memorandum 6-7-55 furnished to the Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service the information received by New York concerning Charles "Lucky" Luciano as set forth in New York airtel dated 6-3-55.

HOOVER

cc: -2- Boston (MAIL)

NOTE:

By airtel 6-3-55 New York advised information confidentially received from [redacted] b7D

[redacted] 2 men known as "Joe" (LNU) and "Mario" (LNU), who supposedly were in process of making arrangements for Luciano to re-enter the U. S. illegally. By memo 6-7-55 we furnished this information to the Commissioner, I&NS.

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ENCLOSURES TO THE BUREAU:

Article from 10-30-55 issue of "BOHEMIA" magazine re interview of CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO in Italy.

Six photographs of LUCIANO taken at the time of the interview for "BOHEMIA."

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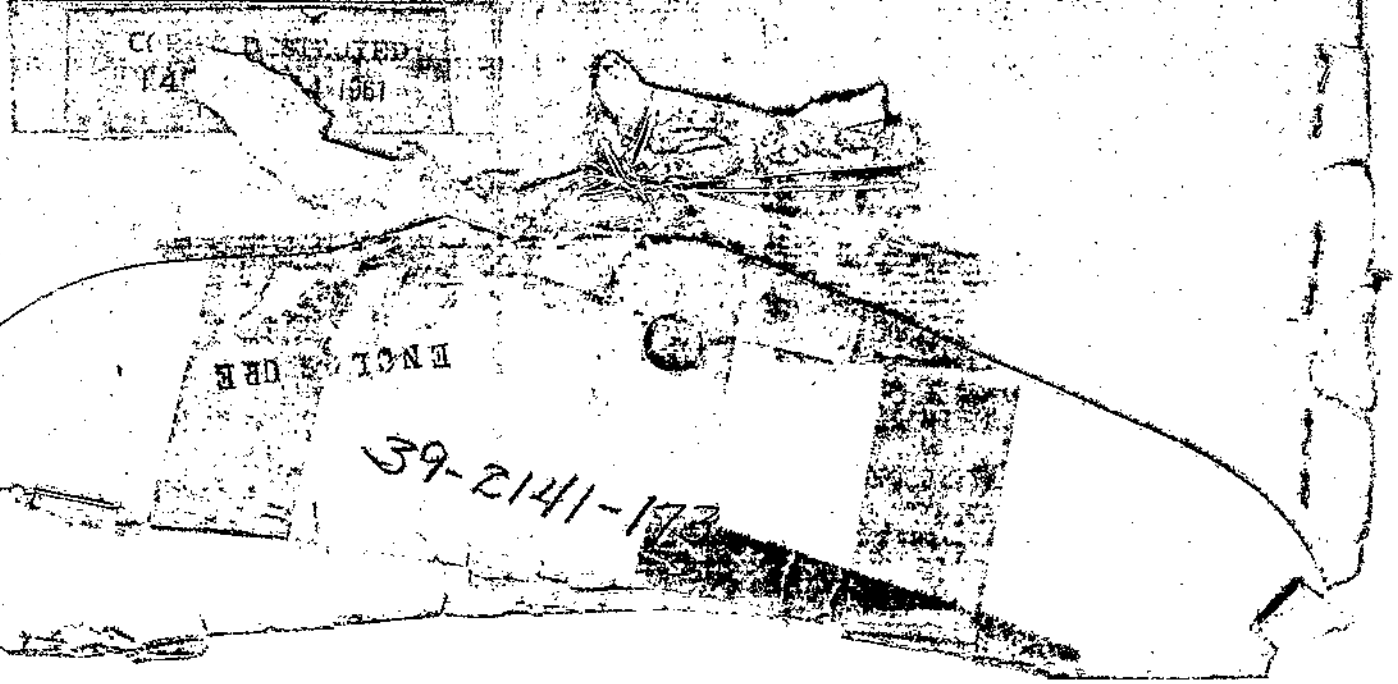

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¡EXCLUSIVO!

A Lucky Luciano le gusta cambiar de sazón. Siempre almuerza en un restaurant, ya que obligadamente tiene que comer en su casa. A su llegada de la calle con la caída de la tarde, pasa por la cocina para probar el menú de la noche.

Lucky Luciano se vanagloria de tener amigos en todo el mundo. Su correspondencia diaria es copiosa y su dirección postal muy singular: Lucky Luciano —Nápoles— Italia. Todo el mundo le conoce bien en la ciudad.

¡NO TOSA MÁS!

Bre-a-col con PRYLON es un NUEVO remedio contra la tos más activo

A prima mañana, mientras aguarda la hora en que por orden policíaca puede dejar su apartamiento, Lucky Luciano atiende su correspondencia diaria.

cuentro con la prensa, pues culpa a la "publicidad exagerada" de todas sus desventuras actuales.

Aunque al mediodía es seguro encontrarle en el lujoso Bar California, sólo sus íntimos se atreven a acercársele. Custodiado siempre por su perro lobo, es un riesgo para el desconocido abordar súbitamente a Luciano. No hay, pues, mejor hora para verle que las ocho de la noche: el amo está en su cómodo apartamiento en la parte alta de la ciudad y "Nerón" duerme plácidamente.

—Aún conservo gratos recuerdos de Cuba. Dejé afectos, pasé allí días encantadores —evoca nostálgico.

Lucy Luciano recuerda con amargura la odisea de su expulsión de Cuba por indeseable, en la primavera de 1947. Instado a analizar el sensacional episodio, descarga una acusación directa.

—Pablo Suárez, entonces sobrino del doctor Grau San Martín, fué el responsable de aquella incidencia desagradable. Me gustaba mucho La Habana, pero si mi presencia resultaba molesta me hubiera marchado al menor requerimiento.

Añadiendo al diálogo toda la acidez de su resentimiento:

—Se me quiso extorsionar por "pistoleros de juguete", pero yo no les di un centavo...

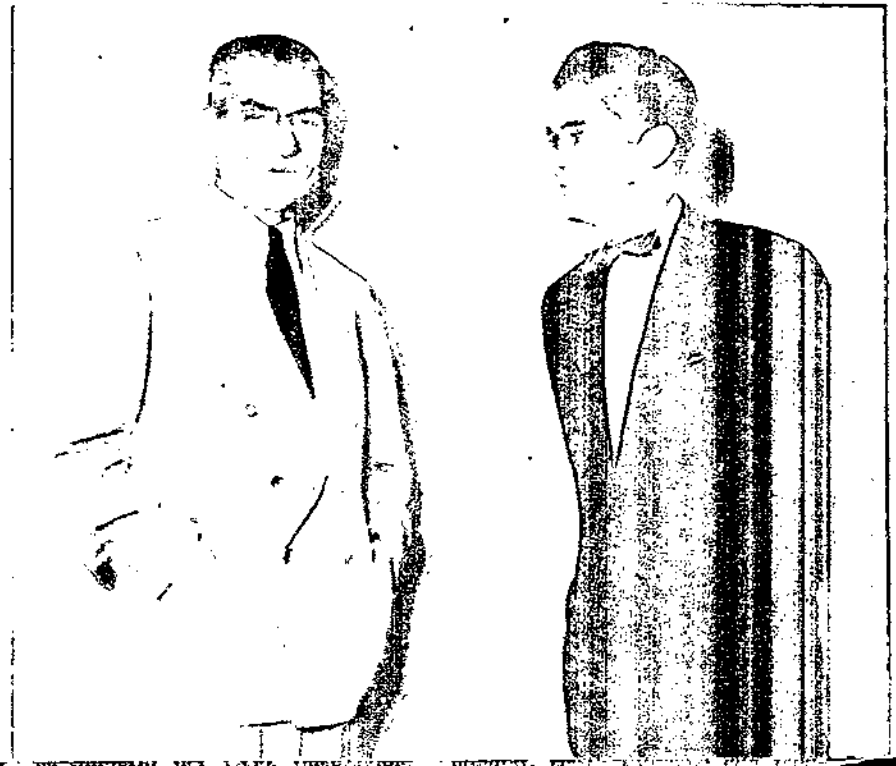
Momentáneamente se nubla el rostro del siciliano. Aparentemente se dispone a volver a la carga, pero prefiere evadir el tema poniendo una pincelada triste en la conversación:

—De ese proceso tengo mucho que decir... Pero, en fin, eso pasó y para qué insistir en lo insoluble... ¿Usted vuelve a Cuba el mes entrante? Quisiera acompañarle, pero no puedo... No tengo tan siquiera ni pasaporte...

Deportado de Cuba, en 1947, Lucky Luciano retornó a Italia. Traía de América una celebridad negativa, con la que amasó millones de dólares en el mundillo del vicio y del crimen. Pronto se tornó en personaje estelar de los salones ele-

(Continúa en la Pág. 138)

Convertido hoy en hombre de negocios, aparentemente en trance de regeneración, Lucky Luciano charla con nuestro compañero Carlos M. Castañeda al conceder con carácter exclusivo para BOHEMIA, una de las pocas entrevistas que brinda a la prensa.



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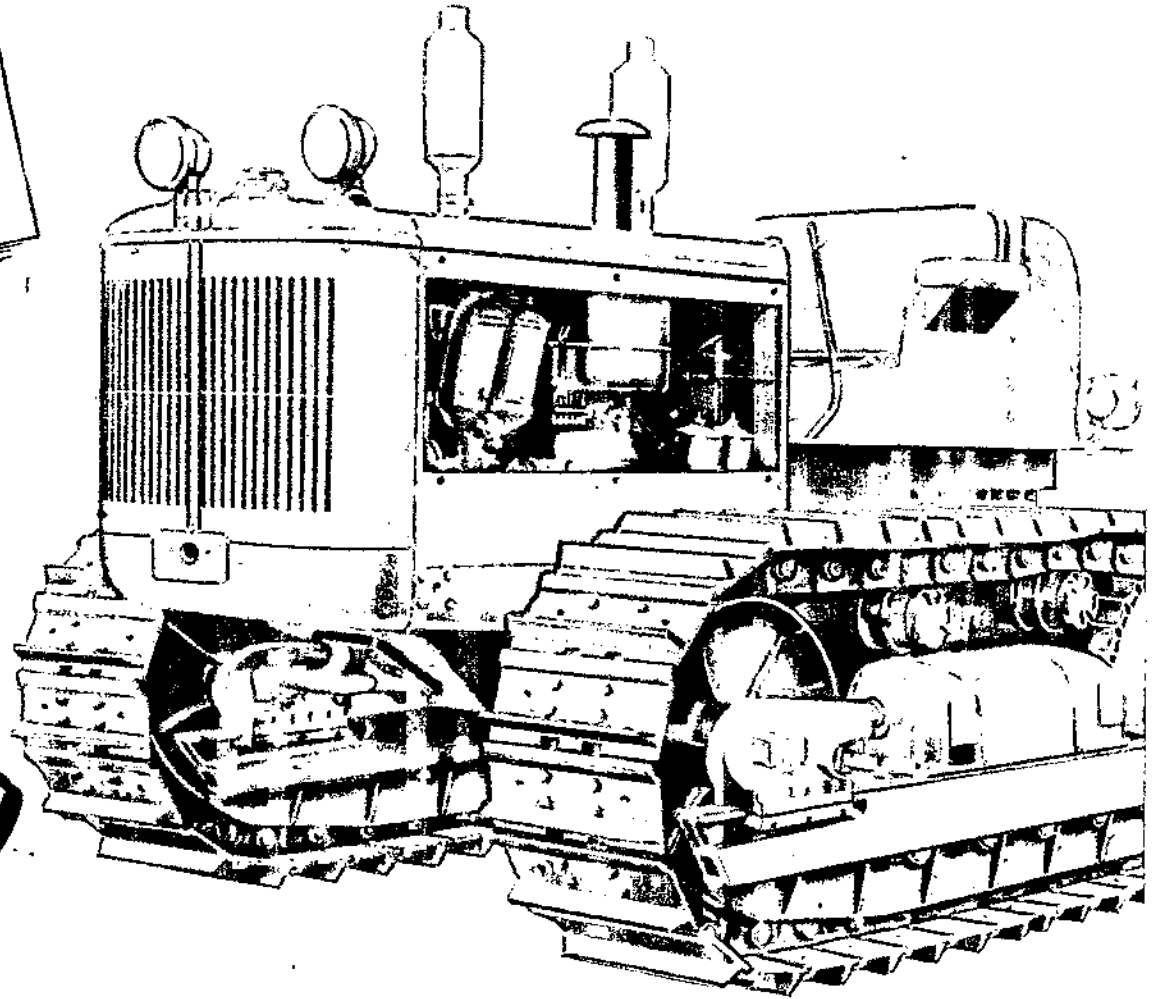

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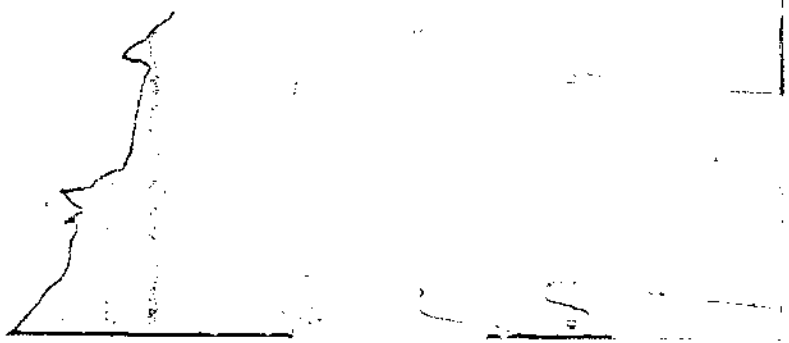


Antes de abandonar su apartamiento en la parte alta de Nápoles, Lucky Luciano dedica unos minutos a sus amigos favoritos, los perros. Usualmente se le ve acompañado por un perro lobo, que hoy sustituye a sus guarda espaldas de una época más turbulenta de su vida.

NADIE puede atreverse a dudar de la honestidad de Lucky Luciano: se acuesta a las ocho de la noche y dedica las horas del día al reposado negocio de vender efectos eléctricos.

—Mi honradez es a toda prueba... Por favor, ¡no me persigan más! —implora con desconsuelo.

Vinculada su vida entera al vicio, la sociedad se niega a aceptar su regeneración. A los ojos de sus semejantes, Lucky Luciano es aún el pecador impenitente, para quien no hay clemencia ni perdón.

Todavía hoy, constreñido al reducido perímetro de Nápoles, está sometido a un asedio incesante. Todos coinciden en exaltar su comportamiento, pero nadie deja de contemplarle con recelo: es un apestado social...

Al ver a Lucky Luciano en su recién inaugurada tienda de la Via Catamoni, no se puede presumir que se está en presencia del ex Zar del Crimen. Sosegado como todo un caballero de salón, inspira ilimitada confianza en el encuentro inicial. Hombre de maneras sobrias y de mesura en el diálogo, deja siempre una impresión agradable y motiva compasión cuando se escucha su drama.

Frente a Luciano, se obra más por cospecha que por certeza de culpabilidad. Su vinculación con el bajo mundo es sobradamente conocida, pero nunca tribunal alguno pudo acumular suficientes pruebas delictivas. Se le condenó una vez a cincuenta años de cárcel por trata de blancas, pero más tarde el propio fiscal que le acusó firmó su

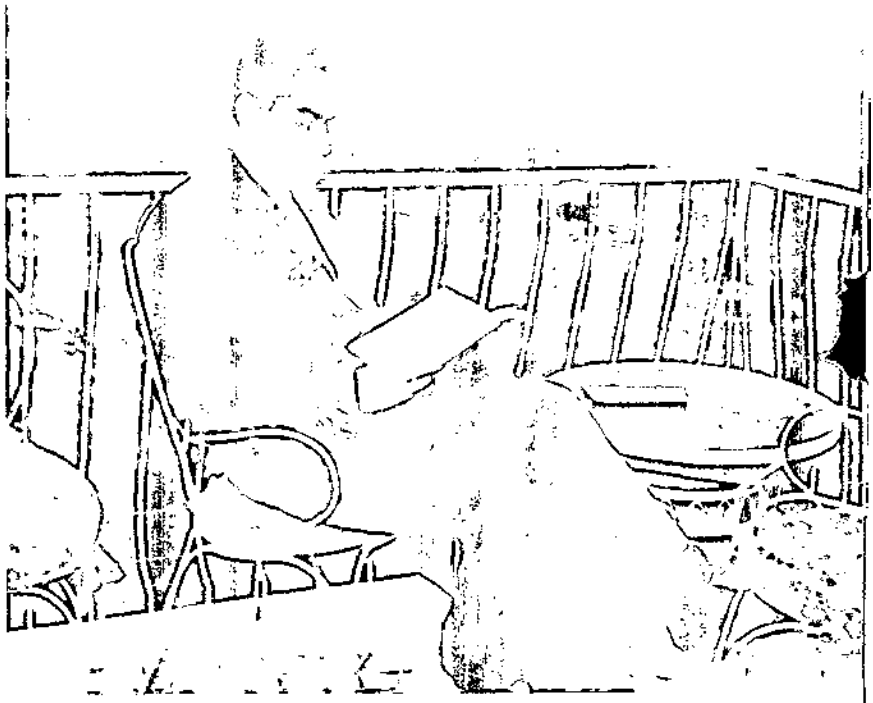
—A Nápoles se viene a ver el Vesubio y a Lucky Luciano —comentó un ocurrente cicerone que me propició el encuentro con el siciliano, poco gustoso a acceder a los requerimientos reporteriles.

Constreñido a la órbita de la ciu-

una exclamación aguda:

—¡Oh, sí!... Lucky Luciano...

Verle no es encomienda difícil, aunque someterle a un interrogatorio es suerte a que aspiran todos los reporteros de la ciudad. Lucky Luciano acostumbra a rehuir el en-



Confinado por orden policíaca a la ciudad de Nápoles, Lucky Luciano dedica buenas horas del día a la lectura. El lente de BOHEMIA sorprende al ex Zar del Vicio en la terraza de su moderno apartamiento de la Via Tasso, teniendo como fondo el pintoresco Golfo de Nápoles.

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Finalmente, la gran tragedia del Diablo, según los teólogos, no consiste en hacer el mal, sino en que "no puede hacer un solo bien aunque quisiera". Del mismo modo que la tragedia de Don Juan no consiste en que no ame, sino en su incapacidad de enamorarse. Si uno u otro pudieran enamorarse una sola vez, un solo instante, dejarían automáticamente de ser los dos Antagonistas Absolutos, los dos grandes Rebeldes, las dos Negaciones.

El hecho de que Zorrilla nos presente a su Tenorio enamorado de una novicia, no significa nada en contra. Zorilla era un romántico y tenía que inventar forzosamente una Doña Inés de amor redencionista para llegar a un final feliz, con la salvación del héroe y la satisfacción del público; un truco sentimental, muy hábil sin duda, que le ha valido el aplauso de muchas generaciones, pero que constituye una de las más descaradas falsificaciones literarias. También los ingenuos moralistas de la Edad Media intentaron hacer lo mismo con el Diablo metiéndole a predicador. En cambio, Santa Teresa, que no necesitó muchas letras para llegar a la más alta sabiduría, nos da una ta frase certera, por donde la ternura de su teología femenina: "¡Pobre Satán, que no ama!"

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que durante "esos días inevitables" padecen las consecuencias molestas y dolorosas de algunos trastornos funcionales, que producen nerviosidad constante, irritabilidad, depresión y que llegan hasta modificar el carácter, han mejorado notablemente, ayudándose en su tratamiento con REGULADOR GESTEIRA.

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dos organismos y esos dos Jefes. Por lo tanto, queda descartado totalmente todo lo referente a los legendarios y fantásticos telegramas.

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PREGUNTAS Y...
(Continuación)

trajo a fines del siglo XVIII don Felipe Alwood; en 1790 se habló de su feliz germinación en el Papel Periódico de aquella época. Así hemos sido informados y también la variedad de la riquísima fruta es numerosa. Ya en los Estados Unidos se está importando esa fruta desde Cuba.

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O. U. La Habana. Aclaramos los puntos que usted no señala en relación que la fotografía de la que fuera un día famosa orquesta de Enrique Peñalver, cuya fotografía hemos dado recientemente: Primero: El señor que aparece empuñando el contrabajo, no es —o era músico; ni de aquella orquesta ni de otra, pues él estaba casualmente ese día en la fotografía, cuando faltando solamente Rogelio Solís— el verdadero contrabajista de la orquesta de Peña— para tirar la plancha y no poderse esperar más, se brindó para ocupar el puesto de Solís a fin de que no quedara incompleta la Orquesta. Este señor, nos cuenta el señor Urfé, era —si mal no recuerda— un prestigitador de oficio. Segundo: El que aparece en la foto como trombonista no es "Cosita" (Rubio de apellido), sino el señor Antonio González. Tercero: Que los nombres de los que aparecen en la fotografía publicada corresponden a los señores: Enrique Peña, Cornetín. Trombón: Antonio González. Figle: Félix González. Clarinetes: José Belén Puig, y José Urfé. Violines: Alfredo Sáenz y Julián Barreto. Timbal: Rufino Cárdenas. Güiro: José de los Reyes; y Contrabajo, el señor Prestigitador. Finalmente, no responde el señor Urfé, que con excepción de Enrique Peña, José Re-

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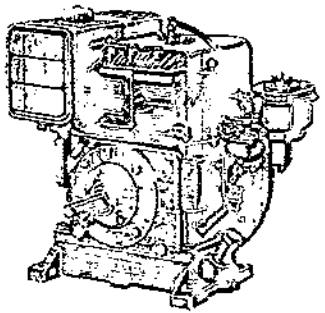

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Lucky Luciano se abrocha el botón de un saco gris oscuro de fino paño inglés y se sume en una pausa prolongada, como para recobrar la compostura perdida. Tiende su vista sobre una mesa próxima de sobrias líneas modernas y toma varias cartas, que me muestra con jactancia:

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Lucky Luciano trabaja hoy no por necesidad impuesta por la subsistencia, sino por requerimiento de la ley. Su caso es singular en la historia jurídica de la Italia de nuestros días: está conminado a realizar alguna labor o a ir a la cárcel.

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Los médicos de una de las principales instituciones científicas norteamericanas buscaban un "conejillo de Indias" humano, una persona que se dispusiera a tomar una droga que produce artificialmente todos los síntomas de la esquizofrenia durante un período de seis a ocho horas. El voluntario debía permitir que le administraran esa droga casi todos los días durante dieciséis semanas. Y los médicos tuvieron la suerte de encontrar un muchacho de menos de veinte años que se prestó a las pruebas y que, posteriormente, ha relatado con sus propias palabras lo que es sentirse esquizofrénico, en qué consiste el mundo irreal y extraño de las desgraciadas víctimas de ese mal.

He aquí lo que él ha dicho:

"Mientras caminaba hacia la habitación que me habían asignado en el hospital después de darme la droga, me figuraba que todos me miraban con fijeza; sospechaba que tricas desde 1949, tanto en voluntarios normales como en enfermos mentales. Su uso en personas normales ha sido de gran utilidad, pues proporciona una base para todo tipo de tests, tales como los destinados a medir la destreza manual, la respiración, las ondas cerebrales, la agilidad mental, la reacción muscular, etc. Cuando el sujeto retorna a la normalidad puede informar coherentemente sobre sus emociones, mientras un verdadero enfermo no puede hacerlo. Como ha dicho un médico: "Esta droga nos ayuda a comprender lo que ocurre en la mente del paciente. Pone de relieve sus problemas, y eso es imprescindible en el camino de descubrir una curación para este mal o, por lo menos, para llegar a algo que se acerque a una cura."

Así ha explicado los efectos de la droga el voluntario a que nos referíamos anteriormente:

"Quince minutos después de tomarla, uno siente una especie de malestar estomacal. Después ataca a la cabeza. Al principio uno siente una especie de vértigo. En esos momentos, siempre me imagino que no voy a poder caminar bien, pero me convenzo de lo contrario cuando empiezo a caminar. Lo recuerdo todo después que pasa el efecto de la droga. Cuando la he tomado, sé que me encuentro bajo su acción. Se

todos sabían que yo estaba esquizofrénico y ello me molestaba. Pero no podía decir ni hacer nada. Sólo sentía como que algo hervía dentro de mí, no sé por qué."

Pero los psiquiatras sí lo sabían y lo explican así: "No es fácil darse cuenta de que una persona está bajo los efectos de la droga. Su aspecto es absolutamente normal, pero tiene la sensación de que todos conocen su estado. Acaba por enojarse con la gente por algo que ésta desconoce. Esto, por supuesto, es también típico de la personalidad esquizofrénica. La droga altera la personalidad en el mismo sentido en que lo hace la enfermedad. Fabrica una muralla invisible entre la víctima y los que la rodean.

"En la verdadera esquizofrenia, el enfermo se aparta de las demás personas precisamente en el momento en que más las necesita, cuando está iniciándose su trastorno mental. Se aísla dentro de sí mismo. En realidad el problema básico en el tratamiento de los esquizofrénicos reside en la no comunicabilidad de éstos, que impide llegar a la raíz de lo que está ocurriendo en la mente del paciente. Por eso resultaba de inapreciable valor la utilización de un "conejillo de Indias" humano, que aceptara tomar la droga. Podemos producir la esquizofrenia en personas normales y, cuando pasan los efectos de la droga, son capaces de decirnos lo que pensaban y sentían durante su locura artificial, que es exactamente igual a la esquizofrenia."

Esta notable droga se fabrica con el cornezuelo del centeno, un hongo, y, simplificando su complicado nombre científico, los médicos y químicos la llaman "LSD". Descubierta en Suiza en 1943, está siendo usada para investigaciones psiquiá-

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¿EL ZURDO ES UN ENFERMO?

MUCHOS padres consideran que el ser zurdo es una verdadera enfermedad y, si tienen un hijo que utiliza más la mano izquierda que la derecha, tratan de impedirlo, a veces con medios violentos.

Pero, ¿a qué se debe que uno sea zurdo o derecho? La causa fué descubierta por el profesor Broca desde 1865. "La preferencia funcional de un lado del cuerpo es determinada, no por la educación, sino por la predominancia de un hemisferio cerebral sobre el otro."

Recordemos que el hemisferio izquierdo dirige la mitad derecha del cuerpo y viceversa. En realidad, la preeminencia de uno de los hemisferios nunca es total, es decir, nunca se es completamente derecho ni completamente zurdo. Y, por otra parte, la predominancia de un un hemisferio es una disposición natural.

¿Quiere ello decir que se debe, en todos los casos, dejar que el niño vaya acostumbrándose a usar más la mano que prefiera? No, pues muchas veces la preferencia por la mano izquierda es tan ligera que la educación puede habituar al niño a utilizar más la mano derecha que la izquierda. Pero ello debe hacerse de manera comprensiva e inteligente.

La tarea de la familia y el maestro debe consistir en ayudar al niño a "lateralizarse", es decir, a optar definitivamente por su derecha o por su izquierda. Resulta evidente que es preferible —dadas las características de nuestra civilización— ayudar la lateralización a la derecha.

Conviene, pues, forzar un poco a preferir la derecha a los indecisos y a los que tienen una ligera tendencia a ser zurdos.

Mas, ¿cómo discernir el grado de esa preferencia, cómo discernir si el hemisferio cerebral derecho (el que dirige la mano izquierda) predomina realmente sobre el otro? Es aquí donde intervienen la comprensión y la inteligencia del maestro y los familiares. Si, a pesar de los consejos, el niño se obstina en escribir y comer con la mano izquierda, si se nota una evidente dificultad para utilizar la mano derecha, se debe llegar a la conclusión de que el niño es realmente zurdo.

¿Qué hacer en ese caso? Estudiar el comportamiento general del niño. Si presenta un retraso en el aprendizaje de su idioma, si su nivel intelectual es inferior al normal, si se observan síntomas como la tartamudez, la parálisis parcial o un tic nervioso, lo indicado es hacer que un especialista lo examine.

Puede ser, efectivamente, que se trate de un caso patológico. En efecto, ocurre a veces, aunque el hecho es muy raro, que exista una lesión en el hemisferio cerebral iz-

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puesta administración de los bienes de su hermano. Ahora confinado por una orden de policía, también se dispone su obligación de trabajo diario.

Irritado por el procedimiento, Luciano ripostó ante los jueces:

—Tengo que acostarme a las ocho de la noche y no puedo salir de mi casa antes de que salga el sol. Tampoco puedo apartarme de Nápoles... ¿Qué quieren que haga? ¿Qué salga a vender corbatas?...

Resignado por su suerte y sin esperanzas de recobrar en dos años por lo menos su completa libertad, Luciano adopta ahora una postura más transigente y decide dedicarse a la venta de efectos eléctricos para médicos.

Alguien bien enterado de su biografía delictiva apuntó en la comisaría de la policía de Nápoles:

—Veamos si éste será el segundo trabajo honrado de su vida. Antes sólo se le conocía su labor en una sombrerería de New York, a raíz de su emigración.

Lucky Luciano en aparente período de regeneración acaba de abrir las puertas de su establecimiento en el moderno Hotel Royal. Sus íntimos aseguran que dedicará sus mejores esfuerzos a la venta de efectos eléctricos de factura milanesa por el sur de Italia.

Convertido en agente vendedor, el célebre Zar del Vicio de una época, se muestra optismita en su éxito. Aunque no podrá apartarse del área napolitana, afirma contar con los mejores vendedores del país.

Al emprender una etapa diáfana en su vida dedicada a las peores causas, Lucky Luciano realiza una imploración a una sociedad que aún duda de su rehabilitación:

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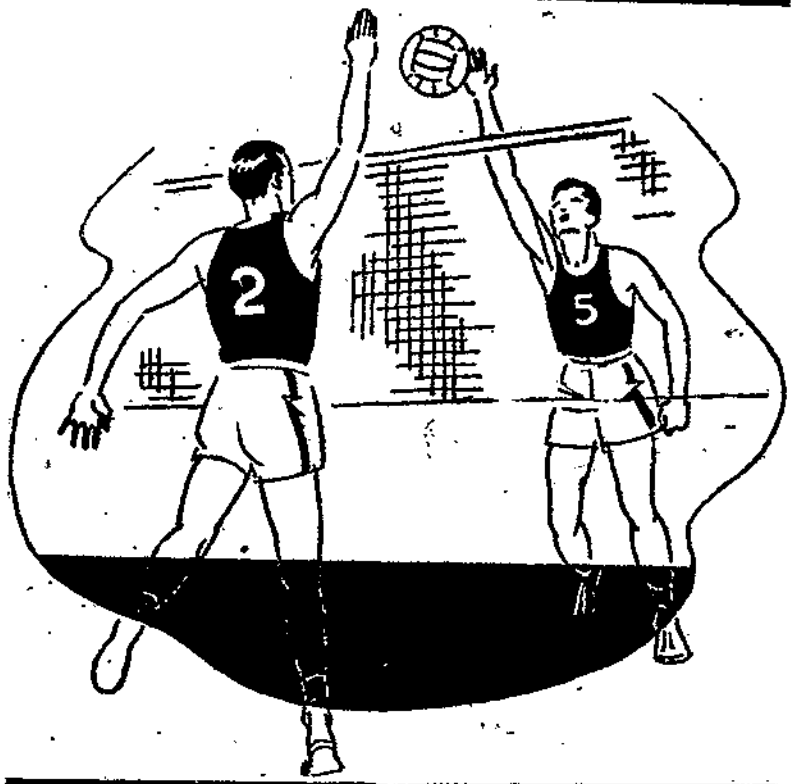

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mos con que el mencionado Jefe militar llegó, debido a que los mambises llegaron a esa ciudad, al mediodía, domingo 22, a las seis de la mañana, tras una penosa marcha de 11 horas, iniciada el sábado 21, a las dos de la tarde, en la finca "La Caridad", donde había combatido, cerca del pueblo de San Miguel, el cual está a siete leguas de Nuevitas. La demora fué, por llover e ir por mal camino, aparte de que ochenta artilleros llevaban 216 prisioneros y armas ocupadas. A las nueve de la noche del sábado 21, salió de Camagüey el tren extra número 142 a buscarlos.

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EFEMERIDES...

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ral Leopoldo O'Donnell, que hizo de su mando en Cuba un sultanato.

1900—Inaugura el gobernador militar L. Wood, las sesiones de la Convención Constituyente cubana.

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1837—Nace en Puerto Príncipe, Fernando Espinosa Socarrás, patriota de las dos guerras de independencia, siendo general de brigada del Ejército Libertador en la campaña del año 95.

1855—Nace en Holguín Ricardo Sartorio Leal.

1860—Por R. O. de esta fecha, fué creada en La Habana, la Academia de Ciencias Médicas, Físicas y Naturales.

1901—Tiene lugar este día la colocación de la primera piedra para el monumento a José Martí, en el Parque Central, La Habana.

lén Puig y Rufino Cárdenas, todos los demás gozan de perfecta salud.

Z. de la T. La Habana. De Cuevas Zequeira hemos revisado su revista "Las Antillas", y como muchos no conocen la existencia de esa publicación del entusiasta filósofo don Sergio, diremos aquí que comenzó con el número del 30 de abril de 1920 y salió hasta el número consagrado a los meses de abril, mayo y junio de 1922. Vida bien breve, para tan simpático esfuerzo. Comenzó con una entrega mensual... y cuando vimos que venían los materiales de un solo número en el tomo quinto y que comprendía los tres meses que decimos arriba, sospechamos que eso era el fin. Y así fué.

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J. A. L. Camagüey. A causa de error tipográfico hubo de salir en las efemérides del día 18 de septiembre del corriente, que nuestro gran ajedrecista Capablanca había nacido el 18 de septiembre de 1901, cuando lo cierto es que dicho acontecimiento resultó el 19 de noviembre de 1888.

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M. M. P. La Habana. La legislación vigente en materia de propiedad intelectual en la República de Cuba, es la Ley española del 10 de enero de 1879, hecha extensiva a esta Insula por Real Orden del 14 del mismo mes y año y reglamentada al año siguiente: 3 de septiembre del 80. Y en relación con la misma fué dictada la Real Orden del 2 de enero de 1889, el Decreto de 9 de Enero de 1889, el Real Decreto del 6 de diciembre de 1889, la Real Orden del 11 de diciembre de 1894; se halla mencionada en el artículo 13 del Tratado de Paris de 1898 y durante el primer régimen interventor tenemos las Ordenes 119, de 13 de marzo de 1900; Nº 55, de 13 de febrero de 1901; Nº 124 de 24 de marzo de 1901; Nº 160, de 13 de junio de 1901 y la Nº 54, de 26 de febrero de 1902. La República ha dictado el Decreto Nº 2365 de 19 de noviembre de 1925; la Ley de 23 de febrero de 1926; el Decreto Nº 1956, de 11 de julio de 1927; el Nº 1554, de 15 de septiembre de 1928; el Decreto-Ley Nº 703 de 16 de noviembre de 1934 y el Decreto Número 1638, de 26 de junio de 1939.

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riencia del Bien; por eso sus tentaciones son siempre una oferta de aparentes bienes debajo de los cuales se esconde la esencia misma del mal. Ofrece el placer, la sabiduría, la juventud, la riqueza o el amor. Pero detrás de ese placer está el hastío, detrás de su ciencia pesimista está la desilusión; su amor y su riqueza son oro falso de alquimia, que al tocarlo, se convierte en plomo, y detrás de su juventud ficticia espera la mueca fría de la muerte. Tertuliano encontró la definición exacta al llamar al Diablo "el mono de Dios". Es decir, el mal imitador, la falsificación y la caricatura.

Dios hace milagros, y el Diablo quiere fingir ese poder; pero en buena teología lo único que le está permitido hacer son falsificaciones y caricaturas de milagros, trucos de magia y de prestidigitación. Porque el milagro supone una alteración de las leyes de la Naturaleza, y el Diablo no puede alterar esas leyes, sino solamente su apariencia; como en la pretendida juventud de Fausto, que no fué un biológico volver atrás sino un simple truco de cirugía estética. Fausto recobra su "apariencia juvenil", pero debajo de su nueva piel de galán no hace más que llevar escondido el cadáver del viejo doctor pesimista.

Pues bien, todos estos aspectos diabólicos se repiten uno por uno en Don Juan con sorprendente equivalencia. Frente al verdadero amor, Don Juan es la falsedad emboscada; frente al amor-luz, es la turbia aventura de la noche, y frente al amor único, es la floración barroca de los cien amoríos irresponsables. Su gran recurso para engañar és imitar en todo la apariencia del amor verdadero; siempre tendrá disponibles para ello el gesto y la palabra oportunos, y si es preciso, hasta la lágrima falsificada. Pero su corazón está ausente de la aventura, o le bosteza dentro del pecho esperando la madrugada. Si Tertuliano hubiera conocido a Don Juan, no hay duda de que le hubiera llamado también "el mono del amor", imitándole siempre, pero incapaz de sentirlo nunca.

También sus nombres son los mismos que las Escrituras han aplicado al Diablo: es el Seductor, el Impostor, el Mentiroso, el Padre de la Mentira. Pero Satán verdadero no hay más que el de Milton, ni más auténtico Don Juan que el de Tirso. Y esos don Juan no se arrepienten, ni se enamoran, ni se salvan. Ahí reside su dramática grandeza de Antagonistas, así en la tierra como en el cielo.

Buenos Aires.

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gantes de Roma, donde las damas se disputaban una pose junto al zar en el "exilio".

El lujoso Hotel Excelsior, de Nápoles, sirvió de escenario para sus banquetes y en sus suites más exclusivas, se brindaron sus fiestas. Personajes de la política y del hampa desfilaron por su apartamiento, motivando variadas conjeturas populares.

Entonces comenzó un aparente asedio policíaco, que se asegura Luciano suavizaba mediante "obsequios" a los jefes del orden de Nápoles. Tuvo, sin embargo, que dejar la vida de los hoteles para refugiarse en un acogedor apartamiento de la aristocrática Vía Tasso.

Preguntado sobre sus entradas económicas, replicaba siempre con displicencia:

—Cuento con mis ahorros y con los dividendos de la administración de las propiedades de mi hermano que vive en New York.

Súbitamente, Lucky Luciano vió alterada su plácida existencia con una orden de "vigilancia de seguridad", impuesta a principios de año por el nuevo regidor policíaco Salvatore Florita. No tardó en recurrir la disposición, que fué ratificada por el Tribunal Superior.

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February 9, 1956

Mr. John F. Cashell
401 Central Street
West Acton, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Cashell:

The newspaper clipping which you forwarded under postmark of February 2, 1956, has been received. I sincerely appreciate the interest prompting you to call this article to my attention.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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BROADWAY

BY DOROTHY KILGALLEN

NEW YORK—Dorian Leigh, the much-publicized fashion model, has flown back to Italy to rejoin her hero, the Marquis De Portago. The Marquis is captain of the Spanish bobsled team entered in the winter Olympics being held at Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy. Friends believe Dorian would have been the Marquesa by now except for the violent opposition of Portago's wealthy mama, who is very much in control of the situation . . . Hollywood bookmakers report that the Academy Award betting season is under way, with "Marty" the odds on favorite so far. The rest of the nation probably doesn't realize it, but the movie colony bets more cash on the Oscars than on any other event of the year.

The Jack Carter-Will Jordan feud is reaching the duel-at-dawn stage. (Will thinks Jack is "Berleing" his material.) . . . Several publishers are trying to persuade the Dionne quintuplets to write a book about their lives, aided by a competent ghost writer. The girls appear interested in the project but will make Papa Dionne's opinion the deciding factor.

INTERESTING report from France has Gen. DeGaulle planning to enter a monastery. English star Christine Norden, making her American debut at the Red Carpet, does the song to end all Fire Island ditties: a parody on the pop tune "An Occasional Man" . . . The chap with Sharman Douglas at the Versailles the other night was Capt. Montgomery-Charrington of the Queen's Guard.

JOE PASTERNAK'S latest flicker, "Meet Me in Las Vegas," is good news for the exhibitors. Fine fare for the whole family, and Cyd Charisse is a delight. Preview audiences are waxing ecstatic over it . . . Harry James is folding up his big band in favor of an 8-piece combo. Pals say he's unhappy about the move, but tough business conditions on the road made the paring down necessary, and he figures he can keep an octet working most of the year.

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That gorgeous baritone voice floating through the offices on the third floor of the Stork Club the other day emanated from none other than Gordon MacRae, who was making the tour with Peter Lind Hayes. The girls on the staff haven't recovered yet, and the one to whom Gordon tossed a smiling "Hi, Red," may never get over it. . . . The Yale student haunting Jessica James at the Beverly Supper Club whenever he can get down from New Haven is William Wells Hartley 3d.

GREATER LOVE hath no husband than music publisher Sidney Kornheiser, who set up the audition that resulted in his wife's being signed for the "Lola" lead in the national company of "Damn Yankees." The little woman — Sherry O'Neil for stage purposes —yearned for a theatrical career, and now her husband of a year dolefully contemplates 18 months of bachelorhood while she tours as a temptress.

JOE LOUIS and Sugar Ray Robinson are cooking up a joint venture. . . Get ready for some real confusion in the theater next season. No less than three plays titled "Go Fight City Hall" are scheduled for production, and not one feels like change its name.

The underworld's most fascinating rumor — a recurring one—has it that Lucky Luciano has been in the United States at least nine times since he was deported—making the trip from Italy by way of Havana. The topper: "It's supposed to have cost him a cool $100,000 each time.

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VIA LIAISON

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Mr. Henry Giordano
Assistant to the Commissioner
Bureau of Narcotics
U. S. Treasury Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Giordano:

In compliance with your request there is transmitted a certified copy of the record of Charles Lucania, also known as Salvatore Lucania, FBI #62 920, as reflected by the fingerprint files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: September 20, 1956

FROM : MR. R. R. ROACH

SUBJECT: SALVATORE LUCANIA, wa
Lucky Luciano
REQUEST FOR CERTIFIED ARREST RECORD

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Henry Giordano, Assistant to the Commissioner, Bureau of Narcotics, advised Liaison, September 19, 1956, that they have received a request from their representative in Rome for a certified FBI arrest record on the captioned individual [redacted] Giordano advised [redacted] Lucania until recently has been under police control, but several months ago won freedom of travel. Naples PD expects to reassert control of Lucania on the basis of his US record and therefore again restrict his activities. Of course the Bureau of Narcotics is also desirous of having Lucania's travel restricted due to his past reputation and activity in the drug traffic.

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ACTION:

That the Identification Division prepare the appropriate certified arrest record on Lucania who has FBI No. 62920 for transmittal to the Bureau of Narcotics by Liaison.

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White Slavery Foe in Italy Names Luciano

ROME (INS) — An Italian Senator charged yesterday that Italy has become a vast hunting ground for international white slavery gangs, and that Lucky Luciano, deported U. S. vice boss, is involved in the infamous traffic.

Senator Lina Merlin, onnly woman member of Italy's senate, said in an exclusive interview:

"Italy is the only European country where prostitution is still allowed and even licensed by the government."

"Thus Italy has become an easy base of operations where agents of international cartels can engage in the business of selling living flesh."

ACCUSES LUCIANO

"I have information showing that Lucky Luciano has shown more than just a passive interest in this highly lucrative operation. He still holds all the strings in Marseilles and New York and Naples."

The Senator is author of the famous "Merlin Law" which seeks to outlaw government-licensed houses of prostitution in Italy. Her law was recently passed unanimously by the Senate and is now before the chamber.

Senator Merlin said 2,000,000 to 3,000,000 women in Italy today live by prostitution.

TRAINED, EXPORTED

The Senator said tha the women are "trained" in government-licensed houses and later "exported" to the United States, Latin America, he Middle Eas and the Far East.

"To make them more amenable," the Senator revealed, "the women are introduced to the dope habit."

Senator Merlin said that the cartels who transport these women and deal in dope, "Are among the world's richest and most influential organizations."

One big outfit controls prostitution in 43 per cent of Europe and the Senator added, "it even operates behind the iron curtain."

Senator Merlin declared the big underworld cartels have voted a sizeable appropriation to put her "out of business."

STILL FIGHTING

"But I'm still in business," the indomitable five foot four politician declared.

She has just finished an Italy-wide investigation of conditions in government-censed house of prostitution.

"There are 725 houses of ill repute between the Po Valley and Palermo," she reported, "and each one is inhabited by misery."

Senator Merlin said hat one "entrepreneur" who owned five houses recently died and left a fortune of nearly four million dollars.

The Senator said that in Rome alone there are 18 houses operating under government license.

"They are all over town," she remarked, "near schools and churches—and even right here, across the Piazza from the Senate Building."

Senator Merlin paid high tribute to the United States for solving its problem of prostitution. The fact that prostitution is at a marked low in the United States is an indication of a great degree of civilization in that country."

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Date: April 2, 1957

To: The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: LUCKY LUCIANO;
ILYA CHAMBERLAIN;
SANTO SORGIE (PHONETIC);
INFORMATION CONCERNING

There are enclosed two copies of a blank memorandum concerning captioned individuals, which are self-explanatory. This matter has also been referred to the Bureau of Narcotics and Immigration and Naturalization Service.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3/22/57

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY [redacted] b7E

SUBJECT: LUCKY LUCIANO;
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SANTO SORGIE (phonetic);
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There are being enclosed herewith eight (8) copies of a blank memorandum concerning captioned individuals, which is self-explanatory.

Extra copies of this memorandum have been prepared in the event the Bureau desires to disseminate it to other interested Government agencies.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

March 22, 1957

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RE: LUCKY LUCIANO;
ILYA CHAMBERLAIN;
SANTO SORGIE (phonetic);
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On March 21, 1957 [redacted] b6 b7C b7D appeared at the Oklahoma City Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and furnished the following information:

[redacted]

In the latter part of December, 1948, [redacted] made a pleasure trip to Rome, Italy. While in Rome, Italy, they met LUCKY LUCIANO, former notorious underworld figure in the United States and who was deported to Italy, ILYA CHAMBERLAIN and SANTO SORGIE (phonetic). [redacted] stated he associated with these individuals in Rome for a period of ten days or two weeks, during which time they wined and dined him and seemed to be "setting him up for something," although [redacted] could not be specific in this regard.

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[redacted] said that after associating with these individuals in Rome for about ten days or two weeks, he, SORGIE and CHAMBERLAIN were involved in an automobile accident in Rome, and all three were hurt, CHAMBERLAIN seriously. [redacted] was then flown back to Germany [redacted] and later in January, 1949, visited CHAMBERLAIN in the hospital in Rome on two or three occasions. [redacted] stated that it is his impression that SANTO SORGIE is now in the insurance and export-import business in New York City.

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[redacted] continued that on March 6, 1957, he and [redacted] decided to fly an Aero Commander airplane to Central America for a vacation. [redacted] stated that [redacted] permanent address is [redacted] but he presently can be reached in care of [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

On March 9, 1957, [redacted] landed on the island of Cozumel off the tip of the Yucatan Peninsula in Mexico. At that time [redacted] discovered that ILYA CHAMBERLAIN and [redacted] were living on this island and owned the only hotel there. [redacted] stated that he recognized CHAMBERLAIN, and during the conversations, he determined that CHAMBERLAIN had a Mexican immigration permit which entitled him to live in Mexico. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] said that CHAMBERLAIN also had a letter from the United States Department of State, and this letter allegedly contained information to the effect that CHAMBERLAIN was automatically a United States citizen because his parents had been previously naturalized American citizens. According to [redacted] CHAMBERLAIN said that through this letter he would eventually be admitted to the United States. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] took CHAMBERLAIN with them on a trip to Chetumal, Mexico, and then to Belize, British Honduras. [redacted] intended going on to El Salvador and Guatemala, but inasmuch as CHAMBERLAIN had no visas for those countries, they decided not to take him, and CHAMBERLAIN flew back to Chetumal via British Honduras Airlines, and they assumed that he was returning to Cozumel. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] advised that he thought this information regarding the whereabouts of CHAMBERLAIN should be made known to the proper authorities due to CHAMBERLAIN's extremely close association with LUCKY LUCIANO in Rome, Italy. b6 b7C b7D

RE: LUCKY LUCIANO;
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SANTO SORGIE (phonetic);
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted] additionally advised that CHAMBERLAIN indicated he makes frequent trips to Mexico City, Mexico, via commercial airlines, and although he had no proof of this, he suspects that CHAMBERLAIN may be engaged in some illegal activity such as smuggling narcotics.

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Legal Attache, Mexico City

Director, FBI

April 2, 1957

CONFIDENTIAL AIR POUCH

LUCKY LUCIANO;
ILYA CHAMBERLAIN;
SANTO SORGIE (PHONETIC);
INFORMATION CONCERNING

There is enclosed a copy of a blank memorandum concerning captioned individuals, which is self-explanatory and has been submitted to the Bureau by Oklahoma City. The Bureau has disseminated this information to the Bureau of Narcotics, the Department of State and the Immigration and Naturalization Service for informational purposes.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/18/57

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (62-8768)

SUBJECT: GIIF
FRANCES "LUCKY" LUCIANO

On 6/17/57, FRANK SCALISE, age fifty-five, was shot to death by two assassins in front of 2200 Arthur Avenue, Bronx, NY. Newspaper reports describe SCALISE as an international top smuggler who was reported to be an associate of Top Hoodlums ALBERT ANASTASIA and ANTHONY STROLLO.

On 6/18/57, PCI [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that FRANK SCALISE was a known associate of LUCIANO, that SCALISE traveled weekly to Italy bringing LUCIANO's share of the money collected from various gambling, narcotic, etc. enterprises, and returns to the United States with orders from LUCIANO, who, according to the PCI, still controls numerous rackets in the United States. The PCI also stated that FRANK SCALISE brought men over to the United States from Italy for various assignments suggested by LUCIANO.

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In this regard, [redacted] who the informant described as [redacted] with connections on the Lower East Side of Manhattan.

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[redacted] on a recent Sunday, (probably 5/26/57), he had dinner with "MICKEY THE LEECH" DE MINO, an East Side Manhattan racket guy. [redacted] learned from MICKEY that a number of big time hoodlums were supposed to make a trip to Italy about two weeks previous to 5/26/57 for the purpose of a big "pow-wow" with JOE ADONIS and LUCKY LUCIANO. The individuals mentioned by [redacted] are as follows: JERRY RYAN, former bodyguard to JOE ADONIS; LELO (LNU) and [redacted] Lower East Side Manhattan hoodlums; FRANK COSTELLO, VITO GENOVESE, MEYER LANSKY, TOM PALMER, JOE PROFACI, and LITTLE AUGIE PISANO.

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The informant's source did not know the specific purpose of the mentioned conference. He was unable to tell the informant if any of the above individuals had in fact made the trip, the mode of transportation used, or if they traveled singly or otherwise.

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The only other information furnished by [redacted] was to the effect that AUGIE PISANO was supposed to represent the Chicago mob at the "pow-wow."

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