

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**  
**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION**

**SUBJECT: MEYER LANSKY**

**FILE NUMBER: 92-2831 SECTION 20**

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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4:00 P.M. IMMEDIATE 1/5/72 ENM

TO ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI NR 003-05

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TO LEGAT LA PAZ (92-2)

FROM ACTING DIRECTOR FBI (92-2831) — 1521

MEYER LANSKY, AKA, AR.

RE YOUR CABLEGRAM JANUARY FIVE, INSTANT.

STRIKE FORCE ATTORNEY [REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] NOT  
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NOTE: Supervisor [REDACTED] Miami, furnished above information to  
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Re Bureau cable, 12/23/72.

Enclosed are four copies of a translation from Hebrew into English  
of an article appearing in "Yediot Ahranot," a daily Hebrew language news-  
paper published in Israel dated 1/2/73 captioned "The Lansky File."4-Bureau (ENCLOSURE)  
(1 - Foreign Liaison Desk)  
(1 - Miami (92-102) (Info)  
1-Tel Aviv2 encl airtel to Miami  
via 0-7, 1-8-73  
1 encl airtel to Miami 1/5/73  
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Since the 1/8/73 trial regarding subject's contempt of grand jury subpoena is only the first of at least three court actions pending, this case will remain in a pending status until such time as it is determined that no further investigation will be necessary.

The Miami Office may desire to furnish one of the two copies designated for Miami to [REDACTED]

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To: SAC, Miami

From: Acting Director, FBI

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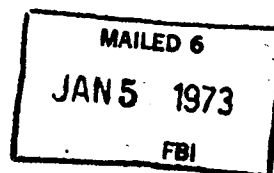
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Enclosed are two copies of a letter from Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Henry E. Petersen, requesting certain investigation regarding the trial of Meyer Lanksy set for January 8, 1973.

You should be guided by the instructions set forth in Part 1, page 14, Agents Handbook in regard to this investigation.

Enclosures (2)



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Date: 12/28/72

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: *JS* LEGAT, BRASILIA (92-2) (RUC)

SUBJECT: MEYER LANSKY, aka.  
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(OO: MIAMI)

Re Bureau cable 12/20/72, setting forth lead to determine any witness who observed LANSKY at any airport through which he passed.

On 11/8/72, an article re subject was published in "Jornal do Brasil," Brasilia, Brazil, a daily newspaper in Portuguese, stating that Brazilian police had detained ERIC SCHMIDT of Swissair and GEORGE BECKER, Pan American, in Rio de Janeiro, to question them regarding the transfer of subject from Swissair to Pan Am without knowledge of Brazilian authorities who were waiting LANSKY with orders to arrest him if he attempted to enter Brazil. Apparently LANSKY was transferred directly from one plane to the other. Both airlines were censured for their activities.

In view of the above information [redacted] Legat, Brasilia, is considering this matter RUC, UACB.

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-102) (P)

MEYER LANSKY, aka  
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On 1/5/73 U.S. District Judge JAMES L. KING postponed the criminal contempt trial of the subject in U.S. District Court in Miami until 2/26/73.

For the information of Las Vegas, this postponement may cause to postpone LANSKY's trial in Las Vegas, which was tentatively set for February 5.

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To: SAC, Las Vegas **REC 4**  
From: Acting Director, FBI

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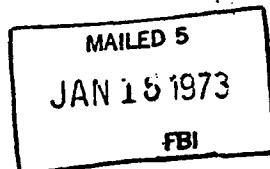
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For the information of Las Vegas, copy of Miami  
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1-10-73

TO LEGAT LA PAZ (92-2)

FROM ACTING DIRECTOR FBI (92-2831)

MEYER LANSKY, AKA, AR.

RE BUREAU CABLEGRAM DECEMBER TWENTY, LAST, AND JANUARY FIVE, LAST, AND YOUR CABLEGRAM DECEMBER TWENTYSEVEN, LAST, AND JANUARY FIVE, LAST.

TRIAL CAPTIONED MATTER POSTPONED.

STRIKE FORCE ATTORNEY

SUBMIT CABLEGRAM.

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To: Legat, London

From: Acting Director, FBI

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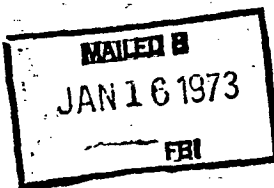
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Trial of Lansky is expected to begin in the immediate future  
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MEYER LANSKY, AR.

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR  
FROM MIAMI 92-102

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MEYER LANSKY, Anti-Racketeering  
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U. S. District Court

MEYER LANSKY TRIED IN ~~USDC~~, MIAMI, ON CRIMINAL CONTEMPT  
CHARGES 2-26-73 - 2-28-73.

ON 2-28-73 JURY RETURNED GUILTY VERDICT. SUBJECT REMAINS  
FREE ON BOND AND GIVEN TWO WEEKS TO FILE MOTIONS. NO DATE FOR  
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SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION  
March 1, 1973

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Meyer Lansky, notorious organized crime figure and considered czar of hoodlum casino gambling rackets, was found guilty February 28, 1973, in United States District Court, Miami, Florida, on charges of criminal contempt. He was indicted March 24, 1971, on charges of contempt of court when he failed to answer a subpoena requiring his appearance before a Federal Grand Jury to testify concerning the skimming of funds from Las Vegas casinos. He remains free on bond and was given two weeks to file motions.

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*By*  
TO: LEGAT LA PAZ

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Foreign Liaison Unit (Cleared  
with Supervisor [REDACTED])

FROM ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI

MEYER LANSKY, AR.

*92-2831-1550*  
REBUCAB FEBRUARY TWENTYFOUR, LAST.

GOVERNMENT CASE COMPLETE. [REDACTED]

NOTE: [REDACTED]

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3-8-73

To: SAC, Boston

From: Acting Director, FBI (92-2831)

MEYER LANSKY  
AR

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Meyer Lansky was indicted on June 6, 1972, for conspiracy to avoid payment of income taxes involving money he received from "markers" of gamblers who took junkets to various casinos including the Colony Club in London, England. Trial has been scheduled to begin March 19, 1973, in Federal District Court, Miami, Florida.

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The Department has requested that SA [REDACTED] be available to assist the Department attorneys in connection with this trial as SA [REDACTED] has a thorough knowledge of gambling junkets organized [REDACTED] which are a part of this case.

SA [REDACTED] should be instructed to report to Department attorneys in Miami, Florida, on Friday, March 16, 1973, for a pretrial conference and thereafter be available to assist these attorneys in connection with this trial.

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1 - [REDACTED]  
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NOTE: See memo, [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] 3-5-73, same caption.

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To: *Action Director*

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From: *ATTN: SA*

Subject: *MYER LAUSKY*  
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Force, Miami*

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR 92-2831

FROM MIAMI 92-102

MAR 20 1973

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*See*  
also known as  
MEYER LANSKY, AKA., AR. Anti-Racketeering

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LANSKY WAS HOSPITALIZED ST. FRANCIS HOSPITAL, MIAMI BEACH, FOR OPEN HEART SURGERY PERFORMED 3-16-73. SURGERY REPORTED SUCCESSFUL. TRIAL INVOLVING CONSPIRACY TO VIOLATE IRS LAWS IN MIAMI POSTPONED INDEFINITELY. 3-16-73, USDC JUDGE JOE EATON, SDF, ORDERED LANSKY'S ATTORNEY, E. DAVID ROSEN, TO KEEP COURT AND GOVERNMENT INFORMED ON LANSKY'S CONDITION AND REPORT WITHIN TEN DAYS OF DATE OF POSTPONEMENT.

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██████████ Esq.  
Chief, Miami Strike Force  
United States Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 4139  
Miami, Florida 33101

Dear ██████████

It was indeed a pleasure to receive your kind letter of March 5th and I very much appreciate your comments concerning

██████████ I know he joins me in thanking you for your thoughtfulness in writing as you did.

Sincerely yours,  
L. Patrick Gray III

L. Patrick Gray, III  
Acting Director

(AS)

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Personal Attention LEGAT
- 1 - Liaison Section - Enclosure

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3:30 P.M. URGENT 3-22-73 ENM  
TO ACTING DIRECTOR (92-2831) NR 039-22  
FROM LEGAT, LA PAZ (92-2) 1P  
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TO: Acting Director, FBI  
 FROM: SAC, Miami (92-102) (P)  
 SUBJECT: MEYER LANSKY, aka  
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Enclosed to the Bureau are two copies each of a letter addressed to the United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, New Orleans, Louisiana, dated March 3, 1973, and envelope with return address of [REDACTED] and a letter with no addressee, with accompanying envelope addressed to JAMES LAWRENCE KING, United States District Court, Federal Building, Miami, Florida, bearing the same return address.

Envelope #1 has a notation on the back stating "United States Courts connive and take away the Constitutional rights of the people. Result is 'Black September Violence.'" Envelope #2 on the back bears the typed notation "Congress and the Courts of United States connive and take away the Constitutional rights of the people. Result is violence; Black September Violence!"

As the Bureau is aware, MEYER LANSKY was recently convicted in Judge KING's court, Southern District of Florida, Miami, of Criminal Contempt. The two enclosed communications make reference to the proceeding regarding LANSKY before Judge KING.

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Judge KING is somewhat concerned about these communications, fearing the possibility of reprisal against him by the writer of the letters.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

AT SCARBOROUGH, ONTARIO:

Ascertain through Legat any known background information regarding [REDACTED] the signer of letter #1.

Determine if this individual is capable of the type violence indicated on the back of the enclosed envelopes.

March 3, 1973

United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals  
New Orleans 6 10.

Re: Mayor Landry, Contemner  
Miami, Florida

July v U. S. 303UE 73 found use of Section 7691, against Daly, who  
was an under city corporate entity as defined in Section 7643,  
to be a violation of Section 1.25 U. S. Constitution, for collection  
of personal income tax.

With great eloquence Justice Bradley explained the Supreme Court's  
finding in Ford v U. S. which forbid use of warrants for discovery of  
tax liability for income of slaves, etc:

"I have already noticed the intimate relation between the two  
lead cases. They throw great light on each other. For the  
unavoidable reasons and exigencies concerned in the fourth  
amendment are almost always used for the purpose of compelling  
a man to give evidence against himself, which in criminal cases  
is condemned in the fifth amendment; and compelling a man in  
civil cases to give evidence against himself, which is condemned  
in the fifth amendment, throws light on the question as to what is  
the proper use of the search and seizure within the corner of the  
fourth amendment. And we have been unable to decide that the  
claim of a civil defendant to be used in civil cases  
is not a claim of a civil defendant to be used in civil cases  
to be a witness against himself. We think it is within the clear intent  
and the spirit of the fifth amendment. We are also clearly of opinion that  
proceedings instituted for the purpose of declaring the forfeiture  
of a man's property by reason of offenses committed by him,  
though they may be civil in form, are in their nature criminal."  
and quote. Ford v U. S. 116 to 118

I hereby certify true copies of this brief have been mailed to:  
Federal Judge James H. Vance III, Miami, Florida, and to the United  
States Attorney, Miami, Florida

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United States Federal Judge James Lawrence King  
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ENCLOSURE

United States Courts connive and take away the  
Constitutional rights of the people.

Result is 'Black September Violence'.

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"No person ..... shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself,....."

Using authority of Section 7604 Title 26 U. S. Code, United States Courts connive and obtain a verdict of guilty, claiming the accused subject to the penalties usual for contempt of court if a person refuses to answer a warrant to appear in court with his accounts for purpose of calculating tax. See Case of Meyer Lansky, U. S. District Court, Miami, Florida, now in progress

Use of Section 7604 against natural persons is a violation of Articles 4 & 5 Amendments to U. S. Constitution. See Daly v U. S. 393 US 873, April 11, 1968.

~~Section 7604~~ Section 7604, which is in chapter 78 of title 26 directs penalties of Section 7210, which is in chapter 75 of Title 26 to be used for failure to respond to the summons.

"Person defined. The term 'person' as used in this chapter includes an officer or employee of a corporation or a member or employee of a partnership, who as such officer employee or member is under a duty to perform the act in respect of which the violation occurs." End quote Section 7343

Chapter 75, Title 26 U. S. Code

Congress connived this vague statute, placing the authority for the summons in Chapter 78 which contains no definition of the term person and placing the penalties for failure to respond to the summons in chapter 75. An important part of this intrigue was placing the penalties and the definition of the term person in separate sections. An accused, who read both Section 7604 and Section 7210 would have no knowledge about exactly to whom the law should be applied. Only by the chance search of the entire law could an accused find Section 7343 and that section's relation to section 7210 and section 7604. The law really does restrict use of Section 7604, as the court found in the Daly Case, to those defined in section 7343.

No provision in the Constitution of United States was made to protect papers of entities such as corporations and partnerships, therefore laws made regulating and providing for inspection of accounts of these entities are not unconstitutional. It is the use of these corporate laws against natural persons which is unconstitutional.

This FRAUDULENT intrigue of Congress and the United States Courts was exposed by Grayson v U. S. 11,809 U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, which was an appeal of #9867 U.S. District Court, Toledo, C. The Court refused to file an opinion, thereby blocking appeal on this matter of right. Congress then revised the Code, omitted Section 14 but retained the same style of law in the sections explained above. Paragraph (d) of Section 145 reads the same as Section 7343 quoted above.

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Congress and the Courts of United States connive and take away the Constitutional rights of the people.

Result is violence; Black September Violence!

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2. Will follow and report progress of MEYER LANSKY's IRS trial to begin on 7/9/73.

ADMINISTRATIVE

One copy of this report is being furnished the New York Office inasmuch as that office is Office of Origin in the case of the "Meyer Lansky Group."

INFORMANTS

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Contacting Agent is SA [REDACTED]

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - Departmental Attorney, Miami, Florida  
(Attention: [REDACTED])

Report of: [REDACTED] Office: Miami, Florida

Date: APR 30 1973

Field Office File #: 92-102 Bureau File #: 92-2831

Title: MEYER LANSKY  
OPERATION FINANCIER

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

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## Synopsis:

MEYER LANSKY found guilty of criminal contempt by Federal Grand Jury, Southern District of Florida (SDF), on 2/28/73. No date set for sentencing. DAVID ROSEN, subject's attorney, filed a motion for directed verdict of acquittal. USDC Judge JAMES L. KING postponed ruling. LANSKY entered St. Francis Hospital, Miami Beach, Florida, for open-heart surgery on 3/16/73 and was discharged 3/31/73. Subject's trial, rising out of March of 1971 indictment charging income tax evasion, scheduled, SDF, 7/9/73.

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DETAILS:

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On February 28, 1973, Federal Grand Jury (FGJ) convened, Southern District of Florida (SDF), returning the guilty verdict against MEYER LANSKY, charging him with criminal contempt. LANSKY was free on bond and his attorney, DAVID ROSEN, was given two weeks to file motions. No date had been given by the U.S. District Court (USDC) Judge JAMES L. KING for sentencing. Upon receiving the verdict, ROSEN made a formal motion requesting that the verdict be set aside on the grounds that it was against the weight of evidence presented by the government during the trial.

On April 5, 1973, LANSKY's attorney, DAVID ROSEN, appeared in the USDC, SDF, Miami, Florida, and requested that MEYER LANSKY's criminal contempt conviction be set aside and a new trial be granted. ROSEN stated that his client should be given a directed verdict of acquittal because the government failed to prove criminal contempt.

USDC Judge JAMES L. KING postponed ruling until after he had read legal briefs submitted to him.

It is noted that MEYER LANSKY, along with MORRIS LANSBURGH and LANSBURGH's partner, SAM COHEN, were indicted by a FGJ, Miami, Florida, on March 25, 1971. They were charged with conspiracy to skim profits from the Flamingo Hotel Casino, Las Vegas, Nevada, during the years 1960 to 1967, with the purpose of avoiding paying taxes on the skimmed proceeds.

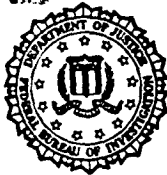
Other overt acts set forth in the indictment included an agreement that MEYER LANSKY was alleged to have executed for a \$200,000 "finder's fee", on September 9, 1960, when interests of MORRIS LANSBURGH purchased the Flamingo Hotel Casino.

On March 16, 1973, MEYER LANSKY was admitted to St. Francis Hospital, Miami Beach, Florida, where he underwent open-heart surgery.

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The surgery was completed without complications and LANSKY was discharged from the hospital on March 31, 1973.

On April 10, 1973, it was determined through a review of the records of the USDC, Miami, Florida, that the trial of LANSKY on the charges of income tax evasion that arose out of his indictment on March 25, 1971, has been scheduled to begin on July 9, 1973, before USDC Judge JOE EATON



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida

In Reply, Please Refer to

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Meyer Lansky, notorious hoodlum in the casino-gambling field, was sentenced to one year and one day in United States District Court, *on 6-14-73* Southern District of Florida, after his conviction on 2/28/73 for criminal contempt. Lansky failed to answer a subpoena to appear before a Federal Grand Jury to furnish testimony in March, 1971, concerning the illegal skimming of funds from Las Vegas casinos. Lansky is also scheduled for trial on 7/9/73 on charges of income tax evasion.

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR 92-2831

FROM MIAMI 92-102 P IP

also known as Office of Origin  
MEYER LANSKY, AKA, AR, SS: MIAMI.  
Anti-Racketeering

ON 6/14/73, LANSKY WAS SENTENCED TO SERVE ONE YEAR  
AND ONE DAY BY USDC JUDGE JAMES L. KING, SDF, FOR CRIMINAL  
CONTEMPT CHARGES. LANSKY WAS RELEASED ON A \$200,000 APPEAL  
BOND. NO DATE SET FOR FILING OF NOTICE OF APPEAL BY DEFENSE.

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At Miami.

dated 4/30/73, <sup>per 1586</sup>

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1. Will follow and report results of LANSKY's appeal  
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2. Will follow progress of trial of LANSKY's IRS trial scheduled to begin on July 9, 1973.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - Departmental Attorney, Miami, Florida  
(Attn: [REDACTED])

Report of: [REDACTED]

Office: Miami, Florida

Date: 7/2/73

Field Office File #: 92-102

Bureau File #: 92-2831

Title: MEYER LANSKY  
OPERATION FINANCIER

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

## Synopsis:

LANSKY sentenced to 1 year and 1 day Federal Prison Medical Center, Springfield, Missouri, 6/14/73. He was freed on \$200.00 bond pending filing notice of appeal. Notice of appeal filed 6/21/73.

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DETAILS:

On June 14, 1973, MEYER LANSKY appeared before U.S. District Court Judge JAMES LAWRENCE KING, Southern District of Florida, Miami, Florida, and was sentenced to serve 1 year and 1 day in Federal Prison Medical Center, Springfield, Missouri. Pending appeal of conviction, LANSKY was freed on a \$200.00 appeal bond.

LANSKY's attorney E. DAVID ROSEN indicated he would appeal both the conviction and the sentence within the 10 day time limit, and on June 21, 1973. ROSEN filed the notice of appeal.

The above conviction resulted from a criminal contempt conviction handed down by U.S. District Court Judge KING, Southern District of Florida, on February 28, 1973.

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October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1973

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Gentlemen,

This may sound a bit strange  
and you may not be able to help  
me, and if that is the case, thank-  
you for <sup>your</sup> time in reading this  
letter.

I am

MEYER LANSKY

[REDACTED] As  
a term project I must do a  
in-depth study and write a  
term paper about Meyer Lansky.  
I was wondering if you have  
any information of could tell  
me where to write for infor-  
mation on Mr. Lansky.

I hope you can help me.

Thank you,  
Sincerely,

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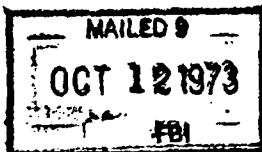
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Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter was received on October 9th. Although I would like to be of assistance to you in connection with your research on Meyer Lansky, we do not have any material for distribution regarding him. However, several articles and books have been written about him and may be available in your local library.



Sincerely yours,

Q. M. Kelley  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

NOTE: Bufiles indicate no record of correspondent. Meyer Lansky is well-known to the Bureau. Reply coordinated with the Organized Crime Section of the Special Investigative Division.

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TITLE OF CASE <b>MEYER LANSKY, aka OPERATION FINANCIER</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>[REDACTED]</b>	TYPED BY <b>es</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>AR</b> <b>(b)(7)(C)</b>	

## REFERENCE

Report of SA **[REDACTED]** dated **7/2/73**,  
at Miami.

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## LEADS

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1. Will follow and report results of LANSKY's  
appeal from conviction of contempt charges.

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2. Will continue to follow and report activities of Lansky.

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It should be noted that the initial portions of this information were made available to DOUGALD MC MILLAN, Chief, Strike Force, Southern District of Florida.

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One copy of this report is being furnished to New York because that Office is Office of Origin in the case called "MEYER LANSKY GROUP", New York file 92-4611.

INFORMANTS

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Copy to: 1 - Departmental Attorney, Miami, Florida  
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Report of: [REDACTED] Office: Miami, Florida  
Date: 10/17/73

Field Office File #: 92-102 Bureau File #: 92-2831

Title: MEYER LANSKY  
OPERATION FINANCIER

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

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## Synopsis:

[REDACTED] IRS trial scheduled for 9/10/73, in Las Vegas, rescheduled for 1/7/74, Las Vegas. LANSKY's attorney to file reply brief regarding LANSKY's appeal from contempt conviction.

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DETAILS:

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On July 17, 1973, trial was begun concerning charges that arose out of two indictments, one in New York

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and one in Miami, charging MEYER LANSKY with income tax evasion and filing false tax returns. The indictment against LANSKY charged that he and co-defendant DINO CELLINI, had kept from the government and the Internal Revenue Service monies that they collected from VINCENT TERESA and CARMINE MASTROTOTARO. The funds represented gambling debts incurred by patrons of the Colony Sporting Club, London, England. It was contended that on two different occasions in 1968 a total of \$94,000 was brought to LANSKY and CELLINI in Miami by TERESA, who was described as a Massachusetts loan shark and who had cooperated with the Federal Government.

On July 25, 1973, the jury sitting in the above mentioned trial, after deliberations, acquitted LANSKY of the charges.

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It is noted that MEYER LANSKY, along with MORRIS LANSBURGH and LANSBURGH's partner, SAM COHEN, were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury, Miami, Florida, on March 25, 1971. They were charged with conspiracy to skim proceeds from the Flamingo Hotel Casino, Las Vegas, Nevada, during the years 1960 - 1967 with the purpose of avoiding paying taxes on the skimmed proceeds. LANSKY's co-defendants, LANSBURGH and COHEN, were sentenced to one year in prison on April 27, 1973, by United States District Court Judge ROBERT FOLEY, Las Vegas, Nevada. LANSKY was originally scheduled for trial in this matter on September 10, 1973, in Las Vegas.

On September 6, 1973, LANSKY was awarded a four month postponement by United States District Court Judge FOLEY and the trial date was rescheduled for January 7, 1974. The court's postponement was based upon LANSKY's apparent ill health.

[REDACTED]

On October 12, 1973, [REDACTED] Chief Strike Force, Southern District of Florida, advised that LANSKY's attorney, E. DAVID ROSEN, will file a reply brief to the government's brief by October 19, 1973, and it is anticipated that arguments concerning the appeal from the contempt conviction of LANSKY in June 19, 1973, will take several weeks.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 92-102

October 17, 1973

Title MEYER LANSKY  
OPERATION FINANCIER

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to Report of SA [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] dated 10/17/73.

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed  
in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Date: 10/25/73

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DATE 10-27-73

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2831)  
 FROM: LEGAT, BUENOS AIRES (92-5) (P)  
 SUBJECT: MEYER LANSKY, aka  
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 (OO: MM)

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Bureau is requested to instruct the Miami Office  
to furnish the disposition to date of charges against subject.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2831)  
FROM : ACTING LEGAT, LONDON (92-17) (RUC)  
SUBJECT: MEYER LANSKY  
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ReBuairtel 10/18/73.

As there are no further leads outstanding, this case is being placed in an RUC status.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2831)

FROM : *[Signature]*  
SAC, MIAMI (92-102) (P)

SUBJECT: MEYER LANSKY, aka  
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DATE: 12/11/73

Re Buairtel to Miami, 10/25/73.

Enclosed herewith are six copies of an LHM setting forth information concerning disposition to date of charges against LANSKY for submission to Legat, Buenos Aires, as per request in referenced communication.

⑤ - Bureau (Enc 6)

(1 - Liaison Section)

(2 - Legat, Buenos Aires) - *by 0-7 12/14/73*

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Miami, Florida  
December 11, 1973

92-102

RE: MEYER LANSKY  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

MEYER LANSKY was found guilty of criminal contempt by a United States Federal Grand Jury (FGJ), Southern District of Florida (SDF), Miami, Florida, on February 28, 1973. On June 14, 1973, LANSKY was sentenced to a one year and one day term to be spent in the medical center for Federal prisoners in Springfield, Missouri. This sentencing was appealed by LANSKY and he was released on \$200,000 appeal bond. Arguments concerning the appeal were scheduled to begin on October 19, 1973, and DOUGALD MC MILLAN, Chief, Strike Force, SDF, Miami, Florida, anticipated the arguments would take several weeks.

On July 25, 1973, MEYER LANSKY was acquitted by a FGJ, SDF, Miami, Florida, on charges of income tax evasion. The charge arose out of indictments in which LANSKY was charged with not reporting funds allegedly received by him representing gambling debts incurred by customers of the Colony Sporting Club in London, England.

On March 25, 1971, MEYER LANSKY, along with MORRIS LANSBURGH and LANSBURGH's partner, SAM COHEN, were indicted by a FGJ, SDF, Miami, Florida, charging them with conspiracy to skim proceeds from the Flamingo Hotel Casino, Las Vegas, Nevada, during the years 1960-67, with the purpose of avoiding paying taxes on the skimmed proceeds. LANSBURGH and COHEN pled guilty to these charges and were sentenced to one year in prison on April 27, 1973. LANSKY, because of health reasons, had his trial postponed to January 7, 1974.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2831)

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FROM : SAC, MIAMI (92-102) (P)

SUBJECT: MEYER LANSKY, aka  
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Enclosed herewith are 6 copies of a letterhead memorandum relating to LANSKY for appropriate dissemination.

Also enclosed are two copies of the letterhead-memorandum for the New York Office for completion of their files on LANSKY.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
 FROM: SAC, NEWARK (92-4661) (P)  
 SUBJECT: OPERATION FINANCIER  
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Meyer HANSKY

Re Bureau airtel to Baltimore, etc, 8/7/73.

On 8/17/73, NK indices re Viterbo Corp. of America,  
 searched with negative results.

On 8/27/73, corporate records provided by State  
 Department, Trenton, NJ, regarding Viterbo Corp. of America  
 (VCA) revealed the following individuals as officers in the  
 company:

JOSEPH DONATELLI  
 Age 54  
 2527 Tack Circle  
 Scotch Plains, NJ  
 President

GILBERT GERBER  
 Age 50  
 2835 Webb Avenue  
 Bronx, NY  
 Treasurer-Vice-President

THOMAS DONATELLI  
 Age 52  
 2130 Meadowview Avenue  
 Scotch Plains, NJ

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Special Agent in Charge

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ROBERT SILVERMAN  
225 West 34th St.  
NY, NY  
Secretary

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[REDACTED]

Numerous spot checks were conducted at 1833 Front Street, Scotch Plains, NJ, with no apparent signs of illegal activity noted.

[REDACTED]

On 9/20/73, Albany requested to obtain descriptive data and conduct indices check [REDACTED]

On 9/28/73, [REDACTED]

On the same date, [REDACTED]

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TO : Mr. Cleveland *WNC*  
FROM : J. Keith *K*  
SUBJECT: MEYER LANSKY (92-2831)  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

DATE: January 8, 1974

Permission has previously been granted for this file to be maintained permanently in Room 1537. This was at a time when Lansky was very active and traveling extensively.

Now that Lansky is back in Miami and relatively inactive, it is recommended this file be returned to the File Room.

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Mafia's Elders Cool It as FBI's Informers  
Reach into "Families'" Highest Echelons By Victor Riesel

NEW YORK--Even Mafia made-to-order death appears to be taking a holiday. Underworld dons, glorified tastelessly by the films as Godfathers, have directed their troops to cool it. The heat is just too intense on the Cosa Nostra elders as 1974 races in.

The command has come down to ease labor racket pressure, cut theft in the white collar field, don't "cheat" Wall Street securities, for the moment no truck hijacking, and there's even a taboo on this season's traditional bankruptcy rip-offs.

The heat on the "button men," who have until recently been free to go into anything but dope running, sears them from both inside the families and from law enforcement agencies.

So effectively has the 1973 phenomenon of local and federal coordination hit the mob, for example, that truck hijacking, a lucrative swift moneymaker, has plummeted. It's just gotten too dangerous. So much so that the thieves can't get a "drop" or a garage in big towns such as this Gotham for less than \$5,000 an hour in which to hide, "break" the load down and distribute the loot into smaller conveyances.

The Mafia isn't "cooling it" out of Yuletide sentiment. First they're old and want to die a natural death after a long life. They know, and it is fact, that law enforcement agencies, especially the respirationed FBI, have broken through the old Cosa Nostra omerta--wall of silence.

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The bureau now has informers in the highest underworld echelons. This significant breakthrough came in the past six or nine months. And in all--repeat, all--of the Mafia families.

This is corroborated by Jerry Shur, chief of the U.S. Justice Department's criminal intelligence unit. He tells me there are some 650 informers. Most of them are from within organized crime. These men and their families, totaling about 2,000 in all, have been put under protection on military bases or have been moved from their original cities under the witness relocation program.

"Hundreds of men have been convicted who otherwise would have been free were it not for these witnesses," Shur says. "We give a witness in organized crime trials an alternative to death. So we relocate them. Vinnie Teresa (a self-avowed New England underworld thug who turned--VR) alone helped us put away at least 20 gangsters."

So the Mafia dons are careful. They don't know who'll turn and they'll hit the headlines. One informer's testimony convicted the late Gyp De Carlo.

Furthermore, the elders are growing weaker--physically. Note the final days of Meyer Lansky, last of the old Murder, Inc., era. Justice Department officials tell me he'll never be tried again though Meyer is scheduled for a Las Vegas courtroom in January.

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He underwent a triple heart-bypass operation.

During his last trial, the government had to provide him with a room in which to rest and constant attendance of a doctor in the courtroom.

There are others like Lansky who, though not as sick, are antediluvians from the late '20s. Some of them are just about holding their men in line--such as the alleged boss of bosses Carlo Gambino, the most powerful labor manipulator of them all. Others are dead or have gone into exile as has an erstwhile boss of the Chicago mob. Justice Dept. investigators believe that the legendary crowd will be led by John (Jackie the Lackey) Cerone, an unknown to the rest of the nation.

Wherever one looks there are vacuums. Though the Rhode Island parole board is considering freeing the alleged New England boss, the imprisoned Ray Patriarca, the post still is open. So is the leadership of virtually all Eastern families. Slowly the Colombo family leadership is going to prison or into retirement in Florida, for example.

Slowly, feeling their way, their oats and their muscle, young unknowns are moving in. The dons watch them, try to maneuver them, cool them, wait to see which of the newcomers to power will next be grabbed by the FBI, the Justice Dept. anti-crime strike forces and the local police departments. Justice Dept. observers say that Buffalo, St. Louis and Pittsburgh are the "hot" labor racket centers.

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So the dons examine the new Mafia alliances. They wait to see who will shoot their way to the top. Then they'll take sides. But for the moment they're cooling it. For them 'tis the season to be wary.

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Report of SA [REDACTED] 10/17/73, at Miami.

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1. Will follow and report results of LANSKY's appeal from conviction of contempt charges.

2. Will continue to follow and report activities of MEYER LANSKY.

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One copy of this report is being furnished to the New York Office as that office is Office of Origin in the case captioned "MEYER LANSKY GROUP", New York file 92-4611.

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Copy to: 1 - Departmental Attorney, Miami, Florida  
(Attention: [REDACTED])

Report of: [REDACTED] Office: Miami, Florida

Date: 4/12/74

Field Office File #: 92-102 Bureau File #: 92-2831

Title: MEYER LANSKY  
OPERATION FINANCIER

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

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## Synopsis:

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LANSKY's appeal from the contempt of court conviction, 6/73, continues under consideration by Fifth Circuit Court Appeals. LANSKY's IRS file re-scheduled for 5/7/74, in Federal Court, Las Vegas, Nevada.

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DETAILS:

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The "Miami Herald", a Miami daily newspaper in its issue of February 14, 1974, on page 5B, which contained an article under caption "Appeal Arguments Open on LANSKY's Contempt Sentence". The article follows:

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## Appeal Arguments Open on Lansky's Contempt Sentence

A federal appeals court began consideration Wednesday of mobster Meyer Lansky's bid to overturn his contempt of court conviction and escape a year-and-a-day jail sentence.

In New Orleans, Lansky's attorney E. David Rosen, argued before the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals that his 72-year-old client hadn't had enough time to prove he was medically unable to obey subpoena and fly from Israel to the United States.

But a government attorney, Peter M. Shannon Jr. of the Department of Justice, told the court the delay was Lansky's own fault because he had evaded service on the subpoena demanding he appear before a grand jury investigating gambling.

Lansky, the government claimed in the trial here that brought his February, 1973, conviction, had fled to Israel to avoid prosecution.

He was brought to trial only after Israel deported him and he was unable to obtain sanctuary in a number of Latin American countries.

Lansky's attorney argued then, and again Wednesday, that his client was too ill to leave Israel but would have been willing to give sworn testimony there.

U.S. District Judge James Lawrence King handed down the year-and-a-day sentence last June, adding the "day" to make certain the conviction and sentence would be recorded as a felony.

Later in the year, Lansky was acquitted of one income tax evasion charge, but still faces trial at Las Vegas where the government has accused him of "skimming" casino gambling receipts before they had to be reported as income.

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On April 2, 1974, [REDACTED] Strike Force, Southern District of Florida, advised that LANSKY's appeal from the contempt of court conviction handed down in June, 1973, was still under consideration by the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans, Louisiana, as all arguments have been concluded.

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The "Miami Herald", a Miami, Florida daily newspaper, in its issue of January 10, 1974, on page 4B, contained an article captioned "LANSKY Trial Re-Scheduled". The article is as follows:

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## Lansky Trial Rescheduled

The trial of Meyer Lansky, reputed underworld financial genius, was rescheduled in federal court in Las Vegas for May 7 after being removed from the court calendar for January.

Lansky's defense attorneys asked for another delay in the trial on the grounds that the 72-year-old man was ill and had suffered several heart attacks and minor strokes.

He faces trial on charges that he was involved in a \$36 million operation to skim profits from gambling at the Flamingo Hotel casino during the 1960s and avoid paying taxes on them.

He was acquitted in Miami last year on other income tax evasion charges.



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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 92-102

Miami, Florida  
April 12, 1974

Title MEYER LANSKY  
OPERATION FINANCIER

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to report of SA [REDACTED]  
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MEYER LANSKY, AKA, AR.

RE MIAMI TEL CALL TO LAS VEGAS DIVISION, MAY 2, 1974.

THE LAS VEGAS DIVISION ADVISED ON MAY 2, 1974, THAT THE TRIAL OF LANSKY, SCHEDULED TO BEGIN IN LAS VEGAS ON MAY 7, 1974, HAS BEEN RE-SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 3, 1974. THE CHARGES IN THIS TRIAL AROSE OUT OF CONSPIRACY INVOLVING LANSKY, MORRIS LANSBURGH AND SAM COHEN IN THAT THEY CONSPIRED TO SKIM PROCEEDS FROM THE FLAMINGO HOTEL CASINO IN LAS VEGAS DURING THE YEARS 1960-1967, WITH THE PURPOSE OF AVOIDING PAYING TAXES ON THE SKIMMED PROCEEDS.

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Miami prepare a letterhead memorandum [REDACTED] setting forth information concerning Lansky's conviction and reversal by the Fifth Circuit, any future pending trials concerning Lansky, status of his health and activities. Also comment on any contemplated travel of Lansky or any of his close associates.

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FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-102) (P)

RE: MEYER LANSKY, aka  
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Also enclosed for New York Office are 2 copies of the letterhead memorandum for completion of their files on LANSKY.

The confidential source mentioned in the letterhead memorandum [REDACTED]

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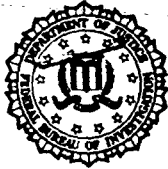
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Miami, Florida  
August 24, 1974

Re: MEYER LANSKY  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

MEYER LANSKY was found guilty of criminal contempt by a United States Federal Grand Jury (FGJ), Southern District of Florida (SDF), Miami, Florida, on February 28, 1973. On June 14, 1973, LANSKY was sentenced to a one year and one day term to be spent in the Medical Center for Federal Prisoners in Springfield, Missouri.

On June 28, 1974, the Fifth United States Circuit Court of Appeals, New Orleans, Louisiana, ruled that LANSKY should not have been convicted for failing to answer a subpoena and, accordingly, reversed LANSKY's contempt conviction.

On March 25, 1971, MEYER LANSKY, along with MORRIS LANSBURGH and LANSBURGH's partner, SAM COHEN, were indicted by a FGJ, SDF, Miami, Florida, charging them with conspiracy to skim proceeds from the Flamingo Hotel Casino, Las Vegas, Nevada, during the years 1960 - 1967, with the purpose of avoiding paying taxes on the skimmed proceeds.

LANSBURGH and COHEN pled guilty to the conspiracy charges and in April, 1973, were sentenced to one year in prison. They were released after serving approximately four months.

LANSKY, through his attorney, was granted five continuances of his trial, because of health reasons. On August 22, 1974, United States District Court Judge ROGER D. FOLEY, Las Vegas, Nevada, granted LANSKY a sixth continuance and, in his order granting this continuance, stated that the


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case would lie dormant on the court calendar until LANSKY dies or Government counsel dismisses the indictment. Judge FOLEY stated that the case should be dismissed for health reasons indicating that medical evidence in the record of the case shows that it is almost a certainty that LANSKY will never be well enough to undergo the rigors of a trial.



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LANSKY successfully in appeal from conviction of contempt by decision handed down by Fifth U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals, New Orleans, La., on 6/28/74. LANSKY's trial for Income Tax Evasion originally scheduled for 5/2/74, rescheduled to 9/3/74. USDC Judge FOLEY, Las Vegas, Nevada, stated LANSKY's case will lie dormant on court calendar because of LANSKY's health.

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DETAILS:

On May 2, 1974, Las Vegas Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) advised that the trial of

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LANSKY scheduled to commence on May 2, 1974, for Income Tax Evasion had been rescheduled for September 3, 1974. It is to be noted that the charges in this trial arose out of a conspiracy involving LANSKY, MORRIS LANSBURGH, and SAM COHEN in that they conspired to skim proceeds from the Flamingo Hotel Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada, during the years 1960 to 1967, with the purpose of avoiding paying taxes on these skimmed proceeds.

In an order granting LANSKY a sixth continuance of this trial, United States District Court Judge ROGER D. FOLEY, Las Vegas, Nevada, on August 21, 1974, stated that LANSKY's case will lie dormant until either LANSKY dies or Government Council dismisses the indictment.

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The "Miami Herald", a Miami daile newspaper, in its issue of June 27, 1974, Page 6B, contained an article under the caption "Former Chief Justice CARLTON Testifies in Gambling Probe". The article follows:

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# Former Chief Justice Carlton Testifies in Gambling Probe

By JAMES BUCHANAN  
And WILLIAM R. ANLONG  
Herald Staff Writers

Vassar B. Carlton, the former chief justice of the Florida Supreme Court, spent an hour and seven minutes Wednesday before a federal grand jury investigating gambling.

Carlton — who retired unexpectedly in January amid reports that he was the subject of an investigation by the Judicial Qualifications Commission — said upon leaving the grand jury chambers that he had answered all the questions as best he could.

"The smart thing to do sometimes is to take the Fifth Amendment, but I did not," said Carlton, nattily attired and accompanied by his young wife. "I wanted to tell them as much as I could, but I couldn't recall all the details for some of their questions.

"The trouble with not taking the fifth is that, when you can't remember all the details, they sometimes get people on perjury."

CARLTON declined to describe the line of questioning beyond saying federal prosecutors asked about "who I knew and how long I knew them and whether they were good friends."

The grand jury investigation in Miami is being directed by Dougald McMillan, southeastern regional chief of the Justice Department's Organized Crime Strike Force.

Prior to Carlton's appearance, McMillan summoned and questioned several other Miami men, one of them Jack Grill, chauffeur for underworld financial wizard Meyer Lansky.

Also questioned was Morris Stein, the driver for Lansky associate Hymie Lazar; Rodney Roth, and Morris Katz.

ANOTHER witness, Al (Abe) Roth, initially invoked the Fifth Amendment to avoid answering questions. Taken before U.S. District Judge William O. Merriens at

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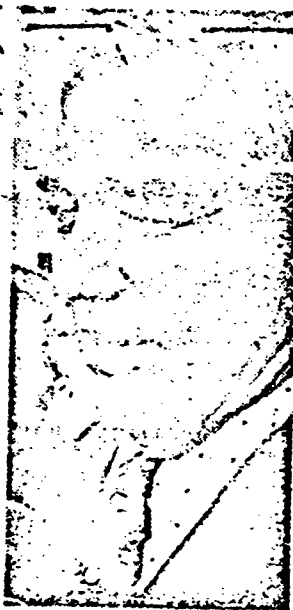
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**Vassar B. Carlton**  
*...refuses Fifth*

nity, Al Roth was ordered to tell the jury what his occupation was; whether he was a bookmaker; whether he ever made book at Calder Race Track; whether he ever discussed bookmaking with Lazar, Marty Ash or a third man; whether Calder security agents ever attempted to curb his bookmaking activities at the track.

Roth was called back into the grand jury room following Carlton's testimony.

Carlton announced Jan. 16 that he was retiring after 33 years as a judge to re-enter private law practice so he could make more money.

At the time, Carlton denied that he was the subject of any investigation by the qualifications commission, a disciplinary body that polices judges' conduct and can recommend their removal from office.

**FOLLOWING** Carlton's

resignation, commission Chairman Richard T. Earle Jr., a St. Petersburg attorney, praised the former chief justice and said there was no investigation of Carlton "pending or contemplated."

Other sources, however,

told The Herald at the time that a preliminary investigation on Carlton and other state Supreme Court justices already had begun.

Among the concerns of investigators for both the commission and law enforcement agencies were Carlton's visit last June to a gambling casino in Las Vegas, Nev., and his friendship with Martin Segal, an Orlando attorney who had been indicted in connection with the operations of Central Florida gambling kingpin Harlan Blackburn.

(Charges against Segal were eventually dropped.)

Segal is also a close friend and associate of Isadore Hecht, the principal owner of West Flagler Kennel Club. Hecht and Jack Cooper, a West Flagler executive, appeared before

the same federal grand jury earlier this month.

Flagler and Biscayne Kennel Club have been frequent adversaries before the Supreme Court in recent years concerning assignment of racing dates.

In 1971, the court voted 5-2 to give Flagler the most lucrative summer dates, overturning a decision by the state Board of Business Regulation to let the two tracks split the summer and winter dates. Carlton voted for Flagler.

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The "Miami Herald", in its issue of June 29, 1974, on Page 1A, contained an article under the caption "LANSKY's Conviction Is Overturned". The article follows:

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Erases Only Successful Federal Case Against Him

# Lansky's Conviction Is Overturned

By JAMES SAVAGE  
Herald Staff Writer



Meyer Lansky  
... no jail term

Meyer Lansky's only federal conviction was reversed Friday when the Fifth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled Lansky should not have been convicted for failing to answer a subpoena.

The ruling by the appeals court in New Orleans means the reputed financial wizard of organized crime will not have to serve the year and a day sentence handed down one year ago.

Lansky, 71, has been free on bond since he was convicted of contempt in a jury trial last June for failing to respond to a subpoena for his appearance before the U.S. grand jury in Miami.

THE GRAND jury, which was investigating allegations that Lansky skimmed gambling profits from a Las Vegas hotel, ordered him on Feb. 22, 1971, to appear in 19 days. Lansky was living in Israel and did not accept the subpoena until March 4.

"When the government requested that the court fix March 11 as the return date of the subpoena, it made compliance by the defendant virtually impossible," wrote Judge Robert A. Ainsworth in an opinion for the appeals court.

U.S. Justice Department Strike Force attorney Donald McMillan, who prosecuted the case for the government, had argued that Lansky deliberately evaded early service of the subpoena and the March 11 return date was only set after his attorney's refusal to agree on any date.

Lansky, who lives at the Imperial House, 5235 Collins Ave., Miami Beach, and his attorney, E. David Rosen, could not be reached Friday for comment.

Judge Ainsworth said in his opinion that U.S. District Court Judge James Lawrence King should have directed the jury to acquit Lansky, because the government failed

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# Lansky Contempt Conviction Is Reversed by Appeals Court

to prove its case that he willfully and contemptuously avoided compliance with the subpoena.

**AFTER FAILING** to answer the subpoena, Lansky remained in Israel until he was forced to leave that country in November 1972. He was arrested upon his arrival from Israel in Miami on Nov. 7, 1972.

The reversal of his contempt conviction erases the federal government's only successful case against him. His only previous conviction was on a minor state gambling charge in New York in the 1950s.

Lansky openly operated illegal gambling casinos in South Florida during the late 1940s and is identified by many organized crime experts as the most influential man in the growth of regional racketeering into a national syndicate with close ties to the Mafia and other organized crime groups.

**HE WAS** acquitted last summer on an income tax charge when a U.S. jury here believed his wife's testimony

that he was not in Miami in 1968 at the time a government witness said he was receiving unreported gambling income.

Lansky, who underwent open heart surgery last year, is facing trial in Las Vegas in a skimming case that led to the conviction of Miami Beach hotelmen Morris Lansburgh and Sam Cohen.

The defendants were charged with illegally removing gambling revenue from the Flamingo casino in Las Vegas during the 1960s to avoid paying taxes.

**ALTHOUGH** Lansky is officially waiting trial on that charge, there has been persistent speculation that the government will eventually drop that charge for lack of evidence.

Lansky is the target of continuing investigation by a special U.S. Justice Department task based in Washington and is currently under investigation by a U.S. grand jury in Miami directed by McMillan looking into illegal bookmaking.

McMillan said Friday he was deeply disappointed by the appeals court reversal. "It was a very expensive trial for the government both in time and money. All I can say is that we did our job and a jury convicted him."

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The "Miami News", a Miami evening newspaper, in its edition of July 11, 1974, on Page 4A, contained an article captioned "LANSKY Appears Before Jury Probing Rackets". The article follows:

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# Lansky appears before jury probing rackets

Meyer Lansky spent about five minutes yesterday with a federal grand jury in Miami probing gambling racketeering and possible links with public officials.

Lansky, said by the U.S. Justice Department to be a financial genius of organized crime, appeared under subpoena before the jury which has questioned several persons, including a retired chief justice of the Florida Supreme Court about gambling junkets to Las Vegas.

Looking somewhat tired and drawn, Lansky, 71, arrived at the federal courthouse at 10:45 a.m. with his attorney, David Rosen, and was called into the jury chambers at 11:30. He emerged twice for hurried, whispered conversations with Rosen, and then emerged for the final time at 11:44.

Lansky declined to comment on his appearance before the jury, saying only,

"Ask them in there (the jurors)."

Also appearing before the jury today was Pam Carlton, daughter of Vassar Carlton, who returned last February as chief justice of the state Supreme Court. Miss Carlton is a secretary at a Miami Beach law firm.

Her attorney said the jury questioned her in regard to travel to Las Vegas, but not specifically about gambling junkets. Her father had testified under subpoena to the jury June 26 on a number of matters including his acquaintance

with Hymie Lazar, who operates gambling junkets and has been observed meeting Lansky.

Carlton said he told the jury that he had heard the name of Hymie Lazar, but they were not personal friends and he (Carlton) had not taken any of the junkets to Las Vegas.

Refusing, initially, to testify to the jury today were well-known racing boat-builder Don Aronow, and his son, Michael Aronow.

Dougald McMillan, Justice Department attorney who leads the Miami Strike

force, took the Aronows before U.S. District Court Judge Clyde Atkins, who granted them immunity from prosecution in exchange for their testimony. It was disclosed that the jury wanted to ask them about alleged meetings with bookmakers at Calder Race Track.

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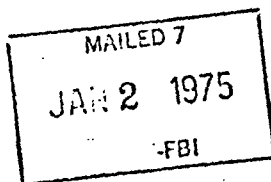
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Reference is made to your memorandum dated December 27, 1974, HEP:ADP:sam, 177-012, requesting electronic surveillance information on captioned individual, and this Bureau's memorandum dated November 24, 1972, captioned "Meyer Lansky, Electronic Surveillance."

A review of the records of this Bureau discloses no additional electronic surveillance information concerning captioned individual since referenced memorandum dated November 24, 1972.

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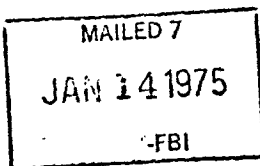
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The "Miami Herald", a Miami daily newspaper, in its issue of December 6, 1974, on page 1A, contained an article under the caption "LANSKY Completely Free - U.S. Drops Case":

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# Lansky Completely Free--U.S! Drops Case

By FRANK BEACHAM

Herald Staff Writer

Meyer Lansky is a free man.

The organized crime chieftain, who has successfully zig-zagged through legal obstacles for more than five decades, has beaten the only conviction the federal government ever got on him.

Lansky's victory came this week when the U.S. Justice Department decided its case was not strong enough for an appeal of its reversal to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Lansky had been sentenced to a year and a day in prison for failing to answer a federal grand jury subpoena.

The Fifth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals tossed out the June 1973 jury conviction, contending the government failed to prove Lansky willfully and contemptuously avoided compliance with the subpoena.

LANSKY, now 72, has waited for the legal battle to end in his plush apartment at the Imperial House

in Miami Beach. He has been free on bond since his conviction, but up until months ago he was required to phone his whereabouts each week to Dougald McMillan, the man who prosecuted him.

McMillan, who heads the Justice Department's Organized Crime Strike Force in Miami, said those weekly phone chats were cordial but formal. "There was no real conversation, we never developed any rapport."

There have been few public glimpses of the short, graying Lansky since his highly publicized trial last year. His health declining, the aging man has never looked the image of the lord of rackets or the onetime confederate of such notorious underworld figures as Frank Costello, Bugsy Siegel, Lepke Buchalter, Joe Adonis, and Luckey Luciano. His most public pastime now is walking his dog along Collins Avenue.

HIS IMPORTANCE, however, never has been under-

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estimated by federal agents. Some have had a full-time job probing his web of vast financial holdings. His personal fortune has been estimated at \$300 million.

FBI agents have been assigned to keep him under constant surveillance. One agent reported frequent chats with the man he was assigned to follow.

The reversal of the contempt conviction in June and the government's decision not to appeal it erases Lansky's record of ever violating a federal law. His

only previous conviction was on a minor state gambling charge in New York during the 1950s.

Though he has evaded the law with classic success, the aging Lansky has earned himself the reputation of being a giant in organized crime in America. He openly operated illegal gambling casinos in South Florida during the late 1940s and in the process corrupted many major police agencies in the area.

**FOR LANSKY**, the success in beating the conviction was his third major legal victory in just over a year.

He was acquitted last summer in Miami of an income tax charge when a federal jury believed his wife's testimony that he was not in Miami in 1968 at the time the government witness said he was receiving unreported gambling income.

And charges were recently dismissed by a federal

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judge in Nevada in a case which accused Lansky of skimming millions of dollars a year from a casino operation. That case led to the conviction of Miami Beach hotelmen Morris Lansburgh and Sam Cohen. The trio was charged with illegally removing gambling revenue from the Flamingo Hotel's casino in Las Vegas during the 1960s to avoid paying taxes.

The judge said Lansky, who had undergone open heart surgery and was in poor health, was too sick to stand trial.

**AT THE TIME**, Lansky was so distrusted that rumors circulated that cardiologists who performed the heart surgery on Lansky had merely made an incision and then sewed him back up.

The surgeons, to relieve any suspicions, saved some of Lansky's heart tissue and sent it to a laboratory to be preserved as proof.

The case that brought Lansky's short-lived contempt conviction stemmed from the investigation that led to the Las Vegas indictment.

The grand jury investigating the skimming operation ordered Lansky on Feb. 22, 1971 to appear as a witness on March 11. Lansky was living in Israel and did not accept the subpoena until March 4. He didn't show on March 11 to testify, contending his health was too poor.

**McMILLAN** argued at the trial that Lansky deliberately evaded early service of the subpoena and the March 11 return date was only set after Lansky's attorney refused to agree on any date.

But, in writing the opinion reversing that conviction by the appeals court, Judge Robert Ainsworth wrote it was "virtually impossible" for Lansky to comply with the subpoena by March 11.

The Justice Department had the option of dropping the case or appealing. Solicitor General Robert Bork made the decision not to appeal.

"It was a decision he had to make. He didn't think the chances of a favorable Supreme Court ruling were good enough," McMillan said.





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## Exotic men footballers' tour in the United States

TEL AVIV, June 10 (AP) — The National Labor Council in the U.S. is not prepared to discuss the public relations of the U.S. and the U.S. Department of Labor, which is not interested in it, according to reports here from the U.S.

The national team yesterday drew 2-2 in a home game against the local T. R. A. The referee and captain Ed. H. ... ..

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"I don't know," says the boy, "but I think  
 that's a good idea. I'll tell you what you  
 can do. You can go to the store and buy a  
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The first of these is the fact that the majority of the population in the United States is now living in urban areas. This has led to a concentration of people in certain areas, which has in turn led to a concentration of diseases. For example, the incidence of tuberculosis is much higher in urban areas than in rural areas. This is due to a number of factors, including overcrowding, poor ventilation, and a high density of people.

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awaiting trial in the U.S. According to a "Miami" report yesterday Monday, he took the team to the Fort Lauderdale "Hotel" night club, and said he loved to relax and settle in before the two ends. He also reportedly expressed shock over the recent wave of economic changes in this country.

In earlier games on the tour the Israel team drew 1-1 with Cosmos in New York in what was also a tough game. It won its first match 1-0 in Philadelphia with crowds of only a few thousand spectators attending both games.

The team plays its home match in Chicago.

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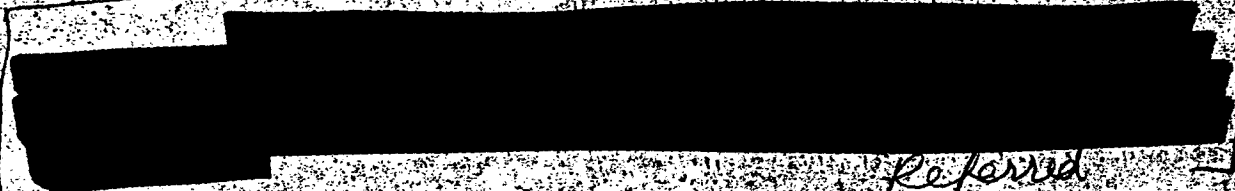
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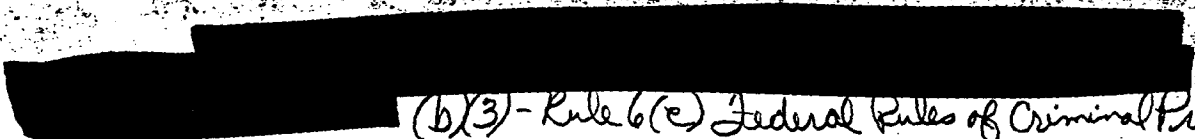
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The "Miami News," a Miami afternoon newspaper, in its issue of May 16, 1975, on Page 5A, contained an article captioned, "LANSKY May Get Immunity, Testify in Gambling Probe." The article is set forth as follows:



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# Lansky may get immunity, testify in gambling probe

Reputed underworld banker Meyer Lansky of Miami Beach is expected to go before a judge in Fort Lauderdale today and be granted immunity as a prelude to testimony before a statewide grand jury.

It will be Lansky's second appearance before the state grand jury, which is probing organized gambling in South Florida.

Last month, Lansky spent only five minutes in his previous appearance before the grand jury, apparently having invoked his constitutional privileges against self-incrimination.

Meanwhile, Metro police yesterday arrested three Dade men on gambling charges after they were named in some of the 14 indictments returned by the grand jury. Six others were arrested elsewhere. Some of those arrested were named in more than one indictment.

A fourth Dade County man, Marty Lewis, a Bal Harbour cabana operator, was taken into custody on a contempt citation after he refused to answer questions before the jury after being granted immunity.

The three men arrested in Dade County and the charges against

them are Arthur Young 44, 1233 Collins Ave., Miami Beach, one count of conspiracy to commit bookmaking; Samuel Nemath, 63, 2215 NE 204th St., four counts of unlawful wagering; and Walter Joseph Miller, 52, 1616 NW 19th Ter., one count of unlawful wagering.

A police source said they expect to make additional arrests based on the remaining sealed indictments.

Among those arrested in Broward County were Maurice Slutsky, 64, of Hallandale, who was charged with two counts of bookmaking, and Edward Vose, 61, of Dania, charged with wagering.

Lansky has been subpoenaed to appear this morning for his second session before the probe. It was expected that Lansky will again invoke constitutional privilege and then be taken before a Circuit Court judge and granted immunity.

According to Special Prosecutor Eugene Whitworth, Lansky will be questioned "only about organized crime in relation to illegal gambling."

Whitworth also said that the immunity granted Lansky would guarantee his freedom from prosecution in any subsequent case linked to his testimony and that the questions he wants to ask Lansky "will not be directly connected with cases the grand jury has been hearing at this time."

If Lansky still refuses to testify after being granted immunity, he could be held in contempt of court and jailed. He was convicted of criminal contempt in federal court in Miami for his failure to respond to a federal grand jury subpoena while he was in Israel, but the conviction was reversed by the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans.

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The "Miami Herald," a Miami daily newspaper, in its issue of May 17, 1975, on Page 1A, contained an article captioned, "LANSKY, MEYER An Old Man, A Reputation, And A Probe Into Crime." The article is set forth as follows:

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# Lansky, Meyer

## An Old Man, A Reputation, And a Probe Into Crime

By ARNOLD MARKOWITZ  
Herald Staff Writer

"Right now I wish you could get me a new pair of legs," the old man said, pulling himself out of a chair and walking gingerly down the courthouse corridor to loosen the only pair he has.

He is 72 years old, with a deep, soft voice. His hair and eyebrows are gray, his ears large, the lines deep in his tanned face. His clothing — white shirt, blue jacket, no tie — is nondescript.

He looks like any elderly gentleman one might see in Miami Beach. He ambles back to the chair.

A bystander shows him a paperback book entitled "Bloodletters and Badmen," opening the volume to a chapter headed "Lansky, Meyer: Crime Syndicate Chief."

MEYER LANSKY laughs, his eyes crinkling. He is the center of attention for a small crowd of newsmen, and he

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seems to be enjoying it.

He also is the center of attention for a special statewide grand jury investigating organized illegal gambling. By reputation at least, Lansky knows the field as few men do.

It is the grand jury that has summoned him here to the Broward County Courthouse in Fort Lauderdale. It is trying something different.

For years, prosecutors and grand juries have tried to get at Lansky from beneath, hacking away at the elaborate criminal substructure they believe insulates him from legal attack. It has never worked.

On Friday morning, this grand jury tried to do it the other way around — getting at the substructure by hacking away at Lansky.

ITS TACTIC was to give him immunity from prosecution for anything he might say about himself. He could testify or face a jail sentence for contempt.

Lansky testified. Whether or not the grand jury's strategy works remains to be seen. Testimony it hears, is, by law, secret. Special prosecutor Eugene Whitworth was careful not to relate Lansky's testimony, only to characterize it as generally affable.

Lansky surely was affable with the bored corps of reporters and photographers who waited with him while the grand jury spent most of the morning plotting strategy with him out of the room.

Once openly hostile to journalists, especially those with microphones, Lansky appears to have mellowed late in life.

"Sure I've changed," he said when asked about that. "You've changed. Doesn't everybody change?" He smiled and joked a lot, laughed at blatantly leading questions and returned jibes. Nothing whatever of substance, but then no one expected any.

LANSKY WAS asked if he would acknowledge his financial wizardry, underworld or not.

"Ha, ha. No, I wouldn't. Ha, ha. I'm going to the poorhouse," he said.

Which poorhouse?

"You'll spend your whole life guessing, won't you?" he replied.

A television man asked Lansky how much money he'd have if he'd invested all his small grand jury witness fees at six per cent interest.

Again he laughed.

WITNESS FEES are petty cash, but Lansky has appeared before enough grand juries for them to add up. He didn't answer the question.

Someone mentioned that it had stopped raining.

"It stopped?" Lansky asked. "What am I gonna do with my raincoat?"

One reporter offered to take it.

"IT WON'T fit you," said Lansky. "Your feet are too big."

He asked another his name, saying he wanted to remember him.

"In your book or your will?"

"You're better off in my book than my will," said Lansky, who lives in an expensive Miami Beach apartment building. He expressed no interest in writing his life story.

In more serious tones, he chatted about weight and tobacco control.

"DO YOU exercise?" he asked a television man who boasted of

swimming 100 yards a day and breaking a three-pack-a-day cigaret habit with great difficulty.

"I'll tell you one way of doing it," Lansky offered. "Have a heart operation." He's had one.

"I used to smoke a few packs of cigarets and then go and play a couple of games of handball," he said. "In my younger days."

Lansky was asked back into the jury room at 12:10 p.m. He emerged at 12:27.

"Well, we're through!" he announced.

nounced.

WHITWORTH, the prosecutor, said later that Lansky had been tired, and that the jury had agreed to adjourn for the day if Lansky would return for its next meeting June 11.

Whitworth said Friday's questioning had been broad, general in nature. He promised to ask Lansky more specific questions next time. There had been suggestions that Lansky's testimony was evasive.

Whitworth said he couldn't be sure. Lansky left the courthouse with his lawyer, E. David Rosen. It was raining again. Lansky put on his lightweight blue raincoat and the two men walked down the street to a parking lot.

As Rosen drove away with Lansky beside him, the parking lot attendant — an elderly man wearing a golf cap — wondered who the passenger was.

Meyer Lansky, he was told. "Who's he?" the man asked.

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Re: [REDACTED]

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On November 17, 1972, Departmental Attorney HAL WEBB, United States Department of Justice, Strike Force 18, presented evidence against GERSON BLATT and BENJAMIN SIGELBAUM to a Federal Grand Jury (FGJ), Miami, Florida, alleging Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) violations and an indictment was returned on that date by the FGJ charging GERSON BLATT and BENJAMIN SIGELBAUM with violations of SEC laws. BLATT and SIGELBAUM pleaded not guilty and both were acquitted after a trial that concluded on May 3, 1973, in United States District Court, Miami, Florida, before United States District Court Judge PETER T. FAY.

The March 9, 1974, edition of "The Miami Herald", a Miami, Florida, daily newspaper, contained an article "Six are Accused of Duping Clergy in Stock Deal". The article in part related that six Greater Miami men had been accused of cheating the Catholic Archdiocese of Detroit, Michigan, the Bishop of Lansing, Michigan, two other Michigan priests, and a secretary out of \$350,000. The suit was filed in Detroit, Michigan, by the SEC. Named as the six Greater Miami men were RICHARD SADOWSKI, BENJAMIN SIGELBAUM, GERSON BLATT, MILTON PEPPER, HERBERT RUBIN, and BARTON S. UDELL. A seventh defendant was JOHN PULLMAN.

The article continued by stating the charges set out claimed the defendants purchased stock in a land development company from the victims for one dollar per share, after having had prior knowledge that the stock had increased in value because Exquisite Form Brassiere and Girdle Company purchased 92% of the shares of the land development company. The SEC contended that failing to tell the victims of the stock's increased value violated SEC laws and sought an injunction against future violations.

On October 7, 1974, United States District Court Judge JOHN FEIKENS, Eastern District of Michigan, granted the defendants' request for a change of venue from Detroit to Miami.

Re: GERSON BLATT

On June 24, 1975, a review of the United States District Court's file #74-1139-CIV, United States District Court, 300 Northeast First Avenue, Miami, Florida, by a Special Agent of the FBI showed that the most recent entry in this file was a notation that on June 5, 1975, a deposition was furnished by MARK A. LOUSCH, Attorney, SEC, Detroit, Michigan.



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REFERENCE: Miami report of SA [REDACTED] 6/10/75.

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Copy to: 1 - Strike Force, Southern District of Florida, Miami

Report of: [REDACTED]

Office: MIAMI, FLORIDA

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Title: MEYER LANSKY

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

[REDACTED] LANSKY subpoenaed to testify before Florida State Grand Jury probing gambling on 8/13/75, but was allowed to return home because of illness. LANSKY and wife visited Green Park hotel, Blowing Rock, N. C., during 9/75. Travel restrictions as set out in bond imposed by USDC Judge ROGER FOLEY on LANSKY still in effect.

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DETAILS:

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The August 14, 1975 edition of "The Miami News", a Miami, Florida evening newspaper, on page 7a, contained an article captioned "Lansky Waits 3 Hours for Jury, Goes Home Ill Without Testifying". The article follows:

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"FORT LAUDERDALE - Underworld figure Meyer Lansky was kept waiting for 3 hours to testify before a statewide grand jury probing gambling and then was allowed to go home when he complained of feeling ill.

"No explanation was given for why Lansky's appearance yesterday was delayed. Lansky, 42, who has made three other appearances before the grand jury, had been scheduled as the first witness during the morning session.

"The grand jury, which has already issued 42 indictments, was reportedly zeroing in on South Florida gambling operations, including lotteries.

"State Attorney Eugene Whitworth of Gainesville has said he expects the panel to issue as many as 1,000 indictments before it disbands, probably in October, 1976.

"The panel has scheduled a meeting tomorrow in Fort Lauderdale to hear from Hallandale Police Chief James Longo and several Broward County reputed underworld figures.

"The grand jury also has tentatively scheduled a meeting in West Palm Beach Sept. 9-11".

On August 22, 1975, [REDACTED] Chief, Department of Justice Strike Force, Southern District of Florida, Miami, Florida, advised that LANSKY had been granted permission to travel to Blowing Rock, North Carolina, for a vacation of approximately two weeks. [REDACTED] stated that LANSKY is still under the conditions of a bond imposed by U. S. District Court Judge ROGER D. FOLEY, Las Vegas, Nevada, resulting from the trial in which LANSKY and six other individuals, including MORRIS LANSBURGH and SAM COHEN, were charged with skimming more than 36 million dollars from the Flamingo Hotel, Las Vegas, during the period 1960 to 1968. LANSKY was granted a continuance of the trial by Judge FOLEY, who stated that LANSKY's case would lie dormant on the calendar until the government dismisses the indictment.

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[REDACTED] stated that recent attempts by LANSKY's counsel to remove the restrictions of the bond have been futile and LANSKY still must obtain permission from the Department of Justice Strike Force, Los Angeles, California, before he can leave Dade or Broward County in Florida, and the request has to be supported by medical reasons.

[REDACTED] added that Departmental Attorney [REDACTED] Los Angeles Strike Force, is handling the LANSKY matter.

[REDACTED]

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Concerning the Green Park Hotel, Blowing Rock, North Carolina, the following is noted:

The Green Park Hotel, Blowing Rock, North Carolina, is owned by Broyhill Furniture Industries. During the summer the hotel is leased to GEORGE SIDNEY PICKARD and is operated by PICKARD's sons GEORGE SIDNEY PICKARD, JR., 869 NE 98th Street, Miami, Florida, and WILLIAM E. PICKARD, 34 NW 96th Street, Miami, Florida. The PICKARDS operate the hotel from about June 15 until September 15 of each year.

The hotel is open in April and October each year and is operated by Broyhill Furniture Industries for the benefit of Broyhill Furniture salesmen who are in the area during the furniture shows. The manager of the hotel on these occasions is W. LANCE SERVAIS. SERVAIS and the PICKARDS own and operate Sea View Hotel, Bal Harbor, Florida.

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Title: MEYER LANSKY

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

[REDACTED] In January, 1976, LANSKY under bond travel restriction imposed by USDCJ ROGER FOLEY, Las Vegas, Nev. [REDACTED]  
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The above travel restrictions resulted from a bond imposed on LANSKY by U. S. District Court Judge ROGER D. FOLEY, Las Vegas, Nevada, after conclusion of the trial in which LANSKY and six other individuals, including MORRIS LANSBURGH and SAM COHEN of Miami, were charged with skimming more than 36 million dollars from the Flamingo Hotel, Las Vegas, during the period 1960 to 1968. LANSBURGH and COHEN were found guilty; LANSKY was granted a continuance of the trial by Judge FOLEY and thereafter imposed the bond restriction.



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Report of: [REDACTED]

Office: Miami, Florida

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Title:

MEYER LANSKY

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Character:

ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

[REDACTED] LANSKY has no knowledge of ROSELLI killing. U. S. will not appeal dismissal of a 1972 indictment alleging that LANSKY skimmed money from Las Vegas hotel.

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DETAILS:

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MEYER LANSKY was interviewed by Special Agents (SAs) [REDACTED] in the downstairs arcade of the Eden Roc Hotel, Miami Beach.

LANSKY stated that he was not personally acquainted with the late JOHN ROSELLI, knew nothing about his murder and at his age did not want to know anything about him.

LANSKY stated that he just had a birthday last month and was now 74 years old, and he was more or less retired. LANSKY stated that he still resided at the Imperial House, 5255 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach.

Interviewed on 8/24/76 at Miami Beach, Florida File # MM 92-517  
SA [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Date dictated 8/24/76  
by [REDACTED]

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MM 92-102

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The following article appeared in the Miami Herald:

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## Lansky Won't Have To Stand Trial

Meyer Lansky, 77 and ill, will not have to stand trial on charges of holding a hidden interest in a Las Vegas casino in the early 1960s when millions of dollars were allegedly skimmed from the house winnings, a federal court in Nevada has ruled.

The indictment against Lansky, returned in 1972, was dismissed after U.S. District Judge Roger Foley received a medical report

stating Lansky would never regain sufficient health to stand trial.

The government charged Lansky was a hidden owner of the Flamingo Hotel and that he and associates skimmed \$36 million from the casino's winnings.

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The Virgin, Oct 19.  
 The Government is building a  
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 bridge will be 1,000 feet long  
 and 20 feet wide. It will be  
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**Mayer Lansky, 76, May  
Be Let Off Fed Hook**

Las Vegas, Oct. 19.  
The government is mulling a decision to appeal or drop criminal charges against alleged underworld panjandrum Meyer Lansky. Charges of illegally transporting money skimmed from the Flamingo Hotel profits from 1960-'67, were dismissed Sept. 30 by Federal Judge Roger D. Foley.

U.S. Attorney Lawrence Semenza said that a transcript of the proceedings has been forwarded to Justice Dept. attorneys in Washington for study, with 30 days to file an appeal. Lansky, 76, has been described by government attorneys as suffering from a heart condition, diabetes and chronic ulcers.

Lansky's attorneys contend that his physical circumstances have been deteriorating steadily. Indictment states that Lansky was alleged to have concealed about \$36,000,000 in hotel gaming profits. Flamingo was sold to Kirk Kerkorian in 1967.

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On November 3, 1976, the following article  
appeared in the Miami Herald:

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## U.S. Asks Appeal In Lansky Case

The U.S. Department of Justice has appealed a Las Vegas, Nev., federal court order dismissing an indictment against reputed under-

world financial czar Meyer Lansky of Miami Beach.

The indictment, which has been pending since 1972, alleged Lansky illegally transported money skimmed from the Flamingo Hotel Casino.

In August, Judge Roger Foley dismissed the indictment because of Lansky's health. His attorneys said he could not stand the rigors of a trial in Nevada.

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On November 4, 1976, the following article  
appeared in the Miami Herald:

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**U.S. Won't Appeal Lansky Ruling**

The U.S. attorney's office in Las Vegas says it won't seek to try underworld figure Meyer Lansky on skimming charges, after all. Friday, acting on order of the Justice Department, it said it would appeal Federal Judge Roger Foley's dismissal of a 1972 indictment alleging that Lansky skimmed money from the Flamingo Hotel Casino. Wednesday, however, a spokesman said it was decided not to appeal.

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On November 10, 1976, the following article  
appeared in Variety, New York, New York:

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## Ailing Meyer Lansky Let Off Federal Hook

Las Vegas, Nov. 9.

Meyer Lansky is off the hook in his skimming charges as Feds have dropped the case. The alleged financial czar or the underworld will not have to face charges of skimming millions of dollars from the

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## Meyer Lansky

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Flamingo Hotel, per the U.S. Attorney's office.

The government will not appeal Federal Judge Roger D. Foley's ruling dismissing a 1972 indictment against Lansky. The Government had filed its notice of appeal but Asst. U.S. Attorney Richard Wright said that a rep of the Justice Department in Washington called and told him to withdraw the appeal, no reason given.

Judge Foley dismissed the indictment Aug. 31 after being informed that medical experts said Lansky, 76, is in very poor health and might not make it through a prolonged trial.



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Special Agent [REDACTED] advised that on November 30, 1976, he observed MEYER LANSKY and [REDACTED] at the Theater of the Performing Arts, Miami Beach, Florida.

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Synopsis:

LANSKY continues to reside at the Imperial House, 5255 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Spot checks at LANSKY's residence, Eden Roc Hotel, and [REDACTED] negative.

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The following is an article that appeared in  
the "Miami Herald" newspaper on February 17, 1977:

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## THE COMPLEX FINANCIAL WEB OF CASINO GAMBLING

Lansburgh, Lansky:  
One Wall of Wax

By VICTOR RIESEL

Field Newspaper Syndicate

NOT a bad living if you're cut that way. Four months in the klink for slicing up \$36 million over seven years without benefit of taking the Internal Revenue Service into your confidence.

But to get this kind of work, you've got to know somebody. Like Meyer Lansky, the brain, who starred as "Johnny Egg" in the old muscle days of the Bugs and Meyer mob over on the East Side. Meyer ran some fast fists and lead pipe into a worldwide reputation for being the mob's brightest, most successful gambling casino boss of bosses. A real human computer.

Well, Morris Lansburgh knew Meyer. So he got the work, helping to skim and transport some \$4.5 million a year from the gaming



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rooms of the Las Vegas Flamingo Hotel and Casino.

In 1973, Lansburgh copped a plea, and was rewarded with a one-year sentence. Of which he served (or was served) four months in the federal pen.

But sometimes it just doesn't do you any good to know the boss. Sixty-year-old Morris, the dude, died. That was the other morning in Miami Beach's Imperial House (what else?) just about the time friend Meyer, his neighbor in another Imperial House condominium, was walking the dog.

SOMEHOW Meyer overcomes. When his friends Sam Cohen and Lansburgh went to prison, he was let off the hook, though he too had been with them on charges of skimming the \$36 million and transporting the cash. Lansky told the federal judge some four years ago he was suffering from a heart condition, diabetes and chronic ulcers. The judge was very upset that the Justice Department should be so unthinking that it wanted to put this ailing little man through the rigors of a public trial.

Apparently nothing but an act of God upsets Meyer. This hasn't been a good winter for him. First he couldn't walk the dog along the Beach's Collins Avenue (near 55th Street) because it got too cold. So he was late for his daily coffee and Danish and later for his rendezvous with the courier and his personal court (like in royalty) in the Singapore Hotel lobby.

That Meyer is a romantic chap. He spent one of his honeymoons in Atlantic City. But now he's interested in one of the resort town's hotels. In November, shortly after the people of New Jersey approved legalized gambling in what is considered by federal authorities to be the territory of reputed Philadelphia Mafia boss Angelo Bruno,

Lansburgh rushed to Atlantic City to case the creaking town.

Now here's a coincidence. Back in 1966, according to the authorities, brothers Morris and Angelo flew together to case a new casino or two in London. And they didn't exactly get to know each other at the plane gate. Boss Bruno has had a long and devout interest in all sorts of gambling for years. How could such as he not have known Meyer and Morris?

That venture into the Queen's English didn't work either. And later Angelo got sick — sick of body and sick of the crusading New Jersey Commission of Investigation. Its gutsy chairman, Joseph Rodriguez, is dedicated to the mission for forcing Angelo Bruno to testify about the underworld or

stay in prison for contempt for life if necessary.

WELL, in the gambling casino business lots of roads lead to Lansky. Even when he doesn't get a piece of the action. Somehow he knows almost everybody in the Las Vegas gaming or hotel world. After all, he was a real pioneer. He was deep in the Hotel Flamingo milieu. And that was when the Vegas strip was mostly sand.

So it didn't come as any surprise when Florida and Nevada investigators told one newsmen that Meyer was a friend of real estate investor Alvin Malnik. Of Miami, of course.

Malnik is associated with the sons of Samuel Cohen, a former president of the Flamingo Hotel. Cohen was in the mass indictment with Lansky and Lansburgh. He, too, served four months in prison during 1973. The charge read:

"Defendants Samuel Cohen, Morris Lansburgh and Jerry Gordon and unindicted co-conspirators would operate the gambling casino of the Flamingo and conceal

from the Nevada gambling authorities and the U.S. Treasury Department the true casino receipts by understating approximately \$4.5 million, or more of casino income yearly."

The sins of the father can't be visited upon the sons who are Malnik's partners in a deal with a Las Vegas establishment known as Caesar's World, Inc., a parent company of Caesar's Palace.

NOW it turns out that the Chicago-based Central States Teamsters fund holds a first mortgage on Caesar's Palace. The mortgage is worth \$13.3 million.

There have been reports that Malnik is a reputed associate of Meyer Lansky. So it's all one wall of wax. Very difficult to see through. A strange world of cash, nos and mortgages and loans and people who know each other socially, sometimes professionally and keep criss-crossing each others wheeling and dealing.

Morris Lansburgh will miss it and Meyer will miss him. But the wheels will continue to spin.



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On February 25, 1977, a spot check was conducted in the vicinity of the Eden Roc Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, and MEYER LANSKY was observed having breakfast with his [REDACTED] and two other unidentified white males.

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On March 15, 1977, MEYER LANSKY was observed in the parking lot of the Imperial House, 5255 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida.

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# CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

October 13, 1977

Our Miami office has advised that on 10/12/77, Richard Schwartz, the stepson of notorious organized crime figure Meyer Lansky, was shot to death with a shotgun while he was sitting in his automobile in the parking lot of his restaurant in Bay Harbor Island, Florida. Schwartz was out on bond as the result of being charged with the murder of Craig Teriaca, the son of LCN figure Vincent Teriaca. Schwartz allegedly shot and killed Teriaca approximately two months ago when they became involved in an argument at the Forge Restaurant in Miami.

The Dade County Public Safety Department, Homicide Division, is handling this investigation and the Miami office is closely following developments. No suspects have been identified to date.

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MEYER LANSKY

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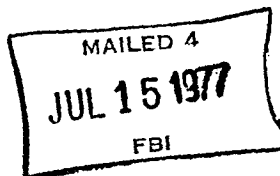
This is to advise that the Federal Bureau of Investigation has no objection to Mr. Lansky being offered immunity by the State of California in return for being deposed about Mr. Lansky's association in Cuba with

NOTE: Supervisor [redacted] Miami, telephonically contacted by Section Chief [redacted] 7/13/77. [redacted] stated Miami Office would have no objections to this deposition. The Organized Crime Section, Criminal Investigative Division, has no objection to this immunization. Two copies of LHM sent by 0-6 to [redacted] 7/15/77.

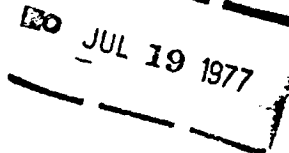
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FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU, LANSKY'S STEPSON, RICHARD SCHWARTZ, WAS FOUND MURDERED THIS A.M. AT BAY HARBOR ISLAND. HE WAS SHOT AND KILLED WITH A .45 CALIBER BULLET.

ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION DEVELOPED CONCERNING MEYER LANSKY WILL BE IMMEDIATELY FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU.

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MIAMI TELETYPE TO BUREAU OCTOBER 12, 1977.

FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, MIAMI STATE ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, THE DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT, HOMICIDE DIVISION, AND THE BAY HARBOR ISLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

RICHARD SCHWARTZ, STEPSON OF CAPTIONED SUBJECT WAS KILLED WITH A SHOTGUN, POSSIBLY DOUBLE OO BUCKSHOT, NOT A .45 CALIBER BULLET. HIS BODY WAS DISCOVERED AT 9:12AM NEXT TO HIS AUTOMOBILE

IN THE PARKING LOT BEHIND HIS RESTAURANT, THE INSIDE RESTAURANT, 1009 KANE CONCOURSE, BAY HARBOR ISLAND. INVESTIGATION REFLECTED BOTH SIDE WINDOWS OF FRONT DOOR SHATTERED. DADE COUNTY PUBLIC

SAFETY DEPARTMENT, HOMICIDE DIVISION, IS HANDLING THE INVESTIGATION.

AS OF NOW, IT IS TOO EARLY IN THE INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF THERE WERE ANY WITNESSES OR NOT.

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