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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 4/11/67

FROM : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (92-365)

SUBJECT: LA COSA NOSTRA
LA STELLA RESTAURANT MEETING
NEW YORK CITY
9/22/66
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Re Bureau airtel dated 4/4/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy each of 302's on CARLOS MARCELLO and Dr. WARREN HEBERT. Enclosed for New York are eight copies of the above 302's which may be pertinent to this investigation.

NO 1456-PC advised SA ROGER E. MAXWELL on September 23, 1966, that CARLOS MARCELLO has no respect for ANTHONY CAROLLA or FRANK GAGLIANO. Informant could not understand why these two individuals would be in New York City with MARCELLO. Informant believes that JOSEPH MARCELLO, of all the MARCELLO brothers, is closest to CARLOS MARCELLO. Informant further stated that he believes that CARLOS MARCELLO was ordered to New York as MARCELLO does not like New York City.

NO 1435-C-TE advised SA JACK EVANS MEHL on September 27, 1966, that CARLOS MARCELLO has been joking about his arrest in New York City. MARCELLO stated in the presence of the informant that his reasons for going to New York were strictly business and in connection with some of MARCELLO's legitimate business enterprises. MARCELLO stated just prior to his departure, he received an invitation from MICHELLE MIRANDA inviting CARLOS and JOSEPH MARCELLO to a luncheon at the La Stella Restaurant. MARCELLO further stated that this was strictly a social luncheon for pleasure only.

NO 1390-40-TE advised SA JOSEPH G. REGGS on November 21, 1966, that JAMES CAMPO, whom the informant described as a prominent New Orleans hoodlum, stated "Look at all the hell that was raised in New York over purchasing on that RECILE's hotel." At the time of this remark, CAMPO was discussing CARLOS MARCELLO's September 28, 1966 arrest in New York City.

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New Orleans PCI [] advised SA BENJAMIN Y. CANNY, San Juan Division, that he had determined that the recent meeting of leading hoodlums in New York was called because of a loan manipulation in New Orleans involving CARLOS MARCELLO and SANTO TRAFFICANTE. Informant stated that the loan had been granted to one LOUIS ROUPIER, who fronts for CARLOS MARCELLO. MARCELLO bought back into this deal for 60% of the loan plus a vendor's fee of \$84,000.00 to be paid to one WAYNE HAUSER. Informant stated that some of this money was to go to TRAFFICANTE and TRAFFICANTE was not paid. Informant believes the meeting in New York was to straighten out these finances. Informant also stated that one SAM RECILE, a real estate dealer in New Orleans, had recently gone bankrupt because MARCELLO had backed out of his operation. LA LA LA

PCI [] further stated that he believes that all the juke boxes in the New Orleans area belong to SAM GIANCANA of Chicago, Illinois, and that GIANCANA is extremely angry at CARLOS MARCELLO because GIANCANA's count in this venture is short.

NO 1457-C-TE furnished the following information to SA PATRICK J. COLLINS, JR. and SA REED W. JENSEN on the dates indicated:

On September 22, 1966, NO 1457-C-TE advised that he cannot understand what CAROLLA and GAGLIANO were doing in New York with CARLOS and JOSEPH MARCELLO. Informant stated that CARLOS MARCELLO dislikes both of these individuals.

Informant stated that for about two weeks previous to this meeting, CARLOS MARCELLO had been very worried and preoccupied. MARCELLO had indicated that he was in some kind of trouble with "important people."

On October 31, 1966, NO 1457-C-TE advised that CARLOS and JOSEPH MARCELLO visited SANTO TRAFFICANTE at his Tampa, Florida, home in June, 1966. Informant stated

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that he had heard that MARCELLO and TRAFFICANTE attempted to settle their differences at this meeting.

Informant further advised that on the July 4, weekend, SANTO TRAFFICANTE visited CARLOS MARCELLO in New Orleans, Louisiana. Informant stated that he understands that MARCELLO and TRAFFICANTE held several lengthy conferences during this weekend, however, nothing was settled between MARCELLO and TRAFFICANTE. Informant further stated that TRAFFICANTE was very upset by CARLOS MARCELLO's attitude. Informant advised that CARLOS MARCELLO has advised the informant that the real meeting took place in New York City during the afternoon of September 21, 1966, and that the luncheon at which he was arrested on September 22, 1966, was just a social luncheon.

Informant believes from MARCELLO's attitude that TRAFFICANTE placed him in a bad light with hoodlum figures in New York City. Informant stated that he is not aware of the reason for this problem of MARCELLO's.

NO 1457-C-TE on January 16, 1967, advised that CARLOS MARCELLO, JOSEPH MARCELLO and SANTO TRAFFICANTE had been in telephonic contact with each other on January 13, 1967.

NO 1457-C-TE advised on January 30, 1967, that he believes that SANTO TRAFFICANTE has been visiting CARLOS MARCELLO in New Orleans for the past several days. Informant stated that during the evening of January 28, 1967, CARLOS MARCELLO and his wife took SANTO TRAFFICANTE to the La Louisiane Restaurant for dinner. During the afternoon of January 29, CARLOS MARCELLO held a private dinner party at the Elmwood Plantation. In attendance at this dinner party was JOSEPH MARCELLO.

Informant advised that he believes that the purpose for this trip was for CARLOS MARCELLO and SANTO TRAFFICANTE to examine a building somewhere in New Orleans.

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On January 26, 1967, NO 1457-C-TE advised that SAM RECILE is a close friend of JOSEPH and CARLOS MARCELLO. Informant stated that in the past RECILE has borrowed large sums of money from CARLOS MARCELLO. Informant believes that MARCELLO also in the past has arranged finances for RECILE from somewhere in the Eastern United States.

On February 13, 1967, NO 1457-C-TE advised that SANTO TRAFFICANTE was in New Orleans on February 12, 1967, to visit CARLOS MARCELLO.

The above information is the only pertinent data available to the New Orleans informants.

For New York's reporting purposes, these informants are characterized as follows:

NO 1456-PC, an individual with a wide acquaintanceship with the criminal element in Louisiana.

NO 1435-C-TE, an individual with a wide acquaintanceship with the criminal element in Louisiana.

NO 1390-C-TE, an individual who has a wide acquaintanceship among the criminal element.

PCI one who has limited knowledge of criminal activity in Louisiana.

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NO 1457-C-TE, an individual with a wide acquaintanceship among the organized criminal element in Louisiana.

New York may wish to incorporate in their report, data contained in San Diego's airtel to the Director captioned La Cosa Nostra; AR - CONSPIRACY, dated March 13, 1967, page 9.

New York also may wish to incorporate data contained in your letter to New Orleans dated September 1, 1966, captioned CARLOS MARCELLO, aka AR.