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ROM : ASAC SYLVESTER

UBJECT: MURKIN

At 5:45 p.m., 4/30/68, Supv. HUNTER E. HELGESON of the Bureau telephonically contacted New Orleans and stated he had been asked if we would obtain the telephone toll calls of SAM RECILE.

I told him in order to obtain toll records we would have to obtain them by subpoena, that based on a statement of LOMAX at this time no action would be taken by this office unless the Bureau so instructed and gave us authority to obtain them by subpoena.

Supv. HELGESON stated it was also suggested that RECILE be interviewed. I told him at this time it was better to have Los Angeles go back to STEIN and/or LOMAX and find out what connection, if any, RECILE had with this case because his name could have been easily obtained by LOMAX as he had been written up in the Wall Street Journal and other publications nationwide as the real estate promoter who "changed the sky-line of New Orleans", [redacted] he was currently in the federal Courts in bankruptcy and in other courts in other matters and it was felt that any contact by this office without further information justifying same could lead to nothing but a headline which would be interpreted as meaning RECILE was "the industrialist" that RAY "allegedly contacted in New Orleans".

Supv. HELGESON said we should take no action in this matter at this time.

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