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| Reporting Office LOS ANGELES | Office of Origin LAS VEGAS | Date 3/6/61 | Investigative Period 2/3 - 3/1/61 |
| TITLE OF CASE ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI; UNSUB, aka. J. W. Harrison | | Report made by [REDACTED] | Typed By: sgt |
| | | CHARACTER OF CASE UPUC | b7c |

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REFERENCES: Report SA [REDACTED] at Miami, 1/28/61.
 Report SA [REDACTED] at Salt Lake City 2/8/61.
 WFO Airtel to the Bureau 1/30/61.
 Salt Lake City airtel to Bureau 2/7/61.
 Report SA [REDACTED] at Miami 2/14/61.
 WFO Airtel to the Bureau 2/13/61.
 Salt Lake City letter to the Bureau and
 Los Angeles 2/18/61.
 Bureau airtel to Los Angeles 2/27/61.
 Las Vegas airtel to the Bureau and Los Angeles 3/1/61.
 Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau and Los Vegas 3/1/61.

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INFORMANTS REGARDING LISTING OF TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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| Approved <i>[Signature]</i> | Special Agent in Charge | Do not write in spaces below | |
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JAMES P. CANTILLON, Suite 438, 9541 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California, interviewed on 3/1/61 by SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] advised he is in partnership with his father and brother, in what appears to be an affluent practice. JAMES CANTILLON has represented [REDACTED]

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When advised that there is a good chance he will be subpoenaed before the FGJ in Las Vegas relative to this matter, CANTILLON said that that would be all right that he is frequently in Las Vegas on certain legal business having to do with settlement of the Stardust Hotel suit. He guessed the FGJ would be in session during March which he said would not be inconvenient to him.

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On 3/1/61 [REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that JAMES E. ARDITTO, Attorney, was a former legal counsel for HOWARD HUGHES. Further, that ARDITTO now has pending a suit against HUGHES in the amount of about \$1,200,000.00 for payment of legal services rendered.

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In regard to [REDACTED] Attorney, [REDACTED] his reputation is doubtful.

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Attention is called to the Office of Origin, Las Vegas, of the report of SA [REDACTED] at Miami dated 2/14/61, page 4, which set out telephone numbers of MA 9-2451 and LA 6-9511. This is to advise that these numbers and prefixes appear to be incorrect. The telephone number MADison 6-9511 is the public listing for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office in Los Angeles, California.

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LEADS

LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. 1. Will interview JAMES L. ARDITTO, Attorney, 727 West Seventh Street, which is his business address and telephone number MADison 3-3624. Will determine if ARDITTO is involved in instant case, if so, to what extent and he should be reminded of possible subpoena to the FGJ in Las Vegas, Nevada, if he is involved in instant case. u

2. Will interview GREGSON BAUTZER, Attorney, and ARNOLD M. GRANT, Attorney, both having business address at 190 North Cannon Drive, Beverly Hills, California, telephone CRestview 5-5121. These interviews are for the same purpose as the interview of JAMES L. ARDITTO, Attorney, as set out above. u

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AT WOODLAND HILLS, CALIFORNIA. Will consider, after determining background information, interview of [REDACTED] to determine if he has any connection in instant case, the purpose of the interview being the same as set out for interview of Attorney JAMES L. ARDITTO. u

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AT WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA. Will also consider, after determining background information, interview of [REDACTED] to determine if he has any connection with instant case. u

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Office: Los Angeles, California

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Bureau File No.:

139-1201

Title:

ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI;
UNSUB

Character:

UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION AND USE
OF COMMUNICATIONS

Synopsis:

Telephone listing for Los Angeles number called by EDWARD L. DUBOIS immediately after arrest of BALLETTI, Las Vegas, Nevada, set out. Telephone listings for Los Angeles numbers called by ROBERT A. MAHEU and J. A. ROWLINS from Miami Beach, Florida 10/11/60 to 10/30/60 set out. JAMES P. CANTILLON, Attorney, Los Angeles, California, advised on 3/1/61 that he received call from BALLETTI when BALLETTI in custody of Las Vegas authorities and as result referred BALLETTI to TOM FOLEY, Attorney, Las Vegas, Nevada. CANTILLON denies any other knowledge of instant case, denies knowing DAN ROWAN or J. W. HARRISON, but knows ROBERT MAHEU.

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Date 2/16/61

On February 10, 1961 the records of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company revealed that telephone number CRestview 1-8770 was listed to ROBERT A. MAHEU, 1510 Gilcrest Drive, Beverly Hills, California. ✓

b7c These records are confidential and can be obtained only by a subpoena duces tecum. The subpoena should be directed to the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, 720 West Seventh Street, Room 510, Los Angeles, California, attention: [REDACTED] ✓

On 2/10/61 at Los Angeles, California File # Los Angeles 139-77

b7c by SA [REDACTED] sgt Date dictated 2/10/61

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Date 3/6/61

On February 28, 1961 the records of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company revealed that the following telephone numbers were listed as indicated: *u*

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| FAculty 1-0711 (A trunk off FAculty 1-0710) | Ram Chemical Incorporated 210 East Alondra Boulevard, Gardena, California |
| OLympia 4-2556 (non-published) | Hughes Productions 1404 North Havenhurst Drive, Los Angeles, California |
| BRadshaw 2-7061 (non-published) | <i>Robert MAHEU</i> <u>ROBERT A. MAHEU</u> 1510 Gilcrest Drive Beverly Hills, California |
| SYLvan 0-1273 | <i>F/A. Wash. DC.</i> JAMES J. ARDITTO 4245 Chula Senda Lane, Flintridge, California |
| CRestview 5-5121 | Bautzer and Grant Attorneys 190 North Cannon Drive, Beverly Hills, California |
| OXford. 1E7552 (non-published) | ODEN L. BERRY 10214 South Victoria Avenue Whittier, California |
| CLinton 6-2251 | Sate Farm Insurance Company 1740 Colorado Boulevard Los Angeles, California |
| DIamond 7-6298 | JOSEPH I. BREEN Jr. 5-953 Lubao Woodland Hills, California |
| LOrain 4-2505 | Tucker Founding Company 2514 East 118th Street Los Angeles, California. |

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Date 3/6/61

The records of the General Telephone Company on February 28, 1961 revealed that the telephone number TOpaz 1-0311 was listed to the Southern California Gas Company, 9240 East Firestone Boulevard, Downey, California. ~

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Nevada
 Mr. ~~JAMES P. CANTILLON~~, Suite 438, 9441 Wilshire Boulevard, was advised that he was not required to furnish any information and any information that he did provide would be voluntarily on his part. He related the following:

Beverly Hills Calif
~~James Cantillon~~
 His first knowledge of the microphone incident in Las Vegas, Nevada came with a telephone call to him from a man in custody at Las Vegas. He claimed inability to recall the man's name and said he never before heard of him. When given the name ARTHUR JAMES BALLETTI, CANTILLON acknowledged that name was probably correct, but he advised he had no knowledge of BALLETTI prior to the call which came from the office of a lieutenant in either the Clark County Sheriff's Office or the Las Vegas City Jail. He declined to relate any of the conversation with BALLETTI, claiming privilege. He did say he referred the caller to Attorney TOM FOLEY in Las Vegas, Nevada and that he telephoned FOLEY about the matter. He believed he talked to FOLEY regarding this a week later in person at Las Vegas while there on unrelated business.

He had thought the case against BALLETTI involved simply a microphone installation rather than a telephone tap. He said he never did learn the disposition of the case but did hear from FOLEY that charges had been reduced and that authorities in Las Vegas had kept BALLETTI's equipment. He mentioned he does not know DAN ROWAN. When first called from Las Vegas, he thought BALLETTI was referring to another ROWAN, one of the casino owners in Las Vegas and the thought struck him, "Boy, he must have some juicy tapes."

He said he knew ROBERT MAHEU and he admittedly sees MAHEU in Beverly Hills, California. He denied telephoning or otherwise contacting MAHEU in Washington, D. C. or elsewhere, to ask for him to perform surveillance of DAN ROWAN or for any other purpose having to do with this matter. He denied knowing any person named J. W. HARRISON.

On 3/1/61 at Beverly Hills, California File # Los Angeles 139-77
 by SA [redacted] sgt Date dictated 3/3/61