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WASHINGTON - The U.S. Justice Department secretly furnished Israel with Internal Revenue and Immigration Service memos to help convince Israeli authorities to deport aging crime lord, Meyer Lansky.

Lansky tried to take advantage of Israel's strong refugee law, which offers a home to all Jewish refugees. But the Israeli authorities decided that the law was not intended to protect fugitives from justice. Lansky has been given a one-way ticket back to the United States, where he faces federal charges.

Among the U.S. documents supplied to the Israelis was an Immigration Service memo linking Lansky to the notorious gangster, "Bugs" Siegel.

The memo quotes an informer named Benjamin Baron as saying that Lansky "was a co-leader with Bugs Siegel of a gang employed as 'protectionist' of a bootlegging combine and . . . was involved in murder and kidnapping."

A memo from the Internal Revenue Service summed up Lansky's career in these words: "Lansky's history shows that he has been a criminal all his adult life. During the entire time he was closely associated, both personally and in his business rackets, with many of the leading criminals in the United States."

Blacks Pressure Ali

Black leaders in America and Africa are trying to quietly persuade boxer Muhammed Ali not to go ahead with his planned exhibition bout in South Africa in November.

The day before Ali's recent fight against Floyd Patterson, Ali's business manager, Herbert Muhammed, met privately with several black African leaders at a cozy lunch at the United Nations. Included were Ambassador Farah of Somali and Ambassador Thian, the permanent

representative of the Organization of African Unity.

They argued at length that Ali's visit would be a major setback for opponents of South Africa's hated policy of apartheid. But apparently their arguments were unavailing. Herbert finally shrugged and said Ali had signed a contract and that no one could change Ali's mind.

But the black leaders haven't given up. They intend to appeal to the aging leader of the Black Muslim movement, Elijah Muhammed himself, to convince Ali not to go to South Africa. Ali is one of old Elijah's most devoted disciples.

Making the appeal to Elijah Muhammed will be Dennis Brutus, a 47-year old black South African poet now teaching at Northwestern University. It was Brutus who, last summer, was so successful in helping persuade Avery Brundage to prohibit Rhodesia from participating in the Olympic games.

Intelligence Reports

War Widens - Israel apparently is planning military operations against both Iraq and Libya for their support of Palestinian terrorists. In the past, both countries have been immune to Israeli reprisals because of their distance from Israel, but now secret intelligence reports warn that Israel is preparing to retaliate against Arab nations beyond its immediate borders. Israel is said to be especially upset over reports that Libya has given \$25 million in oil revenues to the Palestinian terrorists.

Gangster Playland - In the Bahamas, Prime Minister Lynden Pindling is following up his solid parliamentary election victory by seeking full independence from Britain - a move Britain does not oppose. But intelligence reports claim that Pindling has received strong financial support from American gangsters. When the British

leave, the reports warn, the Bahamas may become a paradise for the American underworld.

Around the U.S.

Lest We Forget -- President Nixon told visitors privately the other day that he was distressed over the ITT and Watergate scandals, but that he didn't think they would hurt him on election day. They were too complicated, he said, for the public to understand. The President also commented that the public's memory on government scandals was short. He suggested that the voters have already forgotten, for example, what the ITT scandal was all about.

Juggling Statistics - Top police officials continue to lament the current state of official crime reporting in the United States. In Washington, D.C., for example, the Justice Department claims the D.C. crime rate is steadily declining, but a special audit of police department crime statistics has revealed that many D.C. crimes simply have not been reported. In Philadelphia, meanwhile, official records indicate that the rate of crime is spiraling upward. But most knowledgeable police officials say that the crime wave is an illusion caused by a uniform system of crime reporting put into effect two years ago. As a result, crimes not previously reported are now showing up on the record books.