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for two, ticket was from Dallas to Chicago aboard chair car. Train arrived 9 AM, Chicago, Ill., CIVELLO and wife met by white male and white female later identified as Dr. and Mrs. AUGUST ZACHARIA, CIVELLO's sister and brother-in-law. The four individuals departed Dearborn Station in Chicago in ZACHARIA's 1960 white over blue Cadillac, 1961 Illinois license 52 787. Surveillance turned over to Chicago agents.

On 4/25/61, DL-99-C advised one of the bases of operation for gambling activities among the Italian element in Dallas is located at Radio Sam's Appliance Co., 3011 Ross Avenue. He furnished the following names of individuals of Italian extraction who are involved in taking and/or collecting gambling bets:

- SAM LOMONACO, owner of Radio Sam's Appliance Co.
- JOE COLLETTA, who operates a liquor store at corner of Ross and Routh Stores.
- PETE INTERRANTE, who operates Ross Cafe, Lemmon and McKinney.
- PHIL ROSCO, operator of Gulf Service Station, 2701 Ross Avenue.
- JOE and SAM CAMPISI, operators of Egyptian Lounge, 5616 Mockingbird.
- JOHNNY DRAGNA
- ANGELO STANZINI
- BUSTER SALVAERO, owner Texas Poultry and Egg Company, 1807 Chestnut.
- JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO.

Dallas, Texas

Dallas

Informant stated JOE COLLETTA and (FNU) VINCINT meet every morning at Merchants State Bank, 5217 Ross from 8:30 to 9AM where they take bets on any type of gambling activity.

Dallas, Texas

On 4/28/61, DL-105-C advised new efforts are being made by the Italian element represented in Dallas by JOSEPH FRANCIS CIVELLO, to set up policy rackets in Dallas. He advised that this group has tried for 15 years to get a "foothold" with city officials whereby they could operate. He said prior to 15 years ago the policy racket was very lucrative for the group. He stated "FRITZ RECHENBERG" is the number 1 lay-off man for the Italian gamblers and through RECHENBERG's connection with

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DL-105-C said ~~PETER PELLEGRINO~~ recent residence in Dallas and his operation of the Neopolitan Bakery in Dallas was for one job only, that being a bookie operation. He said PELLEGRINO had a false oven installed in his bakery which would have held telephones and other material used in the bookie operation. He said PELLEGRINO was forced to leave Dallas without success due to the constant police pressure, primarily from Capt. W. P. GANNAWAY's squad (Special Services Bureau).

Informant cautioned agent by stating there are numerous Italians in Dallas who have close personal friends in various sections of the Dallas PD. He stated that in this way the Italian group is able to learn many things through these various sources, some of whom do not realize information concerning law enforcement activities is being passed to those involved in illegal activities.

Information has been received from various sources throughout this investigation that the Egyptian Lounge serves as a meeting place for local Italian hoodlums, gamblers and other police characters. Meetings take place in a back room of the restaurant and one of the CAMPISI brothers will always serve as a lookout in the dining area of the restaurant. The CAMPISIs reportedly have a buzzer system rigged to immediately notify anyone in the back room when police officers come into the restaurant.

The Dallas Office is concentrating efforts toward the use of extraordinary and confidential investigative techniques through surveillances and surveys in the following places: Egyptian Lounge, Airway Liquor Store, L & S Used Car Lot, Mesquite, Texas.

The above places have been described in previous communications.

Re: GARY DEAN BARRON, aka.  
AR (DL 92-291)

BARRON was arrested by the Dallas PD for investigation of burglary and robbery on 4/27/61 at 515 N. Lancaster, Apt. D, Dallas, Texas. BILLIE YVONNE COLEMAN was arrested with him and charged in