

FM LOS ANGELES (58A-1588) (RIVRA/WCC-2) (P)

TO DIRECTOR, FBI IMMEDIATE

ATTN: SSA [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT], WHITE COLLAR CRIME SECTION;

S/C [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] ORGANIZED CRIME SECTION; TERRORISM SECTION

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FRONT DOOR; MAJOR CASE 90; 00: FBIHQ

RE TELCALL OF SSRA [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] RIVERSIDE RA, LOS ANGELES DIVISION, TO SSA[INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] FBIHQ, 12/11/86, AND LOS ANGELES

TELETYPE 12/9/86 .

ON 12/11/86, [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT](PROTECT IDENTITY) [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] CALIFORNIA, INTERVIEWED REGARDING HIS ASSOCIATION WITH ROLAND LISTER, JAY LISTERX. [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] MET LISTER AND LISTER'S WIFE, STEPHANIE A. LISTER IN APRIL, 1986, WHEN LISTERS CONTACTED [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] TO PURCHASE RESIDENCE AT 22632 BARLOVENTO MISSION VIEJO. [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] KNEW THAT LISTERS WERE KNOWN IN MISSION VIEJO SOCIAL CIRCLES AS FUND RAISER ORGANIZERS.

LISTER TOLD [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] THAT PURCHASE OF RESIDENCE WOULD BE ALL CASH. ESCROW OPENED ABOUT APRIL 21, 1986, PURCHASE PRICE \$374,000, SELLERS STEVE AND TRISH SCARBOROUGH. ESCROW TO CLOSE 6/20/86, BUT LISTER FAILED TO PROVIDE NECESSARY CASH. HOWEVER, LISTER PROVIDED SELLERS WITH \$8,000 FROM ESCROW ACCOUNT AND \$10,000 CASH TO EXTEND ESCROW 15 DAYS. LISTER CLAIMED WAS USING CASH TO PURCHASE JET TYPE AIRCRAFT IN FLORIDA WITH HIS PARTNER, NOT FURTHER DESCRIBED, BUT ADDITIONAL FUNDS WOULD BE COMING FROM UNDESCRIBED EUROPEAN ACCOUNTS AT A LATER TIME. SELLER WANTED DETAILS PERTAINING TO LISTER'S EMPLOYMENT AND SOURCE OF FUNDS.

LISTER-ONLY MENTIONED THE EUROPEAN ACCOUNTS AND SAID HE WAS SELF-EMPLOYED IN SELLING SECURITY SYSTEMS TO THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES.

ALSO MENTIONED HIS BUSINESS WAS "CIA APPROVED." ALSO SAID HE WAS RETIRED FROM LAGUNA BEACH, CALIFORNIA, POLICE DEPARTMENT AFTER SERVING 12 YEARS THERE.

LISTER AGAIN UNABLE TO PROVIDE CASH AND SECOND EXTENSION ON ESCROW GRANTED ABOUT 7/9/86. AGAIN LISTER PROVIDED FUNDS TO SELLER TOTALLING \$20,000, INCLUDING \$10,000 CASH AND \$10,000 FROM ESCROW ACCOUNT. LISTERS ALSO WERE ALLOWED TO MOVE INTO BARLOVENTO RESIDENCE AND PAY BOTH MORTGAGE PAYMENTS AND \$2,200 A MONTH RENT TO SELLERS.

ON 8/1/86, LISTER TELEPHONICALLY CALLED [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] ASSOCIATE, [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] AND SAID ABOUT \$200,000 IN CASH WAS IN LISTER'S GARAGE IN ATHLETIC BAG. LISTER SAID HIS WIFE WAS NOT AWARE OF THOSE FUNDS, LISTER REQUESTED THAT [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] AND/OR [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] GO TO THE HOUSE AND OBTAIN THAT BAG OF MONEY TO PLACE INTO ESCROW, DUE TO CLOSE THAT DATE. [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] AND [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] DID GO TO THE RESIDENCE AND OBTAINED THAT BAG IN PRESENCE OF STEPHANIE LISTER. TOTAL OF \$224,000 IN CASH WAS FOUND AND WAS DEPOSITED INTO ESCROW ACCOUNT. LISTER WAS THEN TO WIRE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO MEET BALANCE OF ESCROW. HOWEVER, LISTER CALLED [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] THAT DATE AND REQUESTED [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] TO FLY FROM ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA TO SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, TO OBTAIN BALANCE OF FUNDS. [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] DID FLY TO SAN JOSE 8/1/86, AND WAS GIVEN PAPERBAG CONTAINING MONEY.

[INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] ASKED LISTER WHERE FUNDS HAD COME FROM. DS ~ CO~ LISTER REPLIED HE WAS INVOLVED IN FUND RAISING FOR CONTRAS OR SANDINISTAS, SPECIFIC ONE UNRECALLED BY [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] BUT BELIEVED TO BE CONTRAS. LISTER SAID THAT SPECIFIC ACTIVITY WAS "CIA APPROVED. "

[INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] RETURNED TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 8/2/86, AND COUNTED CASH FROM BAG, TOTALING \$ 71,000. HE TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED STEPHANIE LISTER AND TOLD HER THAT \$51,000 OR \$52,000 WAS STILL NEEDED TO MEET BALANCE OF ESCROW.

LATER THAT SAME DAY, LISTER TELEPHONICALLY CALLED HIM AND SAID THAT HE HAD RECEIVED THE WRONG BAG. LISTER SAID [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] MUST HAVE RECEIVED THE BAG CONTAINING ABOUT \$71,000 INSTEAD OF THE BAG CONTAINING THE CORRECT AMOUNT OF MONEY. HE SAID HE WOULD RETURN TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ON OR ABOUT 8/4/86, WITH THE REMAINING CASH. [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] IS AWARE THAT LISTER MET WITH [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] AT THE BANK HOLDING ESCROW ACCOUNT AND FURNISHED REMAINING FUNDS TO MEET BALANCE, BELIEVED TO BE IN CASH. ESCROW CLOSED THAT DATE.

[INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] SAID LISTER NEVER MENTIONED THAT HE WAS SELLER OF ARMS, NOR DID HE MENTION HE WORKED FOR AN IRANIAN OR ANY PARTICULAR PERSON. [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] STATED HIS FRIEND, [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT], MISUNDERSTOOD HIM, ALTHOUGH HE MAY HAVE MENTIONED THAT POSSIBLE CONNECTION DUE TO RECENT MEDIA COVERAGE OF CAPTIONED MATTER.

BUREAU NOTE LOS ANGELES IS CURRENTLY INVESTIGATING MATTER

ENTITLED, "DANILO BLANDON, AKA; ET AL; NARCOTICS MATTER; 00:

LOS ANGELES , "LOS ANGELES FILE 12B-1254, [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT]

IN AIRTEL TO BUREAU 11/17/86, WITH DANILO BLANDON CAPTION, LOS ANGELES ADVISED BUREAU [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] LITTLE OF VALUE WAS FOUND.

[INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] LISTER WAS THEN CONTACTED AT HIS NEW BARLOVENTO ADDRESS. LISTER TOLD LACSO OFFICERS THAT HIS "CIA CONTACT ," [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] WOULD NOT APPRECIATE THIS INTRUSION. [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] LACSO ALSO RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALL FROM ATTORNEY BRUNON BRADLEY, REPRESENTING BLANDON, WHO SAID "CIA WINKED AT THIS SORT OF THING." BRADLEY INDICATED THAT NOW THAT U.S. CONGRESS HAD VOTED FUNDS FOR NICARAGUAN CONTRA MOVEMENT, U..S. GOVERNMENT NOW APPEARS TO BE TURNING AGAINST ORGANIZATIONS LIKE THIS. BRADLEY DID NOT SPECIFICALLY DISCUSS DRUG TRAFFICKING OR ARMS SALES BUT ONLY REFERRED GENERALLY TO ACTIVITIES OF BLANDON AND LISTER.

[INFORMATION BLACKED OUT] HIS COMPANY NAMES OF MUNDY SECURITY GROUP OR PYRAMID SECURITY GROUP.

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LAHQ AT THIS TIME SEES NO CONNECTION BETWEEN RONALD JAY LISTER AND CAPTIONED MATTER. [INFORMATION BLACKED OUT]

UACB, LOS ANGELES. WILL NOT INTERVIEW RONALD JAY LISTER.

FD- 302 FOLLOWS.

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