FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: MEYER Lansky

FILE NUMBER: 92-2831 SECTION 15
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2831)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-102) (P)
SUBJECT: MEYER LANSKY, aka AR
OO: MIAMI

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above.
It is requested that you be alerted for the presence of LANSKY and attempts be made to cover his activities.
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92-2831-1140
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2831)

FROM: SAC, WFO (92-138) (P)

CRIMINAL INFLUENCE AND ACTIVITY
OF THE MEYER-LANSKY GROUP
AR
(00:NY)

The files of the Passport Office, Department of State, Washington, D.C., reviewed by SA [redacted] on 2/6/70, disclosed that MEYER LANSKY was issued passport A-068670 at Miami, Florida, on 2/3/70, for proposed travel for approximately two months to France for the purpose of vacation. In his application dated 1/26/70, at Miami, Florida, he stated his intention to travel by air and to return by air. He also indicated that he had made two trips abroad within the last 12 months. His approximate date of departure was not shown. He also indicated that he had been previously issued a passport on 4/18/67, which has been returned and canceled. This passport is valid for five years' travel to all countries except Cuba, mainland China, North Korea, and North Vietnam.

Under passport regulations, he may use this passport for lawful travel within the period of its validity whenever and as often as desired without further notification to the Department of State or other government agency. The Passport Office does not receive information as to whether or when a passport is used for foreign travel.

1. Bureau (92-2831) (Info)
2. Miami (92-102) (Info) (Enc. 1)
3. New York (92-4611) (Info) (Enc. 1)
He stated that he was born on 7/4/92, in Russia. He listed his father as MISHA LANSKY, born in Russia, no date of birth shown, and his mother as YETTA LANSKY, born in Russia, no date of birth shown, neither of whom are U.S. citizens. He advised that he was last married in December, 1948, to THELMA (middle name illegible) SCHWARTZ, who was born on 11/10/07, at New York, New York. He advised further that he was previously married in March, 1929, to ANN SITRON, who was born at New York City, New York. He requested that his passport be mailed to him at his residence 1001 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida, and that the person to be notified in case of accident or death should be JACK LANSKY, brother, who resides at Mariposa Apartment, Hollywood, Florida.

The following description of MEYER LANSKY appeared in his file:

Height: 5' 54"
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Brown
Occupation: Retired
Social Security Number: 109-03-8234A

One photograph of MEYER LANSKY is enclosed for MIAMI.
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REPORTING OFFICE: MIAMI
OFFICE OF ORIGIN: MIAMI
DATE: 2/17/70
INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD: 10/28/69 - 2/9/70

TITLE OF CASE: MEYER LANSKY, aka

CHARACTER OF CASE: AR


LEADS

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will follow and report subject's activities through observations.

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(MEYER LANSKY Group)
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1 - Seattle (Info)
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Dissemination Record of Attached Report

Agency: CC, AAG, Criminal Division
Request Recd: Organized Crime and Racketeering
Date Fwd: 2/7/70
How Fwd: 2/7/70

Cover Page

55 MAR 4 1970
It is noted that the investigative period of this report is lengthy, however, it has been kept current through interoffice communications. It is also noted that the investigative period pre-dates that of previous report to include information not available at the time of last report.

An information copy of this report is being designated for New York, as they are office of origin in the case entitled, "MEYER LANSKY Group".
Information copies of this report are being designated to Boston, San Diego and Seattle in view of their interest in this matter.
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1 - Departmental Attorney DOUGAHD MC MILLAN, Miami

Office: Miami, Florida

Date: 2/17/70

Field Office File #: 92-102

Bureau File #: 92-2831

Title: MEYER LANSKY

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopses:
Subject continues to reside at Apartment 16B, 5001 Collins Ave.

DETAILS
Subject continues to reside at Apartment 16B, 5001 Collins Avenue.

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DATE 10/26/83 BY: SP16G51 (Dns)
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92-2831-1143 page 2
10:27 AM - MEYER LANSKY wearing a light blue sport coat, white shirt, no tie and light blue trousers, was observed entering Jefferson National Bank of Miami Beach, 301 Arthur Godfrey Road, Miami Beach. LANSKY was observed carrying a black leather money pouch into the bank.

11:14 AM - LANSKY was observed leaving the bank and entering his gray Chevrolet Caprice bearing 1970 Florida tag 10W275. LANSKY no longer had the money pouch.

11:24 AM - LANSKY was observed entering Seasons South Apartments, 5001 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach.
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92-2831-1143 pages 4 thru 14
On December 6, 1969, the following article appeared in the "Miami Herald":

15.
Anti-Racketeering Law
Upheld by Dade Court

By MARGARET CARROLL
Miami Herald Staff Writer

Miami Circuit Court Judge John Kehoe Friday upheld the constitutionality of a new Florida statute designed to yank the corporate charters of businesses linked to racketeering.

Kehoe's ruling was the first judicial stamp of approval given to the 1969 anti-crime law.

THE STATUTE is the basis for 21 suits filed in Miami by State Attorney General Earl Faircloth to revoke the charters of 17 Dade firms, including 15 motels.

Attorney Richard Kenney, who represents Aztec Motel Inc., a defendant in one of the suits, said he would appeal Kehoe's ruling to the Florida Supreme Court.

A direct appeal to Tallahassee is allowed since the validity of a state law is in question.

FAIRCLOTH charged that the corporation, located at 15901 Collins Ave., its president Bernie Bercuson and six other corporate officials, "are directly or indirectly connected with organizations, syndicates or criminal societies" engaged in activities banned by the statute.

The corporation operates the Neptune Motel at 15973 Collins Ave.

Kenney said the statute was vague because there was no precise definition of what kind of activity it banned.

For instance, he said, it prohibits connections with persons engaged in "organized homosexuality," it fails to say exactly what it means.

Kenney also said that special assistant Attorney General Eugene Spellman appointed to prosecute the suits was using a law that, in effect, tries a crime through civil court procedure. This, he contended, violates a defendant's right against self incrimination since in a civil case he is required to answer a suit and submit to deposition.

THE DEFENSE argued that the Legislature had gone far afield with its powers to protect a community at large and was violating the defendant's right to enter business contracts.

Spellman said the law was "remedial in nature," and while it "obviously impairs" business rights "to a certain extent," it was still a legitimate use of the Legislature's police powers.

The law is also being attacked in Miami federal court. A three-judge panel will be appointed by the Fifth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to decide whether the challenge presents a federal constitutional question.

If the panel decides it has jurisdiction, the judge will review the merits of the case.
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On December 17, 1969, it was determined that Mervin Linsk was in his apartment from 9 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. on this date.
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98· 2831-1143 pages 18, 19, 20, 21
On January 31, 1970, periodic spot checks at the Seasons South Apartments, 5001 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida, from 8:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., indicated no activity of subject although his 1970 Chevy was observed in the parking lot.

Periodic attempts to telephone subject at his phone 865-4521 were unsuccessful in getting any answer.
On February 9, 1970, MEYER LANSKY was observed at 3:13 p.m. walking and talking with [redacted] in the driveway of the Doral Beach Hotel. [Redacted] and LANSKY were later observed entering the Crystal House Apartments.
Title MEYER LANSKY

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference report of SA dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.
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9A-2831-Routing Slip
Urgent 3-5-70 BMW

TO DIRECTOR (92-2831)
FROM MIAMI (92-102) (P)

Meyer Lansky, AKA. AR. 00: MIAMI.

RE MIAMI TELCALLS TO BUREAU, MARCH FOUR, LAST
AND INSTANT DATE.

FBI, MIAMI, ALERTED US CUSTOMS
AGENTS, MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. SUBJECT SUBJECTED TO
CUSTOMS SEARCH DURING WHICH CUSTOMS AGENTS SEIZED ONE FIVE
FOUR TABLETS BELIEVED TO BE PHENOBarBITALS FOR WHICH SUBJECT
DID NOT HAVE PERScriPTION. MIAMI AGENT NOTIFIED FEDERAL
BUREAU OF NARCOTICS AND U. S. DEPT. ATTORNEY. TABLETS ARE
PRESENTLY UNDERGOING INTENSIVE TESTS BY U. S. BUREAU OF
CUSTOMS IN WASHINGTON, D. C. DEPT. ATTORNEY EXPLOITING ALL
POSSIBILITIES OF PROSECUTING SUBJECT UNDER TITLE TWO ONE.

END PAGE ONE

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PAGE TWO

U.S. CODE

21 USC, SECTION THREE SIX ZERO (C) (2) WHICH IS POSSESSION

OF A STIMULANT WITHOUT A PRESCRIPTION. FBI, MIAMI, FOLLOWING

MATTER CLOSELY AND WILL ADVISE BUREAU OF ANY PERTINENT

DEVELOPMENTS.

END

DCW

FBI WASH DC RED TWO CLR
MEYER LANSKY, AKA, AR, 00 MIAMI.

RE MIAMI TEL TO THE BUREAU DATED MARCH FIVE, LAST.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY, MIAMI, TODAY ADVISED CUSTOMS EXAMINATION HAVE DETERMINED ONE FIVE FOUR TABLETS ARE DONNETAL, WHICH IS EXEMPT UNDER U. S. CUSTOMS AND FEDERAL BUREAU OF NARCOTICS LAWS. FBI, MIAMI, IMMEDIATELY ADVISED APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS, FLA. DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, WHO WILL ATTEMPT TO PROSECUTE SUBJECT UNDER PROPER FLA. STATUTE.

MIAMI FOLLOWING MATTER CLOSELY AND WILL ADVISE BUREAU OF OTHER PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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835PM URGENT 3-23-70 BMW
TO DIRECTOR (92-2831)
FROM MIAMI (92-102) (P)

Meyer Lansky, AKA. AR. 00 - MIAMI.

RE MIAMI TEL TO BUREAU, MARCH TENTH LAST.

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OF OTHER PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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NR004 MM PLAIN 823 PM URGENT 3-27-70 BMW

TO DIRECTOR (92-2831)

FROM MIAMI (92-102)

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MEYER Lansky, AKA - AR 00 - MIAMI.

SUBJECT ARRESTED THIS DATE SIX ZERO FIVE PM WITHOUT INCIDENT BY AGENTS FLORIDA DEPARTMENT LAW ENFORCEMENT BASED ON INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY THE FBI, CHARGING SUBJECT WITH A FELONY WHICH HAS A MAXIMUM PENALTY OF TWO YEARS, THOUSAND DOLLAR FINE AND A MISDEMEANOR MAXIMUM PENALTY SIX MONTHS AND OR FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS FINE.

STATE CIRCUIT JUDGE SET BOND AT FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED. BUREAU AGENTS DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN ARREST.

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M. LANSKY, AKA AR. 00-MIUM

RE MIAMI HE MARCH TWO SEVEN LAST.
SUBJECTS REPRESENTED BY ATTORNEY E. DAVID ROSEN AND MIDEY
BOND MARCH TWO SEVEN LAST. EXTENSIVE FAVORABLE NEWSPAPER
PUBLICITY EXTENDED BY SUBJECTS ARREST. A LIST OF NAMES AND
TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS WERE ON SUBJECTS'
PERSON WHEN ARRESTED. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THIS MATTER
WAS INITIALLY BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF U.S. CUSTOMS
AGENT IN MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT BY FBI MIAMI. THIS MATTER WAS
ALSO BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF FBI AND DEPARTMENTAL
ATTORNEY MIAMI. MATTER WAS CLOSELY FOLLOWED BY FBI MIAMI
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FBI

Date: 3/31/70

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Via AIRTTEL

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2831)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-102) (P)

SUBJECT: MEYER LANSKY, aka AR

Re Bureau airtel to Miami dated 3/26/70.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and 6 copies of an LHM which is self-explanatory.

Bureau (Enc. 7)
Miami 5 CCS 50
VJ1 4-2-70

ENCLOSURE

REG 45 92-2831-1151

Sent 4-2-70

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92-2831-1151

36 APR X 1970
MEYER and THELMA LANSKY departed Miami, Florida, on February 18, 1970. They re-entered the United States of America at Miami, Florida, aboard Aeronaves de Mexico flight #410 on March 4, 1970, from Acapulco, Mexico. As a result of a United States Customs search LANSKY was subsequently arrested on March 27, 1970, at his residence, apartment 16B, 5001 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida, by Florida Department of Law Enforcement agents charging him with a felony and misdemeanor. Arrest warrants were based on violation of Florida Barbiturate Statutes.

Investigation at Miami has not determined purpose of visit to Mexico by either LANSKY or are any contacts made by either individual known as of March 30, 1970.

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To: SAC, San Diego (92-36)
From: Director, FBI (92-2831) - 1151

RE: Meyer Lansky
AR

Re Miami airtel 3-31-70, San Diego let 3-18-70, and Bureau airtel to Miami 3-26-70.

Enclosed are five copies of LHM dated 3-31-70 prepared by the Miami office setting forth information concerning

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TO:    DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2831)
FROM:  SAC, MIAMI (92-102) (P)
SUBJECT: MEYER LANSKY, aka AR
        (00:MIAMI)

Re Seattle airtel to Director dated 5/7/70.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Upon receipt of referenced communication, were contacted and reported no
information which would relate to any group or individuals attempting to
however, since the arrest of LANSKY in March, 1970, by Florida
department of Law Enforcement agents charging subject with
two separate counts of violation of the Florida barbiturate
statute, LANSKY has been extremely irritable and is deeply
concerned either for his freedom or for the safety of his
family.

On 5/13/70, subject was contacted in regard to
referenced communication and provided essentially the same
information reported by the Seattle FBI Office.
LANSKY volunteered to make a long distance call and discuss the matter further with a Miami FBI Agent present.

Subject expressed gratitude that the FBI was concerned and stated that either he would contact the FBI immediately if anything further developed. Subject does not feel that the "Reader's Digest" article had a direct affect on the present situation, and could not pinpoint any particular group or individuals who might consider this type of thing. He however indicated that he has thought about the possibility for some time inasmuch as there are so many "nuts" around this time. He also stated that many of his old Italian friends are no longer living and he does not know the younger Italian element well.

He also indicated that if after June 1 he is not guilty of the two state charges he would seriously consider contacting the Miami FBI Office before leaving the Miami area, advising SA of his travel plans and destination. He also voluntarily advised that his close associate, is seriously ill mentally and physically. He stated that will no longer dine out and spends most of his time in his apartment drinking heavily. He stated that has for some time had approximately two drinks a day but in the past 3½ months has been drinking approximately a fifth of liquor a day.
LANSKY indicated that [redacted] may have some effect on his present condition.

Miami will continue to follow this matter closely.
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RE: BEK 6494 6/3/74

FROM: Director

TITLE: CRIMINAL INFLUENCE AND ACTIVITY OF MEYER

DESK GROUP: PR

ACTION DESIRED:
- Open Case
- Prepare lead cards
- Prepare tickler
- Return serials
- Return assignment card
- Return file
- Search and return
- See me
- Submit new charge out
- Submit report by

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2831)

DATE: 5/26/70

FROM: LEGAT, MEXICO CITY (92-93) (P)

SUBJECT: MEYER LANSKY, aka AR

Reference Mexico City airtel 4/8/70.

REY HATCH, U. S. Customs, American Embassy, Mexico City, advised 5/20/70 that they had confirmed that LANSKY left Mexico by Aeronaves Flight #410 to Miami on 3/4/70.

He advised they are checking further into Mexican Immigration records in the hopes of also confirming the manner of arrival to Mexico.

In addition, he is planning a trip to Acapulco shortly to check further into hotel records concerning subject and his associates. This trip has been delayed by various necessary court appearances in the U. S.

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AT MEXICO, D.F. Will maintain contact with Customs for results of investigation concerning subject's activities in Mexico.
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2831)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-102) (P)
SUBJECT: MEYER LANSKY

Enclosed for the Bureau are 5 copies of a letterhead memorandum re travel anticipated by MEYER LANSKY on July 17, 1970.

UACB, no efforts should be made to publicize subject's travel plans or disseminate any information regarding LANSKY's travel plans, except on a need to know basis with outside agencies.

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