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MEMORANDUM

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To: Mr. Revell

From: Mr. O'Hara

Subject: NUGAN HAND BANK (NHB) CASE

FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION (FPC)

Purpese: To provide a comprehensive summary of captioned case, with recommendations for review and approval by appropriate FBIHQ officials.

SYNOPSIS: The NHB was a member of the NHG, which was initially formed in Australia in the early 1970's by Francis John Nugan. The NHG empire collapsed financially following the apparent suicide of Nugan on 1/27/80, coupled with criminal charges for defrauding shareholders and customers. As of this date, the case is still under investigation.

Enclosures (3)
1-Mr. Colwell
1-Mr. Otto
1-Mr. Geer
1-Mr. Revell
1-Mr. Gilbert
JEM:rlw/jey (15)

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SEE LCD ADDENDUM PAGE TEN
Since the above observation, this FPC case has been supervised and investigation directed by the Terrorism Section in conjunction with the case. The results of the above inquiries to date have indicated that...

By letter dated 4/4/84 (copy attached).
RECOMMENDATIONS: (1) That Mr. Revell, Assistant Director, Criminal Investigative Division (CID), or his designated CID representative, agree to

(2) That Legal Attache Canberra, and if appropriate, Legal Attache Canberra should

(3) That, if approved, the FBIHQ supervisory and investigative responsibility of captioned FPC matter be officially assigned to the Terrorism Section (TS), CID, based on the fact that since September, 1982, this case has been supervised and investigations directed by the TS, CID, in conjunction with the ongoing case. It is noted that the Fugitive/General Government Crimes Unit, General Crimes Section, CID, which has the overall FPC Program responsibility, prepared instant memorandum. (U)

(4) That, if approved, the TS, CID,
Memorandum to Mr. Revell from N. V. O'Hara
Re: Comprehensive Summary of the NHB Case, FPC

(5) That the TS, CID, determine if the information requested by

(6) That the TS, CID, upon the determination of recommendation number 5, respond to

DETAILS: The NHB was a member of the NHG which was initially formed and incorporated in Australia in the early 1970's by Francis John Nugan, an Australian citizen, and

Prior to 1967:

From 1977 to January, 1980, the NHG expanded internationally and reportedly had representative offices or locally incorporated companies operating in at least fifteen countries, including three administrative NHG centers located in Hong Kong, Singapore and Sydney, Australia. (U)
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Re: Comprehensive Summary of the NHB Case, FPC

The NHG financially collapsed following the apparent suicide of Nugan at Sydney, Australia, on 1/27/80, coupled with At the time of his death, Nugan, age 37, was facing criminal charges for defrauding shareholders. While Nugan's death was officially ruled a suicide, many believed he was actually murdered. Nugan's body was discovered by the police in his car parked on a highway located outside of Sydney. He had died from a gunshot wound to the head and a rifle that belonged to him was located in the car next to his body. It was argued unsuccessfully that Nugan did not commit suicide since only a contortionist could have shot himself in the head with a rifle; his fingerprints were not found on the rifle, and on the day of his death he was completing negotiations for the purchase of a $2,200,000 country estate. Following Nugan's death, On 10/20/78, advised

After Nugan's apparent suicide, and the NHG financial collapse, our Records Management Division received numerous FOIA requests from Australian journalists concerning the FBI's investigation into the NHB activities. In response, 119 pages of heavily excised documents were released to the above requestors. As an apparent result, The Sydney Morning Herald in September, 1980, wrote four articles insinuating that the FBI was conducting a substantive investigation of the NHB.
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Re: Comprehensive Summary of the NHB Case, FPC

had not fully cooperated with Australian authorities, and that there was CIA involvement in the NHB. Furthermore, in September, 1982, three articles appeared in the Wall Street Journal containing references of CIA involvement in the NHB and that the FBI had information of value which it refused to release in order to hinder the current criminal investigation being conducted by the Australian Government.

On 9/7/82, the Terrorism Section, CID, detected an apparent connection between the NHB principals and the subjects and associates of the ongoing FBI Foreign Agent Registration Act investigation of [ ] Since September, 1982, this FPC case has been supervised and investigations directed by Terrorism Section in conjunction with [ ] case. FBI investigation of [ ] was initiated in 1976 concerning allegations that [ ]
Memorandum to Mr. Revell from N. V. O'Hara
Re: Comprehensive Summary of the NHB Case, PPC

On 11/15/82,

communication dated 6/10/83 the Terrorism Section, CID, advised by our Alexandria Office that...
Memorandum to Mr. Revell from N. V. O'Hara
Re: Comprehensive Summary of the NHB Case, FPC

By letter dated 4/4/84,

Referral/Consult
Memorandum to Mr. Revell from N. V. O'Hara
Re: Comprehensive Summary of the NHB Case, FPC

Referral/Consult
Memorandum from N.V. O'Hara to Mr. Revell, dated 4/26/84
RE: COMPREHENSIVE SUMMARY OF THE NUGAN HAND BANK (NHB) CASE, FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION (FPC)
OO:FBIHQ

ADDENDUM: LEGAL COUNSEL DIVISION (LCD) SES:01/5/29/84

All information contained herein is unclassified.

LCD has been requested by the Criminal Investigative Division (CID) to determine whether the FBI may

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As published in the Federal Register, the FBI discloses information as a routine use, inter alia, to:

...any Federal agency where the purpose in making the disclosure is compatible with the law enforcement purpose for which it was collected, e.g.,... 2/ Emphasis added.

As set forth in the attached memorandum, the FBI's involvement in captioned matter generally appears to have been one of

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1/ Title 5, U.S.C., Section 552a(b)(2).

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OO:FBIHQ

Finally, as an aside, LCD notes that the
information in question was collected by the FBI.
Memorandum from N.V. O'Hara to Mr. Revell, dated 4/26/84

RE: COMPREHENSIVE SUMMARY OF THE
NUGAN HAND BANK (NHB) CASE,
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION (FPC)

OO: FBI HQ
April 5, 1984

AIRMAIL

Dear

Sincerely yours,

Oliver B. Revell
Assistant Director
Criminal Investigative Division

NOTE:

NB: ddb (4)
Re Canberra airtel with enclosures, dated 3/5/84; Buairtel 4/4/84.

This communication classified "Confidential" in entirety.

Enclosed for the Bureau is

Inquiries continue at Canberra.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

(ATTN: CID, INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM UNIT 3)

FROM: SAC, ALEXANDRIA (163-438)(P)

NUGAN-HAND BANK
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION
OO: FBIHQ

Re Alexandria airtel and LHM to the Bureau dated 3/27/84.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and five copies of an LHM for dissemination through Legat, Canberra.

(This LHM sets forth pertinent information obtained from

LEADS:

ALEXANDRIA

AT ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

Will continue to conduct other Nugan-Hand Bank related interviews as requested by FBIHQ in Bureau airtel to Alexandria and WFO dated 6/10/83.

Approved: [Signature]

Transmitted [Number] [Time] [Per]

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DATE 6/20/84 BY 596331005

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Alexandria, Virginia
June 20, 1984

NUGAN-HAND BANK

The following is being set forth for the information of

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DATE 2/27/90 BY SPCL DMS

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RE: NUGAN-HAND BANK
Re Bureau airtel to Alexandria dated 6/17/83, and Honolulu teletype to Bureau dated 6/30/83.

Enclosed for the Bureau and Alexandria are the original and four copies, and two copies respectively of an LHM captioned "Elzie Bryant Thornhill" dated as above which sets out results of interview of Thornhill at Honolulu and is self-explanatory.

On 6/29/83, the following investigation was conducted at Honolulu in efforts to locate Elzie Bryant Thornhill:

Honolulu indices contain no information identifiable with Thornhill.

A review of local directories contained no listing for Thornhill.

FD-36 (Rev. 5-22-78)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, HONOLULU (97C-313) (P)

NUGAN HAND BANK
FTC
(00: FBIHQ)

(00: Alexandria)

[Redacted text]

Approved: [Redacted text]

Transmitted (Number) (Time) (Per)
The following agency checks were conducted with negative results concerning Thornhill:

Department of Motor Vehicles, State of Hawaii, Driver's License Records

Department of Motor Vehicles, State of Hawaii, Automobile Registration Records

City and County of Honolulu, Computerized Incident and Arrest Report File

Inquiry was made with Concepts International Limited, 1650 Kanunu Street, Honolulu, Suite 203, and advised that Thornhill was no longer with this firm, and had not been associated with it for approximately the past three years. Stated, however, that he believed Thornhill was still living in the Honolulu area, but did not know how to contact him.

Inquiry was made at the Town House, 1415 Victoria Street, Honolulu, which is a multi-storied condominium complex. Thornhill formerly listed this address as his residence. Conversation with the through an intercom determined that Thornhill has not lived at this location for the past year. Stated, however, that he thought Thornhill still resided in the Honolulu area, and he had spoken with Thornhill several weeks ago. Advised that he did not know Thornhill's whereabouts, but stated that if he saw him, he would have him contact the local FBI office. Later in the day, Thornhill telephoned the Honolulu Office and an interview with him was arranged for 6/30/83. Thornhill was interviewed at his residence, 444 Lunalilo Home Road, Apartment 214, Honolulu, Hawaii, on 6/30/83, and the results are set out in the enclosed LHM.
In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

July 6, 1983

U.S. Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Honolulu, Hawaii

ELZIE BRYANT THORNHILL

On June 30, 1983, Elzie Bryant Thornhill, 444 Lunailo Home Road, Apartment 214, Honolulu, Hawaii, telephone number (808) 395-0667, furnished the following information:

Thornhill considers Honolulu to be his home, and he most recently returned to Honolulu from Florida in November, 1982, where he had been working. He resides at the above address with his wife. His date and place of birth is February 1, 1925 at Kellogg, Idaho. He is self-employed as an interior decorator and designer and works out of his home under the business name of Bryant Thornhill and Associates. He explained that the word, "Associates," refers to draftsmen that he hires as needed on various projects, but none of them are permanent employees.

Thornhill stated he has known Several years ago, Thornhill worked for the Dorman Hotel and Supply Company out of San Francisco, California, and took an assignment to design and decorate a hotel in Alyeska, Alaska. I saw Thornhill's work there and liked it. Later when he looked Thornhill up in San Francisco, and wanted to hire him to decorate and design

Thornhill was not sure if he would like[ ] paid for his trip there to see the area. Thornhill decided against it, but recommended the job to an associate named Jack Shea, who took it and worked for

In 1980, asked Thornhill to design and decorate

Thornhill traveled to[ ] during the latter part of February, 1980, and made a preliminary survey of the work needed on

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Re: Elzie Bryant Thornhill

He visited with [ ] on this trip. and during one evening, he had dinner with [ ] and his wife. Thornhill stated that this was the first time he ever saw [ ] and it was strictly a social affair. Thornhill knew that [ ]

Thornhill recalled, however, that [ ] looked more like [ ] This was the only time that [ ]

During the latter part of June, 1980, Thornhill made another trip to [ ] to continue work plans for [ ] By this time, the building had been gutted of the top floors and the bare walls were standing without any support braces. [ ] however, continued in full operation on the ground floor. Thornhill recalled trying to reach [ ] by telephone to warn him of the dangerous structural condition of the building. Thornhill stated he did not see [ ] on this second trip, and [ ] was not in [ ] while he, Thornhill, was there. Thornhill stated that [ ] is now in operation, but the re-designing project has not been completed.

Jack Shea went to Sydney with [ ] and completed work on the basement of [ ] Thornhill went to San Francisco to work for a while in 1981 and then located in Florida before returning to Honolulu in November, 1982.

Thornhill advised that he was aware that [ ]

[ ] himself, traveled a lot, but never discussed his activities or travels unless someone asked him a direct question. Thornhill stated he, himself, is not employed by the Nugan Hand Group and has never had any business dealings or association with it. He also advised that he has no knowledge of any activities of the Nugan Hand Group. He said he is somewhat aware of the Nugan Hand Group and the Nugan Hand Bank from articles he has read in the Wall Street Journal and Australian newspapers. Thornhill said he always felt that [ ] On one occasion, Thornhill recalled that [ ] apparently went to [ ]

Thornhill said this occurred in 1979, or earlier, and his recollection of the details are very sketchy. Thornhill said he was also aware of [ ]
Re: Elzie Bryant Thornhill

seldom discussed his feelings, but Thornhill noted that he is not the same person he used to be. On one occasion, Thornhill recalled that he was not the same person he used to be. Thornhill also advised that he has no knowledge of any illegal activity on that occasion. Thornhill said he had read an article in an Australian newspaper concerning the Nugan Hand Group which implied that he was working for the Nugan Hand Bank and he travels a lot. Thornhill said it would be hard for him to believe that he is a thief, because he and had many business agreements over the years and always honored his obligations. Thornhill trusted him completely, and it was never necessary to confirm any of their verbal agreements by written contracts.

Thornhill advised that during the spring of 1983, passed through Honolulu, and he and Thornhill had lunch together. This occurred on the day before the Australian national elections in 1983, and told Thornhill at this time that if the Labor Party in Australia was elected, he might not be able to go back to Australia. remarked that there were people in the Labor Party who disliked him intensely. Thornhill did not know where had come from, nor where he was going on this trip.

Jack Shea, described above, had been a Honolulu resident and died in Honolulu on June 2, 1983. called Thornhill's residence, and said he was coming in for the funeral, but he did not say where he was coming from. Thornhill's wife picked up at the Honolulu International Airport on June 6, 1983, and he stayed at Thornhill's home, above address. While in Honolulu for
Re: Elzie Bryant Thornhill

Shea's funeral, [name] told Thornhill that he did not like the way Shea had designed the basement and he asked Thornhill if he would go down and take care of it, and Thornhill said he would handle it. No definite arrangements were made, however, and Thornhill said there is no business-agreement or other obligatory arrangement between him and [name] relating to the above work.

It was during the above visit that [name] told Thornhill that he could not go back to Australia because he would face a five-year prison sentence there. [name] stated, however, that Australia is his home, and he might go back anyway. He implied to Thornhill that it had something to do with the Labor Government, but he gave no further explanation as to why he would face a five-year prison term.

Jack Shea had no funds, and Thornhill and [name] helped defray the funeral expenses. He was buried on June 7, 1983.

Thornhill stated that [name] told him during the above visits that the Federal Bureau of Investigation might be making inquiries concerning him. [name] further told Thornhill that if he was contacted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, he should answer their questions and tell the truth.

Thornhill advised that [name] flew out of Honolulu on June 13, 1983, on a ticket to Los Angeles, California. Thornhill stated, however, that he did not know [name]'s ultimate destination and does not know his current whereabouts. He added that he knows very little about [name]'s family, other than he is not married and has [family details]. Thornhill believes that all of the daughters live in the United States.

Thornhill said he did not know [name] because [name] are friends. [name] worked, at one time, for [company] and Thornhill met [name] on one occasion several years ago. Thornhill said he would not be able to recognize [name] however, if he saw him today. He only recalls that [name] was a big man. [name] mentioned to Thornhill one time that
Re: Elzie Bryant Thornhill

Thornhill believes that .... went from ... but he is not sure.

Thornhill stated that he was vaguely aware of the events surrounding the arrest of .... from news media coverage, but he had no recollection of .... Thornhill said he has never had any personal contact with .... himself, and he has no knowledge of any of their activities or associates. He also stated that .... never discussed either of these individuals with him, and he, Thornhill, is not aware of any association by .... with them.

Thornhill advised that he did not know ....

He also stated he had no knowledge of any activities of these individuals in connection with ....


Director, FBI (163-4512)
Legal attaché, Canberra (163-4)

NUGAN HAND BANK
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION

RE FBIHQ airtel to Legat, Canberra, 4/4/84, and Legat, Canberra airtel to FBIHQ, 5/15/84.

Enclosed for Legat, Canberra are two copies each of nine letterhead memoranda (LHMs) containing results of interviews with the following individuals:

During November and December, 1982,
Concerning requested information in referenced Legat, Canberra airtel, Bufiles contain no additional data on Nugan Hand, Incorporated, Hawaii, Hong Kong, Panama, Manila, or Singapore, other than the information previously furnished. From review of the Nugan Hand Bank file it appears that all information on the Nugan Hand Bank; Nugan Hand Bank, Limited; Nugan Hand Group; and Nugan Hand Bank, Incorporated; has been provided. The Nugan Hand Bank file indicates that data concerning the Henry C. Beck Company was furnished in a memorandum dated 1/18/83, captioned "Nugan Hand Bank." Other Bufiles contain references to Henry C. Beck Company, which are not identical, or consist of nonpertinent information dating from 1937 to 1956, with no identifying specifics.

Legat, Canberra previously provided

☐ Legat, Canberra is requested to determine
NOTE: This response was coordinated with the Executive Agencies Unit, Records Management Division, which has conducted extensive file reviews concerning the subjects of [redacted].

Referenced Legat, Canberra, airtel, 5/15/84, was received by ITU-III on 7/10/84, and by EAU on 7/12/84.
This and all information contained herein is unclassified.

Date: 2/13/90 by Stigell.
In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Dallas, Texas 75202
October 28, 1983

NUGAN HAND BANK

Reference is made to letterhead memorandum, dated August 25, 1983, at Dallas, Texas.
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATTN: CID, INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM UNIT #3)

FROM: SAC, ALEXANDRIA (163-438) (P)

NUGAN-HAND BANK
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION
(00: FBIHQ)

Re Alexandria airtel and LHM to the Bureau dated 6/20/84.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and five copies of an LHM for dissemination through Legat. Canberra to

(This LHM sets forth information obtained from Virginia on 7/27/84. Special Agent who conducted interview of on 7/27/84, was SA

LEAD:

ALEXANDRIA

AT ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Will contact ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY

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based on this status and related considerations will determine if interview of each of them by the FBI Alexandria, regarding captioned matter (as requested by FBIHQ in Bureau airtel to Alexandria and WFO dated 6/10/83) still appears feasible and appropriate.
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163 CLOSURE
RE: NUGAN-HAND BANK
Memorandum

To: Mr. Klein

From: G. O. Burton

Subject: NUGAN HAND BANK; FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION;

OO: FBIHQ
(BUFLE 163-45612)

PURPOSE:

RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

APPROVED:

Director
Exec. AD-Admin.
Exec. AD-Inv.
Exec. AD-LES

DETAILS:

1 - Mr. Burton
1 - Mr. Hunt

B. Hunt (3)

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The following background information is being provided to the Kansas City Division (and to the Oklahoma City Division, for information only) in connection with leads being set forth herein to interview ________ through contact with his attorney ________ whose office is at ________ (It is noted that attorney ________ has telephonically advised that his client ________ requests that such interview be conducted at ________ office in ________)

Background:

NUGAN - HAND Bank:

The NUGAN - HAND Bank is a bank founded in about 1973, in Australia by an Australian lawyer, FRANCIS J.

3-Bureau
2-Kansas City
1-Oklahoma City (Info)
4-Alexandria (2-163-438)
   (1-58A-222) (1-97A-7)

To: DIRECTOR, FBI

Attn: CID, INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM UNIT NUMBER 3

From: SAC, ALEXANDRIA (163-438) (P)

NUGAN - HAND BANK
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION
(00:FBIHQ)

Re Alexandria airtel and LHM to the Bureau dated 8/30/84; Alexandria phone call of SA ________ to Bureau Supervisor ________ on 10/22/84.

(All information contained herein is unclassified except where shown otherwise.)
"Frank" NUGAN, and during the late 1970's, this bank had branches throughout the world and had recruited several former high ranking U. S. military officers to fill various banking positions.

On January 27, 1980, NUGAN was found dead in Australia in his automobile from a rifle shot wound, with his death being subsequently officially ruled as a suicide. Following NUGAN's death, the bank was determined to be in serious financial difficulty and failed shortly thereafter.

Also known as an year old white male, originally of
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who was [x]

is a [x] year old white male

also known as [x]

is a white female, age [x] who was [x]

has recently been residing at [x]

She [x]

is a white male, age [x]

who [x]
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is a Cuban male, United States Citizen, age [redacted] who presently resides in [redacted].

is a white male Canadian, about [redacted] years of age, who has resided at [redacted] in the recent past. He has worked as [redacted].

(It is noted that the files of the Alexandria Division of the FBI reveal that [redacted].)
On [redacted], testified as a Government witness at the Federal trial of [redacted], in New York City, New York. During such testimony, he advised that [redacted] testified that he met [redacted] when seeking [redacted] believes that [redacted] testified that
Attorney was telephonically contacted by SA Alexandria Division, on October 22, 1984, at his office. He was advised of the FBI's interest in interviewing his client. He contacted his client in this regard and telephonically recontacted SA at which time he advised that he would be happy to meet with the FBI in this regard however prefers to meet at his office in this regard. He advised that he indicated that he does not know and was not familiar with the NUGAN - HAND Bank. He indicated that he has met with in the past but indicated that he does not recall meeting with there.

(It is noted that Attorney advised that he was...
1. Contact Attorney and arrange for an interview of his client.

2. During subsequent interview of ______ attempt to obtain his responses to the following questions:

(a) Was he present at ______

(b) Does he know ______ and/or recall meeting ______ or elsewhere in the past, possibly in connection with ______ acting as ______ has he had any business association with ______ and, if so, details of such. Also, his knowledge of details of relationships between ______

(c) Has he had any business association or dealings of any nature, direct or indirect, with the NUGAN - HAND Bank and specifically in connection with possible "back to back" letters of credit in connection with contracts associated with, or obtained through, ______

(d) Did his business association with ______ Does ______ know of anyone who was a NUGAN - HAND Bank client and, if so, his knowledge of any transactions.

(e) Does he know or does he recall ever meeting FRANK NUGAN or ______ if so, details of such association or meeting.

(f) ______

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3. Submit results of interview of [Blank] to the
Bureau and Alexandria in letterhead memorandum.
Memorandum

To: Mr. O. B. Revell

From: S. Klein

Subject: NUGAN HAND BANK
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION

DATE: 1/14/85

FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION
OO: FBIHQ

All information herein is classified SECRET.

Re attached T. E. DuHadway to Mr. E. J. O'Malley memorandum dated 1/9/85, captioned

PURPOSE: To advise that on 1/11/85,

RECOMMENDATION: None, for information.

APPROVED:

DETAILS: On 1/7/85, enclosures

Enclosure

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DECLASSIFY ON: 10 JAN 1995

1 - Mr. Revell
1 - Mr. Mintz
1 - Mr. O'Malley
1 - Mr. Clarke
1 - Mr. Gilbert
1 - Mr. DuHadway
1 - Mr. Klein
1 - Mr. Burton
1 - Mr. Watkins (RMD)
1 - Mr. Patton (INTD)
1 - Mr. Hart

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Memorandum to Mr. O. B. Revell from S. Klein

RE: NUGAN HAND BANK
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION
OO: FBIHQ

On 1/11/85,

The above is set forth for information.
CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. E. J. O'Malley

T. E. DuHadway

All information herein classified "Confidential."

Re DU Hadway to O'Malley memo dated 12/17/84, captioned as above.

PURPOSE:

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1.

2.

Enclosures: 2

1 - Mr. J. A. Mintz
1 - Mr. F. I. Clarke
1 - Mr. W. B. Hart
1 - Mr. S. M. Watkins
1 - Mr. G. O. Burton

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Declassify on: GADR

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ON 2/27/90

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Memorandum to Mr. E. J. O'Malley from T. E. DuHadway
RE: 

DETAILS:

On 1/7/85, Legat, Canberra, was telephonically advised of:

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licensing boards responsible for the using or certification of individuals in fields of pharmacy and medicine. Information in this system may be disclosed as a routine use to an organization or individual in both the public or private sector pursuant to an appropriate legal proceeding, or if deemed necessary to elicit information or cooperation from the recipient for use by the FBI in the performance of an authorized activity. An example would be where the activities of an individual are disclosed to a member of the public in order to elicit his/her assistance in our apprehension or detection efforts.

Information in this system may be disclosed as a routine use to an organization or individual in the public or private sector where there is reason to believe the recipient is or could become the target of a particular criminal activity or conspiracy, to the extent the information is relevant to the protection of life or property. Information in this system may be disclosed to legitimate agency of a foreign government where the FBI determines that the information is relevant to that agency's responsibilities, and dissemination serves the best interests of the U.S. government; and where the purpose in making the disclosure is compatible with the purpose for which the information was collected.

Related information may be disclosed from this system to the news media and general public where there exists a legitimate public interest, e.g., to assist in the location of Federal fugitives, to provide notification of arrests, and where necessary for protection from imminent threat of life or property. A record relating to an actual or potential civil or criminal violation of the copyright statute, Title 17, United States Code, may be disseminated to a person injured by such violation to assist him/her in the institution or maintenance of a suit brought under such title.

The FBI has received inquiries from private citizens and Congressional offices on behalf of constituents seeking assistance in locating individuals such as missing children and heirs to estates. Where the need is acute, and where it appears FBI files may be the only lead in locating the individual, consideration will be given to furnishing relevant information to the requester. Information will be provided only in instances where there are imitable grounds to conclude imitable information the individual being sought would want the information to be furnished, e.g., an heir to a large estate. Information with regard to missing children will not be provided where they have reached their majority.

Release of Information to Members of Congress:

Information contained in this system, the release of which is required by the Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts, may be made available to a Member of Congress or staff acting upon the Member's behalf when the Member or staff requests the information in behalf of and at the request of the individual who is the subject of the record.

Release of Information to the National Archives and Records Service:

A record from a system of records may be disclosed as a routine use to the National Archives and Records Service (NARS) in records management inspections conducted under the authority of 44 U.S.C. 2904 and 2906, to the extent that legislation governing the records permits.

Policies and Practices for Storing, Retrieving, Accessing, Retaining, and Disposing of Records in the System:

Storage:

The active main files are maintained in hard copy form and some inactive records are maintained on microfilm. Investigative information which is maintained in computerized form may be stored in memory, on disk storage, on computer tape, or on a computer print-listing.

Retrievability:

The FBI General Index must be searched to determine what information, if any, the FBI may have in its files. The index cards are on all manner of subject matters, but primarily a name index of individuals. It should be noted the FBI does not index all individuals who furnish information or names developed in an investigation. Only that information that is considered pertinent and relevant and essential for future retrieval, is indexed. In certain major cases most persons contacted are indexed in order to facilitate the proper administrative handling of a large volume of material. The FBI is in the process of automating the General Index and, therefore, the retrieval of certain information from the main files will be accomplished through the use of peripheral computer equipment, that is, Cathode Ray Tubes (CRTs) and printers. Automation will not change the "Central Records System"; it will only facilitate more economic and expedient access to the main files. The automated General Index will not cause the "Central Records System" to be interfaced with any other system of records, nor will it allow any outside agency to access FBI information. Since the General Index of all of the field offices will not be automated for quite some time, certain complicated investigative matters are presently supported with special computerized indices which allow retrieval of information from the main files. These special indices are either maintained on printed listings or on disk storage and then accessed through the use of CRT's.

The FBI will transfer historical records to the National Archives consistent with 44 U.S.C. 2103. No record of individuals or subject matter will be retained for transferred files; however, a record of the file numbers will be retained to preserve the integrity of the filing system.

Safekeeping:

Records are maintained in a restricted area and are accessed only by FBI employees. All FBI employees receive a complete background investigation prior to being hired. All employees are cautioned about divulging confidential information or any information contained in FBI files. Failure to abide by this provision violates Department of Justice regulations and may violate certain statutes providing maximum severe penalties of a ten thousand-dollar fine or 10 years' imprisonment or both. Employees who resign or retire are are also cautioned about divulging information acquired in the job. Registered mail is used to transmit routine hard copy records between field offices. Highly classified records are hand carried by Special Agents or personnel of the Armed Forces Courier Service. Highly classified or sensitive private information, which is electronically transmitted between field offices, is transmitted in encrypted form to prevent interception and interpretation. Information transmitted in teletype form is placed in the main files of both the receiving and transmitting field offices. Field offices involved in certain complicated investigative matters may be provided with on-line access to the duplicative computerized information which is maintained for them on disk storage in the FBI Computer Center in Washington, D.C., and this computerized data is also transmitted in encrypted form.

Retention and Disposal:

All FBI records destruction programs relevant to this system were suspended as a result of a court order, issued January 10, 1980, in the U.S. District
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: CID, INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM UNIT NUMBER #3

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (163A-431)(WRA)(P)

NUGAN - HAND BANK
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION
00:FBIHQ

Re Alexandria airtel to Director, dated 11/14/84.

For the information of the Bureau and Alexandria, Kansas City has established contact with [REDACTED] attorney for [REDACTED] advised travels "all over the world" and is difficult to schedule for an interview. He emphasized, however, that [REDACTED] will be cooperative, and as soon as he is able to arrange an interview with [REDACTED] he will contact the FBI. [REDACTED] was last contacted on 2/13/85.

LEAD

KANSAS CITY DIVISION

AT COFFEYVILLE, KANSAS

Maintain contact with [REDACTED] for interview with his client, [REDACTED]

2 - Bureau
1 - Alexandria (163-438)(info)
2 - Kansas City
KAL:kj
(5)

Approved: __________________________ Transmitted ___________________ Per ________________________

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FM DIRECTOR, FBI {163-45612} TO LEGAL ATTACHE CANBERRA {163A-4} ROUTINE

"CHANGED."

TITLE CHANGED TO MORE APPROPRIATELY REFLECT MATTER AT HAND WITH PROPER CHARACTER.

RECANTEL JANUARY 9, 1985, CAPTIONED, PUGAN HAND BANK MATTER.

1 - MR. R. L. PATTON
1 - LIAISON UNIT {VISITORS' FILE}

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To: Legal Attaché Canberra (165A-4)

From: Director FBI (163-43812) Routine 2019-50

Attention Foreign Liaison Unit, INT.

RE: Canberra conversation with SSA

FBI HQ, January 8, 1985.

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FT: To Canberra 1/15/85

163-45612

Not recorded

45 Feb 4, 1985

All information contained herein is unclassified 327, 301,

Date: 2/23/85 by SPM

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Re Alexandria airtel to Director, dated 11/14/84, and Kansas City airtel to Director, dated 3/8/85.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and five copies of a letterhead memorandum containing the results of an interview with [redacted]. Enclosed for Alexandria are two copies of the LHM.

For the information of the Bureau and receiving offices, when interviewed on 3/22/85, also furnished the following information:

He is convinced that he is currently incarcerated at [redacted] has recently been having threatening phone calls made to persons with whom he was formerly associated. [redacted] did not have information that he was personally making the phone calls but said [redacted] has more detailed information, including the identities of people receiving the calls. [redacted] said he is currently working on a project for him and he will bring within the next few weeks and have him furnish the information in his possession.

3 - Bureau (Enc. 6)
   (1 - 97-5427)
2 - Alexandria (Enc. 2)
   (1 - 97A-7)
2 - Kansas City
KAL:kj
(7)
said he understood is one of the people who has recently received threatening phone calls.

stated there was no doubt in his mind He stated that during the last month or so

also mentioned an incident several months ago when appeared at where his

Bureau is requested to have LHM

LEAD

KANSAS CITY DIVISION

AT KANSAS

Maintain contact with attorney, and interview when made available by
On March 22, 1985, [redacted] was interviewed in the office of attorney [redacted], Kansas. He furnished the following information:

He was not present at [redacted] in November or December, 1979, or any other time and place, at which [redacted] were also present.

Except for [redacted] the only members of that group he knows are [redacted].

The name [redacted] "rings a bell" as a [redacted] associate, but he has never met or had any dealings with him.

He has never heard the name [redacted].

He does not know anyone named [redacted] and, to his knowledge, has never heard that name mentioned in connection with [redacted] or in any other context.

[Redacted] commented that if [redacted] did attend such a meeting in [redacted], he would have been accompanied by his attorney, [redacted].

He has never heard of FRANK NUGAN, [redacted] or the NUGAN - HAND BANK, and to his knowledge, no bank by that name had anything to do with contracts or letters of credit involving [redacted] and him.

He knows of no clients of the NUGAN - HAND BANK and knows of no one who had any transactions with a bank by that name.

To his knowledge, he has never met FRANK NUGAN or [redacted] and reiterated he does not recall ever hearing the names.
On Sunday, March 17, 1985, he returned home from a trip which included his first trip to Australia. He arrived in Australia on February 26, 1985. The visit to Australia had no relation to any former dealings with [redacted] but was part of a TWA AIRLINES trip around the world he received because of the amount of travelling he has done with TWA.
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: CID, INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM UNIT NUMBER 3

FROM : SAC, KANSAS CITY (163A-431) (WRA) RUC

SUBJECT: Nugan - Hand Bank
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION
(00:FBIHQ)

DATE: 10/01/85

Re Kansas City airtel and LHM, dated 3/29/85.

Contact has been maintained with Kansas, attorney for for any
additional information may have, and in the event makes available for interview. On 8/16/85,
advised he has not had contact with for several weeks
and is not certain of his current whereabouts. did not
know whether still intended to make available for
interview. He said he would attempt to get in touch with
and will notify the FBI if has additional information or
plans to produce

In view of the above, this case is being considered RUC, subject to being reopened if makes available.

Bureau
Alexandria (163-438) (Info)
Kansas City
KAL:rks
(4)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 2/27/86 BY SPEC:1105 N.S.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATTN: CID, INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM UNIT #3)

FROM: SAC, ALEXANDRIA (163A-438) (RUC)

Enclosed for background information of Miami are the following:

(1) A copy of FD-302 interview of [Redacted] at [Redacted] on 8/30/82 (Classified "Secret-No Foreign Dissemination")

(2) Copy of FD-302 interview of [Redacted] (Protect Identity) on 12/2/82 at [Redacted]

(3) Copy of FD-302 interview of [Redacted] (Protect identity by request) on 12/3/82 at [Redacted]

(4) Copy of FD-302 interview of aka [Redacted] on 10/28/83 at [Redacted]

(5) Copy of a [Redacted]

All information in enclosures and included in this airtel is for the background of Miami in connection with lead set forth herein to interview aka [Redacted] last known to be residing at Florida. (Unlisted telephone [Redacted])

3-Bureau
2-Miami (enc. 5)
1-Alexandria
TF: des (INFO)

(6) Classification by Specials
Declassify on: CNN
Approved: 10/21/85
Transmitted (Number) (Time) Per 309.506

[Signature]
Over the past 2½ years, the Alexandria Division, and other Divisions, have conducted interviews throughout the United States regarding captioned matter.

Alexandria efforts to interview two individuals in this regard, has been negative. was determined to be residing in efforts to have interviewed during one of his periodic visits to the Washington, D.C. area (usually to see have been negative.

who goes by the nickname is a SSAN FBI # He is 5'8" tall, weighs about 160 lbs., has brown eyes, and usually wears a black toupee and has a mustache. His wife is

He has a

has had a past fairly close relationship with Assistant U.S. Attorney (AUSA) was one of the main AUSA's pursuing

(See information regarding below).

(It is noted that Alexandria has obtained information in the past that has been observed in area in the past in possession of

is born at

He is 5'6" tall, about 150 lbs. and has SSAN
NUGAN-HAND BANK:

The NUGAN-HAND BANK is a bank founded in about 1973, in Australia by an Australian lawyer, FRANCIS J. "FRANK" NUGAN, and during the late 1970's, this bank had branches throughout the world and had recruited several former high ranking U.S. Military officers to fill various banking positions.

On January 27, 1980, NUGAN was found dead in Australia in his automobile from a rifle shot wound, with his death being subsequently officially ruled as a suicide. Following NUGAN's death, the bank was determined to be in serious financial difficulty and failed shortly thereafter.

Also known as is a year-old white male, originally of
is a year-old white male who was

also known as is a white female, age who was

She has recently resided at

is a white male, age

is a white female, age who was
During interviews during the period November 17, 1981, to February 1, 1982, [REDACTED] advised that one [REDACTED] is a good friend of [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] was introduced to [REDACTED] by [REDACTED].

She said

During interview on January 14, 1982, [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] and two individuals associated with him

During interview on September 10, 1982, [REDACTED] said that [REDACTED] told her that [REDACTED] is a very good friend of [REDACTED] but did not indicate how [REDACTED] knows [REDACTED].

Recalled that in the Summer of 1980, she and [REDACTED] told her that [REDACTED] said that [REDACTED] she told [REDACTED] is a 15-year-old white male who has been a close associate of [REDACTED]
is a white male Canadian, about 34 years of age, who has resided at [ ] in the recent past. He has worked at [ ].
LEAD:

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA.

Locate and interview [ ] and attempt to ascertain the following:

(1) Was he ever a depositor in the NUGAN-HAND BANK. If so, all details of that activity, including sources of funds, method of deposit (cash, check, etc.), dates, places, and sums of deposits; also seek similar information regarding any withdrawals or dispositions of funds.

(2) Details of any dealings he had with [ ]

(3) His knowledge of the identity of any other NUGAN-HAND BANK depositors (i.e. possibly [ ]

(4) His knowledge of background, and/or business dealings with persons such as [ ]

(5) His knowledge of what took place at a meeting reportedly held in [ ] reportedly attended by [ ] at which discussions reportedly were held regarding [ ]

(6) Details regarding his being with [ ] in about April, 1980, during which [ ]
(7) His knowledge of all dealings had with persons associated with

(8) His knowledge of a meeting he and had with in about the late Summer of 1980, during which met separately at which time possibly gave

(9) Any other information he possesses about the NUGAN-HAND BANK and persons or funds associated therewith.
UNCLASSIFIED

TO DIRECTOR FEI (163-45512) ROUTINE 438-93

RE ALEXANDRIA AIRTTEL TO BUREAU AUGUST 30, 1984.

IT IS NOTED THAT TWO INDIVIDUALS REMAIN TO BE INTERVIEWED

IN THIS CASE, I WAS SUCH AS

BUREAU REQUESTED TO ADVISE CANBERRA.

DATE 2/22/86 BY SGPS

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED 308,506

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USE AND PREPARATION OF FORM 0-73

Restrictions on Use

1. Only incoming teletype messages within the categories listed in MIOG Section 16-1.7 pages 1251 & 1252 may be prepared using form 0-73.

2. Use of Form 0-73 is restricted to incoming teletype messages received at FBlHQ Communications Center within the last 72 hours.

3. Addressees must be Bureau Offices (LEGAT/Field) or other Government Agencies. Geographical location must be indicated if other Government Agency is located outside the Washington, D.C. area.

4. Editing of message text is restricted to typed or printed changes of a word or two. Changes to the existing text involving more than a word or two will require the originator to initiate a new message using Form 0-93. Administrative data may be added immediately following the text and must be identical for all addressees.

5. Teletype messages received by the Communications Center that do not meet the above criteria shall be returned to the originator for preparation using Form 0-93.

Preparation of 0-73 Form (Yellow)

1. Date & Precedence - Type or print date and indicate precedence by checking the appropriate box.

2. Addressee(s) - Type or print addressee(s) immediately following the “TO:” or place a check mark in the appropriate box. Note: When using block “Other,” indicate geographical location if addressee(s) is located outside Washington, D.C. If addressee(s) is a military installation, the name of the base, fort, or station must be listed to ensure delivery.

3. Classification - Type or print the classification and if appropriate the caveat and warning notices.

4. Addressee Internal Distribution - Complete when the originator wishes the message to be distributed to a known entity within a Headquarters Agency (i.e. Division, Section, Unit, etc.). List the addressee(s) abbreviation and the internal distribution, i.e. a message to Dept. of State, Dept. of Justice, and Defense Intelligence Agency; list on the “For” line(s) as follows:
   Example: For: DOS For SY/TAG; DOJ for Asst. AG Criminal Div.; DIA For DSOP.
   Messages which do not list internal distribution shall be delivered to the agency headquarters where their analyst will effect in-house distribution.

5. Subject - Type or print the subject in the space provided or check “see attached” if subject is identical to attached message.

6. Originator’s Boxes - Type or print the originator’s name, telephone extension, room number, and division.

7. Approved By Box - Indicate approval for transmission by initialing the approved by box. Note: The person approving the message is solely responsible for assuring all necessary editing changes are accurate and are legible.

Preparation of Message To Be Transmitted

1. Duplicate Copy & Notations - Xerox 1 copy of the incoming teletype message. A notation shall be made on the original incoming teletype indicating one copy made for relay to SACS __________, (or LEGATS) __________, (or Government Agencies) __________.

2. Editing of Duplicate Copy (Heading) - Using a lead pencil ONLY draw single lines through the first and last lines of the message heading; connect these lines from top right to bottom left forming a "Z" figure. (Do Not Obliterate the Heading)

3. Editing Changes to the Text - (See Restrictions on Use, item 4)

4. Administrative Data - Type or print administrative data immediately following the text.

Legal Canberra: by teletype dated November 1985 advised as follows:

IT IS NOTED THAT TWO INDIVIDUALS REMAIN TO BE INTERVIEWED.

IN THIS CASE:

INASMUCH AS:

Alexandria is
BUREAU REQUESTED TO ADVISE CANBERRA.

BT
ATTENTION: CID INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM UNIT AND FUGITIVE UNIT

NUGAN HAND BANK; FPC - GEN; CRIMINAL MATTERS

RE FBIHQ TELETYPE TO AX DATED NOVEMBER 5, 1985, AND
AX RUC AIRTEL TO FBIHQ DATED OCTOBER 21, 1985.

REFERENCED TEL SETS FORTH INFORMATION DESIRED BY LEGAT CANBERRA AND REQUESTS FBI AX PROVIDE SAME. THE FULL EXTENT OF AX DIVISION'S EFFORTS TO OBTAIN THE DESIRED INFORMATION ARE DETAILED IN REFERENCED RUC AIRTEL WHICH ALSO SETS FORTH A LEAD FOR FBI MM TO

ATTEND TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW KNOW TO BE RESIDING AT

A COPY OF REFERENCED AX DIVISION AIRTEL DATED OCTOBER 21, 1985, IS POSSIBLY ENROUTE TO LEGAT CANBERRA VIA DIPLOMATIC
POUCH.

FBIHQ IS REQUESTED TO FORWARD THIS TELETYPE TO LEGAT CANBERRA AND ALSO ENSURE LEGAT HAS BEEN PROVIDED INFORMATION CONTAINED IN REFERENCED AX AIRTEL.

BT

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FM LEGAL ATTACHÉ CANBERRA (163A-4)

TO DIRECTOR FBI (163-45612) ROUTINE 163-17

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NUGAN HAND RANK - FPC - GCM

FOR INFORMATION OF THE FILE,

NO FURTHER INVESTIGATIVE REQUESTS ARE CONTEMPLATED. RUC.

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ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED 308, S06
DATE 2/27/90 BY SPSR 118MS
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (163-45612)  
ATTN: CID, INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM UNIT 3

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (163A-2191) (RUC)

RE: NUGAN-HAND BANK
FOREIGN POLICE COOPERATION
OO: FBIHQ

Re Alexandria airtel to Director 10/21/85.

As the Bureau is aware, over the past 2½-3 years the Miami Division, as well as Alexandria and other division, has

Efforts by the Miami Division to locate and reinterview
have met with negative results.

Since Miami Division will
make no additional efforts to reinterview
and place this matter in an RUC status.

1 - Bureau
1 - Alexandria (163A-438) (Info)
1 - Miami
HTK: ggr
(4)

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DATE 2/27/86 BY 9:56:11 P.M.

Approved: ____________________  Transmitted (Number) (Time) Per ____________________

12/21/86
AIRTEL TO RM 4259
LEGAT CANBERRA
SUBJECT: FRANK NUGAN, DBA NUGAN HAND BANK;
FPC-GCM.

RE: SEATTLE TTY 4/9/91, CAPTIONED

THE

FPC; CJ: SF. 163-45612-155

REFFERED TO IN RE: SEATTLE TTY IS

CC - OUA
CAPTIONED MATTER WAS A LONG TERM SERIES OF INVESTIGATIONS WHICH ATTRACTED FRONT PAGE NEWS STORIES IN THE WALL STREET JOURNAL FOR MANY YEARS. IN ADDITION TO MANY PERIPHERAL ALLEGATIONS, THE MAIN THRUST OF THIS MATTER WAS THAT CONSIDERABLE ORGANIZED CRIME MONEY WAS BEING LAUNDERED THROUGH THE NUGAN HAND BANK.

LEAD - SEATTLE DIVISION:

PLEASE PROVIDE CANBERRA ANY ADDITIONAL DETAILS THAT COME TO YOUR ATTENTION CONCERNING THIS MATTER.

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PASS: OLIA, INTERPOL, FPC UNIT.

SUBJECT: FRANK NUGAN, DBA NUGAN HAND BANK;
FPC - GCM.
RESETEL, 4/9/91 CAPTIONED AKA
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REVIEW OF MICROFICHE FOR HONG KONG FILE 55-4 CAPTIONED
COUNTERFEIT MATTER, reflects

DOB: AN AUSTRALIAN CITIZEN, FRANK NUGAN, IN SETTING UP THE NUGAN HAND BANK AND RELATED FINANCIAL INTERESTS. AS OF DECEMBER, 1978, RESIDED IN apparently was traveling under

FRANK NUGAN, APPARENTLY COMMITTED SUICIDE IN JANUARY, 1980, WHEN ALLEGATIONS OF MONEY LAUNDERING AND OTHER ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES CAME TO LIGHT. THE HONG KONG BRANCH OF THE NUGAN HAND BANK ULTIMATELY COLLAPSED, RESULTING IN A LOSS OF $2.8 MILLION TO THE DEPOSIT HoldERS.

THE ABOVE IS FURNISHED FOR INFORMATION.

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FROM: LEGAT, CANBERRA (163A-CN-796) (P)  

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Enclosed for the investigative assistant of Seattle

Investigation is continuing at Canberra.

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