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Date 5/6/68

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JOSEPH BARN was contacted at the location where he is in the custody of the United States Marshal and a check was made of his physical well being.

On 4/24/68 at Gloucester, Massachusetts File # Boston 92-1132

by SA'S DENNIS M. CONDON and H. PAUL RICO Date dictated 4/30/68

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1-USA, Boston, Mass.

Report of: DENNIS M. CONDON
Date: 4/24/68

Office: Boston, Massachusetts

Field Office File #: 92-1132

Bureau File #: 92-9828

Title: JOSEPH BARON

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Results of contacts with JOSEPH BARON and Atty. JOHN FITZGERALD not related to case involving RAYMOND L. S. PATRIARCA, HENRY TAMELEO, and RONALD CASSESSO, are set forth herein. BARON contacted on 3/21/68 and 4/4/68 by representatives of the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office in preparation for the murder trial involving the gangland death of EDWARD DEEGAN. FITZGERALD also in contact with Suffolk County authorities relative to DEEGAN case. SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TITLE OF CASE JOSEPH BARON, aka		REPORT MADE BY DENNIS M. CONDON	TYPED BY po'b
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af REFERENCE: Report of SA DENNIS M. CONDON, dated 3/4/68, at Boston.

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AT BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS. Will maintain contact with subject.

ADMINISTRATIVE

This case is being maintained in a pending status to report results of contact with JOSEPH BARON, inasmuch as

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information obtained during some contacts with BARON has no bearing on the case entitled, "RAYMOND L. S. PATRIARCA, aka; HENRY TAMELEO, aka; RONALD CASSESSO, aka, ITAR-GAMBLING," Bosfile 166-629, Bufile 166-3219.

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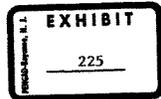
Statement of Joseph Barron, in the presence of Sgt. Det. Frank L. Walsh, Detective John F. Doyle, and Jack I. Zalkind, Assistant District Attorney, on Friday, April 26, 1968 at about 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. at GL:

"Ronnie came back from Florida about the 21st of February or the end of February. Ronnie ran a tab at the Cadillac Hotel.

Louis Greico told me that he had other business deals or swindles with Roy French. I told Greico I was going back to Boston sooner than I thought. I told him to call the hotel and give the name of John. When I met Greico at the Peppermint Lounge, I told him to set it up with Roy French. Later, Louis and I sat in the car in East Boston. We talked and then went down the Ebbtide and saw Roy French. It was about the first part of March when we talked to French; I was concerned about French because he was a friend of Deegan's, - that's why Louis Grieco spoke to Roy first at the Ebbtide. Then I went in after they had talked. I said to French, 'Louis told you about the deal' and he said, 'I'm doing it because I never liked Deegan.' I told him I would straighten out the beef with McLean, that's really why he did it - he never got any money out of it.

When I left Louis, he said he was staying up on the Pike and he said, 'If you want me, call the Deli.' We had a code. If I wanted him I would say, 'Tell John that Joe hit the daily-double.' Detective Adam DiPasquale talked to me many times in the Deli before and after the Deegan thing.

Louis used to stay at the Point of Pines and I think he stayed at the Ten Acres and the Saugus Pines. There was one on the hill, it was a brick motel and a guy from the North End ran it.



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Statement of Joseph Bar-on, continued:

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In Florida, Louis was ascares of the Law, because I think he was on probation an because he whacked his wife, he was afraid of violating his probation. Tameleo got involved in buying the house in Peabody or selling the house in Florida.

When Joe came home from Florida, his wife remembers that she picked him up at the airport on a Monday night, she's pretty sure of that. [REDACTED] came home Sunday night and Joe had told her he could not get a plane out of Miami because of the fog and rain. She called the airport and found out that there were no planes leaving, because of the weaahher. She remembers she picked up Joe at six or 7:00 P.M. on Monday. They went straight home, she remembers because they had a big argument that night. They went down to Florida, they think, on Eastern Airlines. Joe said that on the trip back from Florida the plane stopped at Philadelphia. They checked into the Cadilla the day after they got to Florida and he is pretty sure he stayed at [REDACTED] place for three days. While in Florida they saw Sinatra at the Eden Roc.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Callahan

DATE: 4-29-68

FROM : J. B. Adams *J.B.A.*

SUBJECT: SA DENNIS M. CONDON
Boston Office
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EOD 1-29-51; GS-13, \$15,757

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SA Condon is at the Seat of Government for Top Echelon Informant School in session 4/29 through 5-10-68. The following is a summary of his record for the Director's use.

He entered on duty 1-29-51, and served at Philadelphia and New York prior to transfer to Boston on 4-11-52, his current office of assignment. He has been in Grade GS-13 since 5-29-60, is 44 years of age, married and has [redacted]. He is a native of Charlestown, Massachusetts.

He is in his 2nd office of preference, listing Honolulu first. He currently is #4 for Honolulu. His overtime performance is considered satisfactory and he is completely available.

During the past year he had been specifically assigned to fulfill the prime objective of the Bureau in organized crime penetration of the La Cosa Nostra. In appreciation for his noteworthy services in the investigation of the Interstate Transport in Aid of Racketeering-Gambling case involving Raymond L. S. Patriarca, he received an INCENTIVE AWARD of \$150 by letter dated 3-15-68.

In connection with the Bureau's work on that case, Attorney General Ramsey Clark, by letter dated 3-20-68, expressed his Commendation for SA Condon's ability, initiative, patience and resourcefulness under most difficult circumstances in handling the Government's key witness and stated he was an excellent witness. The Attorney General's letter was acknowledged on 3-22-68, with appreciation for his generous remarks.

For the rating year ended 3-31-68, he was rated EXCELLENT. He had continued in assignment to the Criminal-Intelligence Squad. In connection with this report he was recommended for a Quality Within-Grade. He developed Joseph Baron, aka Joseph Barboza, described as the most vicious criminal in New England and one whom law enforcement generally felt could never be compromised to testify against La Cosa Nostra's head, Patriarca, and Patriarca's associates. SA Condon directed Baron to the point where Baron testified for the Federal Government. The trial was finalized.

ENCLOSURE - Permanent Brief of SA Dennis M. Condon

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Memo J. B. Adams to Mr. Callahan

RE: SA DENNIS M. CONDON
Boston Office

with the conviction of Patriarca, his underboss, Henry Tameleo, and La Cosa Nostra member Ronald Cassesso in U. S. District Court, Boston, in March, 1968.

By letter dated 4-10-68, he was advised that EFFECTIVE 5-5-68, he will receive a QUALITY WITHIN-GRADE SALARY INCREASE in GS-13 to \$16,207 which is in appreciation for his fine performance during the period 4-1-67, to 3-31-68.

During his career to date, he has been COMMENDED on 25 occasions, the last by letter dated 8-14-67, also in connection with the Patriarca case. He has been CENSURED twice 6-24-60 and 1-25-65.

He has received 9 INCENTIVE AWARDS in addition to the Quality he will receive in May. The most recent of these Cash Awards was on 3-15-68.

He has not been interested in administrative advancement.

His nephew, SA Dennis Condon entered on duty 8-21-67, and is a first-office agent assigned to Norfolk. He has been assigned there since 11-30-67, and he was rated Excellent on his 3-31-68 performance report.

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Date 5/8/681

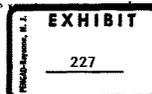
Attorney JOHN FITZGERALD was contacted at his residence, 151 Providence Highway, Westwood, Massachusetts. A check was made on FITZGERALD's physical well being.

FITZGERALD was advised that SA's H. PAUL RICO and DENNIS M. CONDON would be out of the city for the following two weeks and that if he had to call upon the FBI he could contact Special Agent JOHN F. KEHOE.

Mr. FITZGERALD made available a copy of a letter which he had received from JOSEPH BARON. This letter was from BARON to United States Senator ROBERT KENNEDY and consisted of complaints about his treatment since being in the custody of the United States Government and a witness against RAYMOND PATRIARCA. FITZGERALD said that this letter was pretty much the same as the letter that BARON had sent to the Attorney General. He said it was his feeling that BARON had no cause for complaint of his handling by the government but, because of his very nature, he will always complain, no matter how he is being handled.

On 4/27/68 at Westwood, Massachusetts File # Boston 92-1132
by SA DENNIS M. CONDON:po'h 5 Date dictated 5/2/68

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STATEMENT TAKEN FROM JOSEPH BARON ON THURSDAY, MAY 9, 1968, ON QUESTIONING BY JACK I. ZALKIND - NOTES TAKEN BY SERGEANT FRANK L. WALSH.

I GOT THE BULLET PROOF VEST FROM WINDIE BENNETT ABOUT SIX MONTHS BEFORE WE MADE THE HIT. WE HAD A STOCK PILE OF STUFF LIKE THAT. I HAD THE VEST IN THE BACK OF THE CAR FOR AWHILE. I KEPT USING DIFFERENT CARS, FINALLY PUT IT WITH RONNIE. I GAVE IT TO HIM SO WE COULD BOTH USE IT.

THE NIGHT THAT JOE SALVATE GAVE ME MY VEST, I PUT IT ON. IT WAS HEAVY BUT I PUT IT ON AND I HAD A DARK GREEN RAIN AND SHINE COAT ON, I PUT IT ON OVER IT. I DON'T REMEMBER WHERE I PUT IT ON AT THIS TIME. I MIGHT HAVE PUT IT ON IN THE BACK ROOM OF THE EBB TIDE. JOE, "THE HORSE", GAVE US THE GUNS IN RONNIE'S PLACE. I HAD A "357", WHEN WE WENT INTO THE EBB TIDE. WE ALL HAD OUR GUNS. WHEN I LET RONNIE OUT OF THE CAR TO TELL CHICO TO SCREW, I WAS DRIVING. I REMEMBER GOING BY THE DOG TRACK, AROUND THE ROTARY, AND I TOOK A RIGHT TO THE EBB TIDE. I STOPPED THERE, IT WAS DESERTED, THATS WHEN I TOOK THE VEST OFF AND GAVE IT TO JOE, "THE HORSE". I HAD A SHOT GUN IN MY CAR FOR AWHILE AND I HAD AN M-1 IN THE CAR THAT NIGHT. ROMEO MARTIN GAVE ME THE RIFLE SOMETIME BEFORE. IT WAS IN MY CAR AND THAT NIGHT I PUT IT IN THE BACK OF ROMEO'S CAR. THE AIRWAY PISTOL WAS LIGHT. ROMEO GAVE IT TO ME AT THE EBB TIDE ONE AFTERNOON.



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WHEN I WAS TALKING TO PETER LIMONE, I WENT TO PAY HIM SOME MONEY I OWED HIM, IT WAS SOMETIME IN JANUARY, ON PRINCE STREET. I GAVE HIM THE MONEY AND HE BROKE AWAY FROM SOME PEOPLE HE WAS TALKING TO. HE SAID, "I WANT TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT SOMETHING IMPORTANT, COULD YOU DROP BY LATER." HE SAID, "DO YOU KNOW TEDDY DEEGAN, THE IRISH BASTARD THAT KILLED THAT NICE ITALIAN KID, SACROMONE." HE SAID THE OFFICE WAS UPSET ABOUT IT, AT THAT IRISH BASTARD, THAT HE HAD NO REASON TO KILL HIM. DEEGAN JUST WANTED TO LET THE OFFICE KNOW THAT HE WAS CAPABLE. I SAID THAT I HEARD THAT HE (DEEGAN) HAS BEEN CAUSING TROUBLE DOWN AT THE EBB TIDE AND HE SAID, "THATS RIGHT, THE EBB TIDE IS A CONNECTED JOINT".

PETER NEVER MADE ANY MONEY FROM THE EBB TIDE BUT PETER WAS CONCERNED BECAUSE THE EBB TIDE WAS TIED IN WITH PATRIARCA SO HE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ANYTHING THAT CAUSED TROUBLE THERE. PETER ALSO TOLD ME THAT PUPOLO DOESN'T WANT TO LET THE GUYS WHO BROKE INTO HIS HOUSE GET AWAY AND HE SAID, "WE WEREN'T WRONG WHEN WE KNEW HANNON AND DELANEY DID IT, BECAUSE THEY FOUND PUPOLO'S SUIT IN HANNON'S HOUSE.

RAYMOND WAS AWARE OF THE PLAN TO KILL DEEGAN BECAUSE I TALKED TO HENRY AND HENRY TOLD HIM EVERYTHING. PETER ALSO TOLD ME THAT A FRIEND OF THE SACROMONE'S HAD SAID, "ISN'T THE OFFICE GOING TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT THIS AND HE SAID HE TOLD THEM, JUST BIDE YOUR

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TIME. PETER SAID TO ME, DEEGAN CAME DOWN WHEN GEORGIE McLAUGHLIN WAS IN TROUBLE. DEEGAN WENT TO SEE PETER AND ASKED FOR \$1000.00 TO HELP GEORGIE.

Q. WHY DID DEEGAN GO TO LIMONE INSTEAD OF RAYMOND OR HENRY?

A. IN HIS PAST RELATIONS, HE KNEW THE ANGIULOS WERE CONNECTED AND HE HAD DONE BUSINESS WITH THEM BEFORE. HE DIDN'T GO TO JERRY BECAUSE HE HAD ALREADY GIVEN HIM SOME MONEY, THATS WHY HE WENT TO LIMONE INSTEAD OF JERRY. PETER SAID WHEN I GAVE HIM THE \$1000.00, I WONDERED WHY HE CAME TO ME INSTEAD OF THE OTHERS BUT LATER HE BRAGGED THAT HE SHOOK ME DOWN AND THE OFFICE IS MAD ABOUT IT. THE ONLY RESENTMENT I HAD AGAINST DEEGAN WAS BECAUSE HE WAS GEORGIE'S FRIEND. JOHNNIE BUTTS INTRODUCED ME TO DEEGAN AND WHEN I WENT TO THE DOG TRACK, I MET DEEGAN THERE. BOTH DEEGAN AND I WERE EX-FIGHTERS SO I HAD NO BEEFS WITH HIM. IN REGARDS TO 19 FLEET STREET, RONNIE HAD A HOME IN SOMERVILLE, HE HAD FIVE KIDS AND HIS WIFE WAS VERY RELIGIOUS SO ACTUALLY HE LIVED AT 19 FLEET STREET. ROMEO LIVED THERE TOO. IN REGARDS TO THE EBB TIDE, HENRY HAD A PIECE OF THE EBB TIDE AND AT THE EBB TIDE, HE TOLD ME, "JOE, WHEN I'M NOT HERE, DO ME A FAVOR, KEEP THEM FROM FIGHTING." I KNEW BEFORE THAT TIME THAT HE HAD A PIECE OF THE PLACE. AT ONE TIME, RICHARD CASTUCCI AND THREE OTHER RELATIVES, WITH HENRY, OWNED THE PLACE AT THAT TIME. HENRY HAD ABOUT 20% OF THE PLACE.

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THE CASTUCCI FAMILY BROUGHT HENRY IN FOR PROTECTION. HENRY TOLD ME HIMSELF, "I GAVE JUNIOR VENTOLA \$20,000 FOR HIS END AND HE WENT INTO ALFONSO'S." HENRY HAD A PIECE OF THE EBB TIDE IN ABOUT OCTOBER OF 1964. I SPENT A LOT OF TIME AT THE EBB TIDE BECAUSE HENRY WANTED ME TO WATCH OUT FOR THE PLACE. I BROKE UP MANY FIGHTS THERE. WE HAD A CERTAIN SLANG, FOR EXAMPLE, "DOWN THE STREET", MEANT PRINCE STREET AT THE ANGIULO'S. IF SOMEBODY SAID, "DOWN BELOW, THAT WOULD MEAN PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5/20/681

JOSEPH BARON was contacted at the location where he has been in the custody of the United States Marshal. A check was made on his physical well being.

BARON advised that United States Attorney PAUL MARRAS and Departmental Attorney WALTER BARNES had contacted him with Attorney General DE SINGHE from Rhode Island and Colonel WALTER STONE of the Rhode Island State Police. DE SINGHE was trying to ascertain if BARON would be willing to testify against PATRIARCA in the State of Rhode Island.

BARON said he listened to what they had to say but gave them no definite answer. He said he would be very much concerned for his personal safety if he had to go to Rhode Island and testify against PATRIARCA.

On 5/13/68 at Gloucester, Massachusetts File # Boston 92-1132

by SA's DENNIS M. CORDON and H. PAUL RICO
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Statement of Joseph Baron to Assistant District Attorney Jack I. Zalkind,
taken at G.L. by Sgt. Walsh, Friday, 5/17/68 at 11:00 A.M.:

"In connection with the Deegan thing, Romeo Martin's name was first mentioned after I came back from Florida. After Ronnie came back sometime about the 20th of February, or at least the latter part of February, I talked to Ronnie about Romeo. That was when we made our plans. Romeo and Ronnie were partners. I told Ronnie about Louis Greco a couple of days after he had come back from Florida. I had told Ronnie about the contract, in Florida, and that was after I talked to Louis Greco. I told Romeo about the score in the latter part of February, when Ronnie and I were back. I didn't give him all the details. In Florida, I told Ronnie about the contract but no details as to who the victim, was, etc. In Florida, I told Louis Greco about the contract after he wanted me to kill his wife. When Louis Greco drove up to the Peppermint Lounge, I said, 'Hi Louis, what's the matter?' He said, 'I've been driving all night'. I remember he had black gloves on, black pants and suit. He was in a green Ford and he was very tired. He told me there was a lot of heat on him down here because his wife had got a complaint against him.

I first met Greco about 1962. He used to borrow money from me.

On Thursday, before the Deegan thing, Roy French came to my corner about 2:00 P.M. He said that he had just met Deegan and spoken to him. He said Deegan was going on a score and Stath would be there. I asked him when and he said, 'I'll know tomorrow'. He also said that a door would be left open for them.

I got a hold of Ronnie and told him the thing is coming to a head, but I don't know all the details yet. I met him in the North End.



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Statement of Joseph Baron, continued:

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On Friday, about 2:00 P.M. Roy French came down to my corner again and told me more of the details. He told me about the Finance Company and about Stath. He said, 'They are going to call me tonight about 9:00 P.M. at the Ebbtide'. He said the Finance Company is in Chelsea and that Stath, Deegan, and he were going on the job. He told me he asked Deegan if he should bring a gun and Deegan said, 'no'. He ~~xxx~~ told me the alley was across from the Chelsea Record and he described the Bank and the door to upstairs and he mentioned a cop.

I told Chico to call the Deli and he had a phone number, too. I don't know how Chico got in touch with Louis Greco. That afternoon, I got to Fleet Street about three or 3:30 P.M. Ronnie was there on the street and we went into the house. Joe the Horse and Peter Planque were there and Ronnie told both of them to go get a cup of coffee. They left and I told him the whole story about the thing. I told him there were two guys involved. One would stay in the car. I said, 'We got to make sure to grab Stath'. We were going to talk about it when Romeo came in. I told him about the hit and he said he didn't like Deegan. Louis came in with Chico. There was Romeo, Ronnie, Chico, and myself. I told them the story. Louis said, 'Give me a piece of paper. I know the area well', and he drew a map. He showed us the alley and so forth and he talked about the fruit cart being there. I said, 'Look, Stath will be in a car outside. We've got to grab him in the car after the first shot at Deegan and we have to make sure to protect ourselves from him. Romeo said, 'I want to be in the alley' and I said, 'All right, I'll take care of Stath, we got a bullet-proof vest in the stock pile, I'll use that and you and Louis will be inside the doorway'. 001145

Statement of Joseph Baron, continued:

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The plan was that when Deegan started for the alley, and when in the middle of the street, we would run from the car and then walk across the street so that we would be there for Stath. Joe would close the doors of the car and get behind the wheel. We would have ~~three~~ .357 Magnums. We thought about how we would get out of there after we shot Stath and at that time Romeo said, 'We could use his car'. I didn't want to use my car, it was too well known. We said we'd need two guns in the alley for Deegan. They talked about French being treacherous and they didn't like the idea of French, so we decided to put two in the alley. We figured we would need two men to take care of Stath, so then we thought, 'How are we going to get away fast?' We knew with all the shots being fired....I said we'd need a good driver for the car to get away. Then we talked about maybe a cruiser car coming along at that time. We would need a man in a legitimate car to block the way, so we figured all together we would need six guys. I said, 'Chico could be in the legitimate car and we would need one more man'. Louis said, 'How about Nickey being the driver of the getaway-car?' and I said, 'No, I don't want him involved' and that's when Ronnie said, 'How about Joe the Horse?' I knew Joe pretty good and I said okay. Louis said, that was all right with him but he didn't want Joe to know his name. I sent Ronnie out to get Joe and Ronnie talked to Joe in the bedroom and when they came out, Romeo said, 'Joe is in', and I said, 'Good'. It was now about 5:00 or 5:30 P.M. I had to change clothes and at that time I told them it was a \$10,000.00 contract. I said, 'Louis understands that we will all meet at the Ebbitide about 8:30 or 9:00 P.M., but Louis said, 'I'll have a hot box and I'll be parked down the street. Ronnie can just come down and get me'

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Statement of Joseph Baron, continued:

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Louis said, 'How about a piece for me?' and I said, 'Romeo will have a piece for you'. Ronnie and I had a stock pile of M-1's, a machine gun, at least one .357 Magnum and a couple of .38's and .32's. Ronnie had .45's as well. We were there at Fleet Street from about 3 to 5:00 P.M. I got home about quarter of six. I don't remember whether Chico drove me home or I drove myself. Nicky came to pick me up around 6:30 or 7:15. I had told Romeo and the others that I would be back at the apartment about 7 o'clock and I got there about that time. Ronnie, Romeo, and Joe the Horse were waiting there. I said, 'We're pressed for time - get all the stuff'. I had a black stetson and phony eyeglasses. Ronnie had on a white raincoat and he would have glasses and a phony moustache. Joe the Horse was laughing and ~~xixx~~ said, 'I'm going to be bald and showed me a wig with hair on the edges. I said, 'We'll have the M-1 that Ronnie gave me in the car so get two .357's for Ronnie and I. Romeo said, 'Get me a .38 and a .45 for Louis. Joe went out and came back in about five minutes with a canvas bag. He put it on the table and he had two .357 Magnums. He handed Romeo a .38. There was a paper bag there with grey undertaker gloves in it. Joe put his on and gave a .357 to me and one to Ronnie. Romeo said, 'Give me the .45 to Louis and Joe gave him a towel with a black gun in it, then he pulled out a round plastic container that had moustaches and he gave me a moustache. I had phony eyeglasses myself. He gave Ronnie glasses and the moustache. Joe took out a bald wig for himself with hair on the side and bald on top and a moustache for himself. Joe took the bag which still had a couple of .32's in there. He left then came back. When he came back, I said, 'Joe should have a gun. So I gave him my .38 Airway and I told him to take good care of it.

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Statement of Joseph Baron, continued:

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Romeo and Ronnie were in my car with me and Joe took the vest and the M-1 and put it in Romeo's car and I gave him my soft hat too. Joe left in Romeo's car to go to the Ebbtide and wait for me. Chico was told to meet me at the Ebbtide at 8:30. Ronnie, Romeo, and I went to Chelsea. Romeo was driving my car and I was in the back seat. Ronnie and Romeo walked into the alley about 7:45 or so and when they came back, Romeo said he saw the door and it was open.

We went to the Ebbtide, Romeo parked my car out front, we went inside and I saw Roy French. He said, 'Im waiting for the call and he said, 'The car they will be in is an off-white convertible with a dark roof.' He said, 'Ill be carrying a .38. We sat inside there and Chico got there about twenty minutes after we got there. I told him to go outside and he went out. Nicky was there when we got there. It was about 15 minutes before we left that Romeo told Ronnie and I Louis was outside. Joe the Horse was with another group. I told Joe to put Romeo's car way in the back of the parking lot and he did.

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