

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: WILT CHAMBERLAIN

FILE NUMBER: 164-3110

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Mr. Purvis	_____
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645PM URGENT 12-14-72 RWR

TO ACTING DIRECTOR

FROM CHICAGO (164-442) IP

WILT CHAMBERLAIN, CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT; AIR PIRACY -
FALSE REPORT.

RE CHICAGO TELETYPE INSTANT.

AUSA ROGER H. DUSBERGER, CHICAGO, DECLINED TO AUTHORIZE
NOTING FACTS OF INCIDENT DID NOT INDICATE VIOLATION.

LHM FOLLOWS.

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December 14, 1972
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

This concerns a boarding incident which took place 12/13/72, wherein Wilt Chamberlain, Los Angeles Laker basketball team star, made inflammatory remarks prior to boarding a Trans World Airlines (TWA) flight on route from Chicago, Illinois, to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. These remarks were brought about after a lengthy plane delay, and the passengers being subjected to a pre-boarding screening by Customs Security Officers. Customs Air Security Supervisor told Officers at gate no violation and to advise TWA officials of remarks and verify that TWA did not regard remarks as threat to aircraft. TWA Passenger's Service representative on scene advised and requested to speak with Chamberlain and Laker's coach relative to the remarks he had made. Chamberlain, when confronted in jetway, became belligerent, used profane and obscene language and left the boarding area. Chamberlain subsequently flew to Philadelphia via United Airlines. U. S. Customs did not notify Chicago Office at time of incident since they did not consider remarks possible violation. There were no Bureau Agents present at time of incident. FAA aware of incident. Chicago Office instructed to present facts to United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois, for prosecutive opinion.
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b7c [redacted] 12/13/72
AP at [redacted] 12-15
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Inform AP no FBI Agents present.
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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TO ACTING DIRECTOR

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FROM CHICAGO (164-NEW) (P) 3P

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WILT CHAMBERLAIN, CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT, AIR PIRACY-
FALSE REPORT.

REFERENCE
RE TELEPHONE CALL OF INSPECTOR HENRY SCHULTZ TO
CHICAGO INCIDENT.

CHAMBERLAIN, LOS ANGELES LAKER BASKETBALL TEAM STAR,
WAS PASSENGER ALONG WITH LAKER TEAM ON TRANSWORLD AIRLINES
(TWA), FLIGHT ONE SEVEN EIGHT, SCHEDULED TO DEPART CHICAGO
FOR PHILADELPHIA, NINE THIRTY AM, DECEMBER THIRTEEN LAST.
DUE TO MECHANICAL FAILURE FLIGHT DELAYED AND FINALLY CANCELLED
AFTER PASSENGERS, INCLUDING CHAMBERLAIN, SAT ON BOARD
AIRCRAFT AT GATE FOR ONE HOUR AND FORTY-FIVE MINUTES.
TWA MADE ARRANGEMENTS FOR CHAMBERLAIN AND REST OF
LAKERS TO FLY TWA FLIGHT TWO THREE EIGHT, SCHEDULED TO
DEPART FOR PHILADELPHIA AT ELEVEN FORTY-FIVE AM.

AS TWA FLIGHT TWO THREE EIGHT PASSENGERS, INCLUDING
CHAMBERLAIN AND LAKERS WERE GIVEN A ROUTINE SECURITY
SCREENING BY U.S. CUSTOMS, SECURITY OFFICERS, THREE OF
THESE SECURITY OFFICERS HEARD CHAMBERLAIN REMARK, "I MAY
TAKE OVER THE PLANE. I AM JUST SO MAD I MAY SHOOT SOMEBODY."

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CUSTOMS SECURITY OFFICERS, AWARE OF FACT CHAMBERLAIN PROMINENT BASKETBALL STAR AND WAS IRRITATED AT DELAY IN DEPARTURE, VERIFIED HE HAD NO WEAPON AND WAS NO POTENTIAL HIJACKER, AND CALLED SUPERVISOR FOR INSTRUCTIONS. CHAMBERLAIN AND OTHER LAKERS PROCEEDED ON BOARD FLIGHT. CUSTOMS AIR SECURITY SUPERVISOR TOLD OFFICERS AT GATE NO VIOLATION AND TO MERELY ADVISE TWA OFFICIALS OF REMARK AND VERIFY THAT TWA DID NOT REGARD REMARK AS THREAT TO AIRCRAFT, NOTING NO TWA PERSONNEL HAD HEARD REMARK OF CHAMBERLAIN'S.

TWA PASSENGER'S SERVICE REP ON SCENE ADVISED, AND WITH SECURITY OFFICERS, REQUESTED CHAMBERLAIN AND LAKER'S COACH SHERMAN, TO STEP OFF PLANE INTO JETWAY IN ORDER THAT CHAMBERLAIN MIGHT MERELY BE CAUTIONED ABOUT REMARK. TWA REP FELT CHAMBERLAIN SHOULD BE APPRISED OF SERIOUSNESS OF SUCH REMARKS SINCE THERE MIGHT BE OTHER PASSENGERS HEARING IT WHO WERE NOT AWARE OF FACT HE WAS IMPORTANT BASKETBALL STAR, AND THAT THESES PASSENGERS MIGHT BE FRIGHTENED.

WHEN CHAMBERLAIN CONFRONTED IN JETWAY BETWEEN
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TERMINAL AND AIRCRAFT, HE RESPONDED, "BULLSHIT. I NEVER SAID THAT. IT IS YOUR WORD AGAINST MINE. I SAID I MIGHT SHOOT SOMEBODY," BECAUSE OF THE DELAY, "I AM TIRED OF THIS BULLSHIT. I GOT THIS KIND OF BULLSHIT ALL THROUGH MY LIFE. IF YOU ARE GOING TO DO SOMETHING, DO IT NOW, MR. FEDERAL OFFICER" TO CUSTOMS SECURITY. AT THIS POINT, JET ENGINES REVVED FOR DEPARTURE AND FURTHER CONVERSATION IMPOSSIBLE.

CHAMBERLAIN RETURNED TO AIRCRAFT, RETRIEVED LUGGAGE, AND THEN DEPLANED. TWA ATTEMPTED TO EXPLAIN WERE NOT CHALLENGING HIS BOARDING AIRCRAFT AND ANXIOUS TO HAVE CHAMBERLAIN FLY TWA. CHAMBERLAIN RESPONDED, "I AM NOT GOING TO FLY YOUR (OBSCENE) AIRLINE. I HAVE HAD ENOUGH BULLSHIT", AND LEFT AREA. CHAMBERLAIN SUBSEQUENTLY FLEW TO PHILADELPHIA ON DECEMBER THIRTEEN LAST VIA UNITED AIRLINES.

U.S. CUSTOMS DID NOT NOTIFY CHICAGO, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION OFFICE, AT TIME OF INCIDENT SINCE DID NOT CONSIDER REMARKS POSSIBLE VIOLATION. NO BUREAU AGENT ON SCENE.

FAA AWARE. ^{MEMO} LHM FOLLOWS.

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Tall Story: F.B.I. Finds A 7-Foot Hijack Suspect

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PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 13 (AP) — The Los Angeles Lakers center, Wilt Chamberlain, got into a squabble with Trans World Airline officials and Federal agents in Chicago today after making a remark about a gun.

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bags from the plane and left to catch another.

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- The Daily World _____
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- The Wall Street Journal _____
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: WILT CHAMBERLAIN

FILE NUMBER: 166-4152

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Date: 5/23/69

Transmit the following in _____

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Via AIRTEL _____

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (168-)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (166-New)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
WILT CHAMBERLAIN
ITAR-GAMBLING

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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On 5/23/69, [REDACTED] (protect identity) advised that on the day of the 6th play off game between the Los Angeles Lakers and the Boston Celtic [REDACTED] he received information from [REDACTED] WILT CHAMBERLAIN had placed a bet on his team to win the sixth play off game.

[REDACTED] stated that the bet was placed with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] CHAMBERLAIN

[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] would have included CHAMBERLAIN's bet in addition to other money being bet [REDACTED] He stated that his source [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] could be known in New York would be if some of the money came into New York.

[REDACTED] stated that CHAMBERLAIN has been betting

- 3-Bureau
- 2-Las Vegas
- 2-Los Angeles
- 2-New York

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Special Agent in Charge

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on his team for years and that

[REDACTED]

has been handling CHAMBERLAIN's bets for years.

For the information of the Bureau [REDACTED] in matters captioned [REDACTED] aka, ET AL; ITAR-GAMBLING; ITWI; CONSPIRACY, F.B.W. (OO:NY)", NYfile 165-303, Bufile 165-627 and matter captioned [REDACTED] aka, ET AL; ITAR-GAMBLING; ITWI; (OO:NY)", NYfile 165-588, Bufile 165-1251, in which four individuals were convicted.

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The Las Vegas and Los Angeles Divisions are requested to contact sources and informats who are knowledgeable with sports bookmaking activities and attempt to develop additional information to substantiate the above allegation.

The NYO will identify [REDACTED] and interview him concerning interstate gambling activities [REDACTED] CHAMBERLAIN upon receipt of results of above investigation.

FBI

Date: 6/2/69

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (166-1445) (P)

[REDACTED]
WILL CHAMBERLAIN
ITAR - GAMBLING
OO: New York

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Re New York airtel to the Director, 5/23/69.

An information copy is being submitted to the Los Angeles Office in view of their interest in this matter.

On 5/29/69, [REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that the 6th playoff game between the Los Angeles Lakers and the Boston Celtics was held 5/3/69, and played at Boston. To the best of the [REDACTED] recollection, the opening price was 3 1/2 and closed at 5 points favoring Boston. All of the money was on Boston because JERRY WEST was an unknown quantity for the Lakers due to the fact that he had pulled a groin muscle the previous game. [REDACTED] recalls that Boston won by some 12 or 13 points.

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Investigation continuing, Las Vegas.

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- 1-Los Angeles (Info) (RM)
- 2-New York (RM)
- 2-Las Vegas

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Special Agent in Charge

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[Signature]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (165-2408) (C)
SUBJECT: **[REDACTED]**
WILT CHAMBERLAIN
ITAR - GAMBLING

DATE: 9/17/69

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ReNYairtel, 5/23/69.

On 5/29/69, **[REDACTED]** advised SA **[REDACTED]** that the 5th playoff game between the Los Angeles Lakers and the Boston Celtics was held 5/3/69, and played at Boston. To the best of **[REDACTED]** recollection, the opening price was 3½ and closed at 5 points favoring Boston. All of the money was on Boston because JERRY WEST was an unknown quantity for the Lakers due to the fact that he had pulled a groin muscle the previous game. **[REDACTED]** recalls that Boston won by some 12 or 13 points.

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On 6/26/69, the Los Angeles Division advised that contacts with Los Angeles informants had failed to reflect any information which would substantiate the allegation concerning bets made by CHAMBERLAIN **[REDACTED]** the Lakers and Celtics game.

Logical informants of the Las Vegas Office have been contacted in an effort to determine if they have any knowledge of anyone "placing an order" outside of Las Vegas for any large amount of money which would substantiate the allegation concerning bets made **[REDACTED]** CHAMBERLAIN. No substantiation has been developed by the Las Vegas Office and further the informants contacted have advised that no large amounts of money were bet on the Lakers in the Las Vegas area.

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1-New York

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[REDACTED] Las Vegas, and [REDACTED]

WILF CHAMBERLAIN while in Las Vegas on occasion at the Caesars Palace, and it was well publicized that CHAMBERLAIN was in Las Vegas for the opening of the International Hotel-Casino on 7/2/69.

Los Angeles has contacted [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and none had knowledge of matter concerning CHAMBERLAIN and [REDACTED]

In addition, on 6/18/69, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MARGARET LOUIS, and an acquaintance of any gambling activity on the part of CHAMBERLAIN or any influence that [REDACTED] might have on CHAMBERLAIN. CHAMBERLAIN, was interviewed. [REDACTED] stated she was unaware of any gambling activity on the part of CHAMBERLAIN or any influence that [REDACTED] might have on CHAMBERLAIN.

Information has previously been developed that CHAMBERLAIN bets on his own team and this information is contained in Bufile 172-69.

In view of the fact that the allegation that substantial money was bet by CHAMBERLAIN [REDACTED] which allegedly was later placed outside of Las Vegas, has not been substantiated, no further investigation is being conducted in this matter by the NYO.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: WILT CHAMBERLAIN

FILE NUMBER: 172-69

FBI

Date: November 3, 1966

Transmit the following in _____

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Via AIRTEL _____

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Mr. Tolson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Mr. Mohr	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Casper	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Callahan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Miss Gandy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

TO: Director, FBI
 FROM: SAC, Boston (172-new) *MT*

SUBJECT: WILT CHAMBERLAIN;
 [REDACTED]

POSSIBLE SPORTS BRIBERY

On November 2, 1966, [REDACTED] advised that during the previous week he heard rumors of a possible "fix" concerning the Philadelphia-Boston Celtics basketball game which occurred October 29, 1966, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Informant stated he received this information from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] indicated to informant that word had been received prior to the game that Philadelphia was to win. The point spread during the week was Philadelphia and five points. On the evening of the game, the game was "off the boards" in Boston except that bets were being accepted on the Boston Celtics. Informant noted that contrary to the usual procedure, Boston bookmakers [REDACTED] who were "in the know," were not laying off bets on the Celtics but were "pocketing them."

Informant advised on November 3, 1966, that he had received information through [REDACTED] WILT CHAMBERLAIN had bet [REDACTED] on the above-mentioned game in New York. Informant also learned through [REDACTED] Philadelphia but either [REDACTED] or this amount was for [REDACTED] Boston Celtics [REDACTED]

Informant was advised to closely follow this matter and attempt to learn of any additional attempts to either shave points or throw games, particularly the Philadelphia - Boston Celtics game scheduled at the Boston Garden on Saturday, November 5, 1966.

- 3 - Bureau (1 - 62-104518) *172-69-1*
- 2 - New York (1 - 162-1055) *REC 29*
- 3 - Philadelphia (1 - 162-) (Gambling in National Sports) *18 NOV 5 1966*
- 4 - Boston (1 - 162-197)

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 Special Agent [REDACTED] *b2/b7D*

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To: SACs, Boston
New York
Philadelphia

From: Director, FBI

WILT CHAMBERLAIN;

POSSIBLE SPORTS BRIBERY

ReBSairtel, 11/8/66.

In order that proper consideration may be given to the feasibility of interviewing Wilt Chamberlain, [redacted] re allegations in reairtel, Philadelphia and New York should immediately contact appropriate informants and sources to determine what type, if any, betting action took place re the 10/29/66, Philadelphia vs Boston game. In this regard it will be significant to know if game was "off the board." The Bureau should be advised, Attention, IGA Unit, by 11/10/66, in order that feasibility of the above-mentioned interview might be determined.

For information all offices, it should be stressed with informants and sources that this type of information is extremely important and it is essential that such be received by you as quickly as possible.

NOTE: Boston [redacted] informant furnished info re possible "fix" of 11-29-66, Boston vs Philadelphia basketball game. Informant stated favorite was Philadelphia and 5 pdnts and that on evening of game, game was "off the board" in Boston; however, Boston book-makers "in the know" were keeping bets on the Celtics.

Informant further advised he received info that Chamberlain of the Philadelphia team bet [redacted] on Philadelphia in New York and that [redacted] on Philadelphia with either [redacted] or [redacted] of this amount being bet for [redacted] a Boston player. [redacted] Boston Celtics team.

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FBI

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, BOSTON (172-NEW)
SUBJECT: WILT CHAMBERLAIN;
[REDACTED]
POSSIBLE SPORTS BRIBERY

Re BS airtel, 11/3/66.

On 11/4/66, [REDACTED] advised he has learned through [REDACTED] that WILT CHAMBERLAIN has bet [REDACTED] on the game scheduled for 11/5/66 on Philadelphia. Informant also has learned that [REDACTED] is betting on Philadelphia for this game, amount not known.

Informant instructed to closely follow this matter and immediately report any additional pertinent data. No open inquiries being made at this time due to sensitive nature of informant. Other logical informants being contacted to determine if they have information concerning game or points spread for this game.

- 4 - Bureau (1 - 162-104518)
- 3 - New York (1 - 162-1055)
- 3 - Philadelphia (1 - 162-) (Gambling in National Sports)
- 4 - Boston (1 - 162-197)
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Mr. Conrad
Mr. Felt
Mr. Gale
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Sullivan
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Mr. Trotter
Tele. Room
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

FBI NEW YORK 11/06/11

5:00 PM EST URGENT 11/10/66 M.F.R.

TO DIRECTOR (162-104518)

ATTENTION: IGA UNIT

FROM NEW YORK (162-1055) -1P-

WILT CHAMBERLAIN; [REDACTED] POSSIBLE SPORTS BRIBERY.

REBSAIRTEL TO BUREAU, NOV. FOURTH LAST, AND BUAIRTEL TO BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA, AND NY, NOV. SEVENTH LAST.

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] BOTH ADVISED PHILADELPHIA FIVE POINT FAVORITE OVER BOSTON OCT. TWENTYNINTH LAST AND THE GAME WAS NOT "OFF THE BOARD".

[REDACTED] ADVISED PHILADELPHIA FOUR POINT FAVORITE AND ACTION WAS TAKEN BY BOOKMAKERS ON THE GAME.

SOURCE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED PHILADELPHIA FIVE POINT FAVORITE AND ACTION WAS TAKEN ON GAME.

ALL STATED VERY LITTLE ACTION WITH THE BOOKMAKERS ON THAT PARTICULAR GAME.

BOSTON ADVISED AIRMAIL

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI
ATTENTION: IGA UNIT

DATE: 11/10/66

FROM: SAC, Philadelphia (172-8) (P)

SUBJECT: WILT CHAMBERLAIN; ET AL;
POSSIBLE SPORTS BRIBERY
OO: Boston

Handwritten: 11/21/66

Re Boston airtels, dated 11/3/66 and 11/4/66, and Bureau airtel, dated 11/7/66.

[redacted] on 11/9/66; [redacted] on 11/10/66; [redacted] on 11/10/66, negative regarding Altics - Philadelphia [redacted] situation. [redacted] sources [redacted] but [redacted] take some sports action and are knowledgeable regarding sports betting.

[redacted] (conceal identity) [redacted] Philadelphia [redacted] told Special Agent [redacted] on 11/9/66, there is only negligible volume of bets on pro basketball in Philadelphia area, and bets never made on results, only on point spread. [redacted] said no NBA games taken off board in Philadelphia in recent weeks. [redacted] questioned only in general way about NBA bets, and no mention was made of specific teams, players, or games. [redacted] volunteered that Kansas City, San Diego, and Houston teams in AFL recently taken off board in Philadelphia.

Following pointed out for possible assistance in evaluating information:

The Philadelphia "Bulletin," 10/30/66, in reporting Boston - Philadelphia game 10-29, said CHAMBERLAIN led Philadelphia defense with WALKER and GREER scoring 18 and 26 points, respectively. In post game interview, CHAMBERLAIN

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- 1 - New York (172-New) (Info)
- 1 - Philadelphia (172-8)

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was quoted as saying, "They'll say RUSSELL is slipping on defense." CHAMBERLAIN thought RUSSELL played "wonderful" game. CHAMBERLAIN played 42 minutes, got four out of seven field goal tries, five out of ten foul tries for thirteen points. Made 31 rebounds, nine assists. RUSSELL played 41 minutes, got four of eleven field goal tries, four of seven foul tries for twelve points. Made 19 rebounds, five assists. For Boston, SAM JONES was out with injury and HAVLICEK out after 22 minutes with injury.

In reporting game of 11/5/66 at Boston, the "Bulletin" said Boston defense crowded front court making pass-offs from CHAMBERLAIN impossible. GREER got nine points and WALKER nine, for Philadelphia. CHAMBERLAIN forced to shoot and in 47 minutes got 8 of 16 field goal tries, 10 of 22 foul tries for 26 points. Made 23 rebounds, 3 assists. HAVLICEK and SAM JONES each scored 29 points for Boston.

The "Bulletin" also pointed out Philadelphia played St. Louis at Pittsburgh on 11/3/66, San Francisco at Philadelphia, on 11/4/66, and Boston at Boston, on 11/5/66, with Philadelphia reportedly showing effects of three games in three nights in three different places.

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Date: November 9, 1966

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Via AIRTEL

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TO: Director, FBI

FROM: SAC, Boston Att: IGA Unit (172-11)

SUBJECT: WILT CHAMBERLAIN;
 [REDACTED]
 POSSIBLE SPORTS BRIBERY

Re: Boston airtels to Bureau, November 3, 1966 and November 4, 1966. Bureau airtel, November 7, 1966.

Enclosed for the New Haven and New Orleans Divisions are one Xerox copy each of referenced communications.

On November 8, 1966, [REDACTED] advised that the bets placed by CHAMBERLAIN [REDACTED] Philadelphia - Boston Celtics game played November 5, 1966, at the Boston Garden, which bets were on Philadelphia with five points, were losses for CHAMBERLAIN [REDACTED]

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Informant advised that on the night of [REDACTED] Boston and [REDACTED] Informant said [REDACTED] on the game of November 5, 1966, [REDACTED] told informant that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Pittsburgh Steelers - Cleveland Browns football game of November 6, 1966, on which game [REDACTED] Pittsburgh. Informant further stated that [REDACTED] had offered no explanation as to what happened regarding the basketball game of November 5th, which game the Celtics won by sixteen points.

- 4 - Bureau (1 - 162-104518)
 - 3 - New Haven (Encs. 3)
 - 3 - New Orleans (Encs. 3)
 - 3 - New York
 - 3 - Philadelphia (1 - 162-1055)
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 - 1 - Cleveland (Info)
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- 3 - Boston Special Agent in Charge

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New Haven, New Orleans, New York and Philadelphia are requested to immediately contact logical sources, specifically informant [redacted] and informant [redacted] concerning all information they have regarding the opening line and all changes up to game time on Philadelphia - Boston Celtics games of October 29, 1966 and November 5, 1966.

It should be noted the Boston opening line for the October 29th game, which was played in Philadelphia, favored Philadelphia by six points. Then, a rumor circulated that CHAMBERLAIN was not going to play because of a leg injury and the line quickly dropped from 6 to 5 to 4. The game went off the boards two hours before game time. The Boston informant who reported this information based same on [redacted]

It is to be further noted that CHAMBERLAIN did play the game but wore a leg brace.

According to the same informant, the November 5th game, which was played in Boston, had no significant point change. [redacted]

Philadelphia - [redacted] in favor of [redacted]

It is believed that any significant change in point spread, not attributable to the injury of a key player or other legitimate reason, would indicate an abnormal amount of money was being played to change the odds. Thus, the change in odds by the wagering of an abnormal amount of money might indicate or substantiate a possible fix.

The feasibility of suggested interviews of WILT CHAMBERLAIN, [redacted] is not recommended at this time, pending receipt of national line information by this office.

It is suggested the Bureau consider the feasibility of obtaining on a weekly basis the opening lines and closing lines on all national pro sporting events for each week since such information, barring weather and key injuries or other legitimate reasons, might indicate or suggest a fix. It should be noted that when these offices furnish any specific point spread change, they should also offer a reason for the point spread if same is known - such as, injury to a key player.

Boston will continue to follow closely the activity of above-named subjects.

SAC, Boston (172-11)

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WILT CHAMBERLAIN;

POSSIBLE SPORTS BRIBERY

Reference is made to your airtel dated 11/9/66.

[redacted] should be so directed as to insure that any information coming to his attention concerning wagering activity on the part of Chamberlain, [redacted] or any other member of the Celtics or opposing teams, is immediately furnished you. Additionally, inquiry should be made of this informant as to whether he has any knowledge that [redacted] performance is or has been such as to effect the outcome of any particular game in which he plays.

As you know, the fact that players bet on a game or games in which they are involved, does not in itself constitute a violation of the Sports Bribery statute. The Bureau; however, desires to be furnished any information concerning wagering activity on the part of those engaged in professional sports. As you know, it is extremely important that the Bureau be advised in the event information is received indicating that an individual or individuals in any way offered a bribe in connection with the outcome of a particular athletic contest.

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Date: November 18, 1966

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TO: Director, FBI
 Attention: IGA Unit

FROM: SAC, Boston (172-11)

SUBJECT: WILT CHAMBERLAIN
 [REDACTED]
 POSSIBLE SPORTS BRIBERY

Re: Boston airtels, November 3 and 9, 1966.
 Bureau airtel, November 7, 1966.

On November 18, 1966, [REDACTED] advised he had been informed by Boston [REDACTED] that WILT CHAMBERLAIN of the Philadelphia 76's has bet [REDACTED] Philadelphia for their game of November 18, 1966, with the Chicago Bulls at Boston, Massachusetts. Additionally, [REDACTED] told the informant that [REDACTED] Boston Celtics, has bet [REDACTED] on Baltimore for the Celtics game with Baltimore on November 18, 1966, at Boston.

[REDACTED] Baltimore CHAMBERLAIN [REDACTED] Informant [REDACTED] CHAMBERLAIN received regarding the Philadelphia game.

Boston will view both games in an effort to determine whether there is any suspicious activity on the part of either [REDACTED] or CHAMBERLAIN.

Above furnished for Bureau's and interested offices information, and matter will be followed closely by Boston.

- 4 - Bureau (1 - 162-104518)
- 1 - Baltimore (Info)
- 1 - Chicago (Info)
- 2 - New York (Info)
- 1 - [REDACTED] (162-1055)

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- 3 - Boston (1 - 162-197)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: IGA UNIT
FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (172-14) (RUC)
SUBJECT: WILT CHAMBERLAIN;
ET AL
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Re Boston airtel, 11/9/66.

[Redacted] has advised that [Redacted]

[Redacted] does not have any line information available concerning [Redacted] Boston Celtics games.

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Informant stated that during the 1965-66 pro basketball season there were unconfirmed rumors in the gambling industry that [Redacted] Celtics [Redacted] informant stated that [Redacted] infor-

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[REDACTED] pro basketball games and feels he will be in a position to possibly develop information concerning this matter. He anticipates considerable pro basketball wagering with East Coast gamblers.

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[REDACTED] informant [REDACTED] pro basketball, he will be reminded to be on the alert for a possible sports bribery violation on the part of any pro basketball team, officials or players.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (172-69)

DATE: 1/24/67

FROM : SAC, BOSTON (172-11)

SUBJECT: WILT CHAMBERLAIN;
[REDACTED]

POSSIBLE SPORTS BRIBERY
(OO: BOSTON)

Investigation in this office has failed to corroborate information furnished by [REDACTED] to the effect that WILT CHAMBERLAIN and [REDACTED] respectively, on the 10/29/66 Philadelphia-Celtics basketball game at Philadelphia.

[REDACTED] advised that the opening line in this basketball game on 10/29/66 - Philadelphia was favored by 6 and then a rumor circulated that CHAMBERLAIN was not going to play because of a leg injury, and the line quickly dropped to 5 to 4 and then the game went off the board two hours before game time. This informant [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] one indication was that the money was coming in on the Celtics; therefore, it is very unlikely that substantial money could have been bet in this area on Philadelphia.

[REDACTED] advised on 11/4/66 that he had learned that CHAMBERLAIN had bet [REDACTED] on Philadelphia on the game scheduled for 11/5/66 with the Boston Celtics, and that [REDACTED] is betting on Philadelphia, but the amount was not known.

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- 2-New Haven (172-7)
- 2-New Orleans (172-14)
- 2-Philadelphia (172-8)
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[redacted] advised that [redacted]

There was no indication that a large amount of money came in on Philadelphia. The Celtics won this basketball game by 16 points, [redacted] played an outstanding game.

On 11/18/66, [redacted] advised that he had been informed [redacted] WILT CHAMBERLAIN had bet [redacted] Philadelphia for their 11/18/66 game with the Chicago Bulls at Boston, and additionally [redacted] Baltimore for the Celtics game with Baltimore on 11/18/66 at Boston.

It should be noted that Philadelphia beat the Chicago Bulls at Boston, 145-120, and that Boston beat Baltimore 143-119, and [redacted] and played an exceptionally good game of basketball. Other offices that have been contacted in this case, Chicago, New Haven, New Orleans, New York, and Philadelphia, have also failed to substantiate or provide information that would indicate that CHAMBERLAIN [redacted] bet on these particular basketball games.

It should be noted, however, that [redacted] had advised on 4/20/66 that WILT CHAMBERLAIN is a very heavy gambler in basketball games in the NBA and [redacted]

CHAMBERLAIN's basketball debts [redacted]
CHAMBERLAIN is not personally in contact with [redacted]

This information was sent out under "GAMBLING IN NATIONAL SPORTS-BASKETBALL," Bufile 162-104518. New York letter of 6/16/66, "GAMBLING IN NATIONAL SPORTS-BASKETBALL," reflected that WILT CHAMBERLAIN [redacted]

[redacted], NYC, and that [redacted] -aka- [redacted] according to [redacted] a source of the informant stated that this is a gambling joint in which [redacted] figures prominently inasmuch as he is a [redacted] It is a general opinion that CHAMBERLAIN has shaded points in the professional games that he is a part of and places bets on these shading situations through [redacted]

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It is, therefore, suggested that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] be contacted in an effort to develop specific information concerning CHAMBERLAIN's gambling activities and substantial point changes for the Philadelphia basketball games, particularly games with the Boston Celtics.

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PHILADELPHIA AND NEW HAVEN are requested to contact logical informants.

NEW ORLEANS is requested to contact [REDACTED]

Interviews with [REDACTED] WILT CHAMBERLAIN [REDACTED] not contemplated unless informant information can be substantiated by another source because of the possibility of [REDACTED] feeding this information [REDACTED] and this office has been unable to determine independently any relationship [REDACTED] WILT CHAMBERLAIN, [REDACTED]

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (172-53) DATE: 3/2/67

FROM : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (172-9) (RUC)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] *b7c*
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Re Boston letter to the Bureau, 1/27/67 and Boston letter to the Bureau, 1/24/67, captioned "WILT CHAMBERLAIN; ET AL; POSSIBLE SPORTS BRIBERY."

During January and early February contacts of [REDACTED] he advised that he had been unable to develop any information concerning any wagering activities of [REDACTED] or wagering activities of the betting group commonly known in some gambling circles as [REDACTED] Informant stated [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] however, the phrase when used in gambling circles [REDACTED] informant

Informant also during January contacts advised he had been unable to develop any information concerning betting activities of any kind on the part of members of the Boston Celtics' basketball team; however he qualified this by saying [REDACTED]

and, therefore, had not been in a position to discuss with knowledgeable gambling sources activities of the Celtics' basketball team

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- ② - 172-69, WILT CHAMBERLAIN)
- 4 - Boston (2: 172-7) (2: 172-11, WILT CHAMBERLAIN; ET AL) (RM)
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In late February, 1967, informant stated that concerning the Boston Celtics-Philadelphia Pro Basketball Game on Sunday, February 12, 1967, that [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED] gambler wanting to bet [REDACTED] on the game with the Celtics [REDACTED]. Informant stated that [REDACTED] with a source unknown to the informant at Boston [REDACTED]. Informant stated that as to the game, Boston was leading by 10 points with about [REDACTED] and apparently CHAMBERLAIN during the remainder of this game did not play up to par.

According to the informant, no information had come to his attention as to whether CHAMBERLAIN or any of the Celtics' team members had wagered on this game, which Boston won by one point. [REDACTED] Informant also did not know whether [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Boston was [REDACTED]. Informant stated that the only thing the above incident demonstrated to him that [REDACTED] did not appear that [REDACTED] were controlling the Celtics' players, such as [REDACTED] CHAMBERLAIN. He stated that this was a generalization on his part.

The above information should not be disseminated to anyone outside the Bureau in order not to compromise this informant.

[REDACTED] feels that [REDACTED] have not been betting [REDACTED] had indicated to the informant [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is acquainted with the activities of some gamblers operating on [REDACTED]

The Bureau and Boston will be kept advised of any further information developed in this regard.

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Date: 4/27/67

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (172-69)
FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (172-14) (RUC)
SUBJECT: WILT CHAMBERLAIN;
ET AL
POSSIBLE SPORTS BRIBERY

Re New Orleans letter to Bureau and Boston, 3/2/67.

For the information of the Bureau and interested offices, [redacted] has advised SA [redacted] that during the past pro-basketball season [redacted]

[redacted] however, during the recent playoffs between the Philadelphia 76ers and the San Francisco Warriors there was considerable local interest. [redacted]

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As to the game played Sunday, 4/23/67, he noted that Philadelphia only scored 13 points in the fourth quarter which was very unusual. Further, in the final game played on Monday night, 4/24/67, he noted that Philadelphia had 64 foul shot opportunities while the Warriors had only 29 foul shot opportunities which in his opinion is very unusual. As a result [redacted]

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He stated he learned through [redacted] gambler and [redacted] professional basketball [redacted] had been betting during the playoff games.

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- 2 - Philadelphia (172-8)
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[redacted] supposedly bet on the Warriors [redacted] in connection with the 4/23/67 game which the Warriors won straight up 117 to 109. Supposedly [redacted] had bet on the 76ers [redacted] in connection with the 4/24/67 game; [redacted] as Philadelphia only won 125 to 122. Informant stated that [redacted] Philadelphia [redacted]

Informant stated that he had contacted another source of his [redacted]

[redacted] indicated he felt [redacted]

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Informant stated that he has no specific information that [redacted] any official or player in either team were involved in any point shaving or other irregularities. He stated he can not vouch for the information provided by [redacted] but has no reason to feel that [redacted] would fabricate such a story. Informant states that he has no further information as to how much [redacted] is alleged to have wagered nor any further details.

At the present time, the above information should not be disseminated to anyone outside the Bureau in order to protect the identity of the informant. He should not be called upon to testify to the above. He is acquainted with the activities of [redacted]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (172-69)

FROM : SAC, Boston (172-11) (C)

SUBJECT: ⁶ WILT CHAMBERLAIN
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 POSSIBLE SPORTS BRIBERY

DATE: June 29, 1967

Continual contact with Boston informants in connection with instant case has provided no further information concerning same. In view of the fact that the basketball season has ended, no further investigation is being conducted by Boston.

If any information is obtained, Bureau will be advised.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (172-69)
(ATTENTION: IGA UNIT)

FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (172-14)

SUBJECT: WILT CHAMBERLAIN
POSSIBLE SPORTS BRIBERY

Although the following information does not allege a sports bribery violation, the Bureau and interested offices are being advised because of its general intelligence value and because of the well-known sports and gambling figures involved.

b2/b7D [redacted] has advised that the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, National Basketball star, WILT CHAMBERLAIN, has been betting heavily on basketball games involving his team and has bet [redacted] in all instances, he has bet on his own team and the informant had no information that CHAMBERLAIN had ever bet against his team or was involved in any point shaving.

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- 1 - Boston (172-11) (Info) (RM)
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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (172-69) DATE: 4/25/68

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (172-24) *PHC*

SUBJECT: WILT CHAMBERLAIN
POSSIBLE SPORTS BRIBERY

Re New Orleans airtel to the Bureau dated 3/15/68.

[REDACTED] a PCI of the Philadelphia Division. was in [REDACTED]

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In general conversation with SA [REDACTED] stated that WILT CHAMBERLAIN [REDACTED] of the Philadelphia Warriors, NBA, bet large amounts on NBA basketball games. [REDACTED] denied knowing who the bets were placed with or the names of any beards that were utilized by the two basketball players to place these bets.

Further stated that [REDACTED] Philadelphia [REDACTED] Previous investigation has reflected that [REDACTED] of the Philadelphia Eagles National Football League had bet with [REDACTED] on National Football League contests.

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- 2 - New York (1 - 172)
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- 3 - New Orleans (1 - 172-14)
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- 2 - Philadelphia (1 - 172-8)
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Informant stated that CHAMBERLAIN bets [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] informant advises, [REDACTED]

Informant has also advised that [REDACTED] gambler [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CHAMBERLAIN is betting on his team.

It is noted that, during the spring of 1967, the Boston Office had developed information that CHAMBERLAIN [REDACTED] the Boston Celtics were betting heavily on professional basketball and that CHAMBERLAIN was possibly betting into a [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CHAMBERLAIN.

It is also noted that [REDACTED] is the subject of a sports bribery case [REDACTED] in connection with [REDACTED] alleged bribe of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] this case is scheduled for trial

For intelligence reasons, New Orleans will attempt to determine if [REDACTED] does establish a gambling contact with this Harlem bookmaker.

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The above information is being submitted because of the general intelligence value and in view of the noteworthy individuals involved in these gambling activities.

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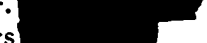
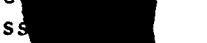
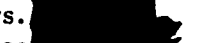


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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (172-NEW) (P)

SUBJECT:

[REDACTED]

WILT CHAMBERLAIN
SPORTS BRIBERY
(OO: Philadelphia)

On 3/6/68, [REDACTED] Nevada Gaming Control Board, Carson City, Nevada, advised that his agency had received the following information from a Philadelphia source:

[REDACTED]

WILT CHAMBERLAIN, the well known professional basketball player, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] a very important game was played involving the Philadelphia team, and there was a considerable amount of gambling money paid on the game. CHAMBERLAIN is alleged to have twisted his knee in practice just prior to the game or the day before the game. This resulted in a very poor performance during the game. As a result of CHAMBERLAIN's poor performance a heavily one-sided score was made against Philadelphia. As a result of this score, much gambling money is alleged to have changed hands.

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[redacted] advised that it is his understanding that there is currently [redacted] the Philadelphia area.

It is noted that [redacted] telephonically contacted SA [redacted] in Las Vegas approximately two weeks ago and had advised [redacted] New York City. This occurred at approximately the time the new Madison Square Garden [redacted] New York.

Philadelphia is requested to attempt to verify that such a basketball game occurred where CHAMBERLAIN played while injured, resulting in a one-sided score. Philadelphia should contact sources in an attempt to determine if any information can be developed regarding Sports Bribery. It is pointed out that no open inquiry should be made regarding this matter without further information being developed and appropriate authority received.

New York is requested to contact [redacted] verify the [redacted] were in the New York area.

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TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: March 12, 1968

FROM : J. H. Gale

SUBJECT: WILT CHAMBERLAIN
SPORTS BRIBERY

[redacted] for the Nevada Gaming Control Board has advised that according to information received by his agency from a Philadelphia source, Wilt "The Stilt" Chamberlain, star center for the Philadelphia "76ers" professional basketball team recently.

It is noted that the [redacted]

Subsequent to this [redacted] a very important game was played involving the "76ers." Chamberlain turned in a poor performance in the game with the result that the "76ers" lost a heavily one-sided game. Allegedly, considerable gambling money changed hands as a result of the score of that game.

Inasmuch as [redacted]

[redacted] our Philadelphia Office is conducting appropriate inquiries to determine if, in fact, a violation of the Sports Bribery Statute exists.

ACTION:

For your information.

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - Mr. [redacted]
- 1 - Mr. Baker

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (172-92)

DATE: 4/11/68

FROM : SAC, LAS VEGAS (172-10)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

WILT CHAMBERLAIN;
SPORTS BRIBERY
OO: Philadelphia

Re Las Vegas letter to the Bureau, 3/6/68 entitled as above and Philadelphia letter to the Bureau, 2/23/68, entitled [REDACTED] aka [REDACTED]

The Bureau and Philadelphia are requested to refer to referenced Philadelphia letter which sets out information furnished by [REDACTED]

It would appear that [REDACTED] information furnished by [REDACTED], Nevada Gaming Control Board, set out in Las Vegas communication. It is being suggested that this investigation be captioned as above in view of that fact that the original allegation was against [REDACTED] named in title. [REDACTED] however [REDACTED] investigation at Las Vegas, Las Vegas file [REDACTED], Bufile [REDACTED]. Copies of investigation conducted by other offices can also be made a part of this file.

For the information of Philadelphia, no open inquiry has been made at Las Vegas regarding the activities of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and other members of the Philadelphia "76ers". During contact with [REDACTED] on 3/12/68, however, this source advised that during [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] described as [REDACTED]. She recalled [REDACTED]

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that [redacted] also spent time with these two individuals. Although [redacted] is not a [redacted] employee. [redacted]

[redacted] at [redacted] and as pointed out in referenced Philadelphia letter has a reputation for being [redacted] and reportedly [redacted]

has numerous contacts in the sporting world [redacted]

[redacted] hotel [redacted] Caesars [redacted]

While reviewing hotel registration records at Caesars Palace on 3/21/68 on an unrelated matter [redacted] reviewed a list reflecting complimentary (free) guests at Caesars Palace during January, 1968. Although this list was not made available for review by SA [redacted] it was noted that the name WILT CHAMBERLAIN [redacted] (probably Philadelphia 76ers) appeared on the complimentary list as guests of the hotel during January.

Philadelphia is requested to attempt to verify a professional basketball game occurring wherein CHAMBERLAIN played while injured resulting in a one-sided score. Contact reliable sources in an attempt to determine if any information can be developed regarding a sports bribery on the part of the subjects.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/24/68

FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (172-12) (C)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

WILTS CHAMBERLAIN
POSSIBLE SPORTS BRIBERY

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ON 2/12/68 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] telephonically advised the Philadelphia Office that [REDACTED] (previously reported as [REDACTED]) had information concerning [REDACTED] CHAMBERLAIN which may be of interest to the Bureau.

[REDACTED] advised on 2/14/68, that [REDACTED]

and [REDACTED] Philadelphia "76 ers" team play in the National Basketball Association (NBA).

[REDACTED] He furnished the following:

In June 1968, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CHAMBERLAIN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] further advised that on 2/9/68, the "76 ers" were at Madison Square Garden, New York, playing the New York "Knickerbockers". The "76 ers" were defeated by a large score and CHAMBERLAIN complained of a bad knee and indicated to the press that he would probably not be able to play against the St. Louis Hawks in Miami, Fla.,

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on 2/11/68. This alleged injury got much publicity on 2/10 and 11/68. On 2/11/68 in Miami, CHAMBERLAIN

[REDACTED]

CHAMBERLAIN'S request.

in Miami, CHAMBERLAIN

played the greatest game of the season and the "76 ers" won by more than 20 points in a game in which the "76 ers" were the under dog (due to CHAMBERLAIN'S alleged injury).

[REDACTED] stated on 2/14/68 and again on 4/26/68 that he has absolutely no evidence of wrong-doing on the part of CHAMBERLAIN [REDACTED] in regard to point spread or regulating the games, however, the turn of events does look suspicious.

Numerous Philadelphia sources of information were contacted with negative results concerning possible gambling activities of CHAMBERLAIN.

On 3/11/68 PCI [REDACTED] advised that he had once heard that WILL CHAMBERLAIN placed bets through an [REDACTED]

By letter dated 4/4/68, the New York Office advised that on 3/12/68 [REDACTED] said he heard that [REDACTED] New York

On 3/12/68 [REDACTED] advised that CHAMBERLAIN and [REDACTED] of the "76 ers" [REDACTED]

Caesar's Palace.

Las Vegas letter to Director reflects [REDACTED] is subject of AR investigation by that office. In the absence of an allegation or any evidence of sports bribery, all information was furnished Las Vegas by letter dated 4/30/68, at which time the case was closed administratively.

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