OCIU POST INVESTIGATION REVIEW

DATE COMMENCED	Intelligence Probe
Operation Name	*
Investigation type / theme	Organised Crime
Investigation Category	
Investigation Sub Category	Asian SOC groups
Job Type	Investigation
Offence Details/ Background Information (Narrative)	In October 2017, the Organised Crime Management Committee (OCMC) endorsed the commencement of which was formed with a view to reduce the impact of high priority international money launderers on the Australian community by identifying target development and other investigative opportunities in relation to a Melbourne based money laundering syndicate. In December 2018, was extended until 30 June 2019 with an adjusted focus on the alleged money laundering activities of the Suncity Junket operations at Crown Casino, Melbourne. Subsequently, was extended to 31 October 2019 and then further extended to 30 April 2020 with the focus of the project expanded to develop the intelligence generated under Victoria Police Organised Crime Intelligence Unit (OCIU) Operation
	, in regard to money laundering syndicates, utilising Crown Melbourne and other industries to transfer the proceeds of crime into and out of Australia. The joint operational activity sort to identify the methodology utilised to subvert Casino controls via the use of accounts belonging to associates and family members by serious organised crime entities including: Joint Operational Activity
	The objectives specifically in relation to ZHOU and were met but objectives in relation to were not as part of

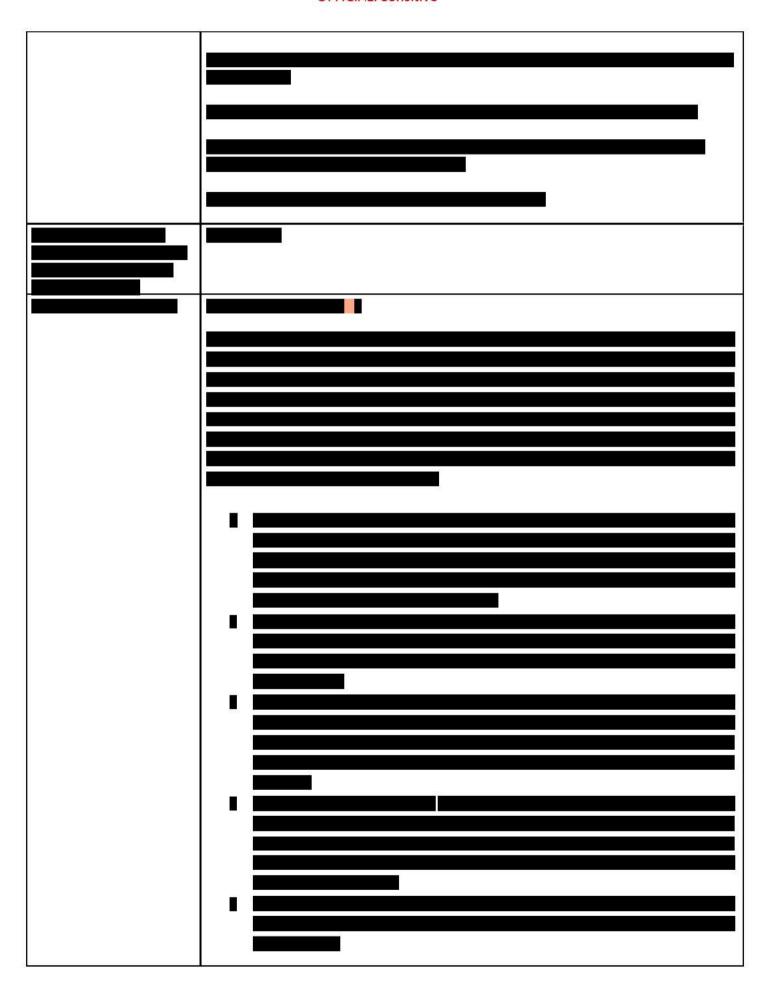
Investigation Management	Team Leader
	Investigation Team:
	Intelligence Team:
	Target POI /Syndicate
Target POI / Syndicate	PRIMARY TARGETS
Narrative	
	Tom ZHOU @Jiuming ZHOU (ZHOU)
	SECONDARY TARGETS
	ASSOCIATES OF TARGETS
	Nan HU (ZHOU)
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	Ming CHAI (PAN & ZHOU)
	Xin TAO MNI N/R (ZHOU)
	INVESTIGATION ASSESSMENT
Modus Operandi of Target. Priority theme ie	All targets are involved in laundering money for SOC groups.
(IOC, OMCG, MEOC)	run targets are involved in laundering money for see groups.
What role did the target play in this operation?	
play ill tills operation:	
	is an Australian citizen residing in Melbourne with frequent travel to
	China.
	is a suspected Victorian based senior member of the 14K triad society and believed to
	maintain a relationship with Kuok Koi WAN (m) 29/JUL/1955 (aka) 'Broken Tooth Koi'. WAN
	is a key associate of

is also known as The Syndicate' has been identified by International Law Enforcement as a large-scale International drug trafficking and money laundering syndicate with strong links to AOC and assorted Triad affiliations. The Syndicate has been identified as successfully operating in Australia, Canada, Europe and the United States of America for more than 25 years.
has links to convicted human trafficker (KIM). KIM is believed to be supplying unregistered and illegal workers to brothel. Intelligence from Operation indicates the woman are also transported to off-site locations to service high rollers from Crown when required.
has been identified with financial links to
is a close associate of are involved in providing foreign nationals as sex-workers at brothel.
intelligence indicates that casino junket operator Suncity is in a business relationship with works for Suncity on a commission basis and has his own set of junket player clients. may also work as a sub-agent for other junket operators in Australian casinos.
Investigators believe the funds generated through 'is utilised by Casino Junkets when Australian currency is required outside of the casino environment.
is recorded as user of an account within Suncity's internal banking system under the alias of

is a frequent international traveller with links to people suspected of trade-based money laundering, undeclared cash movements, suspect casino activity and drug trafficking/importation.
is recorded with 163 travel movements between 2003 and March 2019.
and his girlfriend were detected on
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. With account, regular cash deposits by multiple parties are routinely followed by a rapid withdrawal or the purchase of high value goods.
has been identified as a person of interest as a result of Operation i. Intelligence holdings from have suggested that is linked to high level Junket Tour Operators and that he trafficks large amounts of drugs to support his gambling lifestyle.
was a person of interest for is highly likely involved in the laundering of criminal proceeds through Australian and
New Zealand casinos with her associates
Intelligence gathered during has indicated that is often in the vicinity of illegal brothels throughout Melbourne and contacting persons linked to these brothels, likely to pick up cash.
These include operating brothels located in Coburg, North Melbourne, Laverton and the Melbourne CBD and in the vicinity of brothels which have since been closed in suburbs such as Abbotsford, Richmond and Footscray.

Contact between and owners linked to these brothels, namely is ongoing. is also associated to the
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Intelligence shows after attending venues or being in contact with owners of these venues has contacted individuals who have then been transferring large amounts of money through Casinos throughout Australia.
Intelligence suggests contact with these entities are indicative that has supplied money to them for laundering on behalf of illegal brothel owners through casino accounts.
A number of these casino accounts are linked to the SunCity Junket Operation.

How was the criminality of	As a result of Victoria Police intelligence gleaned from Operations and
the target identified?	into Asian Organised Crime (AOC) several high-profile persons of interest
	were identified to be associated to Casino Junkets and significant cash transactions conducted at a number of Australian casinos, including Crown Melbourne.
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	Victoria Police have liaised with several State and Federal agencies to construct a landscape
	of the current vulnerabilities within Casino Junkets exploitable by organised crime groups.
	The Victoria Police Organised Crime Intelligence Unit (OCIU) has conducted several dual
	enquiries with the into criminal entities associated with Asian Organised Crime
	syndicates, Junket Tour Operators (JTO) including Suncity and Crown Casino.
	. Victoria Police as part of Operation has been liaising with the for some time now to co-operatively target AOC entities attached to Junket Operations
	within Crown. A number of these AOC entities are heavily linked to syndicates with previous
	history of human trafficking, drug trafficking, extortion and money laundering within
	Victoria.
	All the above entities were identified and targeted as part of the intelligence gleaned from
	Operation and and '.'
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What risks does the target pose? Threat Assessment of	The targets have links to transnational organised crime. The targets have access to high level Victorian based Organised Crime Syndicates.
Individual/Group	The targets have access to immense financial resources.
	The targets have strong knowledge of the legal process and engage professional facilitators.
	The targets have infiltrated the gaming industry.
	The targets have built up large commercial business structures to hide the movement of illicit cash and goods.
	The targets have demonstrated knowledge of customs screening procedures and
	have mastered techniques to bypass immigration systems.
Assets identified	Description/Value
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	INVESTIGATION REVIEW LEARNINGS

