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SUBJECT: RITA MAYSON AND DAUGHTER, VICTIMS. [REDACTED] INVESTIGATION COMPLETED HERE WITH EXCEPTION OF INTERVIEW WITH [REDACTED] WHO HAS BEEN UNAVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW TO DATE. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT INVESTIGATION WILL BE COMPLETED AND REPORT SUBMITTED BY DECEMBER 2, 1953.

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

SALT LAKE CITY

REPORT MADE AT BOSTON, MASS.	DATE WHEN MADE 11/30/53	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/8, 16; 11/19, 23-25/53	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] b7C
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; ETNA HAYWORTH and Daughter YASHINE AGA KHAN - VICTIMS			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS
Outlets in New Rochelle, New York, for questioned paper set out, as well as distributor in New York City for paper manufactured at Millers Falls, Mass., set out.

DETAILS: **b7C** [REDACTED] Eaton Paper Corporation, 75 Church Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, stated Eaton's Letter Paper is cut in sizes as follows:

1. Semi Note, which measures open L 15/16 x 7 7/8 and closed L 15/16 x 3 15/16

b7C [REDACTED] states outlets for this paper in the New Rochelle, New York area are:

- Etta's Card Shop, 576 Main Street
- Otto Mueller, Inc., 247 Huguenot Street
- Shelly's Book Shop, Inc., 100 Main Street
- Shipmans, 557 Main Street
- Little Print Shop, 91 Huguenot Street
- Westchester Office Supply, 526 Main Street
- New Rochelle Book Store, 121 North Avenue

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AT MILLERS FALLS, MASSACHUSETTS **b7C**

[REDACTED] Millers Falls Paper Company, advised SA [REDACTED] that his company manufactures Stratosphere writing paper. He stated this type of paper is shipped in unlined sheets in various sizes

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According to order to a converting company, which cuts the paper into various sizes for distribution to retailers. [redacted] stated that the converting company which cuts and distributes Stratosphere paper for New York City and the surrounding area is the Wesley & Winter Company, 1026 West Elizabeth Avenue, Linden, New Jersey. He further stated that this company distributes Stratosphere paper to only one retail company in that area, that being the F. W. Woolworth Company. [redacted] was of the belief that Wesley & Winter Company cuts Stratosphere paper in 6" x 9", 5" x 8", and smaller sized sheets for pads, in 8 1/2" x 11" sheets for loose typewriter paper, and in another size for use in an envelope and stationery combination package. According to [redacted] all of F. W. Woolworth's purchases are made by [redacted] located in the F. W. Woolworth Building, New York City. [redacted] suggested that [redacted] be contacted for more specific information concerning this type of paper.

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LEADS

NEW YORK OFFICE:

AT NEW ROCHELLE, NEW YORK

Will contact list of outlets of Easton's paper listed in details of this report.

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

b7C Will, if deemed advisable, contact [REDACTED] F. W. Weckworth Building, re distribution of Stratosphere paper.

REFERENCES

b7C Boston Air-Tel to the Bureau and New York dated 10/8/53.
Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 10/9/53 at Salt Lake City.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

DATE: 12/2/53

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Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Winterrowd
Tele. Room
Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

TO COMPLETE INTERVIEW WITH [REDACTED] AND REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED
IMMEDIATELY.

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Mr. Rosen

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **SALT LAKE CITY**

WHERE MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 12/23/53	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/6,8,9,15;11/12,17,18;12/3,7,11/53	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] b7c
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; MI TA HAYWORTH AND DAUGHTER YASMINE AGA KAHN - VICTIMS			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Schools and organizations believed to have knowledge of Moslem persons in New Rochelle contacted without developing any logical suspects.

[REDACTED]

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DETAILS:

b7c [REDACTED] The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED] at New York City:

The Committee on Friendly Relations Among Foreign Students, 291 Broadway, New York City, was determined to be an organization which conducts a yearly survey on all foreign students residing in the United States.

b7c According to [REDACTED] the survey is conducted by a circularization of all the colleges in the United States. A survey of this failed to show the address of any student residing in New Rochelle, New York.

The following foreign student organizations were also contacted without developing addresses of any students residing in New Rochelle:

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Association of International Education

220 East 57th Street

New York, New York

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The American East West Society

1209

15 Cedar Street

New York, New York

Four East College Association

10 North Street

New York, New York

American Friends of the Middle East

130 East 57th Street

New York, New York

Council of Foreign Relations

16 East 66th Street

New York, New York

The Registrars at the following colleges in New York City were also contacted:

Columbia University

New York University

Yeshiva University

College of the City of New York

Manhattan College

Bunker College

Barnard College

Mount St. Vincent College

also contacted the Hebrew Unity Assoc. in
Brooklyn, New York, but they were un-
able to get names of any members of their association who
were of New Catholic. They further advised
that no logical contacts as to the identity
of the person who sent the letter to NYRA

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By letter, the Bureau advised that they had
no objection to the interview of

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LOS ANGELES (INFORMATION)

Two copies of this report are forwarded in view of pending investigation in Los Angeles.

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REFERENCE:

Report of SA [REDACTED]
Angeles.

11/10/53, Los

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **SALT LAKE CITY**

REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 1/7/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/27,29;11/10; 20;12/15,18/53; 1/4,5/54	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] 67C
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; RITA HAYWORTH AND DAUGHTER YASMIN AGA KHAN - VICTIMS			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS

No possible suspects or contacts in New Rochelle, N.Y. area suggested by LOUELLA O. PARSONS, I.N.S. movie columnist, Beverly Hills, Calif. No significant letters to Miss HAYWORTH received by Columbia Pictures, Inc., Hollywood, Calif., in recent months. RITA HAYWORTH and family currently residing Fox Run Lane, Greenwich, Conn.

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DETAILS: AT BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA

LOUELLA O. PARSONS, International News Service movie columnist, 619 North Maple Avenue, advised that she receives an average of several thousand letters per month from readers and movie fans throughout the world. Since receipt of instant letter she has not received any similar correspondence, although during the period her corresponding secretaries have been alerted for receipt of any letter from New Rochelle, New York or any other community which would assist in establishing the identity of the author of the instant threatening letter. Miss PARSONS stated that her corresponding staff will continue to be alert for the receipt of any correspondence pertinent to this investigation and upon receipt of something significant she will bring the correspondence to the attention of this office.

Miss PARSONS stated she has a wide acquaintanceship throughout the United States, and knows persons in the New Rochelle area. However, she could suggest persons in that area who might be of assistance in connection

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with this investigation nor could she suggest any suspect in the New Rochelle area who may have composed the instant threatening letter. Miss PARSONS mentioned that during the early part of December, 1953 she spent some time visiting in New York City but during that period recalled nothing relative to persons in the New Rochelle area which might be of assistance in this investigation.

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

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[redacted] Columbia Pictures, Inc., 1420 North Beachwood Avenue, advised that the studio mail division and police department have been alert for the receipt of fan letters to RITA HAYWORTH which might assist in identifying the author of the threatening letter directed to LOUJLIA PARSONS by an unknown subject from New Rochelle, New York. However, no significant correspondence has been received. [redacted] explained that the studio regularly receives a number of letters for Miss HAYWORTH from moving picture fans, but none of the recent correspondence has been unusual. All correspondence for Miss HAYWORTH in recent months has generally followed the usual fan letter theme, which either compliments or criticizes the actress' recent motion picture rolls.

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[redacted] explained that RITA HAYWORTH and her family have been residing in Greenwich, Connecticut since last October, and that she has indicated that she will establish a permanent residence in that city. Her current address is Fox Run Lane, Greenwich, Connecticut. Miss HAYWORTH has moved from her residence at 181 Saltair Avenue, Brentwood, Los Angeles, California and has indicated a desire to sell these premises.

According to [redacted] Columbia Pictures, Inc. has no plans for producing a picture featuring RITA HAYWORTH in the immediate future. However, the studio has a contract with Miss HAYWORTH which will call for her to appear in a picture when a suitable story is available. Under this contract a picture featuring Miss HAYWORTH will be produced at the studio during the year 1954, at which time she will be required to establish a temporary residence in the Los Angeles area.

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THE NEW HAVEN OFFICE

At Greenwich, Connecticut: Will contact RITA HAYWORTH who resides on Fox Run Lane for information concerning any further threatening letters which she may have received.

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REFERENCE: Salt Lake City report of SA [REDACTED] 10/9/53.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (9-2475)

FROM : *at* SAC, Salt Lake City (9-316)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
RITA HAYWORTH, et al - Victims
EXTORTION

DATE: 1/11

All logical investigation has been completed in this case with the exception of the recontact with RITA HAYWORTH to determine if any additional information or letters have been received by her.

There is one lead outstanding for the New Haven Office to contact Miss HAYWORTH at Greenwich, Connecticut, and it is noted that she has been in a travel status and unavailable for contact at Greenwich for some time past.

In the event the outstanding lead does not result in the development of information indicating additional investigation, this case will be closed when the lead is covered.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

SALT LAKE CITY

RE: **ETA MARSHALL and [redacted]**
NEW YORK - [redacted]

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[redacted] advised no additional threats received and no further information to furnish.

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DETAILS:

AT GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT

[redacted] advised no additional threatening letters have been received and that they have no further information that would assist in this investigation. She stated **ETA MARSHALL** and **ALICE MARSHALL** have spent very little of their time at Greenwich, Connecticut, but she is in constant contact with them and would be aware of any developments in this matter. She said on no way she would again explain the Bureau's interest and inquiry and should **ETA MARSHALL** have anything further to add, she would contact the New York Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated January 7, 1954, at Los Angeles.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH**

REPORT MADE AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	DATE WHEN MADE 2/16/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/15/54	REPORT MADE BY b7c
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; PITA HAYWORTH and Daughter YASMINE AGA KHAN - VICTIMS			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: All logical investigation completed.

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DETAILS: All logical investigation in this case has been completed.

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One copy of this report is furnished Los Angeles for information only in view of the extensive investigation conducted by that office.

REFERENCES: Salt Lake City letter to Bureau dated 2/4/50.
Report of SA [REDACTED] New Haven, 2/9/50.

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MAYS, McDELL, ALGASE, CRUM & FEUER
COUNSELLORS AT LAW

MONTIMER MAYS
JACOB J. McDELL
WILLIAM ALGASE
BARTLEY C. CRUM
FRANK FEUER

50 BROADWAY
NEW YORK
TELEPHONE 67-1234

J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I have been requested by Mrs. Richard Haywood (Mrs. Haywood) to thank you and the Bureau for its conscientious and fine work in connection with the threatening letters received by her in relation to her daughter, Yasmin Aly Khan.

I should like to add my personal thanks to hers for the efficient handling of this matter by the Bureau.

With warmest personal regards and all good luck,

Very sincerely,



Bartley C. Crum

BCC:ss

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Mr. Bartley C. Crum
Ways, Podell, Algabe, Crum and
Foster
39 Broadway
New York 6, New York

Dear Mr. Crum:

Your letter dated May 6, 1954, has been received.

Thank you very much for writing me regarding the threatening letters received by Mrs. Richard Haynes. I sincerely appreciate your thoughtfulness, and you may be sure that it was a pleasure to be of service. Please express my gratitude to Mrs. Haynes for her courtesy in asking you to communicate with me.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **SALT LAKE CITY**

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 5/25/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/6/54	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] b7c pha
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; RITA HAYWORTH AND DAUGHTER YASMINE AGA KRAM - VICTIMS		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS <p style="text-align: center;">BARTLEY C. CRUM, Attorney for RITA HAYWORTH, advised that no further threatening letters have been received by her.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- RUC -</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">On May 6, 1954 BARTLEY C. CRUM, Attorney for RITA HAYWORTH, advised that no further threatening letters had been received by her since the original letter in instant matter.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- RUC -</p>			
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LOS ANGELES (Information)

One copy of instant report is being designated for b7c
Los Angeles Office inasmuch as the report of SA [REDACTED]
Los Angeles, 1/7/54, set forth a lead for the New Haven Office
at Greenwich, Conn. to contact RITA HAYWORTH for information
concerning any further threatening letters which she may have
received. In view of the fact that Miss HAYWORTH moved to
NY, this lead was covered by the NYO. At the time of the
interview with Mr. CRON, he expressed the appreciation for
Miss HAYWORTH and for himself for what he regarded as the
excellent cooperation and work of the FBI in this case.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. ROSEN

DATE: August 5, 1954

FROM : E. H. WINTERROWD

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT
RITA HAYWORTH AND DAUGHTER YASMINE
AGA KHAN, VICTIMS
EXTORTION

Tolson	
Boardman	
Belmont	
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Parsons	
Quinn Tamm	
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In a column written by Dorothy Kilgallen appearing in the Washington Post and Times Herald for August 5, 1954, it was stated that "Rita Hayworth has turned over to the FBI a new batch of threatening letters."

This is to advise that a thorough check at the Bureau failed to reflect any information along these lines. Furthermore, the New York Division advised that they had received no report of this nature.

With the thought in mind that Rita Hayworth is probably located at Lake Tahoe, which is located in the States of Nevada and California, the Salt Lake City Division and the San Francisco Division were contacted with negative results.

SAC Whelan at San Francisco, when he was contacted, was instructed to check with Los Angeles, and when he called back after checking the San Francisco records he advised that the Los Angeles Division had received no complaint or information as to a new group of threatening letters sent to Rita Hayworth.

All offices are alert for a report along these lines and you will be advised promptly in the event any information is developed.

The Bureau did previously conduct investigation in connection with letters received by Rita Hayworth in September, 1953, Miss Hayworth received two letters, one postmarked September 7, 1953, at New Rochelle, New York, and one postmarked September 16, 1953, at Brooklyn. The letters threatened Miss Hayworth's daughter, Yasmine Khan if she married Dick Haymes. Considerable investigation conducted by the Bureau and the case was closed May, 1954, when [redacted] for Miss Hayworth, advised that no further [redacted] had been received. On May 6, 1954, [redacted] sent a letter to the Director thanking the Bureau for the efficient handling of the matter.

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Threats to FBI

MIDNIGHT MORTGAGE—
Rita Hayworth has received over
to the FBI a new batch of
threatening letters . . . Will

Mays bashfully
denies reports
that he'll mar-
ry a young in-
surance worker
named Elaine
McNeal, but
her chums say
the page one
altar took is
only a few
months away



John Bar-
ry More, Jr.,
and the Mills women are causing
major headaches on the
summer circuit. Equity had to
get into the act last week in
Chicago, Conn.

Ice skating star Carol Lynne
has made a spectacular recovery
from a grave illness, thanks

LOVELLA PARSONS is
on her vacation. Her column
will be resumed on her re-
turn.

In some medical miracles and
the morale-building devotion of
her husband, ad exec Bill Ross
Yvonne deCarlo's latest
heart interest is a beautiful
bank o' man—Las Vegas Hef-
eguard George Anas

The Nation's fastest growing
criminal activity is phony-check
paying. With two and a half
trillion dollars' worth of checks
flowing through United States
banks in a year, the field for
cheating is wide open.

HAILE SELASSIE'S grand-
son, Merid Beyene, is strolling
the Columbia campus with a
St. Louis girl, Ruth Hart . . .

The Songwriters Protective
Association is holding a West
Coast convention in Hollywood
pressing
branch
out

Some of John's Astor's
best friends would not be fright-
fully surprised if he were se-
cretly married again, despite
his inability to convince Ger-
ie's lawyers that his Mexican
divorce is valid

Milton Berle in "On the
Street" is finding the
right girl in many of
the gas station many a
street

Northwestern and Pamela Rank
will give their marriage the
last legal ending.

BROADWAY Guessing
Game: A Congressman from
New York is under investiga-
tion by the District Attorney's
office for taking kickbacks. An
indictment might result.

Oh! trouble is the reason
why the conductor of one of
Broadway's hits sneaks into
the theater hours before cur-
tain time, so the belles can't
snub him at the stage door. He
leaves via a fire exit

Amazing how they hushed
the tale of the famed judge
who was thrown out of an ele-
gant East Side bistro several
mornings ago for being too in-
toxicated and too, too noisy.
He made such a racket in front
of the place that the police
were summoned. The amazed
gendarmes took one look at
the familiar face, escorted His
Honor home—and the story
never hit the front pages

AN AMATEUR producer
with an option on a Broadway
play is having such fun cast-
ing for the part of the ingenu-
in his attractive apartment
that he refuses to settle on
any actress for the role—which

- Tolson _____
- Boardman _____
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- Parsons _____
- Rosen _____
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- Tele. Room _____
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Times Herald
Wash. News
Wash. Star
N. Y. Herald Tribune
N. Y. Mirror

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Date: AUG 5

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : L. B. NICHOLS *LN*

FROM : D. J. PARSONS *DJP 29*

SUBJECT: U.S. SUB
Rita Dayworth and Daughter
Yasmin
VIKEX

DATE: 4-5-56

Tolson _____
Boardman _____
Belmont _____
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See...

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Pete:

Just think what this won't
happen because it truly will
if you marry Dick & Agnes
your little girl Rosamie
will be killed and if you
don't want this to happen then
you had better go back
to Aly Khan and else
for you, your rotten
and there will be some one
that will beat you so
that you will have to
go to the hospital and
your career as nose

It will be over

Mrs. HAYWORTH,
You should've
TAKE MY ADVICE

You will
be...
to...
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You will suffer
too!! PRAISE A...
L...

and my to...

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Miss. Rita Hayworth
o/o Sands Hotel
Las Vegas
Nevada

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Miss Rita Hayworth
Sands Hotel
Las Vegas, Nevada

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Lab. Form No. 1-53 (Rev. 1-53)

No: Unsubs.; RITA HAYWORTH
and Child YASKINE - Victims
Extortion

File # 44-2152
Lab. # D-172540 BS

LAB FILE

Examination requested by: SAC, Salt Lake City 9-346

Date of reference communication: Let. 9/15/53

Date received: 9/16/53

Examination requested: Doc. -Pr.

Examination by: [redacted] b7C

Result of Examination:

1. Phys. char. (see reverse). b7C
2. Nothing signif. [redacted] 432, 4 - N.Y., Nev., Calif. + surrounding - all
3. Not possible to det. mfg. of ink. cap and pencil felt
4. Stratiplan. Mellin's Food Co. Miller Falls, Mass. 9-17-53

Specimens submitted for examination

- 1 Letter nw in ink, beg. "kita: Don't think that this won't happen...." ending "...star will be over."

cc: Los Angeles
New York

No latent of value developed on 9/17/53

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60^m - "Stratophen" - Miller Falls
Paper Co., Miller Falls, Mass.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
(WITH STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE)

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: Unsub.;
LITA HAYWORTH and Daughter
YASHIN - Victims
Extortion

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Lab. # D-172667 BS

LAB FILE

Examination requested by: SAC, Los Angeles 9-1502

Date of reference communication: Let. 9/19/53

Date received: 9/21/53

Examination requested: Doc.

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Result of Examination:

Examination by: [REDACTED]

K2 No IDENT QM W HAYWORTH & PARSONS CASES - K2 E LA. not
filed 9-21-53 JHE

Specimens submitted for examination

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RETURN EVIDENCE

cc - St City
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Result of Examination:

Examination by: [Redacted]

K1 no ident Q4w Q1 in ^{S.L.C. 7-15-53} ~~Raymond case~~ + Q142 in Parsons case.
K1 2 Albany. Not photo. 9-21-53, P.E. (LA. - 9-14-53)

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RETURN EVIDENCE

cc: SL City, NY

Yel. & lab ccs. for file on Louella Parsons.

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: Unsub.
RITA HAYWORTH and
Child YAKKAN - Victims
Extortion

File # 9-22152
Lab. # D-172692 BS

LAB FILE

Examination requested by: SAC, Salt Lake City 9-346

Date of reference communication: Air-tel 9/17/53 Date received: 9/21/53

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Result of Examination:

Examination by: [Redacted]

1. Phys. char. (see reverse) Nothing signif.
2. Hw add ident QM w letter King with a QM says let L Parsons. (Returned 60 days)
9-23-53
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Specimens submitted for examination

1 envelope addressed to "Miss Rita Hayworth, c/o Sands Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada," pm at New Rochelle, N. Y., September 7, 1953, 10:00 PM.

cc: Los Angeles
New York

Yel. & lab ccs. for
Louella Parsons case.

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Received 9/24/53 [initials]

Re: Unsub;
RITA HAYWORTH and
Daughter YASMIN - Victims
Extortion

File # 9-24752
Lab. # D-17253 BS

LAB FILE

Examination requested by: SAC, Salt Lake City 9-366

Date of reference communication: Let. 9/22/53

Date received: 9/23/53

Examination requested: Doc. - Fr.

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Examination by: [redacted]

Result of Examination:

1. Phys. char. (see reverse).
2. Note HP Q 24 with HW Q 1-2 in 9-24752 and HW Q 1-2 in 9-24784. Not comp.
3. [faded]
4. No need ALP MHP 7-24-53

Specimens submitted for examination

1. Envelope addressed to "Miss Rita Hayworth Sands Hotel Las Vegas, Nev." pm at Brooklyn, N. Y., September 10, 1953, 11:00 P.M.
2. Accomp. no letter, beg. "Miss Hayworth, You should've taken..." ending "—Mohammed and his followers."

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cc: WFO
NY
LA (9-1502)

ts: [redacted] 5722

Tel. & lab ces.: 9-24764

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Q4 - " " - " " - some indication
that it may have come from bound pad 90
5.93 x 8.96 x .0033 - .0035.

Salutation: "Rite" is ~~ok~~ not by colon - ~~help~~ to proper form & punctuation
"truly will" - feminine phraseology but appears written by ^{man}.

did ~~you~~ - spelled correctly

Jasmin - spelled ^{correctly} ~~phonetically~~ - average newspaper under feminine "Jasmin"

thy ~~then~~ - spelled correctly

"your rotten" is sole uncomplicated reference to Hayward.

Last part of letter consisting of 6 lines in 15 line letter is devoted
to threatening bodily harm to Hayward.

Paper is "Stratophere" book

Mailed from comfortable distance from N.Y.C.

None of letter not particularly emotional

Stop at top of page two - must unusual for an emotionally disturbed
anon let writer to stop with an almost complete page
before him

Star written with "S" large "S."

"Stratophere"

Sorothy Kilgallen

Rita Reports New Threats to FBI

MIDNIGHT NOTEBOOK— Rita Hayworth has turned over to the FBI a new batch of threatening letters . . . Willie Mays bashfully denies reports that he'll marry a young insurance worker named Elaine McNeal but her chums say the page one altar trek is only a few months away . . . John Barrymore, Jr.



Miss Kilgallen

and the little woman are causing major headaches on the summer circuit. Equity had to get into the act last week in Clinton, Conn.

The skating star Carol Lynne made a spectacular recovery from a grave illness thanks

LOUELLA PARSONS is on her vacation. Her column will be resumed on her return.

some medical miracles and moral building devotion of her husband, ad exec Bill Ross . . . Yvonne deCarlo's latest heart interest is a beautiful hunk o' man—Las Vegas big guard George Aas.

The Nation's fastest growing criminal activity is phony-check paying. With two and a half trillion dollars' worth of checks flowing through United States banks in a year, the field for cheating is wide open.

HARLE BELASSIE'S grandson, Merid Beynon, is strutting the Columbia campus with a BL Paris girl, Ruth Hart . . . The magazine writers' Publishers' Guild is opening a spot market. The Hollywood writers have been pressuring the Guild to get a legal right to copy tape on royalties for them.

Some of John Jacob Astor's best friends wouldn't be frightfully surprised if he were secretly married again, despite his inability to convince Gottie's lawyers that his Mexican divorce is valid.

Marion Brandon in "On the Waterfront" is grabbing the

Barthelmess and Pamela Rank will give their marriage the fast legal ending.

BROADWAY Guessing Game: A Congressman from New York is under investigation by the District Attorney's office for taking kickbacks. An indictment might result.

Girl trouble is the reason why the conductor of one of Broadway's hits soaks into the theater hours before curtain time, so the belles can't nab him at the stage door. He leaves via a fire exit.

Amazing how they hushed the tale of the famed judge who was thrown out of an elegant East Side bistro several mornings ago for being too intoxicated and too noisy. He made such a racket in front of the place that the police were summoned. The amazed gendarmes took one look at the familiar face, escorted His Honor home—and the story never hit the front pages.

AN AMATEUR producer with an option on a Broadway play is having such fun casting for the part of the ingenue in his attractive apartment that he refuses to settle on any actress for the role—which

is why the author is trying to get his script back.

Those rumors of a rift in the Larry-Tiv household are making the London rounds again . . . The latest proof that Hollywood starlets graduate to tele-vision, instead of vice versa, is Cinderella girl Marjorie Miller. As a result of her click in the Shirley Booth film, "About Mrs. Leslie," Lela & Fink proxy Ed Plant signed her for the Ray Gojger video show in the fall.

Tablens not to be missed by devotees of the urban scene: Rocky Graziano autographing fans' Bermuda shorts at Birdland . . . Loland Hayward's film is expected to come his

to produce his 7 super-show . . . Happy note for gamblers: The price of frogs' legs will nose-dive this winter.

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Hayworth Children Taken to Las Vegas

By the Associated Press

LAS VEGAS, Nev., Sept. 18.—Rita Hayworth's two small daughters have joined her here for safekeeping while two anonymous letters threatening death are investigated.

Accompanied by a nurse, Yasmin, 3½, the actress' daughter by her divorced husband, Moslem Pince Al-Khan, and Rebecca, 8, a daughter by her former husband, Orson Welles, arrived by plane from Los Angeles last night.

Their mother met them at the airport. Sheriff's deputies also were on hand.

"Thank God we are together again," the actress exclaimed.

Then the little girls who believe they are here for an outing, were taken to the hotel where their mother has been staying.

The children were placed under guard after Miss Hayworth's attorney told the FBI she had received two letters threatening death to herself and Yasmin unless they returned to Aly, the FBI is investigating the letters from 1274 New Rochelle, N. Y.

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Daughters Guarded After Rita Hayworth Gets Second Threat

By the Associated Press
LOS ANGELES, Sept. 14—Rita Hayworth's two young daughters are under armed guard at her home today after the film star yesterday said she received the second of two letters threatening death unless she returns to Prince Aly Khan.

Included in the death threat was Yasmín, the 11-year-old daughter of Miss Hayworth and Prince Aly Khan.

Prince Aly Khan, Bentley Crum, who is in charge of the two letters, said the armed guard was placed over Yasmín and her half sister, Rebecca Weller, 8, daughter of Jason Weller and Miss Hayworth, at Miss Hayworth's home.

Won't Take Chance.

"I don't know if this is serious or not, but it would be very foolish to take a chance," Mr. Crum said.

Miss Hayworth is in Las Vegas, Nev., visiting Crooner Dick Haymes, whom she plans to marry later this month. The FBI there opened an investigation into the threats yesterday and it will be continued today.

In Las Vegas a spokesman for the actress said she made the following comment about the threats: "I don't know who would do this or why. I'm not worried for myself, but I am concerned over the welfare of my child and my child must be kept safe and unharmed, regardless of what it costs."

Both letters reportedly bore postmarks from New Rochelle, N. Y. The first was received several days ago and a spokesman at Las Vegas said it was relayed from a Hollywood columnist. The second came Saturday at Miss Hayworth's home in Las Vegas.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, New York
SUBJECT: RITA HAYWORTH
SECURITY MATTER - C

DATE: May 21, 1946

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For the information of the Bureau, there are enclosed herewith two copies and translation of a letter written to "Mrs. RITA HAYWORTH, Suite 1501, 192 Lexington Avenue" by one [redacted] detainee at Ellis Island. This letter was given by [redacted] to [redacted] a stevedore, for mailing. The original of the letter was returned to the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Ellis Island.

The JOINT ANTI-FASCIST REFUGEE COMMITTEE and its affiliate "SPANISH REFUGEE APPEAL" have their offices at the above address. The name "RITA HAYWORTH" appears on the list of national sponsors on a letterhead of "SPANISH REFUGEE APPEAL OF THE JOINT ANTI-FASCIST REFUGEE COMMITTEE" dated June 1, 1945. It is believed that this RITA HAYWORTH is identical with the motion picture actress.

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New York, April 13, 1946

Mrs. Rita Hayworth

My dear Madam,

After greeting you cordially and wishing you perfect health, I take pleasure in telling you of my sincerest feeling for your outstanding activity in an anti-Fascist organization for the purpose of aiding Spanish refugees and other needy comrades. I do not find enough words in my heart to congratulate you on the way that you are carrying on your work of helping the needy in cooperation with the other comrades. You must pardon me for the way in which I express myself. In my poor but honorable home, there never was any way for what may be called furthering myself in my studies. Therefore, my fund of knowledge is that which acquired in my childhood over a period which certainly was short, since as a very young boy I began to suffer the horrors of war and to date I have not had a single minute of relief. I left my home when I was only thirteen years old and it is very sad to say that I hardly know what mother love means. Isn't that sad, madam? She knows very well how much I have suffered, but the saddest thing is that she does not know now how much I am suffering nor does she even know where I am. In spite of the fact that I am young, I am old (in not considering myself at all). I have been fighting hunger and poverty for ten years, first in the prisons of Spain under the yoke of the Fascist hordes, then in the Army, also Franquist (as each citizen is obliged to do), then in France, martyred by the Nazis and finally here, for although the behavior of the authorities cannot be better, it does not remove the fact that I shall be returned to France as is proved by a letter which I have had for a month. The letter was sent by the Department of Justice and in it they notify me of my deportation. For the present time, I do not have better news than that which the authorities of this place have given me, Madam. I arrived here on the 16th of February, that is, two months ago, and to date, I have not had any satisfactory news from the organization in which you are a member but I do not mean by that that they are not concerning themselves with me. Quite to the contrary, they are carrying on a work worthy of being engraved in the hearts of all true Spaniards, and not only of the Spaniards but on the hearts of all people. They are setting an example of what it means to be anti-Fascist. There are those who have the word anti-Fascist on their lips but they barely know what it means. What is really needed is that one feel it in one's heart and give proof of it at all times. The proof of it is quite evident in the place where several of us Spaniards are and all those who have written to the organization have had an answer. Therefore, I came here to see if I could go to Mexico or some other Spanish American Republic, where I can live by dint of my work, since what I want is to live and not to die of hunger.

Tomorrow is the 15th anniversary of the Spanish Republic, which was so basely dashed to the ground by Italian, Nazi, Moroccan and mercenary legions who were paid by that usurious capitalism in cooperation with that insignificant Franco, paint splasher and traitor. That filthy general could be called many other things also, but the Republic has not died nor will it ever die, since her sons will water the fields with blood for her if it is necessary. With this, I shout "Hail to the Republic" and I salute the tri-color flag.

Since this is getting too boring, or to put it in other words, since I am already bothering you too much, I hope that you will excuse me, and especially for my way of expressing myself.

I do not know your exact address, but I believe that the comrades will send it to your home.

I have written to you for the purpose of congratulating you, greeting you and wishing you the best of health, as well as to your husband and daughter.

Respectfully yours,

From

Room 222
Ellis Island
New York

Translator: Sophia Yulka

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New York 13 Abril 1946

Señora Rita Hayworth

Muy señora mía:

Después de saludarla atentamente y de desearte un perfecto estado de salud tengo el gusto de comunicarte mi más sincera emoción por la brillante actuación dentro de un organismo anti-fascista de ayuda a los refugiados españoles y otros compañeros necesitados, no encuentro dentro de mi corazón palabras suficientes para felicitarte como lleva a cabo su obra de ayuda a los necesitados, en cooperación con los demás compañeros, debe usted de agradecerme por mi manera de expresarme; en mi hogar, pero heresto hogar nunca hubo medios para lo que se llama ejercitarse en los estudios por lo tanto me vayan en lo que mi inteligencia se desarrolló en mi mente que por cierto fue corta, ya desde muy joven comencé a sufrir los horrors de la guerra y hasta la fecha no he tenido ni un solo minuto de sol 99, salí de mi hogar cuando solo contaba trece años y es muy doloroso el decir que apenas se lo que significa el calor maternal, ¿no es esto triste señora? ella sabe

bien lo mucho que yo he sufrido pero lo mas triste es
que no seba actualmente lo que tubo ni siquiera donde
me encuentras, (a pesar de ser joven casi soy viejo por no
considerarme del todo) son diez años los que llevo luchan-
do con el hombre y la miseria, primero en las prisiones
de España bajo el yugo de las hordas fascistas luego
en el ejército, tambien franquista, como es natural obli-
go despues en francia martirizada por los nazis y por úl-
timo aqui que aunque el comportamiento de las autorida-
des es inmejorable no quita que sea devuelto a francia
como prueba una carta que se halla en mi poder desde
hace un mes la carta viene dirigida del departamento
de justicia y en ella me notifican mi deportacion por la
presente no tengo mejores noticias que las que me han dado
sus autoridades de esta localidad; señora yo llegue
aqui el dia 16 de febrero, hace ya dos meses y hasta
la fecha no he tenido ninguna noticia satisfactoria de
la organizacion en que va forma parte, no por eso quiero
decir que no se preocupan si no todo lo contrario, estan
realizando una labor digna de quedar grabada en todos
los corazones de los oboladores españoles y que solo de los
niños siene del mundo entero, estan dando ejemplo

de lo que significa ser antifascistas hay quien lleva en los labios la palabra antifascista pero ni siquiera saben lo que significa, lo que hace falta es verlo en la acción y demostrarlo en todos los momentos, la prueba es bien evidente en este lugar donde nos encontramos unos españoles y todos los que te has dirigido a la organización o han obtenido respuesta. Por lo tanto yo voy aquí con el propósito de si podía ser trasladarme a México o a otra república americana - donde yo pueda vivir de mi trabajo, pues yo lo que quiero es vivir, y no morir de hambre.

Mañana se cumple el decimo-quinto aniversario de la República española, que tan vilmente fue anulada atropellada por legiones italianas, nazis y maniqués comunistas que fueron pagados por el capitalismo americano en cooperación con el pelile de trouco, pinta mona, y haidu otras cosas más que se le puede llamar a este general de lucía espada, pero la república no a muerto nunca ni morir, porque sus hijos regaron con sangre los campos por ella si fuere preciso, con esto doy un bravo a la República y saludo a la bandera tricolor.

Como esto se la hara demasiado pesado, o muy dicho la moletos ya demasiado espero que me perdone por todo.

especialmente por una manera de expresarme

Exactamente no te la dirección para considero

en las comerciantes te la encorran a tu domicilio

Me he dirigido a Ud. con el fin de felicitarla,
saludarla y desearle un perfecto estado de salud así como
a su hijita y esposa

Queda de Ud. s. d. h.



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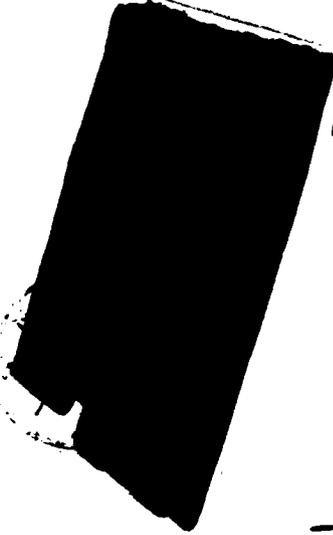
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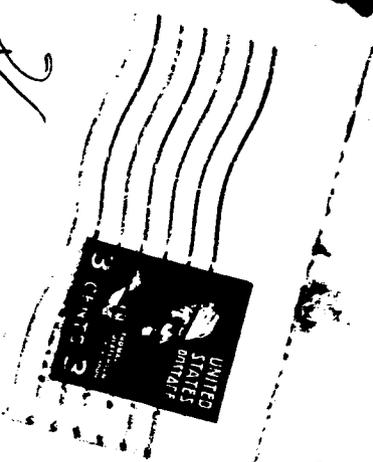


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March 26, 1951

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
F. B. I. Director
Washington, D. C.

Honorable

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~~MAR 29 1951~~

Please pardon
my intrusion into your
busy life with the following
question. But it has been
a source of agitation in
my mind for some time.

The Director
 Mr. Tolson
 Mr. Ladd
 Mr. Rosen
 Mr. Clegg
 Mr. Glavin
 Mr. Nichols
 Mr. Tracy
 Mr. Harbo

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Mr. Tolson	
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File No. **62-2175**

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS

Press releases in November, 1943 referred to Dept. in Washington indicated possible Federal violations of Ex-emption Statute on part of subject, alleged to have possession of obscene letter written by KAYWORTH, which he was using to extort various sums from victim. Preliminary inquiry failed to substantiate sufficient evidence for prosecution or further investigation. U.S. Attorney declined prosecution.

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DETAILS:

By letter dated December 4, 1943, United States Attorney CHARLES W. GARR transmitted a letter received from TOM C. CLARK, Assistant United States Attorney General, dated November 29, 1943 relating to the RITA KAYWORTH-CHARLES JESCH controversy.

The Department in Washington received on November 19, 1943 a letter together with various newspaper clippings appearing in the Los Angeles press in November, 1943, relative to the legal proceedings involving divorce action and suits for settlement between subject and victim, who is a well known motion picture actress.

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Preliminary inquiry was requested by the Department of the United States Attorney to determine if there was any federal violations involved, particularly of the Extortion Statute, as well as transmission of obscene matter through the mail.

A review of instant press releases disclose that subject and victim arranged for a \$12,000 community property settlement, whereby HAYWORTH was to pay JUDSON the \$12,000 in \$500 monthly installments. When HAYWORTH defaulted on one of the installments, JUDSON brought suit alleging he was in possession of a mysterious letter which had been forwarded to JUDSON by victim in which victim set out various intimacies with other men. The press hinted that subject held this letter "over victim's head" in an attempt to induce her to resume the \$500 payments.

It was ascertained by Special Agent

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The facts of this case were discussed with Assistant United States Attorney ROBERT CARTER, who advised that preliminary inquiry conducted by this office did not produce sufficient evidence to warrant further investigation or prosecutive action. It was felt that the conflicting stories and rumors in Hollywood were insufficient to support a violation of the Federal Statutes.

It was further pointed out that there was some doubt as to whether the letter actually existed and furthermore it would be difficult admitting testimony of the wife against the husband, either before or after divorce in a matter of this sort. In view of this situation, prosecution was declined.

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