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Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D.C. 20535

August 31, 2016

MR. JOHN GREENEWALD JR.

FOIPA Request No.: 1339842-000 Subject: LAMARR, HEDY

Dear Mr. Greenewald:

Records responsive to your request were previously processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. Enclosed are 3 pages of previously-processed documents and a copy of the Explanation of Exemptions. This release is being provided to you at no charge.

Please be advised that additional records potentially responsive to your subject may exist. If this release of previously processed material does not satisfy your information needs for the requested subject, you may request an additional search for records. Submit your request by mail or fax to – Work Process Unit, 170 Marcel Drive, Winchester, VA 22602, fax number (540) 868-4997. Please cite the FOIPA Request Number in your correspondence.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S. C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

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Sincerely yours,

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David M. Hardy Section Chief, Record/Information Dissemination Section Records Management Division

Enclosure(s)

EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service he release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

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Requester Name(s) :

Greenewald, John Mr. Subject :

Lamarr, Hedy

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MAILED AUG 2 9 1957 NAME CHECK

August 29, 1957

HEDY LAMARN LEE Summar AR! nee Kiesler Born: November 9, 1914 Austria

No investigation pertinent to your inquiry has been conducted by the FBI concerning the captioned individual. However, the files of this Bureau reflect the following information which may relate to the subject of your name check request.

A confidential informant who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that on November 10, 1941, a dinner was given at Cire's Restaurant, Hellywood, California, under the auspices of the American Committee to Save Refugees, the Exiled Writers' Committee and the United American Spanish Aid Committee. The informant further advised that Hedy Lamarr, not further identified, was one of the sponsors of this dinner.

The United American Spanish Aid Committee was cited by the Attorney General as an organization within the purview of Executive Order No. 10450. The American Committee to Save Refugees has been cited by the Special Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives as a communist front and the Exiled Writers' Committee has been cited by the Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities as a communist front.

b7E Hedy Lamarr advised that she met Pritz Mandl in 1931, married him in 1932 and separated from him in 1937. She indicated she had only seen him once since 1937, this being in 1940. She advised she had no knowledge of his activities. Tolson Nichols Orig. and one to State Dept. Boardman Belmont _ Req. rec'd 8-7-57 Mohr _ :sjm/cj RECURDED-85 **b6** Parsons b7C Rosen (4)// INDEXED-85 Tamm . Trotter . Nease ug 29 1957 Tele. Room CONFIDENTIAL Holloman . Gandy _ MAIL ROOM



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He was, in August, 1944, placed on the combined American and British Proclaimed List of persons and organizations with whom trade was prohibited by allied countries. Mandl was known to associate with German Nationals and other individuals who ware pro-German.

The May 20, 1947, issue of the Los Angeles "Herald and Express" carried an article which stated that Hedy Lamarr was present at a program presented by the Progressive Citizens of America (PCA). It was further stated that she gave w100 to the FCA program.

The PCA has been cited by the California Committee on Un-American Activities in their reports of 1947 and 1948, as a communist front.

The foregoing information is furnished to you as a result of your request for an FBI file check and is not to be construed as a clearance or a nonclearance of the individual involved. This information is loaned for your use and is not to be disseminated outside of your agency.

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