

During this operation Maheu had his staff prepare a paper citing dangers to U. S. economy and trade resulting from the Onassis deal. Through contacts in FOA, Maheu had Harold Stassen read this paper in the National Security Council on 22 June 1954. During this same period Maheu briefed Scott McLeod, Assistant Secretary of State for Security and Consular Affairs on the project. McLeod agreed to furnish State commo and pouch facilities subject to John Foster Dulles' approval. Additionally, Maheu briefed J. Edgar Hoover and Vice President Nixon.

In August of 1954, Maheu advised this Office of his relationship with Niarchus. NEA Division was contacted and expressed interest in this matter. They were put in touch with Maheu and furnished him a commo channel, a pouch system and operational guidance. International litigation erupted as a result of the Onassis/Niarchus matter, and as a result of Niarchus claiming Government privilege in the case, the Agency was subsequently identified as being the Government agency involved. Files of this Office reflect extensive correspondence furnished us by the Office of General Counsel in 1956 regarding the Onassis matter.

On 16 August 1954 Subject was granted a covert security clearance for utilization as an agent under Project TWIXT in the Near East. On 30 August 1954 he was granted a similar clearance to permit his use in the United States as a covert associate under Project LPHIDDEN. In November of 1957, a cable from Ciudad Trujillo indicated that Mr. Maheu had allegedly been involved in a violation of the Mann Act in procuring and transporting prostitutes for **President Sukarno** during **Sukarno's state** visit to the United States in 1956. Mr. Maheu contacted this Office to advise that the allegations were without foundation and stated that he would take steps immediately to have his attorney see that appropriate Dominican officials would retract the charges. This was subsequently done. Edward Bennett Williams acted as Maheu's lawyer in this matter.

In 1957 information was received indicating that during President Sukarno's visit to Moscow in the fall of 1956, he was introduced to a Soviet woman within the Kremlin. He had an affair with her against the admonitions of his advisers. It was reported that the Soviets took detailed films of the affair and that a copy was sent to the PKI. In June of 1957 Al Ulmer and Samuel Halpern, FE Division, contacted the

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Director of Security and outlined a project wherein they envisioned a film being made simulating this affair. It was planned that clips from this film would be inserted in a leaflet for distribution throughout Southeast Asia suggesting that Sukarno was compromised by the Soviets. In July of 1957, Robert Maheu was given this assignment. He utilized a trusted male employee of this organization (since deceased) and his fiancée. Maheu after an intensive make-up course, administered the make-up to the participants himself, utilizing available pictures and descriptions of the subjects as a guide. He hired a studio where he was given detailed instruction on the use of the lights and camera. When the film was taken, only Maheu and the two participants were in the studio. The project known as "Happy Days," was never completed and the film was not distributed.

Files of this Office reflect that during the 1958-1959 period, FE Division was put in touch with Maheu by this Office for assistance in another operation relating to President Sukarno. This project was originated in May 1958 when FE Division initially contacted the Director of Security and briefed him on the project known as HARPSTAR. Basically, the project capitalized on President Sukarno's known weakness for Caucasian women. Robert Maheu was given the assignment to locate a female-candidate. He advised that a prominent ~~attorney~~ attorney and "man about town," ~~could~~ could come up with a qualified woman. ~~was~~ was investigated with favorable results and given a CSA on 2 July 1958 but was not made witting of CIA interest. The female candidate was ~~a well-to-do widow, approximately~~ a well-to-do widow, approximately 35 years of age, resident of ~~considered to be~~ considered to be highly intelligent and extremely attractive. In August of 1958, the Project HARPSTAR plan was concurred in by the COPS and the DCI.

In September of 1958, Maheu and James O'Connell, of this Office, met with ~~in New York City.~~ in New York City. ~~was~~ was briefed on Agency interest in the matter. Later in September Maheu met with ~~in New York City under his true~~ in New York City under his true name and told her of governmental interest. ~~knew~~ knew Maheu's true identity having been introduced to him socially by ~~On the same day (23 September 1958),~~ On the same day (23 September 1958), ~~was introduced to Joseph Smith, FE Division (known to both~~ was introduced to Joseph Smith, FE Division (known to both ~~and Maheu as Joseph Sims).~~ and Maheu as Joseph Sims). ~~was~~ was briefed on the assignment, indicated that she understood exactly what was

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expected of her and stated that she could leave the country in 45 days. On 24 September 1958 "Sims" again met with ██████ at which time she was told she would be accompanied by a female traveling companion, Elizabeth Hogarth (actually Elizabeth Harter, FE Division). ██████ was told that "Hogarth" would ostensibly be her secretary but would be, in fact, the person she would look to for direction.

Records of this Office do not reflect any of the activities of ██████ during the course of her mission. It is known that she did meet Sukarno, but due to unfortunate timing that had him leaving his country on official business, she had little time to cultivate him. Consequently, the purpose of the mission was not fulfilled. The last known contact ██████ had with the Agency was in the form of a telephone call on 12 April 1961 when she called on a sterile line and talked to Mr. Hugh Tovar, who she knew as George Henry. She advised that one ██████ had asked her to give a party for President Sukarno who would be in Los Angeles on 21 April 1961. ██████ wanted to know whether the Agency was interested in sponsoring this party. A negative response was given.

In June of 1959, a covert security approval was issued for the use of Maheu by IO Division in order for him to be approached and advised of Agency interest in International Labor. Files of this Office do not reflect whether or not this was done. On 7 October 1959 a covert security approval was granted for Mr. Maheu's use in the United States. The request for approval indicated that Subject might be employed by the King of Jordan to handle Jordanian public relations in the United States. Mr. Maheu's later involvement in the procurement of feminine companionship for King Hussein during the latter's state visit to the United States is set forth in Attachment A.

In August of 1960, Richard M. Bissell, the then DD/P contacted the Director of Security regarding the Roselli matter. Details concerning this are set forth in Attachment B.

In 1966 information was received by the Agency indicating that the Senate Administrative Practices Subcommittee, under the chairmanship of Senator Edward V. Long, had advised Maheu that his testimony was desired concerning his relationship with Onassis, Savros Niarchos, Sam Giancana and ██████. The Subcommittee interest was invasion of privacy and

SUBJECT: Robert Maheu - **King Hussein** Incident

1. In connection with the official State visit of **King Hussein** from 16 March through 18 April 1959, the Office of Security was requested to render special support during the Los Angeles and New York phases of the tour. According to NEA personnel Messrs. Norman Paul, Fred LaTrash and William Arms, **King Hussein** was especially desirous of female companionship during his Los Angeles visit and it was requested that appropriate arrangements be made through a controlled source of the Office in order to assure a satisfied visit.

2. On 3 April 1959 Mr. Robert Maheu, a cleared Office of Security contact, was asked to arrange a party for **King Hussein** at Los Angeles, California. This was done by Mr. Maheu through Mr. ~~██████████~~. Mr. ~~██████████~~ is a prominent ~~██████████~~ attorney and ~~██████████~~ figure previously granted a covert security approval for use by FE Division. By pre-arrangement, during the course of this party **King Hussein** was introduced to ~~██████████~~, a part-time screen and stage actress. For the duration of **King Hussein's** stay in Los Angeles, 3 through 7 April 1959, he and Miss ~~██████████~~ became intimate friends. It was indicated by Mr. LaTrash, who was integrated into the State party, that **King Hussein** desired to continue his friendship with Miss ~~██████████~~ and that he wished to meet with her during his stay in New York City from 14 through 18 April 1959.

3. On 13 April 1959 arrangements were made to rent the home of ~~██████████~~, an Office of Security source, at Long Beach, Long Island, for the period 14 through 18 April 1959. The home was to be used as a confidential meeting place for Miss ~~██████████~~ and **King Hussein**. At the same time Miss ~~██████████~~ was registered at the Hotel Barclay, 111 East 48th Street, New York City, under the name of Mrs. ~~██████████~~ of El Paso, Texas. The publicity touching on the relationship had become more pointed since some publicity mention had been made of the ~~██████████~~ background of Miss ~~██████████~~. On 14 April 1959 Mr. LaTrash and Miss ~~██████████~~ were transported to the ~~██████████~~ home on Long Island which was taken over as

the meeting place for **King Hussein** and Miss [REDACTED]. Later the same day, by pre-arrangement, two Department of State Security Agents, a New York City police lieutenant and a hired chauffeur arrived with **King Hussein**. Miss [REDACTED] remained at the site through 18 April 1959, and **King Hussein** and his party visited each evening and remained for about four to five hours.

4. During the stay at the Long Beach site, Miss [REDACTED] discussed the publicity in the case at some length with the Security representatives. She speculated about the possible sources of certain personal information that she felt had been leaked to the press. Additionally she spoke of her deep feeling for **King Hussein** and commented on how [REDACTED] initially sought her out to serve as a party companion for **the King**. At the time she said she was unclear as to just what part Mr. [REDACTED] wanted her to play. In attempting to clarify his case Mr. [REDACTED] said, "I am employed by the CIA. We want you to go to bed with him." Miss [REDACTED] said she rejected the proposal but finally went to the party. She became quite taken with **King Hussein** and found him to be most charming.

5. All personal contacts by Security representatives in this case were under alias and implied State Department affiliation. There is no record or indication in any of the files in this case that involves Robert Maheu by name or reference. It is believed that Mr. Maheu was never introduced to Miss [REDACTED], and as far as can be determined [REDACTED] "fronted" for all arrangements. Office of Security investigation conducted variously from 25 May through 17 September 1959 of [REDACTED] reflected no substantive derogatory information regarding her.