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Letter to All Special Agents in Charge:

RE: FRED OTASH
UNITED NATIONS PUBLICATIONS, INC.
HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA
RESEARCH (CRIME RECORDS)

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F. B. I.
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Dear Sir:

The Bureau has received several communications from various field divisions, private individuals and firms concerning captioned individual and a brochure which he recently printed announcing his "1962 International Directory and Almanac for Private Investigators, Adjustors, Repossessors, Collection Agencies, Credit Reporting Houses, Patrol Services." On page two of this brochure there is a printed letter by Otash in which he states his reasons for publishing this directory. A postscript to this letter acknowledges "the fine cooperation we have received from J. Edgar Hoover, director of the F. B. I., U. S. Dept. of Justice... and many contributing individuals without whose help this book could not have been published."

The extent of the Bureau's cooperation with Otash, a former criminal symbol informant of the Los Angeles Division, was in the form of a letter dated April 19, 1961, which replied to his communication inquiring as to the location of FBI offices abroad and in this country, which information was to be incorporated into his directory. Otash was advised that the FBI does not maintain offices abroad and a list of our present field divisions was furnished to him.

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FEDERAL DIRECTOR

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directory. Upon contact, Otash related he would immediately cease any further dissemination of this brochure. In the event your office receives any inquiry concerning this brochure or Otash, you are authorized to briefly inform the contacting party of the above information with the exception that Otash was a former informant of the Los Angeles Office. Advise the Bureau of any contacts regarding this matter, marked to the attention of the Crime Research Section.

Very truly yours,

RE: CR:

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: See cover memo Jones to DeLoach, dated 12-13-61, captioned "Fred Otash, United Nations Publications, Inc., Research (Crime Records)." *No MANUAL CHANGES NECESSARY.*



PERSONAL ATTENTION
SAC LETTER NO. 61-72

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

December 26, 1961

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply, Please Refer to
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(B) TRAINING - POLICE - SPECIALIZED SCHOOL ON SEARCHES AND SEIZURES -- It was recently brought to the attention of the Bureau by several Attorneys General of the Midwestern States that local law enforcement was floundering in regard to the present law on searches and seizures as a result of the Mapp v. Ohio decision by the Supreme Court.

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