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LOS ANGELES, Feb. 19 (UPI)

— Howard Hughes, the industrialist, has purchased the Xanadu Princess Hotel in The Bahamas, it was announced today. The cost of the transaction was not disclosed.

The announcement was made here by Carl Byoir & Associates, a public relations concern that handles information about Mr. Hughes who is believed to be living at the hotel.

N. M. Rothschild and Sons Ltd., of London, negotiated the purchase for Mr. Hughes's Summa Corporation from Princess Properties, which is owned by D. K. Ludwig, the shipping magnate.

The purchase, it was said, includes the hotel and "related real estate" at Freeport, Grand Bahama Island. The Xanadu Princess is a 12-story luxury beach front tower that opened in 1970. It has 200 rooms.