Girl Seized In Diplomat Kidnap Plot

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LOS ANGELES, March 9—FBI agents arrested a Manson family girl today to foil what they said was a jail-hatched plot to kidnap a foreign diplomat here.

Maria Theresa Alonzo, 22, still bearing the "X" mark she scratched on her forehead when cultist Charles Manson was on trial for the Tate-La Bianca mass murders, was arrested at her Hollywood apartment on a federal warrant charging her with violation of federal kidnaping and escape and rescue statutes.

Miss Alonzo was accused of conspiring with two Los Angeles County jail inmates—one of them a convicted skyjacker—to kidnap the consul general of one of several countries, including Paraguay, Uruguay, Canada, France, Germany, Switzerland and Haiti.

FBI agents said the suspects were most likely to have kidnaped the consul general from Canada, Germany or France, but eight countries — includ-

ing Estonia — were mentioned in an 11-page affidavit filed with the U.S. attorney's office by William A. Sullivan, assistant FBI director in charge of the Los Angeles office.

The affidavit says the three conspirators were planning to hold the consul for \$250,000 ransom, asylum in Sweden and the freedom of the two county jail inmates, Garrett Brock Trapnell and Robert Bernard Hedberg.

Agents said Trapnell and Hedberg planned the kidnaping, then asked Miss Alonzo— Hedberg's girl friend—to help them execute it.

She then asked a fourth, unnamed person for assistance, agents said, and the fourth person went straight to the FBI.

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Miss Alonzo was under surveillance for more than a week. The kidnaping was expected Friday/ morning, but Miss Alonzo developed a boil, and went instead to a hospital for treatment.

This afternoon, agents decided to wait no longer. They arrested Miss Alonzo, and filed charges against Trapnell and Hedberg.

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