

The 25th of may 2006 there was hugh fuzz in the press about this ...here are a few summary

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ASSANTE THREATENED BY MOBSTER OVER GOTTI FILM

US federal agents have uncovered a serious threat to actor ARMAND ASSANTE's life as they investigate the dealings of mobster GREG DePALMA.

GAMBINO family mob boss was taped telling the actor he would personally kill and torture him if there was anything "off-colour" in the 1996 V movie about Mafia superboss JOHN GOTTI.

According to US tabloid the Globe, which has unearthed the tape, DePalma tells Assante during a tense meeting, "If there's one off-colour thing that's a lie - even if it's the truth about John with broads (women), I'm personally gonna kill you."

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GOTTI GUY'S 'CUT!' THREAT

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John Gotti's girlfriends were absent from an HBO movie that glorified his life - and Gambino capo Greg DePalma took the credit, boasting that he threatened to torture the actor who played the "Dapper Don."

A mob informant secretly recorded DePalma, 74, recounting how he met with actor Armand Assante and warned the actor to stay away from Gotti's love life.

"I said, 'I'm gonna tell you something now. If there's one off-color thing that's a lie - even if it's the truth about John with broads,' " **DePalma said on tape on Aug. 31, 2004.** *kati.cornell@nypost.com*

From:
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Alleged mobster claims he censored HBO pic

NEW YORK: Alleged New York mobster Greg DePalma took credit for making sure none of John Gotti's girlfriends were portrayed in an HBO movie about his life.

DePalma, 74, who is on trial in New York federal court on a number of charges including racketeering and extortion, was recorded by a mob informant relating how he allegedly threatened HBO's "Gotti" star, **Armond Assante, the New York Post reported Friday.** (*Pay attention to the spelling of his first name ?!*)

Recordings made in **2004** and played in court, captured DePalma bragging what would happen to Assante, "If there's one off-color thing that's a lie -- even if it's the truth about John with broads.

From:
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'Gotti' star got earful on broads

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Actor Armand Assante apparently got an offer he couldn't refuse from a real-life wiseguy who didn't want to

see mob boss John Gotti portrayed as the Dapper Don Juan in a 1996 movie.

Any mention of Gotti's gourdadas and you're dead, Gambino family capo Greg DePalma claims he told Assante

"I said, 'I'm going to tell you something now,'" DePalma bragged in a 2004.

"If there's one off-color thing that's a lie, even if it's the truth, about John with any broads,' I says, 'I'm personally going to kill you.' I says, 'I'm not going to kill you, I'm going to f----- torture you.'"

Gotti's womanizing ways were largely the stuff of rumor until earlier this year when mob snitch Michael (Mikey Scars) DiLeonardo testified that the Dapper Don had a love child with a mystery lady.

The movie, adapted from a book by former Daily News reporters Jerry Capeci and Gene Mustain, didn't address any of Gotti's alleged women on the side as the book did.

But Capeci doubted that had anything to do with DePalma's intervention.



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Greg DePalma speaks first about meeting with Armand Assante's agent, then about meeting with Assante and artist LeRoy Neiman regarding a movie about John "Dapper Don" Gotti (left).

GD: So when I was up in LeRoy Neiman's, he introduced me to this guy, the agent. So, I says, "Listen to me. You better tell your client that there better not be any off-color there. Don't put no s— in there about broads"... They had nothing about broads in there because John was ... very low-key that way.

PETER "FAT PETE" FORCHETTI: But they must have ... Did they agree so they could make the movie? Is that how it worked or do you need permission to make the movie?

GD: They brought him. Two weeks later they brought Armand Assante.

PF: You met with him?

GD: He said to me ...

PF: Wow. That's great.

GD: "I promise," he said, "There is nothing in the script at all ..."

PF: I think he's a good actor. He could be better.

GD: I said, "I'm gonna tell you something now. If there's one off-color thing, that's a lie — even if it's the truth about John with any broads." I says, "I'm personally gonna kill you," I says, "I'm not gonna kill you. I'm gonna f---ing torture you." F---ing LeRoy Neiman s— in his pants. I didn't even want him there because I told him to excuse himself, you know. So he says, "I promise you, Greg, I promise you."



DePalma



Armand Assante (right) plays the Dapper Don in the 1996 HBO movie "Gotti," with Anthony Quinn.