New York: Movie Mogul Harvey Weinstein Arrested on Rape Charges

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New York City: Disgraced Hollywood mogul, Harvey Weinstein, was arraigned on rape charges last Friday in a suit filed by two women. More than 100 women have accused Weinstein of crimes ranging from sexual harassment to assault and rape — going back 40 years. Sexual assault cases, particularly those that allegedly happened years ago, are notoriously hard to prosecute and often lack substantive forensic evidence. Weinstein was released on \$1-million cash bail and fitted with a GPS tracking device.

Weinstein was carrying book that was a biography of Elia Kazan, a 1950s movie director who gave up eight names of other members of the Communist party when he testified before the House Un-American Activities Committee. The current speculation is that carrying this book was a veiled threat by Weinstein that he, also, may identify others who are involved in sex crimes. Yashar Ali tweeted that Weinstein often threatened people in this way. -GEG

Disgraced Hollywood mogul Harvey Weinstein was perp-walked on Friday morning as he turned himself in to police in New York City.

As he was taken to court for his arraignment on rape charges, a few people noticed that Weinstein was carrying a biography of controversial Hollywood director Elia Kazan — and they wondered whether he could be sending a message.

A former member of the Communist Party himself, Kazan gave eight names of

other party members when he testified before the House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) in 1952.

Some assumed that Weinstein was attempting to suggest that he was being persecuted, as Kazan was also accused of questionable behavior toward women.

But others thought his purpose might be more devious, and may have been a warning that he was prepared to name names as well.

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