GOLDEN BRACELET (Armenian Bar)

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Record: * "Golden Bracelet," Lightning #17-B. (Gihosh Bilezik)

Formation: Open circle, little fingers interlocked, arms held at shoulder height, dance leading to the R, a simple walking step with stamp to accentuate the rhythm Time signature: 3/8. The music is easily divided into 3 parts, Part A and Part C

being identical, Part B accelerated and omitting the pauses. Each phrase consists of two meas.

No record introduction, described in 8 cts.

Ct. Pattern

Part A (18 phrases, 36 meas)

Step bk on L ft.

Point R toe in front of L ft.

Step to R on R ft.

Step with Lin front of R.

Step to R on R ft. Draw L ft to R ft and hold.

7-8 (Pause in music). Stamp twice with L ft beside R ft. Part B (18 phrases, meas 37 to 72 incl.) This portion of dance is a 6-ct pattern danced to 8-ct music. It is known as a fast or "havasi bar," (Bar being the Armenian word for dance).

Step to R on R ft

Step to R on L ft

Jump on both ft to R.

Swing L ft swd and slightly in front of R ft, turning body to face slightly L.

Jump on both ft to L.

Swing R ft fwd and slightly in front of L ft, turning body slightly to the R. Part C (final 6 phrases, 12 meas)

Repeat dance as in Part A.

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