

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Tampa (157-3231)

DATE: 4/17/68

FROM : SPC Millard J. Roberts, Jr.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At 8:50 PM, this date, Mr. GERALD SPAULDING, 1451 Marjohn, Clearwater, Fla., telephone number 442-0598, telephonically contacted this office and requested that a Special Agent contact him in regard to captioned case.

SPAULDING advised he is a barber in Clearwater, Fla., and that he believes he gave a haircut to an individual who resembles ERIC GAYLT. He stated that he would like to view the pictures, but would only be able to do this during his lunch hour. He stated that he would like to be contacted by an agent at 12:00 noon, 4/18/68, at his place of employment, located at 1809 Gulf to Bay, Clearwater, Fla., telephone number 444-9773. SPAULDING stated his desire to keep his contact confidential, and would like to be notified if agent unable to meet him at above time.

Supervisor BELANGER advised of the above.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, Tampa (157-3231)

DATE: 4/24/68

FROM : SA Dennis R. Nicholson

SUBJECT: *murder*

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On 4/18/68 Gerald Spaulding was contacted at his place of employment, 1809 Gulf Bldg, Clearwater, Fla. He advised that on approx. 4/8/68 an individual appeared at his barbershop and stated "I've no doubt that haven't you ever gone." This individual made no other comments while in the barbershop.

Spaulding stated that this individual looked similar to the composite picture of Galt that had appeared in the newspaper several days after the murder of King. He viewed a picture of Eric Starvo Galt and stated that he was not identical to the person that appeared in his barbershop.

He described the individual that came into the barbershop as being a W/M 28-29 years old, 5'10", 165 lbs, very dark brown hair cut short and combed straight back, long straight nose and a receding forehead. He stated that this individual was very nervous and fingered a cigarette holder. He was driving a 1960 white Rambler with a Florida county license.

In view of the fact that Eric Galt who came into barbershop is not identical to picture of Galt no further investigation being conducted. *157-3231-211A*

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April 16, 1968

Date

RE: MURKIN

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☐ For information ☐ Retention optional ☒ For appropriate action ☐ Surep, by _____

☐ The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report, ☐ conceal all sources, ☐ paraphrase contents.

☐ Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA _____ dated _____.

Remarks:

The attached photographs are to be retained in the personal possession of the SAC until otherwise instructed by the Bureau.

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)
 FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-1854) (P)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN
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 (OO: Memphis)

Re Tampa teletype to the Bureau, Memphis and Birmingham dated 4/10/68, and Tampa teletype to Bureau, Memphis, Atlanta, Jacksonville and Miami dated 4/15/68. ✓ 175

INVESTIGATION REGARDING INDIVIDUAL OBSERVED
 AT EATONVILLE AND ORLANDO, FLORIDA, 4/7 AND 8/68.

A. J. STROUDMIER and CHARLES TITUS, Greyhound Bus drivers, who made runs from Orlando to Miami, Florida, on 4/8/68, interviewed Miami, Florida. Neither driver recalls seeing unidentified white male as described in referenced teletype of 4/15/68 on their Orlando to Miami runs on 4/8/68.

Artist's conceptions of unknown subject as described by witnesses in Birmingham and Memphis exhibited to both drivers and they were unable to recognize either drawing.

SUSPECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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 - 2 - Birmingham (44-1740) (RM)
 - 2 - Memphis (44-1987) (RM)
 - 2 - Atlanta (44-2386) (RM)
 - 2 - Jacksonville (44-769) (RM)
 - ② - Tampa (157-3231) (RM)
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SA JOHN R. M. WHELAN

H. S. RUTHERFORD
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On 4/15/68, Det. ALEX TAYLOR, Intelligence Unit, Tampa PD, telephonically advised Supervisor BELANGER that captioned individual was presently residing at Room 558, Hillsboro Hotel, Tampa, Florida. He had a ragged appearance, was loud and boisterous, and appeared to look like the artist's concept photograph of the assassin of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. This individual checked into the hotel approximately four days ago and indicated he had just arrived from Texas and indicated employment with a firm in Texas. He had offered a check in the amount of \$60.00, drawn on a bank in Birmingham, Ala., in payment of his hotel bill. On checking in, subject indicated that he was a resident of Birmingham, Ala.

Hotel officers determined that the account number, which had been handwritten on the face of the bank check, was a legitimate account number, being of the type and sequence presently in use by the bank; however, the particular account number written on the check had not, as yet, been issued for an account.

SAs JOHN R. M. WHELAN and JOHN R. BRETT were dispatched to the hotel to interview subject to determine his resemblance, if any, to the assassin of KING, and SA WILLIAM F. DOYLE was dispatched to contact Detective TAYLOR and one of Detective TAYLOR's informants, who had additional information concerning this matter.

At the hotel it was determined that RUTHERFORD was not in his room.

Mrs. SOPHIA FRYER, Resident Manager, examined Room 558 and after consulting with the maid on the floor, advised that the subject had apparently left the room. There was no clothing in the room and there was one piece of Samsonite luggage, which contained three suits of men's underwear. The occupant's razor and tooth brush were

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missing and there was an empty whisky bottle in the waste basket. There was a receipt from Town Optical Company, located 705 Florida Avenue, Tampa, Florida, showing payment of \$38.00, on 4/12/68. There was also a salesman's business card from Wolf Brothers, 700 Florida Avenue.

On interview, Detective TAYLOR advised there was, in fact, no indication that the subject resembled the widely publicized artist's concept photograph of the assassin and that the Tampa PD had no immediate interest in the subject.

ED DYSON, Night Auditor, Hillsboro Hotel, advised that subject is a white male; 5'9" tall; approximately 150 lbs.; he appears to be in his early 50s; has a medium complexion and a medium build. His eyes appear to be small and close together and he wears dark rimmed glasses. He has bushy eyebrows and his forehead recedes slightly. DYSON stated that he, himself, is 5'10" tall and the man was considerably shorter than he is.

Mrs. SOPHIA FRYER, Resident Manager, Hillsboro Hotel, advised that the subject is white male; approximately 52 years of age; 5'9" tall; 155 - 160 lbs. He has dark brown hair, noticeably grey at the temples and sides. He wears dark rimmed eyeglasses. Mrs. FRYER stated that possibly MARGARET KEYS, a dining room hostess, and a waitress named ETHEL, in the hotel dining room, might have some knowledge of the subject.

Detective TAYLOR telephonically advised SA WHELAN that subject had attempted to cash a check at Wolf Brothers in Tampa, Florida. He purchased clothing and offered the check in payment and was loud and abusive when the management refused to deliver the purchase items pending approval of the check. The subject was to have returned on Saturday to pick up the clothes, but he did not. Because of the furor created by him, at Wolf's, many employees there could possibly furnish a description. TAYLOR determined at Wolf's that subject possibly purchased some luggage at Falks, offering a check in payment and that possibly he might have passed other checks at other business establishments in downtown Tampa.

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TO : SAC (157-3231)

DATE: 4-16-68

FROM : SA ALLEN (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re: THOMAS THOROMAN

EDGAR HENRY HUBER, Carolina Moon Court, 498 N. Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando, Fla., recontacted me on this date to furnish the additional information that he now recalls that THOROMAN was born in Dayton, Ohio, and was also married in that city; dates not recalled.

HUBER furnished an additional specimen of THOROMAN's handwriting in the form of a postcard postmarked July 6, 1966.

HUBER stated that he still feels that THOROMAN bears a resemblance to the person shown in the artist's conception but he also mentioned that THOROMAN looks like BUD DICKINSON, State Official at Tallahassee, Fla.

HUBER, who wants his name withheld, stated that he would be interested in applying for any reward to which he might become entitled.

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TO : SAC (157-3231)

DATE: 4/15/68

FROM : SA DONALD E. RITCHEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau tel to all Offices 4/14/68.

The only dance studio operating in the Drevard County area at this time is the Arthur Murray Dance Studio, Cocoa Beach, Fla. SA EDWARD J. TULLY checked the records of that studio on 4/15/68 with negative results.

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TO : SAC, TAMPA (157-3231)

DATE: 4/15/68

FROM : SA A. LEWIS BARNETT

SUBJECT: MURKIN
Re check of ships and hotels

On 4/11/68, THURMAN L. SMITH, Officer in Charge, U. S. Coast Guard Station, Ft. Myers Beach, Fla., advised that to his knowledge there are no ships taking on crews in the Lee-Charlotte Counties areas.

On 4/11/68, contacts were had with the following hotels in Fort Myers concerning the names ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, and JOHN WILLARD with negative results:

Bradford Hotel, MR. W. V. BLACKBURN
El Leon Hotel, DORA ROGE S
Franklin Arms, DORA DEISCH
Graystone Hotel, CHARLES DITTRICK
HOTEL Dean, LUCILLE ELDERIDGE

On 4/11/68, Chief Deputy McCleod, Charlotte County SO, advised that Punta Gorda has no hotels or "flop houses".

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TO : SAC Tampa (157-3231) DATE: 4/17/68

FROM : SA Anne K. Widdow

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/15/68 Mr Mike Prentice, Owner
+ Mgr. of the Fiesta Dance Studio 2710
Central Ave St. Pete Fla advised they
had never had a student by the
name of Eric Starvo Galt, Harvey
Lowmyer, Harvey Lowmyer or John
Willard

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

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On 4/14/68, at approximately 7:30 P.M.,
CHARLES RUNFORD telephonically contacted [REDACTED]
was calling from [REDACTED]

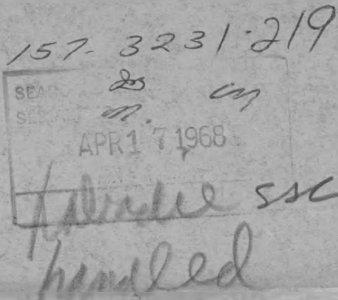
He stated he had resided at 1926 1/2 7th
Avenue, North, St. Petersburg, Florida. Sometime
last week, he called the FBI in St. Petersburg, Florida,
and had been interviewed by SA CHARLES HUGHES and another
agent concerning information he desired to furnish
regarding JAMES A. POUNCEY, 216 S. Albany Avenue,
Apartment 7, Tampa, Florida. He said that he had heard
POUNCEY speak of the assassination of Dr. KING ap-
proximately three weeks prior to the assassination. He
said that agents had attempted to locate POUNCEY at
the above address with negative results.

RUNFORD advised he subsequently came to WDC
and attempted to take some flowers to President JOHNSON,
but was denied entry to the White House by the Secret
Service, even though he had offered to wait as long
as necessary to see President JOHNSON. He said he

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had additional information which might assist in locating POUNCEY, but he would not furnish it unless the FBI would arrange an appointment for him to see President JOHNSON or Vice President HUMPHREY. He stated he had

[REDACTED] He said that after speaking to the doctor on 4/15/68, he would request the doctor to call the FBI regarding his request. RUNFORD was advised that the FBI would be unable to arrange an appointment for him to see the President or Vice President, but would be happy to accept any information he desired to offer.

WFO indices negative regarding RUNFORD and POUNCEY.

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AT TAMPA AND ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA. Will furnish WFO with any pertinent background information concerning RUNFORD and POUNCEY.

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

AT WASHINGTON, D. C. Will, if deemed advisable, contact RUNFORD for additional information concerning POUNCEY.

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TELETYPE

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TO: BUREAU (MAIL)
MEMPHIS

FROM: JACKSONVILLE (44-769)

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RETPTEL TO MEMPHIS, APRIL FIFTEEN, LAST, FURNISHING
UNKNOWN SUSPECT PROVIDED BY E. L. BING, PLANT CITY, FLA.

WILLIAM A. RAGAN, DRIVER, GREYHOUND BUS LINES,
INFORMED DROVE RUN TWENTYTHREE SOUTH FROM JACKSONVILLE TO
MIAMI, APRIL EIGHT, LAST. ONLY STOP ON ROUTE AT ORLANDO,
FLA., A TRANSFER AND CENTER POINT. RAGAN UNABLE TO RECALL
UNSUB AS DESCRIBED IN RE TAMPA TEL BEING ON HIS BUS OR TO
IDENTIFY ARTISTS COMPOSITE SKETCH OF UNSUB THIS CASE.

TAMPA ADVISED AIRMAIL.

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TO : SAC, TAMPA (157-3231)

DATE: 4/17/68

FROM : SUPVR. #4

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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At 3:15 p.m. Det. ALEX TAYLOR, Intelligence Unit, TPD, advised that at 3:13 p.m. an unknown male caller with a deep voice called the PD switchboard and said, "ERIC GALT, the man who killed MARTIN LUTHER KING, is at Tampa International Airport right now". The caller then hung up.

On the basis of the above, I dispatched Agents BURESH and WHELAN to Tampa International Airport with suitable composites in this case to check the above out.

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TO : SAC, Tampa (157-3231)

FROM : SPC Millard J. Roberts, Jr.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/17/68

At 8:00 PM, this date, Mrs. MARTIN L. MURPHY, 659 Avenida De Mayo, Sarasota, Fla., telephone number 922-4409, telephonically contacted this office and stated that she would like to speak with a Special Agent, in reference to the above case.

Supervisor BELANGER contacted and advised the writer to notify SRA ROBERT C. SMITH.

SRA ROBERT C. SMITH, Sarasota RA, contacted and advised he would contact Mrs. MURPHY.

Submitted for information.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-3231)

FROM : SA John R.M. Whelan

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/17/68

Supervisor L.E. Belanger advised at 3³⁰pm. that he had just received a phone call from Detective Alex Taylor C.I.U. T.P.D., who advised that P.D. switchboard received an anonymous phone call from a male individual with a deep voice who stated "Eric Galt is at the airport now" or words to that effect.

SA's Whelan and Robert K. Boresh proceeded to Tampa International Airport and conducted a survey of the entire passenger waiting room ticket selling areas and various ticket counters.

Photographs of the suspect from Memphis and the suspect from



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Birmingham were displayed at various
ticket counters to all ticket personnel and
a check made of passenger lists. No
name similar to names used by ERIC
STARVO GALT were noted on available tickets
for flights departing Tampa International
airport late afternoon of 4/12/68.

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UNITED AIR LINES

MARIAN GAUL
UNITED AIR LINES

John STAHLMEYER

DELTA AIR LINES

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R. J. SCHOEFFLER

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, TAMPA (157-3231) (P)
MURKIN - CR

Re WFO airtel, 4/15/68.

RE: CHARLES HUMFORD - JAMES A. POUNCEY

On 4/5/68, CHARLES HUMFORD, 1926 1/2 7th Ave., No., St. Petersburg, Fla., personally contacted the St. Petersburg RA and advised JAMES A. POUNCEY, 216 S. Albany, Apt. 7, Tampa, Fla., had told him one month prior to the assassination of Rev. KING that KING would be shot before the summer. POUNCEY reportedly said this at a bus station in Feb., or early March, 1968. Investigation, thereafter, conducted to locate JAMES A. POUNCEY from April 5 through 9, 1968, and all negative.

On 4/9/68, interview of HUMFORD established he could not furnish more information, as he had been "under a strain," he said he wanted to get into "public life" and varied unnamed persons were trying to thwart his ambitions.

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stated he was leaving St. Petersburg, 4/10/68, to go to Pittsburgh, Pa., where a retired Supreme Court Judge would help him in his political aspirations.

In view of above, no further action was taken by the Tampa Office.

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Date: 4/18/68

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI, AND SACS BIRMINGHAM,
MEMPHIS, JACKSONVILLE AND ATLANTA.

FROM: SAC, TAMPA (157-3231)

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REJKTTEL THIS DATE, WHICH ADVISED PERSON
DRIVING HERTZ RENT-A-CAR, APRIL FIFTEEN, LAST, IN
JACKSONVILLE, SIMILAR IN APPEARANCE TO ERIC
STARVO GALT.

RECORDS, HERTZ CO., TAMPA, FLA., REFLECT
NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT MERCURY, TWO DOOR, LICENSE
THREE E - FOUR EIGHT SEVEN ZERO, RENTED APRIL
FIFTEEN, LAST, TO ONE O. J. REGAN, REPRESENTATIVE
OF ELECTRO - AIR CORP., MC KEES ROCK, PA.
VEHICLE RENTED AT JACKSONVILLE ON FOREGOING
DATE. REGAN FURNISHED SIX ZERO FOUR NINE
DRIFTWOOD TRAIL, MABELTON, GA., AS PERMANENT
ADDRESS. DISPLAYED GA., LICENSE V O O ONE SEVEN
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JACKSONVILLE, AT HERTZ RENTAL, IDENTIFY
APPROPRIATE PERSONNEL WHO HANDLED RENTAL
TRANSACTION AND DISPLAY PHOTOGRAPHS OF ERIC
STARVO GALT AND ADVISE BUREAU AND INTERESTED
OFFICES OF RESULTS OF SAME. **ERIC STARVO GALT SHOULD
BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND
DANGEROUS.**

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445PM URGENT 4-18-68 BLW

TO DIRECTOR, BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS, JACKSONVILLE AND
ATLANTA

FROM TAMPA (157-3231) 2P

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ERIC STARVO GALT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : ALL AGENTS (157-3231)

DATE: 4/18/68

FROM : SAC, TAMPA

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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In order to assist in the handling of complaints received from the public as a result of the filing of a complaint and obtaining process for ERIC STARVO GALT in this case, two photographs of GALT are attached hereto. It will be noted that the photo of GALT appearing on the left side is an unretouched photograph taken in March, 1968, while the photo appearing to the right is a retouched photograph of GALT wherein an FBI artist has drawn in eyes on the photo.

The Bureau has furnished the following descriptive data concerning ERIC STARVO GALT: White male, approximately 5'8-5'11" tall, weighs 160-175 lbs., neat dresser and has medium build. His hair is brown which he wears in a brush cut, reportedly has blue eyes, his nose is straight and narrow, teeth straight and clean, has given DOB as [REDACTED]. GALT is said to have a nervous habit of occasionally pulling at his ear lobe with his hand. His left ear protrudes further from his head than his right ear. Individuals who have met GALT describe him as a loner and state his language and diction have a rural quality and suggest that he possibly does not have a high degree of education. He is said to drink alcoholic beverages and has a preference for vodka and beer. He is a fan of western and country music. GALT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

Any Agent who receives information from anyone as to the possible location of GALT should immediately furnish this information to #4 Supervisor or to the SAC for further instructions as to handling.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, TAMPA (157-3231)

DATE: 4/16/68

FROM : SA A. LEWIS BARNETT

SUBJECT: MURKIN
Re: Check of Dance Studios

Contact was had by the writer at the following dance schools in the Fort Myers area on 4/15/68. All advised they have never had a student by the name of ERIC S. GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER, or JOHN WILLARD:

MR. WES SARRINGER, Manager
Arthur Murray Dance Studio
Edison Mall, Fort Myers

~~XXXXX~~
MR. WILLIAM BELLEY, Manager
Fred Astaire Dance Studio
3440 Cleveland Ave.
Fort Myers

Mrs. JEANNE BOCHETTE
Studio Bochette
2265 Peck
Fort Myers

On 4/16/68, the following was contacted:

Mr. P. CORREA
Correa School of Dance
XX 3134 Cortez Blvd.
Fort Myers, Fla.

No other dancing studios are listed in the city and telephone directories for the Fort Myers area.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, TAMPA (157-3231) (P)

DATE: 4/18/68

FROM : SA JOHN R. HIPPARD

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS
(OO:MEMPHIS)

On 4/11/68, the following known "flop houses" in the St. Petersburg, Fla., area were contacted and the following individuals advised that they could furnish no information concerning ERIC STARVO GALT, aka HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMYER or JOHN WILLARD COHEN:

Gospel Rescue Mission,
248 1st Avenue South
MR. ROY DAVID
Day Manager

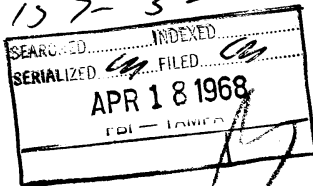
Salvation Army Rehabilitation Center
350 3rd Street South
MRS. OLIVE L. BOOTH
Secretary

Salvation Army Administrative Office
340 3rd Street South
Major JOHN SIPE

Salvation Army Transient Lodge
1001 3rd Street South
MRS. THELMA WHITE
Resident Manager

Hollander Hotel
421 4th Avenue North
MR. V. G. VICKERS
President

② - Tampa
JRH:fw
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Savoy Hotel
SAM MACKTA
Manager
8 2nd Street South

In addition, the following persons were contacted at the following hotels regarding any registration by the subject in the past week:

Essex House Hotel
1914 4th Street North
MRS. GRACE WAGONER
Manager

Fairfax Hotel
2832 4th Street North
MR. EMILE H. FREGEAU
Manager

Fiesta House
711 3rd Avenue South
MR. JEFF SHROPSHIRE
Manager

On 4/11/68, SA JOHN R. HIPPARD conducted the following investigation in regard to a report by MARTHA SULLIVAN, Florida National Bank, in which she furnished information to SA ROYAL L. BLASSINGAME concerning a JOHN WILLARD, residing at 444 3rd Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Fla., in 1964:

MR. GUY ABBOTT, 442 3rd Avenue North, Apartment 9, advised that he was totally unfamiliar with anyone by the name of JOHN WILLARD residing at 444 3rd Avenue North. He stated that there was an individual named JOHN WILLARD who resided at 155 5th Avenue North.

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MR. JOHN WILLARD, 145 5th Avenue North, advised that he had lived in St. Petersburg, Fla. for approximately four years and that he was originally from Chicago, Illinois. MR. WILLARD was approximately 80 years old and obviously not identical to the subject.

MR. WILLARD stated that he had a son named JOHN L. WILLARD, 8861 Hillside Drive, Hickory Hills, Illinois, who was a chemical engineer with the Kool Aid Company in Chicago, Illinois. He said that to his knowledge, his son had never been in Birmingham, Alabama, as the son has always resided in the Chicago area. He stated that his son, JOHN L., is married and has three children. He described his son as being bald headed, having brown eyes, 6 feet 1 inches tall, and born [REDACTED]. He stated his son could be contacted at the above mentioned address at the present time and that he felt certain that his son had not left the Chicago area in the past month.

*not
advised*

*no further
action*

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BLW
END
TO GALT.

JACKSONVILLE, SIXTY-SIX WEST THIRTY-SECOND ST., JACKSONVILLE, FLA., ADVISED THAT HE BELIEVED WHITE MALE DRIVING GOLD SPORTS CAR, FLA. TAG THREE E - FOUR EIGHT SEVEN ZERO IN JACKSONVILLE, ON APRIL FIFTEEN LAST, VERY SIMILAR IN APPEARANCE TO PHOTO OF ERIC STARVO GALT, APPEARING ON TELEVISION. INDIVIDUAL PASSED AT A HIGH RATE OF SPEED ON EXPRESSWAY. LATER OBSERVED HIM IN SEVEN - ELEVEN STORE AT WHICH TIME INDIVIDUAL THREW UP HANDS AND SAID, "YOU GOT ME." ABOVE TAG REGISTERED TO HENRIZ CORP., TWO FOUR FOUR NINE NW SHORE BLVD., TAMPA, FLA., FOR SIXTYEIGHT MERCURY TWO DOOR HARDTOP.

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FROM JACKSONVILLE /44-769/ 1P

TO TAMPA AND MEMPHIS

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FBI JACKSONVILLE

FBI TAMPA

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FBI ALBANY

1149 PM URGENT 4.17.68 WEB

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, TAMPA, DETROIT, MEMPHIS 44-1987 AND
BIRMINGHAM

FROM ALBANY 44-493

MURKIN

BLANCHE COOPER, TWO ONE SEVEN SHEPPARD ST., WATERTOWN, NY
ADVISED THIS EVENING THAT IN OCTOBER SIXTYSEVEN WHILE STAYING
AT THE M & K TRAILER PARK, THIRTIETH AVE., BRADENTON, FLA.,
BECAME ACQUAINTED WITH A FRED GALT, WM, SIXTYFIVE DASH SEVENTY,
FIVE FT. FIVE, ONE THREE FIVE LBS., RETIRED, WHO ADVISED HE
RESIDED RFD NO. TWO, GAYLORD, MICHIGAN. STATED GALT AT TRAILER
PARK MONTH OF OCTOBER AND OCCUPIED FIRST TRAILER ON LEFTHAND
SIDE AS YOU ENTER TRAILER PARK. STATED HE HAD NO VISITORS
WHILE THERE AND PURCHASED LATE MODEL LIGHT TAN NASH RAMBLER
WHILE THERE. SHE FURNISHED THIS INFO BECAUSE OF SIMILIARITY
OF NAME OF ERIC STARVO GALT.

TAMPA CHECK TRAILER PARK RECORDS FOR FURTHER IDENTIFYING
INFORMATION ON FRED GALT, SUCH AS LICENSE PLATE AND ADVISE
DETROIT.

DETROIT INTERVIEW FRED GALT, RFD NO. TWO, GAYLORD,
MICHIGAN TO DETERMINE IF RELATED TO SUBJECT ERIC STARVO GALT
AND IF SO WHETHER WHEREABOUTS KNOWN.

SUBJECT ERIC STARVO GALT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED
AND DANGEROUS.

END

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721PM URGENT 4/18/68 MJR

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), DETROIT, MEMPHIS (44-1987), AND
BIRMINGHAM (MAIL)
FROM TAMPA (157-3231)

MURKIN; 00:MEMPHIS

RE ALBANY TEL APRIL SEVENTEEN LAST.

MRS. MARGARET MCKEE, OWNER, M AND K TRAILER PARK, SEVEN ONE
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SMITH, THAT ONE FRED GAULT RESIDED THIS TRAILER PARK FOR APPROX.
ONE MONTH, BUT WAS UNABLE TO LOCATE RECORD. SHE ADVISED WAS
CONTACTED BY BRADENTON PD CONCERNING GAULT WHO HAD DIED FROM
HEART ATTACK.

LT. FRANK MAHR, BRADENTON, FLA., PD, ADVISED COMPLAINT NUMBER
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MANATEE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, BRADENTON, ADVISED PD THAT FRED J. GAULT,
(NOT SPELLED GALT), W/M, DOB [REDACTED],
WAS BROUGHT TO HOSPITAL THAT DATE BUT DEAD ON ARRIVAL.

INVESTIGATION BY PD LOCATED PAPER ON GAULT INDICATING GAULT
HAD HEART CONDITION.

GAULT'S CAR LOCATED AT BRADENTON MUNICIPAL PIER, WHICH HAD
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ERIC STARVO GALT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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GFH

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861), DETROIT, MEMPHIS (44-1987), AND
BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) VIA AIRMAIL
FROM: TAMPA (157-3231)

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1 - BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)
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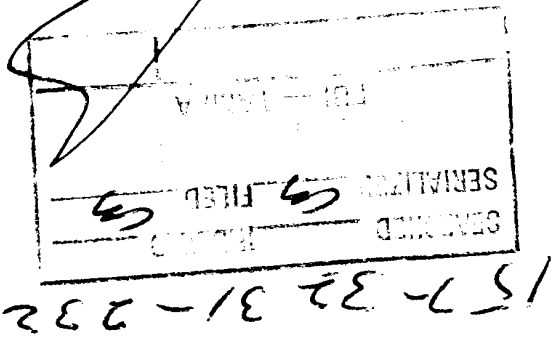
TO : SAC 157-3231

FROM : SA Walter S. Young

SUBJECT: MURKIN
RM

DATE: 7/18/68

Today I called John Kenna, Mayor & contacted with, Clerk, Treasurer & they
Stated, 2 or 3 contacts, ST file, & they
said Henry Karminger, Clerk St. Louis
Met & John Kenna (which the information
to them & the names do not appear
in their file of students or
employees.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, TAMPA (157-3231)

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SUPVR. #4

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
(OO:ME)

RE: SUSPECT HARRY KNIERIEM

At 9:35 a.m., 4/19/68, Mr. BRUCE MC CAY, 207 So. Hoover, Tampa, Fla., telephone 876-7303, appeared at the Tampa Office and advised as follows:

He stated that the MC CAY family owns McCay Criss Craft Sales at the Tampa Bay Marina. On 4/15/68, one HARRY KNIERIEM, who gave his address as 4120 Lambert Rd., Louisville, Kentucky, appeared at the Tampa Bay Marina, MC CAY's store and inquired concerning the purchase of a Raytheon depth indicator, model #DE730. Mr. MC CAY negotiated with KNIERIEM and finally settled on a price of \$100 cash. This item was not maintained in stock, but MC CAY directed KNIERIEM to the Raytheon Company in Tampa to pick it up.

Mr. MC CAY stated that in payment of the depth indicator, KNIERIEM did not pay in cash but utilized a blank counter check in the account of Harry's Auto Parts, 4120 Lambert, Louisville, Kentucky. The check was signed HARRY KNIERIEM. MC CAY could not recall the bank on which the check was drawn but stated that the check was deposited in the MC CAY account at the Peninsula Bank, Tampa, Fla., and has not been returned as yet. He recalled that KNIERIEM had a young child with him, age about 7 or 8 years. He recalled further that KNIERIEM aroused his suspicion because he did not park his automobile in the marina lot, but parked it outside of the marina and when MC CAY went out to observe KNIERIEM get into his car, MC CAY noted it was a 1964 station wagon, possibly a Ford with a license plate which had a white background with dark numerals. The number on it was K80725.

MC CAY described this individual as a white male, about 5'6" or 5'8", 160 lbs., medium build and dark brown hair, crew cut, and rather dry looking.

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MC CAY stated that during conversation with him KNIERIEM claimed that he was merely visiting in Tampa as he had a sister here. He said he wanted the Raytheon depth indicator to place on an outboard motor boat that he had. MC CAY noted that when he looked at the station wagon that KNIERIEM had, he noted that there was a rather rusty looking boat hitch on the car. MC CAY said that KNIERIEM was rather emphatic in knowing exactly what he wanted and when he left in about twenty minutes, he was supposed to go to the Raytheon Co. to pick up the item. MC CAY said he knows that KNIERIEM went to the Raytheon Co. as one of the girls there called and questioned MC CAY about the price he had quoted as apparently he had an old price book.. He could hear her talk to KNIERIEM in the background.

MC CAY said he was furnishing all of this information to the FBI because he had seen a photo of ERIC STARVO GALT on a television program and he was fairly certain that KNIERIEM bore a marked resemblance to GALT. He stated that KNIERIEM actually has a closer crewcut than on the photo and his eye-brows are slightly bushier than the picture. He also stated KNIERIEM has prominent cheek bones and his eyes are dark, either brown or hazel, but they definitely impress you as being dark eyes rather than blue. He mentioned also that the picture of GALT shows him wearing a bow tie and this is somewhat misleading as KNIERIEM was wearing a sweater with an open neck shirt. He definitely sounded like a country boy although he did not give an appearance as being stupid. He noted that KNIERIEM was fairly well tanned and his whole face appeared to be squared off. He noted also that this individual smiled faintly and had a rather pleasant countenance.

MC CAY was questioned concerning the presence of a youngster with KNIERIEM and appeared to be rather confused as to whether the youngster was a boy or a girl. He could not remember whether KNIERIEM referred to the child as son or girl.

It is to be noted that BRUCE MC CAY said he was absolutely certain that all we had to do was check this out and we would find that KNIERIEM was GALT, and as an after-thought he recalled during the conversation with KNIERIEM, he mentioned that he had been by the Boat Mart and from his conversation, he felt that he had been talking about prices on Raytheon depth indicators at the Boat Mart.

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TAMPA AT TAMPA

Will display photographs of GALT to individuals at the Boat Mart and also at the Raytheon Co. to determine their reaction to the pictures and whether possibly KNIERIEM could be GALT. If it appears that there is some possibility of this, will set out appropriate leads to Louisville to check out KNIERIEM.

Note

*We Ray furnished sales
voucher bearing signature of
Knieriem*



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Tampa, Florida
April 17, 1968

POSSIBLE RACIAL VIOLENCE,
ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA,
APRIL 12, 1968

Officials at the St. Petersburg, Florida Police Department, advised on April 11, 1968, concerning unconfirmed rumors which had been received from unidentified sources of said Department relative to the possibility of demonstrations being conducted in the City by Negroes at local stores, not further identified, but apparently being stores that had failed to appropriately observe the funeral of MARTIN LUTHER KING. The police officials said that, since the arrest of local Negro militant, JOSEPH WALLER, in connection with racial disturbances in Gainesville, Florida, there appeared that unidentified Negroes from out of State had been arriving in St. Petersburg to organize Negroes there. It was indicated that a 1959 Cadillac Limousine, bearing current Louisiana license 167A030, containing seven Negro males, and a new Pontiac or other General Motors car, blue with black vinyl top, bearing current Louisiana license 94F462, containing five Negro males, had been observed on the streets of St. Petersburg,

The New Orleans Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation advised on April 12, 1968, that the Motor Vehicle Bureau records at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, show that current Louisiana license 94F462, is registered in the name of one JIMMIE JACKSON, 110 Charles Drive, Ruston, Louisiana, for a 1968 Buick, two-door sedan, Vehicle Identification Number 446378H213280.

The New Orleans Office indicated that Grambling College, a predominantly Negro school, is located at

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1 - Each, MI, Tampa; Secret Service, Tampa;
NISO, Charleston, S. C.; OSI, Robins AFB, Ga.;
USA, Tampa (5)
3 - Tampa (157-3244)
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ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA
APRIL 12, 1968

Ruston, Louisiana, and the students at said school are currently on Easter holiday.

The above-mentioned Motor Vehicle records contained no information concerning license number 167A030, it being indicated that this number has not been issued by said Bureau as yet.

Frank Phillip, Jr., Chief, Campus Security, Grambling College, Ruston, Louisiana, advised on April 12, 1968, that Jim Jackson, 110 Charles Drive, Ruston, was a former student at Grambling who had graduated at the end of the 1966-1967 school year. Mr. Phillip said Jackson had signed with a professional baseball farm club after graduation and had gone to St. Petersburg, Florida, for spring training.

Mr. Phillip said he thought Jackson had signed with a farm club belonging to the Chicago White Sox.

St. Petersburg police have reported no incidents in connection with the situation involving the two automobiles described by them on April 11, 1968.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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To: Director, FBI

ATTENTION:

From: SAC,

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GENERAL INVEST. DIV.

Subject:

TAMPA (157-3231) (C)
POSSIBLE RACIAL VIOLENCE,
ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA
4/12/68☐ DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIV.

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Summary of Complaint:

Re Tampa tel to Director and New Orleans, 4/11/68 and
 New Orleans tel, 4/12/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are appropriate copies
 of LHM for dissemination purposes. Single copies of said
 LHM are being furnished to MI, Tampa; Secret Service, Tampa;
 NISO, Charleston, S.C.; OSI, Robins AFB, Ga.

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① - 157-3231)

① - 80-139)

GRM:av

(7) av by am

ACTION: UACB:

- ☐ No further action being taken and
☒ LHM enclosed ☐ Copy furnished to USA, TAMPA
☐ LHM being submitted
☐ Report being submitted
☐ Preliminary investigation instituted
☐ Limited investigation instituted

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(44-1740) JACKSONVILLE (44-769) MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, TAMPA (157-3231)

MURKIN.

RE LOOK-ALIKE EASTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT-ONE EIGHT
ZERO Y, APRIL SIX LAST.

HOWARD NOYES, THREE ZERO SIX-NINETEENTH AVE., N.E.,
ST. PETERSBURG, FLA., AN EMPLOYEE OF ST. PETERSBURG TIMES,
A DAILY NEWSPAPER, ADVISED APRIL ONE EIGHT, LAST HE
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① - Tampa
SJL:hap
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INSTRUMENT CASE, A FOOT WIDE, SIX INCHES HIGH, LENGTH UNKNOWN, AND GAVE APPEARANCE OF BEING NERVOUS ABOUT THE CASE. HE SAT ALONGSIDE A COMPANION AND THIRD MAN SAT IN FRONT OF THE TWO COMPANIONS ABOUT THIRD ROW REAR OF PLANE.

DON CORNETT, CHIEF SUPERVISOR, EASTERN AIRLINES, TAMPA REVIEWED ALL RECORDS AVAILABLE, APRIL EIGHTEEN, LAST, ADVISING FLGT. ONE EIGHT ZERO Y ORIGINATED IN TAMPA AND SINGLE WOMEN, SINGLE MEN, AND FAMILIES WERE ABOARD. THERE WAS ONE PARTY OF THREE MEN ABOARD, MR. EARL HARTLEY, MR. W. C. HARTLEY, AND MR. I. SANDERS, THEY WERE CONTINUING ON TO BOSTON AND THEY FURNISHED EASTERN TELEPHONE NUMBERS: DUNNELLON FOUR EIGHT NINE DASH TWO ZERO NINE ONE, FOUR EIGHT NINE DASH TWO ZERO ZERO NINE, AND FOUR EIGHT NINE DASH FOUR TWO THREE SIX FOR THE ABOVE, RESPECTIVELY.

JACKSONVILLE AT DUNNELLON, FLA. CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO ESTABLISH WHETHER OR NOT ANY OF ABOVE INDIVIDUALS LOOK ALIKE TO GALT.

GALT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Special Agent in Charge

FBI WASH DC

FBI TAMPA

232PM URGENT 4-19-68 BLW

TO DIRECTOR, BIRMINGHAM, JACKSONVILLE AND MEMPHIS
FROM TAMPA (157-3231) 2P

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DON CORNETT, CHIEF SUPERVISOR, EASTERN AIRLINES TAMPA REVIEWED ALL RECORDS AVAILABLE, APRIL EIGHTEEN, LAST, ADVISING FLGT. ONE EIGHT ZERO Y ORIGINATED IN TAMPA AND SINGLE WOMEN, SINGLE MEN, AND FAMILIES WERE ABOARD. THERE WAS ONE PARTY OF THREE MEN ABOARD, MR. EARL HARTLEY, MR. W. C. HARTLEY, AND MR. I. SANDERS, THEY WERE CONTINUING ON TO BOSTON AND THEY FURNISHED EASTERN TELEPHONE NUMBERS: DUNNELLON FOUR EIGHT NINE - TWO ZERO NINE ONE, FOUR EIGHT NINE - TWO ZERO ZERO NINE, AND FOUR EIGHT NINE - FOUR TWO THREE SIX FOR THE ABOVE, RESPECTIVELY.

JACKSONVILLE AT DUNNELLON, FLA. CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO ESTABLISH WHETHER OR NOT ANY OF ABOVE INDIVIDUALS LOOK ALIKE TO GALT.

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CORR PAGE TWO, LINE TEN, LAST WORD SHOULD BE "EARL"

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