UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

: SAC, Baltimore (44-669)

DATE: 4/16/68

FROM

SA Robert I. Mc Enroe

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/16/68, Mrs. JUDY CORRIGAN, Judy Corrigan School of Dance, 11 North Locust St., Nagerstown, Md., advised she instructs only young children in her school.

On 4/16/68, efforts to contact anyone at the Pat Patrick School of Ballroom Dancing, 65 W. Franklin St., Hagerstown, Md., were negative. It appeared that this school might not be operating, and an attempted telephonic contact of the school reflected it had been closed and the telephone disconnected. No further information was obtained from this source.

On 4/16/68, Mr. EUGENE BUDOWSKI, Manager, Fred Astaire World of Dance, residing 822 Dewey Ave., Hagerstown, Md., was contacted; he was unable to furnish any pertinent information, stating ERIC STARVO GALT was not now and had not been registered at that school under that name or the aliases, HARVEY LOWMYER or JOHN WILLARD. He was unable to identify GALT's description as being possibly identical to anyone currently or previously registered at that school. He has operated this school for over one year.

Mr. BUDOWSKI further advised he had been affiliated with the Pat Patrick School of Ballroom Dancing prior to its closing in Hagerstown. He was unable to furnish any pertinent information from his knowledge of the clients of that school.

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DATE: 4/16/68

FROM : SA RICHARD F. MAYO

SUBJECT: MURKIN

The following Dance Studios within the Salisbyry RA Territory were contacted by SA Mayo for any record of ERIC STARVO GALT; HARVEY LOWMYER and JOHN WILLARD and nothing pertinent was developed:

-Mildred Lappe, Dance Plyhouse, Salisbury, Md;
-Betty Webster, Salisbury Studio of Dance, Salisbury, Md;
-Charrie Tyler, Tyler Dance Studio, Cambridge, Maryland.

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MURKIN.

SENT BY CODED TELETYPE

ERIC STARVO GALT, THE PRINCIPAL SUSPECT, HAS BEEN REPORTED AS HAVING ATTENDED DANCING SCHOOLS IN BIRMINGHAM, NEW ORLEANS AND CALIFORNIA. ALL OFFICES SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CHECK ALL DANCING SCHOOLS IN YOUR TERRITORIES FOR ANY RECORD OF PRIOR ATTENDANCE AT ANY SUCH SCHOOLS BY GALT AND RUN OUT ANY LEADS DEVELOPED. GALT REPORTEDLY SIGNED UP FOR A ONE YEAR DANCING COURSE IN NEW ORLEANS IN NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR; TOOK DANCING LESSONS FOR SEVERAL WEEKS IN PIRMINGHAM BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN; AND TOOK A FOUR HUNDRED NINETYNINE DOLLAR DANCE COURSE FROM DECEMBER. NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN TO FEBRUARY NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT AT LONG PEACH. CALIFORNIA.

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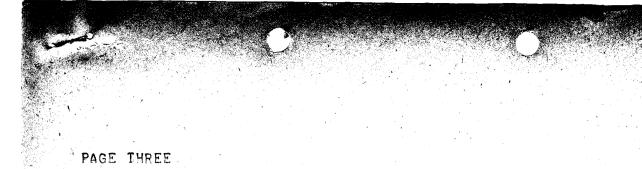
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BECAUSE HE DOES NOT REMEMBER INSTRUCTIONS. HE WAS DESCRIBED:
AS AN INTROVERT WHO VOLUNTEERS NO INFORMATION AND REPLIES WITH
YES OR NO ANSWERS WHEN ASKED; DID NOT MINGLE WITH OTHER STUDENTS
AND MADE NO EFFORTS TO MAKE FRIENDS OR CONVERSE WITH ANYONE.

ANOTHER DANCE INSTRUCTOR STATED GALT IS A GOOD DANCER,
DISPLAYED SLIGHT SOUTHERN ACCENT, RURAL CHARACTERISTICS OF
LANGUAGE AND DICTION, TEETH STRAIGHT AND CLEAN, FINGERNAILS
CLEAN AND NEATLY TRIMMED: WORE GOLD RING WITH DARK STONE;
ALMAYS NEATLY DRESSED WITH SUIT AND SHINY SLIP ON TYPE BLACK
ALLIGATOR SHOES WITH THIN SOLES, BLACK HOSE AND WORE TIE TACK
AND CUFF LINKS. SMOKED FILTER CIGARETTES AND HAD NERVOUS
HABIT OF OCCASIONALLY PULLING AT EAR LOBE. OWNER OF STUDIO
STATES GALT SPOKE OF ALABAMA, SAID HE WAS A MERCHANT SEAMAN;
SPOKE OF BEING IN MEXICO BUT DID NOT SPEAK SPANISH AND SPOKE
ENGLISH BADLY; WAS SOCIALLY INEPT, AN INTROVERT AND A POOR
DANCER PECAUSE HE WOULD NOT LOOSEN UP. SMILED RARELY AND
WHEN HE DID IT WAS A NERVOUS CROOKED SMILE; PAID CASH FOR LESSONS
TAKING A WAD OF BILLS FROM POCKET.

ERIC STARVO GALT DESCRIPED AS FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTYFIVE POUNDS, PLUE EYES, BROWN HAIR, BORN PLACE NOT GIVEN.

END PAGE TWO



GALT MAY HAVE USED THE NAME HARVEY LOWMYER OR JOHN
WILLARD OR ANY VARIATION OF THESE TWO NAMES OR ANY OTHER
NAME. IN CONNECTION WITH ANY INQUIRIES, NO INDICATION SHOULD
BE GIVEN INQUIRIES ARE IN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED CASE.

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Photograph taken 1968 (eyes drawn by artist)



Photograph taken 1968

Affases: Harvey Lowmyer, John Willard

DESCRIPTION

Age:

36, born July 20, 1931 (not supported by birth records)

Height:

5'8" to 5'11"

Eyes:

Blue or hazel

Weight:

160 to 175 pounds

Complexion:

Medium

Build:

Medium

White

Hair:

Race:

Brown, possibly cut short

Occupation:

Has claimed employment as seaman

Remarks:

Noticeably protruding left ear; reportedly is a lone wolf; allegedly attended dance instruction school; has reportedly completed course

in bartending.

CAUTION

GALT IS SOUGHT IN CONNECTION WITH A MURDER WHEREIN TH SHOT. CONSIDER ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

A Federal warrant was issued on April 17, 1968, at Birmingham, Alabama, charging Galt with conspiring to interfere with a Constitutional Right of a citizen (Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 241).

IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS PERSON, PLEASE NOTIFY ME OR CONTACT YOUR LOCAL FBI OFFICE. TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES OF ALL FBI OFFICES LISTED ON BACK.

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COPIES STATEMENT OF PERSONAL HISTORY DATED FEBRUARY
TWENTY-SIX, NINETEEN FIFTY-FIVE, AND ARMY REPORT OF
INVESTIGATION DATED APRIL TWENTY-SEVEN, NINETEEN FIFTY-FIVE,
BEING FORWARDED AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY THIS DATE TO
BUREAU AND OTHER OFFICES.

FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU AND OTHER OFFICES, DCII,
FORT HOLABIRD, MARYLAND, CHECKED TODAY WITHOUT LOCATING ANY
RECORD OF ERIC STARVO GALT, AKA.

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Memorandum

TO

SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669)

DATE:

4/18/68

FROM:

SA JAMES P. MC CLARREN

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

On 4/17/68, Mr. JAMES BIRD. Silver Hills Apartments, Building A, Apartment 2, telephone number 422-7649, Milford, Delaware, telephonically advised that he is currently employed by the Delaware Life Times Home, 1140 South State Street, Dover, Delaware.

BIRD advised that during the afternoon of 4/17/68, he met an individual in Milford, Delaware, who indicated that he had information relative to the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING. BIRD said that from his conversation with this individual he believed that this individual might possibly be involved in the murder.

BIRD advised that he was to meet this individual at the Milford Hotel during the evening of 4/17/68. He advised that he could be contacted at the above telephone number or through mobile telephone number 674-1224. BIRD advised that he planned to meet this individual and that he wanted to contact the FBI prior to his meeting.

SA EDWARD J. BEASLEY was advised of the above and he said he would attempt to contact BIRD.

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Review of CORCORAN's application indicates the following pertinent information:

Name: ROBERT JOSEPH CORCORAN

Address: 1929 Gwynn Oak Avenue, Baltimore,

Maryland

Race: White Sex: Male

Date of birth:

Place of birth:

Baltimore, Maryland

Marital status: Married AMELDA D. (ZAKE) CORCORAN

on 5/23/54

Occupation: Salesman

Expected date of

departure for West Germany

on business trip: 4/24/68
Via: Air travel

Duration: Air travel 14 to 21 days

Parents: ROBERT E. CORCORAN, born

Baltimore, Maryland

CATHERINE EBBERTS, born

Baltimore, Maryland Height: 5 feet 11 inches

Hair: Brown Eyes: Green

Scar: On right wrist

Social Security Number:

CORCORAN has made arrangements to pick up his passport at the Passport Office, WDC, prior to 4/22/68.

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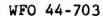
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She said he usually stood at the bar and she could not recall having ever seen him there with anyone accompanying him. He usually wore plaid short sleeve shirts with blue plaid or small checks design. She added he was a gentleman and talked very nice to her. Mrs. HILL said she believes this person was at the Surf Club the last 2 or 3 times upon Friday or Saturady evening during September, October or November, 1967. She said that he always appears clean and neat.

Mrs. HILL said her mother, HELEN CHATLIN, 3002
Pearl Drive, Suitland, Maryland, a cab driver for Washington
Cab Company, was with her when this person was at the Surf
Club. She added her mother had not returned home and she
has not had an opportunity to discuss the photograph with
her mother.

Baltimore is requested to interview Mrs. HILL's mother, HELEN CHATLIN, at the above address for additional information concerning this person. Also to make inquiry at the Surf Club, Bladensburg, Maryland, for information concerning a person believed by Mrs. HILL to be GALT. Mrs. HILL added a woman known as NELLIE is usually behind the bar and the manager, CHECK HILL plays in the band at the Club.

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APRIL 17, 1968

ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT

ERIC STARVO GALT IS BEING SOUGHT BY THE FBI AS A FUGITIVE ON A FEDERAL

CHARGE ARISING FROM THE FATAL SHOOTING OF THE REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER

KING, JR., IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, ON APRIL 4, 1968.

DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER STATED THAT A FEDERAL COMPLAINT WAS FILED BY THE FBI IN BIRMINGHAM, ALAEAMA, TODAY CHARGING GALT WITH CONSPIRING TO VIOLATE THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF DR. KING IN VIOLATION OF TITLE 18, SECTION 241, OF THE UNITED STATES CODE.

THE FBI COMPLAINT CHARGES THAT "ON OR ABOUT MARCH 29, 1968, AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA,...ERIC STARVO GALT AND AN INDIVIDUAL WHOM HE ALLEGED TO BE HIS BROTHER, ENTERED INTO A CONSPIRACY WHICH CONTINUED UNTIL ON OR ABOUT APRIL 5, 1968, TO INJURE, OPPRESS, THREATEN, OR INTIMIDATE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,...IN THE FREE EXERCISE OR ENJOYMENT OF A RIGHT SECURED TO HIM BY THE CONSTITUTION OR LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES: NAMELY, THE RIGHT TO FREELY TRAVEL FROM STATE TO STATE. IN FURTHERANCE OF THIS CONSPIRACY, ERIC STARVO GALT DID, ON OR ABOUT MARCH 30, 1968, PURCHASE A RIFLE AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA...."

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ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, A 30.06 RIFLE EQUIPPED WITH A TELESCOPIC SIGHT WAS FOUND NEAR A ROOMING HOUSE ON SOUTH MAIN STREET IN MEMPHIS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE FATAL SHOOTING OF DR. KING OCCUPRED. THE ROOMING HOUSE OVERLOOKS THE LORRAINE HOTEL AND MOTEL WHERE DR. KING WAS STAYING.

MR. HOOVER SAID THAT FPI AGENTS DETERMINED THAT THE 30.06 RIFLE HAD BEEN PURCHASED FROM A GUN DEALER IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, ON MARCH 30, 1968. THE TELESCOPIC SIGHT ALSO WAS PURCHASED FROM THIS DEALER.

THE FEI DIRECTOR SAID THAT GALT, WHO HAS USED THE NAMES OF JOHN WILLARD AND HARVEY LOWMYER IN THE PAST, IS THE OWNER OF A 1966 WHITE MUSTANG BEARING ALABAMA LICENSE PLATES WHICH WAS LOCATED ABANDONED IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA, ON APRIL 11, 1968. INVESTIGATION DISCLOSED THAT GALT PURCHASED THIS CAR FROM A PRIVATE CITIZEN IN BIRMINGHAM ON AUGUST 30, 1967. THE MUSTANG'S ODOMETER SHOWED THAT IT HAD BEEN DRIVEN MORE THAN 19,000 MILES BETWEEN LATE AUGUST, 1967, AND EARLY APRIL, 1963.

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ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, GALT'S TRAVELS IN THE MUSTANG INCLUDED TRIPS TO LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA; BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA; AND MEXICO, AS WELL AS TO MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, AND ATLANTA, GEORGIA. GALT WAS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN IN MEMPHIS ON APRIL 3 AND 4, 1968, AND TO HAVE DEPARTED FROM THERE FOR ATLANTA.

INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION BY THE FBI HAS DISCLOSED THAT GALT HAS CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED AS A COOK ON MISSISSIPPI RIVER VESSELS AND AS A MERCHANT SEAMAN. HE IS SAID TO BE AN AVID DANCER AND TOOK DANCING LESSONS IN NEW ORLEANS IN 1964 AND 1965; IN BIRMINGHAM DURING SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, 1967; AND IN LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA. FROM DECEMBER, 1967, TO FEBRUARY, 1968.

GALT LEFT LOS ANGELES ON DECEMBER 15, 1967, AND DROVE
HIS WHITE MUSTANG TO NEW ORELANS, WHERE HE CLAIMED HE CONTACTED
EITHER AN ENGINEERING OR A CONTRACTING FIRM. HE LEFT NEW ORLEANS ON
DECEMBER 19TH AND ARRIVED BACK IN LOS ANGELES ON DECEMBER 21. 1967.

WHILE IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA EARLY THIS YEAR, GALT
TOOK A COURSE AT A SCHOOL OF BARTENDING AND WAS GRADUATED ON MARCH 2,
1968.

THE FUGITIVE IS DESCRIBED AS A WHITE MALE. HE IS APPROXIMATELY 5 FEET 8 INCHES TO 5 FEET 11 INCHES TALL AND WEIGHS BETWEEN 160
AND 175 POUNDS. HE IS SAID TO BE A NEAT DRESSER AND HAS A MEDIUM BUILD

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GALT HAS BROWN HAIR, WHICH HE WEARS IN A "BRUSH" CUT.

HE REPORTEDLY HAS BLUE EYES; HIS NOSE IS STRAIGHT AND NARROW; HIS

TEETH ARE STRAIGHT AND CLEAN; AND HE HAS GIVEN HIS DATE OF BIRTH AS

THE FUGITIVE IS SAID TO HAVE A NERVOUS HABIT OF OCCASIONALLY
PULLING AT AN EAR LOPE WITH HIS HAND. HIS LEFT EAR PROTRUDES FARTHER
FROM HIS HEAD THAN HIS RIGHT EAR.

ACCOPDING TO MR. HOOVER, PERSONS WHO HAVE MET GALT
DESCRIBE HIM AS A "LONER" AND STATE HIS LANGUAGE AND DICTATION HAVE A
"RURAL" QUALITY AND SUGGEST THAT HE PROBABLY DOES NOT HAVE A HIGH DEGREE
OF SDUCATION. HE IS SAID TO DRINK ALCOHOLIC REVERAGES AND HAS A
PREFERENCE FOR VODKA AND REER. HE IS A FAN OF WESTERN AND COUNTRY
MUSIC.

THE FEDERAL STATUTE UNDER WHICH GALT HAS BEEN CHARGED

PROVIDES A MAXIMUM PENALTY OF TEN YEARS' IMPRISONMENT AND/OR \$5,000

FINE. BOND OF \$50,000 HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED.

GALT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS. ANY
INFORMATION CONCERNING HIM SHOULD BE FURNISHED IMMEDIATELY TO THE
NEAPEST FRI OFFICE.

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SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669)

DATE: 4/18/68

FROM

SA WARREN DAVID MOBERG

SUBJECT:

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The following investigation was conducted by SA Moberg on 4/18/68:

Mr. WILLIAM LEROY GALT,, residing at the home called Fort Venture, Located at Bellevue, Maryland, provided the following informationL:

He is president, treasurer and salesman of the firm known as POKE GALT, Inc., and has his offices in Bellevue, Md. He also uses the nickname POKE GALT. He has been in the Bellevue area for about 6 years, having come from Pennsylvania, where he had the same business located in Alden, Pa. and where he resided in Clifton NAXXI Heights, Pa. His business consists of wholesale plumbing and piping. He still retains an answering service in Philadelphia area as some of his customers still come from there.

He has a brother JOHN PETER GALT, recently retired from the U.S. Navy, who currently resides at 3003 Blue Ridge Avenue, Wheaton, Md. , telephone number 949-2443, and another brother CHARLES P. GALT, residing in San Rafael, California.

GALT has no children of his own. He is married to his second wife who has several children of her own, none of the name GALT.

GALT advised that he is aware of the interest of the FBI in an ERIC STARVO GALT from publicity but has no knowledge of that person. He has never heard the name other than from the wide publicity recently given it and has no relative of that name. He could provide no information which might be of any help in this matter.

GALT viewed a photograph of ERIC STARVO GALT appearing on page # 1 of the Baltimore Sun Paper of 4/18/68 and advised that the man XX is unfamiliar to him.

On 4/18/68 Dr. R. LANE WROTH, St. Michaels, Md., who is acquainted with WILLIAM LEROY GALT of Bellevue, Md., advised that to his knowledge KRIC STARVO GALT is unrelated to WILLIAM L. GALT. Dr. wroth viewed the above mentioned photo of ERIC STARVO GALT but advised that it was totally unfamiliar to him.

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ReBAtel to Bureau, 4/18/68.

Re: Dance School Project Suspect - AARON ISAAC LOFTON

Enclosed herewith are copies of the following documents concerning AARON ISAAC LOFTON as mentioned in referenced Baltimore teletype:

- Statement of Personal History (DD Form 398) dated 2/26/55
- 2. Army Report of Investigation dated 4/27/55

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Memorandum

то : SAC, (44-669)

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SA/ Gene S. Weimer

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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Re Albany Tel to

SOUTHERN MARYLAND AREA:

On 4/10/68 SA's Gene S. Weimer and James K. Thulin contacted all banking institutions, commercial and military bases, in all law inforcement agencies and credit bureau in Charles and St. Marys Cointies, Md. but no record, past or present, of a checking or savings account in name of Eric Starvo Galt.

Also all laundries and dry cleaning plants and shops, civilain and military, in these two counties were contacted with negative results concerning the instant Thermop Seal laundry mark.

The Waldorf Laundry at Waldorf, Md. was the only laundry untilizing the Thermo-Seal maximum marking process. Mr. J.Burns, Mgr. of this laundry informed 4/10/68 that this laundry has never used the Thermo-Seal tape to mark underwear but only used on shirts.

Mary Credle, the Thermo-Seal machine operator at Waldorf Laundry, contacted $\mu/15/68$ and she also confirmed that this machine only used to mark shirts and never used to mark underware.

Mr. J. Burns informed that there is a Mr. Joe Conk of Alexandria, Va. (248-6127) who is the WDC area distributor for the Thermo- Seal marking machine. Also a R.E. Frank Co. of WDC is an area distributor for Thermo-Seal tape. Burns suggested that afore two distributors might be of some help in identifying the instant thermo-seal mark in question. This information telephonically furnished to BA 4/10/68 for consideration of advising MFO and RH.

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THE PHOTOGRAPHS FURNISHED YOUR OFFICES OF ERIC STARVO

GALT BY ROUTING SLIP FOUR SIXTEEN LAST CONTAIN THE COMPOSITE

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT AS FURNISHED BY VARIOUS WITNESSES. THE

PHOTOGRAPH WITH THE EYES CLOSED IS THE ACTUAL PHOTOGRAPH AS

TAKEN IN MARCH SIXTY-EIGHT. THE PHOTOGRAPH WITH THE EYES OPEN

IS THE SAME PHOTOGRAPH IN WHICH THE EYES HAVE BEEN DRAWN IN BY

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то : SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669)

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SA RAYMOND MARIA

SUBJECT: "MURKIN"

On 4/16/68, representatives of the below listed dance studios, which offered ballroom lessons for adults in New Castle County, Delaware, advised that their respective records made no reference to: ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMYER, or JOHN WILLARD:

SALLY EVERETT Everett's Dance Studio 724 N. Union St., Wilm., Del.

EDNA DIXON Arthur Murray Dance Studio 1005 Tatnall St., Wilm., Del.

ELAINE STEIN
Achenbach and Stein Dance Studio
121 E. Van Buren St., Wilm. Manor, New Castle, Dela

HARRY CLIFFORD
Recordo School of Dance
1014 Delaware Avenue, Wilm., Del.

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TO ALL SACS (PLAINTEXT)

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

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MEDIA IN YOUR TERRITORIES TO INSURE THAT THERE IS FREQUENT
REFERENCE TO PHOTOGRAPH OF GALT AND HIS CONNECTION WITH
THIS CASE. IF NOT ALREADY DONE, PHOTOGRAPHS SHOULD BE
SHOWN OR DISTRIBUTED TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OTHER APPROPRIATE
AGENCIES IN YOUR AREAS TO INSURE THE BROADEST POSSIBLE
PUBLICATION OF SUBJECT'S PHOTOGRAPH AND BACKGROUND.

OFFICES COVERING POINTS OF ENTRY OR EXIT FROM COUNTRY INSURE THAT SUPJECT'S PHOTOGRAPH AND PACKGROUND HAVE BEEN WIDELY DISTRIBUTED AND/OR APPROPRIATELY DISPLAYED AND THAT STOPS ARE BEING MAINTAINED.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THE

FEI HAS IDENTIFIED JAMES EARL RAY, AN ESCAPEE FROM THE MISSOURI

STATE PENITENTIARY, AS ERIC STARVO GALT, AGAINST WHOM A FEDERAL

COMPLAINT WAS FILED LAST WEDNESDAY IN CONNECTION WITH THE FATAL SHOOLIN OF THE REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER SAID THAT A SYSTEMATIC AND
EXHAUSTIVE SEARCH OF LATENT FINGERPRINTS UNCOVERED IN THE DR. KING
CASE AGINST THE FINGERPRINTS OF THE OVER 53,000 PERSONS FOR WHOM
"WANTED NOTICES" HAVE BEEN POSTED IN THE FILES OF THE FBI'S IDENTIFICANTION LED TO THE DETERMINATION THAT GALT AND RAY ARE IDENTICAL...

MP. HOOVER SAID THAT RAY, WHO IS 40 YEARS OF AGE, WAS
REPORTED MISSING FROM THE MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY AT JEFFERSON
CITY, MISSOURI, SINCE APRIL 23, 1967. HE HAD BEEN RECEIVED AT THAT
INSTITUTION ON MARCH 17, 1950, TO SERVE A 20-YEAR SENTENCE FOLLOWING
CONVICTION IN ST. LOUIS FOR ARMED ROBBERY AND FOR OPERATING A MOTOR
VEHICLE WITHOUT PERMISSION OF THE OWNER.

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IN SETEMPER, 1966, WHILE SERVING THIS SENTENCE, HE WAS
CONFINED FOR A TIME IN THE MAXIMUM SECURITY WARD AT THE STATE HOSPITAL
AT FULTON, MISSOURI.

ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, RAY HAS A KNOWN ARREST RECORD

DATING BACK TO 1949. PRIOR TO THE 1968 CONVICTION FOR WHICH HE RECEIVED

THE 28-YEAR TERM, RAY HAD BEEN CONVICTED OF BURGLARY IN LOS ANGELES,

CALIFORNIA, IN 1949; ARMED ROBBERY IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, IN 1952; AND

FORGING UNITED STATES POSTAL MONEY ORDERS IN MISSOURI

IN 1955.

HE HAS SERVED TERMS IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY JAIL IN

1949; IN STATE PRISONS AT JOLIET AND PONTIAC, ILLINOIS, IN 1952-54; AND

IN THE FEDERAL PENITENTIARY AT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS, IN 1955-58.

RAY WAS AN ENLISTED MAN IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY FROM
FEBRUARY, 1946, TO DECEMBER, 1948, AT WHICH TIME HE WAS GIVEN A
GENERAL DISCHARGE DUE TO INEPTNESS AND LACK OF ADAPTABILITY FOR MILITARY
SERVICE. WHILE IN THE ARMY, HE RECEIVED A THREE-MONTH SENTENCE AT
HARD LABOR FOR BEING DRUNK AND EREAKING ARREST.

MR. HOOVER SAID THAT DURING HIS CRIMINAL CAREER, RAY
HAS ALSO USED THE NAMES OF JAMES MC BRIDE, JAMES WALTON, W. C.
HERRON AND JAMES O'CONNER. HE IS A WHITE MALE; CLAIMS TO HAVE
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TALL AND WEIGHS ABOUT 163 TO 174 POUNDS. HE HAS BLUE EYES AND BROWN

HAIR. THERE IS A SMALL SCAR ON THE CENTER OF HIS FOREHEAD AND A SCAR

ON THE PALM OF HIS RIGHT HAND.

RAY HAS CLAIMED THAT HE ATTENDED SCHOOL THROUGH THE 10TH
GRADE IN ALTON, ILLINOIS. HE HAS HAD THE REPUTATION OF BEING A "DRIFTER"
SINCE LEAVING SCHOOL. HIS VOCATIONAL EXPERIENCE INCLUDES WORKING AS A
BAKER, LABORER AND COLOR MATCHER.

IN CONNECTION WITH HIS ESCAPE FROM THE MISSOURI STATE

PENITENTIARY, AN FEI COMPLAINT WAS FILED IN JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI,

ON JULY 23,1967, CHARGING RAY WITH UNLAWFULLY FLEEING FROM THE STATE

OF MISSOURI TO AVOID CONFINEMENT. HE HAS BEEN A FEDERAL FUGITIVE

SINCE THEN.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

ANYONE HAVING INFORMATION COMCERNING HIM SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT

FEI HEADQUARTERS IN WASHINGTON, D. C., OR THE NEAREST FBI OFFICE.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669)

DATE:

4/10/68

FROM

THOMAS R. CHERIGO

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

The attached self-explanatory memorandum was furnished to this office by Postal Inspector R. M. BOCK.

Mr. BOCK stated that postal employee LAWRENCE J. HAWKINS suggestted that PHILLIP JENKINS may be a suspect in captioned case.

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At 10:15 a.m. on April 10, 1968, a telephone call was received from Lawrence J. Hawkins who lives at 3708 Dolfield Avenue, whose home telephone number is 664-5520. Mr. Hawkins is a postal employee at the Airmail Section of the Hain Post Office, and his telephone number there is 962-4230.

Mr. Hawkins related that he viewed a television program last night on which there appeared a composite of the alleged killer of Martin Luther King, Jr. Mr. Hawkins stated that the composite resembled closely a white man by the name of Philip Jankins, who picketed the CORE convention at Broadway and Cay Street, Baltimore, in July 1966. Hawkins states that Jenkins' picture was in the paper at that time.

Hawkins also advised that Jankins was connected with an organisation by the name of Peace International in the 800 block of N. Gay Street, Baltimore, but that the organisation is no longer there. Hawkins also advised that Jenkins founded a rifle club on Gay Street and Baltimore.

The above information was transmitted by telephone at 10:30 a.m. this date to Tom Cherigo, Baltimore FBI, who advised that Philip Jenkins is known to them.

R. M. Bock

R. M. Bock Postal Inspector

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ce: Imspector in Charge Washington, D. C.

Baltimore FBI

ENTRAL Savings Bank CHARLES AND LEXINGTON STS., BALTIMORE, MD. 21203

INCORPORATED 1854

MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

LEXINGTON 9-1636

April 17, 1968

Mr. Edwin R. Tully
Special Agent in Charge
United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
408 Post Office Building
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: Eric Starvo Galt

Dear Mr. Tully:

Eric S. Galt

In reply to your inquiry we have examined our records but have found no instance of Mr. Galt having transacted any business with us.

Very truly yours,

Robert A. Smith

Asst. Vice President,

RAS/lm

FBI — BALTIMORE



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

408 Post Office Building Baltimore, Maryland 21202 April 10, 1968

TO ALL BANKS, SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS IN THE STATES OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE

Gentlemen:

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In connection with an urgent official investigation being conducted by the FBI, it is requested that all customer records of your institution be checked to determine if the name ERIC STARVO GALT appears in your records as having ever transacted any business with your institution.

If this name should appear in your files, it is requested that you telephonically contact the Baltimore Office of the FBI collect, Area Code 301 - Lexington 9-6700, immediately.

Any answer to this reply will be maintained in the strictest confidence. Should at any time in the future information from this record check be required for court production, a subpoena duces tecum directed to the proper authority will be issued.

I appreciate very much your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Edwin R. Tully

Special Agent in Charge

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An examination of our files does not disclose that any transactions have been handled for Eric Starvo Galt.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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Director, FBI (44-38861)

DATE: 4/19/68

KOM :

SAC, Kansas City (44-760)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

Enclosed to the Bureau are six copies and to each office one copy of the following photographs:

JAMES EARL RAY, Missouri Department of Correction #00416, dated 3/17/60 and 9/8/66

WALTER TERRY RIFE, Kansas City SO #29636 FBI #4558766

Stand up photographs of RAY on the left, Kansas City SO #29637 and RIFE, Kansas City SO 29236, taken 3/28/55.

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REGISTERED MAIL

TO:

DIRECTOR, FRI

FROM:

SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

Re phone calls from Bureau to Baltimore and from Baltimore to Bureau, 4/20/68 and Hyattsville RA phone call to WFO, 4/22/68.

Information received from Bureau supervisor late p.m., 4/20/68 that individual driving Ford Fairlane bearing Maryland license DM 4120, bore strong resemblance to JAMES MARL RAY.

Records, Department of Motor Vehicles, Glen Burnie, Maryland, enecked 4/20/68 reflect Maryland license DM 4120 was listed to CHARLES LERGY SELL, 4107 Southern Avenue, Suitland, Maryland

Mrs. RAMCHA WEST, Resident Manager, Penn Southern Apartments, 4135 Southern Avenue, Suitland, Maryland, advised late p.m., 4/20/68 that her records reflect CHARLES LERGY SELL formerly resided at 4167 Southern Avenue; however, he moved sometime in March, 1968 to an unknown address. All records relative to former occupants of apartments are maintained at the Whi Investment Company, 2015 15th Street, Washington, D.C., at the new Dunbar Hotel. Mrs. WEST could not furnish any description of SELL.

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WFO at 2015 15th Street, Washington, D.C., ascertain all information relative to SELL and conduct necessary investigation as to who was driving his vehicle p.m., 4/20/68.

Ascertain if there is any connection between SELL and JAMES EARL RAY.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669)

DATE:

4/18/68

FROM :

Supervisor ROBERT E. ALMON

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

At approximately 12:00 noon, 4/18/68, KYLE G. CLARK, ASAC, Chicago, called re captioned case. They advised that an individual, identified as HERBERT O. OTT, checked into a YMCA in Chicago and has been identified by four individuals as possibly being ident with subject GALT. Records available to them reflect that OTT listed his residence as 327 Westowne Road, Baltimore, Maryland, and that he was employed by A.G. Food Company, Baltimore, Maryland, telephone #539-6696.

CLARK advised that they were unable to locate any Baltimore listing for OTT and requested Baltimore to immediately make a pretext call to the A.G. Food Company for any available information concerning OTT.

While ASAC was on the phone, SA ALMON telephonically contacted the A.G. Food Company under a suitable pretext, requesting information concerning OTT.

Their records indicate that a HERBERT O. OTT, who was born on worked as a laborer with A.G. Food Company (Gino's Restaurants) from 10/65 until he quit on 2/25/68. The last Gino's Store he worked at was at 6333 Baltimore National Pike. The last Baltimore address, according to their records, was 5641 Calyrn Road, and the individual advised that the name of this street could be wrong as it was written illegibly. A.G. Food had no idea of OTT's current location and had received no inquiries concerning him, such as an employment reference.

This information was immediately furnished to ASAC CLARK, who said that when the matter was resolved that his office would submit a teletype concerning the results and furnish a copy to Baltimore for information.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

: SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669)

4/20/68 DATE:

FROM : SAC, WFO (44-703)

SUBJECT: MURKIN - CR

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At 8:00 P.M. on 4/19/68 LESTER L. KIMBLE (retired Lieutenant, United States Navy) who resides at Box 109 Clarksburg, Maryland, telephone number 301-926-3522, furnished SA LOUIS A. CRESCIOLI, the following information:

At 7:30 P.M. on 4/19/68 KIMBLE was in the Midway Diner, which is located on left hand side of Maryland Route Number 355, as you go north from Gaithersburg, Maryland. The owner of this diner, who is about 40 years old, 6' tall, dark hair, medium build, 190 pounds, and sallow complexion, resembles the photograph of ERIC STARVO GALT. The owner's name is unknown to KIMBLE.

KIMBLE requested that his identity not be revealed as the source of the above information.

LEAD:

BALTIMORE OFFICE

AT GAITHERSBURG, MARYLAND

Will conduct appropriate investigation re owner of Midway Diner.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE

DATE: 4/20/68

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FROM : SA | FRANCIS C. O'NEIL

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Bureau Supervisor MARLING GEHRING, Civil Rights Desk, telephonically advised at 4:15 P.M. that the bureau received telephone call from TOMAS EVANS, from Temple Hills, S.E., telephone 894-3242, to the effect he picked up an indiviual whom he falt looked like the person wanted in this case. This person was hitchhiking at 12:30 P.M. Thursday, 4/18/68 at the beltway and Baltimore-Washington Expressway when picked up. He dropped him off in the Suitland, Maryland area across from Census Bldg. This person claimed he had been transfered from Suitland area to work for the Moran Printing Co., Candler Bldg., Market Place and Pratt St., Baltimore. Complainant alleges he also worked at same printing company at one time and did not know this person. He described this hitchhiker as age 38-40, white male, 5'10 1/2", 170-185 lbs., ruddy complexion, medium build, crew cut hair, shaggy, gray streaks, slight southern accent, brown slacks, sport shirt, cheap blue jacket.

Baltimore directories failed to reflect a Moran Printing Co. LEAD:

BALTIMORE

AT SUITLAND, MARYLAND

Telephore THOMAS EVANS to obtain further information regarding the Moran Printing Co.

This lead telephoned to \$A JOHN S. MULHOLLAND

4:20 P.M.

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7:07 PM PST URGENT 4/17/68 WEH

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), BALTIMORE, AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (173-65) /1P/

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MURKIN.

RE-- SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT.

CHARLES P. GALT, PROPRIETOR, GALT ADVERTISING AGENCY,
ONE THREE ZERO BUSH STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, TELEPHONE
THREE SIX TWO DASH ZERO SEVEN FOUR ONE, ADVISED THAT HE RESIDES
AT ONE SIX BALANOS DRIVE, SAN RAFAEL, CALIFORNIA, TELEPHONE FOUR SEVEN
NINE DASH TWO SEVEN ZERO ONE. HE ADVISED THAT THE NAME ERIC STARVO
GALT DOES NOT MEAN ANYTHING TO HIM. HE ADVISED HE NEVER HEARD OF THIS
NAME UNTIL HE READ ABOUT SUSPECT IN THE NEWSPAPERS. HE ADVISED
HE HAS TWO BROTHERS RESIDING IN MARYLAND, JOHN P. MALT, RESIDING IN
WHEATON, MARYLAND, AND WILLIAM LEMOY GALT, RESIDING IN TALBOT COUNTY,
BELLVUE, MARYLAND.

LEADS. BALTIMORE LOCATE AND INTERVIEW JOHN P. GALT AT WHEATON, MARYLAND, AND WILLIAM LERGY GALT AT TALBOT COUNTY, BELLVUE, MARYLAND.

OTHER STATIONS NOTIFIED SEPARATELY.

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Search of premises believed occupied by Unsub who assassinated Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING on 4/4/68, disclosed suitcase in which was located tee-shirt and undershorts bearing laundry mark on red tape with black lettering believed to be thermoseal type, manufactured by Textile Marking Machine Co., Inc., Syracuse N Y The tape is $\frac{1}{4}$ " wide and 1 1/16" long and bears letters and numbers 02B-6.

Experts at Textile Marking Machine Company advise type on this machine is unusual in that the first two characters are 15 point type and the last three characters are 18 point type, with the middle character, the letter B, probably being narrow rather than regular type. The usual machine carries 15 point type for the first three characters and 18 point type for the last two characters

Textile Marking Machine experts also stated this machine is defective in that it is producing a tape 1 1/16" long instead of 1 1/8" long and is not projecting the tape far enough resulting in cutting off a portion of the first letter. The code used in the Northeast part of the U.S. is as follows:

The first letter 0 stands for lot number; the first number 2 indicates the day of the week, two being Tuesday; the second letter indicates the first letter of the store name, this is the letter B; the last number is the bundle number, this is 6 Color coding of the tag may designate various things such as a different month or the identity of a store in a chain. Experts also state the use of this system on laundry items is unusual in that the system is normally used on garments being dry cleaned

The Bureau has instructed that all textile machines using this type tape be located and machines using this code be identified.

ALABAMA

(These names were obtained and furnished to the Birmingham Office telephonically on 4/5/68.)

Alexander City Laundry Alexander City, Alabama

Capitol City Laundry 507 South Decatur Montgomery, Alabama Homer L. Corum 2508 Memorial Parkway South Huntsville, Alabama

Empire Rouse, Inc. 1083 Adams Avenue Montgomery, Alabama

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Cakwood College Laundry Dept. Huntsville, Alabama

James F Odell Huntsville, Alabama

Quality Laundry and Cleaners Auburn Alabama Snow White Laundry and Cleaners 9052 Park Avenue Enterprise, Alabama

White Swan Laundry Huntsville, Alabama

Young's Laundry 216 North College Street Auburn, Alabama

Following machines were originally located as shown but have been sold or otherwise disposed of by the purchasers, present owners not known:

Bishop Cleaners and Laundry Dothan, Alabama Model H5M4B-1, Serial #33095

Chin's Laundry, 361 St Louis Street Mobile Alabama Model H5K1, Serial Nos. R32111, R32112, R32114, R32021, R32023, \$32167, and R31886

Palace Laundry 701 St Anthony Street Mobile, Alabama Model H5K4, Serial Nos. R32514, R32535

Above was furnished to Mobile by Albany teletype, 4/9/68, and by prior telephone call.

ARIZONA

Acme Laundry 3316 North 3rd Street Thoenix, Arizona

Allen's Cleaners 4192 North 40th Street Phoenix, Arizona

American Laundry 101 South San Francisco Flagstaff, Arizona Bartoli's Cleaners 9103 North Central Phoenix, Arizona

Cleaners and Laundry Equipment Co. Carmelbush Mail Scottsdale, Arizona

Gila Valley Laundry Safford, Arizona

Clover Cleaners and Laundry 2543 North Campbell Tueson, Arizona

Jim Dandy Cleaners 1119 East 5th Street Tucson, Arizona

Hammerton Laundry 1718 West Buckeye Road Thoenix, Arizona

Maroney Cleaners 4903 North Central Phoenix, Arizona

McKane Laundry 245 West Madison Phoenix, Arizona

Oliver Drachonan Laundry 300 East 6th Street Tucson, Arizona

hoenix Laundry 333 North 7th Street Phoenix, Arizona

Pioneer Laundry and Dry Cleaners 1400 North First Avenue Tucson, Arizona

ride Laundry and Cleaners 3192 East Indian School Storage Ihoenix, Arizona

San-Way Valet Laundry 551 North Country Club Drive Mesa, Arizona

Sparkle Laundry and Cleaners 4500 East Broadway Tucson, Arizona Sparkle Laundry and Cleaners 1801 East McDowell Phoenix, Arizona

Spic and Span Cleaners P. O. Box 189 Kingsman, Arizona

Varsity Cleaners and Laundry 921 East 3rd Street Tucson, Arizona

ARKANSAS

Acme Laundry Cleaners, Harrison, Arkansas

Broadmon (OHM), Broadmon Shopping Center, University Ave., Little Rock

City Laundry & Cleaners, 425 Main St., Malvern

Fayetteville 1-Hour Martinizing, Evelyn Hill Shopping Center, Fayetteville

COLORADO

American Sales 321 W 45th Avenue Denver, Colorado

Arrow Laundry 29th and Wyandoth Denver, Colorado

Broadmoor Hotel, Laundry Dept Colorado Springs, Colorado

Capital Laundry and Cleaners 13th and Federal Denver, Colorado

City Elite Laundry 2701 Lawrence Denver, Colorado

Couture Laundry and Cleaners 219-221 N Cascade Colorado Springs, Colorado

Denver Hilton Hotel 1551 Court Place Denver, Colorado

Denver Laundry 810 West 18th Street Denver, Colorado

Ideal Laundry and Cleaners 2500 Curtis Street Denver, Colorado

New Fashion Cleaners 10033 East Colfax Aurora, Colorado

New Method Laundry 939 E Colfax Denver, Colorado New Method Laundry and Cleaners 321 Rood Avenue Grand Junction, Colorado

Scientific Supply Company 800 Water Street Denver, Colorado

Sew-Equipment Inc. 825 Water Street Denver, Colorado

Snow-White Laundry 2515 W. Colorado Springs Blvd. Colorado Springs, Colorado

Sunnyside Cleaners 1420 W. 26 Avenue Denver, Colorado

Thompson-Hayward Chemical Co. 1501 West 13th Avenue Denver, Colorado