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

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1365)

FROM : SA David W. Watson

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: April 17, 1968

On April 16, 1968 the following individuals were contacted at Wilmington, N.C. and advised according to their records no individual by the name of Eric Starvo Galt has had dancing lessons at their places of business;

Mrs Pauline Copeland, Baldwin-Copeland Studio of Dance,
1306 Dock St., Wilmington, N.C.

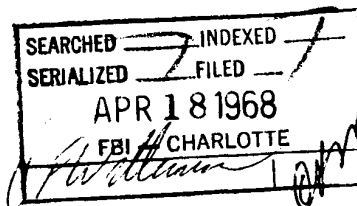
Betty Cress, Betty Cress Studios, 1109 Princess St.,
Wilmington, N.C.

Marjorie Loughlin, Janes Studio of Dance, 2118 Princess Place Dr.,
Wilmington, N.C.

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RE: HAROLD H. FLETCHER

By communication dated April 12, 1968, the Atlanta Office of the FBI advised as follows:

On April 12, 1968, R. OBESTER, Desk Clerk, Briarcliff Hotel, 1050 Ponce de Leon Avenue, NE, Atlanta, advised he thought he recognized a composit photograph of the assassin of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. as being identical with a guest registered as H. H. FLETCHER. FLETCHER called the hotel on April 7, 1968, and made reservations for a double and a single room. He appeared at the hotel on April 8, 1968, and made a \$10 deposit on these rooms. On April 9, 1968, two women approached the desk at the hotel and identified themselves as the wife and a friend of FLETCHER. FLETCHER and his wife occupied Room 501 and the other girl occupied Room 528. It appeared FLETCHER did not have an automobile but was traveling in the second girl's automobile.

Atlanta Police Department officer JACK POPHAM, assigned to the beat around the hotel also advised he also recognizes a composit drawing of the assassin as an individual he saw around the hotel.

DAVID ELLER, Alternate Desk Clerk, also advised he places a person similar to the composit drawing in and around the hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. FLETCHER gave an address of 615 Stirling Street, Greensboro, North Carolina. The second girl was identified by registration records as SARAH E. COLLINS, 601 Guilford Avenue, Greensboro. She was described as 5'3" tall, 23 or 24 years of age or younger, dishwater blonde, medium length, wears glasses, hippy-type dress. 44-1365-295

By telephone call on April 13, 1968, the Atlanta Office advised as follows:

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HAROLD FLETCHER, according to his landlady, a Miss BETTY TWEED, 846 St. Charles Avenue, NE, Atlanta, Georgia, was secretly married to a girl who is attending Jonesboro College and his wife and a friend of hers came to Atlanta on Tuesday morning (April 9, 1968), and left Atlanta on Thursday night, (April 11, 1968). FLETCHER as of April 13, 1968, reportedly had gone to Jonesboro College with his wife.

It had been determined the true address for HAROLD FLETCHER is 107 East Lee Avenue, Gastonia, North Carolina, telephone number 629-2020.

The girl reported to be FLETCHER's wife was described as 23 or 24, red hair, blue eyes, very attractive, with a good build.

The following investigation was conducted by SA ANDREW M. PALUMBO:

AT GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

On April 13, 1968, the owner and present resident at 615 Sterling Street, Greensboro, North Carolina, advised HAROLD H. FLETCHER is not known to them.

No one was located at 601 Guilford Avenue, Greensboro, North Carolina.

The current Greensboro City Directory fails to list H. H. FLETCHER or SARAH E. COLLINS.

The following investigation was conducted by SA GEORGE J. KLEIN:

AT GASTONIA, NORTH CAROLINA

On April 13, 1968, investigation at Gastonia revealed HAROLD H. FLETCHER resides at 107 East Lee Street, Bessemer City, North Carolina. Gastonia Police Department records reveal

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FLETCHER was arrested March 22, 1965, for violation of the Prohibition laws.

On April 13, 1968, FLETCHER's uncle, LUTHER T. FLETCHER, 107 East Lee Street, Bessemer City, North Carolina, advised that HAROLD H. FLETCHER works for Annon Johnson Ceiling Tile Company, Atlanta, Georgia, and has been residing and working in Atlanta since December, 1967. FLETCHER was in Bessemer City Saturday, April 13, 1968, with his wife, MARGARET WALKER FLETCHER.

Mrs. ZENIH BEAM, aunt of MARGARET WALKER FLETCHER, advised on April 13, 1968, FLETCHER and his wife stopped by earlier on that date but she did not know his current whereabouts.

No record of FLETCHER was located at the Bessemer City Police Department.

On April 14, 1968, FLETCHER telephonically contacted the Charlotte Office and stated he was en route to Atlanta and could be contacted at 846 St. Charles Place, Atlanta. He stated he listed Greensboro as an address for his wife and her friend because she attends the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. He advised he may also be contacted at his place of employment for additional information.

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Atlanta teletype to Bureau, Charlotte and Memphis 4/12/68; Charlotte teletype to Bureau, Atlanta, and Memphis 4/13/68; telephone call from Atlanta to Charlotte 4/13/68; and Charlotte teletype to Bureau and Atlanta 4/15/68.

There are being furnished Memphis herewith an original and 8 copies of an insert concerning HAROLD H. FLETCHER.

In referenced Charlotte teletype 4/15/68, Atlanta was instructed to contact FLETCHER for any additional information required.

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RE: J. B. RICHARDSON

By communication dated April 9, 1968, the Memphis Office of the FBI advised as follows:

Records of the Memphis motels indicate that J. B. RICHARDSON, Post Office Box 29001, Atlanta, Georgia, driving an automobile with North Carolina License DV 4001, checked in to a motel on April 1, 1968, and checked out on April 3, 1968.

The following investigation was conducted by Security Patrol Clerk COLON P. OVERTON:

AT CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

On April 10, 1968, JOHN SEXTON, North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles, Raleigh, North Carolina, telephonically advised that North Carolina license DV 4001 is listed to Atwater Motor Company, 739 South Main Street, Burlington, North Carolina, to be displayed on a 1968 Ford, four-door. SEXTON advised there is no stolen report in file on this license.

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Atlanta teletype to Charlotte, Cincinnati, and
Memphis, 4/10/68; and Charlotte teletype to Memphis 4/10/68.

There are being furnished Memphis herewith an
original and 8 copies of an insert concerning J. B. RICHARDSON.

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RE: ERIC STARVO GALT

By communication dated April 10, 1968, the Birmingham Office advised as follows:

ERIC STARVO GALT, 2608 Highland Avenue South, Birmingham, Alabama, is the registered owner of a white 1966 Mustang, Vehicle Identification Number 6T07C190647, bearing 1968 Alabama License 1-38993.

The following investigation was conducted at Charlotte, North Carolina:

On April 10, 1968, JOHN SEXTON, North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles, Raleigh, North Carolina, telephonically advised that there is no registration in the files of that department concerning Vehicle Identification Number 6T07C190647.

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Birmingham teletype to Bureau and all SACs,
4/10/68, and Charlotte teletype to Memphis 4/10/68.

There are being furnished Memphis herewith, an
original and 8 copies of an insert concerning ERIC STARVO GALT.

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RE: DONALD L. LOHMEIER

By communication dated April 10, 1968, the Atlanta Office of the FBI advised as follows:

The Credit Bureau of Albany, Georgia, has one name phonetically corresponding with LOWMEYER.

These records reflect one Captain DONALD L. LOHMEIER, Marine Corps Serial Number 080160, in 1967 resided at 16 Vandergriff, Jacksonville, North Carolina. He previously was in Vietnam and previously resided at Albany, Georgia. His wife's name is HELEN.

The following investigation was conducted by IC LUBY A. HALL on April 10, 1968:

AT JACKSONVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

Mrs. BEA ROUSE, Manager, Credit Bureau of Onslow County, Jacksonville, North Carolina, advised that according to her records, Captain DONALD L. LOHMEIER, Marine Serial Number 080160, has a satisfactory credit rating, and that his file was first opened in 9/61. According to her records, he has a date of birth of [redacted] his wife's name is HELEN, and his Social Security Number is [redacted] PII

[redacted] She mentioned that his current address is 16 Vandergriff Road, Jacksonville, and his previous addresses are listed as Magnolia Apartments, J-2, Albany, Georgia, and 7631 A Palmer Courts, Fort Meade, Maryland. Her records reflect that Captain LOHMEIER was on duty in Vietnam from 9/66 until 8/67. She related that the only other information in her files is that the Captain was given a speeding ticket apparently somewhere in Onslow County, North Carolina, during 12/62. 44-1365-301

The following investigation was conducted by SAs JOSEPH G. BATES and DAVID A. MANKO on 4/10/68, at Camp Lejeune, N. C.:

Major BILLY J. HILL, Executive Officer, Second Battalion, Sixth Marines, Second Marine Division, advised that Captain DONALD L. LOHMEIER, MSN 080160, first joined Second

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Battalion, 6th Marines, 2nd Marine Division, 2/29/68, and he is presently the Commanding Officer of E Company, 2nd Battalion, 6th Marines. He mentioned that Captain LOHMEIER has not been accorded any military leave since he has been assigned to 2nd Battalion, 6th Marines. He stated that according to his officer qualification record, Captain LOHMEIER was on duty in Vietnam with the U. S. Marine Corps from 9/3/66 until 8/6/67. Captain LOHMEIER was on leave 12/14/67 until 12/19/67 and at that time gave as a leave address 304 Magnolia Boulevard, Radium Springs, Albany, Ga. Captain LOHMEIER also was on military leave from 8/26/67 until 9/9/67 and at that time gave as a leave address Magnolia Apartments, Number J-2, Albany, Ga.

Major HILL mentioned that since Captain LOHMEIER is the Commanding Officer of a unit in the Battalion, he as well as any other officer in the battalion, is not required to sign in or sign out at any time in the military unit, and it is very difficult to positively ascertain whether or not he would be on duty any specific date. He mentioned that once an officer departs his military unit after duty hours on a Friday, his activities are not governed by the military in any manner. Since Captain LOHMEIER was not on military leave on 3/29/68 or 4/4/68, he assumes that he was on duty in his military unit at Camp Lejeune, however, cannot positively establish that fact. Major HILL made inquiry with the first sergeant of E Company, 2nd Battalion, 6th Marines, and he could not definitely ascertain that Captain LOHMEIER was on duty, 3/29/68 or 4/4/68. Major HILL mentioned that he can positively establish that Captain LOHMEIER was in his military unit at 11:10 a.m. on 4/5/68 and also at 2:00 p.m. on 4/5/68. He reiterated that even though neither he or the first sergeant can specifically recall that whether Captain LOHMEIER was at his military unit on 3/29/68 or 4/4/68 does not mean that the captain was not on duty.

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He mentioned that due to the status of any officer in the U. S. Marine Corps, no roll call of any kind is required for the officers.

Major HILL stated that most of the battalion is presently on field maneuvers at Camp Lejeune, and that there is only a skeleton crew remaining at Building 114 which is the Battalion Headquarters. He mentioned that the battalion will be in from the field maneuvers at approximately 2:00 p.m. on 4/12/68.

Major HILL advised that prior to being assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 6th Marines, Captain LOHMEIER was assigned to H & S Company, First Infantry Training Regiment, Camp Geiger, Camp Lejeune, N. C., from 8/24/67 to 2/28/68. He mentioned that the Captain joined the U. S. Marine Corps on 9/30/53 and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant on 6/6/60.

Major HILL described Captain LOHMEIER as a white male, 5' 11", 175 pounds, hair very short and brown, eyes green, complexion medium. He furnished a photograph of Captain LOHMEIER which he stated was taken during 3/68 and advised that it was a very good likeness of the Captain. He stated further upon reference to the Captain's Officer qualification records that he was born [redacted] at Lincoln, Nebraska, has Social Security Number [redacted] and has a Virginia Driver's License Number 115303-46295-745016, which was issued to him 7/27/66.

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Major HILL advised that the following relatives are listed in the Captain's Officer qualification record:

Wife:

HELEN L. LOHMEIER

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DOB [redacted]

Current address 16 Vandergrift
Drive, Plum Point Estates
Jacksonville, North Carolina

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Father:

HENRY JOHN LOHMEIER
(Legal Guardian)
Address 2435 South Tenth St.,
Lincoln, Nebraska

Major HILL mentioned that Captain LOHMEIER has three young children. Captain LOHMEIER has an insurance policy with Officer's Benefit Association, Policy Number 25482, P. O. Box 35, Birmingham, Ala.

Major HILL recalled that Captain LOHMEIER made a couple of trips to New Bern, N. C., during the last two weeks for the purpose of cancelling a Marine who is in the Captain's Unit and who is presently incarcerated in jail at New Bern, N. C.

Major HILL was not advised of the purpose of the inquiry regarding Captain LOHMEIER, and Major HILL was advised of the confidential nature of the inquiry and he agreed to hold the interview in the strictest confidence and not to advise anyone of the inquiry.

Staff Sergeant D. J. BUCKLE, Chief Investigator, Criminal Investigation Division, Camp Lejeune, N. C., advised that according to his records, Captain DONALD L. LOHMEIER, MSN 080160, has two automobiles registered at Camp Lejeune, N. C., a 1964 brown Plymouth station wagon, license number not known. He mentioned that Camp Lejeune Base decal number 33478 was issued regarding this vehicle. Sergeant BUCKLE mentioned that he also has a 1968 green Fiat two door convertible, which bears 1968 N. C. license YM 592, and that Camp Lejeune, N. C., Base Decal Number 33822 was issued for this vehicle. Sergeant BUCKLE could furnish no other information regarding to the two vehicles.

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Sergeant BUCKLE advised that he could locate nothing in his criminal files identifiable with Captain LOHMEIER. He also stated that according to his file concerning registration of firearms at Camp Lejeune, Captain LOHMEIER does not have any weapons registered at Camp Lejeune.

By communication dated April 11, 1968, the Bureau advised as follows:

The latent fingerprints in this case are not identical with DONALD LE ROY LOHMEIER, United States Marine Corps 080160.

4/16/68

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A photograph of LOHMEIER was furnished the Memphis Office directly from the Jacksonville, N. C., RA 4/11/68, for display to witnesses.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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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, ALABAMA, 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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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 JULY 20, 1931.

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

ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, PERSONS WHO HAVE MET GALT DESCRIBE HIM AS A "LONER" AND STATE HIS LANGUAGE AND DICTION HAVE A "RURAL" QUALITY AND SUGGEST THAT HE PROBABLY 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 INFORMATION CONCERNING HIM SHOULD BE FURNISHED IMMEDIATELY TO THE NEAREST FBI OFFICE.

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TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR

MURKIN

THE FOLLOWING PRESS RELEASE WAS ISSUED AT WASHINGTON, D.C.,
AT FIVE FORTYFIVE P.M. THIS AFTERNOON. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO RELEASE
AT SIX P.M. EASTERN STANDARD TIME. ALTHOUGH IT IS REALIZED THE
WIRE SERVICES WILL CARRY THE FULL TEXT, YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY
CONTACT THE LEADING NEWSPAPERS AND RADIO AND TV STATIONS IN
YOUR DIVISION TO INSURE IT RECEIVES IMMEDIATE WIDESPREAD DISTRIBUTION.
YOU ARE ALSO AUTHORIZED TO IMMEDIATELY MAKE AVAILABLE TO
ALL MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES COPIES OF THE TWO PHOTOGRAPHS ALREADY
IN YOUR POSSESSION. THE DESCRIPTIVE DATA ON THE BACKS OF
THESE PHOTOGRAPHS SHOULD BE DELETED. PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER
ONE WITH EYES CLOSED SHOULD CARRY THE CAPTION, "ERIC STARVO
GALT, ALSO KNOWN AS HARVEY LOWMYER AND JOHN WILLARD." PHOTO-
GRAPH NUMBER TWO SHOULD CARRY THE CAPTION, "ERIC STARVO GALT,
ALSO KNOWN AS HARVEY LOWMYER AND JOHN WILLARD (EYES DRAWN IN
BY FBI ARTIST)." YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO REPRODUCE LOCALLY

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ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS AS REQUIRED. YOU SHOULD ATTEMPT TO
INSURE THAT THIS RELEASE AND PHOTOGRAPHS RECEIVE REPEATED
COVERAGE BY RADIO AND TV STATIONS. YOU ARE TO MAKE NO ELABORA-
TION WHATSOEVER REGARDING THIS RELEASE.

FBI WASH DC

650PMURGENT 4/17/68 SAA

TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861

MURKIN

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 AN ARTIST.

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TO CHARLOTTE

FROM BIRMINGHAM 44-1740 P

MURKIN, CR. OO: ME.

RE CE TEL TO BH AND DIRECTOR APRIL FIFTEEN, LAST.

JAMES M. COLLINS, PERSONNEL MANAGER, LINEN THREAD COMPANY, BLUE MOUNTAIN, ALABAMA, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT CHESTER C. BARFIELD, JR. HAS BEEN EMPLOYED BY THAT FIRM SINCE JULY TWENTY, LAST. BARFIELD SHOWS HIS DATE OF BIRTH TO BE OCTOBER THREE, NINETEEN TWENTYEIGHT ON COMPANY RECORDS. COLLINS ADVISED BARFIELD'S NORMAL WORK WEEK IS FROM SIX AM TO TWO PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY. TIME AND ATTENDANCE RECORDS SHOW THAT BARFIELD WORKED FROM SIX AM TO TWO ZERO SIX PM APRIL FOUR, LAST.

CLAUDE BLACK, BARFIELD'S IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR, ADVISED THAT BARFIELD HAS NOT MISSED A DAY'S WORK SINCE JANUARY FOUR AND FIVE, LAST WHEN HE WAS ILL WITH THE FLU. BLACK STATED BARFIELD IS PRESENTLY ATTENDING A SPECIAL SCHOOL IN CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA, WHICH IS BEING GIVEN BY THE UNICORNER WINDING COMPANY, CHARLOTTE. THIS SCHOOL WAS TO BEGIN APRIL FIFTEEN, LAST, AND RUN FOR TWO WEEKS. BARFIELD LEFT WORK FRIDAY AFTERNOON ENROUTE TO CHARLOTTE

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VIA ATLANTA, GEORGIA, WHERE HE WAS GOING TO LEAVE HIS MOTHER AT A FRIEND'S HOUSE WHILE ATTENDING SCHOOL IN CHARLOTTE. BARFIELD WAS GIVEN TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS ADVANCE FOR EXPENSES BY LINEN THREAT COMPANY WHEN HE LEFT FRIDAY APRIL FIFTEEN, LAST.

CRIMINAL CHECK ON BARFIELD IN BLUE MOUNTAIN AREA NEGATIVE.

CREDIT CHECK REVEALED NUMEROUS REPOSSESSIONS AND HEAVY INDEBTEDNESS.

CHARLOTTE WILL CONTACT AND INTERVIEW BARFIELD AT UNICORNER WINDING COMPANY REGARDING HIS STATEMENTS TO EFFECT HE KILLED DR. KING.

END

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

DATE: 4/16/68

FROM : SA JOHN W. WORSHAM

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memo of SA CRAWFORD F. WILLIAMS, 4/12/68.

On April 16, 1968, Mr. ASHLEY LEGGETT, Leggett - Merchant of Cleaniness, 130 West 2nd Street, Washington, N. C., advised he did own an Textile Marking Machine which he purchased from the Textile Marking Machine Co., Inc., Syracuse, N. Y., but this machine was not satisfactory. He stated he sold this machine more than three years ago to EMIL HILKER, Hilker Cleaners, Raleigh, N. C. He stated he does not know if Hilker Cleaners is still operating this machine or not.

LEAD: AT RALEIGH, N. C.

1. Will contact Hilker Cleaners and cover lead as setforth in referenced memo.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

FROM : IC MARION E. HILLIARD

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/17/68

Re telephone call from SA CRAWFORD F. WILLIAMS at Charlotte, North Carolina, dated 4/16/68.

RE: WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN LEE

The following investigation was conducted by IC MARION E. HILLIARD:

AT RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

Mrs. NELDA BARDEN, Registration Section, North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles, Raleigh, North Carolina, advised on April 16, 1968, that she was unable to locate a vehicle registered in the name of WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN LEE during 1967 or 1968.

Mrs. DELORES BEASLEY, Driver's License Section, North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles, Raleigh, North Carolina, advised on April 16, 1968, that she was unable to locate a driver's license for LEE.

Mrs. MARGARET YATES, North Carolina Selective Service Headquarters, Raleigh, North Carolina, advised on April 16, 1968, that she was unable to locate a record reflecting that LEE is registered in the State of North Carolina under the Selective Service Act.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, DETROIT (44-989)
SUBJECT: MURKIN ✓
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Re Atlanta teletype to Bureau dated 4/16/68.

Enclosed for the information of all offices
are two copies each of a photograph of WILLIAM JENNINGS
BRYAN LEE, FBI #63288.

Also enclosed for the information of Los
Angeles is one copy of Detroit teletype to Bureau 4/16/68.

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FROM: SAC, KNOXVILLE (44-696) P

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JAY BOLES, Representative, Associated Press, Chattanooga, Tennessee, on 4-14-68, furnished information he attended college with one JAMES C. GALT of Richmond, Virginia. Further that GALT has been employed by the Dupont Company, Richmond, and recently transferred to Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Upon contact, JAMES COLQUHOUN GALT informed he has been with the Dupont Company approximately ten years. (The records of Dupont Company, Chattanooga, indicate GALT was at work in Chattanooga on 4-4-68). GALT further advised he is an only son, however, he does have a cousin, first name unknown, last name GALT, age 40 to 45. This individual is the son of his father's brother, THOMAS C. GALT, who resides in Raleigh, North Carolina and works at a railroad company.

Mrs. LAURA KICE, 720 Northwood Avenue, Charlottesville, Virginia, or J. W. SIEGFRIED, step-mother and cousin, respectively of JAMES C. GALT, possibly have knowledge of the whereabouts of the son of THOMAS C. GALT. *Search*

Knoxville Division is unaware if this individual has previously been checked and the above being submitted to Charlotte and Richmond for information purposes.

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TO MEMPHIS AND CHARLOTTE

FROM NORFOLK (44-268) 1P

MURKIN; SUSPECT DASH ROBERT FRANKLIN WILLIAMS.

MRS. LLOYD BLACK, NORFOLK SISTER-IN-LAW OF SUSPECT ADVISED THIS DATE NEWSPAPER PICTURES AND DESCRIPTION IDENTICAL. SUSPECT ESCAPED APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR AGO FROM CONFINEMENT AT ASHVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA. HAS REPEATEDLY STATED THAT HE WOULD KILL DR. KING. WIFE OF SUSPECT, CAROLYN RUTH WILLIAMS, ONE ONE ZERO SEVEN RAY AVE., SANFORD, N. C., RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT SUSPECT CALLED ANOTHER SISTER (UNKNOWN) FROM ATLANTA AND REQUESTED MONEY ABOUT ONE WEEK AGO.

CHARLOTTE DETERMINE IF UFAC, INTERVIEW WIFE AND PRISON AUTHORITIES, OBTAIN PICTURES AND PRINTS.

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RE CETEL FOUR*EIGHTEEN-ONE NINE SIXTY-EIGHT.

CAROLYN RUTH WILLIAMS 1167 RAY AVE. SANFORD N.C.
EXHIBITED PHOTO OF GALT AND STATED PHOTO SIMILAR BUT
NOT IDENTICAL WITH EX-HUSBAND ROBERT FRANKLIN WILLIAMS.

NINETEEN SIXTY-FIVE PHOTO OF WILLIAMS FURNISHED BY
SANFORD N.C. P.D. WHICH EX-WIFE STATED EXCELLENT LIKENESS
NOT SMILAR TO PHOTO OF GALT.

PHOTO OF GALT TO BE SHOWN WILLIAMS SISTER MARGARET
WIMBERLEY, DUNN N.C. LATER THIS DATE.
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TO: BUREAU, MEMPHIS, ATLANTA, INDIANAPOLIS
 FROM: CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

MURKIN

FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU AND ALL OFFICES EXCEPT
 MEMPHIS, BY TELETYPE TODAY NORFOLK ADVISED AS FOLLOWS RE
 "SUSPECT DASH ROBERT FRANKLIN WILLIAMS:"
 "MRS. LLOYD BLACK, NORFOLK SISTER-IN-LAW OF SUSPECT
 ADVISED THIS DATE NEWSPAPER PICTURES AND DESCRIPTION IDENTICAL.
 SUSPECT ESCAPED APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR AGO FROM CONFINEMENT
 AT ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA. HAS REPEATEDLY STATED
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 RUTH WILLIAMS, ONE ONE ZERO SEVEN RAY AVE., SANFORD, N. C.,
 RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT SUSPECT CALLED ANOTHER SISTER
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REVIEW OF N. C. PRISON DEPARTMENT RECORDS REVEAL WILLIAMS, FBI NUMBER THREE SEVEN TWO FOUR THREE THREE F SENTENCED SEPTEMBER SIXTEEN SIXTY-FIVE FOR ASSAULT ON A FEMALE WITH A DEADLY WEAPON, TO SERVE TEN YEARS. HE ESCAPED JULY TWELVE SIXTY-SEVEN AND PRESENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN.

PRISON DEPARTMENT RECORDS SHOW HE IS WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED] AT HARNETT COUNTY, N. C., FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE POUNDS, FAIR COMPLEXION, BROWN EYES, BLACK HAIR, OCCUPATION WELDER AND USED CAR SALESMAN, HOME ADDRESS SANFORD, N. C.

WILLIAMS EX-WIFE, CAROLYN RUTH WILLIAMS, INTERVIEWED AT SANFORD, N. C. TODAY AND ADVISED SHE DIVORCED HIM WHILE HE WAS SERVING PRISON SENTENCE AND HAS NOT SEEN HIM SINCE TIME OF SENTENCE. SHE STATED WILLIAMS WAS NOT A MEMBER OF THE KLAN BUT ATTENDED PUBLIC RALLIES OF KLAN. WHEN HE GOT DRUNK HE OFTEN TALKED ABOUT MARTIN LUTHER KING AND SEVERAL TIMES SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO KILL THE SOB. SHE ADVISED SHE THOUGHT OF HER HUSBAND WHEN SHE HEARD OF
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KING'S ASSASSINATION BECAUSE OF REMARKS MADE BY HIM. SHE STATED WILLIAMS' SISTER, ~~MRS. FRANK WIMBERLY~~, DUNN, N. C., RECENTLY TOLD HER HE HAD CALLED ANOTHER SISTER NAMED EUNICE WHO LIVES IN INDIANA SOMETIME BEFORE CHRISTMAS LAST AND HAD ASKED HER TO SEND HIM MONEY IN ATLANTA. PRISON DEPARTMENT RECORDS REFLECT WILLIAMS SISTER IS MRS. EUNICE SMITH, HAMPTON, INDIANA.

BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO COMPARE FINGERPRINTS OF WILLIAMS, FBI NUMBER THREE SEVEN TWO FOUR THREE THREE F WITH LATENTS DEVELOPED IN THIS CASE.

INDIANAPOLIS ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW EUNICE SMITH, HAMPTON, INDIANA, CONCERNING TELEPHONE CALL RECEIVED FROM WILLIAMS AND FOR HIS WHEREABOUTS.

ATTEMPTS BEING MADE BY CHARLOTTE TO OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPHS OF WILLIAMS WHICH WILL BE FORWARDED TO MEMPHIS UPON RECEIPT.

NO UFAC PROCESS OBTAINED ON WILLIAMS INASMUCH AS PRISON AUTHORITIES HAD NO INFORMATION HE HAD LEFT STATE AND DID NOT REQUEST FBI ASSISTANCE.

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INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT CHARLOTTE.

NORFOLK ADVISED BY AIR MAIL.

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**TO : DIRECTOR, FBI, MEMPHIS, ATLANTA, RICHMOND, PITTSBURGH
AND JACKSONVILLE**

FROM: CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)

MURKIN.

TODAY, N. C. HIGHWAY PATROL TROOPER ~~HARRY D. WILLIAMS~~,
CATAWBA COUNTY, N. C., SEVENTEEN YEARS EXPERIENCE, ADVISED
AFTER VIEWING PHOTOGRAPH OF ERIC STARVO GALT WHICH APPEARED IN
TODAY'S PAPER, THAT HE RECALLED ON NIGHT OF APRIL NINE LAST,
NCHP WAS CONDUCTING ROAD CHECK AT NEWTON, N. C. BETWEEN NINE
AND NINE THIRTY P.M., WHITE MALE DRIVING FIFTY-FIVE OR FIFTY-
SIX DODGE, FOUR-DOOR, THREE TONE, WAS STOPPED AT ROAD CHECK.
CAR HAD OFF WHITE TOP, DARK GREEN ON SIDES, HOOD AND TRUNK AND
OFF WHITE BOTTOM. CAR HAD SIXTY-EIGHT FLA. LICENSE WITH
PREFIX ONE ZERO W DASH, FOLLOWED BY FOUR OR FIVE DIGITS NOT
RECALLED. DRIVER WAS IN CAR ALONE AND CAR WAS HEAVILY LOADED
WITH LUGGAGE, POSSIBLY FIVE OR SIX SUITCASES. 44-1365-319

DRIVER PRODUCED A VALID FLA. DRIVER'S LICENSE. WILLIAMS
DOES NOT RECALL NAME ON LICENSE, BUT SAID IT WAS UNCOMMON
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NAME IN THIS AREA AND WAS A VERY SHORT NAME WITH ABOUT FOUR LETTERS. LICENSE REVEALED THE DRIVER WAS EMPLOYED AS AN AIRLINE PILOT, AND HE ASKED DRIVER WHAT AIRLINE HE FLEW FOR AND DRIVER NAMED AN AIRLINE, NOT WELL KNOWN, WHICH WILLIAMS CANNOT RECALL. AIRLINE HAD TWO NAMES.

ON SEAT NEXT TO DRIVER WAS A FOLDED MAP OF SEVERAL SOUTHEASTERN STATES, WHICH WAS NEATLY MARKED SHOWING A ROUTE FROM SOMEWHERE IN DEEP CENTRAL GEORGIA TO WYTHEVILLE, VA. WILLIAMS ASKED DRIVER WHERE HE WAS GOING AND DRIVER STATED HE WAS GOING TO WYTHEVILLE TO VISIT FRIENDS AND WAS THEN GOING TO CHARLESTON OR BLUEFIELD, W. VA., TO VISIT FRIENDS AND OR RELATIVES. HE DID NOT MENTION ANYONE BY NAME. HE INSTRUCTED DRIVER AS TO HOW TO GET ON HIGHWAY SIXTEEN NORTH.

WILLIAMS STATED, AFTER LOOKING AT PHOTOGRAPH OF GALT, HE IS CERTAIN THAT GALT WAS THE DRIVER OF THIS CAR. HE SAID THERE IS NO DOUBT IN HIS MIND THAT THIS WAS GALT. HE STATED THE DRIVER'S CHEEKS WERE NOT AS FULL AS IN THE PHOTOGRAPH. HE HAD SHARP FEATURES AND HIS FACE WAS NARROWER AND LONGER

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THAN IN THE PHOTOGRAPH. HE HAD A LONG, NARROW, POINTED NOSE AND LARGE EARS. FACE WAS LESS FLESHY THAN PHOTOGRAPH OF GALT. HE DESCRIBED DRIVER AS AGE ABOUT THIRTY, NOT LARGE FRAME, BROWN HAIR, NOT DARK, WHICH WAS SHORT, RECEDING AND MUCH SHORTER THAN IN PHOTOGRAPH AND BRUSHED STRAIGHT BACK. DRIVER WAS VERY COMPOSED AND RESERVED DURING CONVERSATION. DID NOT VOLUNTEER INFORMATION, BUT ANSWERED QUESTIONS. GAVE IMPRESSION OF BEING PRECISE AND IMMACULATE. WAS WELL GROOMED AND NEAT.

~~TROOPER MARVIN WRIGHT, NCHP,~~ WAS PRESENT AT THE ROAD CHECK AND DESCRIBED CAR AS FADED GREEN. HE DID NOT TALK WITH DRIVER, BUT RECALLED TROOPER WILLIAMS MENTIONING THE CAR HAD FLA. LICENSE BEGINNING WITH ONE ZERO W AND DRIVER HAD AN EXTREMELY SHORT NAME.

RICHMOND, AT WYTHEVILLE, VA., AND PITTSBURGH, AT CHARLESTON AND BLUEFIELD, W. VA., CONTACT LOCAL AUTHORITIES FOR ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING AUTOMOBILE FITTING DESCRIPTION.

JACKSONVILLE, AT TALLAHASSEE, FLA., WILL AT DMV DETERMINE FEASIBILITY OF CHECKING REGISTRATION RECORDS FOR FIFTY-FIVE

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OR FIFTY-SIX DODGE BEARING LICENSE WITH PREFIX ONE ZERO W.

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TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

MURKIN.

CONTACTS SHOULD BE MAINTAINED WITH ALL MASS COMMUNICATIONS 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 SUBJECT'S PHOTOGRAPH AND BACKGROUND HAVE BEEN WIDELY DISTRIBUTED AND/OR APPROPRIATELY DISPLAYED AND THAT STOPS ARE BEING MAINTAINED.

OFFICES COVERING DEPARTURE OR ARRIVAL OF OVERSEAS FLIGHTS SHOULD ALSO RENEW STOPS AND DISPLAY PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUBJECT APPROPRIATELY. SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

DATE: 4/18/68

FROM : IC MARION E. HILLIARD

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: ~~ROBERT FRANKLIN WILLIAMS~~
~~FBI NO. 372 433 F~~

Capt. O. S. MOORE, Extradition Section, NCDC, Raleigh, N. C., advised on 4/18/68 that WILLIAMS escaped on 7/12/67 from the Haywood Co. Prison Unit. At time of escape WILLIAMS was working on a road squad west of Canton, N. C., and just walked off and made good his escape.

NCDC files reflect that WILLIAMS was received at the NCDC on 9/16/65 to serve a total of 10 years on 4 counts of assault on a female, with a deadly weapon.

NCDC files describe WILLIAMS as follows:

Name:	ROBERT FRANKLIN WILLIAMS
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Born:	<input type="text"/> at Harnett Co., N. C.
Height:	5' 9"
Weight:	175 pounds
Complexion:	Fair
Eyes:	Brown
Hair:	Black
Marital Status:	Separated
Occupation:	Welder and used car salesman
Employment:	Saco Lowell Machine Shop, Sanford, N. C.
Home Address:	Rt. 4, Box 2246, Sanford, N.C.
Father:	JOHN WILLIAMS Route 3, Lillington, N.C.
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SO Nashville, Tenn. No:	14449
Mother:	Deceased in 1941
Brother:	EARL WILLIAMS, Tullahoma, Tenn.
Brother:	OSCAR WILLIAMS Hammond, Indiana
Brother:	HUBERT WILLIAMS Address only listed as Calif.
Sister:	EUNICE SMITH Hampton, Indiana
Sister:	BEATRICE ROBERTS Dunn, N. C.
Sister:	MARGARET WIMBLEY Address only listed as Fla.
Sister:	MARY F. REED Address only listed as Washington, D. C.
Son:	ROBERT WILLIAMS, JR. Sanford, N. C., age 21 months in 1965

NCDC files further reflect that in 6/63 WILLIAMS married RUTH HOWARD. WILLIAMS separated from his wife in 6/65. RUTH HOWARD WILLIAMS' address last listed as Pen 16, Goldsboro St., Sanford, N. C.

NCDC files reflect WILLIAMS served in the U. S. Army from 1/11/57 until 9/24/57. WILLIAMS told NCDC officials that he enlisted in the U. S. Army for a 2-year term, but was discharged because of his low score on the Army's I.Q. test.

WILLIAMS is a light drinker and was not intoxicated when he committed any of the offenses for which he was recently tried. WILLIAMS likes to play baseball, shoot pool, and the like. He says he has a large circle of friends on the outside.

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TO: SAC, ALBANY
FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Albany airtel to Bureau dated 4/10/68,
concerning machines sold by Textile Marking Machine
Company, Syracuse, New York.

Referenced communication advised that a textile
marking machine was sold to Talley Laundry Machinery
Company, 1156 Battleground Avenue, Greensboro, North
Carolina.

On 4/17/68, Mr. ALBERT FREEDMON, President,
Talley Laundry Machinery Company, advised that he is a
supplier of laundry machines to various laundries and
cleaning establishments in the States of Virginia, North
Carolina, and South Carolina. He stated that it would be
an impossible task to search his records to determine
when he purchased a textile marking machine, serial
number 33441, from the Textile Marking Machine Company,
Syracuse, New York, and in addition, he would not have
this particular machine on hand or any use for it. He
stated that he purchases equipment from the company in
Syracuse, New York, for sale to various customers of his,
and it would be much simpler for the Textile Marking
Machine Company of Syracuse, New York, to search their
records and determine from available paperwork to whom
they shipped the particular machine serial number 33441,
inasmuch as according to Mr. FREEDMON, it would have been
shipped directly from the factory to one of his customers.

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Will recontact Textile Marking Machine Company and determine to whom they shipped Textile Marking Machine serial number 33441, which was purchased by Talley Laundry Machinery Company, 1156 Battleground Avenue, Greensboro, North Carolina, for subsequent sale to one of their customers.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

DATE: 4/18/68

FROM : SA ROGER E. SCHULTZ

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re All Agents Memos Series 1968, number 139, 146, and 148.

The following advised that their records contained no information identical with ERIC STARVO GALT or HARVEY LOHMAIER, LOHMIER, LOMEYER, LOWMEYER, or LOWMYER:

4/10/68, Patrolman JIMMY C. SAWYER,
Mt. Airy, N. C., Police Department

4/12/68, Mrs. JOHN BROWNE, Mt. Airy,
N. C., Merchants Association

4/16/68, Mrs. MARY FORREST, Manager,
Davie County, N. C. Credit Bureau

4/16/68, Davie County Clerk of Court,
GLENN HAMMER, who searched County Index
of Criminal Judgments, 4/16/57 to present;
General Index to Judgments, 1/1/34 to
1/1/65; General Index to Judgments
1/1/65 to present

On 4/17/68, Mr. D. H. GREER, Owner, Sartin's
Cleaners and Laundry, 939 Burke Street, Winston-Salem,
North Carolina, advised that his company uses the Thermal
Seal Marking Machine in connection with their flap work.
Mr. GREER advised that the markings "O 2 B - 6" or "D 2 B-6"
are unknown to him.

Mrs. ANNIE PREVETTE, check-in girl, Sartin's,
advised on 4/17/68, that she actually checks in laundry
and operates the Thermal Seal Marking Machine with Mrs.
DELORES STORY. Mrs. PREVETTE stated that she has been

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here 17 years and that she does not recall the laundry using a red colored cloth tag in many years, and further that their sequence of digits always starts with a number from 1 through 6. Mrs. PREVETTE advised that the markings in instant matter are not familiar to her. Mrs. PREVETTE furnished a sample from her marking machine.

On 4/17/68, Mrs. DELORES STORY, Sartin's check-in girl, furnished essentially the same information as Mrs. PREVETTE, and advised further that she was unfamiliar with the markings in instant matter.

The following advised that their companies do not use the Thermal Seal Marking Machine in identifying their laundry:

4/12/68, Hassel BEASLEY, Beasley Cleaners,
Dobson, North Carolina

4/12/68, JAMES B. COMBS, Partner, Belton's
Laundry, Main Street, Mt. Airy, North
Carolina

4/12/68, Mr. R. C. HUTCHENS, Owner, Hutchens
Laundry, Spring Street, Mt. Airy, North
Carolina.

4/12/68, Mr. WALLACE STONE, Manager,
Lawson Cleaners, North Main Street, Mt.
Airy, North Carolina

4/12/68, Mr. E. P. BELTON, Manager, Modern
Laundry, West Lebanon Street, Mt. Airy,
North Carolina

4/16/68, Mrs. SALLIE SIDDEN, Manager,
Favorite Cleaners and Mocksville Laundry,
Depot Street, Mocksville, North Carolina

4/17/68, Mr. RAYMER SALE, Owner, Smith
Dry Cleaners and Laundry, North Claremont
Avenue, Winston-Salem, North Carolina

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HARVEY BENFIELD, Manager, South Fork Cleaners,
3900 West First Street, Winston-Salem, North
Carolina, 4/17/68

4/17/68, BOB BEAMER, Manager, Wake Forest
Laundry and Cleaners, Campus, Winston-Salem,
North Carolina

4/17/68, Mr. B. WALKER, Walker's Tailor and
Cleaners, North Cherry Street, Winston-Salem,
North Carolina

4/17/68, Mr. JOHN SPENCER, Manager, Winston
Steam Laundry, Ivy Avenue, Winston-Salem,
North Carolina

4/17/68, Mrs. MONA KIGER, Clerk, X-L Cleaners,
North Patterson Avenue, Winston-Salem, North
Carolina

4/17/68, Mr. HENRY ALLEY, Supervisor,
Zinzendorf Laundry, Winston-Salem, North
Carolina.

A review of the telephone directories for northern
Surry County, North Carolina, including Mt. Airy, Dobson,
and Pilot Mountain, North Carolina, as well as that for
Davie County, disclosed no listings for any dancing school
or studio.