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Los Angeles, Fairfield, Greenwich, Washington DC, Purchase and New York

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- Crystal City Marriott Hotel, Washington DC
- Hyatt Regency, Greenwich NY
- The Empire Hotel, New York City

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