

OGC 79-04384

9 May 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

FROM: [REDACTED]

Associate General Counsel

SUBJECT: Kermit Roosevelt's Book

1. On 7 May I met with Mr. Kermit Roosevelt at his home to discuss the points received in a speed letter from the Chief, IMS after their review of the galley proofs of Mr. Roosevelt's book "Countercoup." Mr. Roosevelt agreed to the changes and in fact penned them in on his master copy of the galley proofs. [REDACTED]

2. Mr. Roosevelt indicated his book is scheduled for publication on 20 September 1979. The publisher had been willing to put the book out in July, but felt the market would be more promising in September. Mr. Roosevelt is considering doing a second book which would relate to [REDACTED] and he said he would submit that book for security review. [REDACTED]

cc: Publications Review Board

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CHRONOLOGY OF KERMIT ROOSEVELT CASE

- 14 Feb 77 CIA completed review of four chapters of proposed book on overthrow of Mossadeq. DDO objected at length.
- 24 Feb 77 [redacted] met with Kim and Jonathan Roosevelt. Roosevelt agreed to sanitize and re-write.
- 30 Jun 78 We receive eleven chapters of new and re-accomplished manuscript and circulate to PRB for review.
- 7 Jul 78 IMS suggests negotiating with Roosevelt to scrap his manuscript, instead publish special article in Studies in Intelligence.
- 11 Jul 78 CCS objects to mention of a number of specific official cryptonyms, pseudonyms, and code names.
- 17 Jul 78 DDO/IMS objects to manuscript based on previous objections plus disclosure of overseas stations, liaison relationships, and disclosure of sources and methods.
- 2 Aug 78 [redacted] and Campbell James meet with Roosevelts ~~and in~~ Nantucket, given note from McMahon (DDO) stating he will "not approve any publication which in any way refers to CIA activities abroad," Jonathan Roosevelt says this is indefensible.
- 14 Aug 78 Hetu informed DCI of Roosevelt problems
- 28 Sep 78 [redacted] notifies Hetu of proposed 2 Oct meeting with Roosevelts.
- 29 Sep 78 Carlucci and Lapham agree to cancel 2 Oct meeting until CIA gets its act together.
- 12 Oct 78 DDO/IMS identifies 156 items of classified material keyed to seven "Notes" citing reasons why they are classified.
- 20 Oct 78 [redacted] & [redacted] meet with Roosevelt and Son Discussed 156 items of classified material.
- 21 Dec 78 Roosevelt prepares new manuscript and submits for review
- 5 Jan 79 Manuscript approved
- 9 May 79 [redacted] meets w/ Roosevelt and approves final galleys.