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28 February 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, SE Division

ATTENTION

Division Security Officer

FROM

(Thomas L. Briggs/

SE/X/LA

SUBJECT

Appearance As Witness In Behalf of the

United States Government

REFERENCES

Memorandum For Chief, SE Division, From Thomas L. Briggs dated 11 January Α.

1977, Same Subject 63

USA v. Gerald P. Hemming, Et Al.

(76-371-CR-CA)

1. As reported in Paragraph 4 of Reference A, the trial of Gerald P. Hemming (Reference B) was severed on 10 January 1977. I was informed of the severance during my pre-trial conference with AUSA Karen Atkinson in Miami, Florida on that same day. AUSA Atkinson told me I could return to Washington, D.C. and she would have the Drug Enforcement Administration Miami Regional Office inform me if and when the trial was rescheduled. I orally reported the above to Mr. Billy Hix, SE Division Security Officer, Ms3 Acting Chief SE/X/LA, and Mr. Robert Blandford, CCS, OCS, upon my return A copies to Office of Security, External Activities Branch and the Office of General Counsel, Mr. Edmund Cohen.

2. On 28 February 1977 I was contacted by SA Robert Fredericks of the DEA Miami Regional Office and informed that the Hemming trial was scheduled to begin 2 March 1977. Fredericks asked me to be on standby to travel to Miami to appear as a witness on behalf of the United States Government. SA Fredericks said it was not certain the trial would begin

on 2 March and he did not know whether I would be needed as a witness.

3. I requested that SA Fredericks initiate action to authorize me to travel to Miami via GTR issued by DEA. SA Fredericks said he would initiate that action. I am awaiting further notice from SA Fredericks.

Thomas L. Briggs

cc- SED, Security Officer CCS/OCS OS/EAB OGC