

28 November 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Edward K. Moss
172646

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With reference to paragraph 1, of the memorandum from the Deputy Director of Security, 7 November 1962, which refers to the subject in connection with our request for a Covert Security Approval to utilize his services as an adviser in the public relations field, I have made the following checks:

a. NE Division: Coordination reveals that NE in March 1959 requested a CSA in order to utilize the Subject in connection with his current position as public affairs adviser (Nov. 1958) to the Indian Embassy.

b. Security Memorandum (copy sent to CI/OA on 19 March 1959) gave the following evaluation of the Subject:

1. Covert security approval was granted to NE for the use of the Subject in his (then) present position of dealing with the Indian Embassy - with the following observations.
2. The current investigation of the Subject was favorable. However, some persons who know the Subject criticized him for "unscrupulous and unethical" business practices. They stated he has the reputation for "raiding" accounts of other public relations firms.
3. In addition, it must be pointed out, that the Subject had three tax liens from 1955-59 (one of \$1048 pending and unresolved in 1959 at the time of this investigation).

4. In view of this information, "it is recommended that the Subject be closely supervised and that he be made witting, only after a time lapse sufficient to afford the opportunity to demonstrate his integrity and reliability. In view of the above information, dissemination of this information pertaining to the Subject is limited to Headquarters officials on a need-to-know basis".

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