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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: ITKIN Case

REFERENCE: Memorandum dated 20 March 1970 by Mr. Houston

1. This memorandum follows up paragraph 6 of referenced memorandum. The (MI<sub>2</sub><sup>5</sup>) representative in Washington has indicated that the British Consulate here and in New York does indeed have a file on Mrs. ITKIN. She met at her own request Mr. William Edward BRUCE in the New York Consulate on 19 August 1969. Mr. William Edward BRUCE is not David BRUCE, and he is not an MI. 5 representative or spokesman.

2. Mrs. ITKIN contacted the Consulate in order to communicate that her two children were wards of the British High Court, that they had been removed from her custody by the British High Court and were now in danger from the Mafia in the United States. She desired to communicate this information because she said she was able to publicize her predicament in the British press. Mr. William Edward BRUCE had no prior knowledge of the ITKIN matter, custodial or otherwise, but he recognized the possible significance of what Mrs. ITKIN had to say. He therefore wrote two full pages, recording in detail what Mrs. ITKIN said. He told her that inasmuch as the children were outside of the jurisdiction of the British High Court, he saw little possibility of any effective redress even though the children might indeed be wards of the British Court. In any case, he would refer what she had had to say. Since August the New York Consulate has been sending clippings on the criminal aspects in the ITKIN Case as it is developed. The last set of clippings arrived in Washington from the New York Consulate in December.

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3. Nowhere in Mr. William Edward BRUCE's detailed report of this transaction with Mrs. ITKIN is there any acknowledgment of the statement she alleges to Miss PERLES as having been made by "David" BRUCE. I have not requested a copy of BRUCE's report although I am sure that the (MI. 5) representative would make it available if we felt that a reading was a requisite. The (MI. 5) representative in any case offered the possibility to us of going to BRUCE directly with a specific question on Mrs. ITKIN's allegation. I replied that I desired to consult with our General Counsel before taking that action. How say you?

  
Raymond G. Rocca  
Deputy Chief  
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