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MEMORANDUM FOR: Office of the General Counsel  
VIA : Chief, Central Cover Staff  
INFO : Mr. Rocca, CI Staff  
SUBJECT : (Thomas Lee Roberts)<sup>03</sup> The Itkin Case

1. At our meeting on 30 January 1969, certain additional questions were raised relative to the relationship between (Roberts)<sup>03</sup> and Itkin.

<sup>29</sup> First, when did (LPELOBE)<sup>02</sup> become aware that Itkin and the (Conestoga Group) had approached (Roberts)<sup>03</sup> with a proposal to represent them in (Africa)? We were advised in 1966 through case officer meetings with (Roberts)<sup>03</sup> that he had been developing some potential cover company business with interests from the United States and England. We were given the name of the (Conestoga Group)<sup>03</sup> no later than 27 October 1966. We cannot say that we then knew the individual names of those involved. It was not uncommon for <sup>03</sup> (Roberts) to have discussions with a number of potential clients; when it became apparent that no real business was forthcoming from this group, our interest ceased.

At the 30 January meeting, we were also asked certain <sup>08</sup> questions about (Roberts) financial involvement with the (law firm) he and Itkin has been <sup>03</sup> with prior to (Robert's) association with the Agency.

2. We can add nothing to (Roberts')<sup>03</sup> account of January 1968 reflecting that he entered into an agreement with the firm on 31 May 1961 wherein he was authorized leave of absence from 1 June 1961 to 31 May 1963 drawing \$100.00 per week for that period.

