

DD/A Registry
File *Air America*

7 April 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : [Redacted]

1. Several weeks ago, [Redacted] telephoned and told me that he was planning to write a book about Air America (AAM). At his request, I agreed to talk to him about it and we met at 0930 this date.

2. [Redacted] feels that the heroism and exploits of the AAM air crews should be favorably documented in some way and he has decided to start collecting material for either an anecdotal or "semi-fictional" book. He wanted to get a reaction from someone in CIA. I told him that I also regretted that the AAM air crews had never received credit for their contributions over the years. However, I also was convinced that there was no such thing these days as a favorable (or even benign) book about CIA and would prefer not to see another attempt -- no matter how well intentioned. I said I could not prevent him from writing a book, but I also could not assist him in any way. I also reminded him of his obligation to submit the manuscript to CIA for review prior to publication. [Redacted] said he understood perfectly and merely wanted CIA to know that his intentions were good if his attempts to contact knowledgeable former AAM or CIA employees were reported back to the Agency. I told him I would put something to that effect in the record.

3. [Redacted]

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Deputy Chief, Career Management Staff

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