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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Executive Secretary, Publications

Review Board

FROM:

William F. Donnelly

Chief, Information Management Staff, DO

SUBJECT:

Mr. Kermit Roosevelt's Draft: 28 Mordad: The Countercoup

- 1. This responds to your request for comments on Mr. Kermit Roosevelt's draft of chapters one through eleven of a projected book on the overthrow of the Mossadegh regime in Iran in 1953.
- 2. The Directorate of Operations has objections to manuscript as presented to the PRB. Unacceptable are:

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7. We note from memorandum (OGC 77-1258) on the subject of the earlier manuscript that he met with Mr. Robsevelt and had a cordial discussion of the manuscript as it was at that time. Presumably, that method of conveying Agency views to potential authors is satisfactory in most instances and may continue to be in this. However, inasmuch as this Directorate is inclined to think that an operationally oriented review of this Directorate's objections with Mr. Roosevelt may be necessary, there may be advantages to using a somewhat different path in this case. I am ready to discuss alternatives with the Board.

William F. Donnelly U

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