MEMORANDUM

Re: Chemosol

On October 19, 1965 a man who gave his name as Waterbury of New York City (Butterfield 3-4497) telephoned and tried to contact Mr. Bowman Gray and talked with his secretary. He said that he was associated in business with Borden Stevenson (a son of the late Adlai Stevenson), that he was leaving that afternoon for Germany to see scientists regarding a "safe cigarette", that a contract had been signed, that they had been successful in removing a high percentage of benzo-pyrene from cigarettes and that since we had an operation in Germany he wanted to know if we had any interest in this "safe cigarette". Mr. Avram, Associate Counsel, then telephoned Waterbury and was informed that there is a 1963 and 1965 patent application pending in Germany and that rights are to be purchased from the inventor for the world outside of Germany. Mr. Avram explained our Company's policy concerning ideas from outsiders and was informed that our usual release would not be signed.

On January 11, 1966, Jamestown Leaf Tobacco Company, Inc., of Richmond, Virginia wrote Mr. Calloway stating that Chemical Research and Development Corporation has the world-wide rights exclusive of West Germany to a process which is alleged to eliminate all the 3.4 benzo-pyrene contained in cigarette smoke. CRDC has recently entered into a contract with Jamestown Leaf Tobacco Company giving the latter [illegible] rights to introduce the process to the tobacco industry. [illegible] request was made to meet with [illegible] appropriate authorities of R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company to discuss the process [illegible] possible usage by Reynolds. On January 12, 1966, Mr. [illegible] Rickert, Associate Counsel, wrote Mr. M. Fairfax Cary, President of Jamestown Leaf Tobacco Company, and sent a customary release form for signature. On January [illegible], [illegible] Charles [illegible] Counsel for Jamestown Leaf [illegible] Company, [illegible] the release form [illegible] been sent [illegible] Lewis [illegible], President of CRDC and that he hoped to [illegible] from Mr. [illegible] soon. On February 9, 1966 Mr. [illegible]

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that CRDC was not in position to give the requested information as the patent application here in the United States is not complete. He further stated perhaps until such time as the patent work is completed by CRDC the matter should rest.

On November 2, 1966 Mr. Waterbury endeavored to talk with Mr. Galloway on the telephone but was transferred to Mr. Avram. He advised Mr. Avram that he had a patent application on a safe cigarette and wondered if we were interested in talking with him. Mr. Avram told him of our requirement of a release and Waterbury said that he was not [illegible] to sign a release but planned to issue a news release in Winston-Salem the following morning. On November 3, 1966, the attached news release appeared in the Winston-Salem Journal.

On May 11, 1967 Charles A. Blanton, Secretary of Jamestown Leaf Tobacco Company, Richmond, Virginia, wrote Mr. Rickert and stated that Jamestown Leaf Tobacco Company as agent for the inventor with smoking article and filter therefor containing vitamin A is anxious to discuss [illegible] possible use of the invention. Blanton stated, "It [illegible] place and in no manner makes any health claims nor do so." He stated that the inventor was Mr. Waterbury who had [illegible] notice of allowance and needs money to pay the filing [illegible] have the patent issued. He further stated he hoped that Mr. Cary and he as well as Mr. Waterbury and the latter's patent attorney, Mr. Shalloway, could meet with Reynolds authorities at an early date. On May 15 Mr. Rickert wrote Mr. Blanton and sent him the usual release for signature. In this letter Mr. Rickert referred to previous [illegible] with Jamestown Leaf Tobacco Company and inquired whether Waterbury's invention was somehow connected with the [illegible] correspondence. Mr. Rickert also referred to Mr. [illegible] statement published in the press concerning his [illegible] inhibit Benzopyrene by the use of Vitamin A. [illegible] Mr. Blanton wrote Mr. Rickert stating that the [illegible] Waterbury was entirely different and in no way [illegible] process [illegible] and that the invention of Waterbury [illegible] based on health claim. He further said that he was [illegible] difficult in getting in touch with the patent attorney representing Waterbury but he hoped to be able to [illegible] wishes for the protection of R. J. Reynolds Tobacco [illegible].

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