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We enclose copy of a letter which we recently received from Employment and Immigration Canada.

It was our understanding that C.D. 35 superseded previous guidelines for the granting of security clearances in order to ensure that all employees of Government departments and agencies would be cleared according to the same standards. We note, however, that the Directive itself does not so indicate.

We should be grateful to know whether Cabinet Directive 35 was intended to supersede instructions which had been issued previous to 1963 on the basis of prevailing circumstances at the time of issue, e.g. the limited facilities of the RCMP in 1956.

Departmental Security Officer