

Personnel Alleged to Have Committed Homosexual or Indecent Acts
Suspected of Homosexual Tendencies

1 Policy issued previously on the above subject is hereby cancelled and superseded by the following:

- (a) Where a CO becomes aware of facts which establish a prima facia case of an officer or airman having committed a homosexual or indecent act, the CO will ensure that disciplinary action is taken against the offender. As these cases are usually of a serious nature they will normally be disposed of by a court martial.
- (b) Where a CO has reason to suspect an officer or airman of having homosexual tendencies, but there are insufficient facts to establish a prima facia case, the CO will submit a complete report including the opinion of an approved neuropsychiatrist through the AOC to AFHQ. It will then be decided at AFHQ by the DMS(Air) or his deputy if release action should be carried out. Release action is to be instituted under QR(Air) Art 15.01 (2)(c) unsatisfactory conduct.

2 Where service personnel and civilians are involved the CO will immediately inform the appropriate authorities of all the facts. If the civil authorities indicate that they are not going to prosecute, appropriate action is to be taken as set forth in para one. If the civil authorities prosecute and conviction results release action is to be taken under QR(Air) Art 15.01 1 (d).

3 A medical board will be held on personnel released from the service. Under diagnosis Part II (7) the term psychopathic personality homosexual type will be included but release will be of a non medical nature.

4 The policy set out herein is also applicable to female personnel. However COs will ensure that a female officer carries out the investigations required.