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FROM
De

J.E.M. Barrette O i/c "A" Branch

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SUBJECT
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Known or Suspected Homosexuals

This has reference to your request set out in the margin of A-39 dated 27-2-62 on 62 [REDACTED] et al, Kingston).

We have no written policy covering the interviewing of homosexuals "caught in the act". It is suggested that this problem has arisen through the incorrect application of instructions with which the Divisions have been provided on other occasions.

To explain briefly: Although we have received no Terms of Reference within which to conduct our investigation of homosexuals we have long held that the homosexuals themselves are our only reliable source of information. To ensure their co-operation it has been the practice, during interviews, to advise these people that our interest in their activities and knowledge is related only to national security, not in the moral or sociological aspects of their behaviour. However, this approach was formulated and used with respect to those homosexuals who had become known to us through their previous activities and/or behaviour, and who were considered to be potential sources of information for our over all investigation. It was not intended nor was it ever suggested that this approach would be used to deal with homosexuals found violating the provisions of the Criminal Code.

Because we are in close contact with "A" Division in the matter of these investigations we feel that the members involved in Ottawa are aware of our views, both written and verbal, as to the conduct of this investigation generally. It would appear that in this case the investigator, in Kingston, misinterpreted the procedure being followed.


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