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Deputy Solicitor General

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OUR FILE / NOTRE RÉFÉRENCE
YOUR FILE / VOTRE RÉFÉRENCE  M4649
DATE  15. 1. 82

SUBJECT / OBJET Letter of November 18, 1981, from Mr. Kevin Orr of the Gays of Ottawa, concerning destruction of RCMP files on homosexuals

1. In the above mentioned letter, Mr. Orr essentially repeats questions concerning information reported by McDonald to be held on file by the RCMP, and first raised by him in his letter to you of August 27, 1981.
2. On November 3, 1981, you wrote to Commissioner Simmonds asking that the RCMP provide you with preliminary proposals for a new file destruction policy (see Tab A). To date there has been no response to your letter. On January 11, 1982, Mr. Shoemaker wrote to Deputy Commissioner Giroux further to that letter (see Tab B).
3. I attach a draft letter to Mr. Orr, prepared for your signature. It seeks to provide the Gays of Ottawa with a reasonable answer to their concerns consistent with your previous statements on this issue in the House (see Tab C), and as reported in the media.
4. I believe that this policy issue is one which it is important to continue to press the RCMP to take early action on, and therefore you may also wish to consider raising this matter soon with the Commissioner.

André Bissonnette

Attach.