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Here is an exchange of some letters between Messrs. De, Ferguson and our Minister together with the latter's letter to me. I want you to review these matter with Prof. Lept's Women and Gavin & others as required and discuss it with me. For of your meeting with me bring an outline of a proposed answer to the questions posed by the sol Gen; then a specific response

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June 8, 1982

Deputy Commissioner J.B. Giroux
 Director General
 Security Service
 Royal Canadian Mounted Police
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Dear Deputy Commissioner Giroux:

I am writing to you concerning the continuing problem of the assessment of homosexuality as a factor in the security clearance program carried out by the Security Service under the authority of Cabinet Directive 35.

As you know, there have already been attempts to amend the Canadian Human Rights Act by the addition of "sexual orientation" to the prohibited grounds for discrimination. It also seems possible that attempts may be made to test the interpretation of s.15(1) of the Charter of Rights, which protects individuals against discrimination on grounds of sex, to see if the courts will extend this protection to homosexuals. I expect that this issue will, therefore, continue to have a high public profile. In addition, since the publication of the McDonald report, I have been in receipt of the enclosed correspondence from the Gays of Ottawa, and I am of the view that this type of public and political interest in the treatment of homosexuals by the security community will increase rather than diminish.

Consequently, I believe it would be very advantageous if I was in a position to be able to meet further criticisms or arguments on this issue with a substantive assessment of how this matter has been handled in the recent past. I feel it is necessary for me to have a precise knowledge of the dimensions of this problem,

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as well as a full understanding of how the Security Service, in fulfilling its role within the Government's overall security screening program, has interpreted its authority under Cabinet Directive 35. 

I would welcome your comments and suggestions as to the proposal that the Security Service prepare such an assessment.

Yours truly,



Bob Kaplan, P.C., M.P.

Attach.

c.c. Mr. Gibson, SITG