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Director General
Security Service

SUBJECT
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SECURITY SCREENING - CHARACTER WEAKNESSES -
HOMOSEXUALITY

As you are aware, discussions have been held with the Minister over the past two years concerning homosexuality and the security clearance process. The discussions evolved generally as a result of the McDonald Commission examination of security screening practices, impending privacy legislation, and our own resolve to improve our capabilities for assessing homosexuality in the context of Cabinet Directive 35.

I have now approved the attached Security Service policy. This policy does not alter Force policy concerning the conduct of [redacted] investigations, rather it emphasizes the need in Security Service enquiries to go beyond the simple identification of a person as a homosexual and provide as full an appreciation as possible of how the individual copes with homosexuality.

As the Minister expressed an interest in the development of our policy regarding this subject, you may wish to forward him a copy of the policy with the suggested letter I am attaching for your consideration.

J.B. Giroux, D7 Commr,
Director General
Security Service

Attachment

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