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Re: Security Screening - Character Weakness (Homosexuals)

Individual homosexuals and homosexual organizations such as The National Gay Coalition appear to be waging a campaign to pressure the government into making a statement relative to the rights of homosexuals, particularly in relation to obtaining employment in the public service. Correspondence in this regard was recently received by the Solicitor General, the Minister of Justice, the Public Service Commission and the Commissioner.

Because this campaign is likely to intensify, we thought it might be timely and useful to provide you with copies of the attached material.

Appendix "A" is a copy of a letter which was drafted for the Minister, in response to an enquiry received from Mr. Michael Cassidy, M.P.P., which concerns the granting of security clearance to homosexuals employed or seeking employment in the public service. Appendix "B" is a copy of para. 100 of the Report of The Royal Commission on Security.

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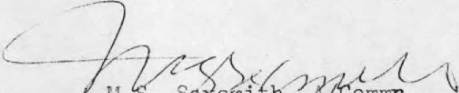
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Each of these documents, although somewhat dated now, is still relevant and valid. Together they summarize very well the current attitude of the Security Service and most government departments.

The Privy Council Office is presently formulating a position paper relative to these matters, and you will be provided a copy. The attached material is being forwarded at this time for information purposes only.


M.S. Sexsmith, A/Commr.,
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