

MEMORANDUM

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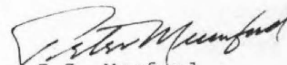
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JAG (Through ADM(Per))

CF POLICY, VIS-À-VIS HOMOSEXUALS -  
REPLIES TO MINISTERIAL INQUIRIES

- Refs: A. Minquire DGDAS Control No. 77/1328 (enclosed)  
B. Minquire DGDAS Control No. 77/1536 (enclosed)  
C. Minquire DGDAS Control No. 77/1598 (enclosed)  
D. Minquire DGDAS Control No. 77/1607 (enclosed)

1. Ref A is an inquiry received from the National Gay Rights Coalition (NGRC) concerning the policy of the CF regarding the employment of homosexuals.
2. Refs B, C, and D are similar inquiries dealing with the case of Pte(W) Barbara Thornborrow, a self-declared lesbian whose release from the CF was the subject of reporting by the media.
3. At Flag A to Ref A is a letter which was prepared as the Minister's response to NGRC, however, as this letter will be a key statement of policy he has returned it with the comment that we should make certain we word it carefully. The Minister has indicated that he totally agrees with the policy but would like to make the statement unassailable. Would you please review and redraft the proposed letter to NGRC in accordance with the Minister's direction.
4. In the light of the Minister's direction, would you also review and redraft, as required, the proposed replies to the minquires at Refs B, C and D.

  
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Enclosures

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