

All Commands and Groups

Personnel Convicted of Homosexual or Indecent Acts or Suspected of Homosexual Tendencies

1 Policy issued previously on the above subject is hereby cancelled and superseded by the following:

- (a) Where a CO becomes aware of facts which establish a prima facie case of an officer or airman having committed a homosexual or indecent act, and the facts are generally known to personnel at the unit, the CO should, in the interests (or morale, ensure that disciplinary action is taken against the offender. As these cases are usually of a serious nature, it would appear that they should normally be disposed of by a court martial.
- (b) Where a CO becomes aware of facts which establish a prima facie case of an officer or airman having committed a homosexual or indecent act, but the facts are not generally known to personnel at the unit, the CO shall, if disciplinary action is not instituted, submit a complete report including all the evidence which tends to prove the commission of the offence together with a recommendation concerning the retention or release of the offender to the AOC. The AOC, in turn, is to forward the CO's report, along with a further recommendation concerning retention or release, to AFHQ. If AFHQ authorized release, it will normally be under QR(Air) 15.01 (2)(c) "Unsatisfactory conduct", and the notation on the Certificate of Service will be "Services Terminated!"
- (c) Where a CO has reason to suspect an officer or airman of having homosexual tendencies, but there are insufficient facts to establish a prima facie case, the CO is to submit a complete report, of all known facts on which suspicion is based, through the AOC, to AFHQ. It will then be decided at AFHQ whether the suspect should be examined by a neuro-psychiatrist. If the examination is ordered, the results are to be forwarded to AFHQ where consideration will be given to releasing the officer or airman under QR(Air) 15.01(2) (c) "Unsatisfactory Conduct".

*Shall we retain
Proven offenders
particularly where we
have so many stations?
Children on our
at 20.12.5*

*Medical Directorate
must be in on this.*

2 Where Service personnel and civilians are involved, the commanding officer is to immediately inform the appropriate civil authorities of all the facts. If the civil authorities indicate that they are not going to prosecute the Service personnel, appropriate action is to be taken as set forth in para 1 hereof. If the civil authorities prosecute the Service personnel and conviction results, action is to be taken under QR(Air) art 19.62.

3 The policy set out herein is also applicable to female personnel.

*Must have adequate word protection given by not having interviews etc done by males alone
CAF*

*Which may allow retention of convicted persons, with which I disagree
CAF*

*Requires also some remarks as to what goes on release medical Boards
CAF*