

Appendix to Annual Report on Homosexuals Among Federal Government Employees

95. During the period under review an extensive investigation was started into the identification of known and suspected homosexuals employed in federal government departments and agencies. The investigation was precipitated by the knowledge that persons with this particular character weakness are highly susceptible to compromise by blackmail. There is one case on file where an attempt was made to compromise a Canadian Government employee [REDACTED]

96. The statistical results of the investigation to date are as follows:

Confirmed	159
Alleged	82
Suspected	152
Total	393

Not all can be considered as homosexuals owing to lack of evidence or corroboration but a high percentage are either self-admitted or alleged by more than one other self-admitted homosexual. New names continue to come to light and it is felt that only a fraction of the total number of homosexuals in the federal government service has been identified to date. One self-admitted homosexual estimated there are 3,000 homosexuals in the Ottawa area.

97. In anticipation of a volume of work and the desirability of concluding all investigations as expeditiously as possible, a special squad of investigators has been formed in "A" Division. These men

are experienced S & I investigators from the Division S.I.B. Replacements for three of these men have been transferred temporarily from Montreal S.I.B. to Ottawa S.I.B.

98. The special squad will handle all local investigations with assistance from Headquarters "B" Branch when necessary. For the present the method of handling particular enquiries outside the Ottawa area is determined by considering each on its own merit. Some cases have been passed to Divisions for investigation; others have been done by Headquarters "E" branch investigators.

99. Although this investigation was under the control of "E" Branch during most of the period under review, a section has now been formed within the framework of "A" Branch to handle all files and attend to related duties. The section is under the supervision of a sergeant with one constable attending to the routine.

100. Because of the peculiar requirements of this investigation broader terms of reference are under consideration which will facilitate the carrying out of the investigation and make possible its successful conclusion.

101. One extremely interesting aspect of this enquiry is the reliability of homosexuals as sources of information. It has been the Force's experience thus far from sources that their naming of an individual as a homosexual, whether their information was obtained from personal contact, hearsay, or the "homing instinct", is substantially correct. Thus far a source has not been found to be incorrect

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in his statements although there are numerous cases still to be concluded. The general reliability of the homosexual as a source of information about other homosexuals is thus well established, despite the fact that there have been one or two cases of mistaken identity.

102. A number of resignations, some at high levels in the public service, have already occurred as a result of these enquiries.

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