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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. DWYER:

Many thanks for showing me this booklet. I have studied it with interest and we must be prepared to meet the sort of problems they outlined. I think it would be well to have on our files a detailed commentary by Don or yourself on this and how far the charges are true and how far it seems possible to meet them.

The main initial conclusions I would reach from this, as I told you, are:

(a) That we should re-examine the susceptibility to blackmail as a security risk

and perhaps consider some way of meeting the problem more constructively - for example by indicating tactfully to a person suspected to be in this category that there is reason to think that he might be susceptible to blackmail and if it turns out he is at any time, he can be sure of the utmost cooperation from the security authorities.

(b) I think we should recognize that we cannot be altogether just and fair in these matters and for that reason should really confine security screening to as msall a segment of the public service and elsewhere as possible, taking occasionally small risks if by doing so we can avoid having to sereen a considerable number of people.

I understand you will consider whether we can and should follow up on these points.

R.B.B.