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Investigation of Homosexuals (Fruit Machine)

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016 A ops Commission has seen. Also held on 1 may need to brief the Minister on Wed. 2 Apr.

As a result of the Commissioner's request to the Security Panel in May 1960 for terms of reference for our investigation of homosexuals, a Special Committee of the Security Panel was formed. This Committee met on three occasions and prepared a report "Security Cases Involving Homosexuality" dated 26 January 1961.

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One of the recommendations contained in this report for which Ministerial approval was sought, requested consideration be given to setting up a program of research with appropriate psychiatric assistance with a view of devising tests to identify persons with homosexual tendencies. A letter from the Secretary of the Cabinet dated 20 December 1960 (Tab 1) advises the Commissioner of discussions held with the DM of National Health & Welfare with a view of finding advisory personnel with appropriate training and experience who might assist us in research and the development of testing techniques. This letter also contained a request to make discreet enquiries concerning the loyalty and reliability of four doctors who were recommended by the Deputy Minister.

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In his letter of 19 December 1962, the Secretary of the Security Panel provided us with two reports. One authored by Mr. D.F. WALL on the observations and conclusions of the security screening procedures in the United States in relation to character defects the other authored by Dr. F.R. WAKE (one of the recommended doctors) covering clinical methods used in the United States security screening procedures to detect character weaknesses and other clinical or technical methods still in the experimental stage. These reports were also made available to the PM and the Minister of Justice.

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③ *Memo to F-6*
The Minister was briefed verbally by me. I then weekly meeting 80-4-2 on the content of this memo.

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According to a 1962 "A" Branch A-1 Section annual report, a research program to devise clinical tests for the identification of homosexuals applying for government service was commenced under the aegis of the Security Panel. The Section was called upon to provide several statistical and research reports for the psychologist in charge of this program.

The next and last mention of these reports in our records available at this time was at a meeting in the office of the Minister of Justice on 28 February 1963 (Tab 2) attended by the Minister, representatives of External Affairs, the Civil Service Commission, the Privy Council, the Secretary to the Cabinet and the Commissioner and a Deputy Commissioner of the RCMP. No decision was reached on Dr. WAKE's tests during a brief discussion on the use of them.

Most of the concern in investigating homosexuals in that era seems to have centered on such issues as do we interview those with a screening requirement or do we interview all those we come in contact with and which sensitive areas are they to be excluded from etc. It would appear that the Fruit Machine was conceived by the Security Panel, was never really implemented by us and died a natural death.



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