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The Hon. Bob Kaplan, P.C., M.P.,  
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Our File:

Dear Mr. Kaplan:

Re: Civilian Member [REDACTED]  
Security Clearance

Further to our meeting on May 26, 1981 I wish to clarify an aspect of my letter dated May 22 last. In that letter I indicated that Civilian Member [REDACTED] security clearance was withdrawn and she was suspended from duty. The expression "suspended from duty" was ill chosen in that if applied to a "member", it has a definitive legal meaning. The appropriate expression would have been "removed from her normal duties" in order that she would not have any access to classified material.

As at the morning of May 26, 1981 the withdrawal of security clearance and removal from her duties had not yet been effected and as a result of our discussion on that date, I instructed that no action be taken until I had a chance to review and consider the matter further. Therefore, as of this moment, [REDACTED] continues to perform her normal duties.

Yours sincerely,

*R.H. Simmonds*

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re: May 22/81 letter

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