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The Honourable Bob Kaplan, P.C., M.P.,  
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Dear Mr. Kaplan:

You will recall that discussions have been held over the past two years concerning homosexuality and the security clearance process. The discussions evolved generally as a result of the McDonald Commission examination of security screening practices, impending privacy legislation, and the resolve of the Ministry and the Force to ensure that proper attention is given to the problem of assessing homosexuality in the context of Cabinet Directive 35.

I thought you might like to know that the attached policy has now been approved. This policy does not alter Force policy concerning the conduct of security screening investigations, rather it emphasizes the need to go beyond the simple identification of a person as a homosexual and provide as full an appreciation as possible of how the individual copes with homosexuality.

Yours sincerely,

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Commissioner.

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Attachment

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