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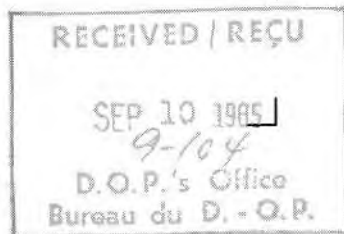
FOR THE PERSONAL ATTENTION OF
THE COMMISSIONER, OTTAWA

FROM
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C.O., "O" DIVISION

SUBJECT
OBJET

SEXUAL PREFERENCE



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During a recent Ottawa Conference, I listened with much interest to the range of your comments on the topic of sexual preference. I left the conference with some insight into the issues and legal principles you were having to take into account and I note with interest the ongoing dialogue currently being undertaken within the military on this particular topic.

2. It occurred to me that your efforts might be eased somewhat if you were to enjoy feedback from one or more Divisions on this topic. Therefore, on my return to Toronto I sought the view of "O" Division Officers and several of them took the opportunity to provide me with their comments.

3. Based on my study of their remarks, I can tell you that without exception, the feeling among "O" Division Officers is that the Force should resist any change to its current approach, which would deny entry to the organization by persons whose sexual preferences are other than heterosexual. Further, even though displaying a good appreciation of some of the subsidiary issues of import, all Officers responding felt that long serving members of the Force who, as it were, "come out of the closet" should be quickly excised from our ranks.

4. There was a further general feeling reflected in the replies I have studied. All concerned accept that it may well transpire that one day the Force will be directed by the Courts or some other external agency to alter its current position, however, we believe that such a development should be imposed on us and that we should not willingly abandon the general position we now hold.

5. Commissioner, I am in full agreement with the above views which have been expressed by the Officers in "O" Division. Hopefully, in knowing our viewpoint, we may have in some measure assisted you in your labours as you deal with this very complex and difficult issue in the future.

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Commanding "O" Division

