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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Citations Underlying Regulation
CONTROL OF PERSONNEL SECURITY FILES

1. The attached Regulation reflects the Agency's implementation of the responsibilities imposed upon the Director of Central Intelligence by the Presidential Memorandum, dated 13 March 1948, and Executive Order 10450, dated 27 April 1953. Both of these directives impose a responsibility upon him to protect the Personnel Security Files which are compiled and maintained by CIA.

2. Pertinent extracts from the Presidential Memorandum are:

"The efficient and just administration of the Employee Loyalty Program...requires that reports, records, and files relative to the program be preserved in strict confidence....

"...reports rendered by...investigative agencies of the executive branch are to be regarded as confidential...shall be maintained in confidence, and shall not be transmitted or disclosed except as required in the efficient conduct of business.

"Any subpoena or demand or request for information, reports, or files of the nature described, received from sources other than those persons in the executive branch of Government who are entitled thereto by reason of their official duties, shall be respectfully declined...and the subpoena or demand or other request shall be referred to the Office of the President... There shall be no relaxation of the provisions of this directive except with my express authority."

3. Section 9.(c) of EO 10450, relative to the subject, is:

"The reports and other investigative material and information developed by investigations conducted pursuant to any statute, order, or program described

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In section 7 [on suspension, termination, and reemployment] of this order shall remain the property of the investigative agencies conducting the investigations, but may, subject to considerations of the national security, be retained by the department or agency concerned. Such reports and other investigative material and information shall be maintained in confidence, and no access shall be given thereto except, with the consent of the investigative agency concerned, to other departments and agencies conducting security programs under the authority granted by or in accordance with the said act of August 26, 1950, as may be required for the efficient conduct of Government business."

4. This Regulation has been concurred in by the Director of Security, the Assistant Director for Personnel, the General Counsel, and the Inspector General. The General Counsel feels that this Regulation should be authenticated by the Director. I concur with the Regulation and recommend signature.

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(Administration)

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