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SUBJECT: Homosexuality

Officials of this Agency have carefully studied the problem of homosexuality from a security risk standpoint. This study is based upon analysis of a considerable number of cases known to the security officials of the various government agencies. Considerable information as well has been obtained in the course of applicant investigations from informants known to be homosexuals who are not working for the government but who have been associated with them. A careful review of certain old case histories has also been made.

Our firm conclusion is that homosexuals as a group are definitely a security risk not only because they are obviously subject to pressure but because in addition they have a psychological instability which makes them untrustworthy in highly sensitive operations.

The following is a series of notes which may amplify our opinion and the basis upon which it is made.

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## Homos in General

1. Experience indicates a vulnerability to interrogation by a skilled questioner. Seldom do they refuse to talk about themselves although some will not incriminate anyone else.
2. In every case, despite protestations that the individual would never succumb to blackmail, invariably they express considerable concern about covering or concealing the circumstances of their condition. Also exhibit concern as to what circulation the information may receive.
3. In most cases either currently or some time in the past the individual has been promiscuous and has frequented various homo hangouts with the result that knowledge of his condition is known to a number of people, who may or may not be aware of his sensitive employment.
4. Obvious homos, with the outward feminine characteristics, are difficult to employ because of the effect on co-workers, officials of other agencies, etc.
5. Some, who make great ado about their discretion, are actually quite indiscreet and are too stupid to realize it or else due to inflation of the ego, or through not letting themselves realize the truth, are usually the center of gossip, rumor, etc.
6. Experience has shown that even with the best of intentions to drop the "gay" life and go "straight" most homos revert to type eventually.
7. Of great concern to any sensitive agency is the fact that homos are extremely vulnerable to seduction by a homo employed for the purpose by a foreign power. Said agent would not have to be homo but could simulate and gain access to the circle of a homo he selected for his victim by acting as "trade."
8. Certain homos, defiant in their attitude toward society, do not want to change, feel they are different and on a higher plane than the heterosexual. This mental attitude can be a dangerous one as it can be projected to a defiance of society in other respects including disloyalty.
9. Homosexuals usually seem to be extremely gullible.
10. Homos are usually, even the most brazen of them, under considerable tension due to their efforts to conceal their condition and suppress their instincts in the course of their everyday activity among heterosexuals.
11. Homos in key positions lead to the "government within a government" idea. They bring others into the agency, move them around, advance them, etc., usually in the interests of furthering romances of the moment.

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