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1. At a meeting between [REDACTED] on 20 April [REDACTED] made two revelations: (a) that he had had a sexual relationship with [REDACTED] whilst he, [REDACTED] in sum [REDACTED] explained his actions as that of a naive and gullible youth.  
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(b) that [REDACTED] had told [REDACTED] that he had had a contact with a representative of the security forces at the time that [REDACTED] was handed over [REDACTED] no names were mentioned; nor did [REDACTED] say whether the contact was to be a regular one. According to [REDACTED] did not comment on these revelations at the time nor has he referred to them since [REDACTED] motivation was "to protect his back" should anything unpleasant happen to him.  
 2. At the following meeting we [REDACTED] were also present and although there exists the possibility that a (new) face would have made [REDACTED] way he readily acquiesced to [REDACTED]

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being cross-questioned. As a result of this latter discussion, certain points of detail were spelled out and certain inconsistencies with the previous account established.

(a)

(b) [redacted] now admitted to a second affair - again not involving homosexual acts.

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(c) the sessions with [redacted] occurred in 1966, were 4 or 5 in number: [redacted] could not remember exactly what happened. There were also some group sessions [redacted] was evasive here) but who was involved and who did what to whom [redacted] could not remember. All such incidents ceased in 1966 after [redacted] moved in with the [redacted]

3. The sexual revelations, for all they are worth, reveal an already suspected weakness in [redacted] character. Whatever the truth of the matter - and we conclude that [redacted] is, at best, being evasive - it seems clear that [redacted] is in a possession of facts about [redacted] that, if given widespread dissemination, would cause [redacted] severe embarrassment. Also, according to [redacted]

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4. There is thus little that can be done other than to record the facts of the relationship(s) as established, and to spell out who knows about them [redacted] is, of course, aware of the delicacy of his position.

5. On the question of [redacted] having revealed his intelligence relationship to [redacted] remained constant during a [redacted] cross-questioning at this second session. All that [redacted] would be further established is that he [redacted] thought [redacted] that on balance [redacted] would have assumed that [redacted] relationship was not a brief one, he reiterated that he [redacted] thought [redacted] had told no one else but realized again his vulnerable position. Encapsulating the situation: [redacted] has had a sexual relationship in the distant past with a man [redacted] now standing accused of homosexual related crimes; [redacted] has recounted his relationship with [redacted] to at least two known [redacted] people, there may be others, [redacted] maintained a close friendship with [redacted] after the cessation of a physical relationship and told him about his [redacted] relationship with the Security forces. That [redacted] is aware of his vulnerability does not diminish its [redacted] potential dangers. [redacted] is inclined to believe that [redacted]

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lies only about his sexual relationships and that his other reporting can be relied upon. This notwithstanding two questions inevitably arise.

(a) if [REDACTED] is a regularly practicing homosexual, how would that affect us.

(b) if [REDACTED] comes under pressure because of his previous indiscretions/revelations, is there a risk that he would use his contact with us to our disadvantage. If so, may we do anything to anticipate this.

6. In our mind [REDACTED] should not be dropped.

(a) we will have a special need for his reporting [REDACTED]

(b) were he to be dropped we should lose all control and

(c) most importantly, there exists the possibility that, were we to drop him and were he to fall foul of the authorities, he might consider that we had let him down. He may then do, or say, something to our disadvantage.

7. We therefore wish to retain [REDACTED] but with the following alterations to procedure so that security is effectively tightened [REDACTED]

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8. We are aware of the problems that may be caused when [REDACTED] hears of [REDACTED] arrest, the case officer hopes to be able to cope with these. We are also aware that [REDACTED] may have been talking to the RUC and may have told them of [REDACTED] security connections. [REDACTED] has not been officially declared to the RUC. We feel confident that our above suggestions incorporate the necessary prophylactic action at this stage.

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