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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS

Via: Vice Chief of Naval Operations

Subj: Administrative Discharge Procedures

Ref: (a) CNO/VCNO Action Sheet 587-70 of 15 November 1971  
(b) CNP Memo Pers-F3b-jps dtd 19 Apr 1972

1. Reference (a) requested a report which analyzes the impact the 20 additional NIS agents have had in reducing delays in administrative discharge procedures incident to self-admitted narcotics and homosexual offenders. Reference (b) stated that a report of the impact would be submitted on or before 15 August 1972.
2. A review of 435 investigations pertaining to self-admitted narcotics and homosexual offenses revealed that the average time to complete the investigation and have the appropriate documentation forwarded to the requesting command was 3.173 days.
3. The twenty additional NIS Agents have played a significant part in reducing the investigative time needed to complete these cases. However, other factors, such as the Exemption Program, have had an impact on the overall caseload and have made it possible to keep the time factor below the 10 - 12 days completion time which was projected initially.
4. A situation has arisen which may jeopardize the program for minimizing the investigative time in these cases. The twenty "additional NIS Agents" in this context are in fact twenty junior officers who were not in fact trained investigators, and who have been provided as an "overallowance." To best utilize these personnel, the NIS has used them on more routine work, and has utilized experienced civilian agents freed thereby to conduct the narcotics and homosexual investigations. On 1 October, the routine work (essentially personnel security investigations) being performed by the junior officer agents will transfer to the newly created Defense Investigative Service (DIS). A commensurate transfer of personnel resources must also occur. Given the "overallowance" status of the junior officers, their billets are not transferable to the DIS, and, thus, NIS will have to transfer trained civilian agents instead. The adverse effects thereof can be prevented only if the temporary junior officer billets can be made permanent, and, thus available for transfer. This problem is being addressed by a separate action by the Director, Naval Investigative Service.

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