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Detective Inspector Dixon came to see me on 17th August to carry our discussions further.

2. I showed him in detail how we kept our files in F.4, and discussed further with him the question of orange forms. He agreed that there was no difficulty in the way of his sending in reports from his two paid agents in this way, and we agreed that:

(a) he would put a paper to Chief Superintendent Cunningham, proposing that they should fall in line with other Police Forces in this respect

(b) that, subject to F.4. [redacted] approval, we would [redacted] and start the new procedure as from 1st September 1967.

3. Dixon told me that each of his agents received £25 per month flat. He said there was some talk of raising [redacted] one [redacted] woman agent's salary to £30 per month. He also said that these payments included expenses. This makes a total of £600 per annum.

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4. During the course of our discussion, Dixon once again emphasized their different approach to agents, and made it quite clear that the relationship between the agent-handling officer and the agent is that of master and slave.

5. He also informed me that the beginning of Special Branch reports showed on what the report was based. He said that the expression "from information obtained" meant gossip or something culled from newspapers, "information from a reliable source" meant material gained from unpaid informants, and "information from a reliable but delicate source" meant material gained from a paid agent.

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F.4.

22nd August 1967.