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significant evidence of espionage or sabotage, emergency suspension action may be taken by an authorized subordinate after consulting with appropriate investigative agency officials. The Assistant Secretary of Defense (Administration) shall be notified promptly of all suspension actions taken under this paragraph together with the basis therefor.

- With respect to any case pending before it, the Screening Board may direct (a) further investigation, specifying the particular matters to be investigated; (b) written interrogatories; (c) interviews with the applicant or other persons; (d) a medical examination of the applicant; or (e) recommend to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Administration), or his designee, the suspension of the applicant's clearance pending further proceedings.
- Determinations of the Screening Board will be made by majority vote.
- 4. Where the Screening Board determines that clearance at the level requested is clearly consistent with the national interest, a written determination will be prepared, the Defense component concerned notified, and any outstanding suspension rescinded.
- 5. Where the Screening Board determines that the case does not warrant a favorable determination, it will prepare a Statement of Reasons informing the applicant of the grounds upon which his clearance may be denied or revoked. This Statement of Reasons shall be as comprehensive and detailed as the national security permits.
- 6. The Statement of Reasons shall be forwarded to the applicant by the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Administration), or his designee, with a letter of instructions clearly outlining subsequent actions required of the applicant, including information on his right to counsel and right to appeal.

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