

CHAPTER 4. ACTION ON INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS

15. ACTION WITHIN HUD. Investigative data received from the Civil Service Commission, the Federal Bureau of Investigation or other sources shall be reviewed and evaluated as to the security, subversive and loyalty aspects by the Office of Inspector General. Representatives of the Office of Inspector General may interview the employee in order to discuss matters contained in the investigative data or any other matters related thereto, and may make such further inquiries as may be necessary. A person being considered for employment in a sensitive position shall be fully informed of and given an opportunity to explain or refute derogatory security information developed in an investigation before being rejected or nonselected on security grounds. Otherwise, persons may be unjustly rejected or nonselected on security grounds because of mistaken identity or because certain mitigating circumstances were not known to the prospective employing agency. Similarly, the same opportunity shall be given with respect to derogatory information developed in a reinvestigation of an employee occupying a sensitive position before removing him on security grounds.