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MEMORANDUM FOR FILE:

Recently, Mr. McGuire advised the undersigned that it is the practice throughout the Department to immediately suspend from duty, but not from pay, any officer who loses his badge, pending an investigation into the circumstances under which it was lost. In cases where the loss is found to have occurred as a result of the misconduct of the officer, suspension from duty and pay is then to be made retroactive to the date upon which the officer was suspended from duty.

Mr. McGuire stated that instructions should be issued to officers of this Service in conformity with the above practice of other bureaus in the Department.

New badges for immigrant inspectors and patrol inspectors have been ordered and are to be delivered on November 4, and the writer is of the opinion that the appropriate time for the issuance of such an instruction would be when the new badges are issued.

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