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Participants:

- Colonel Tilde Langford | Ethics Committee Head Supervisor
- Lieutenant Simon Cromwell | Ethics Committee Junior Supervisor

[BEGIN LOG]

(Two men are seated across from each other at a desk. One is older with grayed hair, the other young and wearing spectacles.)

Langford: Interesting find, Junior Supervisor. This might be what we're looking for. "Another Candlemeyer"... Not the most pleasant phrase to read.

Cromwell: What *was* Candlemeyer, sir?

Langford: Only the largest termination wave the Foundation has ever seen. Nothing like it has happened since... 2012. This is definitely Lucas Bregman speaking on the tape. I recognise that contempt.

Cromwell: So this is it then? This is what we need to close the Bregman file? What do you need me to do, sir?

(Langford leans back in his seat.)

Langford: We're going to be doing nothing.

Cromwell: What? Shouldn't we-

Langford: This tape sounds like Bregman. But we have no proof that it is. If it *is* him, then he's involved with non-Foundation personnel, which the O5 isn't allowing, plotting an operation, which is outside his jurisdiction, and accepting a GOC termination request, which he cannot do. Do you get what I'm trying to say?

Cromwell: We're... not going to do anything?

Langford: If we want to take down Lucas Bregman, we act now. However, if we want to take down ETTRA as a whole, we let this play out. We'll be ready, Supervisor Cromwell. If ETTRA does do something, we'll be there to catch them red-handed. And that will be one less grip the Global Occult Coalition has on this Foundation.

Cromwell: I... I see, sir. I understand. Is there no chance that we could possibly-

(Langford raises his hand towards Cromwell)

Langford: You may dismiss yourself, Junior Supervisor.

(A momentary pause. Cromwell then stands and nods his head.)

Cromwell: Yes, Colonel. Thank you for your time.

(Cromwell walks away from the desk towards the door)

Langford: Another thing, Simon.

Cromwell: Yes, sir?

Langford: We may be slow here in the Ethics Committee. That's because we make sure we're always correct. We never make educated guesses here, only calculated decisions. If you want to blindly jump into cases, join the Fire Suppression Department.

I wouldn't look much further into this, for now. That sounds disappointing, yes, but your patience will be rewarded soon enough.

Besides, something tells me this won't be the end of it. We're only just getting started.

Cromwell: A calm before the storm.

(Langford smiles.)

Langford: Precisely.

[END LOG]