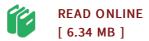# The Whistleblower s Dilemma: Snowden, Silkwood and Their Quest for the Truth

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