(i) where the armed forces of the United States are involved in hostilities (as that term is used in section 1543 of title 50, United States Code); or

(ii) with respect to which hostilities have been declared by the United States.

(2) The actions described in this paragraph are the following:

(A) An offensive cyber operation.

(B) A defensive cyber operation outside the Department of Defense Information Networks to defeat an ongoing or imminent threat.

(d) EXCEPTIONS.—The notification requirement under subsection (a) does not apply—

(1) to a training exercise conducted with the consent of all nations where the intended effects of the exercise will occur; or

(2) to a covert action (as that term is defined in section 3093 of title 50, United States Code).

(e) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to provide any new authority or to alter or otherwise affect the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.), the Authorization for Use of Military Force (Public Law 107-40; 50 U.S.C. 1541 note), or any requirement under the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.).

(Added Pub. L. 115-91, div. A, title XVI, §1631(a), Dec. 12, 2017, 131 Stat. 1736.)

References in Text

The War Powers Resolution, referred to in subsec. (e), is Pub. L. 93-148, Nov. 7, 1973, 87 Stat. 555, which is classified generally to chapter 33 (§1541 et seq.) of Title 50, War and National Defense. For complete classification of this Resolution to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1541 of Title 50 and Tables.

The Authorization for Use of Military Force, referred to in subsec. (e), is Pub. L. 107-40, Sept. 18, 2001, 115 Stat. 224, which is set out as a note under section 1541 of Title 50, War and National Defense.

The National Security Act of 1947, referred to in subsec. (e), is act July 26, 1947, ch. 343, 61 Stat. 495, which is classified principally to chapter 44 (§3001 et seq.) of Title 50, War and National Defense. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

§130k. Notification requirements for cyber weapons

(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection (c), the Secretary of Defense shall promptly submit to the congressional defense committees notice in writing of the following:

(1) With respect to a cyber capability that is intended for use as a weapon, on a quarterly basis, the aggregated results of all reviews of the capability for legality under international law pursuant to Department of Defense Directive 5000.01 carried out by any military department concerned.

(2) The use as a weapon of any cyber capability that has been approved for such use under international law by a military department no later than 48 hours following such use.

(b) PROCEDURES.—(1) The Secretary of Defense shall establish and submit to the congressional defense committees procedures for complying with the requirements of subsection (a) consistent with the national security of the United States and the protection of operational integrity. The Secretary shall promptly notify the congressional defense committees in writing of any changes to such procedures at least 14 days prior to the adoption of any such changes.

(2) The congressional defense committees shall ensure that committee procedures designed to protect from unauthorized disclosure classified information relating to national security of the United States are sufficient to protect the information that is submitted to the committees pursuant to this section.

(3) In the event of an unauthorized disclosure of a cyber capability covered by this section, the Secretary shall ensure, to the maximum extent practicable, that the congressional defense committees are notified immediately of the cyber capability concerned. The notification under this paragraph may be verbal or written, but in the event of a verbal notification a written notification shall be provided by not later than 48 hours after the provision of the verbal notification.

(c) EXCEPTIONS.—The notification requirement under subsection (a) does not apply—

(1) to a training exercise conducted with the consent of all nations where the intended effects of the exercise will occur; or

(2) to a covert action (as that term is defined in section 3093 of title 50, United States Code).

(d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to provide any new authority or to alter or otherwise affect the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.), the Authorization for Use of Military Force (Public Law 107-40; 50 U.S.C. 1541 note), or any requirement under the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.).

(Added Pub. L. 115-91, div. A, title XVI, §1631(a), Dec. 12, 2017, 131 Stat. 1737.)

References in Text

The War Powers Resolution, referred to in subsec. (d), is Pub. L. 93-148, Nov. 7, 1973, 87 Stat. 555, which is classified generally to chapter 33 (§1541 et seq.) of Title 50, War and National Defense. For complete classification of this Resolution to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1541 of Title 50 and Tables.

The Authorization for Use of Military Force, referred to in subsec. (d), is Pub. L. 107-40, Sept. 18, 2001, 115 Stat. 224, which is set out as a note under section 1541 of Title 50, War and National Defense.

The National Security Act of 1947, referred to in subsec. (d), is act July 26, 1947, ch. 343, 61 Stat. 495, which is classified principally to chapter 44 (§ 3001 et seq.) of Title 50, War and National Defense. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

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2017—Pub. L. 115–91, div. A, title X, §1081(b)(1)(B), Dec. 12, 2017, 131 Stat. 1597, repealed Pub. L. 113–291, 901(l)(1)(A). See 2014 Amendment note below.

Pub. L. 115-91, div. A, title IX, §§906(f)(2), 910(a)(2), Dec. 12, 2017, 131 Stat. 1514, 1517, substituted "Chief Management Officer" for "Deputy Chief Management Officer" in item 132a and "Deputy Under Secretaries of Defense" for "Principal Deputy Under Secretaries of Defense'' in item 137a.

2016—Pub. L. 114–328, div. A, title IX, §901(g)(2), Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2342, effective on Feb. 1, 2018, added items 133a and 133b and struck out item 133 "Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics'

Pub. L. 114-328, div. A, title IX, §§ 901(g)(1), 922(b)(2), Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2342, 2356, added item 139b and struck out former item 139b "Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Developmental Test and Evaluation; Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sys-tems Engineering: joint guidance" and item 139c "Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manufacturing and Industrial Base Policy"

2014—Pub. L. 113–291, div. A, title IX, §901(l)(1)(B), (C), Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3468, added item 142 and struck out items 138a "Assistant Secretary of Defense for Logistics and Materiel Readiness", 138b "Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering", 138c "Assistant Secretary of Defense for Operational Energy Plans and Programs", and 138d "Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear, Chemical, and Biological Defense Programs'

Pub. L. 113-291, div. A, title IX, §901(l)(1)(A), Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3468, which directed substitution of "Under Secretary of Defense for Business Management and Information" for "Deputy Chief Management Officer" in item 132a, was repealed by Pub. L. 115-91, §1081(b)(1)(B).

2013—PPub. L. 112-239, div. A, title X, \$1076(f)(2), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 1952, struck out item 133b "Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Logistics and Materiel Readiness"

2011-Pub. L. 111-383, div. A, title IX, §901(k)(2)(A), Jan. 7, 2011, 124 Stat. 4325, added items 132a, 137a, 138b to 138d, and 139a to 139c, and struck out former items 133a "Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics", 134a "Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy", 136a "Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness", 137a "Deputy Under Sec-retaries of Defense", 139a "Director of Defense Research and Engineering", 139b "Director of Operational Energy Plans and Programs", 139c "Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation", 139d "Director of Developmental Test and Evaluation; Director of Systems Engineering: joint guidance", and 142 "Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Nuclear and Chemical and Biological Defense Programs"

2009—Pub. L. 111-84, div. A, title IX, §§905(a)(2), 906(c)(3), Oct. 28, 2009, 123 Stat. 2425, 2427, added items

133a, 134a, 136a, 137a, and 138a and struck out former items 133a "Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology", 134a "Deputy Under Sec-retary of Defense for Policy", 134b "Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Technology Security Policy", and 136a "Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness'

Pub. L. 111-23, title I, §§101(a)(2), 102(a)(2), May 22, 2009, 123 Stat. 1706, 1713, added items 139c and 139d.

2008-Pub. L. 110-417, [div. A], title IX, §902(b), Oct. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 4566, added item 139b.

2006-Pub. L. 109-163, div. A, title IX, §904(b)(2), Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3400, added item 144.

2002-Pub. L. 107-314, div. A, title IX, §901(b)(2), Dec. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 2619, added items 137 and 139a and struck out former item 137 "Director of Defense Research and Engineering"

2001-Pub. L. 107-107, div. A, title IX, §901(a)(2), Dec. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 1194, added item 136a.

1999-Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title IX, §911(d)(3), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 719, added items 133 and 133b and struck out former item 133 "Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology"

1998—Pub. L. 105-261, div. A, title XV, §1521(b)(2), Oct. 17, 1998, 112 Stat. 2179, added item 134b.

1997—Pub. L. 105-85, div. A, title IX, §911(d)(2), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 1859, added item 143.

1996—Pub. L. 104-106, div. A, title IX, §904(a)(2), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 403, substituted "Nuclear and Chemical and Biological Defense Programs" for "Atomic Energy" in item 142.

Pub. L. 104-106, div. A, title IX, §903(a), (e)(3), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 401, 402, which directed amendment of analysis, eff. Jan. 31, 1997, by striking out items 133a, 134a, 137, and 142, was repealed by Pub. L. 104-201, div. A, title IX, §901, Sept. 23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2617.

1994—Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title IX, §903(a)(3), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2823, substituted "Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller)" for "Comptroller" in item 135.

1993—Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title IX, §906(b), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1729, amended table of sections generally, inserting "and Technology" after "Acquisition" in items 133 and 133a, adding item 136, and redesignating former items 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, and 141 as 137, 138, 135, 139, 140, 141, and 142, respectively.

1991—Pub. L. 102-190, div. A, title IX, §901(a)(2), Dec. 5, 1991, 105 Stat. 1450, added item 134a.

1987-Pub. L. 100-180, div. A, title XII, §1245(a)(2), Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1165, added item 141.

Pub. L. 100-26, §9(b)(2), Apr. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 287, struck out item 140a "Counterintelligence official reception and representation expenses" and item 140b "Authority to use proceeds from counterintelligence operations of the military departments'

1986—Pub. L. 99-500, §101(c) [title X, §902(a)(2)], Oct. 18, 1986, 100 Stat. 1783-82, 1783-131, and Pub. L. 99-591, §101(c) [title X, §902(a)(2)], Oct. 30, 1986, 100 Stat. 3341-82, 3341-131; Pub. L. 99-661, div. A, title IX, formerly title IV, §902(a)(2), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3911, renumbered title IX, Pub. L. 100-26, §3(5), Apr. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 273, amended analysis identically adding item 133a.

Pub. L. 99-569, title IV, §§ 401(d), 403(b), Oct. 27, 1986, 100 Stat. 3196, 3197, added items 140a and 140b.

Pub. L. 99-433, title I, §§101(a)(6), 110(e)(2), Oct. 1, 1986, 100 Stat. 995, 1003, substituted "Office of the Secretary of Defense" for "Department of Defense" in chapter heading, and amended analysis generally, substituting items 131 to 140 for former items 131 "Executive department", 132 "Seal", 133 "Secretary of Defense: appointment; powers and duties; delegation by", 133a "Secretary of Defense: annual report on North Atlantic Treaty Organization readiness", 133b "Sale or transfer of defense articles: reports to Congress", 134 "Deputy Secretary of Defense: appointment; powers and duties; precedence", 134a "Under Secretary of Defense for Ac-quisition: appointment", 135 "Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; Director of Defense Research and Engineering: appointments; powers and duties; prece-dence", 136 "Assistant Secretaries of Defense: appoint-