

ings of the Council. The President shall preside over meetings of the Council, provided that in his absence, the Vice President will preside. The Council will meet at least quarterly.

**SEC. 4. Functions.** (a) The functions of the Council are to advise and assist the President in: (1) providing direction and oversight for the national drug control strategy, including relating drug control policy to other national security interests and establishing priorities; and (2) ensuring coordination among departments and agencies concerning implementation of the President's national drug control strategy.

(b) The Director of National Drug Control Policy will continue to be the senior drug control policy official in the executive branch and the President's chief drug control policy spokesman.

(c) In matters affecting national security interests, the Director of National Drug Control Policy shall work in conjunction with the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs.

**SEC. 5. Administration.** (a) The Council may utilize established or ad hoc committees, task forces, or inter-agency groups chaired by the Director of National Drug Control Policy or his representative, in carrying out its functions under this order.

(b) The staff of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, in coordination with the staffs of the Vice President and the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, shall act as staff for the Council.

(c) All executive departments and agencies shall cooperate with the Council and provide such assistance, information, and advice as the Council may request, to the extent permitted by law.

**EX. ORD. NO. 13023. EXPANDING AND CHANGING NAME OF PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL ON COUNTER-NARCOTICS**

Ex. Ord. No. 13023, Nov. 6, 1996, 61 F.R. 57767, provided:

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including section 301 of title 3, United States Code, and in order to change the name of the "President's Council on Counter-Narcotics" to the "President's Drug Policy Council" and to make the Secretaries of the Interior, Agriculture, Health and Human Services, Housing and Urban Development, Education, Veterans Affairs, and the Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy, permanent members of the Council, it is hereby ordered as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The Council established by Executive Order 12992 [set out above] shall henceforth be called the "President's Drug Policy Council."

[SECS. 2, 3. Amended Ex. Ord. No. 12992, set out above.]

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**§ 1708a. Repealed. Pub. L. 116-74, § 2(b)(1), Nov. 27, 2019, 133 Stat. 1157**

Section, Pub. L. 109-469, title II, § 203, Dec. 29, 2006, 120 Stat. 3517; Pub. L. 112-234, § 2(c), Dec. 28, 2012, 126 Stat. 1624; Pub. L. 115-271, title VIII, § 8218(b), Oct. 24, 2018, 132 Stat. 4132, required the Government Accountability Office to conduct and supervise an audit and investigation and prepare and report every 3 years.

**§ 1709. Repealed. Pub. L. 109-469, title XI, § 1101(a), Dec. 29, 2006, 120 Stat. 3539**

Section, Pub. L. 105-277, div. C, title VII, § 710, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-689, related to Parents Advisory Council on Youth Drug Abuse.

**§ 1710. Drug Interdiction Coordinator and Committee**

**(a) United States Interdiction Coordinator**

**(1) In general**

The Director shall designate or appoint an appointee in the Senior Executive Service or

an appointee in a position at level 15 of the General Schedule (or equivalent) as the United States Interdiction Coordinator to perform the duties of that position described in paragraph (2) and such other duties as may be determined by the Director with respect to coordination of efforts to interdict illicit drugs from entering the United States.

**(2) Responsibilities**

The United States Interdiction Coordinator shall be responsible to the Director for—

(A) coordinating the interdiction activities of the National Drug Control Program agencies to ensure consistency with the National Drug Control Strategy;

(B) on behalf of the Director, developing and issuing, on or before September 1 of each year and in accordance with paragraph (4), a National Interdiction Command and Control Plan to ensure the coordination and consistency described in subparagraph (A);

(C) assessing the sufficiency of assets committed to illicit drug interdiction by the relevant National Drug Control Program agencies; and

(D) advising the Director on the efforts of each National Drug Control Program agency to implement the National Interdiction Command and Control Plan.

**(3) Staff**

The Director shall assign such permanent staff of the Office as he considers appropriate to assist the United States Interdiction Coordinator to carry out the responsibilities described in paragraph (2), and may request that appropriate National Drug Control Program agencies detail or assign staff to assist in carrying out such responsibilities.

**(4) National Interdiction Command and Control Plan**

**(A) Purposes**

The National Interdiction Command and Control Plan shall—

(i) set forth the Government's strategy for drug interdiction;

(ii) state the specific roles and responsibilities of the relevant National Drug Control Program agencies for implementing that strategy; and

(iii) identify the specific resources required to enable the relevant National Drug Control Program agencies to implement that strategy.

**(B) Consultation with other agencies**

Before submission of the National Drug Control Strategy or annual assessment required under section 1705 of this title, as applicable, the United States Interdiction Coordinator shall issue the National Interdiction Command and Control Plan in consultation with the other members of the Interdiction Committee described in subsection (b).

**(C) Report to Congress**

On or before September 1 of each year, the Director, acting through the United States Interdiction Coordinator, shall provide to the appropriate congressional committees,