

transfer of functions from Board for International Broadcasting to United States Information Agency, Board, or Bureau, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 105-277, div. G, subdiv. A, title XIII, §§1301, 1323(l)(2), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-776, 2681-780, effective Oct. 1, 1999.

## AMENDMENTS

2021—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 116-283, §1299P(c)(3), inserted “the Open Technology Fund,” before “and the Middle East Broadcasting Networks”.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 116-283, §1299P(c)(2), inserted “the Open Technology Fund,” before “or the Middle East Broadcasting Networks”.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 116-283, §1299Q(e)(5), substituted “Agency” for “Board”.

Pub. L. 116-283, §1299P(c)(3), inserted “the Open Technology Fund,” before “and the Middle East Broadcasting Networks”.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 116-283, §1299P(c)(3), inserted “the Open Technology Fund,” before “and the Middle East Broadcasting Networks”.

Subsecs. (f), (g). Pub. L. 116-283, §1299Q(f), added subsecs. (f) and (g).

## Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2021 AMENDMENT

Amendment by section 1299P(c)(2), (3) of Pub. L. 116-283 effective and applicable beginning on July 1, 2021, see section 1299P(e) of Pub. L. 116-283, set out as a note under section 6203 of this title.

## § 6209a. Inspector General authorities

## (a) In general

The Inspector General of the Department of State and the Foreign Service shall exercise the same authorities with respect to the United States Agency for Global Media as the Inspector General exercises under the Inspector General Act of 1978 [5 U.S.C. App.] and section 3929 of this title with respect to the Department of State.

## (b) Respect for journalistic integrity of broadcasters

The Inspector General of the Department of State and the Foreign Service shall respect the journalistic integrity of all the broadcasters covered by this chapter and may not evaluate the philosophical or political perspectives reflected in the content of broadcasts.

(Pub. L. 103-236, title III, §310A, as added Pub. L. 114-328, div. A, title XII, §1288(7), Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2554; amended Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title XII, §1299Q(e)(6), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 4025.)

## Editorial Notes

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Inspector General Act of 1978, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 95-452, Oct. 12, 1978, 92 Stat. 1101, which is set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (b), was in the original “this Act”, and was translated as reading “this title”, meaning title III of Pub. L. 103-236, Apr. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 432, known as the United States International Broadcasting Act of 1994, which is classified principally to this chapter, to reflect the probable intent of Congress. For complete classification of title III to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 6201 of this title and Tables.

## CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title XII, §1299Q(e)(6), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 4025, which amended this section, was

itself amended by Pub. L. 116-260, div. O, title XIII, §1301, Dec. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 2158, to make it effective 90 days after Jan. 1, 2021. However, the amendment by Pub. L. 116-260 could not be executed because it was enacted before the provision from Pub. L. 116-283 that it amended.

## AMENDMENTS

2021—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 116-283 substituted “United States Agency for Global Media” for “Broadcasting Board of Governors”.

## § 6209b. Role of the Secretary of State in foreign policy guidance

To assist the Agency in carrying out its functions, the Chief Executive Officer shall regularly consult with and seek from the Secretary of State guidance on foreign policy issues.

(Pub. L. 103-236, title III, §310B, as added Pub. L. 114-328, div. A, title XII, §1288(7), Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2554; amended Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title XII, §1299Q(e)(7), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 4025.)

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2021—Pub. L. 116-283 substituted “Agency” for “Board”.

## § 6210. Preservation of American jobs

It is the sense of the Congress that the Director of the United States Information Agency and the Chairman of the Board for International Broadcasting should, in developing the plan for consolidation and reorganization of overseas international broadcasting services, limit, to the maximum extent feasible, consistent with the purposes of the consolidation, elimination of any United States-based positions and should affirmatively seek to transfer as many positions as possible to the United States.

(Pub. L. 103-236, title III, §311, Apr. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 444.)

## Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

## TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

United States Information Agency (other than Broadcasting Board of Governors and International Broadcasting Bureau) abolished and functions transferred to Secretary of State, see sections 6531 and 6532 of this title.

## § 6211. Repealed. Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title XII, § 1299Q(e)(8), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 4025

Section, Pub. L. 103-236, title III, §312, Apr. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 444; Pub. L. 106-113, §1000(a)(7) [div. A, title V, §503], Nov. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 1536, 1501A-451, provided the sense of Congress regarding the continuing mission of Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty broadcasts to Central Europe, Eurasia, and the Persian Gulf.