ernment or its employees, or any other person to the extent such other person is carrying out such activity on behalf of, and at the direction of, the United States, unless such Federal law specifically addresses such intelligence activity.

(b) Authorized intelligence activities

An intelligence activity shall be treated as authorized for purposes of subsection (a) if the intelligence activity is authorized by an appropriate official of the United States Government, acting within the scope of the official duties of that official and in compliance with Federal law and any applicable Presidential directive.

(July 26, 1947, ch. 343, title XI, §1101, formerly title X, §1001, as added Pub. L. 106-567, title III, §308(a), Dec. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 2839; renumbered title XI, §1101, Pub. L. 107-306, title III, §331(a)(1), (2), Nov. 27, 2002, 116 Stat. 2394.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

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§ 3232. Counterintelligence initiatives

(a) Inspection process

In order to protect intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure, the Director of National Intelligence shall establish and implement an inspection process for all agencies and departments of the United States that handle classified information relating to the national security of the United States intended to assure that those agencies and departments maintain effective operational security practices and programs directed against counterintelligence activities.

(b) Annual review of dissemination lists

The Director of National Intelligence shall establish and implement a process for all elements of the intelligence community to review, on an annual basis, individuals included on distribution lists for access to classified information. Such process shall ensure that only individuals who have a particularized "need to know" (as determined by the Director) are continued on such distribution lists.

(c) Completion of financial disclosure statements required for access to certain classified information

The Director of National Intelligence shall establish and implement a process by which each head of an element of the intelligence community directs that all employees of that element, in order to be granted access to classified information referred to in subsection (a) of section 1.3 of Executive Order No. 12968 (August 2, 1995; 60 Fed. Reg. 40245; [former] 50 U.S.C. 435 note [now 50 U.S.C. 3161 note]), submit financial disclosure forms as required under subsection (b) of such section.

(d) Arrangements to handle sensitive informa-

The Director of National Intelligence shall establish, for all elements of the intelligence community, programs and procedures by which sen-

sitive classified information relating to human intelligence is safeguarded against unauthorized disclosure by employees of those elements.

(July 26, 1947, ch. 343, title XI, §1102, as added Pub. L. 108–177, title III, §341(a)(1), Dec. 13, 2003, 117 Stat. 2615; amended Pub. L. 108–458, title I, §1071(a)(1)(NN)–(QQ), Dec. 17, 2004, 118 Stat. 3689, 3690; Pub. L. 111–259, title III, §347(e), title IV, §409, Oct. 7, 2010, 124 Stat. 2699, 2724.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

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AMENDMENTS

2010—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 111–259, §409(1), struck out par. (1) designation before "In" and par. (2) which read as follows: "The Director shall carry out the process through the Office of the National Counterintelligence Executive."

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 111–259, §347(e), struck out par. (1) designation before "The Director" and par. (2) which read as follows: "Not later than October 15 of each year, the Director shall certify to the congressional intelligence committees that the review required under paragraph (1) has been conducted in all elements of the intelligence community during the preceding fiscal year."

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 111–259, §409(2), struck out par. (1) designation before "The Director" and par. (2) which read as follows: "The Director shall carry out paragraph (1) through the Office of the National Counterintelligence Executive."

2004—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 108-458, \$1071(a)(1)(NN), substituted "Director of National Intelligence" for "Director of Central Intelligence".

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 108-458, §1071(a)(1)(OO), substituted "Director of National Intelligence" for "Director of Central Intelligence".

Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 108-458, §1071(a)(1)(PP), substituted "Director of National Intelligence" for "Director of Central Intelligence".

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 108-458, §1071(a)(1)(QQ), substituted "Director of National Intelligence" for "Director of Central Intelligence".

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2004 AMENDMENT

For Determination by President that amendment by Pub. L. 108-458 take effect on Apr. 21, 2005, see Memorandum of President of the United States, Apr. 21, 2005, 70 F.R. 23925, set out as a note under section 3001 of this title.

Amendment by Pub. L. 108-458 effective not later than six months after Dec. 17, 2004, except as otherwise expressly provided, see section 1097(a) of Pub. L. 108-458, set out in an Effective Date of 2004 Amendment; Transition Provisions note under section 3001 of this title

§ 3233. Misuse of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence name, initials, or seal

(a) Prohibited acts

No person may, except with the written permission of the Director of National Intelligence, or a designee of the Director, knowingly use the words "Office of the Director of National Intelligence", the initials "ODNI", the seal of the Ofice of the Director of National Intelligence, or any colorable imitation of such words, initials, or seal in connection with any merchandise, im-

personation, solicitation, or commercial activity in a manner reasonably calculated to convey the impression that such use is approved, endorsed, or authorized by the Director of National Intelligence.

(b) Injunction

Whenever it appears to the Attorney General that any person is engaged or is about to engage in an act or practice which constitutes or will constitute conduct prohibited by subsection (a), the Attorney General may initiate a civil proceeding in a district court of the United States to enjoin such act or practice. Such court shall proceed as soon as practicable to the hearing and determination of such action and may, at any time before final determination, enter such restraining orders or prohibitions, or take such other action as is warranted, to prevent injury to the United States or to any person or class of persons for whose protection the action is brought.

(July 26, 1947, ch. 343, title XI, §1103, as added Pub. L. 111–259, title IV, §413(a), Oct. 7, 2010, 124 Stat. 2726.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 442b of this title prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

§ 3234. Prohibited personnel practices in the intelligence community

(a) Definitions

In this section:

(1) Agency

The term "agency" means an executive department or independent establishment, as defined under sections 101 and 104 of title 5, that contains an intelligence community element, except the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

(2) Covered intelligence community element

The term "covered intelligence community element"—

(A) means-

- (i) the Central Intelligence Agency, the Defense Intelligence Agency, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, the National Security Agency, the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, and the National Reconnaissance Office; and
- (ii) any executive agency or unit thereof determined by the President under section 2302(a)(2)(C)(ii) of title 5 to have as its principal function the conduct of foreign intelligence or counterintelligence activities; and
- (B) does not include the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

(3) Personnel action

The term "personnel action" means, with respect to an employee in a position in a covered intelligence community element (other than a position excepted from the competitive service due to its confidential, policy-determining, policymaking, or policy-advocating character) or a contractor employee—

- (A) an appointment;
- (B) a promotion:
- (C) a disciplinary or corrective action;
- (D) a detail, transfer, or reassignment;
- (E) a demotion, suspension, or termination:
 - (F) a reinstatement or restoration;
 - (G) a performance evaluation;
- (H) a decision concerning pay, benefits, or awards:
- (I) a decision concerning education or training if such education or training may reasonably be expected to lead to an appointment, promotion, or performance evaluation; or
- (J) any other significant change in duties, responsibilities, or working conditions.

(4) Contractor employee

The term "contractor employee" means an employee of a contractor, subcontractor, grantee, subgrantee, or personal services contractor, of a covered intelligence community element.

(b) Agency employees

Any employee of an agency who has authority to take, direct others to take, recommend, or approve any personnel action, shall not, with respect to such authority, take or fail to take a personnel action with respect to any employee of a covered intelligence community element as a reprisal for a lawful disclosure of information by the employee to the Director of National Intelligence (or an employee designated by the Director of National Intelligence for such purpose), the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community, the head of the employing agency (or an employee designated by the head of that agency for such purpose), the appropriate inspector general of the employing agency, a congressional intelligence committee, or a member of a congressional intelligence committee, which the employee reasonably believes evidences-

- (1) a violation of any Federal law, rule, or regulation; or
- (2) mismanagement, a gross waste of funds, an abuse of authority, or a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety.

(c) Contractor employees

(1) Any employee of a contractor, subcontractor, grantee, subgrantee, or personal services contractor, of a covered intelligence community element who has authority to take, direct others to take, recommend, or approve any personnel action, shall not, with respect to such authority, take or fail to take a personnel action with respect to any contractor employee as a reprisal for a lawful disclosure of information by the contractor employee to the Director of National Intelligence (or an employee designated by the Director of National Intelligence for such purpose), the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community, the head of the contracting agency (or an employee designated by the head of that agency for such purpose), the appropriate inspector general of the contracting agency, a congressional intelligence committee, or a member of a congressional intelligence committee, which the contractor employee reasonably believes evidences-