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- Committee on Foreign Investment in the US (CFIUS);
 - Foreign Ownership, Control, or Influence (FOCI);
 - Role of the Defense Security Service (DSS);
 - Multilateral Industrial Security Working Group (MISWG) Documents, and;
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Subject: Training in International Security and Foreign Disclosure Support to International Programs

Strong allies, and well-equipped coalition partners, make America stronger. It is therefore in America's national security interest to promote cooperation with other nations, seek international participation in our weapons acquisition process and support appropriate foreign military sales.

At the same time, we must ensure that sensitive and classified U.S. technology and military capabilities are protected. Classified information should be shared with other nations only when there is a clearly defined advantage to the United States. Disclosures must be carefully designed to achieve their purpose and recipients must protect the information. To make certain that we accomplish these goals, certain security arrangements must be in place prior to any foreign participation in DoD programs. It is therefore vital that every DoD employee involved in international programs understand these security arrangements, as well as the laws, policies, and procedures that govern foreign involvement in our programs.

To insure that all relevant employees are fully trained in this area, the Office of the Deputy to the Under Secretary of Defense (Policy) for Policy Support (DTUSD(P)PS) has developed a course of instruction that covers the practical application of relevant law, executive orders, and DoD policies on this subject. All DoD personnel responsible for negotiating, overseeing, managing, executing or otherwise participating in international activities shall successfully complete either the International Security Requirements Course offered by DTUSD(P)PS, the International Programs Security and Technology Transfer Course taught by the Defense Systems Management College, or an executive version of the course for mid-level and senior managers now being developed. This requirement applies to anyone who works in an office dealing exclusively with international matters in international cooperation offices within broader functional offices, and those working on international issues within a DoD program. Examples of applicable activities include: security assistance, cooperative research, foreign disclosure, specific country relationships, and other international policy activities.

The law also requires that we consider systems of allied nations, or the co-development of systems with allied nations, before a U.S.-only program may be initiated. Therefore the basic, intermediate, and advanced program manager courses at DSMC shall include at least four hours of training in international security requirements related to acquisition programs. Anyone working in program offices where any international activities occur, including exports, must also complete the full five day course. DoD personnel who are newly assigned to international programs shall participate in one of the courses within six months of the assignment.

To ensure consistency, DoD components that offer specialized training in foreign disclosure and security requirements for international programs shall coordinate the contents of their courses with the ODTUSD(P)PS.

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