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Release of the National Counterintelligence Strategy

A copy of this strategy is available at <u>www.dni.gov</u> or <u>www.ncix.gov</u>.

The President has approved *The National Counterintelligence Strategy of the United States of America*, 2007. The *Strategy*, developed by the National Counterintelligence Executive (NCIX), establishes strategic objectives for United States national security and organizational, programmatic, and budgetary priorities for US counterintelligence.

The *Strategy* is designed to thwart intelligence threats directed against the US at home and abroad, according to Dr. Joel F. Brenner, NCIX and Mission Manager for Counterintelligence in the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI). It has the following major objectives:

- **Gamma** Secure the Nation Against Foreign Espionage and Electronic Penetration
- □ Protect the Integrity of the US Intelligence System
- Support National Policy and Decisions
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- □ Support US Armed Forces
- □ Manage the Counterintelligence Community to Achieve Efficient Coordination
- □ Improve Training and Education of the Counterintelligence Community
- **□** Expand National Awareness of Counterintelligence Risk in the Private as well as Public Sector

"The President and the Director of National Intelligence expect us to make measurable progress on all of these goals soon," Brenner said. "Our job now is to drive this strategy from the clouds down to the sidewalk."

In order to better fulfill its mission, the counterintelligence community will reach outward to other elements of the US government, the private sector, and the general public. "By engaging the private sector and academia in meaningful dialogue," Brenner said, "the community will learn and, at the same time coordinate the public dissemination of information on intelligence threats."

The Office of the National Counterintelligence Executive (ONCIX) is part of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. Dr. Brenner reports directly to the Director of National Intelligence, J. Michael McConnell.

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