

Intelligence Community Policy System

A. PURPOSE

- 1. Pursuant to Intelligence Community Directive (ICD) 101, Section G.1.b.(3), technical amendments are hereby made to ICD 101, IC Policy System.
- 2. Amendments to this Directive reflect the designation of the Assistant Director of National Intelligence for Information and Data (ADNI/ID) to serve as the Chief Data Officer of the Intelligence Community (IC) as established in DNI Executive Correspondence Memorandum ES 2018-00819. Amendments to this Directive include updates to the roles and responsibilities of ODNI components.

A. EFFECTIVE DATE: This technical amendment becomes effective on the date of signature.

Assistant Director of National Intelligence for Policy and Strategy



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A. AUTHORITY: The National Security Act of 1947, as amended; Executive Order (EO) 12333, as amended; and other applicable provisions of law.

B. PURPOSE

- 1. To effectively and efficiently promulgate Intelligence Community (IC) policy, this Intelligence Community Directive (ICD) establishes the IC Policy System which is comprised of a hierarchy of policy documents; processes for the development, coordination, and evaluation of policy; and a governance structure to advise the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) or the DNI's designees regarding policy issues. This ICD also delegates decision authority for the promulgation of certain policies, and delineates the roles and responsibilities of the Office of the DNI (ODNI), IC elements, and Functional Managers, as designated by EO 12333 or the DNI, in the implementation of the IC Policy System.
- 2. This Directive rescinds Intelligence Community Policy Memorandum 2006-100-1, *The Intelligence Community Policy Process* and supersedes all previous policies, memoranda, or portions thereof, regarding the IC policy process.
- **C. APPLICABILITY:** This Directive applies to the IC, as defined by the National Security Act of 1947, as amended; and such other elements of any other department or agency as may be designated by the President, or designated jointly by the DNI and the head of the department or agency concerned, as an element of the IC.

D. POLICY

- 1. The DNI shall establish IC policy to achieve a unified, integrated, effective, and accountable IC postured to address and advance IC mission objectives to meet United States (U.S.) national security needs. The DNI shall establish IC policy consistent with applicable law, Executive Order, national security policy, and the DNI's strategic intent.
- 2. The IC Policy System shall be comprised of a hierarchy of policy instruments as defined in Section E.1. These interrelated IC Directives, Guidance, Standards, or Memoranda, herein referred to as policies, issued by the DNI, designated ODNI officials, Functional Managers, and other IC officials designated by the DNI are governed by this Directive and any subordinate policies.
 - 3. Policies shall be:
- a. Developed in a collaborative manner to take into account the views of IC elements and others, as appropriate;

- b. Deconflicted with any other applicable policies or regulations:
- c. Drafted in accordance with Section E.1, adhering to a common format and using common terms and definitions to the greatest extent possible;
 - d. Formulated to be enforceable and implementable;
- e. Disseminated electronically and communicated broadly, except where restrictions are required by the classification of the document; and
 - f. Evaluated for compliance, effectiveness, and improvement.

E. FRAMEWORK

- 1. The IC Policy System shall establish policies applicable to the IC using the following instruments:
- a. *Intelligence Community Directive (ICD)*. ICDs may be based on statute, regulation, Executive Order, or other policy directives and establish policy and provide definitive direction to the IC. ICDs may: define activities, systems, or missions; delegate authorities; establish roles and responsibilities; assign decision rights; establish governance structures; include evaluation criteria; or replace or modify previous policy, or provide other such guidance as the DNI deems appropriate. ICDs are developed and coordinated in accordance with ICPG 101.1, *Intelligence Community Directives and Policy Guidance* and are signed by the DNI or, in the DNI's absence, the Principal Deputy DNI (PDDNI).
- b. *Intelligence Community Policy Guidance (ICPG)*. ICPGs provide further guidance required for the implementation of ICDs. ICPGs are subsidiary to ICDs and may establish subordinate responsibilities, and define procedures, processes, or methodologies that enable ICDs to be implemented effectively. ICPGs shall be within the scope of and consistent with their associated ICDs. ICPGs are coordinated in accordance with ICPG 101.1 and are signed by the Assistant Director of National Intelligence for Policy and Strategy (ADNI/P&S).
- c. Intelligence Community Standard (ICS). ICSs are subordinate to ICDs and ICPGs, and are fully consistent with applicable ICDs and ICPGs. ICSs are policy instruments of the IC Policy System and provide specific procedures, sets of rules, conditions, guidelines, characteristics, or specifications for intelligence or intelligence-related products, processes, or activities in support of effective and uniform implementation of laws, Executive Orders, and IC policies. ICSs shall be developed, coordinated, and approved pursuant to ICPG 101.2, Intelligence Community Standards, and are signed by officials designated in Section G.1.c.(2) or G.2 of this Directive.
- d. *Intelligence Community Policy Memorandum (ICPM)*. ICPMs focus on issues or concerns of the DNI that impact the IC; communicate strategic policy intent, or preliminary approaches of the DNI; and may later culminate in, and contribute to, development of an ICD or ICPG. ICPMs may also be used by the DNI to address emerging, immediate or urgent policy needs. ICPMs are developed and coordinated in accordance with ICPG 101.3, *Intelligence Community Policy Memoranda*, and are signed by the DNI or, in the DNI's absence, the PDDNI.

F. POLICY ADVISORY BODIES

1. The IC Policy System includes the following bodies, which serve an integral role in the process of developing and coordinating IC policy:

- a. Intelligence Community Policy Review Board (IC-PRB). The IC-PRB is an advisory board comprised of deputy-level leaders from IC elements. The IC-PRB is chaired by the ADNI/P&S. The objective of the IC-PRB is to provide a forum for high-level issue discussion and resolution; to ensure that key stakeholders and constituencies have been appropriately engaged on individual policies; to align policies with DNI and IC strategic objectives and intent; and to further identify policy needs and priorities, as well as inconsistencies or gaps in current policy.
- b. *Intelligence Policy Advisory Group (IPAG)*. The IPAG is comprised of designated senior policy representatives from each IC element and is chaired by the Director for Policy. The objective of the IPAG forum is to inform the development of policy and ensure an inclusive and collaborative process. The IPAG shall serve as the official channel of communication on policy matters, and each IC element is responsible for communicating its respective policy equities and interests and identifying members for working groups.
- 2. To facilitate the development and coordination of policy, the ADNI/P&S or his or her designee may establish IC policy working groups or consult other advisors, as appropriate, to inform decision making throughout the policy process.

G. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Office of the Director of National Intelligence
 - a. The DNI or, in the DNI's absence, the PDDNI shall:
 - (1) Establish, through signature, ICDs and ICPMs;
 - (2) Review and approve IC policies, as required;
- (3) Establish or use advisory boards to inform or make decisions regarding policy issues, as appropriate;
- (4) Ensure policies established under the IC Policy System are consistent with U.S. law, Executive Orders, Presidential Directives, and other applicable provisions of law; and
- (5) In coordination with appropriate department or agency heads, establish joint agreements or procedures for issues which fall outside the scope of the IC Policy System, but which may be required for the conduct of the IC mission or activities related to national security.
- b. The ADNI/P&S shall serve as the DNI's designee for all matters pertaining to the IC Policy System and, in accordance with ICPG 101.1 and ICPG 101.3, shall:
- (1) Develop ICDs, ICPGs, and ICPMs with Accountable Officials, as established in Section G.1.c.(2).a-g, and subject matter experts, as appropriate;
 - (2) Establish, through signature, ICPGs;
 - (3) Make technical amendments to ICDs, ICPGs, and ICPMs:
- (4) Support ODNI officials, Functional Managers, and other IC officials designated by the DNI, in the development of ICSs, where applicable;
 - (5) Chair the IC-PRB;
 - (6) Establish working groups to inform or develop specific policies, as necessary;

- (7) Ensure IC policies are consistent with Section D.3;
- (8) Ensure IC policies are coordinated with department-level officials, when appropriate;
 - (9) Oversee the implementation of this Directive; and
- (10) Serve as the office of record for all IC Policy System documents and maintain all comments, drafts, and revisions, as appropriate.

c. ODNI elements shall:

- (1) Participate in the development, coordination, and evaluation of IC policies, and provide subject matter expertise to the ADNI/P&S, as appropriate; and
 - (2) Establish ICSs in accordance with the requirements provided in ICPG 101.2.
- (a) The ADNI and IC Chief Information Officer shall establish ICSs related to information technology, and information security issues.
- (b) The ADNI and IC Chief Data Officer shall establish ICSs related to data and information management.
- (c) The ADNI and IC Chief Human Capital Officer shall establish ICSs related to human capital and the IC workforce.
- (d) The ADNI and Chief Financial Officer shall establish ICSs related to the financial and resource management of National Intelligence Program.
- (e) The ADNI/P&S shall establish ICSs related to IC Policy and classification marking.
- (f) The Director of the National Counterintelligence and Security Center shall establish ICSs related to counterintelligence and IC security.
- (g) Other ODNI officials as designated by the DNI or the ADNI/P&S may establish ICSs.
 - 2. Functional Managers and other officials designated by the DNI shall:
- a. Establish ICSs applicable to their functional or other area, designated in accordance with ICPG 101.2;
- b. Participate in the development, coordination, and evaluation of IC policies, and provide subject matter expertise to the ADNI/P&S, as requested;
 - c. Ensure implementing standards are in accordance with IC policies; and
 - d. Inform the ADNI/P&S when there is any IC element policy in conflict with IC policy.

3. IC elements shall:

- a. Participate in the development, coordination, and evaluation of IC policies, and provide subject matter expertise to the ADNI/P&S, as requested;
- b. Develop internal implementing policies, standards, procedures, or processes applicable to their element, in accordance with IC policies;

- c. Inform the ADNI/P&S when there is any policy applicable to an IC element in conflict with IC policy; and
- d. Designate representatives to the IC-PRB and IPAG at the level described in Section F.1.
- H. Effective date: This Directive becomes effective on the date of signature.

//SIGNED// J.M. McConnell	16 January 2009
Director of National Intelligence	Date