Processing Atomic Information Received From, or Proposed for Transmission To, Another Nation or International Organization

Reference:
a. Atomic Energy Act of 1954
d. JAIEG-1, “Handbook for Transfer of US Restricted Data/Formerly Restricted Data to NATO and NATO Member States”

1. **Purpose.** This instruction establishes standard administrative policy for processing RESTRICTED DATA and FORMERLY RESTRICTED DATA, hereinafter referred to as atomic information, which is received from, or proposed for transmission to, another nation or international organization.

2. **Superseded/Cancellation.** CJCSI 2800.01C, 21 November 2008, is superseded.

3. **Applicability.** This policy applies to the Joint Staff and it is being distributed to other agencies for information only.

4. **Policy.** Pursuant to the terms of references a and b, the Department of Defense and the Department of Energy are responsible for controlling the dissemination of U.S. atomic information. In carrying out this responsibility within the Department of Defense, it is DoD policy that U.S. atomic information may not be disclosed to foreign governments or regional defense organizations unless such information meets the criteria specified in applicable agreements for cooperation and statutory determinations and such disclosure is in accordance with any policy constraints imposed.
5. Definitions

a. Atomic information. Comprises Restricted Data (RD) and Formerly Restricted Data (FRD) as defined in reference a and stated below:

   (1) Restricted Data. All data concerning the following, but not including data declassified or removed from the RD category pursuant to section 142 of reference a:

      (a) Design, manufacture, or utilization of atomic weapons.

      (b) Production of special nuclear material.

      (c) Use of special nuclear material in the production of energy.

   (2) Formerly Restricted Data. Classified information jointly determined by Department of Energy and the Department of Defense to be related primarily to the military utilization of nuclear weapons and removed (by transclassification) from the RD category pursuant to section 142(d) of reference a.

b. Joint Atomic Information Exchange Group. The Joint Atomic Information Exchange Group (JAIEG) has been established as the central agency for the Department of Defense and Department of Energy to review and, as appropriate, authorize the communication of atomic information to other nations or international organizations for mutual defense purposes. No redelegation of this authority by JAIEG is authorized.

c. Sponsoring Agency. For the purpose of this instruction, an office within the Joint Chiefs of Staff involved in processing atomic information received from, or proposed for transmission to, a foreign country.

6. Responsibilities

a. Sponsoring Agency (originator or office of primary interest)

   (1) Coordinate all atomic information transmissions with Strategic Deterrence and Nuclear Policy (SDNP) Division under the Strategic Plans and Policy Directorate (J-5).

   (2) Adhere to the provisions of reference c when proposing to exchange atomic information with another nation or international organization.

   (3) Notify SDNP Division and request assistance to inform JAIEG if receiving atomic information directly from another nation or international organization.
b. Director, Strategic Plans and Policy (J-5), Joint Staff

(1) Act as the single point of contact for the Sponsoring Agency with JAIEG.

(2) Furnish the technical assistance through SDNP Division required by the Sponsoring Agency to discharge the responsibilities assigned by references c and d.

(3) Prepare and forward the required memorandum to process the transmission or receipt of atomic information to Chief, JAIEG; the Director, Joint Staff; Chairman, National Military Information Disclosure Policy Committee; or the Sponsoring Agency, as appropriate.

c. Joint Atomic Information Exchange Group

(1) Review and make determinations as to the transmissibility of atomic information sponsored for disclosure, and perform the collateral functions related to the responsibility. The Chief, JAIEG, or in his or her absence the Technical Director (who is the Deputy Chief), JAIEG, shall authorize all disclosures.

(2) Establish and maintain complete records of all atomic information transmitted to, or received from, another nation or international organization.

7. Summary of Changes. This revision incorporates reference c.

8. Releasability. UNRESTRICTED. This directive is approved for public release; distribution is unlimited on NIPRNET. DoD Components (to include the combatant commands), other Federal agencies, and the public, may obtain copies of this directive through the Internet from the CJCS Directives Electronic Library at http://www.dtic.mil/cjcs_directives JS activities may also obtain access via the SIPR directives Electronic Library websites.

9. Effective Date. This instruction is effective upon receipt.

For the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

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