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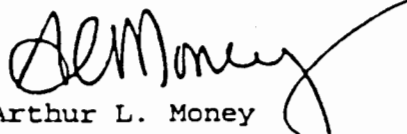
MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
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SUBJECT: Policy Responsibility for "FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY
(FOUO)"

Chapter 4 of DoD Regulation 5400.7-R, "DoD Freedom of Information Act Program," dated September 8, 1998, contains policy and procedures for the protection of FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY information, to include marking, storage, transmission and destruction of such information. Presently, such policies and procedures are under the purview of the Department of Defense staff element responsible for the Freedom of Information Act. However, considering the responsibilities assigned under DoD 5137.1 - and with the recent reorganization of the Office of the ASD(C3I) emphasizing information management, information assurance, information operations and information security - development and oversight of a regime for protection of this information more properly falls within the jurisdiction of this office. Therefore, with the concurrence of the Director for Administration and Management, OASD(C3I) assumes, effective immediately, responsibility for policy and procedures relating to the protection of FOUO information and materials.

Guidance contained in Chapter 4 of DoD 5400.7-R will remain in effect until such time as the next change to DoD Regulation 5200.1-R, "Information Security Program," can be generated to reflect this new alignment of responsibility and to accommodate any changes or modification to existing policy that may be necessary.

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