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MEMORANDUM FOR: Distribution

SUBJECT: (U) Technical Soundness Approval of Intelligence Community  
Technical Specification Updates (2018-JUL Release)

REFERENCES: A. (U) Intelligence Community Directive 500, *Director of  
National Security Chief Information Officer*, 7 August 2008  
B. (U) Intelligence Community Standard 500-20, *Intelligence  
Community Enterprise Standards Compliance*, 16 December  
2010

(U) Intelligence Community (IC) policy issued by the Director of National Intelligence (e.g. reference A) calls upon the Intelligence Community Chief Information Officer (IC CIO) to establish, coordinate, and promulgate common Information Technology (IT) standards, protocols, and interfaces for and within the IC, as required, to support information sharing strategies; intelligence mission objectives established in relevant law, policy, and directives; and the IC Information Environment (IC IE).


(U) The Office of the IC CIO facilitates IC-wide collaboration and coordination bodies charged with development, modification, and governance of IC technical specifications of common concern. As the IC CIO functional advocate for coordinating these specifications among IC element and external stakeholders, I hereby assert that the following IC Technical Specifications are technically sound, supportive of IC mission objectives and the IC IE, and are implementable as of this memorandum's signature date:


- 1) *Controlled Vocabulary Encoding Specification for Fine Access Controls* V2018-JUL (FAC.CES.V2018-JUL) – This revision incorporates new SCI control markings.
- 2) *Controlled Vocabulary Encoding Specification for Information Security Marking Country Codes and Tetragraphs* V2018-JUL (ISM CAT.CES.V2018-JUL) – This revision incorporates the latest tetragraph membership changes from the authoritative source.
- 3) *Data Encoding Specification for Information Security Markings* V2016-SEPr2018-JUL (ISM.XML.V2016-SEPr2018-JUL) – This revision incorporates new SCI control markings.
- 4) *Data Encoding Specification for Information Transport Service Messaging Service* V2015-FEBBr2018-JUL (ITS-MS.XML.V2015-FEBBr2018-JUL) – This version enables non-SCI fabric deployment of ITS-MS.XML.

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(U) In accordance with reference B, these IC Technical Specifications are approved for submission to the IC Enterprise Standards Baseline (IC ESB) which serves as the collection of enterprise standards against which programs will be assessed for IC Enterprise Architecture compliance. The IC Technical Specifications can be accessed at <http://go.ic.gov/RxSUraG> on Intelink-TS and <http://www.w3id.org/ic/standards/final> on Intelink-U.

(U) This memorandum becomes effective on the date of signature.

  
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Director, Cybersecurity Division &  
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Date

Attachments:

1. (U) *IC Technical Specification Mapping to IC/DoD Guidance (2018-JUL Release)*

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