INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY DIRECTIVE
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National Foreign Intelligence Warning System

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B. (U) PURPOSE:

1. (U) This Intelligence Community (IC) directive (ICD) establishes the National Foreign Intelligence Warning System (NFIWS) under the authorities and responsibilities of the Director of National Intelligence (DNI), and it identifies the responsibilities of IC elements for foreign intelligence strategic warning functions.

2. (U) This ICD rescinds Director of Central Intelligence Directive 6/1P.

C. (U) APPLICABILITY:

1. (U) This ICD applies to the IC, except as provided.
D. (U) POLICY:

1. The NFIWS provides national leaders advance warning of foreign developments, events, or conditions that could threaten or adversely affect US interests, objectives, policies, or actions. The goal of the NFIWS is to provide warning in enough time, and with sufficient information, to allow our leaders to proactively confront emerging challenges, leverage opportunities, avoid surprise, and produce strategic outcomes favorable to the United States.
E. (U) RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. {C}. Director of National Intelligence. The NFIWS operates under the authority and responsibility of the DNI, who is directly accountable to the national leadership for the adequacy of NFIWS intelligence.

2. [Redacted]
3. **National Intelligence Officer for Warning.** The NIO/W is hereby designated the DNI's primary executive agent for foreign intelligence warning and assigned the authority to direct, manage, and certify the capabilities, processes, and performance of the NFTWS.
6. (U) Intelligence Community Elements. Warning is a priority mission for all IC elements and their personnel.

F. (U) EFFECTIVE DATE: This directive is effective on the date of signature.

[Signature]
Director of National Intelligence

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