Subject: Director of National Intelligence National Counterproliferation Center

Authority: The National Security Act of 1947, as amended; Section 1022 of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004; Executive Order 12333, as amended; Executive Order 13355; and other applicable provisions of law.

1. The National Counterproliferation Center (NCPC) is the primary organization within the US Government for managing, coordinating, and integrating Intelligence Community planning, collection, exploitation, analysis, interdiction, and other activities related to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, their delivery systems, and related materials and technologies and intelligence support to efforts to prevent or impede such proliferation. As Mission Manager for Counterproliferation (reference Intelligence Community Policy Memorandum 2005-900-1), the Director of NCPC serves as the principal advisor to the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) on issues relating to the overall strategy of the Intelligence Community regarding proliferation.

2. (U) The primary responsibilities of the NCPC and its Director include:

   a. Conducting strategic counterproliferation planning for the Intelligence Community to support policy efforts to prevent, halt, or mitigate the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, their delivery systems, and related materials and technologies. This includes:

      (1) Coordinating counterproliferation plans and activities of the various agencies of the Intelligence Community.

      (2) Establishing and framing, in coordination with the National Intelligence Mission Manager Board, other Mission Managers as designated by the DNI, and the elements of the Intelligence Community the full range of strategic priorities and requirements for collection, analysis, interdiction, and other activities in the Intelligence Community relating to proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and their delivery systems.

      (3) Developing an integrated strategy for the Intelligence Community to ensure that intelligence collection, exploitation, analysis, interdiction, and other related activities are aligned with these strategic priorities and are responsive to national policymaker requirements as established under National Security Presidential Directive 26.

      (4) Conducting and facilitating long-term planning on potential or emerging intelligence issues relating to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and related delivery systems.
b. Ensuring appropriate elements of the Intelligence Community have full access to and receive all-source intelligence support needed to execute their counterproliferation plans or activities and to perform independent, alternative analyses consistent with the protection of intelligence sources and methods. This includes:

(1) Developing and implementing means and procedures to improve the sharing, integrating, and coordinating of proliferation-related collection, exploitation, and analysis within the Intelligence Community.

(2) Reviewing, assessing, and evaluating the collection, exploitation, analysis, interdiction, and other activities, products, and strategies of the respective elements of the Intelligence Community to ensure they are responsive to policymaker needs and are consistent with strategic priorities and the integrated counterproliferation strategy.

c. Identifying critical problems, gaps, deficiencies, or redundancies that are hindering the respective abilities of the elements of the Intelligence Community to meet the strategic priorities or support the integrated counterproliferation strategy.

d. Developing means, plans, and procedures to ameliorate these problems and directing and evaluating the progress of the Intelligence Community in implementation of these solutions. This includes:

(1) Determining the state of collection against assigned targets, identifying collection gaps, evaluating the quality of collection, assessing collector responsiveness to meet customer target requirements, and ensuring collection is being conducted on high priority targets.

(2) Tasking collection activity against assigned targets, consistent with overall guidance from the Deputy Director of National Intelligence (DDNI) for Collection.

(3) Determining the state of analysis against assigned targets, identifying analytic gaps, evaluating the quality of analysis, and ensuring competitive and alternative analyses are being conducted on high priority targets.

(4) Tasking analysis related to customer requirements, consistent with overall guidance from the DDNI for Analysis.

e. Coordinating the establishment of a central repository or database within the Intelligence Community on known and suspected proliferation activities, including the goals, strategies, capabilities, networks, and any individuals, groups, or entities engaged in proliferation.

f. Ensuring assessments and warnings about the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, their delivery systems, and related materials and technologies are conducted.
g. Ensuring the dissemination of proliferation information, including proliferation threats and analyses, to the President, to the appropriate departments and agencies, and to the appropriate committees of Congress.

h. Coordinating with the National Counterterrorism Center and other US Government agencies to support efforts to prevent terrorist entities from acquiring weapons of mass destruction and to prepare responses for their potential use.

i. Coordinating with other National Intelligence Centers and Mission Managers to ensure that the NCPC and Intelligence Community proliferation resources are supporting, and are being supported by, other intelligence efforts focused on proliferation.

j. Providing recommendations to the DNI regarding the alignment of resources to meet strategic priorities and national counterproliferation policy requirements. This includes:

1. Providing recommendations to the National Intelligence Mission Manager Board on the transfer of personnel and funds across the Intelligence Community to improve efficiency or effectiveness of intelligence activities against assigned customer requirements.

2. Providing recommendations to the National Intelligence Mission Manager Board on resource investments to improve intelligence against assigned targets.

k. Identifying any unmet needs related to assigned targets for inclusion in advanced research and development plans. This includes:

1. Recommending and encouraging research, development, and exploitation of new technologies, methods, and programs to enhance the ability of the Intelligence Community to meet counterproliferation priorities and requirements, including, where appropriate, sponsoring and funding of selected efforts.

2. Working with the Associate DNI for Science and Technology and other elements of the Intelligence Community to identify and exploit new technologies, capabilities, and methods that may enhance the ability of the Intelligence Community to meet strategic proliferation priorities and requirements.

l. Developing relationships with other entities outside the Intelligence Community, including other US Government entities, private entities, and foreign entities that may enhance the ability of the Intelligence Community to meet national priorities relating to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, related delivery systems, and Intelligence Community responses to the use of weapons of mass destruction.

m. Developing with other elements of the Intelligence Community new policies and programs to enhance the quality, skills, and tools of personnel working on counterproliferation issues.
n. Performing other functions and responsibilities as the DNI may designate to enhance the ability of the Intelligence Community to meet national priorities related to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and related delivery systems.

3. (U) As the Mission Manager for Counterproliferation, the Director, NCPC, will assume additional responsibilities for counterproliferation by:

   a. Working with the DDNI for Customer Outcomes to integrate NCPC’s counterproliferation priorities and requirements into the DNI’s overall framework of intelligence requirements linked to customer-assigned targets.

   b. Advising the National Intelligence Mission Manager Board regarding the counterproliferation collection and analysis priorities and working in conjunction with the board to integrate them into broader Intelligence Community priorities.

4. This policy memorandum is effective immediately, and the relevant contents shall be incorporated into an Intelligence Community Directive.

   [Signature]

   Director of National Intelligence

   11/21/05

   Date