

meet the classification requirements prescribed by §1203.400 despite the passage of time will continue to be protected in accordance with "the Order."

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**§ 1203.601 Responsibilities.**

Officials authorized original classification authority may declassify or downgrade information that is subject to the final classification jurisdiction of NASA and shall take such action in accordance with the provisions of this subpart F.

**§ 1203.602 Authorization.**

Information shall be declassified or downgraded by the official who authorized the original classification, if that official is still serving in the same position, the originator's successor, a supervisory official of either, or officials delegated such authority in writing by the Administrator or the Chairperson, NASA Information Security Program Committee.

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**§ 1203.603 Systematic review for declassification.**

(a) *General.* (1) Except for foreign government information as provided in subpart G of this part, classified information constituting permanently valuable records of the government as defined by 44 U.S.C. 2103, and information in the possession and control of the Administrator of General Services Administration pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 2107 or 2107 note, shall be reviewed for declassification as it becomes 30 years old.

(2) Systematic review for declassification of classified cryptologic information will be coordinated through the National Security Agency.

(3) Systematic review for declassification of classified information pertaining to intelligence activities (including special activities) or intelligence sources or methods will be coordinated through the Central Intelligence Agency.

(4) The Chairperson, NASA Information Security Program Committee, shall designate experienced personnel to assist the Archivist of the United States in the systematic review of 30-

year old U.S. originated information and 30-year old foreign information. Such personnel shall:

(i) Provide guidance and assistance to National Archives and Records Service employees in identifying and separating documents and specific categories of information within documents which are deemed to require continued classification; and

(ii) Develop reports of information or document categories so separated, with recommendations concerning continued classification.

(b) *Systematic review guidelines.* The Chairperson, NASA Information Security Program Committee, shall develop, in coordination with NASA organizational elements, guidelines for the systematic review for declassification of 30-year old classified information under NASA's jurisdiction. (See subpart G of this part, Foreign Government Information.) The guidelines shall state specific limited categories of information which, because of their national security sensitivity, should not be declassified automatically but should be reviewed item-by-item to determine whether continued protection beyond 30 years is needed. These guidelines are authorized for use by the Archivist of the United States and, with the approval of the Administrator, by an agency having custody of the information covered by the guidelines. All information, except foreign government information, cryptologic information, and information pertaining to intelligence sources or methods, not identified in these guidelines as requiring review and for which a prior automatic declassification date has not been established shall be declassified automatically at the end of 30 years from the date of original classification. These guidelines shall be reviewed at least every 5 years and revised as necessary unless an earlier review for revision is requested by the Archivist of the United States. Copies of the declassification guidelines promulgated by NASA will be provided to the Information Security Oversight Office, GSA.

(c) *Systematic review procedures.* (1) All security classified records 30 years old or older, whether held in storage areas under installation control or in Federal Records Centers, will be surveyed to

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identify those that require scheduling for future disposition.

(2) All NASA information or material in the custody of the National Archives and Records Service that is permanently valuable and more than 30 years old is to be systematically reviewed for declassification by the Archivist of the United States with the assistance of the personnel designated for the purpose pursuant to paragraph (a)(4)(i) of this section. The Archivist shall refer to NASA that information or material which NASA has indicated requires further review. In the case of 30-year old information or material in the custody of NASA installations, such review will be accomplished by the custodians of the information or material. The installation having primary jurisdiction over the information or material received from the Archivist or in its custody, shall proceed as follows:

(i) Classified information or material over which NASA exercises exclusive or final original classification authority and which is to be declassified in accordance with the systematic review guidelines developed under paragraph (b) of this section shall be so marked.

(ii) Classified information or material over which NASA exercises exclusive or final original classification authority and which, in accordance with the systematic review guidelines developed under paragraph (b) of this section, is to be kept protected, shall be listed by category by the responsible custodian and referred to the Chairperson, NASA Information Security Program Committee. This listing shall:

(A) Identify the information or material involved.

(B) Recommend classification beyond 30 years to a specific event scheduled to happen or a specific period of time or, the alternative, recommend: DECLASSIFY ON: Originating Agency's Determination Required or "OADR."

(iii) The Administrator shall consider and determine which category shall be kept classified and the dates or event for declassification. Whenever a specific time or future event for declassification cannot be predetermined, the following notation will be applied: DECLASSIFY ON: Originating Agency's Determination Required or "OADR."

The Archivist of the United States will be notified in writing of this decision.

(d) *Declassification by the Director of the Information Security Oversight Office, GSA.* If the Director of the Information Security Oversight Office, GSA, determines that NASA information is classified in violation of "the Order," the Director may require the information to be declassified. Any such decision by the Director may be appealed through the NASA Information Security Program Committee to the National Security Council. The information shall remain classified pending a prompt decision on the appeal.

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**§ 1203.604 Mandatory review for declassification.**

(a) *Information covered.* All information classified under "the Order" or predecessor orders, except as provided at § 1203.604(b) shall be subject to a review for declassification by the originating agency, if:

(1) The request is made by a United States citizen or permanent resident alien, a Federal agency, or a State or local government; and

(2) The request describes the document or material containing the information with sufficient specificity to enable the agency to locate it with a reasonable amount of effort. After review, the information or any reasonable segregable portion thereof that no longer requires protection shall be declassified and released unless withholding is otherwise warranted under applicable law.

(b) *Presidential papers.* (1) Information originated by a President, the White House Staff, by committees, commissions, or boards appointed by the President, or others specifically providing advice and counsel to a President or acting on behalf of a President is exempted from the provisions of § 1203.604(a).

(2) The Archivist of the United States shall have the authority to review, downgrade and declassify information under the control of the Administrator of General Services Administration or the Archivist pursuant to sections 2107, 2107 note, or 2203 of Title 44, U.S. Code. Review procedures developed by the Archivist shall provide for consultation