

(d) All changes of radio frequency usage within U.S. military theaters of operation will be coordinated with the Director, OSTP, where harmful interference is likely to be caused to stations authorized to operate within the United States and its possessions.

(e) Where submission to the Director, OSTP, is impracticable, the applicant shall:

(1) Consult the NTIA Emergency Readiness Plan for use of the Radio Spectrum and the Government Master File;

(2) Accomplish such coordination as appropriate and possible;

(3) Act in such manner as to have a minimum impact upon established services, accepting the responsibility entailed in taking the temporary action required;

(4) Advise the Director, OSTP, as soon as possible of the action taken, and submit an application for retroactive approval.

**PART 215—FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOCAL POINT FOR ELECTROMAGNETIC PULSE (EMP) INFORMATION**

Sec.

215.0 Purpose and authority.

215.1 Background.

215.2 Assignment of responsibilities.

AUTHORITY: 84 Stat. 2083, and E.O. 12472, April 3, 1984 (49 FR 13471 *et seq.*).

SOURCE: 55 FR 51063, Dec. 11, 1990, unless otherwise noted.

**§215.0 Purpose and authority.**

The purpose of this part is to designate a focal point within the Federal Government for electromagnetic pulse (EMP) information concerning telecommunications. It is issued pursuant to the authority of Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1977, 42 FR 56101, 91 Stat. 1633, as amended (5 U.S.C. appendix), Executive Order 12472, (49 FR 13471; 3 CFR, 1984 Comp., p. 193), "Assignment of National Security and Emergency Preparedness Telecommunications, April 3, 1984 and Executive Order 12046, 43 FR 13349, "Relating to the Transfer of Telecommunications Functions," May 27, 1978, as amended by Executive Order 12472.

**§215.1 Background.**

(a) The nuclear electromagnetic pulse (EMP) is part of the complex environment produced by nuclear explosions. It consists of transient voltages and currents which can cause malfunctioning and serious damage to electrical and electronic equipment.

(b) The Defense Nuclear Agency (DNA) is the overall technical coordinator for the Army, Navy, Air Force, and DOE laboratories on matters concerning nuclear weapons, nuclear weapons effects, and nuclear weapons testing. It acts as the focal point between the service laboratories and other agencies. The National Communications System (NCS), with the Defense Communications Agency (DCA), maintains a data base for telecommunications. DCA also provides the primary capability for the NCS to conduct telecommunications survivability studies for civil and military departments and agencies.

(c) In order to disseminate among affected Federal agencies information concerning the telecommunications effects of EMP and available protective measures, and in order to avoid duplication of research efforts, it is desirable to designate a focal point within the Federal Government for telecommunications EMP matters.

**§215.2 Assignment of responsibilities.**

The Executive Agent, NCS, shall be the focal point within the Federal Government for all EMP technical data and studies concerning telecommunications. It shall provide such data and the results of such studies to all appropriate agencies requesting them. It shall coordinate and approve EMP telecommunications tests and studies, and shall keep the National Security Advisor informed regarding such tests and studies being conducted and planned.

**PART 216—NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM ISSUANCE SYSTEM**

Sec.

216.1 NCS Directives.

216.2 Publication of Directives.

APPENDIX TO PART 216—NCS DIRECTIVES

## §216.1

AUTHORITY: E.O. 12472, April 3, 1984 (49 FR 13471; 3 CFR, 1984 Comp., p. 193).

### §216.1 NCS Directives.

In accordance with §202.3(c)(12)(v), the Manager, NCS, has developed a system of official documents of a referential nature. The documents include NCS Directives, which establish and implement organizational responsibilities, authorities, policies and procedures of a continuing nature. The Directives are issued by the Executive Office of the President after approval and/or consideration by the NCS Committee of Principals, the Executive Agent for the NCS and the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs.

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### §216.2 Publication of Directives.

(a) We believe, for public awareness and internal administrative purposes, that publication of the current directives is worthwhile. The appendix to this part includes all current NCS Directives.

(b) The Directives are arranged numerically. The first of the hyphenated letters indicates the subject category: "1" for "Organization, Membership and Administration;" "2" for "Plans, Programs and Fiscal Management;" "3" for "Telecommunications Operations;" and "4" for "Technology and Standards." The second number indicates the sequence of issuance.

(c) In some instances, the appendixes to the directives consist of documents readily accessible elsewhere in the public domain. In the interests of brevity, these documents are referenced rather than reprinted in full.

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#### APPENDIX TO PART 216—NCS DIRECTIVES

NCS Directive 1-1—Organization, Membership and Administration—National Communications System (NCS) Issuance System

NCS Directive 1-2—Organization, Membership and Administration—National Communications System (NCS) Membership

NCS Directive 2-1—Plans, Programs, and Fiscal Management—National Security Emergency Preparedness (NSEP) Telecommunications Planning Process

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NCS Directive 2-2—Plans, Programs, and Fiscal Management—National Level NSEP Telecommunications Program (NLP) Funding

NCS Directive 3-1—Telecommunications Operations—Telecommunications Service Priority (TSP) System for National Security Emergency Preparedness (NSEP)

NCS Directive 3-3—Telecommunications Operations—Shared Resources (SHARES) High Frequency (HF) Radio Program

NOTE: NCS Directives and their appendixes are available from National Communications System Joint Secretariat (NCS-NJ), Defense Communications Agency, Washington, DC 20305-2000

#### [NCS DIRECTIVE 1-1]

*Organization, Membership and Administration—National Communications System (NCS) Issuance System*

November 30, 1987.

1. *Purpose.* This directive establishes the National Communications System (NCS) Issuance System, describes the documents comprising the NCS Issuance System, and assigns responsibilities and delegates authority for implementing and managing that System.

2. *Applicability.* This directive is binding upon the Executive Agent, NCS; Manager, NCS; NCS Committee of Principals and member organizations; and other affected Executive entities.

3. *Authority.* Pursuant to the Constitution of the United States and other laws cited in Executive Order No. 12472, "Assignment of National Security and Emergency Preparedness Telecommunications Functions," April 3, 1984; 49 FR 13471 (1984) (see appendix A to this directive), the President has established the NCS, which is subject to rules issued pursuant to the NCS Issuance System. This directive is issued under the authority of Executive Order No. 12472.

4. *Reference.* Executive Order No. 12472.

5. *Cancellation.* NCS Memorandum 1-63, "National Communications System Publications," December 10, 1963, is hereby cancelled.

6. *Definitions.*

a. *Binding.* Imposing one or more obligations, responsibilities, or duties upon affected parties, subject to any overriding Federal statutes, executive orders, or other Federal law.

b. *Issue.* To put into effect, publish, and distribute an NCS issuance after final approval by proper authority.

c. *NCS Issuances.* Documents (i.e., NCS directives, circulars, manuals, handbooks, and notices; and Office of the Manager, NCS