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Executive Order: Enhancing Transparency in Intelligence and Law Enforcement Agencies

Section 1. Purpose. The United States holds a steadfast commitment to transparency and accountability in all government operations, especially within our intelligence and law enforcement agencies. This Executive Order aims to strengthen public trust and oversight by enhancing transparency within the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA).

Section 2. Declassification of Documents.

1. The Director of National Intelligence, in consultation with the heads of the FBI and CIA, shall conduct a comprehensive review to identify documents and records that can be declassified without compromising national security.
2. A new set of criteria for declassification shall be established, focusing on increasing the amount of information available to the public while safeguarding sensitive intelligence and operations.
3. The declassification process shall be expedited, and a timeline for the release of identified documents shall be established and adhered to.

Section 3. Public Reporting.

1. The FBI and CIA shall submit detailed quarterly reports to the Department of Justice and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, outlining their activities, operations, and initiatives. These reports shall include information on the agencies' strategic priorities, operational outcomes, and resource allocations.
2. Summarized versions of these reports, redacted as necessary to protect classified information, shall be made publicly available to ensure greater transparency and accountability.

Section 4. Oversight and Compliance.

1. An independent oversight committee shall be established, comprising members from relevant government departments, civil society, and legal experts, to review the implementation of this Executive Order.

2. This committee shall have the authority to recommend further measures to enhance transparency and ensure compliance with the directives of this Order.

Section 5. Implementation.

1. The heads of the FBI and CIA are directed to implement the provisions of this Order immediately and to develop policies and procedures to facilitate the increased transparency mandated herein.
2. All departments and agencies shall provide the necessary support and cooperation to implement this Order effectively.

Section 6. General Provisions.

1. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, or the head thereof.
2. This Order shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.

Executive Order: Comprehensive Audit and Evaluation of Intelligence and Law Enforcement Activities

Section 1. Purpose. This Executive Order is issued to initiate a comprehensive and ongoing audit of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). The aim is to ensure financial integrity, operational effectiveness, and adherence to ethical standards within these agencies, thereby enhancing public trust and accountability in our national security apparatus.

Section 2. Establishment of Independent Audit Commission.

1. An Independent Audit Commission (hereinafter referred to as "the Commission") is hereby established. The Commission shall be composed of members with expertise in law enforcement, intelligence operations, finance, ethics, and civil rights.
2. The Commission shall be tasked with conducting a thorough audit and evaluation of the FBI and CIA, covering all aspects of their operations, including but not limited to financial management, operational procedures, and ethical conduct.

Section 3. Scope of Audit.

1. The Commission shall evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of resource utilization within the FBI and CIA.
2. The Commission shall assess the operational procedures and protocols of these agencies to ensure they align with legal and ethical standards.
3. The Commission shall review the adherence of the FBI and CIA to civil liberties and privacy protections during the conduct of their operations.

Section 4. Reporting and Transparency.

1. The Commission shall provide interim reports every six months and a comprehensive annual report to the President, outlining findings and recommendations.
2. Summaries of these reports, redacted as necessary to protect sensitive information, shall be made publicly available to promote transparency.

Section 5. Agency Cooperation.

1. The FBI and CIA are directed to cooperate fully with the Commission, providing access to all necessary documents, records, personnel, and other resources.
2. The heads of these agencies shall appoint liaisons to facilitate effective communication and coordination with the Commission.

Section 6. Implementation of Recommendations.

1. Upon receipt of each report, the FBI and CIA are required to develop action plans to address the Commission's recommendations, subject to approval by the Department of Justice and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

Section 7. Duration and Continuity of the Audit.

1. The audit and evaluation process established by this Order shall be ongoing, with the mandate of the Commission reviewed and renewed annually.

Section 8. General Provisions.

1. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, or the head thereof.
2. This Order shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.

Executive Order: Strengthening Whistleblower Protections in Federal Agencies

Section 1. Purpose. Recognizing the crucial role of whistleblowers in maintaining the integrity and accountability of federal agencies, this Executive Order is issued to strengthen protections for individuals who report misconduct, inefficiencies, or violations of law within the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA).

Section 2. Enhancement of Whistleblower Protections.

1. The Attorney General and the Director of National Intelligence shall, in consultation with the heads of the FBI and CIA, revise and strengthen policies to protect whistleblowers from retaliation.
2. These protections shall extend to all forms of reporting, including anonymous submissions, and cover a range of retaliatory actions, including but not limited to employment discrimination, demotion, and harassment.

Section 3. Establishment of Independent Whistleblower Office.

1. An Independent Whistleblower Office (IWO) shall be established within the Department of Justice, dedicated to handling whistleblower complaints from the FBI and CIA.
2. The IWO shall have the authority to investigate complaints, protect the anonymity of whistleblowers, and ensure prompt and appropriate responses to their disclosures.

Section 4. Reporting Mechanisms and Transparency.

1. The FBI and CIA shall implement secure, confidential reporting channels to allow employees to report misconduct or inefficiencies safely.
2. The IWO shall provide semi-annual reports to the President and Congress on whistleblower complaints, investigations, and outcomes, while respecting confidentiality and security considerations.

Section 5. Training and Awareness Programs.

1. Mandatory training programs on whistleblower rights and protections shall be instituted for all FBI and CIA employees.
2. An annual awareness campaign shall be conducted to inform employees about the importance of whistleblowing and the resources available to them.

Section 6. Accountability and Enforcement.

1. The IWO, in collaboration with the Department of Justice, shall have the authority to recommend disciplinary actions against individuals found to be engaging in retaliation against whistleblowers.
2. The heads of the FBI and CIA shall ensure that all allegations of retaliation are investigated promptly and thoroughly, and that appropriate corrective actions are taken.

Section 7. General Provisions.

1. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, or the head thereof.
2. This Order shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.

Executive Order: Strengthening Whistleblower Protections in Federal Agencies

Section 1. Purpose. The integrity of federal agencies is paramount to the trust and safety of the American people. This Executive Order is designed to enhance protections for whistleblowers within the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), thereby encouraging the reporting of misconduct, inefficiencies, and violations of laws and ethical standards. Such measures are intended to foster an environment of transparency and accountability.

Section 2. Enhancement of Whistleblower Protections.

1. The Director of the FBI and the Director of the CIA, in consultation with the Attorney General and the Director of National Intelligence, shall implement comprehensive measures to protect whistleblowers from retaliation within their respective agencies.
2. These measures shall include protection against career reprisals, confidentiality of the whistleblower's identity, and mechanisms to report retaliation.

Section 3. Establishment of an Independent Whistleblower Protection Office.

1. An Independent Whistleblower Protection Office (IWPO) shall be established within the Department of Justice. The IWPO will be responsible for overseeing whistleblower complaints within the FBI and CIA.
2. The IWPO shall have the authority to investigate whistleblower complaints, recommend actions, and ensure compliance with whistleblower protection protocols.

Section 4. Reporting Mechanisms.

1. Secure and confidential channels for whistleblowing shall be established within the FBI and CIA, ensuring that employees can report wrongdoing without fear of exposure or retaliation.
2. These channels shall be easily accessible and designed to protect the anonymity of whistleblowers to the fullest extent possible.

Section 5. Training and Awareness.

1. Mandatory training programs on whistleblower policies and protections shall be conducted annually for all employees of the FBI and CIA.
2. Awareness campaigns shall be implemented to educate employees about the importance of whistleblowing in maintaining agency integrity and the mechanisms available for safe reporting.

Section 6. Oversight and Accountability.

1. The IWPO shall provide quarterly reports to the President, the Attorney General, and appropriate Congressional oversight committees on the status of whistleblower complaints and the agencies' compliance with protection measures.
2. Any instances of retaliation or non-compliance with whistleblower protection policies will be subject to investigation and appropriate disciplinary action.

Section 7. General Provisions.

1. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to impede or otherwise affect the statutory functions of the Director of the Office of Personnel Management or the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.
2. This Order shall be implemented in a manner consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.

Executive Order: Restructuring Intelligence and Law Enforcement Priorities

Section 1. Purpose. This Executive Order is issued with the aim of enhancing the efficiency, accountability, and compliance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) with internal policies and legal standards. The order directs a restructuring of operational priorities to focus more significantly on administrative reviews and internal policy compliance.

Section 2. Prioritization of Administrative Reviews and Policy Compliance.

1. The FBI and CIA are directed to prioritize the conduct of comprehensive administrative reviews. These reviews shall assess the efficiency and effectiveness of current operational procedures and agency resource utilization.
2. The agencies shall also prioritize the assessment and strengthening of compliance with internal policies and legal standards, including but not limited to civil liberties protections, data privacy, and ethical guidelines.

Section 3. Allocation of Resources.

1. The Directors of the FBI and CIA shall allocate appropriate resources, including personnel and funding, to support the intensified focus on administrative reviews and policy compliance.
2. This reallocation may involve the temporary reprioritization of certain operational activities that are deemed less critical in the current security context.

Section 4. Reporting and Accountability.

1. The FBI and CIA are required to submit quarterly reports to the Attorney General and the Director of National Intelligence, detailing the progress and findings of their administrative reviews and policy compliance efforts.
2. These reports shall also outline any adjustments made to operational priorities and the impact of these adjustments on overall agency performance.

Section 5. Oversight and Review.

1. An inter-agency task force, led by the Department of Justice and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, shall be established to oversee the implementation of this order and to review its impact on the effectiveness and efficiency of the FBI and CIA.
2. The task force shall provide semi-annual reports to the President, assessing the progress of the agencies and recommending any necessary adjustments to the restructuring process.

Section 6. Long-term Strategic Planning.

1. The FBI and CIA are directed to incorporate the findings from their administrative reviews and policy compliance assessments into their long-term strategic planning, ensuring that these priorities are maintained and integrated into future operations.

Section 7. General Provisions.

1. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, or the head thereof.
2. This Order shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.

Executive Order: Intensifying Inter-Agency Oversight of National Security Operations

Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this Executive Order is to enhance oversight and accountability in the execution of national security operations by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). This order establishes a new inter-agency committee to oversee and approve major operations of these agencies, aiming to ensure that such operations align with national interests and legal standards.

Section 2. Establishment of the National Security Oversight Committee (NSOC).

1. The National Security Oversight Committee (NSOC) is hereby established.
2. The NSOC shall consist of representatives from the Department of Justice, the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, the Department of Defense, the State Department, and other relevant agencies as determined by the President.
3. The NSOC shall be chaired by a senior official appointed by the President.

Section 3. Mandate of the NSOC.

1. The NSOC is tasked with reviewing and approving major operational plans and initiatives of the FBI and CIA that have significant implications for national security.
2. The committee shall ensure that operations comply with legal standards, align with foreign policy objectives, and are coordinated effectively among relevant agencies.

Section 4. Review and Approval Process.

1. The FBI and CIA are required to present major operational plans to the NSOC for review and approval. This includes covert actions, significant counterintelligence operations, and other high-impact security measures.
2. The NSOC shall assess the necessity, legality, and potential risks of proposed operations, providing timely responses to facilitate effective decision-making.

Section 5. Coordination and Communication.

1. The NSOC shall facilitate enhanced coordination and communication between the FBI, CIA, and other relevant agencies to ensure cohesive national security strategies.
2. Regular meetings and briefings shall be held to discuss ongoing operations, share intelligence, and address inter-agency concerns.

Section 6. Reporting and Transparency.

1. The NSOC shall provide semi-annual reports to the President and relevant Congressional committees, summarizing its activities, decisions, and the overall effectiveness of inter-agency coordination in national security operations.
2. These reports shall be made available to the public in a redacted form to maintain operational security while promoting transparency.

Section 7. General Provisions.

1. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, or the head thereof.
2. This Order shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.

Executive Order: Expanding Congressional Reporting and Oversight Requirements

Section 1. Purpose. In the spirit of ensuring greater accountability and transparency of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) to the legislative branch, this Executive Order mandates more frequent and detailed reporting to Congress on major operations and initiatives. This order aims to enhance Congressional oversight and ensure that these critical agencies operate in accordance with legislative intent and public interest.

Section 2. Enhanced Reporting Requirements.

1. The FBI and CIA are required to submit detailed monthly reports to the relevant Congressional oversight committees. These reports should cover all major operations, initiatives, and significant administrative developments.
2. The reports must include comprehensive analyses of the operational objectives, methods, outcomes, and any legal or ethical considerations related to these activities.

Section 3. Congressional Briefings.

1. The Directors of the FBI and CIA, or their designated senior officials, shall provide quarterly briefings to the relevant Congressional committees. These briefings will offer opportunities for direct dialogue and inquiries regarding the agencies' reports.
2. These briefings shall be conducted in a secure and confidential manner, respecting the classified nature of certain operational details.

Section 4. Increased Documentation of Operational Decisions.

1. The FBI and CIA are directed to maintain detailed records of the decision-making processes for major operations and initiatives. These records shall be made available to Congress upon request, subject to necessary redactions for national security.

Section 5. Compliance and Accountability Mechanisms.

1. A compliance office within each agency shall be established or designated to ensure adherence to these expanded reporting and oversight requirements.
2. Any failure to comply with these requirements will be subject to review and potential action by the Department of Justice and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

Section 6. Annual Review and Assessment.

1. An annual report evaluating the effectiveness of these expanded reporting and oversight measures shall be submitted to the President and Congress. This report will assess the impact on agency operations, legislative oversight efficacy, and any recommendations for improvements.

Section 7. General Provisions.

1. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, or the head thereof.
2. This Order shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.

Executive Order: Implementing Advanced Ethical Training for Intelligence and Law Enforcement

Section 1. Purpose. This Executive Order is issued to mandate the implementation of comprehensive and frequent ethical training programs for all personnel within the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). The aim is to reinforce a culture of ethical integrity and accountability, enhancing the moral standards of operations within these agencies.

Section 2. Development of Ethical Training Programs.

1. The Directors of the FBI and CIA, in coordination with the Office of Government Ethics and other relevant experts, shall develop advanced ethical training programs tailored to the unique operational environments of these agencies.
2. The training programs shall cover topics such as ethical decision-making, adherence to legal and civil rights standards, handling of classified information, and the prevention of corruption and abuse of power.

Section 3. Frequency and Scope of Training.

1. All FBI and CIA personnel, regardless of rank or position, are required to participate in these ethical training programs annually.
2. New recruits and personnel in key decision-making positions shall undergo additional specialized ethical training sessions.

Section 4. Integration of Ethical Training into Operations.

1. Ethical training shall be integrated into the regular training schedules and operational planning of both agencies, ensuring minimal disruption to essential functions.
2. Leadership at all levels within the FBI and CIA shall be responsible for reinforcing the principles taught in these training programs in day-to-day operations.

Section 5. Monitoring and Evaluation of Training Effectiveness.

1. The Department of Justice and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence shall establish mechanisms to monitor the implementation and effectiveness of the ethical training programs.
2. Regular assessments shall be conducted to determine the impact of these training programs on the conduct of agency personnel and operations.

Section 6. Reporting and Accountability.

1. The FBI and CIA are required to submit annual reports to the Attorney General and the Director of National Intelligence detailing the execution and outcomes of the ethical training programs.
2. These reports shall include metrics of success and areas for improvement, contributing to the continuous development of the training programs.

Section 7. General Provisions.

1. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, or the head thereof.
2. This Order shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.

Executive Order: Establishing Public Oversight Panels for Intelligence and Law Enforcement

Section 1. Purpose. This Executive Order is issued to establish Public Oversight Panels (POPs) for the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). These panels, consisting of civilian representatives, will review and advise on the operations of these agencies. The intent is to increase public input into the activities of the FBI and CIA, thereby enhancing transparency and accountability.

Section 2. Formation of Public Oversight Panels.

1. POPs shall be established for both the FBI and CIA, each consisting of members selected from a diverse pool of civilian experts in fields such as law, ethics, civil rights, and national security.
2. Members of the POPs shall be appointed by the President, in consultation with the Attorney General and the Director of National Intelligence.

Section 3. Scope and Function of the POPs.

1. The POPs shall review selected operations, policies, and procedures of the FBI and CIA, focusing on their impact on civil liberties, legal compliance, and public interest.
2. The panels shall provide advisory opinions and recommendations to improve the effectiveness, transparency, and ethical standards of these agencies.

Section 4. Access to Information.

1. The FBI and CIA shall provide necessary information to the POPs to enable thorough review and assessment, subject to necessary security clearances and confidentiality agreements.
2. Classified information shall be handled in accordance with established security protocols to protect national security interests.

Section 5. Reporting and Accountability.

1. The POPs shall submit biannual reports to the President, Congress, and the public, summarizing their activities, findings, and recommendations.
2. These reports shall aim to inform the public about the operations of the FBI and CIA while respecting the confidentiality of sensitive information.

Section 6. Agency Response and Implementation.

1. The FBI and CIA are required to formally respond to the recommendations of the POPs, detailing actions taken or planned in response to the advisory opinions.
2. Where feasible and appropriate, the agencies shall implement recommendations to enhance their operations and public accountability.

Section 7. Review and Continuity.

1. The effectiveness and impact of the POPs shall be reviewed annually by the Department of Justice and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.
2. Based on this review, adjustments may be made to the structure and function of the POPs to ensure their continued efficacy.

Section 8. General Provisions.

1. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, or the head thereof.
2. This Order shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.