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Dear FSO (sent on behalf of your ISR),

This monthly newsletter contains recent information, policy guidance, and security education and training updates. Please let us know if you have any questions or recommendations for information to be included.

WHERE TO FIND THE "VOICE OF INDUSTRY" (VOI) NEWSLETTER

VOI Newsletters are posted for Facility Security Officers (FSOs) in the National Industrial Security System (NISS) Knowledge Base. Look for a monthly announcement on your NISS dashboard for each new VOI. VOI Newsletters are also found with important forms and guides on the Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency (DCSA) website Industry Tools Page (VOIs are at the bottom). For more information on personnel vetting, industrial security, and other topics in the VOI, visit www.dcsa.mil.

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NATIONAL INSIDER THREAT AWARENESS MONTH

MESSAGE FROM DCSA DIRECTOR WILLIAM K. LIETZAU

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Colleagues:

The Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency is partnering with the National Counterintelligence and Security Center, National Insider Threat Task Force, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security, and insider threat community stakeholders to support the fourth annual National Insider Threat Awareness Month (NITAM) during September 2022. NITAM, now in its fourth year, emphasizes the importance of safeguarding our nation by detecting, deterring, and mitigating insider threats.

The theme for 2022's NITAM is "Critical Thinking in Digital Spaces." Critical thinking in a digital society is a skill that all security professionals must develop, especially as we become more reliant on technology. A key component of insider threat prevention is to develop increased awareness and understanding of hidden dangers. Critical thinking helps individuals become more attuned and less susceptible to such dangers, including social engineering, solicitation by adversaries (foreign and domestic), and harmful information.

Many unsuspecting individuals and organizations have fallen victim to the tactics deployed by malicious actors. Individuals and organizations must achieve a greater understanding of how virtual platforms can be exploited and how to spot efforts to intentionally manipulate perceptions. During the past 2 years, the workforce has been faced with the challenges of remaining connected during a global pandemic, to include balancing the need for digital spaces while recognizing its dangers. In digital spaces, it is more challenging to distinguish between legitimate coworkers and malicious actors using phishing techniques to acquire proprietary or sensitive information. The digital environment has led to more interactions on social media, making individuals more vulnerable to deception.

I encourage everyone to participate in NITAM activities this September as a way to educate the workforce on the importance of critical thinking in digital spaces. Suggested activities, products, and actions are outlined on the NITAM 2022 web page at https://securityawareness.usalearning.gov/cdse/nitam/index.html. Whatever activities or engagements you choose, actions both large and small will contribute to the ultimate goal of securing the Federal Government from insider threats. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

William K. Lietzau
Director

NITAM OVERVIEW

First held in 2019, the National Insider Threat Awareness Month (NITAM) is an annual, month-long campaign during September that brings together thousands of U.S. security professionals and policy makers from government and industry, located in 25 countries around the globe, to educate government and industry about the risks posed by insider threats and the role of insider threat programs.

The Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence & Security (USD(I&S)), the National Insider Threat Task Force, and DCSA partner together with other stakeholder organizations to build off previous successes and expand the impact and audience of the NITAM campaign each year. Organizations that participate in the campaign increase awareness and promote reporting of insider threats across their workforces.

The month-long campaign kicks off with an Insider Threat Conference on September 1. This year's theme is "Critical Thinking in Digital Spaces." Senior level speakers and panelists will present on critical thinking for the workforce, social engineering threats, an insider threat case study, and resources for workforce resiliency to counter insider risk. Register for the 2022 DoD Insider Threat Virtual Conference.

For more information, please visit the NITAM website.

SEAD 3 UNOFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL REPORTING

On August 5, DCSA launched the Defense Information System for Security (DISS) Foreign Travel Reporting module. This functional enhancement to DISS is in response to the NISPOM Rule requirement for cleared contractors to begin reporting unofficial foreign travel by August 24, 2022. This requirement is derived from the NISPOM Rule's inclusion of Security Executive Agent Directive 3 (SEAD 3), which established several new reporting requirements for cleared contractors in the NISP.

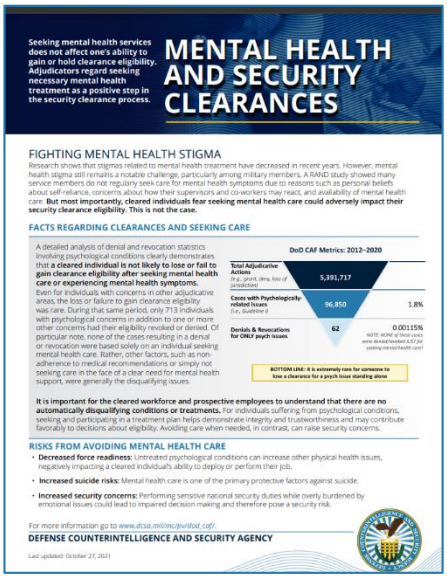
The NISPOM Rule became effective on February 24, 2021, however, in consultation with industry, OUSD(I&S) determined that the magnitude of unofficial foreign travel reports that many contractors would be required to submit individually into DISS would be an unreasonable burden on contractor staff. As a result, a NISPOM Rule amendment was issued to defer implementation of unofficial foreign travel reporting until August 24 to allow DCSA time to develop a "bulk-upload" solution to reduce this burden. The "bulk-upload tool" was developed by DCSA's Program Executive Office and DISS team in coordination with cleared industry to enable contractors to record multiple unofficial foreign travel events in a spreadsheet for upload to DISS as a single submission at intervals not to exceed 30 days. The bulk-upload tool is a key offering of the foreign travel module that became available to contractors on August 5.

In concert with the launching of this DISS foreign travel reporting module, DCSA Industrial Security posted several resources to assist cleared industry in reporting unofficial foreign travel. These resources may be found at the bottom of the SEAD 3 Unofficial Foreign Travel Reporting page. Here you will find all DCSA-developed resources addressing unofficial foreign travel reporting, including a recently recorded audio slide short that reviews cleared industry's SEAD 3 unofficial foreign travel reporting obligations, the DISS foreign travel module, and use of the new bulk upload tool.

CONSOLIDATED ADJUDICATION SERVICES (CAS)

MENTAL HEALTH AND YOUR SECURITY CLEARANCE WEBINAR

Stigma around seeking mental health care is real. Several studies have found that there are fears among security managers and other cleared personnel that seeking behavioral health treatment will result in a loss or denial of security clearance eligibility. Since the beginning of 2016, DCSA CAS (formerly DoD CAF) developed training modules on mental health wellness to assure the security community that seeking mental healthcare is seen favorably, not adversely, during security vetting in both the intelligence community and the Department of Defense. The CAS within DCSA has continued with that effort and has been on the forefront supporting wellness through outreach engagements, DCSA Gatekeeper magazine articles, social media campaigns, virtual presentations, and a recent DCSA Security Training Directorate's, Center for Development of Security Excellence (CDSE) webinar. Please take a moment to view this important webinar on Mental Health and Your Security Clearance here.



RENAMING OF THE DOD CAF

On June 13, DCSA renamed the Department of Defense Consolidated Adjudications Facility (DoD CAF) to better reflect personnel vetting into the future. DoD CAF is now Consolidated Adjudication Services (CAS). The renaming to DCSA CAS does not change any internal or external organizational reporting relationships, missions, resources, or support functions. DCSA, through the CAS, will continue to deliver informed and timely adjudicative decisions for the Federal Government to enable operational readiness in keeping with risk management principles.

CAS (ADJUDICATIONS) FY21 YEAR IN REVIEW ANNUAL REPORT

Please take a moment to read our FY21 Annual Report here.

CAS CALL CENTER

The CAS Call Center is available by telephone or email for inquiries. For more information, please call 301-833-3850 or email the CAS Call Center. We look forward to hearing from you.

COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PARTNERSHIP TELECONFERENCE

DCSA invites cleared industry and academia personnel to participate in the September secure video teleconference (SVTC). On September 8, the DCSA Counterintelligence Partnership Branch will host a SVTC webinar presented by the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) on "Supply Chain Risk Management." The DIA presenters will inform cleared industry of risks to the U.S. supply chain, and best practices to protect supply chain integrity. The SVTC will be held on September 8, 2022, from 1:00 to 2:30 pm ET at your local DCSA office. Please register here.

ENTERPRISE SECURITY OPERATIONS

NEW DEPUTY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENT

The Assistant Director, Industrial Security, DCSA has selected Booker T. Bland, Jr. as the next Deputy Assistant Director, Enterprise Security Operations (ESO), Industrial Security, effective August 14. In this capacity, Mr. Bland will continue in this role overseeing the strategic development and implementation of the agency's new emerging mission sets, to include DoD's Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) Program relating to contractually established CUI protection requirements for contractors under the NISP, and the Sensitive Compartmented Information Facility Accreditation mission transfer. Mr. Bland is no stranger to DCSA and has served with the agency for the past nine years as a counterintelligence and security professional.

NATIONAL ACCESS ELSEWHERE SECURITY OVERSIGHT CENTER (NAESOC)

NAESOC WEB SITE UPDATES

You asked and we heard! We have updated the NAESOC web site to put FSO resources where they can be more quickly and easily located and downloaded:

- On the FSO Resources and Answers tab there are links to FSO Training, the FSO Toolkit, instructions of how to obtain a Self-Inspection Handbook, and downloadable NATO, CNWDI, and COMSEC Briefings forms.
- On the Reporting tab you can download your own Security Incident Job Aid and Threat Baseball Cards

Also, remember you can talk to a Live Agent at the NAESOC Help Desk Mondays through Thursdays (9:00 to 11:00 am and 1:00 to 3:00 pm) and Fridays (9:00 am to 1:00 pm)

NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL SECURITY SYSTEM (NISS)

The NISS Team has been focused on making small but important changes to ensure the information collected from our Industry Partners is compliant with newly-released government regulations.

On August 10, 2022, NISS Version 2.6.1.5 was released. This removed the ability for Industry users to add, edit, or remove Foreign Travel entries in the Industry Facility Profile Update (IFPU) feature. In addition, users can no longer view the Foreign Travel section of a Facility Profile. These changes were made in accordance with SEAD 3, which requires Foreign Travel to be reported in DISS.

For any technical questions with NISS, please contact the DCSA Knowledge Center at 888-282-7682 and select Option 2, then Option 2. The DCSA Knowledge Center hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm ET.

VETTING RISK OPERATIONS (VRO)

REMINDER ON TIMING ON ELECTRONIC FINGERPRINT TRANSMISSION

As we move closer to full implementation of Trusted Workforce 2.0, VRO continues to work diligently to partner with Industry to get cleared people into the workforce faster and more efficiently all while effectively managing risk. To maintain our interim determination timeliness goals, we ask that electronic fingerprints be submitted with or just before an investigation request is released to DCSA in DISS.

Fingerprint results are valid for 120 days, the same amount of time for which Electronic Questionnaires for Investigations Processing (e-QIP) signature pages are valid. Therefore, submitting electronic fingerprint at the same time or just before you complete your review for adequacy and completeness, should prevent an investigation request from being rejected for missing fingerprints.

UPDATED INDUSTRY ENROLLMENT GUIDANCE

For additional guidance regarding Continuous Vetting enrollment, refer to the Industry Enrollment in Continuous Vetting article in the Latest News Section on the DCSA website.

CENTER FOR DEVELOPMENT OF SECURITY EXCELLENCE (CDSE)

AUGUST PULSE: CDSE SECURITY AWARENESS NEWSLETTER

We recently released the CDSE Pulse, a monthly security awareness newsletter that features topics of interest to the security community. In addition, we share upcoming courses, webinars, and conferences. The August newsletter focused on "Antiterrorism." Check out all the newsletters in CDSE's Electronic Library or subscribe/update your current subscription to get the newsletter sent directly to your inbox by submitting your email address to CDSE News!

NATIONAL INSIDER THREAT AWARENESS MONTH

National Insider Threat Awareness Month (NITAM) is right around the corner! First held in 2019, NITAM is an annual, month-long campaign during September that brings together thousands of U.S. security professionals and policy makers from Government and industry, located in 25 countries around the globe, to learn about the risks posed by insider threats and the role of insider threat programs. This year's theme is "Critical Thinking in Digital Spaces." For more information, visit the NITAM website.

REGISTER FOR 2022 INSIDER THREAT VIRTUAL SECURITY CONFERENCE

Registration is now open for the Insider Threat Virtual Security Conference. On September 1, the conference, jointly hosted by CDSE and OUSD(I&S), will bring security professionals and policy makers across the U.S. Government and industry together to kick off the National Insider Threat Awareness Month campaign. This year's theme is "Critical Thinking in Digital Spaces." Visit CDSE Webinars and Conferences to register.

COUNTER-INSIDER THREAT SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE SUMMIT

Registration is now open for the Counter-Insider Threat (C-InT) Social & Behavioral Science (SBS) Summit. This 30-day virtual event will focus on building Cognitive Immunity to increase resistance against misinformation and bad ideas to maximize the effectiveness of Counter-Insider Threat Programs. The Defense Personnel and Security Research Center (PERSEREC), home of The Threat Lab, will host the C-InT SBS Summit from September 1-30, 2022 in conjunction with National Insider Threat Awareness Month. Register to attend live keynotes and view on-demand research presentations, case studies, and training aids curated by leading subject matter experts in counter-insider threat research and practice. Learn more at C-InT SBS Summit.

REGISTER NOW FOR UPCOMING WEBINARS

CDSE invites you to participate in all our upcoming webinars:

- Counter Insider Threat Resources for Your Organization
  Thursday, September 8, 2022
  1:00 to 2:00 p.m. ET
- Disinformation and Insider Threat
  Tuesday, September 13, 2022
  12:00 to 1:00 p.m. ET
- Personnel Vetting Policy Overview with OUSD(I&S)
  Wednesday, September 14, 2022
  1:00 pm to 2:00 pm ET

Visit CDSE Webinars and Conferences to sign up for all three events and join the discussion!

NEW CASE STUDIES

CDSE has added new and updated case studies to the CDSE Case Study Library:

- Levii Delgado – A case study of sabotage
- Meyya Meyyappan – A case study of foreign espionage
- Daniel Hale – A case of unauthorized disclosure.

Visit the CDSE Case Study Library to view all our products.

INSIDER THREAT SENTRY APP

Have you downloaded the insider threat sentry app? This mobile addition to CDSE's insider threat portfolio expands the availability of posters, videos, security awareness games, job aids, case studies, and more. The application is available for users from the android and IOS app stores. The app provides direct access to relevant insider threat content in one easy-to-use place. Download it today!

CHANGES TO CERTIFICATION MAINTENANCE AND RENEWAL POLICIES

On October 1, new certification maintenance and renewal policies and procedures will go into effect.

To transition to the new policy, currently certified individuals (who are within their 2-year renewal window) will have until September 30 to either **1)** submit Certification Renewal Forms (CRFs) under the existing renewal policy, or **2)** wait to submit under the new policy.

Certificants who expire prior to October 1 must renew under the current policy. Certificants who are conferred or renew after October 1 will operate under the new policy.

These changes also include:

- Professional Development Units (PDUs) based on level of effort
- Updated and expanded PDU categories
- Single expiration date across all certifications/credentials
- Single CRF form
- Maintenance periods based upon the candidate initiating an action (e.g., submitting a form in the My SPēD system or attaining a new SPēD Certification). This period remains at 2 years for each cycle.

Certificants are ultimately responsible to ensure their certifications are maintained IAW with program maintenance and renewal guidelines

Stay tuned for more information, including updated handbooks and webpages.

CDSE NEWS

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- Weekly Flash
- Quarterly Product Report.

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