

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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SUBJECT:

Classification Authority

DOD 5200.1-R, "Information Security Program Regulation," dated 15 November 1973, provides that only those officials specifically designated by the Secretary of Defense may exercise Top Secret original classification authority. Appendix A to the regulation lists those officials so designated.

The Office of Net Assessment was established subsequent to publication of the regulation. We do from time to time have, as you know, occasion to classify material which we have prepared for you. I therefore request that you designate in writing the Director of Net Assessment to exercise Top Secret original classification authority.

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