

# Webinar Questions and Answers

## Security Incidents Involving Special Circumstances

Webinar guests submitted several questions before and during the August 15, 2013 Security Incidents Involving Special Circumstances session. The following responses are provided by the Center for Development of Security Excellence (CDSE).

**Question:** Can you give an example of violation of criminal law?

**Answer:** Violations within the Department of Defense that involve:

- Public Safety Crimes
- Crimes that Result in Material Loss to DoD Assets
- National Security Crimes

**Question:** If a security violation is found to be substantiated, does it affect a person's clearance when their PR comes due?

**Answer:** A security violation has no impact on when their Periodic Reinvestigation (PR) is due. The PR will be due at the 5 or 10 year anniversary. However, if an incident is reported in JPAS and the "Suspend Access" option has been exercised, the PR is still due, but the option to initiate in JPAS would no longer be an option. This does not affect users who initiate investigations outside of JPAS.

**Question:** How do you handle a data spill that involves un-cleared contractors?

**Answer:** DSS has the responsibility to notify the Government Contracting Agency, who has the ultimate responsibility.

**Question:** Should you ever report foreign contact as an incident in JPAS?

**Answer:** Foreign contact should be reported in JPAS, if the user has that option (Level 2 and 3 users). If the user does not have access, information should be gathered and passed to the Consolidated Adjudications Facility (CAF). The DoD CAF is especially concerned with close continuing relationships with foreign nationals or suspicious foreign contacts.