Job Aid

Course: Security Support to International Programs in Cleared Defense Industry

Lesson 5: International Transfers

Overview

Classified material may be transferred via:

- Freight
- Hand carrier/courier
- Secure Communications

Designated Government Representative (DGR): a person with the requisite security clearance designated in writing by a U.S. Government agency or by a foreign government agency to act on its behalf for purposes of transferring custody or accepting custody by signing a receipt for and assuming security responsibility for classified material

Classified Material as Freight

When transferring defense articles as classified freight, contractor can use—

- Freight forwarder:
 - o If taking custody of classified consignment, must have Facility Clearance (FCL) and storage capability to the level of possession
 - Agent or company cleared specifically to receive, process, and transship U.S. classified material to foreign recipients
 - May hire a third party commercial carrier
- Commercial carrier (directly):
 - o May require participant government security authority approval
 - o Less common for defense contractor to hire directly

NOTE: Neither the freight forwarder nor the commercial carrier may act as a Designated Government Representative (DGR) for the transfer of control, custody and responsibility of classified material

Transportation plans (TP)—

- Are required for all transfers of classified material and certain unclassified sensitive material as freight
- Contain detailed written instructions, identifying all intermediate consignees, for secure transport
- Based on Multinational Industrial Security Working Group (MISWG) Document #10 (see IS181 Course Resource page)

Industrial Security Representative (IS Rep) responsibilities include—

- Advise/assist contractor in TP preparation
- Review TP to verify secure transfer arrangements
- Send TP to Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency (DCSA) International Office for coordination with foreign government and approval
- May serve as Government Transmittal Authority (DGR function), when identified as such.
- Verify contractor's compliance with the TP

Hand Carriage / Courier

Classified information may be transferred using hand carriage via-

Hand carrier:

- o Cleared employee
- Occasionally hand carries classified material
- o Example: Engineer going to meeting

Courier:

- Cleared and trained employee
- Primary duty is to hand carry classified material
- o Examples: Defense Courier Service and cleared company employee trained for this purpose

Hand carriage plans —

- Required for all transfers of classified material via hand carrier or courier
- Contain written instructions for secure transport and overnight storage
- Used by contractors for material classified no higher than SECRET and small enough to retain in personal possession
- Based on MISWG Document #1 (see IS181 Course Resource page)

IS Rep responsibilities include —

- Advise/assist contractor in hand carriage plan preparation
- Send plan to DCSA International Office for final coordination and approval
- May serve as Government Transmittal Authority (DGR function), if so identified
- Verify contractor's compliance with the hand carriage plan

Secure Communications

Classified information may be exchanged through secure communications using—

- Voice (Phone)
- Fax
- Digital communications

The secure communications plan (SCP) may be approved within-

- The Program Security Instruction (PSI),
- System Security Plan (SSP), or
- Government-to-government agreement by the designated security authorities

IS Rep responsibilities include—

- Work with DCSA NISP Authorization Office (NAO), as needed to provide advice to contractor in preparing the SCP
- Work with DCSA International Office, as needed, to ensure plan complies with bilateral security agreements
- Verify contractor complies with approved SCP provisions