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(b) Represent the U.S. National Central Bureau at criminal law enforcement and international law enforcement conferences and symposia.

(c) Serve as a member of the Executive Committee of INTERPOL-United States National Central Bureau (INTERPOL-USNCB).

(d) Transmit information of a criminal justice, humanitarian, or other law enforcement related nature between National Central Bureaus of INTERPOL member countries, and law enforcement agencies within the United States and abroad; and respond to requests by law enforcement agencies, and other legitimate requests by appropriate organizations, institutions and individuals, when in agreement with the INTERPOL constitution.

(e) Coordinate and integrate information for investigations of an international nature and identify those involving patterns and trends of criminal activities.

(f) Conduct analyses of patterns of international criminal activities, when specific patterns are observed.

(g) Establish and collect user fees to process name checks and background records for licensing, humanitarian and other non-law enforcement purposes.

[Order No. 960-81, 46 FR 52343, Oct. 27, 1981, as amended by Order No. 1295-88, 53 FR 30990, Aug. 17, 1988; Order No. 1441-90, 55 FR 32403, Aug. 9, 1990; Order No. 1491-91, 56 FR 21600, May 10, 1991]

Subpart G—Office of the Pardon Attorney

CROSS REFERENCE: For regulations pertaining to the Office of Pardon Attorney, see part 1 of this chapter.

§0.35 General functions; delegation of authority.

Under the general supervision of the Attorney General and the direction of the Associate Attorney General, the following-described matters are assigned to, and shall be conducted, handled or supervised by, the Pardon Attorney but subject to the limitation contained in §0.36 of this chapter.

(a) Exercise of the powers and performance of the functions vested in the

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Attorney General by §§1.1 through 1.8 inclusive of this chapter.

(b) Performance of such other duties as may be assigned by the Attorney General or the Associate Attorney General.

[Order No. 1012-83, 48 FR 22290, May 18, 1983]

§0.36 Recommendations.

The Pardon Attorney shall submit all recommendations in clemency cases through the Associate Attorney General and the Associate Attorney General shall exercise such discretion and authority as is appropriate and necessary for the handling and transmittal of such recommendations to the President.

[Order No. 1012-83, 48 FR 22290, May 18, 1983]

Subpart G-1—Executive Office for United States Trustees

§0.37 Organization.

The Executive Office for United States Trustees shall be headed by a Director appointed by the Attorney General.

[Order No. 960-81, 46 FR 52344, Oct. 27, 1981]

§0.38 Functions.

The Director shall have responsibility for assisting the Attorney General and the Deputy Attorney General in supervising and providing general coordination and assistance to United States Trustees. The Director shall perform such duties relating to such functions and others under the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1978 as may be assigned by the Attorney General or the Deputy Attorney General.

[Order No. 960-81, 46 FR 52344, Oct. 27, 1981]

Subpart G-2—Office of Professional Responsibility

SOURCE: Order No. 833-79, 45 FR 27754, Apr. 24, 1980.

§0.39 Organization.

The Office of Professional Responsibility shall be headed by a Counsel, appointed by the Attorney General. The Counsel shall be subject to the general

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supervision and direction of the Attorney General or, whenever appropriate, of the Deputy Attorney General or the Associate Attorney General or the Solicitor General.

§0.39a Functions.

The Counsel on Professional Responsibility shall:

(a) Receive and review any information or allegation concerning conduct by a Department employee that may be in violation of law, regulations or orders, or of applicable standards of conduct or may constitute mismanagement, gross waste of funds, abuse of authority, or a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety. However, this provision does not preempt the primary responsibility of internal inspection units of the Department to receive such information or allegations and to conduct investigations.

(b) Receive and review any allegation of reprisal against an employee or applicant who discloses information pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section. Any disclosure by an employee or applicant to the appropriate internal inspection unit of the Department under this subsection shall constitute disclosure to the Attorney General or the Counsel.

(c) Make such preliminary inquiry as may be necessary to determine whether the matter should be referred to another official within the Department.

(d) Refer any matter that appears to warrant examination in the following manner:

(1) If the matter appears to involve a violation of law, to the head of the investigative agency having jurisdiction to investigate such violations;

(2) If the matter appears not to involve a violation of law, to the head of the office, division, bureau or board to which the employee is assigned, or to the head of its internal inspection unit;

(3) If referral to the official indicated in paragraph (d)(1) or (2) of this section would be inappropriate, to the Attorney General and the Deputy Attorney General or, if referral to both the Attorney General and the Deputy Attorney General would also be inappropriate, to whichever of them would be proper or to the Associate Attorney General or the Solicitor General.

(e) *Receive.* (1) Reports containing the findings of any investigation undertaken upon matters referred under paragraph (d)(2) of this section and the administrative sanction to be imposed, if any sanction is warranted; and

(2) Monthly reports from the internal inspection units setting forth any information or allegations received pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) of this section and the status of any pending investigations.

(f) Notify within a reasonable period of time any person who has submitted information or made allegations pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) of this section of the final result of any investigation undertaken: *Provided*, That such notification is permitted by and accords with applicable statutes and regulations.

(g) Recommend to the Attorney General, the Deputy Attorney General, the Associate Attorney General, or the Solicitor General what further action should be undertaken with regard to any matter referred to such official under paragraph (d)(3) of this section, including the assignment of any task force or individual to undertake the action recommended and any special arrangements that appear warranted.

(h) Undertake any investigation of a matter referred under paragraph (d)(3) of this section that may be assigned by the Attorney General, the Deputy Attorney General, the Associate Attorney General, or the Solicitor General, or cooperate with any other organization, task force, or individual that may be assigned by such official to undertake the investigation.

(i) Submit to the Attorney General and the Deputy Attorney General or, if submission to both would be inappropriate, to whichever of them would be proper or to the Associate Attorney General or the Solicitor General:

(1) An immediate report concerning any matter referred under paragraph (d)(1) or (d)(2) of this section that should be brought to the attention of a higher official;

(2) An immediate report concerning the adequacy of any investigation of a matter referred under paragraph (d) of this section, if the Counsel believes that a significant question exists as to the adequacy of such investigation; and