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to prevent or delay the release of information that does not require protection in the interest of national security.

Subpart B—Derivative Classification

§2.9 Derivative Classification Authority.

Designations of derivative classification authority for national security information are contained in Treasury Order 102-19 (or successor order). The authority to derivatively classify inheres within the office and may be exercised by a person acting in that capacity. There may be additional redelegations of derivative classification authority made pursuant to TO 102-19 (or successor order). Officials identified in Treasury Order 102-19 (or successor order) may also administratively control and decontrol sensitive but unclassified information using the legend “Limited Official Use” and may redelegate their authority to control and decontrol. Such redelegations shall be in writing on TD F 71-01.20 “Designation of Controlling/Decontrolling Officials” (or successor form).

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§2.10 Listing derivative classification authorities.

Delegations of derivative classification authority to officials not otherwise identified in §2.9, shall be in writing and reported annually each October 15th to the Departmental Director of Security on TD F 71-01.18 (Report of Authorized Derivative Classifiers). Such delegations shall be limited to the minimum number absolutely required for efficient administration. Periodic reviews and evaluations of such delegations shall be made by the Departmental Director of Security to ensure that officials so designated have demonstrated a continuing need to exercise such authority. If after reviewing and evaluating the information the Departmental Director of Security determines that such officials have not demonstrated a continuing need to exercise such authority, the Departmental Director of Security shall recommend to the Assistant Secretary

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(Management), as warranted, the reduction or elimination of such authority. The Assistant Secretary (Management) shall take appropriate action in consultation with the affected official(s) and the Departmental Director of Security. Such action may include relinquishment of this authority where the Assistant Secretary (Management) determines that a firm basis for retention does not exist.

§2.11 Use of derivative classification [2.1].

The application of derivative classification markings is a responsibility of those who incorporate, paraphrase, restate, or generate in new form information that is already classified, and of those who apply markings in accordance with instructions from an authorized original classifier or in accordance with an approved classification guide. If an individual who applies derivative classification markings believes that the paraphrasing, restating or summarizing of classified information has changed the level of or removed the basis for classification, that person must consult an appropriate official of the originating agency or office of origin who has the authority to upgrade, downgrade or declassify the information for a final determination. A sample marking of derivatively classified documents is set forth in §2.13.

§2.12 Classification guides.

(a) *General [2.2(a)]*. A classification guide is a reference manual which assists document drafters and document classifiers in determining what types or categories of material have already been classified. The classification guide shall, at a minimum:

- (1) Identify and categorize the elements of information to be protected;
- (2) State which classification level applies to each element or category of information; and
- (3) Prescribe declassification instructions for each element or category of information in terms of:
 - (i) A period of time,
 - (ii) The occurrence of an event, or
 - (iii) A notation that the information shall not be declassified automatically without the approval of the originating agency i.e., “OADR”.