

Office of the Secretary of Defense

§ 249.4

§ 249.1 Purpose.

This part amplifies policy set forth in DoD Directive 3200.12,¹ assigns responsibilities, prescribes procedures, and provides guidance for consideration of national security concerns in the dissemination of scientific and technical information in the possession or under the control of the Department of Defense at conferences and meetings. It supports current policies regarding classified meetings and requirements for review of scientific and technical papers; provides guidance for reviewing and presenting papers containing export-controlled DoD technical data; establishes procedures for containing DoD advice on independently-produced scientific and technical papers; and provides criteria for identifying fundamental research activities performed under contract or grant that are excluded from review requirements.

§ 249.2 Applicability and scope.

This part applies to the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) DoD Field Activities, the Military Departments, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (OJCS), the Defense Agencies, and the Unified and Specified Commands (hereafter referred to collectively as “DoD Components”).

§ 249.3 Definitions.

Contracted fundamental research. Includes grants and contracts that are (a) funded by budget Category 6.1 (“Research”), whether performed by universities or industry or (b) funded by budget Category 6.2 (“Exploratory Development”) and performed on-campus at a university. The research shall not be considered fundamental in those rare and exceptional circumstances where the 6.2-funded effort presents a high likelihood of disclosing performance characteristics of military systems or manufacturing technologies that are unique and critical to defense, and where agreement on restrictions have been recorded in the contract or grant.

DoD personnel. All civilian officers and employees, including special Gov-

ernment employees, of all DoD Components, and all active duty officers (commissioned and warrant) and enlisted members of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

§ 249.4 Policy.

It is DoD policy to:

(a) Encourage the presentation of scientific and technical information generated by or for the Department of Defense at technical meetings consistent with United States laws and the requirements of national security.

(b) Permit DoD Components to conduct scientific and technical conferences, and to permit DoD Component personnel to attend and participate in scientific and technical conferences that are of demonstrable value to the Department of Defense, and consult with professional societies and associations in organizing meetings of the societies and associations that are mutually beneficial.

(c) Allow the publication and public presentation of unclassified contracted fundamental research results. The mechanism for control of information generated by DoD-funded contracted fundamental research in science, technology, and engineering performed under contract or grant at colleges, universities, and non-government laboratories is security classification. No other type of control is authorized unless required by law.

(d) Release information at meetings in a manner consistent with statutory and regulatory requirements for protecting the information. Such requirements include, but are not limited to, protection of classified, unclassified export-controlled, proprietary, privacy, and foreign government provided information.

(e) Provide timely review of DoD employee and contractor papers intended for presentation at scientific and technical conferences and meetings, and if warranted and authorized by contract in the case of contractor employees, prescribe limitations on these presentations. Dissemination restrictions shall be used only when appropriate authority exists.

(f) Assist DoD contractors and, when practical, others in determining the

¹Copies may be obtained, if needed, from the U.S. Naval Publications and Forms Center, 5801 Tabor Avenue, Attn: Code 301, Philadelphia PA 19120.