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this regard shall be in the sole discretion of the Agency. Requests from appointees shall be in writing to the Coordinator and shall identify the records of interest.

[62 FR 32498, June 16, 1997, as amended at 76 FR 59035, Sept. 23, 2011]

§ 1909.12 Designation of authority to grant requests.

(a) *The Agency Release Panel (ARP)* is designated to hear requests and shall issue the final Agency decision granting requests for access by historical researchers and access by former Presidential and Vice Presidential appointees and designees under Executive Order 13526 (or successor Orders) and these regulations.

(b) *ARP Membership.* The ARP is chaired by the Chief, Information Review and Release Group, Information Management Services, and composed of the Information Review Officers from the various Directorates and the D/CIA areas, as well as the representatives of the various release programs and offices. The Information and Privacy Coordinator also serves as Executive Secretary of the ARP.

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§ 1909.13 Receipt, recording, and tasking.

The Information and Privacy Coordinator shall within ten (10) days record each request for historical access received under this Part, acknowledge receipt to the requester in writing and take the following action:

(a) *Compliance with general requirements.* The Coordinator shall review each request under this part and determine whether it meets the general requirements as set forth in 32 CFR 1909.11; if it does not, the Coordinator shall so notify the requester and explain the legal basis for this decision.

(b) *Action on requests meeting general requirements.* For requests which meet the requirements of 32 CFR 1909.11, the Coordinator shall thereafter task the D/CSI, the originator(s) of the materials for which access is sought, and other interested parties. Additional taskings, as required during the review process, shall be accomplished within ten (10) days of notification.

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§ 1909.14 Determinations on requests for access by historical researchers.

Required determinations. The Agency shall make the following determinations in writing:

(a) That a serious professional or scholarly research project by the requester is contemplated;

(b) That such access is clearly consistent with the interests of national security;

(c) That a non-disclosure agreement has been or will be executed by the requester (and research associate, if any) and other appropriate steps are taken to assure that classified information will not be disclosed or otherwise compromised;

(d) That a pre-publication agreement has been or will be executed by the requester (and research associate, if any) which provides for a review of notes and any resulting manuscript;

(e) That the information requested be reasonably accessible and can be located and compiled with a reasonable effort;

(f) That it is reasonably expected that substantial and substantive government documents and/or information will be amenable to declassification and release and/or publication;

(g) That sufficient resources are available for the administrative support of the historical researcher given current requirements; and

(h) That the request cannot be satisfied to the same extent through requests for access to reasonably described records under the Freedom of Information Act or the mandatory declassification review provisions of Executive Order 13526.

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§ 1909.16 Action by Agency Release Panel (ARP).

The ARP shall meet on a regular schedule and may take action when a simple majority of the total membership is present. Issues shall be decided by a majority of the members present. In all cases of a divided vote, before the decision of the ARP becomes final, any member of the ARP may by written memorandum to the Executive Secretary of the ARP, refer such matters

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to the Director, Information Management Services (D/IMS) for decision. In the event of a disagreement with any decision by D/IMS, Directorate heads may appeal to the Associate Deputy Director, CIA (ADD) for resolution. The final Agency decision shall reflect the vote of the ARP, unless changed by the D/IMS or the ADD.

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§ 1909.17 Notification of decision.

The Executive Secretary shall inform the requester of the final Agency decision and, if favorable, shall manage the access for such period as deemed required but in no event for more than two years unless renewed by the Panel or Board in accordance with the requirements of this Part.

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§ 1909.18 Termination of access.

The Coordinator shall cancel any authorization and deny any further access whenever the Director of Security cancels the security clearance of a requester (or research associate, if any); or whenever the Agency Release Panel determines that continued access would no longer be consistent with the

requirements of this Part; or at the conclusion of the authorized period of up to two years.

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PART 1910—DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION PROCEDURES

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1910.1 General.

AUTHORITY: 50 U.S.C. 401-442; 50 U.S.C. 403a-403u; 48 CFR ch. 1, subpart 9.4.

§ 1910.1 General.

The Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), in accordance with its authorities under the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, as amended, and the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, has an established debarment and suspension process in accordance with subpart 9.402(d) of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR). This process and the causes for debarment and suspension are consistent with those found in FAR 9.406 and 9.407. The rights of CIA contractors in all matters involving debarment and suspension are hereby governed by the provisions of subpart 9.4 of the FAR.

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