
§ 216.1 NCS Directives. In accordance with §202.3(c)(12)(v), the Manager, NCS, has developed a system of official documents of a referential nature. The documents include NCS Directives, which establish and implement organizational responsibilities, authorities, policies and procedures of a continuing nature. The Directives are issued by the Executive Office of the President after approval and/or consideration by the NCS Committee of Principals, the Executive Agent for the NCS and the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs.

(a) We believe, for public awareness and internal administrative purposes, that publication of the current directives is worthwhile. The appendix to this part includes all current NCS Directives.

(b) The Directives are arranged numerically. The first of the hyphenated letters indicates the subject category: “1” for “Organization, Membership and Administration;” “2” for “Plans, Programs and Fiscal Management;” “3” for “Telecommunications Operations;” and “4” for “Technology and Standards.” The second number indicates the sequence of issuance.

(c) In some instances, the appendices to the directives consist of documents readily accessible elsewhere in the public domain. In the interests of brevity, these documents are referenced rather than reprinted in full.

APPENDIX TO PART 216—NCS DIRECTIVES

NCS Directive 1–1—Organization, Membership and Administration—National Communications System (NCS) Issuance System

NCS Directive 1–2—Organization, Membership and Administration—National Communications System (NCS) Membership


NCS Directive 2–2—Plans, Programs, and Fiscal Management—National Level NSEP Telecommunications Program (NLP) Funding


NCS Directive 3–3—Telecommunications Operations—Shared Resources (SHARES) High Frequency (HF) Radio Program


[NCS DIRECTIVE 1–1]

Organization, Membership and Administration—National Communications System (NCS) Issuance System


1. Purpose. This directive establishes the National Communications System (NCS) Issuance System, describes the documents comprising the NCS Issuance System, and assigns responsibilities and delegates authority for implementing and managing that System.

2. Applicability. This directive is binding upon the Executive Agent, NCS; Manager, NCS; NCS Committee of Principals and member organizations; and other affected Executive entities.

3. Authority. Pursuant to the Constitution of the United States and other laws cited in Executive Order No. 12472, “Assignment of National Security and Emergency Preparedness Telecommunications Functions,” April 3, 1984; 49 FR 13471 (1984) (see appendix A to this directive), the President has established the NCS, which is subject to rules issued pursuant to the NCS Issuance System. This directive is issued under the authority of Executive Order No. 12472.


6. Definitions.

a. Binding. Imposing one or more obligations, responsibilities, or duties upon affected parties, subject to any overriding Federal statutes, executive orders, or other Federal law.

b. Issue. To put into effect, publish, and distribute an NCS issuance after final approval by proper authority.

c. NCS Issuances. Documents (i.e., NCS directives, circulars, manuals, handbooks, and notices; and Office of the Manager, NCS