

Acquisition

A. AUTHORITY: The National Security Act of 1947, as amended; Executive Order 12333, as amended; and other applicable provisions of law.

B. PURPOSE:

1. This Intelligence Community Directive (ICD) establishes policy to optimize delivery of capabilities through a more tailored acquisition framework across the Intelligence Community (IC) and assigns responsibilities for the oversight, approval, and the delegations thereof for IC acquisitions.

2. This ICD supersedes ICD 801, *Acquisition*, revised 16 August 2009.

3. This ICD rescinds IC Policy Guidance (ICPG) 801.1, *Acquisition*, revised 29 January 2015.

C. APPLICABILITY

1. This Directive applies to the IC, as defined by the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, and to such other elements of any department or agency as may be designated by the President, or designated jointly by the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) and the head of the department or agency concerned, as an element of the IC.

2. Specifically, this Directive applies to wholly or majority National Intelligence Program (NIP)-funded acquisitions that may be subject to additional oversight, to include Major System Acquisitions (MSA) and those designated that are executed by IC elements within the Department of Defense (DoD). To the extent formally agreed to by the relevant parties, this ICD shall also apply to other acquisitions funded jointly in the NIP and another funding program. For the purpose of this ICD, MSA is defined in 50 United States Code (U.S.C.) 3024(q) and 41 U.S.C. 109.

D. POLICY

1. IC acquisitions must be agile, flexible, responsive, and innovative in order for IC elements to most effectively address critical mission needs. This directive establishes the IC Tailored Acquisition Framework to ensure that these concepts are integrated into the IC acquisition environment to enable the IC to optimize its delivery of integrated IC capabilities.



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2. The Tailored Acquisition Framework (see Appendix) incorporates acquisition designations and acquisition models. The acquisition designations and corresponding models shall cover a broad range of commonly acquired products and services and will comprise the Tailored Acquisition Framework.

3. The Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Policy and Capabilities (DDNI/PC) is the DNI's designee for milestone decision authority (MDA), acquisition authorities, and oversight of the acquisition process. The DDNI/PC shall review and approve each phase of any IC acquisition identified for oversight, to include MSAs and other NIP-funded acquisitions or experiments that do not meet the statutory definition of an MSA at the time of designation. During the review process, the DDNI/PC shall coordinate with the appropriate Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) officials to ensure that other ODNI acquisition oversight requirements, specifically the IC Chief Financial Officer's (CFO) responsibilities in 50 U.S.C. 3034 or the IC Chief Information Officer's (CIO) responsibilities in 50 U.S.C. 3032, are addressed. The DDNI/PC may further delegate MDA oversight responsibilities in writing to other ODNI officials.

4. The DDNI/PC may delegate MDA responsibilities to IC element heads with continued ODNI oversight. IC element heads may further delegate MDA responsibilities with DDNI/PC concurrence. All delegated MDA responsibilities shall be made in writing, may be changed or withdrawn at any time by the DDNI/PC, and shall be executed in accordance with this ICD.

5. Consistent with the *Memorandum of Agreement Between the Director of National Intelligence and the Secretary of Defense Concerning the Management of Acquisition Programs Executed at the Department of Defense Intelligence Community Elements*, March 2008 or successor agreement, the DNI will serve jointly as MDA with the Secretary of Defense (SecDef), or the DDNI/PC shall serve jointly as MDA with the designee of the SecDef, when the wholly or majority-NIP funded acquisition is executed by an IC element within the DoD.

6. In accordance with applicable law and policy, the DDNI/PC, or the designee that has been delegated MDA responsibilities (hereinafter "responsible official delegated MDA" [RO/MDA]), shall determine a set of documentation requirements that must be completed for each acquisition, to include program management plans and vulnerability assessments for MSAs. Acquisition documentation will account for supply chain risk and security-related considerations. IC elements shall submit required acquisition documentation and necessary information to the RO/MDA for review.

7. The National Intelligence Acquisition Board (NIAB) shall serve as the principal forum for milestone decisions for which ODNI is the RO/MDA. The NIAB shall be chaired by the RO/MDA. When a wholly or majority-NIP funded acquisition is executed by an IC element within the DoD, the NIAB shall be co-chaired by the RO/MDA and the designee of the SecDef, in accordance with Section D.5. The NIAB shall ensure acquisitions meet all procedural milestone decision requirements before the RO/MDA makes an acquisition determination. When MDA responsibilities for an acquisition are delegated to an IC element head, the IC element head shall convene a milestone decision forum that fulfills all responsibilities of the NIAB in accordance with this ICD.

8. To ensure that oversight of IC acquisitions is both flexible and responsive, the DDNI/PC shall serve as the IC Senior Acquisition Executive (SAE) (who will oversee the IC Tailored Acquisition Framework) and the IC Senior Procurement Executive (SPE) (who will oversee IC procurement activities). The DDNI/PC may further delegate these roles within ODNI, as appropriate. All delegations shall be made in writing and may be changed or withdrawn at the DDNI/PC's discretion.

a. The IC Acquisition Council (ICAC) shall support the chair, the IC SAE, to include the development of the IC Tailored Acquisition Framework. Each IC element shall identify an acquisition executive to participate in the ICAC.

b. The IC Procurement Executive Council (IPEC) shall support the chair, the IC SPE, to include the development of IC procurement processes and guides. Each IC element shall identify a SPE to participate in the IPEC.

9. The DDNI/PC is the accountable official responsible for the implementation of this policy and for issuing IC Standards (ICS), as necessary, that provide detailed guidance on the processes and program documentation required for each acquisition designation and model.

10. ODNI, in coordination with IC elements, shall establish education, training, and experience standards for the acquisition workforce, as defined in ICPG 801.3, *Acquisition Workforce*. To the extent practicable, these standards shall incorporate 10 U.S.C. 87 and the personnel policies and education and training requirements applicable to persons serving in acquisition positions in the DoD.

11. Each IC element shall establish, implement, adequately resource, and administer an acquisition process and corresponding policy in accordance with this ICD.

E. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The DDNI/PC shall:

a. Serve as the DNI's designee in accordance with Section D.3;

b. Ensure that other ODNI acquisition oversight requirements, specifically the IC CFO's responsibilities in 50 U.S.C. 3034 or the IC CIO's responsibilities in 50 U.S.C. 3032, are addressed;

c. Serve as the accountable official for the implementation of this ICD;

d. Serve as or delegate the RO/MDA for NIP-funded acquisitions;

(1) With respect to wholly or majority-NIP funded acquisitions that are executed by IC elements within the DoD, the DDNI/PC shall serve as MDA jointly with the designee of the SecDef.

e. Develop and promulgate ICS, as necessary, to provide detailed guidance on the processes and program documentation required for each acquisition designation and model consistent with this ICD;

f. Conduct oversight of NIP-funded acquisitions (or jointly conduct oversight with the designee of the SecDef for acquisitions executed by IC elements within the DoD);

g. Further delegate MDA oversight responsibilities within ODNI, as appropriate;

h. Further delegate MDA responsibility within the IC, as appropriate;

i. Periodically review and assess acquisitions, as appropriate;

j. Determine a set of documentation requirements for each acquisition;

k. Serve as, or further delegate within ODNI the roles of, the IC SAE and the IC SPE; and

l. Ensure acquisition workforce standards are established in coordination with IC elements.

2. The IC CFO and IC CIO shall execute their acquisition responsibilities consistent with their respective statutory authorities and in coordination with the DDNI/PC.

3. The IC SAE shall:

a. Provide guidance on matters affecting acquisition, as necessary;

b. Oversee the development and implementation of the IC Tailored Acquisition Framework;

c. Periodically review and assess, as necessary, with appropriate stakeholders to determine those acquisitions for which the DDNI/PC will exercise MDA or conduct MDA oversight; and

d. Chair the ICAC.

4. The IC SPE shall:

a. Provide guidance on matters affecting IC contracting and procurement, as necessary;

b. Monitor IC procurement activities;

c. Coordinate with IC element SPEs regarding NIP-funded procurements; and

d. Chair the IPEC.

5. Heads of IC elements shall:

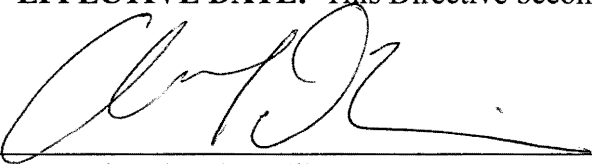
a. Oversee their element's acquisition system and implement policies and governance, consistent with this ICD and applicable IC policies;

b. When delegated, perform MDA responsibilities for assigned acquisitions in accordance with this ICD and under continued ODNI oversight;

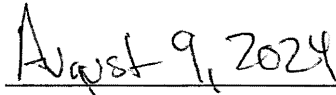
c. When delegated MDA responsibilities, determine a set of documentation requirements for each acquisition;

- d. Complete all required acquisition documentation and submit to the RO/MDA, as requested;
- e. When delegated MDA responsibilities, convene a milestone decision forum that fulfills all responsibilities of the NIAB in accordance with this ICD and any subsequent ICS;
- f. Identify acquisition executives who will participate in the ICAC and ensure that acquisition management controls are appropriately executed;
- g. Identify SPEs who will participate in the IPEC and ensure that requested information concerning NIP-funded procurements is provided to the IC SPE; and
- h. When executing a NIP-funded acquisition, make applicable information (including, but not limited to, necessary access to compartmented, special handling, special access, and similarly designated acquisition-related information) available to ODNI, as requested, in support of the DNI's acquisition authorities.

F. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Directive becomes effective on the date of signature.



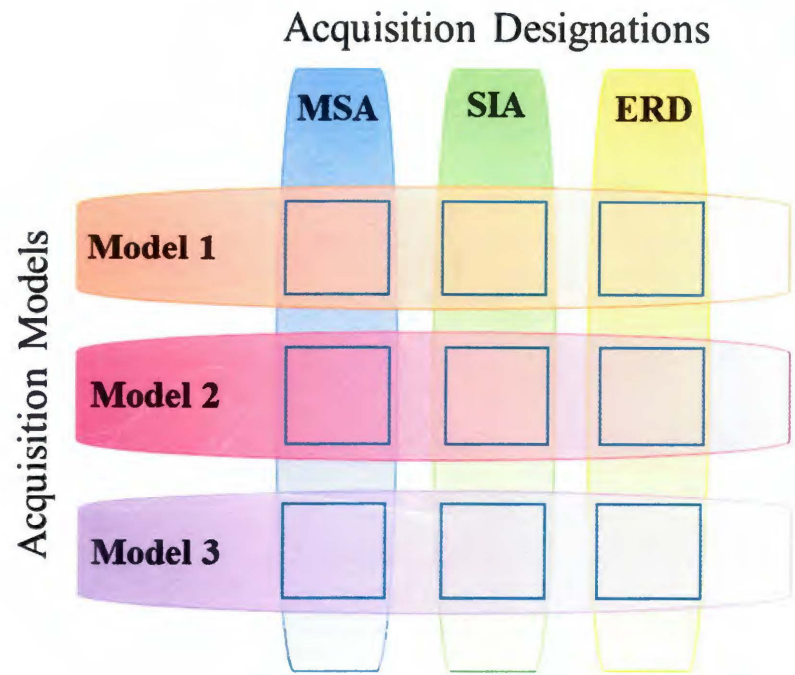
Director of National Intelligence



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Appendix¹

Tailored Acquisition Framework



MSA: Major System Acquisition
SIA: Special Interest Acquisition
ERD: Experimental Research Demonstration

¹ The graphic depicts how the Tailored Acquisition Framework has the flexibility to incorporate current and potential future acquisition models. The graphic is UNCLASSIFIED.