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NATIONAL SECURITY DIRECTIVE 63

MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT  
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 DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT  
 DIRECTOR, INFORMATION SECURITY OVERSIGHT OFFICE

SUBJECT: Single Scope Background Investigations

To eliminate redundant and costly investigative practices currently employed throughout the Executive branch, I direct that the following minimum investigative scope and standards be adopted by all agencies and departments for access for Collateral Top Secret/National Security Information and Sensitive Compartmented Information:

Scope

Past ten (10) years or to age 18, whichever is less.

Expansion of Investigation

The investigation may be expanded as necessary, to resolve issues and/or address employment standards unique to individual agencies.

National Agency Check

Checks on subject and spouse/cohabitant of investigative and criminal history files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, including submission of fingerprint records on the subject, and such other national agencies (DCII, INS, OPM, CIA, etc.) as appropriate to the individual's background.

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