

G.12 (U) NATIONAL SECURITY LETTERS FOR TELEPHONE TOLL RECORDS OF MEMBERS OF THE NEWS MEDIA OR NEWS ORGANIZATIONS

~~(S/NF)~~ **Members of news media or news organizations:** An investigation of members of the news media or news organizations is a sensitive investigative matter (SIM). See DIOG Section 10 and Appendix G-7 for Sensitive Investigative Matters. A member of the news media or a news organization is defined in DIOG Section 10.1.2.2.5 and Appendix G.7.1.1

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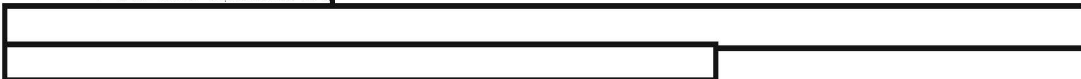


(U) Department of Justice policy with regard to the issuance of subpoenas for telephone toll records of members of the news media is found at 28 C.F.R. § 50.10. The regulation concerns only grand jury subpoenas, not National Security Letters (NSLs) or administrative subpoenas. (The regulation requires Attorney General approval prior to the issuance of a grand jury subpoena for telephone toll records of a member of the news media, and when such a subpoena is issued, notice must be given to the news media member either before or soon after such records are obtained.) The following approval requirements and specific procedures apply for the issuance of an NSL for telephone toll records of members of the news media or news organizations.

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(U//FOUO) **Approval requirements:** In addition to the approval requirements for NSLs set out in DIOG Section 18.6.6.1.3.

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~~(S/NF)~~ If the NSL is seeking telephone toll records of an individual who is a member of the news media or news organization



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there are no additional approval requirements other than those set out in DIOG Section 18.6.6.1.3



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(U) **Specific Procedures:** The procedures for creating an NSL [Redacted]

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