

departments or agencies of the Federal Government, shall notify the congressional intelligence committees each time the Director of National Intelligence determines—

(1) there is credible information or intelligence that a foreign entity has attempted, is attempting, or will attempt to deploy machine-manipulated media or machine-generated text aimed at the elections or domestic political processes of the United States; and

(2) that such intrusion or campaign can be attributed to a foreign government, a foreign government-affiliated entity, or a foreign individual.

**(d) Definitions**

**(1) Machine-generated text**

The term “machine-generated text” means text generated using machine-learning techniques in order to resemble writing in natural language.

**(2) Machine-manipulated media**

The term “machine-manipulated media” has the meaning given that term in section 5724.<sup>1</sup>

(Pub. L. 116–92, div. E, title LVII, §5709, Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 2168; Pub. L. 117–263, div. F, title LXVIII, §6811(b), Dec. 23, 2022, 136 Stat. 3600.)

**Editorial Notes**

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 5724, referred to in subsec. (d)(2), means section 5724 of Pub. L. 116–92, which is set out as a note under section 3024 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

2022—Subsecs. (d), (e). Pub. L. 117–263 redesignated subsec. (e) as (d) and struck out former subsec. (d). Prior to amendment, text of subsec. (d) read as follows: “Upon submission of the report in subsection (a), on an annual basis, the Director of National Intelligence, in consultation with the heads of the elements of the intelligence community determined appropriate by the Director, shall submit to the congressional intelligence committees any significant updates with respect to the matters described in subsection (a).”

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

DEFINITIONS

For definitions of “intelligence community” and “congressional intelligence committees” as used in this section, see section 5003 of div. E of Pub. L. 116–92, set out as a note under section 3003 of this title.

**§ 3369b. Oversight of foreign influence in academia**

**(a) Definitions**

In this section:

**(1) Covered institution of higher education**

The term “covered institution of higher education” means an institution described in section 1002 of title 20 that receives Federal funds in any amount and for any purpose.

**(2) Sensitive research subject**

The term “sensitive research subject” means a subject of research that is carried out at a covered institution of higher education

that receives funds that were appropriated for—

(A) the National Intelligence Program; or

(B) any Federal agency the Director of National Intelligence deems appropriate.

**(b) Report required**

Not later than 180 days after December 20, 2019, and not less frequently than once each year thereafter, the Director of National Intelligence, in consultation with such elements of the intelligence community as the Director considers appropriate and consistent with the privacy protections afforded to United States persons, shall provide to congressional intelligence committees a briefing on risks to sensitive research subjects posed by foreign entities in order to provide Congress and covered institutions of higher education with more complete information on these risks and to help ensure academic freedom.

**(c) Contents**

The briefing required by subsection (b) shall include the following:

(1) A list of sensitive research subjects that could affect national security.

(2) A list of foreign entities, including governments, corporations, nonprofit organizations and for-profit organizations, and any subsidiary or affiliate of such an entity, that the Director determines pose a counterintelligence, espionage (including economic espionage), or other national security threat with respect to sensitive research subjects.

(3) A list of any known or suspected attempts by foreign entities to exert pressure on covered institutions of higher education, including attempts to limit freedom of speech, propagate misinformation or disinformation, or to influence professors, researchers, or students.

(4) Recommendations for collaboration between covered institutions of higher education and the intelligence community to mitigate threats to sensitive research subjects associated with foreign influence in academia, including any necessary legislative or administrative action.

**(d) Congressional notifications required**

Not later than 30 days after the date on which the Director identifies a change to either list described in paragraph (1) or (2) of subsection (c), the Director shall notify the congressional intelligence committees of the change.

(Pub. L. 116–92, div. E, title LVII, §5713, Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 2172; Pub. L. 118–159, div. F, title LXIX, §6901(c), Dec. 23, 2024, 138 Stat. 2516.)

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AMENDMENTS

2024—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 118–159, §6901(c)(1), substituted “shall provide” for “shall submit” and “briefing” for “report”. “Report” in subsec. heading was not amended.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 118–159, §6901(c)(2), substituted “briefing” for “report” in introductory provisions.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

DEFINITIONS

For definitions of “intelligence community” and “congressional intelligence committees” as used in

<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.

this section, see section 5003 of div. E of Pub. L. 116–92, set out as a note under section 3003 of this title.

**§ 3369c. Notification of an active measures campaign**

**(a) Definitions**

In this section:

**(1) Appropriate congressional committees**

The term “appropriate congressional committees” means—

- (A) the congressional intelligence committees;
- (B) the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives; and
- (C) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

**(2) Congressional leadership**

The term “congressional leadership” includes the following:

- (A) The majority leader of the Senate.
- (B) The minority leader of the Senate.
- (C) The Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- (D) The minority leader of the House of Representatives.

**(b) Requirement for notification**

The Director of National Intelligence, in cooperation with the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the head of any other relevant agency, shall notify the congressional leadership and the chairman and vice chairman or ranking member of each of the appropriate congressional committees, and of other relevant committees of jurisdiction, each time the Director of National Intelligence determines there is credible information that a foreign power has, is, or will attempt to employ a covert influence or active measures campaign with regard to the modernization, employment, doctrine, or force posture of the nuclear deterrent or missile defense.

**(c) Content of notification**

Each notification required by subsection (b) shall include information concerning actions taken by the United States to expose or halt an attempt referred to in subsection (b).

(Pub. L. 116–92, div. E, title LXVII, § 6703, Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 2223.)

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

**DEFINITIONS**

For definition of “congressional intelligence committees” as used in this section, see section 5003 of div. E of Pub. L. 116–92, set out as a note under section 3003 of this title.

**§ 3369d. Committee to counter active measures by the Russian Federation, the People’s Republic of China, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, or other nation state to exert covert influence over peoples and governments**

**(a) Definitions**

In this section:

**(1) Active measures by Russia, China, Iran, North Korea, or other nation state to exert covert influence**

The term “active measures by Russia, China, Iran, North Korea, or other nation state to exert covert influence” means activities intended to influence a person or government that are carried out in coordination with, or at the behest of, political leaders or the security services of the Russian Federation, the People’s Republic of China, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, or other nation state and the role of the Russian Federation, the People’s Republic of China, the Islamic Republic of Korea, or other nation state has been hidden or not acknowledged publicly, including the following:

- (A) Establishment or funding of a front group.
- (B) Covert broadcasting.
- (C) Media manipulation.
- (D) Disinformation and forgeries.
- (E) Funding agents of influence.
- (F) Incitement and offensive counterintelligence.
- (G) Assassinations.
- (H) Terrorist acts.

**(2) Appropriate committees of Congress**

The term “appropriate committees of Congress” means—

- (A) the congressional intelligence committees;
- (B) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and
- (C) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

**(b) Establishment**

There is established within the executive branch an interagency committee to counter active measures by the Russian Federation, the People’s Republic of China, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, or other nation state to exert covert influence.

**(c) Membership**

**(1) In general**

**(A) Appointment**

Each head of an agency or department of the Government set out under subparagraph (B) shall appoint one member of the committee established by subsection (b) from among officials of such agency or department who occupy a position that is required to be appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate.

**(B) Head of an agency or department**

The head of an agency or department of the Government set out under this subparagraph are the following:

- (i) The Director of National Intelligence.
- (ii) The Secretary of State.
- (iii) The Secretary of Defense.
- (iv) The Secretary of the Treasury.