



**DOCUMENT XVI:**

**SECURITY PROVISION TO BE INCLUDED IN  
PROGRAMME SECURITY INSTRUCTIONS  
CONCERNING THE PROTECTION OF CLASSIFIED  
INFORMATION APPROVED FOR RELEASE TO NON  
PROGRAMME PARTICIPANTS**

CLASSIFICATION LEVEL

RECORD OF CHANGES		
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## INTRODUCTION

Programme Security Instructions (PSIs') normally include provisions concerning the release of classified Foreground information, which is owned by all of the programme participants, to third party States. Such provisions require the prior written consent of all programme participants before disclosures can be made. So that the required measures are in place to ensure that classified information approved for release is appropriately protected by the third party recipient the following paragraphs should also be incorporated within the PSIs:

Where classified Foreground information has been approved for release by all programme participants to a non programme participant, the releasing participant (the Sponsor), must have a signed bi-lateral Security Agreement/Arrangement in place with the non programme participant. The bi-lateral Security Agreement/Arrangement must include, amongst others, provisions obligating the recipient to protect the classified information received from the Sponsor; to limit access to individuals with an appropriate security clearance and a need to know, to inform the Sponsor of any breach/loss or compromise of the classified information received. It must also include a table with the national security classification equivalences.

The Sponsor nation NSA/DSA will be responsible for providing a written Security Assurance (template attached), signed by a representative duly authorised by the recipient State to the programme participating NSAs/DSAs. The Security Assurance will require the non programme participant recipient to protect the classified programme Foreground information to a degree no less stringent than the provisions contained in the bi-lateral Security Agreement/Arrangement. The programme classifications, pre-fixed by the programme name, will be identified in the Security Assurance with their equivalents to the national classifications cited in the bi-lateral Security Agreement/Arrangement.



**SECURITY ASSURANCE**

The [TO BE INSERTED] as represented by [TO BE INSERTED<sup>1</sup>] hereby confirm that as a consequence of the [INSERT REASON FOR DISCLOSURE IN FULL], all classified information received from [INSERT COUNTRY OF SPONSOR] relating to the [INSERT NAME OF PROGRAMME] as a result of this procurement consideration, will be protected in accordance with the [INSERT COUNTRY OF RECIPIENT] national security laws and regulations and the provisions of the Security Agreement/Arrangement [DELETE AS APPROPRIATE] between [TO BE INSERTED] and [TO BE INSERTED] concerning the Protection of Classified Information dated [TO BE INSERTED]

Accordingly, [TO BE INSERTED] recognise the equivalency of the classifications detailed below:

[INSERT PROGRAMME] CLASSIFIED INFORMATION	[SPONSOR] CLASSIFIED INFORMATION	[RECIPIENT] CLASSIFIED INFORMATION
SECRET		
CONFIDENTIAL		
RESTRICTED		

<b>SIGNED</b>
Name:

Appointment:

<b>DATE (dd/MM/yyyy)</b>

<sup>1</sup> The signatory must be an officially authorised representative who is either the direct recipient of the released information or is a senior representative responsible for ensuring the protection of information released."