

ATTACHMENT
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**DCI GUIDANCE ON DECLASSIFICATION AND
RELEASE OF MATERIALS PERTAINING TO
PRISONERS OF WAR AND MISSING IN ACTION**

Pursuant to Executive Order 12812 concerning the declassification of POW/MIA materials, all affected members of the Intelligence Community are directed to review expeditiously their holdings of POW/MIA materials with the objective of declassification to the greatest extent possible consistent with the terms of the Executive Order (EO). In this regard, each affected component is to ensure that any redaction of documents to be declassified is minimized while continuing to protect sources and methods, the revelation of which would impair intelligence capabilities and/or commitments. Each agency is directed to ensure that any documents in its possession, originating with another agency, are reviewed for release by the originating agency in consultation with other agencies as appropriate.

Regarding the public release of declassified materials, components must also be mindful of the privacy of POW/MIA families and the integrity of the Executive deliberative process, as specified in Paragraph two of the EO. The objective here will also be to provide as much material as possible with a minimum of redaction.