

Standard Minimization Procedures for  
NSA Surveillances

New Provision

Old Provision

Section 1 -- Applicability and Scope

Section 1

Section 2 -- Definitions

Section 2

- a. Acquisition
- b. Communications concerning a U.S. Person
- c. Communications of a U.S. Person
- d. Consent
- e. Foreign communication [Domestic Communication]
- f. Identification of a U.S. Person
- g. [REDACTED]
- h. Publicly available information
- i. [REDACTED]
- j. U.S. person

- Section 2(a)
- Section 2(g)
- Section 2(g)
- Section 2(c)
- Section 3(d)(3)
- Section 2(d)
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- Section 2(b)
- Section 2(e)
- Section 2(f)

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Section 3 -- Acquisition and Processing - General

Section 3

- a. Acquisition
- b. Verification
- c. Monitoring, Recording, and Processing
- d. U.S. Persons Employed by the Foreign Power
- e. Destruction of Raw Data
- f. Non-Pertinent Communications
- g. Change in Target's Location or Status

- Section 3(a)
- Section 3(b)
- Section 3(c) &  
(d)(1-3)
- Section 3(d)(6)
- Section 3(d)(7)
- Section 3(e)
- Section 3(f)

Section 4 -- Acquisition and Processing - Special Cases

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- a. [REDACTED]
- b. [REDACTED]

- Section 3(d)(4)
- Section 3(d)(5)

Section 5 -- Domestic Communications

Sections 4 & 5

- a. Dissemination
- b. Retention

- Section 5(e)
- Section 4

Section 6 -- Foreign Communications of or Concerning U.S. Persons

Sections 4 & 5

- a. Retention
- b. Dissemination

- Section 4
- Section 5(a)-(d)

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Section 7 -- [REDACTED]

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Section 8 -- [REDACTED]

Section 6

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