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§ 132. Seal

The Secretary of Defense shall have a seal for the Department of Defense The design of the seal is subject to approval by the President Judicial notice shall be taken of the seal

Added Pub L 87-651, Title II, § 202, Sept 7, 1962, 76 Stat 517

Historical Note

Legislative History For legislative 1962 U.S.Code Cong and Adm News p history and purpose of Pub L 87-651, see 2456

Library References

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§ 133. Secretary of Defense appointment; powers and duties; delegation by

- (a) There is a Secretary of Defense, who is the head of the Department of Defense, appointed from civilian life by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate A person may not be appointed as Secretary of Defense within 10 years after relief from active duty as a commissioned officer of a regular component of an armed force
- (b) The Secretary is the principal assistant to the President in all matters relating to the Department of Defense Subject to the direction of the President and to this title and section 401 of title 50, he has authority, direction, and control over the Department of Defense
- (c) The Secretary shall report annually in writing to the Piesident and the Congress on the expenditures, work, and accomplishments of the Department of Defense during the period covered by the report, together with—
 - (1) a report from each military department on the expenditures, work, and accomplishments of that department,
 - (2) itemized statements showing the savings of public funds, and the eliminations of unnecessary duplications, made under section 125 of this title.
 - (3) a report from the Reserve Forces Policy Board on the reserve programs of the Department of Defense, including a re-

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view of the effectiveness of chapters 51, 337, 361, 363 549, 573, 837, 861, and 863 of this title, as far as they apply to 1eserve officers, and

(4) such recommendations as he considers appropriate

(d) Unless specifically prohib fed by law, the Secretary may, without being relieved of his responsibility, perform any of his functions or duties, or exercise any of his powers through, or with the aid of, such persons in, or organizations of, the Department of Defense as he may designate

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paredness functions to the Secretary of Defense see Parts 1 4 and 30 of Fx Ord No 11490 Oct 28 1969 34 FR 17567 set out as a note under section 2292 of the Appendix to Title 50 War and Na ^{*}tional Defense

Legislative History I or legislative history and purpose of Pub L 87-651 see 1962 US Code Cong and Adm News, p

Emergency Preparedness For assignment of certain emergency pre Act of July 26, 1947 Ch 343, 61 State

Cross References

Nation Annual rate of basic compensation of Secretary see section 5312 of Fitle 5 Govern ment Organization and I inployees

National Security Agency employment delegation of authority for terminating not withstanding subsec (d) of this section see section 833 of Title 50 War and National Defense

Reports to Congressional Committees policies and procedures on recall to active duty of Ready Reserve members see section 673 of this title

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Code of Federal Regulations

Acceptance designation and receipt of service of process ace 32 CFR 2571 et seq Cost information reports applicability and scope see 32 CFR 2501 et seq Fqual Opportunity Program policy of assuring compliance see 32 CFR 1911 et seq Foreign tax relief program policy and scope see 32 CFR 2111 et seq Honorary awards to private citizens and organizations policy and scope establish in ϵ see 32 Ck R 2H 1 et seq

Overseas Dependents School System policy for organization operation and admin istration see 32 CFR 69 1 et seq

Standards of conduct for military and civilian personnel havy Department see 32 CFR 721 1 et seq

Subscription service of directives instructions and indexes to the public see 32 CFR 289 1 et seq

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§ 797. Publication and sale of photographs of defense installations

On and after thirty days from the date upon which the President defines any vital military or navel installation or equipment as being within the category contemplated under section 795 of this title, whoever reproduces, publishes, sells, or gives away any photograph, sketch, picture, drawing, map, or graphical representation of the vital military or naval installations or equipment so defined, without first obtaining permission of the commanding officer of the military or naval post, camp, or station concerned, or higher authority, unless such photograph, sketch, picture, drawing, map, or graphical representation has clearly indicated thereon that it has been censored by the proper military or naval authority, shall be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both June 25, 1948, c 645, 62 Stat 738

Library references War and National Defense \$=48 CJS War and National Defense \$ 50

Historical and Revision Notes

Roviser's Note. Based on sections 45 and 45b of Title 50 USC 1940 ed War and National Defense (Jan 12 1938 c 2 ft 1 3 52 Stat 3)

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age since punishment cannot be imposed until a conviction is secured

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Canal Zone. Applicability of section to-Canal Zone, see section 14 of this title

§ 798. Disclosure of Classified Information 1

- (a) Whoever knowingly and willfully communicates, furnishes, transmits, or otherwise makes available to an unauthorized person, or publishes, or uses in any manner prejudicial to the safety or interest of the United States or for the benefit of any foreign government to the detriment of the United States any classified information—
 - (1) concerning the nature, preparation, or use of any code, cipher, or cryptographic system of the United States or any foreign government, or
 - (2) concerning the design, construction, use, maintenance, or repair of any device, apparatus, or appliance used or prepared or planned for use by the United States or any foreign government for cryptographic or communication intelligence purposes, or
 - (3) concerning the communication intelligence activities of the United States or any foreign government, or

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(4) obtained by the processes of communication intelligence from the communications of any foreign government, knowing the same to have been obtained by such processes—

Shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than ten years, or both

(b) As used in subsection (a) of this section—

The term "classified information" means information which, at the time of a violation of this section, is, for reasons of national security, specifically designated by a United States Government Agency for limited or restricted dissemination or distribution,

The terms "code," "cipher," and "cryptographic system" include in their meanings, in addition to their usual meanings, any method of secret writing and any mechanical or electrical device or method used for the purpose of disguising or concealing the contents, significance, or meanings of communications,

The term "foreign government" includes in its meaning any person or persons acting or purporting to act for or on behalf of any faction, party, department, agency, bureau, or military force of or within a foreign country, or for or on behalf of any government or any person or persons purporting to act as a government within a foreign country, whether or not such government is recognized by the United States,

The term "communication intelligence" means all procedures and methods used in the interception of communications and the obtaining of information from such communications by other than the intended recipients,

The term "unauthorized person" means any person who, or agency which, is not authorized to receive information of the categories set forth in subsection (a) of this section, by the President, or by the head of a department or agency of the United States Government which is expressly designated by the President to engage in communication intelligence activities for the United States

(c) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the furnishing, upon lawful demand, of information to any regularly constituted committee of the Senate or House of Representatives of the United States of America, or joint committee thereof Added Oct 31, 1951, c 655, § 24(a), 65 Stat 719

1 So enacted See second section 798 enacted on June 30 1953, set out below

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Canal Zone Applicability of section to Canal Zone see section 14 of this title.

Legislative History For legislative his tory and purpose of Act Oct 31 1951, see 1951 U S Code Cong and Adm News, p 2378.

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Disclosure of classified information by Government officer or employee see section 783(b) (d) of Title 50 War and Antional Defense.

Federal retirement benefits forfeiture upon conviction of offenses described under this section see section 2282 of Title 5 Executive Departments and Government Officers and Employees

Veterans benefits forfeiture upon conviction under this section see section 3505 of Litle 38 Veterans Benefits

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1 Constitutional safeguards

The National Security Act former section 171 et seq of Title 5 and the Armed Service Procurement Act section 2301 et seq of Title 10 together with this section making it a crime to communicate intelligence information to unauthorized persons and section 783 of Title 50 making it a crime for officer or employee of United States to communicate classified

information to agents of foreign govern ments or Communist organizations do no authorize Department of Defense to cre ate industrial security clea ance program under which affected persons may low their jobs and may be restrained in following their chosen professions on basis of fact determinations concerning their fitness for clear-ince made in proceedings in which they are denied traditional procedural safeguards of confrontation and cross examination. Greene v McClirov App D C.1969 79 S Ct 1400 360 US 474 3 I Ed 2d 1377

§ 798. Temporary extension of section 794 1

The provisions of section 794 of this title, as amended and extended by section 1(a) (29) of the Emergency Powers Continuation Act (66 Stat 333), as further amended by Public Law 12, Eightythird Congress, in addition to coming into full force and effect in time of war shall remain in full force and effect until six months after the termination of the national emergency proclaimed by the President on December 16, 1950 (Proc 2912, 3 C F R, 1950 Supp, p 71), or such earlier date as may be prescribed by concurrent resolution of the Congress, and acts which would give rise to legal consequences and penalties under section 794 when performed during a state of war shall give rise to the same legal consequences and penalties when they are performed during the period above provided for Added June 30, 1953, c 175, § 4, 67 Stat 133

1 So enacted See first section 798 enacted on Oct. 31, 1931 set out above

Historical Note

References in Text Section 1(a) (29) of the Imergency Powers Continuation Act (66 Stat 333) as further amended by Public Law 12 Lighty third Congress referred to in the text was formerly set out as a note under section 791 of this title and was repealed by section 7 of Act June 30 1953.

Proc. 2012 3 C T R 1950 Supp, p 71 referred to in the text is an erroneous citation. It should refer to Proc. 2014

which is set out as a note preceding section 1 of Appendix to Title 50 War and National Defense.

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cially where court had already charged adequately on attempt count. Id

22 Questions for Jury

In prosecution for conspiracy to violate this section for providing conspiracy to transmit information 'relating to the national defense,' whether documents de fendant conspired to transmit were of such character was for jury U S v Drummond, C.A.N v 1965, 354 F 2d 132 certiorari denied 86 S Ct. 1968, 384 U S 1913 16 L Ed 2d 1961, rehearing denied 87 S Ct. 24, 385 U S 82, 17 L.Ed.2d 126 Fact that scientists' opinions were in conflict with opinion of electrical engineer as to accuracy of schematic drawing of atomic bomb introduced in evidence in esplonage prosecution did not establish that engineers opinion was false as engineer's credibility was for jury and not for panel of experts Sobell v U S, D C N v 1967 264 F Supp 579, affirmed 378 F 2d 674 certiorari denied 88 S Ct 780, \$89 U S 1051, 19 L Ed 2d 342, rehearing denied 88 S Ct 1025, 390 U S 977, 19 L Rd 2d 1197

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22a Harmless or prejudicial error
Where there was no showing that Soviet Government would have waived diplo
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had remained in the United States, defendants in prosecution for conspiracy to
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a foreign government were not prejudiced by the United States declaring diplomats to be persona non grata US v
Butenko C.A.N J 1987 384 F 2d 554 va
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24. Sentence—Generally
Defendant convicted on two counts, one charging that defendant conspired with employee of foreign embassy to transmit information relating to national defense to foreign government, and second count charging that defendant and same employee and other persons conspired to obtain national defense information was properly sentenced to consecutive senten

count and not to conspiracy count, especially where court had already charged adequately on attempt count. Id 22 Questions for Jury cess on each count. Boeckenhaupt v U CA VA 1968, 392 F.2d 24 certiorari de nied 89 S Ct 162, 893 U S. 896, 21 L Ed 22 177

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25. — Correction

Fact that district court was under in correct impression in 1973 that defendant had pleaded guilty to crimes in addition to crime of conspiracy to commit esplonage did not operate to undermine validity of defendant's 1985 a gience for crime nor did court's incorrect assessment of defendant's motion for correction or reductive of sentence as being untimely serve to undermine previous validity Thompson v U S, C.A.N Y 1973, 484 F 2d 9-2

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Where F B I. log of interview which was marked for identification and given to defense counsel in prosecution for conspiracy to violate this section was not in troduced in evidence, and defendant never contended at trial that he had been denied his constitutional right of access to counsel, so that government was denied opportunity to offer the log into evidence, to avoid penalizing the government for failing to respond at trial to a contention permitted to be raised for first time on appeal, Court of Appeals would exercise its power to consider the exhibit marked for identification U S v Drummond, C.A.N Y 1965, 354 F.2d 132, certiorari denied 86 S Ct. 1963 384 U S 1012, 16 L Ed 2d 1031 rehearing denied 87 S Ct. 24, 383 U S 822 17 L.R.d.2d 123, Fact that witness' schematic drawing

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Fact that witness' schematic drawing and descriptive testimony of atomic bomb were not scientifically complete and ac curate did not render witness' testimony in esplonage prosecution so incredible as to entitle convicted esplonage agent to post-conviction relief. Sobell v U S, DCN Y1967 264 F Supp 579, affirmed 378 F 24 574, certiorari denied 83 S Ct. 780 289 US 1051, 19 L Ed.2d 842, rehearing denied 83 S Ct 1025, 390 US 977, 19 L Ed.2d 1197

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Regulations—Generally
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L. Historical documents
This section did not have application to or proscribe publication of historical documents pertaining to the war in Vietnam and the Tonkin Gulf incident. U.S. v. New York Times Co. D.C.N.Y 1971, 328 F. Supp. 324, remanded 444 k. 2d. 544 reversed on other grounds and remanded 91 S.Ct. 2140 403 U.S. 713 29 L. Ed. 2d. 822.

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1 Constitutionality

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This section requiring prior notification to Secretary of State before acting as agent for foreign government contemplates no future estimated activity and a not unconstitutional because incidentally it might be applicable to one about to be estimated upon the bound of th

. Construction with other laws

There is no inconsistency between this section and section 612 of Title 22 making it criminal offense for a person becoming agent of foreign principal to full to rigister with Attorney Ceneral US v Melch DC III 1961 193 I Supp 586

, Jurisdiction

USCA Const Art 3 § 2 ci 2 giving supreme Court original and exclusive urisdiction in proceedings against am bassadors or other public ministers of foreign nations had no application to slien defendant in prosecution for conspiracy to violate this section and section 733 of this title relating to gathering and transmitting defense information where

the defendant was an employee of the United Nations he worked exclusively in nondiplomatic espacity and he was not eligible to receive and did not enter I mited States on American diplomatic visas but only on nondiplomatic visas to the only of nondiplomatic visas to the only of 1960 1960 1961 Supp 67

4 Venue

The proper venue to try a violator of former section 601 of Title "2 was in the district where the defendant acted as agent without having given prior notification to the Secretary of State I S v Buerk DCW 1911 38 1 Supp 100

5 Indiciment

Indictments charking that defendents conspired to transmit information relating to national defense and conspired to act is agents of another nation without pilor notification to Secretary of State would not be dismissed on ground that United States placed defendants alleged coconspirators who were prospective wit nesses, beyond jurisdiction of court without notice to defendants where there was no proof of suppression of each dence of even existence thereof U S & 1 gorns 10 C & Y 1364 222 1 Supp 732

6 Evidence

l vidence sustained conviction of conspiries to violate former section 601 of little 22 which made it a crime not to register with the Secretary of State If one is acting as an agent of a foreign Lovernment US V Ireine CCANY 1945 151 I 26 813 certional denied 66 8Ct 975 328 US 833 90 I Fel 1008

§ 952. Diplomatic codes and correspondence

Whoever, by virtue of his employment by the United States, obtains from another or has or has had custody of or access to, any official diplomatic code or any matter prepared in any such code, or which purports to have been prepared in any such code, and without authorization or competent authority, willfully publishes or furnishes to another any such cole or matter, or any matter which was obtained while in the process of transmission between any foreign government and its diplomatic mission in the United States, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than ten years, or both June 25, 1948, c 645 62 Stat 743

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§ 953. Private correspondence with foreign governments

Any citizen of the United States, wherever he may be, who, without authority of the United States, directly or indirectly commences or carries on any correspondence or intercourse with any foreign government or any officer or agent thereof, with intent to influence the measures or conduct of any foreign government or of any officer or agent thereof, in relation to any disputes or controversies with the United States, or to defeat the measures of the United States, shall be fined not more than \$5,000 or imprisoned not more than three years, or both

This section shall not abridge the right of a citizen to apply, himself or his agent, to any foleign government or the agents thereof for redress of any injury which he may have sustained from such government or any of its agents or subjects. June 25, 1948, c 645, 62 Stat 744

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Reviser's Note. Based on Title 18 U S C 1940 ed § 5 (Mar 4 1909, c 321 § 5 55 Stat 1088 [derived from R S § 5335] Apr 22 1932 c 126, 47 Stat 132)

The reference to any citizen or resident within the jurisdiction of the United Stites not duly authorized 'who counsels advises or assists in such correspondence with such intent was omitted as unnecessary in view of definition of principal in section 2

Mandatory punishment provision was rephrased in the alternative.

Minor changes of arrangement and in phraseology were made. 80th Congress House Report No 304

Canal Zone Applicability of section to Canal Zone see section 14 of this title.

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1 Construction

Any ambiguity in this chapter should be resolved in favor of lenity Waldron v British Petroleum Co, DCNY 1964 231 P Supp 72.

2 Generally

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