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Michael Dempsey
Acting Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Dempsey,

Presidential Policy Directive (PPD) 28, issued by President Obama in January 2014, requires all elements of the Intelligence Community to establish policies and procedures for safeguarding personal information collected from signals intelligence (SIGINT) activities. Section 5 of PPD-28 includes a directive encouraging the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board (PCLOB) to provide the President with a report assessing its implementation.

According to the 2016 Signals Intelligence Reform Progress Report published by your office, the PCLOB had been engaged in an “ongoing review of PPD-28 activities.” I understand that this review is now complete.

Significant portions of the PCLOB’s PPD-28 report are unclassified and should be made available to the public. In addition to promptly publishing an appropriately redacted version of this report, I ask that you review for declassification the portions of the report that are currently classified, so that a more complete copy of the report can be made public at a later date.

Sincerely,

Ron Wyden
United States Senator