

AN ACT

To create a category of career professional foreign intelligence officers effectively to serve the interests of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1. There is hereby established a category of officers of the Central Intelligence Agency to be known as Foreign Intelligence Officers. They shall be subject to such provisions of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as heretofore or hereafter amended (hereinafter referred to as the Foreign Service Act), and of any other provisions of law which are or may become applicable to Foreign Service Officers, as the Director of Central Intelligence (hereinafter referred to as the Director) may by regulation direct.

2. Such authority as is or may become available by statute to the Secretary of State with respect to Foreign Service Officers, shall be available on the same basis to the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency with respect to Intelligence Staff Officers, except for the following sections of the Foreign Service Act or portions thereof, which shall not apply to Intelligence Staff Officers: Title II, section 401(1) (Chiefs of Mission), section 411 (Chiefs of Mission), the first three sentences of section 412 (classes of career ambassador and career minister), 421-422 (officers temporarily in charge), 431 (Chiefs of Mission), 501-512 (principal diplomatic representatives), the second and third sentences of section 517 (lateral entry), 518-519 (career ambassadors, career ministers, and chiefs of mission), 571(b) (eligibility of Foreign Service Officers to serve as Director General), and section 631 (retirement of career ambassadors and career ministers).

3. There are hereby established in the Central Intelligence Agency (1) a board composed of five senior officers of the Agency designated by the Director, one of whom shall be designated Chairman by the Director, and (2) a board of examiners designated by the Director, which boards shall carry out with respect to Intelligence Staff Officer personnel of the Agency the functions vested by the Foreign Service Act in the Board of the Foreign Service and the Board of Examiners for the Foreign Service, respectively.

4. The Director shall establish and administer an independent retirement and disability system for Intelligence Staff Officers in accordance with the provisions of the Foreign Service Act.

5. Regulations prescribed by the Director with respect to the general administration of the Foreign Intelligence Officer Corps shall be the same as, or similar to, those applicable to the Foreign Service Officer Corps, whenever this is deemed appropriate by the Director.

6. Nothing in this legislation shall be construed to authorize the Director to establish a Foreign Service Institute as provided in Title VII of the Foreign Service Act.