



# UD INSIGHT

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## Notable Unauthorized Disclosures

### Daniel Hale

*As a contractor for the National Geospatial Agency, Daniel Hale disclosed classified documents to journalists without authorization, posing the risk of exceptionally grave damage to U.S. national security.*

### SPC Manning

*As an Army intelligence analyst, Spc. Manning disclosed classified data to the "Wikileaks" website without authorization, posing the risk of exceptionally grave damage to U.S. national security.*

### Bryan Martin

*This Navy intelligence specialist attempted to sell classified U.S. intelligence documents to an undercover FBI agent whom he believed was a Chinese intelligence officer. Such unauthorized disclosure could have caused grave damage to U.S. national security.*

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CDSE SITE  
<https://www.cdse.edu/Training/Toolkits/Unauthorized-Disclosure-Toolkit/>

## What is an Unauthorized Disclosure?

Unauthorized Disclosure is broadly defined as the communication, confirmation, acknowledgement, or physical transfer of classified information or controlled unclassified information (CUI) including the facilitation of or actual giving, passing, selling, publishing, or in any way making such information available to an unauthorized recipient.

## What is the Unauthorized Disclosure Program Management Office?

The DOD Insider Threat Management and Analysis Center (DITMAC)'s Unauthorized Disclosure Program Management Office (UD PMO) coordinates reporting of unauthorized disclosures (UD) to ensure the prompt and complete delivery of UD case referrals to Department of Justice and DoD senior officials for administrative action, civil remedies, or referral to the Defense criminal investigation organizations.

## References

[Department of Defense Guidance on Safeguarding Responsibilities Regarding Classified Information](#)

[DoDM 5200.01, Volume 3, "DoD Information Security Program: Protection of Classified Information," February 24, 2012; Incorporating Change 3 on July 28, 2020 \(whs.mil\)](#)

## What is CUI?

Controlled unclassified information (CUI) describes information that, while not classified, still requires some measure of protection from unauthorized access and release. Such protection is required for privacy, law enforcement, and other reasons pursuant to and consistent with law, regulation, or government-wide policy.

## OPSEC and UD

Unauthorized Disclosure is a broad, dynamic, and multi-disciplinary function which includes OPSEC, a DoD CUI category.

## Where can I report a suspected Unauthorized Disclosure?

Per DoDM 5200.01-V3, DoD personnel are instructed to report suspected Unauthorized Disclosures to their local security office.



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