

AMENDMENT TO
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At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 17___. REQUIREMENT OF DOD TO TRANSMIT DOCU-**
2 **MENTS RELATING TO USE OF INSECURE**
3 **ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION PLATFORMS.**

4 Not later than 14 days after the date of the enact-
5 ment of this section, the Secretary of Defense shall trans-
6 mit to Congress, in a complete and unredacted form, a
7 copy of any document, record, report, memorandum, cor-
8 respondence, or other communication that refers or relates
9 to the following:

10 (1) The plan of the Administration to preserve
11 in compliance with Federal recordkeeping require-
12 ments all official communications, including any offi-
13 cial communications—

14 (A) containing highly sensitive national se-
15 curity information; and

16 (B) sent via electronic communication plat-
17 forms (such as Signal, SMS, iMessage,

1 WhatsApp, Teams, MatterMost, Slack, and
2 Gmail).

3 (2) The conduct of official business via elec-
4 tronic communication platforms on Federal Govern-
5 ment devices, including—

6 (A) via platforms such as Signal, SMS,
7 iMessage, WhatsApp, Teams, MatterMost,
8 Slack, and Gmail; and

9 (B) such official business that involves the
10 communication of highly sensitive national secu-
11 rity information.

12 (3) The conduct of official business via elec-
13 tronic communication platforms on personal devices
14 in violation of Federal law, including—

15 (A) via platforms such as Signal, SMS,
16 iMessage, WhatsApp, Teams, MatterMost,
17 Slack, and Gmail; and

18 (B) such official business that involves the
19 communication of highly sensitive national secu-
20 rity information.

21 (4) Plans, procedures, guidance, or practices to
22 ensure that communications involving official busi-
23 ness are not set to automatically delete after a pe-
24 riod of time in violation of Federal recordkeeping re-
25 quirements when such communications are sent via

1 electronic communication platforms, including any
2 such communications—

3 (A) containing highly sensitive national se-
4 curity information; and

5 (B) sent via such platforms as Signal,
6 SMS, iMessage, WhatsApp, Teams,
7 MatterMost, Slack, and Gmail.

