

~~SECRET~~AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTINUING COMMON DEFENSE OF
THE UNITED STATES

1. Whoever shall obtain or shall have custody of, or access to, or knowledge of, or shall have obtained, or had custody of, or access to, or knowledge of, (1) any information concerning the nature, preparation, or use of any code, cipher, or cryptographic or cryptanalytical system of the United States or any foreign government (2) any information concerning the 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 cryptanalytic purposes, or (3) any matter which has been, or purports to have been, prepared or transmitted in or by the use of any code, cipher or cryptographic system of the United States or any foreign government, or (4) any information concerning the cryptographic or cryptanalytic activities of the United States or any foreign government, or (5) any information which has been or purports to have been derived from cryptanalysis of messages transmitted by the United States or any foreign government, and shall, without authorization by competent authority, communicate furnish or transmit to another or publish any such information, or matter, shall upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or by imprisonment for not more than ten years, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

2. The term "foreign government" as used herein shall be taken to include any person or persons acting or purporting to

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act for or on behalf of any military or naval force, faction or party, or for or on behalf of any government or any person or persons purporting to act as a government, whether or not such government is recognized by the United States.

3. (a) The term "cryptographic" as used herein shall be taken to include any code, cipher, secret writing, deception, mechanical device, or other method used to disguise or conceal the meaning of any communication. (b) The term "cryptanalytic" as used herein shall be taken to include all methods of intercepting and all methods of obtaining information of the contents of cryptographic communications.

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