

- (b) for the EU, the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, the Member of the European Commission responsible for security matters, and the Secretary-General of the Council.

ARTICLE 11

Implementing Administrative Arrangements

1. In order to implement this Agreement, the Parties shall ensure that their competent authorities enter into implementing administrative arrangements, which shall set out the requirements for matters such as:

- (a) security clearances;
- (b) procedures for providing or exchanging classified information;
- (c) information on storage security;
- (d) procedures for instances in which classified information that is lost, compromised, or disclosed without authorisation; and
- (e) procedures for the protection of classified information in electronic form.

2. The Parties shall conduct reciprocal security consultations and assessment visits to evaluate the effectiveness of the security measures applied by each Party to the classified information provided by the other Party under this Agreement and under the implementing administrative arrangements referred to in paragraph 1. The Parties shall jointly decide on the frequency and timing of those consultations and assessment visits.

3. Before a Party provides classified information to the other Party, the providing Party shall confirm in writing that the receiving Party is able to protect the classified information in a manner that is consistent with this Agreement and with the implementing administrative arrangements referred to in paragraph 1.

ARTICLE 12

Classified Information that is Lost, Compromised or Disclosed without Authorisation

1. The receiving Party shall immediately inform the providing Party if it discovers that classified information received under this Agreement may have been lost, compromised or disclosed without authorisation, and it shall initiate an investigation to determine how that information was lost, compromised or disclosed. Furthermore, the receiving Party shall forward to the providing Party the results of the investigation and information regarding measures taken to prevent recurrence.