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# Audit of Security for Sensitive Inventories

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# Synopsis

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*This Synopsis of the Audit of Security for Sensitive Inventories makes reference to parts of the full report which is not being published for security reasons.*

*This report presents the results of an internal audit of measures to safeguard sensitive inventories – defined as those items that, if lost, damaged or misused, have the potential to affect the operational capabilities of the Canadian Forces, to put the safety of the general public at risk, or to affect technology sharing arrangements with Canada’s allies. For the purposes of the audit, this would include .....*

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*The audit has identified needed improvements across a spectrum of fundamental requirements associated with the Government Security Policy. These extend from the need for policy, definitions, threat/risk assessments, monitoring and education.....*

*The Deputy Provost Marshal, who serves as the Departmental Security Officer, has acknowledged the accuracy of the audit report and has defined an aggressive program of corrective initiatives (See Report Annex G). Major activities include:*

- *The development of updated National Defence Security Instructions;*
- *The development and review of an updated Threat Assessment and Threat Risk Assessment methodology; and,*
- *Improved security evaluation and reporting.*



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*The CF Provost Marshal has also engaged Chief Review Services in the completion of a logic model for the defence security program, which includes a physical security component. However, the DND/CF must continue to ensure that physical security issues receive particular attention through the business planning process. Additionally, on behalf of the departmental Audit and Evaluation Committee, the Chief Review Services will track progress relative to the audit recommendations.*

*In consideration of this report, senior executive leadership acknowledged the comprehensive action plans prepared by the Vice Chief of the Defence Staff's organization. However, the Review Services Branch was instructed to obtain specific/current action plans from the Materiel Group as well as from Defence Research and Development Canada. Accordingly, updates on the initiatives taken by these organizations were obtained in Jan/Feb 04. A number of steps have been implemented, such as ..... However, CRS has been further directed to track the progress of all corrective measures and to include provision in the Review Services Plan for work to validate actions taken. Finally, the Vice Chief of the Defence Staff will ensure that all organizations within the DND/CF are reminded of their obligations with respect to physical security.*

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