

**From:** ERO Taskings  
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**Subject:** Amended Message: ICE directive, Use of Public and Non-Public Online Information

*The following message is being sent by Gary Mead, Executive Associate Director, Enforcement and Removal Operations*

**To:** Field Office Directors and Deputy Field Office Directors  
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On June 28, 2012, Director Morton issued Directive 10082.1, [Use of Public and Non-Public Online Information](#). The memorandum provides ICE law enforcement personnel guidance on the acceptable use of online information within the scope of their law enforcement duties. On Thursday, July 5, 2012 ICE distributed this Directive to all employees via an ICE Info Broadcast.

(b)(7)(E) On Tuesday, July 17, 2012, I provided a summary of this Directive, together with the directive itself and associated operating procedures, to all ERO managers by distribution message dated July 17, 2012 (attached below).

In part this Directive addresses public and private space on the Internet and specifies that law enforcement personnel may passively observe and log real-time electronic communications open to the public but may not access restricted online sources or facilities absent legal authority. Because ERO Officers do not have undercover authority, they may not create fictitious online identities in order to communicate with targets or other individuals, entities, or organizations. This prohibited activity includes “friending,” “fanning,” or “liking” members of the public or organizations on the Internet.

*Please discuss this directive with all of your employees and send notification to the ERO Operation Center mailbox at (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) to certify completion of those discussions no later than Wednesday, November 21, 2012.*

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