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The CUI designation is a poor substitute for FOUO.

FOUO says it all – don't share with non-government officials. Sadly, CUI, with its long list of subcategories, is overly complex, governed by hundreds of pages of guidance written in bureaucratese and understood by few. The sub-designations are useless unless they have different levels of handling and mishandling; is one worse than another and should be handled differently? They serve no useful purpose.

All that has been created by introducing CUI is a classification nightmare for civil service, military, and contractor personnel. And, sadly, it focuses attention on CUI to the detriment of concern for properly classified information. SCGs are much simpler to understand than the CUI guidance.

All that I can say is, who won an award for creating this monstrous paperwork exercise?

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