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Executive Order 13526, "Classified National Security Information"

Sec. 2.1(b)(3)(B) states: *Persons who apply derivative classification markings shall ... carry forward...a listing of the source materials.*
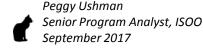
32 CFR Part 2001, "Classified National Security Information"

§2001.22(c) states:

Source of derivative classification.

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> Be specific when listing your source material.   The intent behind this listing is to allow the holder of the document to find the source document if necessary. Include the title, office of origin, date of document, as well as any other information that could be used to identify it.

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2. (U) DGW General SCG, dated December 5, 2013, item 3g, declassify on: December 5, 2038

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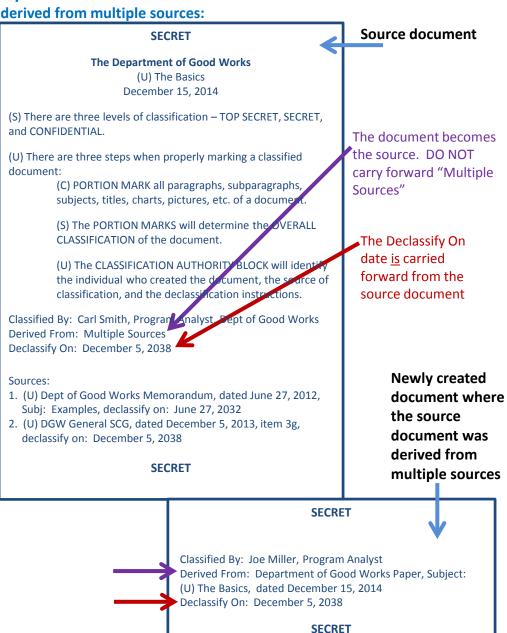2. (U) DGW General SCG, dated December 5, 2013, item 3g, declassify on: December 5, 2038
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The Department of Good Works
(U) The Basics
December 15, 2014

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