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Title: (U) Maryland DPSCS Dashboard Facial

Recognition Access

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(U) CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SERVICES

Synopsis: (U) To document access of the Maryland Criminal Justice Dashboard (Dashboard) by the FACE Services Unit to perform Facial Recognition (FR) searches against the photos contained in the Maryland Image Repository System (MIRS).

Details:

(U) The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division, Biometric Services Section, Facial Analysis, Comparison, and Evaluation (FACE) Services Unit provides a service in which authorized FBI personnel submit to the CJIS Division a photo of a subject of interest in an active FBI investigation. These probe photos are compared to photographs in databases authorized for use by the FBI (i.e., FR databases maintained

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by state motor vehicle departments/agencies, law enforcement, or other federal government agencies).

- (U) The Maryland Criminal Justice Dashboard is a web-based computer information system, maintained by the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Service, which allows authorized criminal justice personnel to view criminal justice and other government information from multiple sources in a read-only format. The Dashboard integrates electronically available law enforcement, criminal justice, and other government data into one location for access by criminal justice officials. This information is available to criminal justice users with full access to the National Crime Information Center (NCIC), as well as, query only criminal justice agencies with current NCIC Terminal Operator Certifications. All information obtained via the Dashboard must be handled in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- (U) The FACE Services Unit will access the Dashboard for the purpose of conducting FR searches against the MIRS. MIRS contains the Maryland Central Photo Repository (MCPR), photos from the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration (MMVA), and includes a link to the FBI's Next Generation Identification Interstate Photo System. The MCPR consists of booking, incarceration, probation, parole, and sex offender photos, to include photos of juveniles if they were charged as an adult. The MMVA contains drivers license, drivers permit, and state identification card photos. The FACE Services Unit will compare candidate photos returned by MIRS in response to a FR search against the submitted probe in an effort to narrow down to the one or two most-likely candidates. These candidates will then be provided to the requesting FBI contributor for use as an investigative lead. The number of candidates produced by the search is set by MIRS.
- (U) FR searches against MIRS will produce two audit trails, one in Dashboard, the other in MIRS, both of which are logged and retained in accordance with CJIS Security Policy Section 5.4.6. While the minimum retention period under the policy is one year, the information is

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currently kept indefinitely. The Dashboard audit trail consists of query information (user ID, time, and date) and database(s) accessed, and can only be accessed by authorized personnel for misuse investigation, security, and system metrics (use count) purposes. The MIRS system has activity logging and is capable of tracking the images a user views, but image tracking is not enabled due to space limitations and adverse system performance effects. As such, only query information is available at this time in the MIRS audit trail. Only authorized system administrator personnel and contractor staff have access to the logs. Probe photos previously searched are accessible only to the original user, and only if the user saved the search. Likewise, prior search responses are only accessible to the original user if the user saved the search.

- (U) The following categories of information may be available with images returned from the MCPR: State Identification Number, corrections number, name, date of birth, sex, eye color, race, hair color, height, weight, scars, marks, tattoos, aliases, facial hair, complexion, social security identification number, place of birth, country of citizenship, arrest date, arrest region/county, ORI, ORI literal, CRI, case number, Transaction Control Number/Process Control Number, control number, data source (where the photo came from), and booking ID.
- (U) Photos returned in a search of the MMVA will include: the ID, social security identification number, name, issue date, expiration date, category, class, production type, facial image control number, imported date/time, print date/time, new ID number, date of birth, sex, race, height, weight, eye color, facial hair, mailing address, residential address.
- (U) Information received in a Dashboard response is not a positive identification and is to be used for investigative lead purposes only. Pursuant to Dashboard requirements, no action can be taken based solely on information from the Dashboard, unless it has been verified with the original submitting agency. The information in the Dashboard may identify U.S. persons, whose information is protected by the Privacy

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Act of 1974, and will contain Personally Identifiable Information. All such information will be handled lawfully and appropriately pursuant to the provisions thereof.

(U) All information, including photos about potential matches, returned by the Dashboard and determined by the FACE Services Unit not to be a most-likely candidate will be disposed via confidential trash or deleted as appropriate to the medium. Photo images and information associated with the most-likely candidate will be stored in the FBI case management system for record-keeping purposes.

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