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Please note Karen Mouritsen's (SOL-GL) message, below, concerning the new FOIA policy which Attorney General John Ashcroft issued on October 12, 2001. It eliminates the foreseeable harm standard of the Reno policy. The new policy, along with some explanation, is on DOJ's FOIA Post web site at:

<http://www.usdoj.gov/oip/foiapost/2001foiapost19.htm>

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The document also briefly discusses the issue of how to protect documents that have sensitive information in them, like blueprints for dams, buildings, etc.

I'll be attending the meeting that DOJ is holding for the agencies on Thursday, October 18, regarding the new policy and how to protect sensitive information which may impact our national security. I'll brief you at our meeting next Wednesday, October 24.

Please ensure that this information is disseminated to all of your FOIA folks in the field--thanks.

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The FOIA Post mentions a meeting that DOJ is holding for the agencies on Thursday, Oct. 18, to give more explanation on the new policy. Bob Moll is going to attend, along with Amy Sosion, (Div L&W), Jessica Roth (DIA) and Andrew Tittler (program atty soon to be in Boston). The meeting will also cover the issue of how to protect documents such as blueprints of dams, buildings, etc. I'll get a report from Bob, Amy, Jessica and Andrew on all these topics and send to you.

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