



(U) SID Set to Roll Out New Tool for Authoring Reports

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(U) New authoring tool is first phase of Dissemination Modernization program... This is one in a series of messages concerning the upcoming replacement of SIGINT on Demand (SOD) by the Content Preparation Environment (CPE).

(U) Background

(U) The Content Preparation Environment (CPE) replacement of SIGINT On Demand (SOD) marks the beginning of NSA's transition from SOD and legacy authoring systems to CPE as the next step along the Dissemination Modernization (DM) path.

(U) Description

(U) CPE will boast features not available with its predecessor. CPE 1.0 provides analysts and reporters with an authoring tool that:

- (U) Is Web-based (Netscape 7.0 or higher, or IE 5.5 or higher, or Mozilla 1.1 or 1.6 required)
- (U) Replaces SOD and all SOD Special Editions
- (U) Can be used to produce GAMMA, ORCON, and NOFORN reports
- (U) Provides all functionality currently available in SOD 6.2.2
- (U) Features an improved Graphic User Interface
- (U) Will require PKI and Passport/Casport accounts
- (U) Will be made available to the entire extended enterprise, including all Cryptologic Centers and field sites, in a controlled rollout

(U) Rollout Schedule

(U) The initial rollout (CPE 1.0) will be for current SOD users only and will take place over a **7-week period beginning in June 2006**. After SOD users have transitioned to CPE, non-SOD users will then be eligible to use CPE, beginning in mid-July.

(U) Future Additions

(U) CPE is a spiral development, and, like other spiral developments, is designed to show improvement with each subsequent release. After the initial 1.0 rollout, CPE's next spiral (1.1), expected to be released in September, will add such features as:

- (U) Word editor
- (U) Spell checker

(U) User Input Vital

(U) CPE has not been developed in a vacuum. Analysts, authors,

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and releasers throughout the enterprise have been instrumental in providing capability needs, testing early versions, and helping develop its look and feel. Such input will continue to be integral to CPE's continuing development and the release of each spiral.

(U) Upcoming

(U) In the next CPE communiqué: *CPE 1.0 user requirements* .

(U) Further details on CPE (including analyst training, stand up of the CPE Help Desk, etc.) will be forthcoming on a regular basis via CPE communiqués between now and the June 2006 rollout date. For more information on CPE, please visit the [CPE website](#) .

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