**Proposed Legislation: The Smart Nation Act of 2014**

***Institutionalizing Open Source Information Exploitation***

***and Multinational Information Sharing Beneficial to All***

* Creates an **Open Source Agency (OSA),** under diplomatic auspices but funded by and managed by the Department of Defense (DoD) as a service of common concern to Whole of Government. The small Headquarters will be constructed on the **South-Central Campus**, adjacent to both the **U.S. Institute of Peace (USIP)**, which could serve as a partner in global **information peacekeeping**, and to George Washington University as well as the John F. Kennedy Center conference and parking facilities. All information obtained by open means will be a public good and a copy also provided as acquired to the Director of National Intelligence (DNI), who shall make no claim on the disposition of original open sources and methods. The OSA will be the national proponent for all “opens” as are deemed helpful to creating a Smart Nation with an emphasis on Whole of Government decision-support.
* Creates a diplomatic **Office of Information Sharing Treaties and Agreements**, to negotiate no-cost information sharing treaties with Nations, and no-cost information sharing agreements with non-governmental and private sector organizations including universities world-wide, while also adopting F/OSS and ODA and related standards facilitating both sharing and semantic web sense-making across all languages (33 initially, 183 at full operating capability).
* Authorizes the creation of a **Multinational Decision-Support Centre (MDSC)** and related global information-sharing and sense-making network.
* Authorizes the creation of a **World Brain Institute** whose mission is to promulgate open source information technologies helpful to creating universal access to public information in support of education, public intelligence (decision-support) and research.
* Authorizes – in alliance with various international and domestic academic institutions – a **School of Future-Oriented Hybrid Governance** whose purpose shall be to advance information sharing concepts, doctrine, and practices among the eight information networks relevant to public governance: academic, civil society (including labor and religion), commerce, government, law enforcement, media, military, and non-government/non-profit.
* Authorizes the creation of 50 state-based **community decision-support networks with watch centers** manned by the National Guard (who can hold law enforcement commissions as well as foreign intelligence clearances), so as to assure our ability to harvest local open sources, and deliver all global information in all languages and mediums to every schoolhouse, statehouse, and chamber of commerce.
* Authorizes participation in **regional** **multinational call centers and education networks**.
* Broadens the mandate of the **Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG)** with non-reimbursable funding from the OSA to create an Internet dissemination capability that offers **free universal access to all unclassified information** acquired by the OSA, with a robust man-machine translation capability that offers **free online education in at least 33 major languages** as an important new foundation for public diplomacy and information peacekeeping—educating the three billion poorest one cell call at a time (OpenBTS) with OSA and multinational distributed call centers, is recognized as the means for creating global stabilizing wealth and a world at peace.
* Expands and enhances the role of the **Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)**, the **Small Business Administration**, and other elements of the federal, state, and local governments developing initiatives for **Open Government.**
* Expands and enhances the role of the **Congressional Research Service (CRS)** and the **General Accountability Office (GAO)** with direct access to all available information, advanced analytic processing tools, and sufficient personnel to provide each jurisdiction of Congress with unclassified decision-support that can be shared with constituents and the media.

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