Privacy Impact Assessment of the Security Sharing Platform

Program or application name:
Security Sharing Platform (“Sharing Tool”)

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Description of the IT System:
The Sharing Tool collects and maintains records regarding incidents or events which may affect the safety and security of the premises, grounds, property, personnel, and operations of the Board or one or more of the Federal Reserve Banks (collectively, “the Federal Reserve System”). The Sharing Tool will allow the Federal Reserve System to share information, regarding individuals who are involved in incidents or events that affect the security of the Board or one or more of the Federal Reserve Banks. The Sharing Tool operates under the governance and oversight procedures set out in the Sharing Tool Governance Policy. Sharing Tool information will be accessible by a limited number of Board or Bank personnel designated by the law enforcement units of the Board and each Federal Reserve Bank (“Sharing Tool Users”). Information inputted
into the Sharing Tool must comply with the Sharing Tool Content Requirements, which require that before a Sharing Tool User may enter a report into the Sharing Tool, the activity reported must contain indicators of reasonable suspicious activity that may affect the Board or one or more Federal Reserve Banks.

1. **The information concerning individuals to be collected and/or maintained:**

The Sharing Tool may collect and maintain some or all of the following personal information about individuals:

   a. Full name;
   b. Identification number(s);
   c. Date of birth;
   d. Affiliations (for example, employer);
   e. Title and occupation;
   f. Address;
   g. Telephone number;
   h. Physical characteristics (for example, height, weight, eye color, or hair color);
   i. Photograph or videos;
   j. Summary of criminal history; and
   k. Other information that may be provided by the individual or collected by Board or Reserve Bank personnel.

2. **Source(s) of each category of information listed in item 1:**

Sharing Tool information is provided by various sources. These sources include: the individual to whom the record pertains; personal identification documents; notes from interviews with the individual and supporting documentation; reports created by the Board or the respective Federal Reserve Bank; law enforcement and other federal, state, local, or foreign government agency records and personnel; social media; and other documents received by the Board or a Federal Reserve Bank.

3. **Purpose for which the information is being collected:**

The information in the Sharing Tool is collected pursuant to section 11(q) of the Federal Reserve Act, 12 U.S.C. § 248, in order to aid in efforts to protect and safeguard the premises, grounds, property, personnel, and operations of the Federal Reserve System.

4. **Who will have access to the information:**

Sharing Tool information will be accessible by a limited number of Board or Bank personnel designated by the law enforcement units of the Board and each Federal Reserve Bank (“Sharing Tool Users”). Other personnel may have limited access to the Sharing Tool if necessary to facilitate its administration. All Sharing Tool Users must participate in a training program
regarding implementation of and adherence to the Sharing Tool Governance Policy and the Sharing Tool Content Requirements before they may access the Sharing Tool. They must also provide written acknowledgement of receipt of the applicable policies and completion of the required training. Sharing Tool User access and compliance with applicable policies will be reviewed annually. In addition, the information may be disclosed for the purposes set forth in the System of Records entitled BGFRS-43, “FRB—Security Sharing Platform.”

5. Whether the individual to whom the information pertains has an opportunity to decline to provide the information or to consent to particular uses of the information (other than required or authorized uses):

Individuals may decline to provide information directly to the Board or Federal Reserve Banks. To the extent Sharing Tool information is obtained from sources other than the individual to whom the information pertains, however, individuals to whom the information pertains will not have an opportunity to decline to provide this information or to consent to particular uses of this information. Information entered within the Sharing Tool must comply with the Sharing Tool Governance Policy and Sharing Tool Content Requirements and must contain indicators of reasonable suspicious activity that may affect the Board or one or more of the Reserve Banks.

6. Procedure(s) for ensuring that the information maintained is accurate, complete, and up-to-date:

Identifiable information maintained in the Sharing Tool is collected primarily through the reports prepared by the Sharing Tool Users. Sharing Tool users are required by the Sharing Tool Governance Policy to make every reasonable effort to ensure information is: 1) derived from dependable and trustworthy sources; 2) is accurate, current, and complete; and 3) includes any relevant context regarding why the information was collected or received. Furthermore, Sharing Tool records may not include information that is based solely on: (i) religious, political, or social views or activities; (ii) involvement with a lawful event or First Amendment-protected activity; or (iii) race, ethnicity, citizenship, place of origin, age, disability, gender identity, or sexual information.

Sharing Tool information will be reviewed periodically, and in the event that information is discovered to be inaccurate, incomplete, untimely, or irrelevant, the Sharing Tool administrator will correct or remove the information as necessary.

7. The length of time the information will be retained, and how will it be purged:

The Sharing Tool is an electronic system and thus information in the Sharing Tool will be stored only in electronic form. The retention period for these records is currently under review. Until review is completed, these records will not be destroyed.
8. The administrative and technological procedures used to secure the information against unauthorized access:

The Sharing Tool uses a combination of methods to secure the information against unauthorized access. Network security limits access to the Sharing Tool to authenticated users. Role-based security further limits access to the Sharing Tool and functions within the Sharing Tool through permissions assigned to particular user groups. The role-based security permits only authorized users to change permission and security settings.

9. Whether a new system of records under the Privacy Act will be created. (If the data is retrieved by name, unique number, or other identifier assigned to an individual, then a Privacy Act system of records may be created):

The Sharing Tool is covered by an existing System of Records notice entitled BGFRS-43, “FRB—Security Sharing Platform.”

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