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TO: All Agencies

- **FROM:** Shannon Rahming, State Chief Information Officer Administrator – Enterprise IT Services Division
- SUBJECT: Kaspersky Lab Software Banned
- **DATE:** December 20, 2017

On December 12, 2017, President Trump signed into law legislation that bans the use of Kaspersky Lab software within the U.S. Government. This legislation was passed and signed due to concerns that Kaspersky has ties to the Kremlin, or is vulnerable to Kremlin influence. This ban applies to all civilian and military agencies in the Federal government; these agencies have 90 days to switch to another antivirus solution.

In keeping with NRS242.171, State Consolidated Security Policy 100, Section 3.3.2.B., and Governor Sandoval's directive on cyber security dated March 1, 2013, the State of Nevada will follow suit with this Federal mandate. The use of software, utilities or tools from Kaspersky Lab is hereby banned in Executive branch agencies within the State of Nevada. Any agencies currently using the software will have 90 days to remove it and migrate onto the Enterprise-standard Symantec platform. Assistance in planning and executing this migration may be obtained by requesting a ticket with the EITS Helpdesk (eitshelp@admin.nv.gov) to transition to the enterprise endpoint protection software.

Inquiries regarding the enterprise endpoint protection software may be directed to Robert Dehnhardt at <u>rwdehnhardt@admin.nv.gov</u>.

Thank you.