

RESEARCH STATEMENT

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Belgian State Security (VSSE)
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1. In accordance with the applicable legal provisions regarding the processing of personal data, the applicant explicitly certifies by signing this form that he/she:

1.1. will use the obtained data solely for the purpose of the study and research mentioned in the request form and will not collect, save, publish or otherwise process any personal data that could harm the interests of the persons involved and/or any other living persons;

1.2. will take the appropriate technical and organisational measures required to protect personal data against accidental or unauthorised destruction, against accidental loss, as well as against modification, access, or any other unauthorised processing of personal data;

1.3. will not use or publish any part of these archival documents that may:

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- harm the identity of the members of staff of the intelligence and security services, of their sources and the persons who have cooperated with these services;
- harm an ongoing criminal investigation or judicial inquiry;
- harm Belgium's relations with foreign states or international organisations;

1.4. agrees to provide the State Security with a copy of the produced work, for proofreading purposes, prior to any communication or publication thereof;

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- 2.2. no acts aimed at transforming anonymous or pseudonymised data into non-anonymised or non-pseudonymised data may be carried out;
3. The State Security also explicitly refers to Articles 99 to 104 of the Act of 30 July 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data.
4. The applicant also agrees to comply with the applicable legal provisions regarding copyrights and related rights and to not harm the beneficiaries' interests.
5. The authorisation of the State Security is granted on a strictly personal basis.

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applicant:

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