

## §8C4.1

### 4. SUBSTANTIAL ASSISTANCE TO AUTHORITIES

<i>Historical Note</i>	Effective November 1, 1991 (amendment 422). Amended effective November 1, 2025 (amendment 836). The Introductory Commentary to Part C, Subpart 4, effective November 1, 1991 (amendment 422), was deleted effective November 1, 2025 (amendment 836).
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#### **§8C4.1. Substantial Assistance to Authorities – Organizations (Policy Statement)**

- (a) Upon motion of the government stating that the defendant has provided substantial assistance in the investigation or prosecution of another organization that has committed an offense, or in the investigation or prosecution of an individual not directly affiliated with the defendant who has committed an offense, a fine that is below the otherwise applicable guideline fine range may be appropriate.
- (b) The appropriate reduction shall be determined by the court for reasons stated on the record that may include, but are not limited to, consideration of the following:
  - (1) the court's evaluation of the significance and usefulness of the organization's assistance, taking into consideration the government's evaluation of the assistance rendered;
  - (2) the nature and extent of the organization's assistance; and
  - (3) the timeliness of the organization's assistance.

#### **Commentary**

##### **Application Note:**

1. Fine reduction under this section is intended for cases in which substantial assistance is provided in the investigation or prosecution of crimes committed by individuals not directly affiliated with the organization or by other organizations. It is not intended for assistance in the investigation or prosecution of the agents of the organization responsible for the offense for which the organization is being sentenced.

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