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**Q N0 01:**

Theorize and defend your view as to whether in the above case the action of Mr. Snowden complies with the moral/ethical standards for whistle blowing?

**Answer:**

First of all, he was former CIA systems administrator. He was bound not to reveal confidential government documents. If government surveillance program was really doing something wrong, he should have to report it through legal channels rather than leaking it about the behavior. Similarly CIA system also plays a major role in country security system so by exposing confidential documents is actually giving national security information which is ethically not a good action.

**Q No 02:**

Is there any conflict of interest involved? What are the pros and cons of Mr. Snowden’s whistle blowing?

**Answer:**

Yes, there conflict of interest involved,

If existence of government surveillance programs was in favor of public then he did wrong ethically to reveal the secrete.

If such program was not in favor of public then he did good action. People will know what’s going on in government. As we define morality “The standards that an individual or a group has about what is right and wrong, or good and evil”. So in this case the public will know what right or what wrong.

**Pros:**

* Public knew what wrong what right.
* Surveillance program will not do any wrong action.
* Removal of traitor.

**Cons:**

* Foreign nations knew about state’s secretes.
* Threat of losing his job.
* Broke the law.