Since the beginning of 2020, numerous NCIS cases involved DON members purchasing LSD via the dark web. Law enforcement reporting reveals that an increasing amount of the general public is moving to purchasing illicit substances via the dark web because of the perceived anonymity.

In addition to being caught by law enforcement, NCIS warns DON personnel to be cognizant of other risks involved with dark web purchases of LSD or other illicit substances:

• Drugs purchased via the dark web are often laced with other substances in dangerous combinations that can lead to death.
• Additionally, international, federal, state, and local law enforcement are working collectively, utilizing a variety of techniques to infiltrate marketplaces, identify users, and combat the illicit drug threat. NCIS, in conjunction with law enforcement partners, continues to use a variety of investigative tools to identify and prosecute DON personnel.

Anyone with information relating to DON personnel buying or selling illicit substances should report it to NCIS. NCIS Tips can be found on our website or by downloading our app via iTunes or GooglePlay.