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1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20004
CIGIE AWARDS – 2016
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Presentation of Colors and National Anthem

Welcoming Remarks
ELIZABETH DEAN
CIGIE Awards Program Co-Chair
Inspector General, Farm Credit Administration

Keynote Address
THE HONORABLE TOM A. COBURN, M.D.
Former U.S. Senator, Oklahoma

Special Category Awards Presentation
ANDREW MAYOCK
Acting CIGIE Executive Chair
Acting Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget

Alexander Hamilton Award
Gaston L. Gianni, Jr. Better Government Award
Glenn/Roth Exemplary Service Award
Sentner Award for Dedication and Courage
June Gibbs Brown Career Achievement Award
Award for Individual Accomplishment
Barry R. Snyder Joint Award

CIGIE Awards Presentation
THE HONORABLE MICHAEL E. HOROWITZ
CIGIE Chair, Inspector General, U.S. Department of Justice
ALLISON LERNER
CIGIE Vice Chair, Inspector General, National Science Foundation

Closing Remarks
THE HONORABLE DAVID MONTOYA
CIGIE Awards Program Co-Chair
Inspector General, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Tom A. Coburn, M.D. was raised in Muskogee, Oklahoma and graduated from Oklahoma State University with an accounting degree. He married former Ms. Oklahoma Carolyn in 1968, and they now have three children and seven grandchildren.

From 1970-78, Dr. Coburn was the manufacturing manager at the Ophthalmic Division of Coburn Optical Industries in Colonial Heights, Virginia, growing the division from 13 employees to more than 350 and capturing 35% of the U.S. market. After the family business was sold, Coburn returned to school to become a physician, attending the University of Oklahoma’s Medical School and graduating with his M.D. Dr. Coburn returned to Muskogee in 1983 to practice family medicine, allergy, and obstetrics. Dr. Coburn has personally delivered more than 4,000 babies.

From 1995-2001 Dr. Coburn represented Oklahoma’s 2nd Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives, and was the first Republican to hold that seat for consecutive terms. Described by newspapers as a budget hawk, Coburn made balancing the budget a top priority. He played a central role in Medicare and health care debates. After a short time in the House, Dr. Coburn kept his word to serve no more than six years and returned full time to his medical practice in Muskogee.

Dr. Coburn served as the junior U.S. Senator of Oklahoma from 2005-2014 leading the fight to reduce wasteful Washington spending, increase accountability and transparency for all taxpayers, restore Constitutional government, and make health care more affordable and accessible for all Americans. In addition, Dr. Coburn has fought for the sanctity of life and private property rights. With Oklahoman independence, Dr. Coburn has successfully challenged the broken culture of Washington; offering more amendments than any other senator to end waste and protect liberties. As a citizen legislator, Dr. Coburn pledged to serve no more than two terms in the Senate.
MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR AND THE VICE CHAIR

Welcome to the annual awards ceremony of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency. Today we honor members of our community who performed extraordinary work during the past year that improved the performance of the organizations they oversee, and made our country stronger.

The approximately 14,000 staff at our 73 Inspector General (IG) offices perform, each year, thousands of audits, investigations, inspections, evaluations, and reviews which help ensure accountability and efficiency in government operations and save taxpayers billions of dollars. It is a humbling challenge for the CIGIE award committees to determine from such a diverse, outstanding body of work which nominations are most deserving of receiving recognition. As you can see from reviewing the program booklet, this year’s recipients have distinguished themselves by performing truly challenging and innovative oversight efforts that have had a substantial and important impact. Congratulations to each of you for your remarkable achievements, as well as for being outstanding representatives of the entire IG community and for demonstrating through your commitment to public service, professionalism, and an exceptional quality of work what a strong and dedicated staff we have in the IG community.

We are extremely proud to be able to join with the IG community today in recognizing your accomplishments. The challenges that we often face in conducting effective oversight are many, and the results are not always welcomed, but through your efforts the American people are better served by the organizations you oversee. Thank you for your immeasurable contributions and congratulations again on your well-deserved awards.

Michael E. Horowitz
Chair

Allison Lerner
Vice Chair
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In Remembrance
LIVES LOST IN THE LINE OF DUTY

We would also like to recognize all OIG employees who have lost their lives while performing their official duties. We salute their service to the IG community and honor their sacrifice.

Agency for International Development

Oscar C. Holder
Foreign Service Officer, Program Inspector

Sidney B. Jacques
Foreign Service Officer, Program Inspector

A 1962 plane crash of a Royal Nepal airlines plane in the Himalayas resulted in the deaths of Mr. Holder and Mr. Jacques.

Charles Hega
Auditor

William Stanford
Auditor

In 1984, a terrorist shot and killed Mr. Hega and Mr. Stanford during a Pakistan International Airline plane hijacking in Tebran, Iran.

Robert Hebb
Auditor

Rolando Barahona
Auditor

A Honduran airliner crashed on approach to the airport in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, resulting in the deaths of Mr. Hebb and Mr. Barahona in 1989.

Department of Housing and Urban Development

Paul Broxterman
Special Agent

A victim of the Oklahoma City Bombing, Special Agent Paul Broxterman was the first HUD OIG agent killed in the line of duty. He was in his office at the Alfred Murrah Federal Building, which was destroyed on April 19, 1995.

Abdon Cabello
Special Agent

Abdon Cabello, a criminal investigator, collapsed and died suddenly on Monday, April 5, 1999, during physical training at the Basic Criminal Investigator Program at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) in Glynn, Georgia. He was 37 years old.
In June 2006, Special Agent Sentner was shot and killed while executing arrest warrants on six Bureau of Prisons correctional officers at the Federal Correctional Institution in Tallahassee, Florida.

On November 8, 2005, Special Agent Greg Boss was killed by an aggressive driver in a vehicle accident while on-duty in Colorado.

On March 23, 2008, the International Zone in Baghdad was hit by indirect fire. During one of the attacks, Paul Converse was seriously wounded. He died from his injuries on March 24, 2008.

On December 11, 1997, Mr. Gowing died while leading a security oversight inspection of the U.S. embassy in Baku, Azerbaijan.
ALEXANDER HAMILTON AWARD

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Office of Audits, TSA Covert Testing Team

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Program Analyst

Patricia A. Benson
Independent Referencer

Douglas Bozeman
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Kevin Dollosan
Communications Analyst

Apostolos Exarchos
Program Analyst

Elizabeth Finn
Program Analyst

Karen J. Gardner
Auditor-in-Charge

Shelley Howes
Audit Manager

Richard T. Johnson
Director

Gloria Medina-Ortiz
Auditor

In recognition of the DHS OIG audit team’s exemplary service and commendable achievement on covert testing of Transportation Security Administration’s Passenger Screening Technologies and Processes at Airport Security Checkpoints

GASTON L. GIANNI, JR. BETTER GOVERNMENT AWARD

U.S. Department of Agriculture
USDA Rancho Investigation

Jose D. Barragan
Special Agent

Edgar Jaimez
Investigator, FSIS, OIEA, CID

Ryan Rogers
Investigator, FSIS, OIEA, CID

Hartley M.K. West
Assistant U.S. Attorney, U.S. Attorney’s Office, Northern District of California

In recognition of the efforts to prosecute individuals who disregarded food safety standards and misled the public about the company’s food safety practices that resulted in the recall of 8.7 million pounds of potentially contaminated beef

GLENN/ROTH AWARD FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE

U.S. Department of Defense
Lead Inspector General for Overseas Contingency Operations Team

Department of Defense Office of Inspector General

Joe A. Baker
Assistant Deputy Inspector General, Office of Special Plans and Operations

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Program Analyst, Office of Special Plans and Operations

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Scott Boehm  
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Auditor

In recognition of the distinguished achievement of the OIGs of the Department of Defense, Department of State, and U.S. Agency for International Development for oversight of overseas contingency operations through the congressionally mandated Lead IG framework.

**Sentner Award for Dedication and Courage**

**Department of Labor**

Michelle Stickler  
Special Agent

In recognition of performing a heroic act of bravery that warranted decisive action while in the face of personal danger and prevented what could have resulted in the death of an individual.

**June Gibbs Brown Career Achievement Award**

**National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency**

Frank S. Chase  
Assistant Inspector General for Inspections

In recognition of 38 years of outstanding leadership in inspector general operations throughout the Department of Defense and Intelligence Community. Mr. Chase is without peer in inspection expertise and building organizations that promote the efficiency and integrity of Federal programs.
AWARD FOR INDIVIDUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT

Federal Reserve Board and the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

Khalid Hasan
Senior OIG Manager

In recognition of significant and sustained contributions to the CIGIE, by collaborating with the OMB, DHS, and across the IG community to update and improve the 2016 IG Reporting Metrics under the Federal Information Security Modernization Act
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Barry R. Snyder
Joint Award
Federal Audit Executive Council  
DATA Act Working Group 2016

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USDA OIG

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Sharell Grady  
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EPA OIG

Sharon Huisswoud  
DHS OIG

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*In recognition of excellence in leading the IG community’s initial response to the DATA Act*
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Awards for Excellence
ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Social Security Administration
Improving Employee Satisfaction Team

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Brian Karpe
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Tracy Lynge
Communications Director

Christin Silver
Public Affairs Specialist

Amy M. Smith
Executive Officer

In recognition of its outstanding efforts to improve communication from OIG leadership to staff; among OIG employees; and between OIG and SSA employees in support of our anti-fraud initiatives.

AUDIT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

U.S. Department of Agriculture
USDA Discrimination Claims Processes Audits Team

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In recognition of outstanding efforts of the Black Farmers Discrimination Litigation and the Hispanic and Women Farmers and Ranchers litigation audit teams to ensure the integrity of the discrimination claims processes.

**U.S. Department of Commerce**

**Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite-R Series Audit Team**

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In recognition of exemplary achievement in identifying critical weaknesses to Congress and Department leadership concerning NOAA’s management and acquisition of the $10.8 billion Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite-R Series.

**U.S. Department of Defense**

**Air Force and Navy Secret Internet Protocol Router Network Security Controls Audit Team**

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In recognition of audit work that strengthened Amtrak’s management and oversight of the New Jersey High-Speed Rail Improvement Project.
In recognition of exceptional performance in the review of the Air Force and Navy SIPRNET Security Controls

Government Travel Charge Cards Used at Casinos and Adult Entertainment Establishments Audit Team

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Benjamin Howison  
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Peggy Hutchinson  
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Paul Knoth  
Attorney

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In recognition of exceptional performance in identifying misuse and abuse of Department of Defense government travel charge cards at casinos and adult entertainment establishments

U.S. Department of Education
SOLEX College Audit Team

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Gregory Bernert  
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In recognition of exemplary efforts in auditing and use of data analytics that identified critical issues of interest to the U.S. Department of Education in its efforts to reduce the risk of fraud, waste, and abuse in the Federal Pell Grant program

U.S. Department of Energy
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In recognition of outstanding audit work that identified significant project management weaknesses related to The National Nuclear Security Administration's Network Vision Initiative

**Export-Import Bank of the United States**  
*Export-Import Bank Contracting Audit Team*

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In recognition of excellence in identifying opportunities for Export-Import Bank to significantly improve its contracting processes

**Federal Reserve Board and the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau**  
*Audit Team for the Federal Reserve Board’s Public Release of Economic Information*

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In recognition of significant contributions to strengthening the Federal Reserve Board’s controls to safeguard embargoed sensitive economic information provided to news organizations

**General Services Administration**  
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In recognition of outstanding work resulting in $123 million of cost savings on a large General Services Administration contract for information technology equipment
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Generic Drug Price Increases Audit Team

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In recognition of major contributions made in response to a congressional request to examine generic drug price increases and their effect on Medicaid

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Office of Audits, FPS Vehicle Fleet Operations Team

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In recognition of the DHS OIG audit team’s exemplary service and commendable effort in auditing the Federal Protective Service’s management of its vehicle fleet

Office of IT Audits, TSA’s Airport Worker Vetting Team

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In recognition of outstanding achievement in auditing the Transportation Security Administration’s (TSA) vetting of airport workers with access to secure areas of commercial airports resulting in recommendations for improving the vetting process
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Internal Audit Team for Overincome Families Residing in Public Housing Units

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In recognition of your outstanding achievement in improving the integrity, efficiency and effectiveness of executive branch agency operations

U.S. Department of the Interior
Climate Science Centers

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In recognition of scientific tools to increase understanding of climate change and determine an effective response to its impact on tribes and on land, water, ocean, fish and wildlife, and cultural heritage resources

U.S. Department of Justice
Drug Enforcement Administration’s Confidential Source Policies and Oversight of Higher Risk Confidential Sources Team

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In recognition of the team’s determination and resilience to overcome numerous obstacles to access necessary information and report on significant issues related to the Drug Enforcement Administration’s (DEA) management and oversight

U.S. Department of Labor
Occupational Safety and Health Administration’s Whistleblower Protection Programs Audit Team

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*In recognition of excellence for work that contributed to strengthening the Occupational Safety and Health Administration’s Whistleblower Protection Programs to provide better protection against employer retaliation for workers who "blow the whistle.***

**National Aeronautics and Space Administration**  

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*In recognition of exceptional achievement and outstanding teamwork reviewing NASA’s response to commercial contractor’s 2014 launch failure of a cargo mission and its impacts on resupply of the International Space Station***

**National Security Agency**  
**NSA Contract Closeout Audit Team**

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*In recognition for outstanding efforts to ensure that the Agency accurately and effectively manages funds remaining on closed contracts as well as improve accountability over government-furnished property***

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*For exceptional performance in identifying information security weaknesses at the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board that led to improvements in their cyber security guidance and access controls over sensitive unclassified information***
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*In recognition of exceptional performance in identifying information security vulnerabilities in NRC's Network Security Operations Center*

Peace Corps

Audit of the Peace Corps' Healthcare Benefits Administration Contract

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*In recognition of the audit team's excellence in identifying serious flaws in the Peace Corps' management of three major contracts*

Small Business Administration

Audit Team for SBA's Oversight of Loan Agents

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*In recognition of excellence in identifying growing risks and significant deficiencies in SBA's oversight of loan agents participating in its small business lending programs*

Social Security Administration

Underpayments to Eligible Social Security Beneficiaries

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In recognition for conducting four highly successful audits that identified significant control weaknesses in the SSA improperly underpaying approximately 50,000 eligible beneficiaries $344.6 million in payments

Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction
Afghanistan Extractive Industries Team

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In recognition of outstanding work in identifying critical weaknesses and fundamental challenges in planning, executing, and sustaining $488 million worth of U.S. investments to improve Afghanistan’s extractive industries

U.S. Department of State
Residential Security Audit Team

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In recognition of exceptional work in conducting an audit of residential security at overseas posts that identified and advanced needed security measures to protect personnel serving abroad

Worldwide Protective Services Contract–Embassy Baghdad Audit Team

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In recognition of exceptional work in conducting an audit of the Worldwide Protective Services (WPS) Task Order 3 for Embassy Baghdad that identified more than $20 million in cost savings and contributed to improving the management of the WPS contract
Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency

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In recognition of outstanding achievement by the Returns Processing and Account Services Get Transcript Audit Group for their efforts in improving the IRS's process to identify and assist all victims of the Get Transcript security breach.

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In recognition of the outstanding work of the USPS OIG’s IT audit team in identifying weaknesses in USPS’s cybersecurity strategy, resourcing, and training, and recommending improvements in response to the 2014 Postal Service cyber intrusion.

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**In recognition of outstanding achievement in identifying and analyzing excessive and dramatically escalating U.S. Postal Service Office of Workers’ Compensation Program (OWCP) compound drug costs and sounding the alarm for actions to curtail these costs**

**U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs**

**Audit of the Seismic Safety of VA’s Facilities**

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**In recognition of outstanding audit work exposing major seismic deficiencies within VA facilities, leading to a Presidential Executive Order ensuring veteran and employee safety in not only VA but all Federal buildings with high risk seismic activity**

**EMPLOYEE PROTECTIONS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE**

**U.S. Department of Defense**

**Rights of Conscience Protection for Service Members and Their Chaplains Assessment Team**

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**In recognition of exceptional performance during the Assessment of Rights of Conscience Protections for Service Members and Chaplains**
EVALUATIONS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

U.S. Department of Defense
U.S. Theater Nuclear Planning Process Assessment Team

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In recognition of and exceptional performance in the oversight evaluation of the Department of Defense’s Theater Nuclear Planning Process. The team’s efforts were a credit to the DoD IG and the Department of Defense.

U.S. Department of Energy
Identifying Systemic Weaknesses in Process and Procedures  
Associated with Radioactive Materials Inspections Team

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In recognition of outstanding work exposing challenges DOE has in properly maintaining, controlling, and accounting for its nuclear materials, and proposing ways to effectively manage the stockpile of radioactive materials accumulated over several decades.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
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In recognition of HHS OIG’s multidisciplinary effort to produce a targeted data brief, an innovative portfolio report, and coordinated investigations that brought national attention to the vulnerabilities in Medicare Part D program integrity

U.S. Department of the Interior
Security of the U.S. Department of the Interior Publicly Accessible Information Technology Systems

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IT Security Inspector

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In recognition of the team’s exceptional performance in identifying significant weaknesses in and making recommendations that strengthened the U.S. Department of the Interior’s practices for protecting its publicly accessible and internal computer systems.

Peace Corps
Evaluation of the Peace Corps’ Volunteer Healthcare Program

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In recognition of the evaluation team’s excellence in identifying needed improvements to the Peace Corps’ Volunteer healthcare program.

Small Business Administration
Women-Owned Small Business Federal Contracting Program Evaluation Team

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In recognition of excellence in identifying significant weaknesses with SBA’s Management of the Women-Owned Small Business Federal Contracting Program.

Information Technology Award for Excellence

U.S. Department of Agriculture
Information Technology Division

Nicolas Dipillo
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ITD Director and Chief Information Officer

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In recognition of the outstanding efforts of the Information Technology Division Team, which timely shut down the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board IT systems.
In recognition of the team’s exceptional and comprehensive FISMA audit work detailing the effectiveness of the U.S. Department of Education’s information security program.

In recognition of auditing U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services’ development of the Electronic Immigration System, which exceeded cost estimates by 480 percent, slowed immigration benefit claims processing, and increased national security risks.

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Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency

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In recognition of the delivery of cost-effective, secure, reliable, and innovative information technology solutions to Offices of Inspector General across the Inspector General community

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In recognition of outstanding efforts in identifying hackable network vulnerabilities

INVESTIGATIONS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

U.S. Department of Agriculture
Carson Helicopter Investigation

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In recognition of the extraordinary investigative efforts and interagency cooperation to prosecute violators who disregarded safety standards and practices by falsifying critical documents that resulted in nine fatalities

Amtrak
Niantic River Bridge Replacement Project Investigation Team

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Kimberly Kudym
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In recognition of investigative work that identified fraudulent labor billings for Amtrak capital projects, including a critical infrastructure project on the Northeast Corridor — the Niantic River Bridge Replacement
U.S. Department of Defense
James Warner Investigation Team

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In recognition of investigative excellence in the James Warner public corruption investigation

U.S. Department of Education
Supplemental Educational Services Investigative and Prosecutive Team

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In recognition of exemplary achievement in investigating and prosecuting fraud and corruption in federally funded tutoring programs

General Services Administration
Silver Star Construction Investigative Team

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In recognition of outstanding investigative work on a highly complex Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business case

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Project Guardian Investigative Team

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In recognition of your outstanding work on the Project Guardian Investigation

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**Miami Office of Investigations**

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In recognition of your outstanding commitment, dedication, initiative and teamwork demonstrated in the successful investigation and prosecution of twenty-five individuals involved in single family fraud

U.S. Department of Justice
Restoring the Trust

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In recognition of the successful investigation and prosecution of 2 federal agents who stole over $1.6 million in Bitcoins during their investigation of Silk Road

U.S. Department of Labor
Massey Energy – Upper Big Branch Mine Explosion Investigation and Trial Team

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In recognition of the team’s outstanding ingenuity, dedication, and expertise demonstrated in the Massey Energy – Upper Big Branch Mine Investigation and Trial

National Aeronautics and Space Administration
Investigation of Procurement Kickback Scheme

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In recognition of investigative excellence of a multiagency effort that successfully identified and neutralized pervasive corruption within a key part of the U.S. Government’s aerospace supply chain

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In recognition of outstanding dedication and perseverance in the investigation of USIS, the largest contractor in the U.S. Office of Personnel Management’s background investigations program

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In recognition of the outstanding teamwork in a multiyear joint agency investigation that uncovered a unique, complex and sophisticated $30 million employee benefit and Federal contract fraud scheme involving over 1,000 victims
Social Security Administration

Theresa Bray
Special Agent

In recognition of her outstanding investigation regarding a decade-long racketeering enterprise in which co-conspirators targeted mentally disabled victims in order to steal their Social Security benefits.

Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction
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