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**INSPECTORS GENERAL**  
*on INTEGRITY and EFFICIENCY*

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The Honorable Jeffrey Zients  
Executive Chair  
Council of the Inspectors General on  
Integrity and Efficiency  
Office of Management and Budget  
725 17<sup>th</sup> Street NW.  
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Mr. Zients:

Section 11(d)(9) of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, requires the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) to submit to Congress and the President an annual report on the activities of the Integrity Committee (IC). The enclosed report summarizes IC activities for fiscal year 2011. The report provides information on the number, status, and disposition of complaints received by the IC during this period.

Thank you for your continuing support of and interest in the Inspector General community. Should you wish any additional information concerning this report or any other CIGIE activity, please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 720-8001.

Sincerely,

*for* Phyllis K. Fong  
Chairperson

Enclosure

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The President  
The Honorable Darrell Issa  
The Honorable Edolphus Towns  
The Honorable Susan M. Collins  
The Honorable Joseph I. Lieberman

**Integrity Committee**  
**Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency**  
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December 16, 2011

The Honorable Phyllis Fong  
Chairperson, Council of the Inspectors General for Integrity and Efficiency  
1717 H Street, NW, Suite 825  
Washington, D.C. 20006-3900

Dear Ms. Fong,

This letter provides the annual report to Congress and the President required by section 11(d) (9) of the Inspector General Reform Act of 2008 ("IG Reform Act").

The IG Reform Act directs the Integrity Committee ("IC") to address transparency and reporting issues relating to complaints about Inspectors General and their designated employees. To further these purposes, the IC submits the following information concerning the allegations it received and addressed during Fiscal Year 2011.

A total of 51 allegations were submitted to the IC by named and anonymous complainants. Of the 51 allegations, 23 were referred to an appropriate agency for review and any potential action since the allegations did not meet the IC's threshold to review the substance of the allegation.

Of the remaining 28 allegations, the IC required the subjects in nine of the complaints to provide a response to the IC for the IC to determine whether there were sufficient grounds to proceed to an administrative investigation or to resolve the complaint based on the information the IC had obtained. Five of these nine remaining allegations are in pending status.

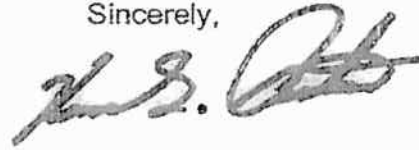
The Honorable Phyllis Fong

The other 19 cases met the IC's threshold for review because the allegation was made about an IG or other covered IG employee. However, the allegations did not require further action by the IC since the allegations did not concern administrative misconduct (including gross mismanagement, a gross waste of funds, or abuse of authority in the exercise of official duties or while acting under color of office) or conduct so serious that it could undermine the independence or integrity reasonably expected of an IG or OIG senior staff member. These 19 cases were closed and referred to the appropriate IG's office for further action, if any.

There were no allegations referred to the Department of Justice for a criminal investigation.

Please contact Supervisory Special Agent Anthony Riedlinger, IC Program Manager, with any questions at 202-324-5703.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "K.L. Perkins", written in a cursive style.

Kevin L. Perkins  
Chair, Integrity Committee

Enclosures (2)

Summary of allegations referred to the Chairperson of the Integrity Committee (IC).<sup>1</sup>

In June 2010, the IC asked the Office of Inspector General (OIG) for the Department of Treasury's Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA), to lead an administrative investigation into allegations that various individuals of the U.S. Postal Service OIG had abused their authority, including the Inspector General (IG), Assistant IG for Investigations, Deputy Assistant IG for Investigations, and a former Deputy Assistant IG for Investigations. In February 2011, the OIG-TIGTA provided the Report of Investigation to the IC, which did not substantiate the allegations that the IG, Assistant IG for Investigations, Deputy Assistant IG for Investigations, and a former Deputy Assistant IG for Investigations abused their positions in violation of 5 U.S.C., 2301, Merit System Principals, 5 U.S.C., Prohibited Personnel Practices, and 5 C.F.R. 2635, Standards of Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch. After reviewing the report and all other available information, the IC accepted and adopted the findings and conclusion of the OIG-TIGTA report. This matter was reported to Congressional committees with jurisdiction by letter dated May 13, 2011.

In May 2011, the IC asked the Office of Inspector General for the Department of Justice, to lead an administrative investigation into allegations that the Inspector General and Assistant Inspector General for Management at the Federal Communications Commission may have impeded the audit of a federal program. The investigation is still pending, and the IC will submit a summary report to the Congressional committees with jurisdiction when the administrative investigation is completed.

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<sup>1</sup> The allegations were made during FY'10, but the investigations were either initiated or completed during FY'11 and are included in this report.

**Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE)**  
**Integrity Committee**  
**FY 2011 (10/01/2010 - 09/30/2011)**

	Date Received	Date Closed	Referral	Referred To	IG Response*	Criminal Referral	IC Investigation
1	10/4/2010	10/22/2010	yes	DOJ-IG		no	no
2	10/18/2010	10/22/2010	yes	CIA-IG		no	no
3	12/20/2010	2/3/2011	yes	SEC-IG		no	no
4	12/21/2011	2/3/2011	yes	USPS-IG		no	no
5	11/5/2011	4/28/2011	no	X	yes	no	no
6	12/17/2011	2/3/2011	yes	HHS-IG		no	no
7	1/20/2011	4/28/2011	no	X	yes	no	no
8	3/1/2011	4/28/2011	yes	FCC-IG		no	no
9	3/1/2011	9/22/2011	no	X	yes	no	no
10	3/1/2011	4/28/2011	yes	DHS-IG		no	no
11	3/1/2011	9/22/2011	no	X	yes	no	no
12	3/8/2011	4/28/2011	no	X		no	no
13	3/22/2011	4/28/2011	yes	USPS-IG		no	no
14	3/8/2011	4/28/2011	yes	EEOC-IG		no	no
15	3/29/2011	4/28/2011	yes	HHS-IG		no	no
16	3/23/2011	4/28/2011	yes	DOD-IG		no	no
17	4/7/2011		Pending		yes	no	
18	6/21/2011	9/22/2011	yes	NRC-IG		no	no
19	6/27/2011		Pending		yes	no	
20	6/27/2011		Pending		yes	no	
21	6/27/2011	9/22/2011	yes	CNCS-IG		no	no
22	6/27/2011	9/22/2011	yes	SEC-IG		no	no
23	6/27/2011	9/22/2011	yes	DOL-IG		no	no
24	8/4/2011		Pending		yes	no	
25	6/10/2011		Pending		yes	no	
26	6/10/2011	9/22/2011	yes	DOE-IG		no	no
27	6/1/2011	9/22/2011	yes	EEOC-IG		no	no
28	4/5/2011	4/28/2011	yes	DHS-IG		no	no

CIA - Central Intelligence Agency  
 CNCS - Corporation for National & Community Service  
 DHS - Department of Homeland Security  
 DOD - Department of Defense  
 DOE - Department of Energy  
 DOL - Department of Labor  
 DOJ - Department of Justice

EEOC - Equal Employment Opportunity Commission  
 FCC - Federal Communication Commission  
 HHS - Department of Health and Human Services  
 NRC - Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
 SEC - Securities & Exchange Commission  
 USPS - US Postal Service

\*Subjects of the allegation were required to submit written responses to the IC

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