OVER THE PAST 40 YEARS, INSPECTORS GENERAL HAVE HAD A MARKED IMPACT on the U.S. Government. Their independent oversight has revealed instances of fraud, waste, abuse, and misconduct and brought to bear historic improvements in federal programs. Today, 73 independent Offices of Inspector General exist within federal agencies to provide oversight and to promote economy, efficiency, and effectiveness throughout the Federal Government. Their work has resulted in recommendations for hundreds of billions of dollars of potential savings, tens of thousands of successful prosecutions, and transformational government reforms.

Looking to the future, Inspectors General will continue to build on their first 40 years of excellence in independent oversight. The Inspector General community will continually seek opportunities to work together and innovate with a shared responsibility to report on performance and accountability to help ensure effective government operations.

In 2018 the Inspector General community commemorated the 40th anniversary of the Inspector General Act of 1978. Inspectors General are building on 40 years of excellence in independent oversight.

An example of how the Inspector General community is innovating to bolster the community is the creation of Oversight.gov—a new website that hosts all federal Inspector General reports in one place, thus better informing the public and key stakeholders.

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