



## Integrity Committee

Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency

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The Honorable Claire McCaskill  
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Committee on Homeland Security and  
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The Honorable Trey Gowdy  
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The Honorable Elijah Cummings  
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### Notice of Need for Extension of 30-Day Review and 150-Day Investigation Periods

Dear Chairmen and Ranking Members:

The Integrity Committee (IC) of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) received allegations of wrongdoing pursuant to section 11 of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, 5 U.S.C. app. (Act). Pursuant to the Act, the IC has 30 days to review the allegations to determine whether to initiate an investigation. This 30-day review period may be extended an additional 30 days if the IC provides written notice to these Committees with a description of why the additional time is needed to evaluate the allegation of wrongdoing.

We are writing to notify you that the IC needs additional time to evaluate complaint numbers 951, 953, 954, and 960. The IC needs this time because we asked for a response from the subjects for each of these matters, and the IC will be evaluating the responses to determine the next steps.

Also pursuant to the Act, the IC Chairperson has 150 days to complete an investigation from the date on which the IC made the referral. If an investigation cannot be completed within the 150-day period, the IC Chairperson shall promptly notify these Committees and brief these Committees every 30 days thereafter regarding the status of the investigation and the general reasons for delay until the investigation is complete.

We are writing to notify you the IC needs additional time to investigate complaint numbers 890, 912, and 917. For complaint numbers 890 and 917, the IC needs additional time to provide the subject of the investigation an opportunity to review and comment on the draft

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report, as required by the Act, and to provide the IC with the opportunity to consider the subject's comments prior to issuing the final report of investigation. For complaint number 912, the IC needs additional time to allow the assisting OIG the opportunity to complete their requested interviews and to review numerous documents in support of the investigation. Part of the delay resulted from the subject OIG's assertion that the IC does not have access to nonpublic information and information protected by the attorney-client privilege, including witnesses who might possess such information. The IC has been able to resolve the access issue.

We will continue to notify these Committees if there are further delays.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Dahl", written in a cursive style.

Scott Dahl  
Chairperson  
Integrity Committee