



JIMMY CARTER

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To Current and Former Members of the Inspector General Community

Rosalynn joins me in thanking you for your extraordinary service to our country over the past 40 years. In 1978, I had the honor of signing the Inspector General Act into law. On that occasion, I predicted that the newly-created Inspectors General would be the government's most important new tool in the fight against fraud and waste. Through your remarkable and relentless efforts since that time, my prediction and my hope has been turned into reality.

There are any number of measures that demonstrate the importance of your work to the country. The most obvious is that the Inspector General community has saved the government hundreds of billions of dollars since 1978, ensuring that our taxpayer dollars are spent wisely and according to the law. The need for accountability, transparency, and oversight is as important today as it was on October 12, 1978.

On the 40th anniversary of the Inspector General Act, I applaud your accomplishments and encourage you to continue the work you do that has helped to make the federal government more efficient and work more effectively for the public.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jimmy Carter". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.