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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: DoD IG Assessment of the Office of Security Cooperation-Iraq Mission Capability Project (D2012-D00SPO-0205.000)

We plan to begin our assessment immediately. The purpose of this project is to assess the adequacy of DoD support for executing security cooperation programs in Iraq and whether the Office of Security Cooperation-Iraq (OSC-I) is organized, equipped, and prepared to successfully accomplish its security cooperation mission. Specific objectives are to:

- Determine whether DoD goals, objectives, plans, and guidance for executing security cooperation programs in Iraq through the OSC-I performing under U.S. Department of State/Chief of Mission authority are issued and sufficiently operative.
- Determine whether the OSC-I is adequately structured and resourced to accomplish its security assistance/security cooperation mission.
- Identify impediments to OSC-I mission accomplishment and provide suggested recommendations.
- Assist the Department of State Inspector General (DOS IG) in assessing the process used to determine short-term and long-term OSC-I staffing requirements.

This is a separate DoD IG assessment project conducted concurrently and in coordination with a DOS IG audit of U.S. Mission-Iraq (USM-I) rightsizing efforts, which DOS IG will announce by a separate memorandum to the DOS. DoD IG will assist the DOS IG USM-I rightsizing audit in assessing the process used to determine the short- and long-term staffing requirements for DoD agencies in Iraq, therefore some aspects of the last objective listed above will be conducted jointly with DOS IG. DOS and DoD will announce this joint assessment in a separate, joint DOS IG / DoD IG announcement memorandum.

To meet our OSC-I Mission Capability project objectives, we plan to visit or contact organizations in the United States, U.S. Central Command area of responsibility, and Iraq that are responsible for security cooperation. We plan to visit with planners and leaders of Security Cooperation Offices and to visit Baghdad and outlying OSC-I sites in Iraq during the month of October 2012. Additionally, specific organizations to be visited will be identified during the assessment, and arrangements for those visits will be made through established official points of contact. We will consider suggestions from management on objectives for future assessments.

Please provide us a point of contact for this assessment in writing. The point of contact must be a government employee, either a GS-15 or the military equivalent, and should consider the DOS USM-I rightsizing audit and joint DOS IG and DoD IG assessment coordination that may be required. Please include the contact's name, title, grade, phone number, and e-mail address.

Request management send a point of contact in electronic format (Adobe Acrobat file only) to Joe.Baker@dodig.mil within five days of the date of this announcement.

You may obtain information about the DoD, Office of the Inspector General, from DoD Directive 5106.01, "Inspector General of the Department of Defense," April13, 2006; DoD Directive 7600.02, "Audit Policies," April 27, 2007; and DoD Instruction 7050.3, "Access to Records and Information by the Inspector General, Department of Defense," April24, 2000. Our web site is <u>www.dodig.mil</u>.

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