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MEMORANDUM FOR OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
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SUBJECT: Evaluation of the DoD's Mitigation of Foreign Suppliers in the Pharmaceutical Supply Chain (Project No. D2020-DEVOPB-0175.000)

We plan to begin our evaluation in September 2020. Our objective is to determine whether the DoD has mitigated the risks of interruptions to the pharmaceutical supply chain, due to the DoD's reliance on foreign suppliers. We will look at the extent of the DoD's reliance on foreign suppliers, supply chain risk management strategies, pharmaceutical reserves, and pharmaceutical quality assurance programs. We may expand the objective and scope during the course of the evaluation if we find program oversight issues that require immediate management attention. We will also consider suggestions from management on additional or revised objectives for this evaluation.

We will interview personnel from the Defense Logistics Agency, the Defense Health Agency, the Military Departments, and the Service medical departments. Additionally, we plan to identify the volume of pharmaceuticals purchased by the DoD that contain ingredients manufactured in foreign countries.

Please provide us with a point of contact for the Defense Logistics Agency, the Defense Health Agency, each of the Service medical departments, and someone with knowledge of war reserve materiel at each of the Military Departments, within **5 duty days** of the date of this memorandum. The point of contact must be a Government employee—GS-15, pay band equivalent, or the military equivalent. Send the contact’s name, title, grade/pay band, phone number, and e-mail address to [REDACTED]

You may obtain information about the DoD Office of Inspector General from DoD Directive 5106.01, “Inspector General of the Department of Defense,” August 19, 2014; DoD Instruction 7600.02, “Audit Policies,” October 16, 2014; and DoD Instruction 7050.03, “Access to Records and Information by the Inspector General, Department of Defense,” March 22, 2013. Our website is www.dodig.mil. If you have any questions, please contact [REDACTED]

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