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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR POLICY
UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR PERSONNEL AND
READINESS
GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
CHIEF OF THE NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU

SUBJECT: Review of the DoD's Roles, Responsibilities, and Actions to Prepare for and Respond to the Protest and Its Aftermath at the U.S. Capitol campus on January 6, 2021

The DoD Office of Inspector General (OIG) plans to begin a multidisciplinary review in January 2021. Our objective is to determine the DoD's roles, responsibilities, and actions to prepare for, and respond to, the planned protest and its aftermath at the U.S. Capitol campus on January 6, 2021.

The DoD OIG team will also request information and responses to the following questions:

- What was requested of the DoD during the planning phase for the protest in Washington D.C. on January 6, 2021?
- What was the DoD's response to those requests?
- What was requested of the DoD during the events at the Capitol on January 6, 2021?
- What was the DoD's response to those requests?
- Were appropriate actions, supported by requirements, taken in accordance with laws, regulations, or other applicable guidance?

The DoD OIG may revise or expand the objective and scope as the review proceeds.

The DoD OIG will coordinate this review with the OIGs for the Departments of Homeland Security, Interior, and Justice to determine whether there are additional actions required by the DoD to effectively prepare for and respond to security activities at the U.S. Capitol campus.

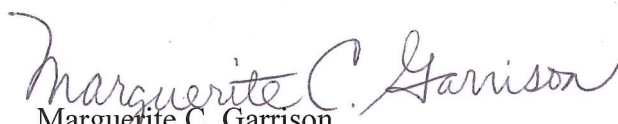
We will perform the review at the offices of the Secretary of Defense, the General Counsel of the DoD, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Secretary of the Army, and the Chief of the National Guard Bureau. We may identify additional offices and personnel during the review.

Please provide a point of contact for the review within **5 days** of the date of this memorandum. The point of contact should be a U.S. Government employee, GS-15, or pay band equivalent, or the military equivalent. Provide the contact's name, title, grade/pay band, phone number, and e-mail address to [REDACTED]

Please note that the DoD OIG is authorized by the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, to have timely access to personnel and all materials necessary to complete its objectives. We may request your assistance to immediately resolve a situation if any DoD employee or contractor fails to timely provide requested materials or otherwise fails to cooperate with the DoD OIG. We may report unresolved access matters to the Secretary of Defense and include the incident in the DoD OIG's Semiannual Report to Congress.

You can obtain information about the DoD Office of Inspector General from DoD Directive 5106.01, "Inspector General of the Department of Defense (IG DoD)," April 20, 2012, as amended, DoD Directive 5106.04, "Defense Inspectors General," May 22, 2014, and DoD Instruction 7050.03, "Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense Access to Records and Information," March 22, 2013. Our website is www.dodig.mil.

If you have any questions about this review, please contact [REDACTED]
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