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December 14, 2022

MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Audit of DoD's Implementation of the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015  
(Project No. D2023-D000CU-0030.000)

We plan to begin the subject audit in December 2022. We are conducting this audit as mandated by the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015 (CISA). CISA requires the Inspectors General of seven Federal entities—the Departments of Commerce, Defense, Energy, Homeland Security, Justice, and Treasury, and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence—to jointly report to Congress no later than 2 years after the enactment date of CISA, and once every 2 years thereafter, on the actions of the Executive branch of the U.S. Government to implement the CISA requirements. The objective of this joint audit is to assess the DoD actions taken in 2021 and 2022 to implement CISA requirements (attached). The Inspectors General will submit an unclassified, interagency report to Congress by December 2023. We may revise the objective as the audit proceeds, and we will also consider suggestions from management for additional or revised objectives.

We will perform the audit at the Offices of the DoD Chief Information Officer, U.S. Cyber Command, Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency, Defense Information Systems Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, National Reconnaissance Office, National Security Agency, and Defense Cyber Crime Center. We may identify additional locations during the audit.

Please provide us with a point of contact for the audit within **5 days** of the date of this memorandum. The point of contact should be a Government employee—a 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 [audcso@dodig.mil](mailto:audcso@dodig.mil).

You can obtain information about the Department of Defense Office of Inspector General from DoD Directive 5106.01, "Inspector General of the Department of Defense (IG DoD)," April 20, 2012, as amended; DoD Instruction 7600.02, "Audit Policies," October 16, 2014, as amended; 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](http://www.dodig.mil).

If you have any questions, please contact [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: (U) Assessment of and Joint Report on the Implementation of the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015 (AUD-2023-002)

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(U) In December 2015, Congress passed the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2016 (Public Law 114-113), including Division N – the Cybersecurity Act of 2015. Within the Cybersecurity Act, Title I – the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015 (CISA), Section 107, *Oversight of Government Activities*, requires the Inspectors General of the “appropriate Federal entities<sup>1</sup>, in consultation with the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community and the Council of Inspectors General on Financial Oversight” to jointly report to Congress on actions taken over the most recent two-year period to carry out CISA requirements.

(U) The objective of this project is to provide a joint report on actions taken during calendar years 2021 and 2022 to carry out CISA requirements. Specifically, we will report on:

- (U) The sufficiency of policies and procedures related to sharing cyber threat indicators within the Federal Government.
- (U) Whether cyber threat indicators and defensive measures have been properly classified, as well as an accounting of the security clearances authorized for the purpose of sharing cyber threat indicators or defensive measures with the private sector.
- (U) Actions taken to use and disseminate cyber threat indicators and defensive measures shared with the Federal Government.

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<sup>1</sup> (U) CISA designates the Office of the Director of National Intelligence and the Departments of Commerce, Defense, Energy, Homeland Security, Justice, and Treasury as the appropriate Federal entities.

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- (U) Specific aspects of cyber threat indicators or defensive measures that have been shared with the Federal Government, including:
  - (U) The number of cyber security threat indicators or defensive measures shared using the capability [Automated Indicator Sharing] implemented by the Department of Homeland Security
  - (U) Instances in which any federal or non-federal entity shared information that was not directly related to a cybersecurity threat and contained personally identifiable information (PII)
  - (U) The number of times, according to the Attorney General, that information shared under this title was used by a federal entity to prosecute an offense listed in CISA Section 105(d)(5)(A)

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- (U) The effect of sharing cyber threat indicators or defensive measures with the Federal Government on privacy and civil liberties of specific persons, including the number of notices that were issued with respect to a failure to remove information not directly related to a cybersecurity threat that contained PII
- (U) The adequacy of steps taken by the Federal Government to reduce any adverse effect from activities carried out under this title on privacy and civil liberties of specific persons.
- (U) Barriers affecting the sharing of cyber threat indicators or defensive measures.

(U) The inspectors general for the Departments of Commerce, Defense, Energy, Homeland Security, Justice, and Treasury, and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence will prepare the report of compliance with Section 107 by December 2023.

(U//~~FOUO~~) If you have any question on this project, you can reach the IC IG points of contact, [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

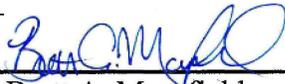
(U) Thank you for your continued support and cooperation on this effort.

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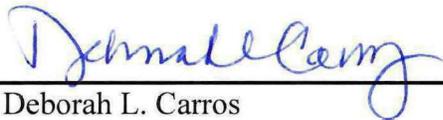
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