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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDANT, U.S. COAST GUARD
COMMANDER, U.S. INDO-PACIFIC COMMAND
COMMANDER, U.S. TRANSPORTATION COMMAND
COMMANDER, MILITARY SEALIFT COMMAND
DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF
AUDITOR GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

SUBJECT: Evaluation of Contested Mobility Requirements and Training for Personnel
Supporting the DoD's Surge Sealift Mission in the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command
Area of Responsibility (Project No. D2023-DEV0PA-0125.000)

The purpose of this memorandum is to notify you that we plan to begin the subject evaluation in June 2023. The objective of this evaluation is to determine whether the DoD effectively provided contested mobility requirements and training for personnel supporting the DoD's surge sealift mission in the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command (USINDOPACOM) area of responsibility. Specifically, we will review the required sealift skills and competencies, and the availability of training for personnel operating in a contested mobility environment. We may revise the objective as the evaluation proceeds, and we will also consider suggestions from management for additional or revised objectives. We plan to perform this evaluation in accordance with the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency, "Quality Standards for Inspection and Evaluation."

We will perform the evaluation at U.S. Navy, Joint Staff, USINDOPACOM, U.S. Transportation Command, Military Sealift Command, U.S. Coast Guard, and the Department of Transportation's Maritime Administration locations. We may identify additional locations during the evaluation.

We request that you designate a staff member to serve as our point of contact for this evaluation within **5 days** of this memorandum. The point of contact should be a Government employee—a GS-15, pay band equivalent, or military equivalent—and knowledgeable of surge sealift requirements and training related to the objective. Send the contact's name, title, grade/pay band, phone number, and e-mail address to [REDACTED]

The Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, authorizes us to have access to personnel and materials as we determine necessary to perform our oversight in a timely manner. 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, and DoD Instruction 7050.03, "Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense Access to Records and Information," March 22, 2013, as amended. Our website is www.dodig.mil.

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