

## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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## MEMORANDUM FOR UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT: Audit of the DoD's Actions to Implement Secure Fifth-Generation and Future Generation Wireless Communications Technologies (Project No. D2023-D000CX-0131.000)

The purpose of this memorandum is to notify you that we plan to begin the subject audit in June 2023. The objective of this audit is to determine the effectiveness of the DoD's actions to implement secure Fifth-Generation (5G) and Future Generation (FutureG) wireless communications technologies in accordance with Federal and DoD strategies. We may revise the objective as the audit proceeds, and we will also consider suggestions from management for additional or revised objectives. We plan to perform this audit in accordance with the Government Accountability Office's generally accepted government auditing standards.

We will perform the audit at the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, Office of the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense, and selected DoD test sites that are fielding 5G and FutureG technologies. We may identify additional locations during the audit.

We request that you designate a staff member to serve as our point of contact for this audit 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 the DoD 5G and FutureG strategies. Send the contact's name, title, grade/pay band, phone number, and e-mail address to audcso@dodig.mil.

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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