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MEMORANDUM FOR UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR ACQUISITION AND  
SUSTAINMENT  
AUDITOR GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY  
AUDITOR GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

SUBJECT: Audit of Air Force Defective Parts and Contractor Restitution (Project No. D2023-D000AX-0112.000)

The purpose of this memorandum is to notify you that we plan to begin the subject audit in April 2023. The objective of this audit is to determine whether the Air Force has effective controls and procedures to identify and remove from the DoD supply chain defective spare parts provided by contractors and to obtain restitution from the contractors that provided the defective spare parts. 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 the audit in accordance with the Government Accountability Office's generally accepted government auditing standards.

We will perform the audit at the Air Force Materiel Command Headquarters, Air Force Life Cycle Management Centers, and Air Force Sustainment Centers. We may identify additional locations during the audit.

We request that you designate a staff member to serve as our point of contact for the 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 Air Force's management and oversight of its product quality deficiency reporting program and the Joint Deficiency Reporting System that is used to process aviation-related product quality deficiency reports, which are related to the audit objective. Please send the contact's name, title, grade/pay band, phone number, and e-mail address to [audcolu@dodig.mil](mailto:audcolu@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](http://www.dodig.mil).

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