JSOP-OAR IN BRIEF

The annual joint strategic oversight plan for Operation Atlantic Resolve (OAR), including U.S. Government activities related to Ukraine, is a whole-of-government effort involving more than 20 agencies. As the Lead IG agencies, the DoD, State, and USAID OIGs will work closely together to deliver comprehensive and effective oversight of OAR, including the wider U.S. response to Russia’s full-scale invasion of Ukraine. OAR in Europe will continue into FY 2024. This joint strategic oversight plan contains 96 ongoing and planned oversight projects for FY 2024.

Lead IG Designation

In 2014, the United States launched OAR as a response to Russia’s military actions in Ukraine. Since Russia’s full-scale invasion of Ukraine in February 2022, the OAR mission has grown. In July 2023, the U.S. President signed an executive order approving the mobilization of select reserve forces in support of OAR. In August 2023, the U.S. Secretary of Defense designated OAR as an overseas contingency operation.

The Chair of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency designated the DoD IG as the Lead IG for OAR, effective October 18, 2023. The Lead IG coordinates oversight efforts with the State and USAID IGs along with other partner agencies. The DoD IG selected the State IG as the Associate Lead IG for OAR.

Lead IG Oversight Objectives

• Inform Congress and the public about ongoing contingency operations and the complex challenges facing the United States and its partners
• Advise the DoD and State on the effectiveness of their security assistance missions, and State and USAID on the effectiveness of their diplomatic, governance, stabilization, development, and humanitarian assistance missions
• Promote the integrity, efficiency, and accountability of U.S. Government operations and associated funding by deterring fraud, waste, and abuse
• Assess the impact of U.S. Government programs, including the capacity of host nation governments to sustain these programs, to improve U.S.-provided assistance and outcomes
• Evaluate the safety and security of facilities occupied by U.S. military and civilian personnel

FY 2024 OAR Oversight Highlights

ONGOING AND PLANNED PROJECTS: 96

Security Cooperation and Coordination: 35

• DoD OIG evaluations of the DoD’s routine and enhanced end-use monitoring of military equipment provided to Ukraine
• DoD OIG evaluation of the DoD’s replenishment and management of 155mm high explosive ammunition
• DoD OIG audits of the DoD’s training of Ukrainian Armed Forces
• State OIG evaluation of the implementation of the interagency strategy to counter illicit diversion of advanced conventional weapons in Eastern Europe
• State OIG audit of the Global Threat Reduction Program in Eastern Europe
• Army Audit Agency audit on missile replenishment and replacement
• Commerce OIG audit of the Bureau of Industry and Security’s enforcement of Russia and Belarus export controls
• GAO audit on cyber operations with allies and partners in Europe
• Treasury OIG audit of Office of Foreign Assets Control’s Ukraine-/Russia related sanctions program

Non-Security Assistance and Coordination: 30

• State OIG audit of humanitarian assistance to Ukraine
• State OIG audit of State’s anti-corruption programs and activities in Eastern Europe
• USAID OIG audit of USAID’s energy activities in Ukraine
• USAID OIG evaluations of USAID’s direct budget support to Ukraine through the World Bank’s trust funds
• USAID OIG audit of USAID’s Bureau for Europe and Eurasia’s Programming to counter democratic backsliding

Management and Operations: 31

• DoD OIG audit of the DoD’s execution of funds provided for assistance to Ukraine
• DoD OIG audit of DoD’s controls for validating and responding to Ukraine’s requests for support
• State OIG audit of disposition of defensive equipment and armored vehicles in advance of evacuations at U.S. Embassies Kyiv and Kabul
• State OIG audit of emergency action planning at selected U.S. Embassies in the Baltic States
• USAID OIG evaluation of USAID’s policies and practices following ordered departures
• USAID OIG review of USAID’s Ukraine staffing
• GAO audit of DoD funding in support of Ukraine