This update summarizes recent DoD Office of Inspector General (OIG) oversight activities related to DoD support to Ukraine. Below are a few highlights.

**Lead IG Announcement**

On September 18, the Chair of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) announced the selection of the Honorable Robert P. Storch, the DoD IG, as the Lead Inspector General (Lead IG) for Operation Atlantic Resolve (OAR). In that capacity, IG Storch will work closely with the other Lead IG partner oversight offices - the Department of State and U.S. Agency for International Development OIGs - as well as other oversight entities - to deliver comprehensive and effective oversight of the wider U.S. response to Russia’s full-scale invasion of Ukraine. The Lead IG designation will take effect on October 18, 2023.
DoD OIG & NABU Sign Agreement

During a virtual ceremony at the DoD OIG Headquarters on September 26, IG Storch signed an agreement with the National Anti-Corruption Bureau of Ukraine (NABU) to formalize information sharing between the two organizations related to investigations of corruption allegations involving U.S. security assistance for Ukraine.

Reports Released

On September 6, the DOD OIG released the “Evaluation of Land-Based Security Controls for Equipment Being Transferred by Rail to Ukraine,” which found that DoD personnel effectively planned, coordinated, and executed the movement of arms, ammunition and explosives (AA&E) for onward movement to Ukraine. However, during the in-transit operations in March 2023 in Poland, we observed that DoD guard forces did not consistently implement security controls to support the ground movement and transfer of AA&E for onward movement to Ukraine by rail in accordance with regulations.

On September 18, the DoD OIG released the “Audit of Army’s Oversight for Ukraine-Specific Logistics Civil Augmentation Program V Services in the U.S. European Command Area of Responsibility,” which found that Army contracting officials did not provide effective contract oversight of Ukraine-specific LOGCAP V services in southeast Poland. In addition, officials from the 405th Army Field Support Brigade did not conduct timely quarterly reviews to address contractor performance concerns. Although our audit scope focused on the Assure and Deter task order, we identified similar oversight issues and concerns with LOGCAP V services in other parts of Europe for the Enduring Missions task order, which supports the overall USEUCOM missions that existed before the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

Also in September, the DoD OIG completed the “Evaluation of DoD Replenishment Plans for Equipment and Munitions Provided to the Government of Ukraine,” and the “Evaluation of Intelligence Sharing in Support of Ukraine.” Both reports contain classified information. To file a Freedom of Information Act Request, please submit a request to FOIA.gov.
Recently Announced

On September 5, the DoD OIG announced the “Audit of the Estimates Used in Valuing Assets Provided Under Presidential Drawdown Authority to Ukraine.” The objective of this audit is to determine the extent and impact of the March 2023 estimation change for valuing assets provided under Presidential Drawdown Authority (PDA), determine whether DoD Components followed the current policy when updating the value of items provided to Ukraine through PDA, and assess whether the current PDA valuation policy complies with Federal laws and regulations.

On September 25, the DoD OIG announced it will begin an “Evaluation of the Accountability of Ukraine-Bound Equipment to Sea Ports of Embarkation in the Continental United States.” The objective of this evaluation is to determine whether DoD Components are effectively accounting for defense materials being provided to Ukraine from their points of origin to sea ports of embarkation within the continental United States.

In-Country Activities

Two DoD OIG personnel are now on the ground at the U.S. Embassy in Ukraine to lead the DoD OIG’s engagement with U.S. and Ukrainian counterparts.

Congressional Engagements

During the past month we continued our extensive engagement with Congressional members and staff to inform them about our comprehensive oversight work.

September 13 – DoD IG, State IG and USAID IG were invited to address the Senate GOP Conference to discuss completed and ongoing DoD OIG work regarding Ukraine oversight. Inspector General Robert Storch and his counterparts, Acting Inspector General Diana Shaw, of State OIG, Acting Deputy Inspector General, Performing the Duties of the Inspector General, Nicole Angarella of USAID OIG, discussed completed and ongoing work related to U.S. assistance to Ukraine. We continue to offer and conduct such briefings for and provide information on a bipartisan basis for Congressional members and staff.

The OIGs of the Department of Defense, Department of State, and U.S. Agency for International Development are committed to coordinating oversight of Ukraine aid. Get the latest on each OIG’s planned, ongoing, and completed work at their respective websites.

https://www.dodig.mil/Ukraine/

https://www.stateoig.gov/ukraine-response-oversight

https://oig.usaid.gov/our-work/ukraine-oversight