



OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
4800 MARK CENTER DRIVE
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22350-1500

February 5, 2024

MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT: Evaluation of DoD Policy and Procedures for Responding to Reports of Violent Threats Made by Service Members (Project No. D2024-DEV0SP-0073.000)

The purpose of this memorandum is to notify you that we plan to begin the subject evaluation in February 2024.

The objective of this evaluation is to determine whether the DoD, Services, and National Guard have adequate policies and procedures in place to respond to reports of violent threats made by Service members. As part of this evaluation, we will evaluate a sample of DoD law enforcement and commander actions that involve reports of Service members making violent threats, to determine whether the actions taken in response to such reports complied with existing DoD, Service, and National Guard policy requirements. We may revise the objective as the evaluation proceeds and will consider suggestions from management for additional or revised objectives. We plan to perform this evaluation in accordance with Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency “Quality Standards for Inspection and 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 knowledgeable of your organizations policies, reporting requirements, investigative standards, processes, procedures, and records repository operations related to the objective. Send the contact’s name, title, grade/pay band, phone number, and email address to [REDACTED]

The Inspector General Act of 1978, 5 U.S.C. §§ 401-424, 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.

If you have any questions, please contact [REDACTED]

FOR THE INSPECTOR GENERAL:



Randolph R. Stone
Assistant Inspector General for
Space, Intelligence, Engineering, and
Oversight

cc:

Secretary of the Army

Secretary of the Navy

Secretary of Air Force

Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness

Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security

Chief of the National Guard Bureau