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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, UNITED STATES NORTHERN COMMAND
DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF
AUDITOR GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

SUBJECT: Evaluation of the U.S. Northern Command Joint Task Force–Southern Border’s Sustainment Operations for Units Deployed to the Southern Border (Project No. D2025-DEV0HC-0123.000)

The purpose of this memorandum is to notify you that we are initiating the subject evaluation. The objective of this evaluation is to determine the extent to which the U.S. Northern Command and the Army are effectively sustaining the Stryker Brigade Combat Team (BCT) deployed to the Southern Border. We may revise the objective as the evaluation proceeds, and we will also consider suggestions from management for additional or revised objectives. We plan to perform this evaluation in accordance with the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency “Quality Standards for Inspection and Evaluation.”

We will perform the evaluation at the deployed locations of the Stryker Brigade Combat Team and Joint Task Force–Southern Border. We may identify additional locations during the evaluation.

We request that you designate two points of contact for this evaluation within **5 days** of this memorandum. One point of contact should be a Government employee—a GS-15, pay band equivalent, or military equivalent—who is knowledgeable on the Army’s sustainment operations for housing, nutritional, and Stryker maintenance support operations for the Stryker Brigade Combat Team deployed at the Southern border. The second point of contact should be a member of the Senior Executive Service or a General/Flag Officer who is familiar with the program and could serve as a point of engagement with DoD Office of Inspector General senior leaders, if necessary. Send each contact’s name, title, grade/pay band, phone number, and email address to

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