

## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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

SUBJECT: Audit of the DoD's Policies and Procedures to Prevent the Procurement of Prohibited Seafood Products (Project No. D2025-D000AH-0028.000)

The purpose of this memorandum is to notify you that we are initiating the subject audit. This audit is a Congressional mandate established in Conference Report 118-204 to accompany the Department of Defense Appropriations for FY 2025 that directs the DoD OIG to submit a report to the congressional defense committees assessing the extent to which the Department of Defense has policies and procedures in place to ensure that the food the Department procures does not include seafood prohibited under Public Law 117-78, "Uyghur Forced Labor Prevention Act," and section 321 of Public Law 115-44, "Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act."

The objective of this audit is to determine the existence and sufficiency of the Department of Defense's policies and procedures to procure seafood in accordance with Public Law 117-78, "Uyghur Forced Labor Prevention Act," and section 321 of Public Law 115-44, "Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act." 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 this audit in accordance with the Government Accountability Office's generally accepted government auditing standards.

We will perform the audit at the Defense Logistics Agency, Army Contracting Command, Naval Supply Systems Command, Air Force Installation Contracting Center, and Marine Corps Systems Command. We may identify additional locations during the audit.

We request that you designate two points of contact for this audit 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 of the DoD's policies and procedures related to procurement of seafood in accordance with the Federal laws stated in the objective. The second point of contact should be a member of the Senior Executive Service or a General/Flag Officer who is familiar with the DoD's policies and procedures related to the procurement of seafood 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 <a href="mailto:audacs@dodig.mil">audacs@dodig.mil</a>.

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 <a href="https://www.dodig.mil">www.dodig.mil</a>.

If you have any questions, please contact

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