

Office of the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction

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## **COMPLIANT RATING**

## Report on the External Quality Assessment Review

April 16, 2018

Ms. Deborah J. Jeffrey Inspector General Corporation for National and Community Services 250 E Street SW Washington DC 20525

Subject: Report on the Quality Assessment Review of the Office of Inspector General of the Corporation for National and Community Services

Dear Ms. Jeffrey,

We reviewed the system of internal safeguards and management procedures for the investigation operations of the Office of Inspector General of the Corporation for National and Community Services (CNCS) Office of Investigations (OI) in effect for the period ending December 31, 2017. The review was conducted in conformity with the Quality Standards for Investigations and the Quality Assessment Review Guidelines established by the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency, and the Attorney General's Guidelines for Offices of Inspector General, with Statutory Law Enforcement Authority, as applicable. Attachment A is the Qualitative Assessment Review Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) we mutually signed for this review.

We reviewed compliance with CNCS/OI's system of internal policies and procedures to the extent we considered appropriate. The review was conducted at the headquarters office in Washington DC. Additionally, we sampled 17 case files for investigations closed during the calendar year 2017.

In conducting the review, we gave consideration to the prerequisites of Section 6(e) of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended (IG Act) and Section 812 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (Pub.L. 107-296). Those documents authorize law enforcement powers for eligible personnel of each of the various offices of presidentially appointed Inspectors General. Those powers may be exercised only for activities authorized by the IG Act, other statutes, or as expressly authorized by the Attorney General. In our opinion, the system of internal safeguards and management procedures for the investigative function of CNCS/OI in effect for the year ending December 31, 2017, is in compliance with the quality standards established by the CIGIE and the applicable Attorney General guidelines. These safeguards and procedures provide reasonable assurance of conforming to professional standards in the planning, execution, and reporting of your investigations.

Sincerely, John F. Sopko

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