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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Don Graves Deputy Secretary of Commerce

FROM:

Frederick J. Meny, Jr. Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation

SUBJECT: Evaluation of the Department of Commerce's Cyber Incident Detection and Response (#2022-414)

We are initiating an evaluation of the U.S. Department of Commerce's (the Department's) cyber incident detection and response. Our objective is to assess the adequacy of actions taken by the Department and its bureaus when detecting and responding to cyber incidents in accordance with federal and Departmental requirements.

We plan to begin this work immediately. We will contact your audit liaison to schedule an entrance conference, at which time we will discuss in further detail the specific nature of our evaluation—including our objective and scope, time frames, and any potential needs for us to be provided data. If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 482-1931 or Dr. Ping Sun, Director for IT Security, at (202) 482-6121.

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