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18 September 2020

MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF CONTRACTS
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF SECURITY AND COUNTERINTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: (U) Summary Report of Investigation: Labor Mischarging
(Case Number 20-0012-I)

(U//~~FOUO~~) The National Reconnaissance Office, Office of Inspector General (OIG) initiated an investigation based on information alleging [redacted] mischarged time to an NRO contract. The attached Summary Report of Investigation details the investigation results.

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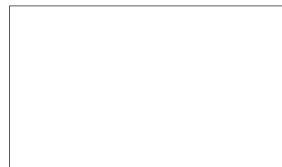
(U//~~FOUO~~) The OIG requests that the Director, Office of Security and Counterintelligence, place a copy of this report in the appropriate security file, along with a notation in the appropriate security databases. All other copies are for informational purposes only and should be returned to the OIG.

(U//~~FOUO~~) The OIG asks that the Director, Office of Contracts (D/OC) determine whether debarment of [redacted] pursuant to Federal Acquisition Regulation 9.406, is in the government's interest. The D/OC should report the result of this determination, as well as any action taken or anticipated, to the OIG within 45 days from the date of this report.

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(U//~~FOUO~~) You may share information contained within this report with those individuals you deem necessary to complete the requested actions. If there are other persons who you believe require access as part of their official duties, please let me know, and I will promptly review your request. Questions regarding this summary may be directed to Special Agent in Charge [redacted] (secure) or to the undersigned at [redacted] (secure).

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Assistant Inspector General
For Investigations

Attachment:
(U) Summary Report of Investigation
(Case Number 20-0012-I) (~~S//TK//REL~~)

cc: General Counsel



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**(U) SUMMARY REPORT OF
INVESTIGATION**

(U) (20-0012-I)

18 September 2020

(U) Section A – Subject:

1. ~~(S//TK//REL)~~ Full Name: [Redacted]

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AIN: N/A

SSN: [Redacted]

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Employer: [Redacted]

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Contract Number: [Redacted]

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Job Title: [Redacted]

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(U) Section B – Predication:

2. ~~(S//TK//REL)~~ On 22 October 2019, the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) Office of Inspector General (OIG) received information alleging [redacted] improperly recorded hours he did not work on an NRO program at the Aerospace Data Facility-Colorado (ADF-C). At the time of the allegation, [redacted] was a [redacted] [redacted] employee assigned as a [redacted] on the NRO [redacted] [redacted] alleged actions potentially violated 18 U.S.C. § 287, *False, Fictitious, and Fraudulent Claims*, which makes it unlawful for anyone to make any claim upon or against the United States, or any department or agency thereof, knowing such claim to be false, fictitious, or fraudulent.

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(U) Section C – Investigative Findings:

3. ~~(U//FOUO)~~ The OIG reviewed [redacted] time and attendance records from 1 March 2019 through 30 September 2019, based on the scope of the allegation. The OIG compared badge records, which reflected the dates and times [redacted] entered or exited NRO facilities, to his [redacted] time and attendance records. The OIG initially determined that during the relevant period, [redacted] appeared to record approximately 156 hours for which he did not work as claimed.

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4. ~~(S//TK//REL)~~ In October 2019, the OIG received information that [redacted] had transferred his place of duty from ADF-C to [redacted] [redacted] transfer precluded his interview by the OIG at ADF-C. The OIG subsequently referred the matter to [redacted] for an internal investigation. As part of the referral, the OIG provided [redacted] its analysis of [redacted] discrepant hours, which included a redacted spreadsheet containing [redacted] [redacted] verified daily hours in NRO facilities from 1 March 2019 through 30 September 2019. [redacted] reported to the OIG that its investigators interviewed [redacted] regarding the discrepant hours. [redacted] investigators also examined corporate records reflecting [redacted] activities while on duty, and interviewed his [redacted] supervisor at ADF-C. [redacted] was given credit for additional official time charged to the contract based on the records and information obtained by [redacted] investigators. Upon completing its internal review, [redacted] reported to the OIG that [redacted] [redacted] recorded approximately 83 hours that he did not work as claimed. [redacted] actions resulted in [redacted] charging [redacted] to the [redacted] contract for services that he did not actually provide to the NRO. The OIG’s review did not produce any information contrary to these findings.

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(U) Section D – Conclusion:

5. ~~(U//FOUO)~~ The United States Attorney’s Office, District of Colorado, declined prosecution. The OIG briefed the facts of this case to the cognizant NRO contracting officer, who subsequently agreed to an administrative settlement with [redacted] [redacted] voluntarily terminated his employment, effective 20 July 2020, before [redacted] notified him of termination.¹ On 22 July 2020, [redacted] credited [redacted] to the affected NRO contract through a check issued to United States Treasury. All OIG actions are complete.

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¹ ~~(U//FOUO)~~ NRO records reflect [redacted] was removed from access to all NRO programs on 26 June 2020.

6. (U//~~FOUO~~) The OIG requests that the Director, Office of Security and Counterintelligence place a copy of this report in [redacted] security file, along with a notation in the appropriate security databases.

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Special Agent in Charge