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20 March 2019

MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE  
 PRINCIPAL DEPUTY DIRECTOR, NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE  
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 GENERAL COUNSEL, NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE  
 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, OFFICE OF SECURITY, NATIONAL  
 RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE

SUBJECT: (U) Report of Investigation: False Claims  
 (Case Number 17-0070-I)

(U//~~FOUO~~) The National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) Office of Inspector General (OIG) initiated an investigation based on information alleging [redacted] a former [redacted] [redacted] employee, mischarged time to an NRO contract. The attached Report of Investigation (ROI) is for your review and/or action.

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

(U//~~FOUO~~) The OIG requests the Director, Office of Contracts (D/OC) determine if debarment of [redacted] pursuant to Federal Acquisition Regulation 9.406, is in the government's interest. The OIG requests the D/OC determine if administrative action towards [redacted] is appropriate due to its failure to report the alleged violations to the OIG and its non-compliance with NRO Acquisition Manual requirements for reimbursement of the inappropriate charges. The D/OC should report the results of these determinations and any actions taken or anticipated to the OIG within 45 days of the date of this report - **6 May 2019**.

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(U//~~FOUO~~) You may share information contained within this report with individuals you deem necessary to complete the requested actions. If individuals other than the addressees require a copy of this report, please notify the undersigned, and the OIG will review the request.

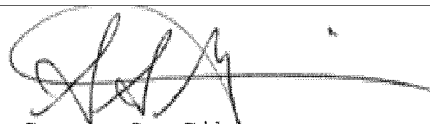
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(U//~~FOUO~~) Questions regarding this report may be directed to

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Susan S. Gibson  
Inspector General

Attachment:

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cc:  
Senior Contracting Officer, GEOINT/OSL

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SUBJECT: (U) Summary Report of Investigation: False Claims  
(Case Number 17-0070-I)

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# (U) REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

(U) (17-0070-I)

20 March 2019

**(U) Section A – Subject:**

1. (U//~~FOUO~~)

**Full Name:**

**SSN:**

**Former Employer:**

**Contract Number:**

**Job Title:**

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**(U) Section B – Predication:**

2. (U//~~FOUO~~) On 22 August 2017, the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO), Office of General Counsel (OGC) notified the NRO Office of Inspector General (OIG) of potential fraudulent time card claims by [redacted] was a [redacted] [redacted] employee assigned to [redacted] as a [redacted] [redacted] on the NRO [redacted] [redacted] contract [redacted] was in this position from 9 June 2008 to 24 October 2017.<sup>1</sup> The OIG initiated an investigation, as [redacted] alleged actions potentially violated 18 United States Code (U.S.C.) § 287, *False, Fictitious, and Fraudulent Claims*.

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**(U) Section C – Potential Violations:**

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3. (U) 18 U.S.C. § 287, *False, Fictitious, and Fraudulent Claims* 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.

**(U) Section D – Investigative Findings:**

[Redacted]

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**(U) Section E – Conclusion:**

7. (U//~~FOUO~~) The United States Attorney’s Office, [redacted] declined prosecution. The NRO removed [redacted] from access to NRO programs on 24 October 2017, and [redacted] subsequently resigned from [redacted] provided a credit to [redacted] albeit with the credit being provided through a transfer of the mischarged costs to an unallowable overhead charge number.

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<sup>5</sup> (U//~~FOUO~~) [redacted] investigation showed 5,903 favorites and/or bookmarks saved to [redacted] account that were predominately non-work related. Of these 5,903 favorites and/or bookmarks, 796 contained titles indicating material that was [redacted] explicit or otherwise inappropriate for the workplace.

<sup>6</sup> (U//~~FOUO~~) [redacted]

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