



NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE

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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF CONTRACTS

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SUBJECT: (U//~~FOUO~~) Referral: Regulatory - Contractor Use of NRO
Training
(Case Number 19-0265-C)

(U//~~FOUO~~) The National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) Office of Inspector General (OIG) received an anonymous complaint alleging that Contracting Officers (COs) are not consistently involved in approving all directly billed training for contractor employees as required under [Redacted]. The complaint further alleged that contractors are signing up for training without oversight from their respective Contracting Officer Technical Representative (COTR) and CO resulting in contractors charging the NRO for skills they should already have.

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(U//~~FOUO~~) According to [Redacted]

[Redacted]

The complaint also claimed NRO Directive 121-2 (rescinded) - which required COTR approval for contractor employees registering for NRO sponsored training of eight hours or fewer - contradicts [Redacted] and is yet cited when COTRs are selected as training approvers.

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(U//~~FOUO~~) The OIG did not investigate this complaint. This matter is being referred to your respective offices for your review and action as appropriate. We request a written response to [Redacted] [Redacted] NRO Headquarters within 45 days regarding what action has been taken on this matter.

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(U//~~FOUO~~) You may share this information with any parties as necessary to take appropriate action. Questions regarding this referral may be directed to [Redacted] (secure).

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