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NRO Celebrates Ten Years of "Clean" Financial Audits

In an achievement unparalleled in the U.S. Intelligence Community, the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) received a tenth consecutive unmodified (clean) audit of its annual financial statements.

"This decade of excellence is a testament to the strength of the financial and management controls of the NRO and to the women and men who are the trusted stewards of our federal resources," said NRO Director Betty Sapp.

The audit was conducted by Kearney & Company, an independent public accounting firm. Kearney evaluated the reliability of financial data supporting NRO financial statements, the accuracy of the statements, and the accuracy of footnote disclosures in accordance with guidance issued by the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board, the Office of Management and Budget, and other authorities.

An unmodified or "clean" audit opinion means that the financial statements present fairly the financial position and the results of the organization's operations in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. NRO managers can confidently use this information in day-to-day decisions, knowing it is accurate and reliable.

"I am extremely proud of the NRO team. Each year we continue to build upon the success of the previous year. Their continued diligent hard work provides an assurance to our oversight officials and the American public that we are deserving of their trust," said Misty Tullar, NRO's Chief Financial Officer and Director of NRO's Business and Plans Operations Directorate.

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The NRO is a Department of Defense-Intelligence Community organization responsible for developing, launching, and operating America's intelligence satellites to meet the national security needs of our nation.