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April 12, 2016

This is in final response to your June 4, 2014, Freedom of Information Act request for the OIG weekly activity reports for the time period January 1, 2011 to the present. Your request was received on June 9, 2014 was assigned case number 214047.

Because your request was for a large volume of complex information (500 files) requiring substantial review time, and the fact that this office has had a number of cases awaiting processing, you reduced the scope of your request to include weekly activity reports during the months of April and May 2014 for the Office of Management and Policy and the Office of Labor Racketeering and Fraud Investigations.

The FOIA review has been completed and all records are enclosed. Certain information has been deleted for the reasons set forth below. The deleted information includes the names of special agents; the names of investigative subjects in cases where the outcome was either a deferred prosecution or a pretrial diversion; information related to open investigations; internal deliberations over investigative recommendations presented to the IG; sentencing recommendations; personal employee leave information; and information related to security vulnerabilities.

Exemption (b)(5) authorizes the withholding of opinions and recommendations contained in intra agency and inter-agency documents which are deliberative, developed prior to the issuance of a final agency determination, protected by the attorney-client privilege or are otherwise privileged. The purpose of this exemption is to facilitate the frank exchange of ideas and recommendations within the Federal Government, which are necessary in making informed agency decisions.

Exemption (b)(6) authorizes the withholding of names and details of personal information in personnel, medical and similar files, which, if disclosed to the public, would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

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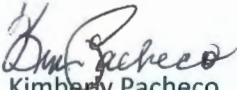
Exemption (b)(7)(C) of the FOIA authorizes the withholding of names and details of personal information related to various individuals which, if disclosed to the public, could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Exemption (b)(7)(E) of the Freedom of Information Act authorizes the withholding of information if its release would disclose investigative techniques and/or procedures, thereby impairing their future effectiveness.

You have the right to appeal my decision to (partially) deny your request within 90 days from the date of this letter. Should you decide to do this, your appeal must state, in writing, the grounds for appeal, together with any statement or arguments. Such an appeal should be addressed and directed to the Solicitor of Labor, citing OIG/FOIA No.214047, Room N-2428, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210. Please refer to the Department of Labor regulations at 29 C.F.R. 70.22 for further details on your appeal rights.

If you have any questions, please contact this office at (202) 693-5116. We thank you for your patience.

Sincerely,


Kimberly Pacheco
Disclosure Officer

Enclosures: 65 pages

MEMORANDUM FOR: SCOTT S. DAHL
Inspector General

FROM: NANCY RUIZ DE GAMBOA
Assistant Inspector General for Management and Policy

SUBJECT: Office of Management and Policy's Significant Activities Report
for the week April 07, 2014

Congressional Activities

- On Monday, March 31, Sen. Cruz's office contacted us for an update on the request he sent us involving an OCWP constituent. The Staffer mentioned having requested an update directly from OWCP over two months ago but still had not received a response from them. Responded that the OIG's role is limited to asking OWCP for an update on the case and that we would check if the OIG had received anything back from OWCP. OLS is drafting an update letter to Sen. Cruz.

Media

- On Thursday, April 3, we attended the CIGIE-sponsored quarterly meeting of all OIG press officers. The meeting included a panel discussion with reporters from the Washington Post, Bloomberg News, NPR and ABC News.
- Responded to an inquiry from *The Daily Show with Jon Steward* as to whether the OIG has issued any reports after the October 2012 report on the Green Jobs program. Responded that we have not and that the October 2012 report is the latest.

SAR

- DCLC has completed its initial review of write-ups, which are due back with final AIG sign-offs today (Monday, April 7). AIG OMAP and Counsel will review the write-ups starting today before we provide them to you. The draft is scheduled to be provided to the Assistant Secretaries on Tuesday, April 15.
- Revisions to Significant Concerns and Legislative Recommendations are due on Wednesday, April 09.

Technology and Administrative Services

- **Cloud e-mail - User Communications and Training:** DOL-OCIO provided examples of the user communications and training that was used for their cloud rollout. Chip, Jon DJ, Luiz, and BIT staff plan to meet the week of April 7 to develop/adapt training and communication materials for OIG employees.

Human Resources

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Status: selection made on March 31, 2014 – Dietrich Bowling; pending suitability.

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Congressional Correspondence

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2013/01/31 2013/01/31 Sen. BEGICH (D-AK)	OMAP,OLS	BEGICH- MSHA Conference spending	MSHA forwarded a constituent complaint to hotline. The constituent complaint was original sent to MSHA from Sen. Begich.	-04/04/14: Pending OISI investigation. -10/30/13 Sent response and MSHA mine rescue audit. -02/28/13: Response sent, indicating we will forward a copy of the mine rescue audit once it is completed. -02/15/13: OLS hotline is drafting response

MEMORANDUM FOR: SCOTT S. DAHL
Inspector General

FROM: NANCY RUIZ DE GAMBOA
Assistant Inspector General for Management and Policy

SUBJECT: Office of Management and Policy's Significant Activities Report
for the week April 14, 2014

Division of Congressional Liaison and Communications

Congressional Activities

- The Senate and House are on a 2-week recess, returning on Monday, April 28.
- Received a draft bill from CIGIE that would expand the jurisdiction of several IGs, including DOL-OIG. Need to discuss any comments we wish to provide the subcommittee, which are due the week of April 21.
- Attended a hearing on April 10 on oversight of small agencies held by the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Financial and Contracting Oversight.
- Attended a hearing on April 9 on the FY 2015 budget request for DOL held by the Senate Appropriations committee, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies. Secretary Perez testified.

Media

- Responded to a Washington Post reporter working on a story on FECA. She wanted to know if we had done any recent work on FECA. Pointed her to the Audit Workplan for our current jobs and to our most recent reports from Nov. 2003 and Oct. 2012.

SAR

- The draft write-ups are scheduled to be provided to the Assistant Secretaries on Tuesday, April 15.
- OAVOLRFI provided revisions and comments to Significant Concerns and Legislative Recommendations. We will provide them to the IG, along with the Assistant Secretaries' comments, upon his return.
- OA submitted statistics on April 10. OLRFI will submit statistics on April 16 after the system is closed out.
- The draft will be sent to the editor on Tuesday, April 15.

Division of Technology and Administrative Services

- **Needing Further Discussion: SF Space Project** - SAC Abel Salinas rejected the proposal to reconfigure existing space in the SF regional office, claiming the redesign does not meet their needs. As an alternative option, DTAS was asked to locate available space in three specific offices in the East Bay section of SF that were identified by OLRFI. DTAS was not successful in finding acceptable space in

those buildings. The space in the East Bay buildings were 4000 sq.ft. and larger which GSA says cannot be subdivided.

- **Cloud Email** - The OMAP Cloud Email training and communications team met to discuss a plan of action and timeline for the communications plan. We agreed that the first of 2-4 messages to all OIG employees will be sent between Monday, April 21 and Monday, April 28, depending on progress with the actual migration plan. Users will be advised of available training, new systems capabilities, how to prepare for the migration, and their specific migration date. Team members include: Nickole Comfort, Jon Jones, Chip McCoy, DJ Strauss and Janell Smith.

Division of Procurement

- Office of Audit Director's Conference: Procurement anticipates awarding the contract on Monday, April 14.
- Office of Audit Continuing Professional Education (CPE): The Request for Quote (RFQ) was issued and the proposals are due to Procurement on Monday, April 14.

Division of Budget

- On Tuesday, April 25, OMAP (Seagle and McCoy) will attend a WCF service provider briefing. At this meeting, the OCIO will go over their services that are included in the WCF. Other agencies will present at later dates.

Division of Human Resources Management

e -Training:

- The **OIG IT Rules of Behavior** course was uploaded to employee and contractor learning plans on February 10, 2014. The current rate of completion is 68%. **The course completion deadline has been extended to Friday, April 18, 2014.**
- The mandatory **Records Management for Everyone 2014** was uploaded to employee and contractor learning plans Monday, April 7, 2014. **The course deadline is Friday, July 11, 2014.**

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FROM: NANCY RUIZ DE GAMBOA
Assistant Inspector General for Management and Policy

SUBJECT: Office of Management and Policy's Significant Activities Report
for the week April 21, 2014

Congressional Activities

- The Senate and House are on recess. Returning Monday, April 28.
- Prepared an executive summary on a draft bill Sen. McCaskill provided CIGIE on "Small Agency Oversight." The bill would expand the jurisdiction of several IGs, including DOL-OIG.
- Sent on Wednesday, April 16 the IPERA report to Senate Homeland security and Governmental Affairs Committee, House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, GAO, and OMB.
- Sen. Grassley's office contacted us on Friday, April 18 requesting a conference call to discuss status of recommendations from our 2010 report on the OSHA Whistleblower program. The staff indicated Sen. Grassley will likely request a follow-up audit. We are scheduling the conference call for this week.

CIGIE

- Attended on Tuesday, April 17 a GIGIE meeting, which included a discussion of the Small Agency Oversight bill introduced by Sen. McCaskill.

SAR

- The draft write-ups were provided to the A/SSs on Tuesday, April 15. We received agencies' comments on Friday, April 18 and are working on addressing them with the components.
- Held a meeting on Thursday, April 17 to discuss Significant Concerns and Legislative Recommendations.
- IG message is being circulated for review.
- IG signs and transmits SAR to the Secretary on Wednesday, April 30.

Other

- Prepared executive briefing books for incoming DIG and AIGI.

Technology and Administrative Services

- **Cloud email** – [REDACTED] equipment is scheduled to be delivered the week of April 17. OIG cloud communications to staff will begin the week of April 28.
- Met with Lisa Finnegan to discuss requirements for a new Hotline report.

- BDMA is in the process of modifying and testing the Inspections module to meet the new requirements under OLRFI control.
- BDMA has reviewed requirements for IMIS modifications supplied by the OLRFI field SACs, OLRFI HQ will review and refine the requirements before BDMA makes a final assessment of what can be done.
- IMIS Time sheet modifications are complete and waiting on an OLRFI decision to deploy.
- (b) (5) BAS will not participate in the DOL Travel System workgroup tasked with evaluating alternatives for the new system.
- **OA Air Quality Results** - Follow up on air quality report for Audit office space in FPB. Results showed no evidence of harmful levels of contaminants.
- (b) (7)(E) **Vulnerability Mitigation Activities** - The OIG has completed assessments and remedial actions, and reported to OCIO regarding vulnerabilities related to (b) (7)(E). During this assessment one vulnerability was detected (b) (7) It has been mitigated to the satisfaction of the OIG and OCIO.
- **WRO Space Project** – OASAM provided a cost estimate for the OIG to move into Patriot Plaza II. DTAS has a breakout of cost and a timeline for obligation of funds. OASAM wants a commitment in the next 2 weeks. We would like to brief the AIGs on the proposal and the only other option currently available, which is to consider moving WRO back into the FPB.
- **Columbus Space Project** – OIG asked to fund another \$5K for 'change orders' to project. Additionally OASAM communicated to OIG that \$117K is outstanding in funding for the project. Mr. Jackson, Chicago OASAM RA did not respond to our email dated March 27, 2014, in which we said that "our management is prepared to go to your Assistant Secretary for resolution". (b) (5)
- **Las Vegas Space Project** – GSA has asked that we sign an Occupancy Agreement and prepare an RWA for \$110,425.37. We have again asked for a cost breakdown to justify spending. (b) (5)

Division of Human Resources Management

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FROM: NANCY RUIZ DE GAMBOA
Assistant Inspector General for Management and Policy

SUBJECT: Office of Management and Policy's Significant Activities Report
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Congressional Activities

- The Senate and House are in session.
- Attending on Tuesday, April 29 a Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pension; Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety hearing, titled "Are Existing Private Sector Whistleblower Protections Adequate To Ensure Safe Workplaces?" Assistant Secretary Michaels is testifying.
- Attending on Thursday, May 8 a House Committee on Veterans' Affairs; Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity hearing, titled "Defining and Improving Success for Student Veterans." Deputy Under Secretary for Economic Opportunity, Curtis Coy is testifying.
- Set up a conference call for Tuesday, April 29, with Charlie Moskowitz from Sen. McCaskill's office on the Oversight of Small Agencies bill. Luiz spoke with him again and he reiterated that the bill is very much a discussion draft, and that the committee has been considering other tactics, to include a hybrid approach, creating a new IG office to oversee most of the small agencies. To that end, he is more than happy to discuss any input we may have. He also indicated they are far from formally introducing the bill.

SAR

- Full draft is being circulated for final review and sign-off.
- IG signs and transmits SAR to the Secretary on Wednesday, April 30.

Media

- Spoke with a reporter from The Charlotte Observer who had contacted you directly with questions regarding misclassification under the Davis Bacon Act. Luiz directed him to the Wage and Hour Division for questions regarding their role, and to our past semiannuals and current audit work plan for details about our role.

Budget Activities

- **2016 Budget Formulation:** Budget guidance is expected in May. We need to start thinking about what initiatives the OIG wants to propose.

Technology and Administrative Services

- **Cloud Email:**
 - **User Communications:** Notification announcing the upcoming migration to cloud email is due to be sent by Friday, May 2.
- **BLS Cloud Email Meeting:**
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Assistant Inspector General for Management and Policy

SUBJECT: Office of Management and Policy's Significant Activities Report
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SAR

- Transmitted the SAR to the Secretary on Wednesday, April 30.
- Drafting Highlights.

Technology and Administrative Services

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- **Update on **(b) (7)(E)**:**
 - DTAS deployed **(b) (7)(E)**
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- **Annual equipment inventory review and certification:** Email sent to all OIG employees notifying them of the upcoming annual inventory review and certification starting Monday, May 12. Reminders will be sent weekly.
- **IG Town Hall:** Started planning for an IG Town Hall meeting, Date and time TBD.

Division of Human Resources Management

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SAR

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Congressional Activities

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SAR

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Other

- **Reminder:** CIGIE award nominations due to CIGIE on Friday, May 30.

Division of Technology and Administrative Services

- **More Discussion Needed - WRO - Patriot's Plaza II Space:** OASAM asked for a \$40,000 RWA for the design phase by COB Thursday May 29. Although the walkthrough with OLRFI, GSA, OASAM, and Patriots Plaza II building manager occurred on Wednesday, May 21, 2014, OIG does not have the revised cost estimate or actual square footage.
- **WRO – FPB Option:** Created a vendor list to identify potential contractors who can convert Room N4633 into WRO workspace.
- Submitted AutoCAD drawings to OMAP that illustrate potential changes to Room N-4633 to accommodate WRO.

- **Las Vegas Space Project:** Received a revised OA from GSA-Las Vegas for OIG review/approval on May 20, 2014. Once the OA has been circulated, reviewed and signed, the Notice to Proceed will be issued to the contractors by GSA.

Division of Procurement

- **Data Mining/Analytics:** Sole-Source award to Elder Research, for RADR and Insight Data Mining/Analytics is anticipated in June 2014. Proposal is being reviewed by the Technical Team. Establishing an Intra-agency Agreement (IAA) between U.S. Department of Labor's (DOL) Office of Inspector General (OIG) and the DOL Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP).
- **FISMA/Financial Statement Audit:** KPMG proposal has been received for additional work on the FISMA/Financial Statement Audit. Award o/a June 2014.

Course Name	Vendor	Estimated Amount	Anticipated Award
Finance Course	Management Concepts, Inc. - MCI	\$13,000.00	29 May 2014
Internal Controls Course	Management Concepts, Inc. - MCI	\$13,000.00	29 May 2014
Data Mining Course	Elder Research, Inc	\$12,000.00	29 May 2014
Statistical Sampling	ESI International	TBD	3 June 2014
Writing Course	Kleimann/Kevin Dungey	\$11,000.00	30 May 2014
Contract Auditing Course	Cotton & Company LLP Institute of Internal Auditors - IIA Advanced Government Solutions	TBD	3 June 2014

Division of Budget

- **FY 2016 Budget Formulation:** OMAP is developing ideas for FY 2016 initiatives after meeting with Audit on May 20. The FY 2016 budget guidance was released on Thursday. Due May 30 is a paragraph highlighting any initiative that agencies will be proposing. The final FY 2016 budget is due to DBC on Friday, June 13.

Division of Human Resources Management

- Kimberly Lacey's last work day is Friday, May 30.

Status of Vacancies:

IG OFFICE:

Deputy Inspector General, ES-0301-00, Washington, DC
Status: Selection made Monday, April 21, 2014; pending OPM approval.

OA:

Management and Program Analyst, GS-0343-14, Washington, DC
Status: Closed Friday, May 09, 2014, pending selection.

Statistician, GS-1530-15, Washington, DC
Status: Closed, Friday, May 16, 2014, cert issued Tuesday, May 27.

OLRFI:

Supervisory Criminal Investigator, GS-1811-15, New York
Status: Certificate issued Friday, April 11, 2014, cert extended, pending selection.

Criminal Investigator, GS-1811-9/11/12, New York
Status: Closed Friday, May 16, 2014, pending cert.

OMAP:

Information Technology Specialist (Data Management), GS-2210-13, Washington, DC
Status: Status: selection made; Dietrich Bowling, EOD Monday, June 02, 2014.

Human Resources Officer, GS-0201-15, Washington, DC
Status: Open Friday, May 09 – Friday, May 30, 2014.

Congressional Correspondence

Active

Date Received / Date Acknowledged / From	Assigned To	Title	Description	Comments
2014/05/14 2014/05/14 Rep. Issa (R-CA)	OMAP	ISSA- time and attendance fraud at DOL	Chairman Issa requesting that the IG provide all source documents and information related to investigations of time and attendance fraud at DOL between January 1, 2012, and present. Please note the committee is requesting the documents by 5pm on Wednesday, May 28, 2014 and a briefing to committee staff by no later than Friday, May 30, 2014.	-05/22/14: Drafting response -05/20/14: Held a conference call with Chairman Issa's staff on his request relating to OIG investigations of time and attendance fraud at DOL. -05/14/14: received request, working on response.
2012/01/18 2013/12/16 Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-IA)	OISI,OA,OLRFI	ALEXANDER - request for GRASSLEY/COBURN - Biannual Report request on all non-public, closed investigations, evaluations, and audits	Senator Alexander requests a copy of the biannual report sent to Senators Grassley and Coburn on all non-public, closed investigations, evaluations, and audits.	-05/22/14: Drafting spring response -12/16/13: Sent December response.-06/03/13: sent June response.-12/03/12: The next report is due on 1/03/13, DCLC has begun drafting response. -05/29/12: Spring response was sent to the Senator. An electronic version was sent to Nick Geale.
2010/04/08 2013/12/17 Sen. Charles Grassley (R-IA) and Sen. Tom Coburn (R-OK)	OISI,OA,OLRFI	GRASSLEY/COBURN - Biannual Report request on all non-public, closed investigations, evaluations, and audits	Senators Grassley and Coburn request biannual reports on all non-public, closed investigations, evaluations, and audits.	-05/22/14: Drafting spring response -06/06/13: sent June response. -12/05/12: DCLC submitted response by email and hard copy on 12/05/12. The next report is due on 6/15/13. -05/29/12: Spring response was sent to the Senators.

Pending Completion of Audit and/or Investigative Work

Date Received / Date Acknowledged / From	Assigned To	Title	Description	Comments
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2014/04/23 2014/04/23 Sen. Grassley	OA,OMAP	Grassley- OSHA Whistleblower Protection Program	Senator Grassley's Judiciary Committee request for a follow-up audit regarding OSHA Whistleblower Protection Program.	-05/24/14: We are in the planning phase of the audit. Next week we plan on completing procedure steps and begin fieldwork. -05/08/14: held a conference call with Tristan Leavitt, investigative counsel with Senator Grassley's Judiciary Committee regarding OSHA Whistleblower Protection Program. Tristan provided a letter Senator Grassley sent to the Department, which describes the OIG's upcoming review. We promised to keep Tristan informed of our progress.
2014/03/26 2014/03/26 Rep. Andy Barr	OMAP,OLS	Barr- MSHA Hotline Issue	Rep. Barr's office sent a constituent complaint regarding MSHA Hotline abuse. CAO (b) (7)	-05/22/14: The case is open in OLRFL -03/28/14: Luiz with Andy Hightower from Rep. Barr's office yesterday and provided a contact for the MSHA hotline issue. Hightower asked Luiz to get back to him once the OIG decides if this is something we will review.
2014/02/27 2014/02/27 HELP/DOL	OMAP,OLRFI,OLS	General Congressional Interest - Seaworld	Recent media reports indicate that an OSHA inspector investigating a February, 2010 accident at SeaWorld's Orlando facility may have been collaborating with animal rights activists during the course of her investigation. The Department of Labor is close to completing a FOIA request. The Department referred the complaint to the Office of Inspector General	-05/22/2014: This matter is being actively investigated by Atlanta OLRFL.
2014/02/21 2014/02/21 SEN. NELSON	OA,OMAP	NELSON- Florida UI CONNECT	Sen. Bill Nelson requesting that we investigate the Florida UI CONNECT system.	-05/24/14: We are drafting a response to the requestor. -02/27/14: Provided acknowledgement letter.
2014/02/19 2014/02/19 General Congressional Interest - ROBIN	OA,OMAP	General Congressional Interest - BBBSA	General Congressional Interest in Big Brothers Big Sisters, ETA	-05/17/14: We continue to monitor this with the DOL officials and the Department of Justice OIG. The recommendations from Justice OIG remain open, but resolved. The grantee remains on restricted drawdowns with DOL. We will continue to monitor for any changes. -03/12/14: Held conference call with Robin Juliano (Senate Approps

JULIANO (Senate Approps Majority)			Grant	Majority.) Promised to keep her apprised of our review. -03/02/25/14: OA is reviewing
2014/02/14 2014/02/14 Sen. Coburn	OA,OMAP	COBURN- DOL wasteful spending	Sen. Coburn requests an investigation of wasteful spending at Labor.	-05/21/14: sent an interim response -02/27/14: Provided acknowledgement letter.
2013/11/07 2013/11/08 REP MILLER/REP COURTNEY	OA,OMAP	REP MILLER/COURTNEY Black Lung Benefits Program	Rep. Miller and Courtney requesting the OIG investigate allegations of misconduct in the Black Lung Benefits Program	-05/24/14: This project is in fieldwork phase. -12/19/13 meeting with Committee staff regarding request. -11/8/13 Responded that will review concerns and report back. -11/7/13 Received letter requesting the OIG investigate allegations of misconduct in the Black Lung Benefits Program.
2013/03/19 2013/03/19 SEN. COBURN/ALEXANDER	OA,OMAP	SEN. COBURN/ALEXANDER FECA Request	Ranking Members Coburn and Alexander have requested the OIG examine Departmental files to ascertain whether fee petitions for represented claimants are being filed as required, and to what extent the Department is addressing non-compliance through means available to it. Also how OWCP and ECAB ensure compliance with these rules.	-05/24/14: The Audit Director plans to submit the audits report synopsis on Tuesday, May 27. -03/05/14: Provided update letter stating that we expect to complete audit by Summer 2014. -03/28/14: OIG response sent, stating that we will review the FECA issue this fiscal year. -03/19/13: Received request
2013/02/25 2013/02/25 SEN. WAXMAN(D- CA)/WHITEHOUSE(D- RI)/MARKEY(D- MA)/CARDIN(D-MD)	OA,OMAP	WAXMAN-Bicameral Task Force on Climate Change -DOL Climate Change Requirements	The Bicameral Task Force on Climate Change requested the OIG identify the federal requirements addressing climate change that apply to DOL and DOLs compliance with them.	-05/24/14: The revised Discussion Draft Report is currently under review in headquarters. -12/24/13: The audit team continues fieldwork testing Departmental compliance with energy and environmental laws, guidance and executive orders. -05/20/13: The audit team held an entrance conference with OASAM on May 16, 2013. We are currently working on revising the planning document. -05/07/13: OA meet with EPA-OIG to discuss our respective audit approaches. -03/28/13: OIG response sent to the task force, noting that we will review DOL's compliance with climate change requirements. -03/08/13: A CIGIE teleconference with the committee was held. The OIG will need to provide the Committee with an interim response by March 29. -02/25/13 OMAP and OA reviewing the letter for response. Email received from CIGIE suggesting corporate response.
2013/01/31	OMAP,OLS	BEGICH- MSHA	MSHA forwarded	-05/22/14: Pending OISI investigation. -10/30/13 Sent response and

<p>2013/01/31 Sen. BEGICH (D-AK)</p>	<p>Conference spending</p>	<p>a constituent complaint to hotline. The constituent complaint was original sent to MSHA from Sen. Begich.</p>	<p>MSHA mine rescue audit. -02/28/13: Response sent, indicating we will forward a copy of the mine rescue audit once it is completed. - 02/15/13: OLS hotline is drafting response</p>
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April 7, 2014

Memorandum For: Scott S. Dahl
Inspector General

From: Richard S. Clark
Acting Assistant Inspector General
Office of Labor Racketeering & Fraud Investigations

Subject: Weekly Significant Activities Report for the Period
(April 6-12, 2014)

The following represents the significant issues of the Office of Labor Racketeering and Fraud Investigations.

Judicial and Enforcement Activities scheduled to occur this week:

Washington	During the week of April 7, 2014, an arrest warrant, issued by the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, will be served on a subject in Herndon, Virginia, for his role in obtaining H-1B visas through fraudulent means (11-3960-0094-PC-J; Washington Office; SA [REDACTED]).
New York	<p>On April 7, 2014, Brian Lee, the owner and officer of Dynasty Stainless Steel, will enter a guilty plea in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York, to a criminal complaint for his role in illegally purchasing required OSHA safety cards for his employees (20-1241-0030-PC-J; New York Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 8, 2014, Francis Williams will be sentenced for illegally obtaining State of Connecticut UI benefits in the State of Connecticut Superior Court (25-3939-0008-PC-J; Meriden Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 8, 2014, Jorge Barros will enter a guilty plea for illegally obtaining State of Connecticut UI benefits in the State of Connecticut Superior Court (25-3939-0016-PC-J; Meriden Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>
Philadelphia	On April 10, 2014, CM Jones Inc., a Chester County, Pennsylvania, landscaping company, will enter a guilty plea in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for the company's role in submitting fraudulent temporary labor certifications to the Employment Training Administration and the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service (30-3940-0005-PC-J; Philadelphia Office; SA [REDACTED] Office).
Chicago	During the week of April 6, 2014, Glenda Jacobs will enter a guilty plea for illegally obtaining State of Missouri Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits in

	<p>U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri (53-3939-0035-PC-J; Kansas City Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 8, 2014, Eric Behler, who engaged in multiple fraud schemes targeting federal programs designed to assist veterans, including the theft of funds from the Veterans Employment Training Service, will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois (50-13AO-0001-PC-J; Chicago Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 10, 2014, Robert Lewis, former AFSCME Local 3585 Treasurer, will enter a guilty plea for his role in embezzling over \$77,000 from the local between 2004 and 2011. The local primarily represents Illinois state prison guards (30-803J-0007-LC-J; Chicago Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>
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Dallas	<p>On April 8, 2014, Sharon Pitts will enter a guilty plea in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas for her role in a fictitious employer scheme, which targeted the State of Texas' unemployment insurance (UI) program (60-3962-0019-PC-J; Dallas Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 9, 2014, Kristi Wyatt will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas for her role in a fraudulent employer scheme, which targeted the State of Texas' unemployment insurance (UI) program (60-3962-0018-PC-J; Dallas Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>
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(1) AGENCY INTEREST

Upcoming Significant/High Profile Actions (Next Two Months):

Dallas	<p>62-0460-0073PC-J In April 2014, a search warrant will be served in Pueblo, Colorado, in support of a workers' compensation investigation.</p> <p>63-3960-0009-PC-J In April 2014, a search warrant will be served in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in support of a visa fraud investigation.</p> <p>60-0461-0116-PC-J In April 2014, a search warrant will be served in Austin, Texas, relating to an OWCP medical provider fraud investigation.</p>
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(2) ADMINISTRATIVE/OPERATIONAL ISSUES:

Kansas City	On April 7-8, 2014, the Kansas City Office will host the Law Enforcement Authority Policy Review Team in order to conduct work on reviewing and revising the policy. SAC Wickersham (DRO), SA (b) (7)(C) WRO), SA [REDACTED] (PRO), and SA [REDACTED] (LARO) will be attending.
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New York	On April 8, 2014, the Chief of the Public Integrity Section of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York will be meeting at the New York Regional Office (NYRO) with the NYRO Acting SAC and ASACs.
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Protective Operations Unit Support:

4/6-12/14	From (b) (6) [REDACTED], the Secretary will be (b) (6) [REDACTED], on a personal trip. On (b) (6) [REDACTED], the Secretary and members of his family will travel to (b) (6) [REDACTED] (b) (6) [REDACTED]. The following day, the Secretary and his family will travel to (b) (6) [REDACTED] until their return to Washington, DC, on (b) (6) [REDACTED].
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(3) INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEE NEWS/CONCERNS:

Washington	SA [REDACTED] has accepted a position with GSA OIG, effective April 20, 2014.
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April 14, 2014

Memorandum For: Scott S. Dahl
Inspector General

From: Richard S. Clark
Acting Assistant Inspector General
Office of Labor Racketeering & Fraud Investigations

Subject: Weekly Significant Activities Report for the Period
(April 13-19, 2014)

The following represents the significant issues of the Office of Labor Racketeering and Fraud Investigations.

(1) INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY

Judicial Actions:

Chicago	Program Fraud
Criminal Activity:	Mail Fraud, Wire Fraud, False Claims, Aggravated Identity Theft, and False Tax Returns
Violation Code:	18 USC 1341, 1343, 287, 1028A, and 26 USC 7206(1)
Case Title:	Mel's Home Improvement
Case Number:	50-3962-0032-PC-J
Case Agent:	[REDACTED]
Labor Nexus:	Unemployment Insurance Fraud – Fictitious Employer Scheme
<p>On April 17, 2014, in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Marcel Mason will be sentenced pursuant to his guilty plea to one count of Wire Fraud (18 USC 1343) for his role in defrauding Illinois and Indiana's unemployment insurance programs. Mason played a major role in the scheme by obtaining numerous identities that were, in turn, used to establish fraudulent unemployment insurance claims.</p>	
<p>On April 17, 2012, a federal grand jury in the Northern District of Illinois returned a 60 count indictment charging 15 individuals with multiple counts of mail fraud, wire fraud, aggravated identity theft, false claims, and false tax returns. The charges relate to two separate, but related schemes. The first scheme, which existed from approximately January 2008 until April 2010, relates to the filing of false tax returns in order to qualify individuals for the Earned Income Credit (EIC). The second scheme, which existed from approximately February 2009 until October 2011, relates to the creation of fictitious employers and the filing of false UI claims for the purported employees of the fictitious employers. In both schemes, false wages from the same fictitious employers were used as a means to either qualify for the EIC and/or UI benefits.</p>	
<p>The estimated loss amount for the UI scheme in Illinois is \$5.95 million, while the estimated loss</p>	

amounts in Indiana and Minnesota are \$2.4 million and \$342,000, respectively. The estimated loss to the IRS as a result of approximately 200 false individual income tax returns is approximately \$1.025 million. This case is a joint investigation with FBI, USPIS, IRS, and SSA-OIG.

There are numerous other individuals who are suspected of having participated in the UI scheme. It is anticipated that a second indictment will charge at least five of these individuals once additional evidence and interviews have been obtained and conducted by agents. The time frame for the second indictment has yet to be finalized.

The case agent has been regularly communicating with the assigned AUSAs.

Other Judicial and Enforcement Activities scheduled to occur this week:

New York	On April 14, 2014, Leonard Santos will enter a guilty plea to violations of the Davis-Bacon Act and the Copeland Anti-Kickback Act in U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey (22-0469-0006-PC-J; New York Office, SA [REDACTED]).
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Atlanta	During the week of April 13, 2014, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, the U.S. Attorney's Office and the Asplundh company will reach a civil settlement between \$375,000 and \$750,000 as a result of the government's case against Advanced Power & Lighting (APL), before the company was purchased by Asplundh. The settlement is in respect to alleged Davis Bacon Act violations committed by APL managers Lee Robertson, Greg Piccione, and Brad Perra on a project funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Piccione is also expected to reach his own settlement with the government for an additional \$30,000 (40-0469-0061-PC-J; Atlanta Office; SA [REDACTED]).
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Chicago	During the week of April 13, 2014, Glenda Jacobs will enter a guilty plea for illegally obtaining State of Missouri Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits in U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri (53-3939-0035-PC-J; Kansas City Office; SA [REDACTED]).
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Dallas	On April 15, 2014, Martha Talley will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas for illegally obtaining State of Texas unemployment (UI) benefits (60-3939-0076-PC-J; Dallas Office; SA [REDACTED]).
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(2) AGENCY INTEREST

Upcoming Significant/High Profile Actions (Next Two Months):

Dallas	63-3960-0009-PC-J In April 2014, a search warrant will be served in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in
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	support of a visa fraud investigation. 60-0461-0116-PC-J In April 2014, a search warrant will be served in Austin, Texas, relating to an OWCP medical provider fraud investigation.
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(3) ADMINISTRATIVE/OPERATIONAL ISSUES:

Atlanta	On April 14-15, 2014, SAC Walker will host a meeting of the Case Management Policy Panel, which includes Director Tony Dixon (HQ), ASAC Marcus Rivera (NYRO), ASAC Rick Deer (PRO), ASAC Lynn O'Dea (CRO), and SA [REDACTED] at the Atlanta Regional Office.
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New York	[REDACTED] will be on leave on April 14-15, 2014. ASAC [REDACTED] will be on leave on April 18, 2014.
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Dallas	^{(b) (6)} [REDACTED] will be on leave from April 14-18, 2014.
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Protective Operations Unit Support:

4/13-19/14	On [REDACTED] the Secretary [REDACTED] traveled to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] on vacation until their return to Washington, DC, on [REDACTED].
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April 21, 2014

Memorandum For: Scott S. Dahl
Inspector General

From: Richard S. Clark
Acting Assistant Inspector General
Office of Labor Racketeering & Fraud Investigations

Subject: Weekly Significant Activities Report for the Period
(April 20-26, 2014)

The following represents the significant issues of the Office of Labor Racketeering and Fraud Investigations.

(1) INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY

Judicial Actions:

Chicago	Program Fraud
Criminal Activity:	Mail Fraud, Wire Fraud, False Claims, Aggravated Identity Theft, and False Tax Returns
Violation Code:	18 USC 1341, 1343, 287, 1028A, and 26 USC 7206(1)
Case Title:	Mel's Home Improvement
Case Number:	50-3962-0032-PC-J
Case Agent:	[REDACTED]
Labor Nexus:	Unemployment Insurance Fraud – Fictitious Employer Scheme
<p>On April 23, 2014, in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Michael O'Neal will be sentenced pursuant to his guilty plea to one count of Wire Fraud (18 USC 1343) for his role in defrauding Illinois' unemployment insurance (UI) program. O'Neal filed two fraudulent UI claims in his own name and recruited other individuals into the scheme. Additionally, O'Neal's home address was used in the scheme for some fraudulent claims. The loss associated with all of these claims is approximately \$129,000.</p>	
<p>On April 17, 2012, a federal grand jury in the Northern District of Illinois returned a 60 count indictment charging 15 individuals with multiple counts of mail fraud, wire fraud, aggravated identity theft, false claims, and false tax returns. The charges relate to two separate, but related schemes. The first scheme, which existed from approximately January 2008 until April 2010, relates to the filing of false tax returns in order to qualify individuals for the Earned Income Credit (EIC). The second scheme, which existed from approximately February 2009 until October 2011, relates to the creation of fictitious employers and the filing of false UI claims for the purported employees of the fictitious employers. In both schemes, false wages from the same fictitious employers were used as a means to either qualify for the EIC and/or UI benefits.</p>	

The estimated loss amount for the UI scheme in Illinois is \$5.95 million, while the estimated loss amounts in Indiana and Minnesota are \$2.4 million and \$342,000, respectively. The estimated loss to the IRS as a result of approximately 200 false individual income tax returns is approximately \$1.025 million. This case is a joint investigation with FBI, USPIS, IRS, and SSA-OIG.

There are numerous other individuals who are suspected of having participated in the UI scheme. It is anticipated that a second indictment will charge at least five of these individuals once additional evidence and interviews have been obtained and conducted by agents. The time frame for the second indictment has yet to be finalized.

The case agent has been regularly communicating with the assigned AUSAs.

Detroit Office	Labor Racketeering
Criminal Activity:	Bank Fraud
Violation Code:	18 USC 1344
Case Title:	Detroit Federation of Teachers/Sherri Patrick
Case Number:	52-803M-0001-LC
Case Agent:	██████████
Labor Nexus:	Theft of Union Funds

On April 24, 2014, Sherri Patrick is scheduled to appear in U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan, to plead guilty to a violation of Bank Fraud (18 USC 1944).

Patrick was employed as the Business Manager of Detroit Federation of Teachers (DFT) Local 231 during the period of 2004 through 2009. DFT Local 231 members are employed as teachers and instructional support staff by the Detroit Public School District. As Business Manager, Patrick was responsible for the all of the DFT bookkeeping functions, including bank deposits, disbursements, and reconciliations. Patrick was a signatory on the DFT checking account.

Patrick executed a scheme to defraud Comerica Bank, and DFT Local 231, when she forged the signature of the DFT President on approximately 100 fraudulent checks issued to herself, or to third parties for Patrick's personal benefit. Patrick made false entries in the books and records of DFT Local 231 in order to conceal the fraud scheme. The loss to DFT Local 231 is approximately \$83,000.

No additional defendants will be charged in this case

The case agent remains in contact with the assigned AUSA.

Other Judicial and Enforcement Activities scheduled to occur this week:

Washington	<p>On April 21, 2014, Dr. George Mathews will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland, Southern Division, for his role in fraudulently billing the Office of Workers' Compensation Program and other health care benefit programs (11-0461-0027-PC-J; Washington Office; SA ██████████).</p> <p>On April 21, 2014, Debra Callahan, a former U.S. Postal Service employee, will be sentenced for the fraudulent receipt of Federal Employees' Compensation Act benefits in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (11-0460-</p>
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	<p>0168-PC-J; Washington Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 23, 2014, Carolyn Nolan, a former U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) employee, will be sentenced in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia for her role in a conspiracy to distribute and dispense controlled substances. Some of Nolan's actions in support of the conspiracy occurred while she was working in the Frances Perkins Building (11-0501-0010-PC-J; Washington Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>
New York	<p>On April 25, 2014, Raul Lebron, a former U.S. Postal Service employee, will enter a guilty plea for fraudulent receipt of Federal Employees' Compensation Act benefits in U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York (22-0460-0058-PC-J; Newark Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>
Philadelphia	<p>During the week of April 20, 2014, James Carter will be arrested on a warrant obtained by the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office for illegally obtaining State of Pennsylvania Unemployment Insurance (UI benefits) in (30-3939-0055-PC-J; Philadelphia Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 25, 2014, John Rue, the owner of Rue Electric and a Philadelphia organized crime associate, will enter a guilty plea to a multiple count information for his roles in organized criminal activities, including his role in the theft from ERISA covered employee benefit plans in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania (30-903C-0015-LC-J; Philadelphia Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>
Chicago	<p>On April 22, 2014, Kristie McClarren, the former Treasurer of United Auto Workers Local 3061, will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio for embezzling over \$150,000 in Local 3061 funds (51-803D-0076-PC-J; Cleveland Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 23, 2014, Angela Bankston will be sentenced for her role in operating a fictitious employer scheme which targeted the State of Ohio's unemployment insurance program in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio (51-3962-0001-PC; Cleveland Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 23, 2014, Larry Marcum, a former U.S. Postal Service employee, will be sentenced for the fraudulent receipt of Federal Employees' Compensation Act benefits in U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio (54-0460-0029-PC-J; Columbus Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 24, 2014, restaurant owner Michael McClellan and his wife, Tina McClellan, who were convicted by a jury trial for failure to pay unemployment insurance and other taxes on behalf of their employees, will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Indiana (50-3940-00102-PC-J;</p>

	<p>Chicago Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 24, 2014, Adam Shetler will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Indiana for illegally obtaining State of Indiana unemployment (UI) benefits (50-3939-0191-PC-J; Chicago Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 24, 2014, Erik Alexander will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio for illegally obtaining State of Ohio unemployment (UI) benefits (54-3939-0027-PC-J; Columbus Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 24, 2014, the Attorney General's Office for the State of Michigan will file charges against 24 current and former City of Detroit Employees relative to their filing of fraudulent unemployment insurance claims to the State of Michigan. These are being prosecuted as individual cases as there does not appear to have been a conspiracy among the employees. Those being charged received excess payments ranging from \$4,000 to \$30,000. (52-3939-0011-PC-J; Detroit Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 25, 2014, James Trotter, the owner of Trotter Construction Company, will enter a guilty plea for his role in the theft from ERISA covered employee benefit plans in U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana (54-703C-0004-LC-J; Columbus Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>
Dallas	<p>On April 22, 2014, Samantha Campbell will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas for illegally obtaining State of Texas unemployment (UI) benefits (60-3939-0076-PC-J; Dallas Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 22, 2014, Antonio Taylor will enter a guilty plea for his role in a fictitious employer scheme which targeted the State of Texas' unemployment insurance program in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas (62-3962-0019-PC-J; Dallas Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On April 24-25, 2014, in U.S. District Court for the District of South Dakota, the following individuals, Angel Munoz-Escalante, Barbara Munoz, Rogelio Escalante Sr., Miguel Soto, Rogelio Escalante Jr., Raul D. Munoz, Christina Pourier, and Aurelio Munoz-Escalante, will be sentenced for their roles in a scheme to violate provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act involving Munoz Logging and Construction's contract with the federal government to provide forest clearing services (62-0469-0013-PC-J; Denver Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>
Los Angeles	<p>On April 23, 2014, in U.S. District Court for the Central District of California-Santa Ana, Ryan Sherard, the former President of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters (IBT) District Council 2, will enter a guilty plea for his role in the</p>

	embezzlement of IBT District Council 2 funds (91-802M-0002-LC; Los Angeles Office, SA [REDACTED]).
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(2) AGENCY INTEREST

Upcoming Significant/High Profile Actions (Next Two Months):

Dallas	63-3960-0009-PC-J In April 2014, a search warrant will be served in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in support of a visa fraud investigation.
	60-0461-0116-PC-J In May 2014, a search warrant will be served in Austin, Texas, relating to an OWCP medical provider fraud investigation.

(3) ADMINISTRATIVE/OPERATIONAL ISSUES:

New York	On April 22-23, 2014, agents from the New York Regional Offices (NYRO) will be attending simunitions training being conducted by NYRO firearms instructors at the New York Police Department's Urban Tactical Village in the Bronx.
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Roanoke	[REDACTED] will be on scheduled leave from April 21-25, 2014.
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Protective Operations Unit Support:

4/20-26/14	On April 23, 2014, the Secretary will travel to Morgantown, West Virginia, for a day trip.
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(4) INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEE NEWS/CONCERNS:

A. Retirements/Life Issues/Other:

New York	SA [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] gave birth to a son, [REDACTED] on April 16, 2014.
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B. Awards:

New York	On April 9, 2014, SA [REDACTED] received an award from the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York for her work on the Enviro and Demo Masters Inc. case in which two individuals were convicted of Davis-Bacon Act and numerous other violations.
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April 28, 2014

Memorandum For: Scott S. Dahl
Inspector General

From: Richard S. Clark
Acting Assistant Inspector General
Office of Labor Racketeering & Fraud Investigations

Subject: Weekly Significant Activities Report for the Period
(April 27, 2014 – May 3, 2014)

The following represents the significant issues of the Office of Labor Racketeering and Fraud Investigations.

(1) INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY

Judicial Actions:

Philadelphia	Labor Racketeering
Criminal Activity:	RICO Conspiracy
Violation Code:	18 USC 1962(d)
Case Title:	IATSE Local 8
Case Number:	30-701I-0004-LC
Case Agent:	[REDACTED]
Labor Nexus:	RICO Conspiracy – Union Corruption

On April 28, 2014, Louis Monacello, also known as “Bent-Finger Lou”, a Philadelphia LCN associate, will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for his role in the Philadelphia LCN RICO conspiracy. Monacello was arrested on May 23, 2011, with ten other members of the Philadelphia LCN. Following his arrest, Monacello began cooperating with the government and provided testimony in both Philadelphia LCN trials of 2012 and 2013. The case agent worked with the U.S. Attorney’s Office and FBI in writing Monacello’s departure motion. Monacello entered his guilty plea on January 23, 2012.

Monacello provided information on ERISA and Taft-Hartley violations to the OLRFI during the course of the investigation. These violations were part of the charges in the RICO conspiracy.

This case is being worked jointly with the FBI Philadelphia Field Office, Organized Crime Division.

Other Judicial and Enforcement Activities scheduled to occur this week:

New York	On April 30, 2014, Frederick Myers and Jessie Bell will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York for their roles in embezzling \$200,000 from the International Union of Electronic, Electrical, Salaried, Machine and Furniture Workers, Local 431 benefit plans (20-701C-0077-LC; New York Office; SA [REDACTED]).
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Atlanta	On April 29, 2014, Martin Mosher, the former Treasurer of United Steel Workers Local 458, will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida for embezzling Local 458 funds (41-803C-0009-LC-J; Miami Office; SA [REDACTED]).
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Chicago	<p>During the week of April 28, 2014, an arrest warrant issued by the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan will be served on former United Auto Workers Local 2500 Financial Secretary (b) (7)(C) [REDACTED] for her role in the embezzlement of Local 2500 funds [REDACTED]-LC-J; Detroit Office, SA (b) (7)(C) [REDACTED]).</p> <p>During the week of April 28, 2014, Glenda Jacobs will enter a guilty plea for illegally obtaining State of Missouri Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits in U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri (53-3939-0035-PC-J; Kansas City Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>
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(2) AGENCY INTEREST

Upcoming Significant/High Profile Actions (Next Two Months):

Dallas	<p>63-3960-0009-PC-J In May 2014, a search warrant will be served in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in support of a visa fraud investigation.</p> <p>60-0461-0116-PC-J In May 2014, a search warrant will be served in Austin, Texas, relating to an OWCP medical provider fraud investigation.</p>
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(3) ADMINISTRATIVE/OPERATIONAL ISSUES:

New York	[REDACTED] will be on Annual Leave the week of April 27, 2014.
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Chicago	On April 29, 2014, SAC Vanderberg and ASAC O'Dea will be meeting with Director of Illinois Department of Employment Services.
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	On April 30, 2014, SA [REDACTED] will give a presentation to managers and employees of the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development about OLRFI and the various types of unemployment insurance schemes our agency investigates.
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Protective Operations Unit Support:

4/27/14 – 5/3/14	On April 30, 2014, the Secretary will travel to Waynesboro, PA, for a day trip.
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May 5, 2014

Memorandum For: Scott S. Dahl
Inspector General

From: Richard S. Clark
Deputy Assistant Inspector General
Office of Labor Racketeering & Fraud Investigations

Subject: Weekly Significant Activities Report for the Period
(May 4-10, 2014)

The following represents the significant issues of the Office of Labor Racketeering and Fraud Investigations.

(1) INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY

Judicial Actions:

Washington	Labor Racketeering
Criminal Activity:	Theft or Embezzlement of Assets from a Labor Organization
Violation Code:	29 USC 501(c)
Case Title:	United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America Local 121
Case Number:	11-803D-0004-LC
Case Agent:	[REDACTED]
Labor Nexus:	Embezzlement from a Labor Union

On May 7, 2014, James H. Babcock, the former financial secretary of United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America Local 121 (UE Local121), will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland as the result of his conviction of the embezzlement of union funds. Following the sentencing, the case agent will serve Babcock with an official debarment letter, pursuant to Section 504 of the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act, that will notify Babcock that he is prohibited from acting in any official capacity or exercising discretionary control over the assets of any labor organization for a period of 13 years.

This case is predicated upon information developed by the case agent in December 2012 following a proactive examination of labor organization annual financial reports filed with the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL). UE Local 121 is an independent labor union located in Baltimore, Maryland. According to information furnished on a Form LM-3 filed with DOL by UE Local 121 for the time period covering January 1, 2011, through December 31, 2011, an audit discovered an unusually large number of checks written to "the now former financial secretary".

The OLRFI investigation revealed that from 2002 through April 2012, Babcock served as the UE Local 121 financial secretary, a volunteer union officer position that did not receive a salary paid

by UE Local 121. As financial secretary, Babcock was a signatory on a union operating account held at 1st Mariner Bank through which all of the union's deposits and disbursements were transacted. UE Local 121 income is solely derived from union membership dues. From July 2007 until March 2012, Babcock illegally deposited and transferred to his own personal use approximately \$24,000 in UE Local 121 union funds.

This is a joint investigation with the OLMS. There are no other potential targets or subjects in this investigation.

The case agent maintains routine and regular communication with the assigned AUSA.

Buffalo	Labor Racketeering
Criminal Activity:	Racketeering Conspiracy and Extortion
Violation Code:	18 USC 1962(d) and 1951(a)
Case Title:	Operating Engineers Local 17
Case Number:	24-901C-0001-LC-J
Case Agent:	[REDACTED]
Labor Nexus:	Labor Racketeering – Violation of the Hobbs Act

During the week of May 4, 2014, Carl Larson, George Dewald, and Michael Eddy will each be sentenced after previously pleading guilty to one count of Hobbs Act Extortion in U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York. All three defendants are members of Operating Engineers (IUOE) Local 17. The Operating Engineers Local 17 represent the heavy equipment operators in the Buffalo, New York area. All were involved in a decade long pattern of threats, intimidation, and acts of violence and vandalism against non-union contractors operating in the Buffalo, New York area. Their sentencing dates are as follows: Larson May 5, 2014, Dewald May 8, 2014, and Eddy May 9, 2014. Other officers and members of Local 17 have been charged and convicted of Racketeering Conspiracy and Extortion for their roles in this scheme.

OLRFI initiated an investigation in 2003 after receiving allegations from non-union contractors about threatening and intimidating conduct by Local 17 officers and members toward these non-union contractors. Specifically, Local 17 officers and members often approached non-union contractors and their employees in an effort to sign the companies to a collective bargaining agreement with Local 17. If the company refused Local 17's demands, the non-union contractor's construction equipment would be "sanded" during the night. "Sanding" equipment consisted of pouring sand blasting sand, or a similar grinding abrasive, into the air intake, oil reservoir, and hydraulic systems of the equipment. When the equipment was started the next workday by the non-union company, the engine and other parts would seize from the grinding abrasive that was poured in it, causing hundreds of thousands of dollars in damage. Furthermore, in one incident, the owner of a non-union contractor was stabbed by a Local 17 union member after being harassed by the union for not signing their collective bargaining agreement. Local 17 was also responsible for picketing that delayed or closed construction sites by blocking the sites and not allowing access. Picketers oftentimes threw "stars", which were metal sharpened spikes, onto the construction site driveways thereby causing vehicles entering and exiting the sites to get flat tires. Picketers also smashed windshields of vehicles attempting to enter the sites. Also, Local 17 subscribed to an account with the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles in

which they were able to run license plates of non-union workers to obtain their names and addresses. This information was used to threaten non-union workers at the construction sites.

As the result of this investigation, six Local 17 officers and members, Gerald Franz, Business Agent, James Minter, organizer, Jeffrey Lennon, member, Larson, organizer, Dewald, member, and Eddy, member, have pleaded guilty to Racketeering or Extortion charges. After an eight week trial, Local 17 president and business manager Mark Kirsch was convicted on Racketeering and Extortion charges. The case against the remaining defendant Jeffrey Peterson, Local 17 business agent, is currently outstanding with no trial date scheduled. There are no additional leads being pursued. This is a joint investigation with the FBI.

OLRFI and FBI continue to work with the U.S. Attorney's Office in preparation for sentencing.

Media:

New York	Program Fraud
Criminal Activity:	FECA Claimant Fraud
Violation Code:	18 USC 1920, 641
Case Title:	(b) (7)(C) Ronald Werner, (b) (7)(C) (b) (7)(C) The Cradle Wigfall
Case Number:	(b) (7)(A) PC-J, 22-0460-0057-PC-J, 22-0460-0070-PC-J, 22-0460-0075PC, 22-0460-0059-PC-J, 20-0460-0665-PCJ, 20- 0460-0677-PC-J, 20-0460-0676-PC
Case Agent:	Coordinated by SA (b) (7)(C)
Labor Nexus:	FECA Claimant Fraud
On May 6, 2014, 11 arrests will be made on individuals in the vicinity of New York City, who are alleged to be illegally receiving Federal Employees' Compensation Act benefits. Ten of the employees work for the U.S. Postal Service (USPS), and the other works for the U.S. Navy. The OLRFI has open investigations on eight of the employees and will participate in the arrests of those employees. The USPS-OIG drafted a press release and provided it to the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York. The OLRFI will be included in the announcing paragraph, but will not be providing a quote.	

Other Judicial and Enforcement Activities scheduled to occur this week:

Washington	On May 5, 2014, James Stump, a subject of an Atlanta Regional Office investigation involving the theft of Black Lung benefits, will be arrested pursuant to a federal warrant by Washington Regional Office (WRO) OLRFI agents and Deputy U.S. Marshals in Martinsburg, West Virginia (41-0464-0006-PC; Miami Office; SA (b) (7)(C) ; SA is the WRO lead agent).
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New York	<p>As reported in this report's Media Section, on May 6, 2014, 11 arrests will be made on individuals in the vicinity of New York City, who are alleged to be illegally receiving Federal Employees' Compensation Act benefits. The U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York is coordinating this sweep. Ten of the employees work for the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) with the eleventh employee working for the U.S. Navy. The OLRFI has open investigations on eight of the employees and will participate in the arrests of those employees. (New York and Newark Offices; SA [REDACTED] is coordinating the operation on behalf of the OLRFI).</p> <p>On May 7, 2014, Amelia Jackson, a former Department of Veteran Affairs employee, will be sentenced for the fraudulent receipt of Federal Employees' Compensation Act benefits in U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York (24-0460-0033-PC-J; Buffalo Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>
Philadelphia	<p>During the week of May 4, 2014, [REDACTED] in Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia District Court for illegally obtaining State of Pennsylvania Unemployment Insurance (UI benefits) in [REDACTED] Philadelphia Office; SA [REDACTED].</p>
Chicago	<p>On May 21, 2014, Dan warren will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Indiana for illegally obtaining State of Indiana unemployment (UI) benefits (50-3939-0190-PC-J; Chicago Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>During the week of May 4, 2014, Glenda Jacobs will enter a guilty plea for illegally obtaining State of Missouri Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits in U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri (53-3939-0035-PC-J; Kansas City Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On May 8, 2014, agents from U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Office of Inspector General, Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigations, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Postal Inspection Service, U.S. Postal Service, Office of Inspector General, Illinois State Police and U.S. Department of Labor, OLRFI will execute five search warrants in Southern Illinois. Searches will be conducted at the businesses owned by [REDACTED], and [REDACTED], who are suspected of defrauding numerous insurance and government health care programs, including the Office of Workers' Compensation Program and union health insurance plans [REDACTED] SA [REDACTED].</p> <p>On May 9, 2014, Tamara Smith will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, for her role in a fictitious employer scheme that</p>

	targeted the State of Michigan's UI program (52-3962-0004-PC-J; Detroit Office; SA [REDACTED]).
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Dallas	On May 7, 2014, Dr. Michael Wolf will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas, for his role in fraudulently billing the Office of Workers' Compensation Program (60-0461-0118-PC-J; Dallas Office; SA [REDACTED]).
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Los Angeles	On May 8, 2014, three search warrants, issued by the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California, will be served by HSI and OLRFI agents. Two will be served on locations in Northern California and one will be served in Idaho in support of an investigation of a company which illegally obtained H-2B visas (b)(7)(A) [REDACTED] San Francisco Office; SA [REDACTED]).
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(2) AGENCY INTEREST

Upcoming Significant/High Profile Actions (Next Two Months):

Dallas	63-3960-0009-PC-J In May 2014, a search warrant will be served in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in support of a visa fraud investigation. 60-0461-0116-PC-J In May 2014, a search warrant will be served in Austin, Texas, relating to an OWCP medical provider fraud investigation.
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(3) ADMINISTRATIVE/OPERATIONAL ISSUES:

Headquarters	On May 5, 2014, AIG for the Office of Labor Racketeering, Lester Hernandez, reports to duty at the Atlanta Regional Office.
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Washington	On May 5, 2014, SA [REDACTED] reports to duty at the Washington Regional Office.
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Chicago	On May 5, 2014, SAC Vanderberg and the Cleveland agents have a meeting with the Office of the Solicitor in Cleveland, OH, to discuss their new criminal initiative.
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Protective Operations Unit Support:

5/4-10/14	On May 6, 2014, the Secretary will travel to Chicago, IL and Baltimore, MD. From May 9-10, 2014, the Secretary will be in Miami, FL.
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May 11, 2014

Memorandum For: Scott S. Dahl
Inspector General

From: Richard S. Clark
Deputy Assistant Inspector General
Office of Labor Racketeering & Fraud Investigations

Subject: Weekly Significant Activities Report for the Period
(May 11-17, 2014)

The following represents the significant issues of the Office of Labor Racketeering and Fraud Investigations.

(1) INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY

Judicial Actions:

New York	Labor Racketeering
Criminal Activity:	Extortion, Obstruction of Justice, and Perjury, Narcotics Trafficking, Conspiracy
Violation Code:	18 USC 1951, 1512(c)(2), 1623(a), 371 and 21 USC 846 & 963
Case Title:	Operation Portwide
Case Number:	20-701E-0035-LC
Case Agent:	[REDACTED]
Labor Nexus:	Extortion of Union Members
<p>On May 13, 2014, Vincent Aulisi, Thomas Leonardis, both former presidents of International Longshoreman's Association (ILA) Local 1235, and Robert Ruiz, former business agent of ILA Local 1235, will enter guilty pleas in U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey for their roles in a conspiracy to illegally extort money from union members on behalf of the Genovese organized crime family. Specifically, Ruiz and Leonardis will plead to one count of extortion conspiracy and five counts of extortion. Aulisi will plead guilty to one count of extortion conspiracy and seven counts of extortion.</p> <p>The scheme in this investigation involves a 30 year conspiracy by the Genovese crime family to control the ports in New Jersey. This conspiracy to control the New Jersey ports involves, in part, an extortion scheme in which members of the ILA are required to provide tribute payments to ILA union officials on an annual basis around Christmas, in order to keep their jobs. These payments are in turn transferred to the Genovese crime family.</p> <p>This is a joint investigation with the FBI and the Waterfront Commission of New York Harbor.</p> <p>There are nine additional defendants in the case, six of whom are expected to plead guilty this</p>	

month. The remaining three defendants are scheduled to go to trial in September of 2014.

Media:

Office:	Detroit
Case Title:	City of Detroit Employees
Case Number:	52-3939-0011-PC-J
Case Agent:	SA [REDACTED]
<p>The City of Detroit intends to terminate the employment of 18 city employees based on their filing of fraudulent unemployment insurance claims to the State of Michigan. These employees are being prosecuted by the State of Michigan's Attorney General's Office as individual cases as there does not appear to have been a conspiracy among the employees. Those being charged received excess payments ranging from \$4,000 to \$30,000. The terminations are anticipated by the end of May 2014.</p> <p>Media coverage is expected. As of this writing, the Detroit Field Office is unsure if a press release will be issued by the Attorney General's Office. However, no quote would be given by the OIG.</p>	

Other Judicial and Enforcement Activities scheduled to occur this week:

New York	<p>On May 14, 2014, OLRFI plans to execute an arrest warrant on the former Pension Fund Administrator for Local 91 of the United Craft and Industrial Workers Union and serve four search warrants at Local 91 headquarters and other union locations. These warrants are being issued by the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York in support of an investigation involving the embezzlement of pension funds by the plan administrators (20-701E-0046-LC; New York Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On May 15, 2014, the OLRFI, FBI, and the NYC Business Integrity Commission, plan to execute federal search warrants on three locations within the district of New York. The warrants are being executed in order to obtain evidence of money laundering, theft of employee benefit plans, and disadvantaged business enterprise fraud being committed by a high level Gambino LCN associate [REDACTED] New York Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>
Chicago	<p>On May 13, 2014, Gina Kerth, owner of Southwest Home Healthcare, will enter a guilty plea to charges of tax fraud in U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, for not paying the required taxes on behalf of her employees, including the unemployment insurance tax. (54-3939-0042-PC-J; Columbus Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>

	<p>On May 14, 2014, Karen Stone, former Boilermakers Local 374 Office Manager, will be sentenced in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Indiana for her role in embezzling union funds from the local between 2006 and 2011 (50-803I-0011-LC-J; Chicago Office; SA (b) (7)(C)).</p> <p>On May 15, 2014, Dr. Subir Maitra will enter a guilty plea to charges of health care fraud in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. Maitra is a Chicago-based Urologist, who frequently submitted fraudulent claims to insurance companies, including union-sponsored benefit funds (50-703C-0026-LC-J; Chicago Office; SA (b) (7)(C)).</p>
Dallas	<p>On May 7, 2014, Curtis Roller, a former U.S. Postal Service employee, will enter a guilty plea in U.S. District Court for the Western District of Louisiana, for his role in fraudulently obtaining FECA benefits from the Office of Workers' Compensation Program (63-0460-0036-PC-J; Baton Rouge Office; SA (b) (7)(C)).</p> <p>On May 14, 2014, OLRFI plans to execute a federal search warrant on the residence of a subject of an investigation in the suburbs of Austin, TX. The subject, who owns and operates a healthy care clinic, is being investigated for submitting fraudulent billings to the Office of Workers' Compensation Program (60-0461-0116-PC-J; Dallas Office; SA (b) (7)(C)).</p>
Los Angeles	<p>During the week of May 11, 2014, Elke Covey will be sentenced for illegally obtaining State of Washington UI benefits in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Washington (92-3939-0040-PC-J; SA (b) (7)(C); Seattle Office).</p>

(2) AGENCY INTEREST

Upcoming Significant/High Profile Actions (Next Two Months):

Dallas	<p>63-3960-0009-PC-J In May 2014, a search warrant will be served in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in support of a visa fraud investigation.</p> <p>60-0461-0116-PC-J In May 2014, a search warrant will be served in Austin, Texas, relating to an OWCP medical provider fraud investigation.</p>
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(3) ADMINISTRATIVE/OPERATIONAL ISSUES:

Georgetown Master's Program	ASAC [REDACTED] (Chicago) and SA [REDACTED] (New York – Meriden) will graduate from Georgetown University with Master's Degrees in Public Policy on May 15, 2014. SAC Vanderberg (Chicago), Acting SAC Garcia (New York) and headquarters representatives will attend the ceremony, which begins at 5:00pm.
Regional Training	From May 12-16, 2014, the Washington and Philadelphia Offices will conduct their Regional Training in Atlantic City, NJ. AIG Fernandez, DAIG Clark, and ASAC Clark will attend some of the sessions and address the attendees.
New York	On May 13, 2014, the SAs from the Mountainside Field and Atlantic City Field will attending active shooter training at the FBI firearms facility located at Fort Dix, NJ. The training is being provided by the FBI and OLRFI.
FLETC/IGA	SA [REDACTED] (HQ) is attending CNITP 402, a SCERS course, in Glynco, GA from May 5-15, 2014. SA [REDACTED] (NYRO - Newark) is attending FIRTP-403, a firearms instructor refresher course, in Cheltenham, MD from May 12-16, 2014.

Protective Operations Unit Support:

5/11-17/14	On May 12, 2014, the Secretary will travel to New York, NY, for a day trip. On May 15, 2014, the Secretary will travel to New York, NY, for a second day trip. From May 15-17, 2014, the Secretary will be in Minneapolis, MN. From May 17-18, the Secretary will be in Milwaukee, WI.
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(4) INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEE NEWS/CONCERNS:

A. Retirements/Life Issues/Other:

Headquarters	Director Michael Barcus is retiring on May 17, 2014, after a quarter century of outstanding dedication and contributions to the OLRFI mission. During his distinguished tenure with the OLRFI, Director Barcus served as a field agent in the Chicago Region, ASAC of the Kansas City Office, SAC of the Washington Regional Office, and Director of the Division of Program Fraud.
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May 27, 2014

Memorandum For: Scott S. Dahl
Inspector General

From: Lester Fernandez
Assistant Inspector General
Office of Labor Racketeering & Fraud Investigations

Subject: Weekly Significant Activities Report for the Period
(May 25-31, 2014)

The following represents the significant issues of the Office of Labor Racketeering and Fraud Investigations.

(1) INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY

Judicial Actions:

Chicago	Program Fraud
Criminal Activity:	Mail Fraud, Wire Fraud, False Claims, Aggravated Identity Theft, and False Tax Returns
Violation Code:	18 USC 1341, 1343, 287, 1028A, and 26 USC 7206(1)
Case Title:	Mel's Home Improvement
Case Number:	50-3962-0032-PC-J
Case Agent/Manager:	[REDACTED]
Labor Nexus:	Unemployment Insurance Fraud – Fictitious Employer Scheme
<p>On May 30, 2014, in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Jacqueline Kennedy will be sentenced for her role in the scheme to defraud Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, Oklahoma, Kansas, Mississippi, and Wisconsin of unemployment insurance (UI) benefits. Kennedy was the lead defendant in this investigation and is being held responsible for her actions and the actions of her co-defendants. As a result, the entire loss amount from the scheme is being attributed to Kennedy. Kennedy disputes the government's position in many respects and it is anticipated that her sentencing hearing will last most of the day as both the government and the defense present evidence to the judge. The government plans to have several individuals testify at the sentencing hearing, including the OLRFI case agent; the FBI case agent; an IRS Revenue Agent, Tara Cox, one of Kennedy's co-defendants and a government cooperator; and Todd Roberson, a victim whose identity was used by Kennedy in the scheme. Kennedy's anticipated sentencing guideline range is approximately 22 to 27 years of incarceration. Kennedy has been incarcerated since December 5, 2012, when federal agents apprehended her following her failure to appear for a bond revocation hearing on September 19, 2012.</p>	

On Wednesday, May 28, 2014, in the Northern District of Illinois, it is anticipated that April Blanchard ("Blanchard") will be sentenced for her role in the scheme to defraud Illinois and Indiana of UI benefits. Blanchard's loss is approximately \$356,000 and her anticipated sentencing guideline range is 51-63 months incarceration. Blanchard became a government cooperator midway through the investigation and will receive a recommendation for (b) off the (b) of her guideline range.

On Wednesday, May 28, 2014, in the Northern District of Illinois, it is anticipated that Marcel Mason ("Mason") will be sentenced for his role in the scheme to defraud Illinois and Indiana of UI benefits. Mason played a major role in the scheme by providing numerous identities that were used to establish fraudulent UI claims. Mason's loss is approximately \$297,000 and his anticipated sentencing guideline range is 46-57 months incarceration.

On April 17, 2012, a federal grand jury in the Northern District of Illinois returned a 60 count indictment charging 15 individuals, including Kennedy, with multiple counts of mail fraud, wire fraud, aggravated identity theft, false claims, and false tax returns. The charges relate to two separate, but related schemes. The first scheme, which existed from approximately January 2008 until April 2010, relates to the filing of false tax returns in order to qualify individuals for the Earned Income Credit (EIC). The second scheme, which existed from approximately February 2009 until October 2011, relates to the creation of fictitious employers and the filing of false UI claims for the purported employees of the fictitious employers. In both schemes, false wages from the same fictitious employers were used as a means to either qualify for the EIC and/or UI benefits.

The estimated loss amount for the UI scheme in Illinois is \$5.95 million, while the estimated loss amounts in Indiana and Minnesota are \$2.4 million and \$342,000, respectively. The estimated loss to the IRS as a result of approximately 200 false individual income tax returns is approximately \$1.025 million. This case is a joint investigation with FBI, USPIS, IRS, and SSA-OIG.

There are numerous other individuals who are suspected of having participated in the UI scheme. It is anticipated that a second indictment will charge at least five of these individuals once additional evidence and interviews have been obtained and conducted by agents. The time frame for the second indictment has yet to be finalized.

The case agent has been regularly communicating with the assigned AUSAs.

New York	Labor Racketeering
Criminal Activity:	Extortion, Obstruction of Justice, and Perjury, Narcotics Trafficking, Conspiracy
Violation Code:	18 USC 1951, 1512(c)(2), 1623(a), 371 and 21 USC 846 & 963
Case Title:	Operation Portwide
Case Number:	20-701E-0035-LC
Case Agent/Manager:	
Labor Nexus:	Extortion of Union Members

On May 28, 2014, International Longshoreman's Association (ILA) Local 1235 members,

Richard Dehmer, Michael Trueba, and Rocco Ferrandino, will enter guilty pleas in U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey for their roles in a conspiracy to illegally extort money from union members on behalf of the Genovese organized crime family. Specifically, Ferrandino and Trueba will plead to one count of extortion conspiracy. Dehmer will plead guilty to one count of illegal gambling and one count of extortion.

The scheme in this investigation involves a 30 year conspiracy by the Genovese crime family to control the ports in New Jersey. This conspiracy to control the New Jersey ports involves, in part, an extortion scheme in which members of the ILA are required to provide tribute payments to ILA union officials on an annual basis around Christmas, in order to keep their jobs. These payments are in turn transferred to the Genovese crime family.

This is a joint investigation with the FBI and the Waterfront Commission of New York Harbor.

The remaining three defendants are scheduled to go to trial in September of 2014.

Philadelphia	Labor Racketeering
Criminal Activity:	Theft of Union Benefit Funds
Violation Code:	18 USC 664
Case Title:	IRB Report
Case Number:	30-801I-0002-LC
Case Agent/Manager:	[REDACTED]
Labor Nexus:	RICO Conspiracy/ Theft of Union Benefit Funds

On May 28, 2014, Eric Esposito, Philadelphia La Cosa Nostra (LCN) "Soldier," is scheduled to be sentenced in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, for RICO violations resulting from his participation in the affairs of the Philadelphia LCN. An aspect of the RICO conspiracy involved the theft of Teamster benefit funds.

This is a joint investigation with the FBI. Esposito is the last member of the Philadelphia LCN charged in the RICO conspiracy to be sentenced. All leads have been developed and regarding this investigation.

The case agent and FBI-Organized Crime Squad agents remain in contact with the assigned AUSAs.

Media:

Office:	Chicago, IL
Case Title:	Mel's Home Improvement
Case Number:	50-3962-0032-PC-J
Case Agent/ Manager:	[REDACTED]

This case will receive media attention because Jacqueline Kennedy is the lead defendant and she is looking at substantial jail time based on the government's sentencing guideline calculation.

1. A press conference is not anticipated.
2. The U.S. Attorney's Office will issue a press release if Kennedy receives a sentence that includes substantial jail time. A quote is being prepared for HQ, if needed.
3. It is unknown whether media will be contacting HQ.

Other Judicial and Enforcement Activities scheduled to occur this week:

New York	<p>On May 29, 2014, Michelle Behr, a former U.S. Postal Service employee, will be sentenced for fraudulent receipt of Federal Employees' Compensation Act benefits in U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York (22-0460-0043-PC-J; Newark Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On May 30, 2014, Zdena Hock, a former U.S. Postal Service employee, will be sentenced for fraudulent receipt of Federal Employees' Compensation Act benefits in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York (20-0460-0666-PC-J; New York Office).</p> <p>During the week of May 25, 2014, OLRFI, HSI, and SSA-OIG plan to execute an arrest warrant on the subject of an unemployment insurance fraud investigation at his residence in Boston, MA. The agencies then plan on executing a search warrant on the subject's residence. These warrants are being issued by the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts (21-3939-0029-PC-J; Boston Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>
Philadelphia	<p>On May 29, 2014, William Miller, a former U.S. Postal Service employee, will be sentenced for fraudulent receipt of Federal Employees' Compensation Act benefits in U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania (32-0460-0031-PC-J; Pittsburgh Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>
Chicago	<p>On May 27, 2014, Dr. Subir Maitra will enter a guilty plea to charges of health care fraud in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. Maitra is a Chicago-based Urologist, who frequently submitted fraudulent claims to insurance companies, including union-sponsored benefit funds (50-703C-0026-LC-J; Chicago Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>

	<p>On May 28, 2014, agents from OLRFI, State Department, and possibly HSI-OIG will execute a search warrant on the roofing and construction business of Gire Construction (GC) located in Champaign, Illinois. This warrant is in support of an investigation of GC for illegally applying for over 100 H2-B visas. The warrant was obtained from U.S. District Court for the Central District of Illinois (50-3960-0003-PC; Chicago Office; SA(b) (7)(C) [REDACTED]).</p> <p>On May 29, 2014, Wendy Carr, wife of chiropractor Andrew Carr, will enter a guilty plea for her role in defrauding health care benefit programs, to include ERISA covered benefit plans in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. It is anticipated that Andrew Carr will enter a guilty plea in the near future for his role in the scheme. (50-703E-0020-LC-J; Chicago Office; SA [REDACTED]).</p>
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(2) ADMINISTRATIVE/OPERATIONAL ISSUES:

Los Angeles	On May 27, 2014, the Los Angeles and Las Vegas offices will be conducting quarterly firearms training in Los Angeles, CA.
Chicago	On May 22, 2014, SAC Vanderberg will make an OLRFI overview presentation to a U.S. Attorney's Office Labor Trafficking Task Force meeting in Chicago, IL.
Philadelphia	[REDACTED] will be on scheduled leave during the week of May 26, 2014.

Protective Operations Unit Support:

5/25-31/14	On May 25, 2014, the Secretary travels to Providence, RI. On May 26, 2014, the Secretary travels to Oberlin, OH, then to San Francisco, CA. The Secretary returns from San Francisco on May 27, 2014, and remains in Washington, DC, for the remainder of the week.
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