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U.S. General Services Administration
Office of Inspector General

April 17, 2020

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request (OIG Tracking Number 20-023)

This letter is in reference to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated March 27, 2020, to the General Services Administration Office of Inspector General (GSA OIG), FOIA Office, for:

"A copy of the final report, report of investigation, and closing memo (i.e. conclusory document) for each of the following GSA OIG investigations closed during 2018: 1050172, 1070019, 1070160, I015061, I15300007, V15000006, V15900008, I16500042, V1710001, H17H00014, S17100003, Z17H00163, Z17H00193, V18200006, I18L00020, I18H00041, H18H00049, M18600044, and Z18W00045. I also request the title/cover page only for these two reports: I000068 - cover/title page only, and Z16200019 - cover/title page only."

Upon review of the responsive material, I determined you are entitled to portions of the requested material under the FOIA. The bases for any redacted information are Exemptions 6, 7C, 7E, and 7F of the FOIA.

Exemption 6, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6), **requires** withholding of information that, if released, would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Similarly, Exemption 7(C), 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(7)(C), **requires** withholding of records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, where disclosure could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Finally, Exemption 7(E) protects law enforcement records if their release would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law.

Exemption 7(F) of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(F), protects from disclosure information that could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual.

File numbers I015061, V1710001, Z17H00193, I18H00041, I000068, and Z16200019 contained no documents responsive to your request.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirement of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. §552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010)). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirement of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that this office provides to all our requesters. You should not take it as an indication that excluded records do, or do not exist.

As we have redacted information referenced in the above paragraph(s) with the aforementioned FOIA exemptions, this technically constitutes a partial denial of your FOIA request. You have the right to file an administrative appeal within 90 days of the date of this letter. The appeal must be in writing, include the GSA OIG FOIA Case Number (20-023), and contain a statement of reasons for the appeal. In addition, please enclose copies of the initial request and the responsive documents under appeal. The envelope and letter should be clearly marked as a "Freedom of Information Act Appeal" and addressed as follows:

Freedom of Information Act Officer
Office of the Inspector General, General Services Administration
1800 F Street, NW, Room 5332
Washington, D.C. 20405

This completes our action on this request. Should you have any questions, please contact Christopher Pehrson, GSA OIG's FOIA Public Liaison at (202) 501-1932 or via email at oigfoia-privacyact@gsaig.gov.

Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at (202) 741-5770; toll free at (877) 684-6448; or facsimile at (202) 741-5769.

Sincerely,

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MARTIN

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Edward J. Martin
Counsel to the Inspector General
(FOIA Officer)

Enclosure



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Office of Inspector General

GREAT LAKES REGIONAL INVESTIGATIONS OFFICE

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

FROM: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F) [REDACTED]
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE (JI-5)

SUBJECT: Closing Memorandum
File Number: I050172

This memorandum serves to close I050172.

During the course of conducting investigation I040032, Second Chance Body Armor, the Department of Justice (DOJ), Civil Litigation Branch, Washington, DC, attempted to voluntarily obtain documents from Armor Holdings Products, LLC. (Armor Holdings), Jacksonville, FL, concerning its sale of Zylon fabric vests to federal agencies. Armor Holdings did not fully cooperate with the request and GSA OIG was asked by DOJ for assistance in this matter. In the following months to come, additional companies Itochu International (Itochu) and Toyobo Co., Ltd. (Toyobo) were also subject to complaints filed by DOJ for violations of the False Claims Act in connection with their role in the use of Zylon fabric in the manufacture and sale of defective Zylon ballistic vests

A review of documents received via subpoenas, as well as several interviews of both current and former employees and government contractors, supported the allegation that the above companies made, or caused to be made, false statements to the United States in connection with the sale of bullet proof vests containing Zylon. .

On October 6, 2008, Armor Holdings entered into an agreement with the United States of America in which Armor Holdings agreed to pay \$30 million.

On December 7, 2009, Itochu Corp. entered into an agreement with the United States of America in which Itochu agreed to pay \$6.75 million.

On March 15, 2018, Toyobo Company, LTD. entered into an agreement with the United States of America in which Toyobo agreed to pay \$66 million.

These settlement agreements were the result of an ongoing investigation by the Justice Department's Civil Division, GSA OIG, DHS OIG, TIGTA, DOC OIG, DOE OIG, Army CID and the FBI.

No further investigation is warranted and the case is closed.

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Office of Investigations (JI-5)
230 South Dearborn Street, Suite [REDACTED] Chicago, IL 60604 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F)



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U.S. GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
Office of Inspector General

OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

February 23, 2018

MEMORANDUM FOR: FILE

FROM: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F) [REDACTED]
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F) [REDACTED]
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
INVESTIGATIONS OPERATIONS DIVISION (JI-O)

SUBJECT: CASE CLOSING – I070019

This memorandum serves to close I070019.

GSA OIG received allegations of fraud from a GSA employee who noticed an inordinately high number of calls to a GSA operated toll free number originating from pay telephones in Wisconsin. The employee was aware of a scheme where owners of pay phones could fraudulently collect fees for making these types of apparent automated calls.

GSA OIG worked with the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Division and substantiated the allegations. The investigation determined that three individuals, through their company, participated in a scheme to fraudulently obtain dial around compensation fees by programming payphones to autodial toll-free telephone numbers. Per FCC regulations, payphone owners were paid \$.494 per every toll-free call placed from their payphones. The scheme generated over \$1 million in fraudulently obtained dial around compensation fees from 2004 to 2007.

All three individuals were found guilty of criminal charges including conspiracy to launder money, false declarations before a grand jury, and conspiracy (to commit wire fraud). As of January 10, 2018, all three persons have been debarred by GSA.

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Northeast Regional Investigations Office

July 17, 2018

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

FROM:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F)

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE (JI-2)

SUBJECT:

CASE CLOSING MEMORANDUM

Operation Hot Oil
File Number: I070160

This investigation was initiated on April 11, 2007, when JI-2 received information from Assistant US Attorney Burt Ryan, Eastern District of New York, Central Islip, involving the investigation of oil companies in the Long Island and Brooklyn area suspected of stealing fuel oil and charging government agencies for oil not received. Several of these oil companies are GSA contractors and may be involved in this fraudulent scheme. This was a joint investigation being worked with the IRS and the FBI.

On April 11, 2007, this matter was presented and accepted for criminal prosecution at the United States Attorney's Office Eastern District New York. Throughout the course of the investigation, the investigative team conducted multiple search warrants and interviews involving the defendants, which led to several arrest warrants of oil companies officials and employees. As the investigation progressed, it was determined that the scheme to defraud did not directly affect GSA programs and/or contracts. Therefore, it was determined that JI-2 closed this investigation based on a weak nexus to the case.

On July 1, 2010, Frank C. Amato was arrested based on a criminal complaint filed against him in the U.S. District Court Eastern District of New York (USDC EDNY). On June 10, 2011, Amato was sentenced to nine months incarceration; five years supervisory release; \$15,000 fine; \$114,749 restitution and \$100 special assessment fee.

On April 23, 2007, Joseph Laforgia was arrested based on a criminal complaint filed against him in the USDC EDNY. On October 12, 2012, Laforgia was sentenced to six months incarceration; three years supervisory release; \$250,000 fine and \$100 special assessment fee.

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On July 19, 2007, Tonino Solomine was arrested based on a criminal complaint filed against him in the USDC EDNY. On June 3, 2011, Solomine was sentenced to five years incarceration; three years supervisory release; \$3,500,000 forfeiture; \$550,000 restitution and \$200 special assessment fee.

On July 1, 2010, Thomas Cherubino was arrested based on a criminal complaint filed against him in the USDC EDNY. On June 10, 2011, Cherubino was sentenced to five years supervisory release; \$25,000 fine; \$114,749 restitution and \$100 special assessment fee.

On July 19, 2007, Eston Clare was arrested based on a criminal complaint filed against her in the USDC EDNY. On June 6, 2011, Clare was sentenced three hundred sixty days of incarceration; three years supervisory release; \$3,500,000 forfeiture and \$100 special assessment fee.

Consequently, no further investigation of this matter is anticipated by JI-2 and the case is now closed.

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Office of Inspector General

February 27, 2018

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F)

FROM:

SPECIAL AGENT-IN-CHARGE
INVESTIGATIONS (JI-3)

SUBJECT:

CASE CLOSING MEMORANDUM

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) - GSA Employee Misconduct

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

File Number: I1530007

This memorandum presents the findings of our investigation. No further actions or referrals are necessary to close this matter.

On November 12, 2014, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), R3 Customer Accounts & Research Division, GSA Federal Acquisition Service notified JI-3 that during the administrative removal of a GSA employee, it was discovered on the employee's government issued cell phone that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) had received photographs of HR documents from another GSA Mid-Atlantic Region 3 employee. Specifically, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Management Analyst, Customer Accts & Research Division, 20 N 8TH ST Room: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Philadelphia, PA, sent to the GSA employee pictures of their supervisor's Mid-Year Self-Assessment on September 12, 2014. According to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) without authorization, went into a locked drawer inside (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) office, and took photographs of HR documents. These photographs were later sent via text to a GSA Mid-Atlantic Region 3 employee's government phone, assigned to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

[Agent's Note: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), a GSA employee assigned to Federal Acquisition Services, Mid-Atlantic Region was terminated from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) position in November 2014, for misuse of a government vehicle and violating time and attendance policy. During the removal process, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) GSA laptop and cell phone were collected. A cursory review of the GSA cell phone assigned to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) by GSA Human Resources, revealed there were various photos of a supervisor's Mid-Year Self-Assessment that were sent from a cell phone number later identified as belonging to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

Office of Investigations (JI-3)
William J. Green Federal Office Building
600 Arch Street, Room (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Philadelphia, PA 19106

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On November 14, 2014, JI-3 obtained from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Human Resources Specialist, U.S. GSA, Philadelphia, PA, the Apple iPhone 4S, Serial (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), previously assigned to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), former Customer Service Representative (3PA), Mid-Atlantic Region 3, U.S. General Services Administration, Philadelphia, PA. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) had returned (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) GSA assigned iPhone 4S due to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) removal and termination.

The Apple iPhone 4S (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) for evidence demonstrating (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) involvement in the alleged misconduct. The analysis of the Instant Messaging (IM) folder identified an IM sent on September 9, 2014, from phone number (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), containing three (3) .JPG attachments. The .JPG attachments were identified as photographs of a document titled "R3 CAR Mid-Year Self-assessment FY 2014."

On December 11, 2014, JI-3 agents interviewed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) at the Mid-Atlantic Region 3 office located 20 N. 8th Street, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Philadelphia, PA. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has been with GSA for nearly (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) years and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) current position is Management Analyst (GS-13). During the interview (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was shown a copy of the forensics report conducted on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) GSA issued iPhone 4S. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) confirmed that the phone number listed in the "From" column is (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) personal cell phone. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was shown three (3) photos of a Mid-Year Self-Assessment that were sent from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) phone to a GSA iPhone issued to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) prior to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) termination and removal from GSA. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has never seen the three pictures before and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) did not take the pictures of the Mid-Year Self-Assessment. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) recalled that on the day the pictures were taken, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) had asked to use (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) cell phone to take pictures that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) needed as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) did not have (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) phone on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) at the time. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) noted that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was under the impression that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was taking pictures of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) own documents and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has never seen the pictures before.

A review of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) personnel records revealed that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has always received good ratings throughout (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) career and has never been involved in any kind of work related issues.

In an effort to contact (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on several occasions JI-3 agents left voicemail messages on all available contact numbers obtained for (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) but received no response. JI-3 agents visited and attempted to interview (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) place of residence, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), PA, on March 25, 2015, May 12, 2015, October 22, 2015 and February 23, 2016. On all occasions, JI-3 agents left notice and business cards for (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to contact JI-3, but no response was received. On the evening of March 1, 2016, JI-3 agents made a final attempt to interview (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) place of residence. JI-3 agents were greeted by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on the front porch of the residence who identified (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) as the spouse of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was not home. JI-3 agents provided (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) with a business card and requested that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) contact JI-3 at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) earliest convenience. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) indicated that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) would make sure (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) gets the business card and will pass on the request. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) never contacted JI-3 as requested.

Due to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) termination from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) position in November 2014 and failure to contact JI-3, no further action is required.



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Office of Inspector General

May 26, 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR: FILE (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F)

FROM: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F)
SPECIAL AGENT-IN-CHARGE (JI-10)
NORTHWEST / ARCTIC REGIONAL INVESTIGATIONS OFFICE

SUBJECT: **CASE CLOSING MEMORANDUM**

Operation Renovation

File Number: V15000006

This memorandum presents the investigative findings related to this matter.

This proactive investigation was initiated in an attempt to identify individuals in positions of public trust, who have been bribed, influenced, or co-opted to perform their duties in a manner that breaches their fiduciary duty to the United States. JI-10 identified Region 10 employees who were warrant holders; conducted multiple database queries related to these officials; and followed up on any suspicious findings. To date, this proactive investigation found no evidence to indicate improper activity.

This office is now closing this investigation.

Office of Investigations (JI-10)
400 15th Street SW, Room (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F) Auburn, WA 98001

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Office of Inspector General
Pacific Rim Regional Office of Investigations

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June 8, 2018

MEMORANDUM FOR: TO FILE

FROM: [REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F)
SPECIAL AGENT in CHARGE (JI-9)

SUBJECT: Case Closing Memorandum

Case Title – Identification and Recovery of New Deal Era Artwork
Commissioned by the US Government
Case File Number – V15900008

This memorandum presents the findings of our investigation.

This proactive initiative was established due to successful high impact case results concerning a previous proactive case that reclaimed or recovered multiple pieces of New Deal era artwork.

A high volume of artwork was referred to GSA and other GSA OIG components, which subsequently resulted in the artworks' recovery or reclaiming by the GSA Fine Arts Office.

The GSA Fine Arts Office recently forwarded a final loan agreement from the city of El Monte, CA regarding six PWAP murals. The artwork was collectively valued at \$45,000.

This final outcome closes out this proactive initiative.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact me at [REDACTED] or (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F).

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Office of Inspector General

GREAT LAKES REGIONAL INVESTIGATIONS OFFICE

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

FROM:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F)

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE (JI-5)

SUBJECT:

Closing Memorandum
File Number: I16500042

This memorandum serves to close I16500042. JI-5 opened this investigation on February 2, 2016, under the allegation of misuse of federal surplus property.

The investigation uncovered the misuse of an aircraft that was donated under the Federal Surplus program to the Tuskegee Airmen National Historical Museum (TANHM). The aircraft was acquired by TANHM for the use of training juveniles in piloting and maintenance and TANHM was restricted from renting out or using the aircraft for personal use during a five-year restriction period. During the restriction period, TANHM rented out the aircraft for personal use, which resulted in a crash that destroyed the aircraft. Department of Justice (DOJ) declined this case for criminal prosecution on September 9, 2016. On March 1, 2018, GSA suspended TANHM from the program from one year and GSA received the fair market value of the crashed aircraft, which was \$10,000.

Case Closed

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Office of Investigations (JI-5)
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Subject: Hotline Case H17H00014 Referral - FYI
Date: 02/20/2018 12:00 PM

Via Electronic Mail

The General Services Administration (GSA) Office of Inspector General (OIG) Fraud Hotline Office received the following complaint. We are referring this matter to you for your review and whatever action you deem appropriate. A response to us is not necessary.

Thank you,

Hotline Division
Office of Inspector General
U.S. General Services Administration

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Submitted on Friday, October 7, 2016 - 14:25

Submitted by user: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

How do you wish to be identified? Anonymous source

Email:

Name:

Street Address:

State: Puerto Rico

Zip Code:

City:

Describe your complaint by answering the following questions: Who did it? Include names, addresses, and phone numbers of individuals or GSA contractors involved.: It is customary for GSA Supervisor and Leaders to have high moral standards. Caribbean Manager

and two Senior Property Managers are engaged in extra marital affairs with other associates and GSA contractors.

When did it happen? Several times now I have walked into the office finding the lovely birds on uncomfortable activities. I have been reached by others tenants in comments about finding them kissing in the elevator, coming out from storage rooms, and sharing long breakfast and lunches. We even have a new supervisor on board who is also part of the deal of long lunches and other activities and as a tenant said [REDACTED] favor drink is the Heineken. I have coworkers not using the employee side door just in case they see them in action.

Which GSA program or office was involved? Property Managers, Contracting Officers and GSA Contractor.

What did they do that was wrong and how did they do it? Please describe the behavior or event in as much detail as possible.: Please refer above.

Do you have first hand knowledge of the event? Yes

Where can we obtain evidence of this event? Just come in any day of the week.

Who else knows about the event and how do they know? Everyone and please this is not a gossip. It is happening and it is total unprofessional conduct. Then I hear the Center Manager in the biweekly meeting asking us to stop doing that, no drinking during office hours, no long lunch hours, no long breaks, and do not use government vehicles for lunch. We do not do it but [REDACTED] and the other Managers do. BTW we have Managers presence when we have visitors, and of course when [REDACTED] calls for a meeting they are on.

Please provide us with your telephone number and any special instructions about contacting you during the day or names and telephone numbers for anyone else who can corroborate the allegations.:

The results of this submission may be viewed
at: <https://www.gsaig.gov/node/4/submission/2318>



U.S. GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
Office of Inspector General
INTERNAL OPERATIONS DIVISION

April 10, 2020

MEMORANDUM FOR: ROLANDO N. GOCO
ASSISTANT INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR AUDITS (JA)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

FROM: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS
DIRECTOR, INTELLIGENCE DIVISION (JI-I)

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Investigation re:
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (JA-T)
File No.: S17I00003

This memorandum presents the findings of our investigation regarding the above captioned matter. This report is furnished for your information only.

On March 14, 2017, Rolando Goco, Assistant Inspector General for Audits (AIGA), General Services Administration (GSA), Office of Inspector General (OIG), informed Robert Erickson, Deputy Inspector General, GSA OIG, that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Auditor, GSA OIG, may have used (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) government issued laptop for outside employment and that said outside employment may have been performed while (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was scheduled for telework.

The Confidential Financial Disclosure Report (Form 450) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) signed and dated February 4, 2017, disclosed that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) entered into an employment arrangement with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) in January 2016 and that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) employment with the entity began in February 2016. However, in (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Form 450 signed and dated January 29, 2016, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) answered "no" when asked if (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) had any reportable agreements or arrangements. A review of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) emails and files saved on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) government issued laptop found no records that indicate (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) used (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) government issued laptop to perform outside employment with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) or any other entity. Further, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) did not make any telework request at the time of our review so we were unable to conduct any surveillance before the end of the 2017 tax season to determine if (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was working at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) during times at which (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was scheduled for telework.

On August 25, 2017, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was interviewed and related it was a misunderstanding on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) part not to report (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) future employment with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on the Form 450 signed January 29, 2016. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) said (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) misunderstood or overlooked the directions requiring the information to be disclosed. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) related (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has never used (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) government issued laptop from GSA OIG to do work for (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) or any other entity. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) said (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has never done work for (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) or any other entity when on telework for GSA OIG.



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Should you have any questions or require additional information, please telephone me at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) or Special Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F) at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F).



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May 7, 2018

MEMORANDUM TO THE FILE

FROM: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F)
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE (JI-W)

SUBJECT: Closing Memorandum re:
FDA White Oak Campus
Case Number: **Z17H00163**

This memorandum presents the findings of an investigation conducted by Special Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F). No further actions or referrals are necessary to close this matter.

GSA-OIG received allegations from an anonymous source describing various issues with Honeywell International, the main contractor for operations and maintenance work at the FDA White Oak Campus. The allegations against Honeywell ranged from double-billing the government, to purposely not performing preventative maintenance work to create repairs to fall under Honeywell's indefinite delivery, indefinite quantity (IDIQ) contract, to having improper relationships with GSA personnel.

GSA-OIG worked the investigation with Health and Human Services OIG (HHS-OIG). Numerous interviews of the complainant and GSA contracting staff were conducted.

Through these interviews and reviews of the contract files, it was determined the contracting officer, who despite having worked on Honeywell's Energy Savings Performance Contracts (ESPCs) since 2002, had a flawed understanding of basic contractual information. It was determined that many of the allegations were a result of the contracting officer's lack of understanding of the contracts. Other various allegations made by the complainant were unsubstantiated.

This matter was referred to GSA-OIG's Office of Audits as they are currently performing a second audit of these contracts.

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September 7, 2018

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

FROM:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F)
ACTING SPECIAL AGENT IN

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F)

SUBJECT:

Case Closing Memorandum

New Deal Artwork Recovery - Proactive - Region 2

File Number: V18200006

On August 3, 2017, a U.S. General Services Administration (GSA), Office of Inspector General, New York Field Investigations Office (JI-2) special agent opened a proactive investigation to document efforts to recover government commissioned artwork produced throughout the New Deal era (1933-1943), located at the Southbury Training School (STS), 1461 South Britain Rd., Southbury, CT.

Previously, in July 2017, the GSA Fine Art Division (FAD) contacted JI-2 regarding a WPA painting located at an auction gallery in Copake, NY. The artist employee records indicated the artwork was originally allocated to the STS.

On August 3, 2017, a JI-2 special agent contacted the STS and inquired about WPA artwork at the facility.

On September 7, 2017, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Secretary to the Director, STS, emailed JI-2 a list of 27 WPA oil paintings that were in their possession, however was unable to provide photos as they were scattered throughout the facility and or in storage.

On November 2, 2017, a JI-2 special agent traveled to the STS to document and photograph the collection. The information was subsequently provided to GSA FAD.

On November 7, 2017, GSA FAD informed JI-2 there was sufficient documentation to claim title for all 27 paintings.

On March, 2017, GSA FAD informed JI-2 the paintings were transferred to the Mattatuck Museum 144 W Main St, Waterbury, CT, a loan agreement was in place, and the estimated value was \$173,000 for the lot.

This proactive case will be closed and further investigation into any ongoing matters will be documented in a new proactive or reactive case.

No further actions or referral are necessary to close this matter.



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February 21, 2018

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

FROM: [REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F) 2/21/2018
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE (JI-9)

SUBJECT: CASE CLOSING MEMORANDUM
CASE TITLE: ALLEGED WPA ARTWORK FOR SALE -
CANVASSED GALLERY - LOS ANGELES, CA
CASE NUMBER: I18L00020

This memorandum presents the findings of our investigation.

On February 1, 2016, GSA OIG SA [REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F) (JI-2) informed JI-9 of an ebay listing featuring a possible Works Progress Administration (WPA) painting titled, "Southern Landscape by Aaron Bohrod. The painting was determined to be WPA by the GSA, Fine Arts Division.

On May 1, 2017, the Reporting Agent (RA) received notice from [REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Canvassed Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, that the Aaron Bohrod painting has been returned to the consignee, [REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Lions Gallery, Miami, FL.

On November 9, 2017, Special Agents [REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F) and [REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F), JI-4, Fort Lauderdale, FL, took custody of the WPA painting #6084, Southern Landscape by Aaron Bohrod from [REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Lions Gallery, Miami, FL. [REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) voluntarily returned the painting to the custody of the GSA.

The Fine Arts Division subsequently provided [REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) with a letter, at [REDACTED] (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) request, that acknowledged that GSA was taking custody of the painting.

The painting has been appraised with a value of \$3,000.00 by the Fine Arts Division.

No further investigation is anticipated. This preliminary investigation is closed.

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From: [FraudNet](#)
Sent By: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [@gsa.gov](#)
Bcc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Hotline Case H18H00049 Referral - Response Required
Date: 01/18/2018 07:45 AM

The General Services Administration, Office of Inspector General, Fraud Hotline Office received the attached complaint. We are referring this for whatever action you deem appropriate.

When notifying us of the disposition of this matter, please respond to Fraudnet@gsaig.gov and reference **Hotline Complaint Number H18H00049** in the subject line. We request that you provide us with a response no later than **February 20, 2018**.

Thank you,

Hotline Division
Office of Inspector General
U.S. General Services Administration

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From: "GSA OIG website" <OIG_PublicAffairs@gsaig.gov>
To: fraudnet@gsaig.gov
Date: 12/28/2017 11:51 PM
Subject: Hotline form submission from website
Sent by: OIG_PublicAffairs@gsaig.gov

Submitted on Thursday, December 28, 2017 - 23:51
Submitted by user: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

How do you wish to be identified? Anonymous source

Email:

Name:

Street Address:

State:

Zip Code:

City:

Describe your complaint by answering the following questions: Who did it? Include

names, addresses, and phone numbers of individuals or GSA contractors

involved.: During the course of the renovation at the Export Import Bank building located at 811 Vermont Avenue, Washington, DC 20571, GSA and the contractors under its control failed to exercise due diligence to prevent persons located in the building from being exposed to asbestos. GSA knew before it started renovations that the building contained asbestos. However, GSA did not take the proper precautions to ensure that asbestos was contained. Moreover, GSA failed to do testing until staff at Export Import Bank pressured GSA to do testing. In sum, GSA unnecessarily exposed federal government employees to asbestos and other unknown contaminants due to a lack of due diligence.

When did it happen? During the period of renovation, approximately 2012 to 2016.

Which GSA program or office was involved? The office that administered the renovation.

What did they do that was wrong and how did they do it? Please describe the behavior or event in as much detail as possible.: Due diligence was not taken to protect approximately 400 employees who worked in the building from exposure to harmful materials. Repeated requests to test for asbestos were ignored.

Do you have first hand knowledge of the event?

Where can we obtain evidence of this event? Internal emails within Export-Import Bank and GSA staff.

Who else knows about the event and how do they know? Everyone who worked at Export-Import Bank during that time period as well as GSA.

Please provide us with your telephone number and any special instructions about contacting you during the day or names and telephone numbers for anyone else who can corroborate the allegations.:

**The results of this submission may be viewed
at:** <https://www.gsaig.gov/node/4/submission/2743>

CLOSING DETAILS

Disposition

Referred to Other Government Agency



Agent Closing Comments

Submit Close Request

CLOSING APPROVAL (COMPLETED BY SAC/ASAC ONLY)

Closing Comments

(b) (6), (b) (7)(F) disclosed (b) (6), (b) (7)(F) sexual harassment and subsequent retaliation to the OIG, and the matter was discussed with AIGI Adams. (b) (6), (b) (7)(F) advised (b) (6), (b) (7)(F) had already reported the matter to the EEO. Since (b) (6), (b) (7)(F) reported to EEO, the OIG was not going to pursue. In addition, (b) (6), (b) (7)(F) was also advised (b) (6), (b) (7)(F) could report to the retaliation to OSC.

SAC/ASAC Approval

Approve

Disapprove

Approved/Disapproved By

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F)

Date: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 3:16:47 ...



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June 18, 2018

MEMORANDUM TO FILE

FROM:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F)

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE (J)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(F)

SUBJECT:

Closing Memorandum RE:

**Presidential Transition Team (PTT) - GSA's role in producing
PTT information**

Case Number: **Z18W00045**

This memorandum presents the findings of an investigation conducted by Special Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). No further actions or referrals are necessary to close this matter.

On December 16, 2017, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), sent a letter to the U.S. Senate Committee on Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs and the U.S. House Committee on Oversight & Government Reform, Re: Unauthorized Review of Private, Privileged Materials by the Special Counsel's Office, claiming that among other things, GSA unlawfully produced Trump for America, Inc.'s (the entity representing the Presidential Transition Team for Donald Trump) private materials, including privileged communications, to the Special Counsel's Office. As a result of the letter, this issue was covered by the Press, to include BuzzFeed.com, who cited an interview BuzzFeed conducted with GSA Office of General Counsel Deputy General Counsel Lennard Loewentritt. Based on this information, JC and JI-W initiated a preliminary assessment to gather information and determine if the GSA OIG will further look into the matter.

JI collected internal GSA information. JI and JC also conducted interviews with GSA Deputy General Counsel Lennard Loewentritt, and with GSA Senior Assistant General Counsel (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). JI and JC reviewed materials GSA provided to the Senate, as well as the documents collected internally by JI, and compiled a timeline of events.

On May 25, 2018, JC provided a recommendation that no further action be taken on this matter, and based on the facts now known, there does not appear to be any potential criminal violation or fraud, waste, abuse meriting investigation.

This matter does not require any further investigation or action.