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MEMORANDUM FOR UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR PERSONNEL
AND READINESS
DIRECTOR, FEDERAL VOTING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
INSPECTOR GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
NAVAL INSPECTOR GENERAL
INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE AIR FORCE
INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE MARINE CORPS

SUBJECT: Assessment of DoD Voting Assistance Programs for Calendar Year 2013
(Project No. D2014-D00SPO-0067.000)

We plan to begin the subject assessments in 2013 in accordance with our responsibilities under the Inspector General Act of 1978 as amended, and under Title 10, United States Code, Section 1566, (10 U.S.C. § 1566), as amended. 10 U.S.C. § 1566 requires the Department of Defense Inspector General (DoDIG) to continually assess the DoD voting assistance program and report annually to Congress on:

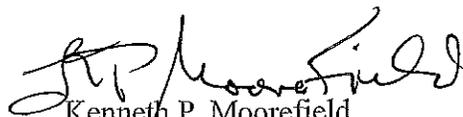
- compliance with voting assistance programs specified by law, policy, and regulation, including compliance by the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps, and
- effectiveness of voting assistance provided to warfighters, their families, and overseas citizens.

The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) is a major multidimensional program impacting numerous Federal, state, and local agencies and jurisdictions, and is subject to repetitive examination and reporting by numerous oversight and program management organizations. The IG Act of 1978 requires the DoD IG to avoid duplication or repetition by coordinating with the GAO, other Federal IGs, Military Service IGs, and other Federal entities responsible for reporting on voting assistance.

10 U.S.C. § 1566 also requires Military Service Inspectors General (IGs) to annually review Service compliance with DoD voting assistance programs, the effectiveness of Service voting assistance programs, and report results to the DoD IG for consideration in preparation of the report the DoDIG is required to submit each year. DoD Instruction No. 1000.04, "*Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP)*," September 13, 2012, requires Service IGs to submit their reports to the DoD IG by January 31st of each year. DoD IG must issue its report by March 31st of each year.

The current objective of our voting assistance program assessment is to continue our ongoing evaluation of voting assistance to warfighters and overseas citizens, and report as required on risks to program objectives, or violations of law, policy, or regulation, so public officials and those charged with governance can take appropriate action. We will consider suggestions from management on additional or revised objectives.

We plan regular coordination with senior representatives of the Service IGs, Service Voting Action Offices, and the FVAP Office. If you have any questions, please contact [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] at [REDACTED].



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