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Senior DoD OIG Official Testifies at Congressional Hearing About Obtaining Restitution from Contractors for Defective Aircraft Parts

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — The Defense Department acting deputy inspector general for auditing testified before the House Armed Services Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations Friday that the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) failed to recover an estimated \$12.3 million from contractors that supplied defective aircraft parts.

Jacqueline L. Wicecarver appeared before the subcommittee to discuss audit findings critical of DLA Aviation's process for identifying and addressing defective parts in the supply system.

"We found that DLA Aviation missed opportunities to hold poor-performing contractors accountable and for DoD to receive the appropriate restitution. DLA shortcomings in pursuing and obtaining restitution left defective parts unaccounted for in DoD inventory, negatively impacting warfighter safety and readiness," Wicecarver said.

Charlie Lilli, DLA Aviation's deputy director, testified before the subcommittee that DLA Aviation concurred with Wicecarver's findings.

"We have gained valuable insight from the DoD IG, and we appreciate any feedback that improves our support to our warfighters and strengthens our management controls," Lilli said.

The DoD OIG audit report "[Defense Logistics Agency Aviation Can Improve its Processes to Obtain Restitution From Contractors That Provide Defective Spare Parts](#)," is available in its entirety on the DoD OIG website, and [the hearing can be viewed in its entirety here](#).

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