



MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 23, 2019

TO: USAID/Afghanistan Mission Director, Peter Natiello

FROM: USAID OIG Middle East and Eastern Europe Regional Office, USDH NFA Coordinator, Abdoulaye Gueye /s/

SUBJECT: Financial Audit of Costs Incurred by Counterpart International Inc., Under Afghan Civic Engagement Program in Afghanistan, Cooperative Agreement AID-306-A-14-00001, October 1, 2015, to September 30, 2017 (8-306-19-030-N)

This memorandum transmits the final report on the financial audit of costs incurred by Counterpart International Inc., under Afghan Civic Engagement program in Afghanistan, cooperative agreement AID-306-A-14-00001, for the period from October 1, 2015, to September 30, 2017. USAID/Afghanistan contracted with the independent certified public accounting firm Davis and Associates Certified Public Accountants to conduct the audit. The contract required the audit firm to perform the audit in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards.

The audit firm states that it performed its audit in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards. The audit firm is responsible for the enclosed report and the conclusions expressed in it. We do not express an opinion on Counterpart International's schedule of costs incurred; the effectiveness of its internal control; or its compliance with the award, laws, and regulations.¹

The audit objectives were to (1) express an opinion on whether the schedule of costs incurred for the period audited, was presented fairly, in all material respects; (2) evaluate the Counterpart International's internal controls; (3) determine whether Counterpart International

¹ We reviewed the audit firm's report for conformity with professional reporting standards. Our desk reviews are typically performed to identify any items needing clarification or issues requiring management attention. Desk reviews are limited to review of the audit report itself and excludes review of the auditor's supporting working papers; they are not designed to enable us to directly evaluate the quality of the audit performed.

complied with award terms and applicable laws and regulations; and (4) determine if Counterpart International has taken adequate corrective action on prior report recommendations. To answer the audit objectives, the audit firm performed the subject financial audit that covered \$29,639,915 for period from October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2017.

The audit firm concluded that the schedule of costs incurred presented fairly, in all material respects, program revenues and costs incurred under the award for the period audited, and did not identify any questioned costs. The audit firm did not identify any material weaknesses and significant deficiencies in internal control. The audit firm did not identify any instances of material noncompliance.

The report does not contain any recommendation for your action.

We appreciate the assistance extended to the audit staff during the engagement.

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