

USAID Office of Inspector General



OUR MISSION is to safeguard and strengthen U.S. foreign assistance through timely, relevant, and impactful oversight.

ABOUT USAID OIG

The USAID Office of Inspector General conducts independent audits and investigations to promote efficiency, effectiveness, and accountability in U.S. foreign assistance. We make recommendations to help improve agency programs and work to prevent and detect fraud, waste, and abuse. We oversee all USAID programs and operations, as well as those of the Millennium Challenge Corporation, the U.S. African Development Foundation, and the Inter-American Foundation, and provide the results of our work to agency leaders, Congress, and the public.

OUR IMPACT *Fiscal Year 2020*

Audit Results

\$274.5 million in questioned costs and funds for better use

576 performance and financial audits

374 recommendations to improve operations and programs

\$27.3 billion in funds audited

Investigative Results

\$36.4 million in recoveries, savings, and avoided costs

114 investigations closed

22 prosecutorial referrals

61 administrative actions

2 suspensions or debarments

WHERE WE WORK

OIG conducts worldwide oversight of U.S. foreign assistance from 13 locations, including our headquarters in Washington, DC; four regional offices; and eight smaller offices.



OUR WORK

AUDITS. We conduct audits of U.S. foreign assistance programs' effectiveness, internal controls, and compliance with laws, regulations, and agency guidance. Crosscutting audits assess the planning and execution of major agency and interagency initiatives around the world.

INVESTIGATIONS. Our investigative work focuses on programs and operations that face high risk from fraud and other abuse while also promoting integrity among organizations delivering U.S. foreign assistance. OIG educates USAID staff and implementers on fraud prevention and reporting.

USAID OIG PRIORITIES

OIG's work tracks closely with assistance programs that support core U.S. foreign policy priorities, involve significant investments of taxpayer funds, and are subject to high risk from fraud, waste, and abuse.

HUMANITARIAN AID. OIG strengthens accountability of programs providing aid to those affected by conflict, crisis, and natural disaster. We identify risks, prompt corrective actions and agency-wide improvements, and detect and counter fraud schemes and other corrupt practices. OIG coordinates closely with U.S. Government and international donor oversight offices to share information and lessons learned.

GLOBAL HEALTH. OIG investigations target commodity fraud, counterfeiting, and diversions to help safeguard—and promote the safety of—U.S. Government-funded health supplies. Audit recommendations lead to overall improvements in programs to prevent and treat HIV/AIDS, malaria, and other diseases and in agency responses to public health emergencies of international concern.

SIGNIFICANT PROGRAMS, RISKS, AND EMERGING NEEDS. OIG's work covers foreign assistance programs that support major USG initiatives, like the U.S. international response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and efforts to stop diversions and material support to terrorist and armed groups; curb fraud in large-scale infrastructure projects; and ensure effective oversight of USAID contractors and grantees.

OIG LEADERSHIP



THOMAS J. ULLOM, ACTING INSPECTOR GENERAL. Mr. Ullom served as USAID's Deputy IG since 2018 and became Acting IG on January 1, 2021. As deputy, Mr. Ullom assisted the inspector general in setting the OIG's strategic direction and overseeing the office's audit, investigative, and management activities worldwide.

Mr. Ullom has more than 25 years of federal law enforcement and leadership experience and, as Acting IG, is supported by an executive leadership team that oversees and manages OIG's broad portfolio of audit and investigative work, as well as its management and support functions.

MORE INFORMATION

Materials about our mission, oversight work, and operations are available—including reports on audits, overseas contingency operations, semiannual results and impacts, and top management challenges for USAID—are available with other information at <https://oig.usaid.gov/>.

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