



MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 20, 2021

TO: USAID/Afghanistan, Mission Director, Tina Dooley-Jones

FROM: USAID/OIG Middle East and Eastern Europe (ME/EE) Regional Office, USDH NFA Coordinator, John Vernon /s/

SUBJECT: Financial Audit of Costs Incurred by Management Systems International, Inc. Under the Afghanistan Monitoring Evaluation and Learning Activity Program, Award Number 72030619C00004, March 13, 2019 to June 30, 2020 (8-306-21-031-N)

This memorandum transmits the final audit report on the costs incurred by Management Systems International, Inc., under the Monitoring Evaluation and Learning Activity program in Afghanistan, award number 72030619C00004, for the period from March 13, 2019 to June 30, 2020. USAID/Afghanistan contracted with the independent certified public accounting firm Samson T A and Associates PLLC to conduct the audit. The audit firm stated that it performed its audit in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards, generally accepted auditing standards, and USAID's audit guide. The audit firm is responsible for the enclosed report and the conclusions expressed in it. We do not express an opinion on Management Systems International, Inc. fund accountability statement; the effectiveness of its internal control; or its compliance with the award, laws, and regulations.¹

The audit objectives were to mainly to: (1) express an opinion on whether the fund accountability statement for the period audited was presented fairly, in all material respects; (2) evaluate the auditee's internal controls; (3) determine whether the auditee complied with award terms and applicable laws and regulations; (4) review cost sharing and matching contributions; (5) perform audit of the indirect cost rates approved for MSI; and (6) determine

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.

if the auditee has taken adequate corrective actions on prior audit recommendations. To answer the audit objectives, the audit firm performed the subject financial audit that covered \$5,893,576 for the period from March 13, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

The audit firm concluded that the fund accountability statement 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, material internal control weaknesses, or material instances of non-compliance.

During our desk review, we noted one minor issue which the audit firm will need to address in future audit reports. We presented this issue in a letter to the controller dated May 20 2021.

The report does not contain any recommendations for your action.

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