



## **Inspectors General for USAID and Department of State Initiate Reviews of U.S. Direct Budgetary Support to Ukraine**

The Offices of Inspectors General (OIGs) for the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and Department of State announced the initiation of separate reviews of the U.S. government's mechanisms for distributing \$4.5 billion in direct budgetary support to the government of Ukraine. [According to USAID:](#)

These funds, provided by the United States through the World Bank, allow the Government of Ukraine to withstand the immense economic, social, and political pressures from Russia's aggression in Ukraine and serve to keep basic government services in Ukraine running while supporting Ukrainians impoverished by the continued conflict.

The Continuing Appropriations and Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2023 provided an additional \$4.5 billion in direct financial support to Ukraine, in addition to \$8.5 billion previously obligated. The Act requires the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Administrator of USAID, to certify that mechanisms for monitoring and oversight of these funds are in place and functioning prior to obligating the funds and that the Government of Ukraine has in place substantial safeguards to prevent corruption and ensure accountability of these funds.

The Act also calls for the Inspectors General of the Department of State and USAID to submit a report "detailing and assessing" these mechanisms for monitoring and related safeguards. Both OIGs are working in coordination to fulfill this oversight requirement. USAID OIG is evaluating the monitoring mechanisms and safeguards reported to Congress by the Department of State and assessing their alignment with Federal internal control principles. Such principles, established by the Government Accountability Office, are designed to provide reasonable assurance that an entity's objectives will be achieved. State OIG is evaluating the process the Department of State used to certify and report to Congress on direct financial support oversight mechanisms and safeguards, as required by the Act.

The OIGs plan to issue these two resulting products jointly on or about January 5, 2023, sharing their findings with Congress and the public.

The collaboration between State and USAID OIG in overseeing these funds reflects the continued [coordination](#) between the OIGs which, alongside the Department of Defense OIG, are conducting robust oversight of the U.S. government's Ukraine response.

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