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Inspector General Criminal Investigator Academy Training Moving Ahead

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The Inspector General Criminal Investigator Academy is busy conducting training. *The Basic Non-Criminal Investigator Training Program 701* ran successfully at the end of January, with all 24 students reporting that they will be able to use the material learned to improve their present job performance. Most recently, *Periodic Refresher Training Program (PRTP) 702* was conducted successfully with 31 students in attendance. Of the 30 participant feedback forms received, 26 rated the quality of the training as either outstanding (13) or excellent (13). In March, the Academy is excited to be offering the first *Inspector General Investigator Training Program (IGITP)* of the year.

The new Inspector General In-Service Training Program (IGISTP) is scheduled to be piloted April 16 – 20, 2007 at FLETC/Glynco. Another iteration of IGISTP is scheduled for July 9 – 13, 2007. The IG Academy recently developed this program to satisfy the required periodic legal refresher training outlined in the *Attorney General Guidelines* and in the *Quality Standards for Investigations* in the following topical areas: legal updates, constitutional law, interviewing policy issues, defensive tactics, arrest techniques, use of force, intermediate weapons, and firearms training.

The IG Academy's Permanent Curriculum Review Committee is scheduled to meet at FLETC/Glynco, April 24 – 26, 2007. They will be working to revise and update the IGITP 3-week basic curriculum. This group unanimously voted to discontinue the current practice of linking the IGITP to the Criminal Investigator Training Program. By not linking the two, agencies will have increased scheduling flexibility and students will return to FLETC from the field with a frame of reference for the material taught in IGITP. This recommendation was referred to the AIGI Subcommittee for consideration and subsequent referral to the Investigations Committee for action.

The AIGI Subcommittee convened an IG Academy

Working Group which met on March 2, 2007. The Committee primarily focused on a proposed tuition-based funding model that eliminates the need for Tier 1 assessments. More information will be forthcoming as the working group shares the model with the AIGI community and the Investigations Committee.

Projection packets soliciting FY 2008 training projections for FLETC and IG Academy programs are expected to be out shortly and will require a short turnaround so that the Academy can compile all of the agencies' projections for submission to FLETC. The IG Academy and FLETC require this information in order to develop their respective FY 2008 training calendars and allocations. Seats in FLETC training programs will not be allocated to agencies which do not submit projections; agencies without an allocation will only be admitted on a space-available basis.

Plans are in the works for several new training programs in FY 2008 at the IG Academy. These include *Advanced Interviewing for IG Investigators* and *Interviewing for Auditors*. Both of these programs, and several others, will be offered at the FDIC Seidman Center, a professional training center conveniently located at the Virginia Square Metro stop in Arlington. The Seidman Center houses a cafeteria, gym, business center and coffee bar. If needed, studio-style guest rooms with kitchenettes and complimentary Internet access are also available onsite, at less than per diem (currently \$150/night). The Academy plans to run PRTP 704 (3-day legal refresher) at this facility, August 28 – 30, 2007, to accommodate those in the Washington, D.C. area.

The IG Academy is very grateful to the DOD OIG for their generous donation of 35 laptop computers. These computers will be provided to students for classroom exercises and will replace the Academy's outdated laptops.

Upcoming Meeting:
June 20, 2007 (10:00
a.m.) at the ITC
Building (Room 839)
in Washington, D.C.