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The Inspector General Community Reports Its FY 2003 Accomplishments and Contributions Toward Good Government

Today, the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency (PCIE) and the Executive Council on Integrity and Efficiency (ECIE) issued *A Progress Report to the President*, for Fiscal Year (FY) 2003. This report emphasizes the accomplishments of the Federal Inspectors General (IG) community and the role the community has played in focusing attention on the various management challenges facing the Federal government. In addition, this annual report discusses the collective performance of the Councils against their strategic goals, highlights the community's statistical accomplishments over time, and lists selected work of individual Offices of Inspector General (OIG) by management initiative.

A Progress Report to the President highlights the work of more than 11,000 OIG employees across government. Through thousands of objective audits, evaluations, inspections, and investigations of Federal programs and activities, the IG community has advised agency leaders on ways to address such key management challenges as information technology management and security, financial management and program performance, human capital procurement and grant management, and homeland security during FY 2003. Statistically, the community identified potential savings of nearly \$18 billion and was instrumental in nearly 6,600 successful prosecutions, suspensions or debarments of over 7,600 individuals or businesses, and over 2,600 civil or personnel actions.

Of special significance, October 12, 2003, marked the 25th anniversary of the IG Act. Enacted in 1978, the Act created independent audit and investigative offices within 12 Federal agencies. Over the years, the IG concept has been expanded and during FY 2003, 57 OIGs provided audit and investigative oversight across government. This commemorative report features a look back at the history of the IG Act and how the community acknowledged its silver anniversary.

As written by the PCIE Vice Chair and ECIE Vice Chair in the foreword of the report, "we look forward to continued cooperation with the Administration and the Congress and welcome the opportunity to actively fulfill our roles as 'agents of positive change.'" The PCIE, created in 1981 and the ECIE, created in 1992, were established to coordinate and enhance governmental efforts to promote integrity and efficiency and to detect and prevent fraud, waste and abuse in Federal programs. For access to this report and a more in-depth look into the IG community, visit <http://www.ignet.gov>.

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