

## SPECIAL INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR IRAQ RECONSTRUCTION

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## RE: Thank you for Extension of Re-Employment Rights

I want to personally thank you for extending the re-employment rights to the seven DoD OIG staff currently serving with SIGIR. Additionally, I want to acknowledge your thoughtful intent to allow these DoD OIG employees working for SIGIR to have indefinite return rights until termination of SIGIR, whatever date that might be.

These DoD employees have worked hard to support SIGIR's oversight efforts in Iraq and their ability to return to your organization upon SIGIR's termination provides them with important peace of mind and professional continuity as they face the challenges of their daily work environment. In addition, the DoD Office of Inspector General will have the benefit of the skills and experience that these seven employees have acquired and refined working for SIGIR.

Your continued unwavering support and assistance to SIGIR has assisted us in achieving our many accomplishments for the Congress and the American public.

Yours Truly,

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Stuart W. Bowen, Jr. Inspector General

cc: Senate Committee on Appropriations Senate Committee on Armed Services Senate Committee on Foreign Relations House Committee on Appropriations House Committee on Armed Services House Committee on International Relations