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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION
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MEMORANDUM

FROM: Chairman Jon Leibowitz
TO: Commission Staff and Commissioners
SUBJECT: Support for Inspector General Activities

One of the critical means by which we ensure excellence and accountability deserving of public trust is the process of internal review and oversight carried out by our Office of Inspector General (OIG). This office, headed by Inspector General John Seeba, is an independent office of the FTC. Its mission is to detect and to prevent waste, fraud and abuse in agency programs and operations. The OIG also endeavors to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of our agency by conducting investigations, audits and evaluations.

The Commission fully supports the OIG in fulfilling all aspects of its critical mission. We expect all FTC personnel to be cooperative and to assist the OIG. This includes promptly and completely responding to the OIG's requests to access personnel or information necessary to correct any wrongdoing or misconduct and to ensure that the Agency's operational and program performance is constantly improving. For the most part, your level of cooperation is exemplary. Still, I urge all staff to review the Memorandum by Inspector General Seeba describing the role of the OIG and staff's responsibility to cooperate with this office, available here: <https://ftcintranet.ftc.gov/notices-to-staff/ojgmemo.pdf>

Additional detailed information about the OIG's authority, mission, and activities as well as information about how to report matters of concern can be found at <http://www.ftc.gov/oig/reportoig.htm#1>.

Thank you.