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We conducted an evaluation of Top Secret/Sensitive Compartmented Information (TS/SCI) systems under the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) purview. In accordance with Federal Information Security Management Act requirements, our evaluation focused on DHS' information assurance posture, including the policies and procedures in place for the department's intelligence systems. We performed our work at the program and organizational component levels, focusing on the system security controls for a select sample of intelligence systems, according to the requirements in Director of Central Intelligence Directive 6/3, *Protecting Sensitive Compartmented Information Within Information Systems*.

The objective of our evaluation was to determine whether DHS' is adequately and effectively protecting TS/SCI information and the systems that support DHS' intelligence operations and assets from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction. As part of our evaluation, we conducted detailed system security vulnerability assessments of eight of the department's intelligence systems and evaluated the department's privacy policies as they apply to intelligence systems. Fieldwork was conducted from May through August 2006. (OIG-06-59, August 2006, IT)

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