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Presidential Transition Handbook on the Role of Inspectors General and the Transition to a New Administration Released

Today, the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) released its Presidential Transition Handbook on the Role of Inspectors General and the Transition to a New Administration.

The handbook contains critical information about the role of the 75 inspectors general — including their work and processes, how they maintain independence and transparency, and information about recoveries and cost savings — and highlights their importance during Presidential Administration transitions. Historically, because of their nonpartisan, independent status, inspectors general have remained in office when Presidential Administrations change, performing a valuable role during transitions.

"Inspectors General provide valuable insights into the operations of federal agencies. Our transition guide will help the new Administration understand the role of Inspectors General and how we can work together to improve government operations," said Michael E. Horowitz, Chair of CIGIE.

"Inspectors General and their teams are equipped with deep institutional and historical knowledge about the challenges facing their agencies and the key issues that will confront the new Administration's management team," said Allison C. Lerner, Vice Chair of CIGIE.

The handbook, updated from a 2016 edition, also describes the changes that began with the passing of the Inspector General Empowerment Act of 2016 and CIGIE's 2017 launch of Oversight.gov, which consolidates all public reports from federal Inspectors General in one searchable website.

The handbook is available here: link

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