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SUBJECT: DoD Support to the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan
Reconstruction

The National Defense Authorization Act of 2008 (Public Law 110-181) established the Office of the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction (SIGAR) to enhance oversight of programs for the reconstruction of Afghanistan through the conduct of independent and objective audits and investigations on the use of taxpayer dollars and related funds. In July of 2008, President Bush appointed Arnold Fields, as the SIGAR, reporting directly to both the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of State.

On October 21, 2008, the former Deputy Secretaries of Defense and State issued the attached memorandum (TAB A) announcing the organizational stand-up of the SIGAR. That memo requested that DoD and State identify individuals qualified and available to be detailed to provide initial support to the SIGAR's mission. To date, the desired complement of detailees to support the SIGAR's efforts in the areas of audit, inspection, and investigation has not materialized.

A current listing of detailee requirements is at TAB B. Please review these carefully and give them your personal attention and support. Details supporting the SIGAR mission will be administered under DoD Instruction 1000.17, "Outside DoD Details Program," and will be provided on a reimbursable basis. Mr. Fields may contact you directly to discuss these requirements in greater detail.



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Military and reconstruction efforts in Afghanistan are a priority of this Administration. I recently met with Mr. Fields and conveyed my personal support and that of the Department for the SIGAR mission. I ask that you do the same. The SIGAR point of contact is Mr. Brad Little who may be reached at 703-602-8741 or via email at brad.little@sigar.mil.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. H. Rumsfeld". The signature is stylized with large, sweeping loops and a long, horizontal tail stroke.

Attachments:
As stated

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A

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MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction

Section 1229 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2008 (P.L. 110-181) established the Office of the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction (SIGAR). On May 29, 2008, the President appointed Major General Arnold Fields, USMC (retired), to that position. In this role, Mr. Fields reports directly to both the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense.

The SIGAR is charged with providing independent and objective leadership, coordination, and recommendations to promote economy, efficiency, effectiveness; preventing and detecting waste, fraud, and abuse; and providing an independent and objective means of keeping the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense fully and currently informed about problems, deficiencies, and corrective actions related to programs, operations, and contracts funded from appropriations and other funds made available for the reconstruction of Afghanistan.

In this role, the SIGAR will be conducting, supervising, and coordinating audits and investigations related to the treatment, handling, and expenditure of funds available for the reconstruction of Afghanistan and the programs, operations, and contracts carried out utilizing such funds. The SIGAR will also have the duties, responsibilities, and authorities of inspectors general as prescribed under the Inspector General Act of 1978 and other duties as provided for in the NDAA for FY 2008. In the execution of these duties, the SIGAR will coordinate with and receive cooperation from the Inspectors General of the Department of State, Department of Defense, and the United States Agency for International Development.

In addition, the SIGAR will appoint Assistant Inspectors General for Audit and Investigations, and may select, appoint, and employ other personnel, experts, and consultants and enter into contracts and other arrangements, as necessary. Further, the SIGAR may seek information or assistance from any Federal Government entity, insofar as is practicable and not in contravention of any existing law. No Department of State or Department of Defense official is to prevent or prohibit the SIGAR from initiating, carrying out, or completing these duties.

The SIGAR is required to provide, to appropriate Congressional committees, quarterly reports summarizing its activities and providing detailed statements of all obligations, expenditures, and revenues associated with reconstruction and rehabilitation activities in Afghanistan. The SIGAR will also submit the same quarterly reports to the Secretaries of State and Defense, who may submit comments to the appropriate Congressional committees on matters covered in the report.

In support of the SIGAR, the Department of State and the Department of Defense shall provide appropriate and adequate office space in appropriate locations in the United States, Afghanistan, and elsewhere as well as the necessary equipment, supplies, and services for the operation of such spaces. Within the Department of Defense, the Secretary of the Army is hereby designated to provide the SIGAR with administrative, logistical, and contracting support

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necessary to accomplish his mission. The Heads of the DoD Components are asked to provide additional support and assistance to the Secretary of the Army in the execution of this role consistent with DoD Instruction 4000.19. The Department of State shall undertake actions necessary to effectuate the transfer of funds to a determined SIGAR account from appropriations provided to the Department of State's Office of the Inspector General specifically for transfer to the SIGAR.

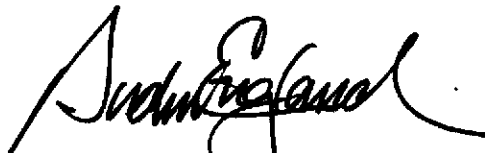
To enhance capacity in support of the SIGAR mission, the Department of Defense and the Department of State will identify to the SIGAR, within 30 days of the date of this memorandum, individuals who are available to be detailed and who are currently performing audit, investigation, or inspection duties, with particular consideration given to those individuals currently performing such functions related to reconstruction programs in Afghanistan. Upon request of the SIGAR, appropriate arrangements will be made to detail individuals to augment both stateside and in-theater operations.

SIGAR will enter into appropriate Memoranda of Agreement with the Departments of State and Defense that are necessary to document and effectuate these support and personnel arrangements.

All Components within the Department of State and the Department of Defense will provide their full cooperation and assistance to the SIGAR as it executes its mission to advance the oversight and accountability of reconstruction activities in Afghanistan, consistent with the statute.



John D. Negroponte
Deputy Secretary of State



Gordon England
Deputy Secretary of Defense

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF STATE

TAB

B

**Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction
Request for Detail of DoD Personnel to Duty Outside the Department of Defense**

Duty: Auditors/Program Analysts with direct experience conducting performance or financial audits within the Federal Government.

Travel: TDY travel to Afghanistan may be required.

Month	Army	Air Force	Navy	Marine Corps	DOD Civilian*
July/August	2 (O4-O6)	1 (O4-O6)	1 (O4-O6)	1 (O4-O6)	2 (GS 13-15)

Sub-Total: (7)

* Potential Sources for DoD Civilians include the Office of the Inspector General, Defense Contract Audit Agency, Defense Contract Management Agency, Army Audit Agency, Air Force Audit Agency, Naval Audit Service, and others that support Inspector General responsibilities or those that provide audit, program analysis or criminal investigative services.

Duty: Criminal Investigators with knowledge of developing criminal cases related to white collar crime, fraud, waste and abuse; must be a graduate from a Federal Law Enforcement Academy or DoD equivalent as a criminal investigator (not police officer).

Travel: TDY travel to Afghanistan may be required.

Month	Army**	Air Force**	Navy**	Marine Corps**
July/August	2 (O4-O6)	3 (O4-O6)	3 (O4-O6)	

Sub-Total: (8)

**May be military or civilian

Total: (15)