The Inspector
General Community

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- Highlight the impact of the Inspector General concept
- Federal Inspector General community as a case study
  - Important at IIA setting
    - Auditors make up bulk of the IG community at local, state and federal levels
    - Share many issues with IIA and its membership
Media Impact

Iraq Oil Pipeline Behind Schedule
Key Project Has Largely Gone Unmonitored, Report Says
By Giit Washi
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Unfinished $100 Bills Lead to An Arrest
Treasury Employee Charged With Theft
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Shaky Defenses Against Mad Cow Disease
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Transportation Dept. Reveals 2nd Laptop Theft in Fla. Office

Nursing Home Disaster Plans Found Lacking
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By Christoper Leo
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Second Veterans Affairs Computer Missing
Data on 38,000 Patients at Pa. Hospitals May Be Compromised
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By Dan Eggen
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Big Katrina Contractors Win More FEMA Work
The four giant construction firms that received controversial no-bid contracts to house Hurricane Katrina evacuees last September will be earning up to $250 million apiece to do similar work after future disasters, the Federal Emergency Management Agency said yesterday.
By Griff Witt and Spencer S. Hsu
Washington Post Staff Writers
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Passage of Federal IG Act in 1978

- Significant debate in Congress
- Brought together audit, investigation and inspection/evaluation functions
- 13 original agencies participated
Current Inspector General Constructs

- 62 President’s Council on Integrity and Efficiency (PCIE) and Executive Council on Integrity and Efficiency (ECIE) members at the federal level of which 29 are Presidentially appointed

- 11,600 employees of multiple disciplines

- $1.9 billion annually in expenditures
Expansion of IG Concept at All Levels of Government

- State Government
- County and City Governments
- Regional Authorities
- Foreign Countries/Territories
What Do We Do?

- Independent set of eyes and ears
- Fact finders in high profile controversial matters
- Bring to justice those who attempt to defraud the people of the United States
- Act as the taxpayers’ representative, so that they have a “seat at the table” as key governmental decisions are made
What Are The Characteristics That Have Led To The Community’s Increased Influence?

- Detailed knowledge and technical expertise to the table
- Professionalism in the conduct of our work
- An independent perspective, and
- A desire to effect positive change
Areas of Impact...
Gulf Coast Recovery Effort

- Homeland Security Roundtable
- Disaster Preparedness Guide
- Hurricane Katrina Task Forces
Hurricane Katrina
Deterring Terrorist Threat

- Handling Intelligence Information (DOJ)
- Storing Biological Agents (HHS)
- Suspicious Activity Reports (Treasury)
- Controls over Social Security Numbers (SSA)
- Federal Information Security Management Act
Financial Management

Annual Financial Statement Audits:

- From 1996 to 2005, unqualified audit opinions for the 23 CFO Act agencies have increased from 6 to 18.
- From 2001 to 2005, auditor-reported material weaknesses have decreased from 57 to 48.
- In 2005, the 75 agencies under the ATD act had 43 unqualified opinions.
Fraud /Erroneous Payments

- Medical (HHS)
- Student Loan Transactions (ED)
- Worker Compensation Payments (DOC)
Federal IG Community
Results in Total

• $20 Billion in Potential Savings
• 6,800 Indictments and Civil Informations
• 7,700 Successful Prosecutions
• 550 Civil Actions Successfully Concluded
• 9,900 Suspensions and Debarments
• 2,800 Personnel Actions
Conclusion

- View ourselves as instruments of positive change
  - Tight budget
  - IG community’s importance
  - Effective and efficient operation

- Proud of our activities and
- Believe we have a direct impact on the agencies
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