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Via email to Elisa.LaNier@mail.house.gov

Dear Representative Connolly, Honorable Members of the Minority:

Thank you for your letter of February 6, 2025, in which you express urgent concerns regarding recent reports that unauthorized individuals have gained access to protected government networks and sensitive, potentially classified data.

On February 6, 2025, we initiated an audit related to the Bureau of the Fiscal Service's (Fiscal Service) sensitive payment systems, with the objectives to

(1) determine the adequacy of controls in place for granting or restricting access to Fiscal Service's sensitive payment systems,

(2) determine the adequacy of controls in place to ensure payments are made in accordance with laws, regulations, and federal guidance, and

(3) follow up on any allegations of improper or fraudulent payments made by Fiscal Service.

The scope of this audit will cover a review of applicable payment system controls in place from October 1, 2024, to present, as well as the recent two fiscal years as it relates to alleged fraudulent payments. We expect to begin our fieldwork immediately. Given the breadth of this effort, the audit will likely not be completed until August; however, we recognize the danger that improper access or inadequate controls can pose to the integrity of sensitive payment systems. As such, if critical issues come to light before that time, we will issue interim updates and reports. We anticipate we will be able to more fully respond to your inquiry as we embark upon our work. We are aware that the Government Accountability Office has initiated work in this area, and we will also coordinate with its representatives.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. J. Sciurba".

Loren J. Sciurba
Deputy Inspector General

cc: The Honorable James Comer, Chairman