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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS  
UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR PERSONNEL AND READINESS  
THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL, U.S. ARMY  
THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL, U.S. NAVY  
THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL, U.S. AIR FORCE  
THE STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE TO THE COMMANDANT OF THE  
MARINE CORPS  
COMMANDER, U.S. ARMY CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION COMMAND  
DIRECTOR, NAVAL CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE SERVICE  
COMMANDER, OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS

SUBJECT: Evaluation of Special Victim Investigation and Prosecution (SVIP) Capability within the Department of Defense (Project No. D2020-DEV0SV-0151.000)

The DoD Office of Inspector General is evaluating the Special Victim Investigation and Prosecution (SVIP) Capability within the Department of Defense. The objective of this evaluation is to determine whether the Services are complying with federal law and Department directives with respect to SVIP responsibilities to victims of covered offenses, including the following:

- Training, certifying, and assigning skilled SVIP members to cases involving unrestricted sexual assault, unrestricted domestic violence and child abuse involving grievous bodily harm;
- Making and documenting required notifications to, and collaboration with, other members of the SVIP Capability;
- Consulting with victims regarding charging decisions and disposition of cases;
- Notifying victims of available resources;
- Documenting reports of covered offenses via appropriate channels and databases.

We may revise the objective as the evaluation proceeds, and will consider suggestions from management for additional or revised objectives. We will also provide requests for additional documents and data in separate correspondence. Please provide a point of contact by September 11, 2020 to [REDACTED]. Your point of contact should be knowledgeable of your agency's organizational policies, procedures, and requirements with respect to relevant aspects of the SVIP Capability.

If you have questions, please contact the project manager, [REDACTED]

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