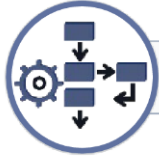




## OIG Announces New Foreign Assistance Oversight Projects

OIG is scaling up oversight of an expanding portfolio of Department-administered foreign assistance programs, announcing [25 new foreign assistance-focused audits, inspections, and evaluations](#) planned across four separate areas:



Management & Administration



Crisis & Disaster Response



Global Health



Security

**Newly planned** OIG oversight work will focus on an array of foreign assistance programming administered by the Department, including the President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), disaster response, global health supply chain awards, food assistance in Gaza, efforts to combat infectious diseases, Ukraine-related assistance, and counterterrorism vetting. OIG will also initiate reviews of recently restructured Department offices and bureaus with a foreign assistance nexus.

OIG currently has [14 ongoing foreign assistance oversight projects](#), including a joint audit of Foreign Military Financing in Ukraine, an audit of Department efforts to counter the flow of fentanyl into the United States, and an evaluation of the Department’s efforts to improve oversight of funding to international organizations. Together, OIG’s ongoing and planned projects examine the full spectrum of the Department’s foreign assistance programs and activities, encompassing billions of dollars of programming across more than 20 Department bureaus and offices.

## RECOMMENDATIONS STATUS\*

as of August 31, 2025

**1,113\*\***

Open Recommendations

**52\*\*\***

Recommendations Closed During August

[View Recommendations](#)

\* OIG delivers monthly SBU/Classified recommendation reports to congressional committees of jurisdiction.

\*\* Includes 53 recommendations associated with the U.S. International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC).

\*\*\* Includes 18 recommendations closed on OIG’s Classified network.

Reports

Ongoing Work

OIG continues to deliver meaningful results to the Department, Congress, and the American taxpayers. To learn more about OIG’s ongoing and recently announced foreign assistance oversight work, please see our recently published [information sheet](#), which includes more detailed information.

## Making a Difference



An aerial view showcases the construction progress of the new U.S. embassy building in Mexico City. Photo courtesy of Embassy Mexico City.

In the January 2024 report, *Audit of Select Contract Administration Processes Related to the Construction of New Embassy Compound Mexico City, Mexico (AUD-CGI-24-09)*, OIG made six recommendations. Notably, OIG recommended that the Bureau of Overseas Buildings Operations create processes to: ensure that project directors prepare cost estimates that consider project schedule impacts; maintain a separation of duties



between staff handling price proposals and staff handling cost estimates; and ensure compliance with the Construction Management Guide’s reporting requirements. Implementing these recommendations has helped the Department better understand how contract changes affect project timelines and costs, thus improving accountability to taxpayers.

In the September 2024 report, *Inspection of the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs (ISP-I-24-16)*, OIG recommended that the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs (PM) develop a strategy to secure funding and authorities that enable the bureau to use Foreign Military Sales fees and foreign assistance program funds for staffing so that it can meet its responsibilities. In response, PM used a portion of its foreign assistance funding to hire staff, thereby increasing its capacity to oversee its military assistance program. OIG also recommended that PM implement a process to address long-term sustainment costs of Department of Defense-provided military equipment. In response, PM adapted its internal procedures to strengthen the requirement that sustainment plans be included in proposals. This change will ensure long-term costs for equipment are considered in initial decisions and increase the likelihood that recipient-country governments pay for them, thus reducing costs for U.S. taxpayers.

## New Work Started

To see a list of all current OIG oversight projects, please visit our [Ongoing Work](#) page.

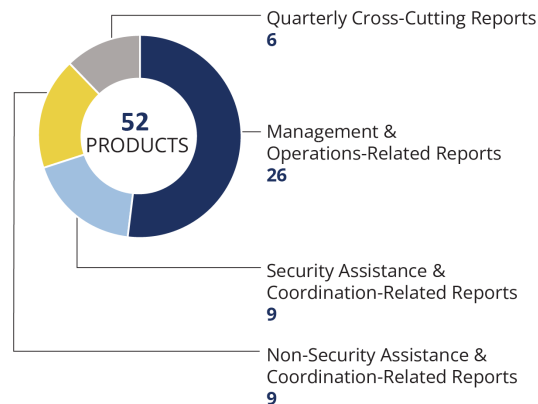
- [Operation Southern Guard, Lead Inspector General Report to the United States Congress, July 1–September 30, 2025](#)
- [Operation Enduring Sentinel, Including U.S. Government Activities Related to Afghanistan, Lead Inspector General Report to the United States Congress, July 1–September 30, 2025](#)
- [Operation Inherent Resolve, Including U.S. Government Activities Related to Iraq and Syria, Lead Inspector General Report to the United States Congress, July 1–September 30, 2025](#)
- [Operation Atlantic Resolve, Including U.S. Government Activities Related to Ukraine, Special Inspector General Report to the United States Congress, July 1–September 30, 2025](#)

## Ukraine and Afghanistan Oversight

For complete lists of work involving Ukraine, click [here](#).

For complete lists of completed, ongoing, and planned work related to Afghanistan, click [here](#).

### UKRAINE COMPLETED OVERSIGHT WORK



TOTAL RECOMMENDATIONS	OTHER PRODUCTS	ONGOING & PLANNED OVERSIGHT PROJECTS
<b>308</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>

## Delivering Results

State OIG fosters efficiency and effectiveness in U.S. foreign affairs through meaningful, independent oversight and investigations:

**\$1,694,510,978\***

**Questioned Costs and Funds Put to Better Use**

**\$1,694,510,978\***

**Potential Monetary Benefits From Current Open Recommendations**

**\$1,694,510,978\***

**Investigative Monetary Results**

\* Identified by State OIG since FY 2020 (October 2019 to present)

Updated August 31, 2025. Statistics are based on preliminary data. Official data are published in State OIG [Semiannual Reports to Congress](#).

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# REPORT RECAP


MONTHLY UPDATE

August 2025

The Department of State Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued the following reports in August 2025:

 [\*Special Inspector General for Operation Atlantic Resolve | Quarterly Report to the United States Congress | April 1, 2025 - June 30, 2025\*](#)

This seventh quarterly report submitted by the Special Inspector General for Operation Atlantic Resolve (OAR) summarizes U.S. government support to Ukraine and the broader response to Russia's full-scale invasion, including support for the Ukrainian Armed Forces (UAF), support for North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) partners, and U.S. military, diplomatic, and humanitarian activity.

 [\*Lead Inspector General for Operation Inherent Resolve | Quarterly Report to the United States Congress | April 1, 2025 - June 30, 2025\*](#)

The 42nd quarterly report submitted by the Lead Inspector General for Operation Inherent Resolve summarizes the quarter's key events and oversight of the U.S. mission to defeat ISIS and train, advise, and assist local partners—including the Iraqi Security Forces, Peshmerga Forces, and Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF)—to improve regional stability.

 [\*Lead Inspector General for Operation Enduring Sentinel | Quarterly Report to the United States Congress | April 1, 2025 - June 30, 2025\*](#)


This quarterly report submitted by the Lead Inspector General for Operation Enduring Sentinel (OES) summarizes the events that took place in Afghanistan this quarter, including the status of terrorist organizations, such as ISIS-Khorasan (ISIS-K) and al-Qaeda, as well as U.S. diplomatic and humanitarian efforts related to Afghanistan.

 [\*Inspection of Embassy Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago \(ISP-I-25-19\)\*](#)

OIG found that Embassy Port of Spain's Front Office generally complied with standards for execution of foreign policy goals and objectives along with security and emergency planning. However, the embassy had deficiencies in residential safety, the contracting officer's representative program, and the furniture and appliance pool. Additionally, the Chargé d'Affaires and the acting Deputy Chief of Mission did not conduct required reviews of nonimmigrant visa adjudications performed by the Consular Section chief. Finally, Embassy Port of Spain had issues related to the security of information systems and information technology assets, mobile device management, and telephone operations.

 [\*Inspection of Embassy Maputo, Mozambique \(ISP-I-25-17\)\*](#)

OIG found the Ambassador and Deputy Chief of Mission exemplified the Department of State's leadership and management principles under difficult circumstances. However, OIG also found the embassy did not hold required joint evaluations of Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs-funded programming with the government of Mozambique. Additionally, the embassy did not have funding for the locally employed staff defined benefit retirement plan and relied on the Bureau of African Affairs to make expected benefit payments, creating possible unfunded liability and litigation concerns. Finally, the embassy's warehouse did not have the fire-protection features required for a newly constructed building, creating safety issues for its staff.

 [\*Classified Inspection of U.S. Embassy to Barbados, Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, Grenada, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines \(ISP-S-25-18\)\*](#)

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