



U.S. AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

Oversight Roundtable Tuesday, July 24, 2018

Background

In June 2017, the United Nations estimated that \$23.5 billion would be needed to assist a record 141 million people in 37 countries who are affected by natural disasters and war. To help those in need, the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) works through implementing partners to procure and distribute humanitarian assistance such as emergency food, healthcare, shelter protection, water, sanitation, and other relief commodities. Abuse of this funding through fraud and corruption has become a central issue in humanitarian financing – a trend that generates waste and ultimately compromises the integrity of principled humanitarian assistance. The USAID Office of Inspector General (OIG) is committed to proactively addressing these issues of fraud, corruption, and programmatic weaknesses and inefficiencies in order to focus on strengthening USAID's ability to manage and deliver effective foreign assistance.

Purpose of Meeting

On Tuesday, July 24, 2018, key representatives from USAID's humanitarian implementers are being invited to a full-day workshop to promote vigilance and rigor in prevention and response to fraud and corruption. The OIG Oversight Roundtable will provide attendees with an overview of how USAID OIG provides oversight to USAID humanitarian operations, as well as how it collaborates with other donors and Public International Organizations to prevent fraud. This forum will include an update on fraud and corruption schemes and trends focused on humanitarian operations, and looks to educate attendees on the growing challenges in the detection and reporting of sexual exploitation and abuse as well as preventing diversions to designated terrorist organizations and armed groups.

This date was chosen to coincide with the Humentum conference, which begins the following day. Senior management, compliance, and procurement officials from USAID are being extended invitations to this roundtable to learn best practices and share methodologies for preventing and reporting these serious issues impacting humanitarian aid. The Roundtable will include a mix of both information sessions and interactive discussion. The format will include informational sessions and interactive discussion.

Goals

- (1) To discuss common fraud schemes;
- (2) Enhance capacity in handling allegations of sexual exploitation and abuse; and

- (3) Limit the abuse of humanitarian assistance funds by establishing, where feasible, aligned prevention and mitigation strategies across Non-Governmental Organizations, partners, and active responses.

AGENDA

TUESDAY, JULY 24, 2018:

- 8:30-9:00 Attendee Arrival
- 9:00-9:30 Opening Remarks
- Ann Calvaresi Barr, USAID OIG, Inspector General
 - Mark Green, USAID, Administrator (invited)
- 9:30-10:00 Lessons Learned from Humanitarian Operations (Q&A)
- Daniel Altman, USAID OIG, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations
- 10:15-10:30 Break
- 10:30-11:45 Fraud Trends & Risks in Humanitarian Setting
- Rebecca Giacalone, USAID OIG, Senior Special Agent (D-ISIS Task Force)
- 11:45-12:30 Material Support and Diversions to Terrorist Organizations and Armed Groups
- Rebecca Giacalone, USAID OIG, Senior Special Agent (D-ISIS Task Force)
 - Eric Del Valle, USAID OIG, Special Agent (Africa/Latin America)
- 12:30-13:30 Lunch (individual)
- 13:30-13:45 Afternoon Opening Remarks
- Rear Admiral Robert Ziemer, USAID DCHA (invited)
- 13:45-15:00 USAID Senior Leaders Panel (10 minutes each)
- General Counsel
 - Compliance
 - Action Alliance for Preventing Sexual Misconduct
 - Office of Inspector General
- 15:00-15:15 Break
- 15:15-17:00 Sexual Exploitation & Abuse
- Guest Speaker
 - Small Group Discussions
- 17:00 Closing Remarks