

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT
OF
JUSTICE



**THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S
SEMIANNUAL MANAGEMENT REPORT
TO CONGRESS**

October 1, 2021 – March 31, 2022

Background

In accordance with the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, the Department of Justice (Department or DOJ) provides the following management report.¹ The report describes the Department's actions during the semiannual period ended March 31, 2022, to address recommendations from the OIG provided in audit, inspection, and evaluation reports. The first section provides information on the status of final action for OIG reports with recommendations that funds be put to better use. The second section provides information on the status of final action for OIG reports with disallowed costs. The third and final section of the report, which addresses a reporting requirement for OIG audit reports only, provides the status of final action for reports open longer than one year for which management decisions have been made but final action has not been completed. During the semiannual reporting period, DOJ components implemented policy and management changes to close 228 recommendations in audit reports that had been open longer than one year.

DOJ Management Report on Final Action

1. Status of Final Action for OIG Reports with Recommendations that Funds be Put to Better Use²

Status of Final Action on Funds to Better Use Recommendations (six-month period ended March 31, 2022)		
Category	FBU Recommendations	No. of OIG Reports
Value of FBU recommendations for which final action had not been completed by the beginning of the reporting period	\$0	0
Value of FBU recommendations agreed to by management in a final decision during the reporting period	\$1,313,795	
Value of FBU recommendations pending final action during the reporting period (sum of preceding two lines)	\$1,313,795	
Value of FBU recommendations for which final action was completed during the reporting period (sum of next two lines)	\$1,313,795	
FBU recommendations completed	\$1,313,795	
FBU recommendations that management subsequently concluded should not or could not be implemented or completed	\$0	
Value of FBU recommendations for which final action had not been completed by the end of the reporting period	\$0	

¹ Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App.

² This section reflects the status of final action for OIG reports with recommendations that funds be put to better use (FBU) that management agreed to in a final decision, in accordance with the Inspector General Act, as amended. For purposes of this report, the term *FBU recommendation* means a recommendation by the OIG that funds could be used more efficiently if management took actions to implement and complete the recommendation.

2. Status of Final Action for OIG Reports with Disallowed Costs³

Status of Final Action on Disallowed Costs (six-month period ended March 31, 2022)			
Category	Disallowed Costs	No. of OIG Reports	
Value of disallowed costs for which final action had not been completed by the beginning of the reporting period	\$142,641	5	
Value of disallowed costs included in the total above that management determined during the reporting period to be allowable costs based on the review of additional information	\$0		
Subtotal	\$142,641		
Value of disallowed costs agreed to by management in a final decision during the reporting period	\$3,275,111		
Value of disallowed costs pending final action during the reporting period (sum of preceding two lines)	\$3,417,752		
Value of disallowed costs for which final action was completed during the reporting period (sum of next three lines)	\$3,241,585		
Disallowed costs recovered by management through collection, offset, property in lieu of cash, or other means	\$1,263,825		
Disallowed costs referred to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for collection	\$1,678,962		
Disallowed costs written off by management	\$298,798		
Value of disallowed costs for which final action had not been completed by the end of the reporting period	\$176,167		5

³ This section reflects the status of final action for OIG reports with disallowed costs, in accordance with the Inspector General Act, as amended. For purposes of this report, the term *disallowed cost* means an incurred cost questioned by the OIG that DOJ management, in a final decision, agreed should not have been charged to the Government. The term *final decision* means management has evaluated the finding and recommendation and made a decision concerning its response, including actions concluded to be necessary or that no action is necessary. The OIG can question costs for various findings such as, at the time of audit, costs were not supported by adequate documentation. Historically, the Department has been able to provide adequate support for the majority of OIG questioned costs, resulting in the questioned costs being deemed allowable.

3. Status of Final Action for OIG Audit Reports Open Longer than One Year for which Management Decisions Have Been Made but Final Action Has Not Been Completed⁴

Status of Final Action for Audit Reports Open Longer than One Year for which Management Decisions Have Been Made but Final Action Has Not Been Completed (as of March 31, 2022)					
Report Number	Audit Report Title	Report Date	Management Improvements		Status of Final Action
			Recommended	Final Action Completed	
ATF – Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives					
NFPR ⁵	1 FISMA Audit Report	2/22/2021	10	5	The OIG has closed 5 of the 10 recommendations based on ATF completing final action. ATF plans to complete final action on the remaining recommendations in FY 2022.
BOP – Bureau of Prisons					
20-042	Federal Bureau of Prisons' Monitoring of Inmate Communications to Prevent Radicalization	3/24/2020	19	8	The OIG has closed 8 of the 19 recommendations based on BOP completing final action. In addition, BOP has completed various actions on the remaining recommendations to improve monitoring of inmate communications to prevent radicalization. BOP plans to complete final action on the recommendations in FY 2022.
20-115	Federal Bureau of Prisons' Perimeter Security Strategy and Efforts Related to the Contract Awarded to DeTekion Security Systems, Incorporated, to Update the Lethal/Non-Lethal Fence at Nine United States Penitentiaries	9/29/2020	20	6	The OIG has closed 6 of the 20 recommendations based on BOP completing final action. In addition, BOP has completed various actions on the remaining recommendations to improve its perimeter security strategy practices and contract award administration responsibilities. BOP plans to complete final action on the recommendation in FY 2022.

⁴ This section reflects the status of final action for OIG audit reports open longer than one year for which management decisions have been made but final action has not been completed. For purposes of this report, the term *final action* means the completion of all actions that management concluded in its final decision are necessary with respect to the findings and recommendations in the audit report.

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COPS – Office of Community Oriented Policing Services					
Various	2 Grant Audit Reports	Various	18	13	The OIG has closed 13 of the 18 recommendations based on COPS completing final action, including final action during the reporting period on disallowed costs valued at \$135,641. COPS continues to work with grantees to remedy reported deficiencies and questioned costs. COPS plans to complete final action on the remaining recommendations in FY 2022.
CRT – Civil Rights Division					
NFPR ⁶	1 FISMA Audit Report	3/29/2021	8	0	The OIG has closed 0 of the 8 recommendations based on CRT completing final action. CRT plans to complete final action on the recommendations related to FISMA in FY 2022.
DEA – Drug Enforcement Agency					
NFPR ³	1 FISMA Audit Report	3/12/2019	11	10	The OIG has closed 10 of the 11 recommendations based on DEA completing final action. DEA plans to complete final action on the remaining recommendation related to FISMA in FY 2022.

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EOIR – Executive Office for Immigration Review					
20-109	Executive Office for Immigration Review Recognition and Accreditation Program	9/21/2020	6	4	The OIG has closed 4 of the 6 recommendations based on EOIR completing final action. In addition, EOIR has completed various actions on the remaining recommendations to improve its administration and oversight of the Recognition and Accreditation Program. EOIR plans to complete final action on the remaining recommendations in FY 2022.
FBI – Federal Bureau of Investigation					
16-20	Federal Bureau of Investigation's Cyber Threat Prioritization	7/20/2016	2	0	FBI has completed various actions on the recommendations which involve the use of an algorithmic, data-driven tool to prioritize cyber threats and implementation of a record keeping system that tracks agent time utilization by threat set. In August 2020, the OIG placed resolution activity for the open recommendations on hold due to the OIG's limited access to classified information while operating under a maximum telework posture because of the COVID-19 pandemic. As of the end of the reporting period, resolution activity was still on hold.
17-35	Federal Bureau of Investigation's Insider Threat Program	9/22/2017	8	3	The OIG has closed 3 of the 8 recommendations based on FBI completing final action. In August 2020, the OIG placed resolution activity for the open recommendations on hold due to the OIG's limited access to classified information while operating under a maximum telework posture because of the COVID-19 pandemic. As of the end of the reporting period, resolution activity was still on hold.

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19-11	Federal Bureau of Investigation's Oversight and Administration of the National Vehicle Lease Program and Its Contract with EAN Holdings, LLC	3/11/2019	21	19	The OIG has closed 19 of the 21 recommendations based on FBI completing final action. FBI plans to complete final action on the recommendations in FY 2022.
20-009	Federal Bureau of Investigation's Management of its Confidential Human Source Validation Processes	11/18/2019	16	2	The OIG has closed 2 of the 16 recommendations based on FBI completing final action. FBI plans to complete final action on the recommendations in FY 2022.
20-030	Federal Bureau of Investigation's Efforts to Identify Homegrown Violent Extremists through Counterterrorism Assessments	3/03/2020	7	0	FBI has completed various actions on the recommendations to help identify Homegrown Violent Extremists through counterterrorism assessments. FBI plans to complete final action on the recommendations in FY 2022.
20-041	Federal Bureau of Investigation's Controls over Weapons, Munitions, and Explosives	3/23/2020	13	4	The OIG has closed 4 of the 13 recommendations based on FBI completing final action. FBI plans to complete final action on the recommendations in FY 2022.
20-111	Federal Bureau of Investigation's Contract Awarded to TUVA, LLC for Subject Matter Expert Services	9/25/2020	12	10	The OIG has closed 10 of the 12 recommendations based on FBI completing final action. In addition, FBI has completed various actions on the remaining recommendations to improve the contract review process. FBI plans to complete final action on the recommendations in FY 2022.
21-014	Federal Bureau of Investigation's Strategy and Efforts to Disrupt Illegal Dark Web Activities	12/16/2020	5	3	The OIG has closed 3 of the 5 recommendations based on FBI completing final action. In addition, FBI has completed various actions on the remaining recommendations to improve its investigative and planning efforts related to the Dark Web. FBI plans to complete final action on the recommendations in FY 2022.

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NFPR ⁷	5 FISMA Audit Reports	Various	121	103	The OIG has closed 103 of the 121 recommendations based on the FBI completing final action. The OIG has indicated it will not close the remaining recommendations until it completes its FY 2022 audits of FBI FISMA compliance. As of the end of the reporting period, resolution activity was pending.
JMD – Justice Management Division					
NFPR ⁴	3 FISMA Audit Reports	Various	26	21	The OIG has closed 21 of the 26 JMD recommendations based on JMD completing final action. The OIG has indicated it will not close the remaining recommendations until it completes its FY 2022 audits of JMD FISMA compliance. As of the end of the reporting period, resolution activity was pending.
OJP – Office of Justice Programs					
17-10	Office of Justice Programs' Tribal Justice Systems Infrastructure Program	1/18/2017	12	11	The OIG has closed 11 of the 12 recommendations based on OJP completing final action. OJP continues to work with the grantee to remedy reported deficiencies and questioned costs. OJP plans to complete final action on the remaining recommendation in FY 2022.

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Various	12 Grant and Cooperative Agreement Audit Reports	Various	149	98	The OIG has closed 98 of the 149 recommendations based on OJP completing final action, including final action during the reporting period on disallowed costs valued at \$35,478. OJP continues to work with grantees to remedy reported deficiencies and questioned costs and complete final action on disallowed costs valued at \$83,011.
Various	5 Single Audit Act Reports	Various	14	3	The OIG has closed 3 of the 14 recommendations based on OJP completing final action, including final action during the reporting period on disallowed costs valued at \$7,563. OJP continues to work with grantees to remedy reported deficiencies and questioned costs.
OVW – Office on Violence Against Women					
Various	7 Grant Audit Reports	Various	69	52	The OIG has closed 52 of the 69 recommendations based on OVW completing final action, including final action during the reporting period on disallowed costs valued at \$7,854. OVW continues to work with grantees to remedy reported deficiencies and questioned costs.
USMS – United States Marshals Service					
19-33	United States Marshals Service's Justice Prisoner and Alien Transportation System	7/24/2019	4	3	The OIG has closed 3 of the 4 recommendations based on USMS completing final action. In addition, USMS has completed various actions on the remaining recommendation related to JPATS's ongoing electronic movement packet system. USMS plans to complete final action on the recommendation in FY 2022.

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20-085	United States Marshals Service's Contract Awarded to The GEO Group, Incorporated to Operate the Robert A. Deyton Detention Facility, Lovejoy, Georgia	7/22/2020	10	8	The OIG has closed 8 of the 10 recommendations based on USMS completing final action. In addition, USMS has completed various actions on the remaining recommendations to assist USMS in establishing controls to prevent and detect GEO's noncompliance with the terms and conditions of the contract. USMS plans to complete final action on the recommendation in FY 2022.
NFPR ⁸	4 FISMA Audit Reports	Various	9	3	The OIG has closed 3 of the 9 recommendations based on USMS completing final action. USMS plans to complete final action on the remaining recommendations related to FISMA in FY 2022.
USNCB – United States National Central Bureau (Interpol)					
NFPR ⁵	1 FISMA Audit Report	3/16/2020	14	11	The OIG has closed 11 of the 14 recommendations based on USNCB completing final action. USNCB plans to complete final action on the remaining recommendations related to FISMA in FY 2023.
Audit Reports Encompassing More Than One DOJ Component					
18-14	Department of Justice's Efforts to Address Patterns or Practices of Police Misconduct and Provide Technical Assistance on Accountability Reform to Police Departments	2/13/2018	15	13	The OIG has closed 13 of the 15 recommendations based on the Department completing final action. In addition, the Department has completed various actions on the remaining recommendations to clarify procedures related to high-profile incidents and coordination with relevant U.S. Attorneys' Offices when technical assistance is provided by OJP, COPS, or CRS. The Department plans to complete final action on the recommendations in FY 2022.

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19-14	Efforts to Safeguard Minors in Department of Justice Youth-Centered Programs	3/13/2019	6	5	The OIG has closed 5 of the 6 recommendations based on the Department completing final action. In addition, the Department has completed various actions on the remaining recommendation related to ensuring that DOJ grantees have adequate controls in place to safeguard minors participating in DOJ-funded programs. The Department plans to complete final action on the recommendation in FY 2022.
19-23	Federal Bureau of Investigation's Cyber Victim Notification Process	3/29/2019	13	0	The Department has completed various actions on the recommendations to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the FBI's cyber victim notification process. The OIG had resolution activity on hold for this report from August 2020 to July 2021 due to the OIG's limited access to classified information while operating under a maximum telework posture because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Department plans to complete final action on the recommendations in FY 2022.
19-32	Department of Justice's Use of Immigration Sponsorship Programs	6/11/2019	10	9	The OIG has closed 9 of the 10 recommendations based on the Department completing final action. In addition, the Department has completed various actions on the remaining recommendation to assist the DOJ's oversight of sponsored foreign nationals. The Department plans to complete final action on the recommendations in FY 2022.

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20-071	Drug Enforcement Administration's Income-Generating, Undercover Operations	6/16/2020	19	15	The OIG has closed 15 of the 19 recommendations based on the DEA and the Department completing final action. The remaining 4 recommendations are based upon the Department action in which OIG has notified DEA that recommendation 15 will be closed once they close the recommendations made to ODAG.
20-104	Department of Justice's Efforts to Protect Federal Bureau of Prisons Facilities Against Threats Posed by Unmanned Aircraft Systems	9/14/2020	7	6	The OIG has closed 6 of the 7 recommendations based on BOP completing final action. BOP plans to complete final action on the recommendation in FY 2022.