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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Andrei Iancu  
Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property  
and Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

**FROM:** Frederick J. Meny, Jr.  
Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation (Acting)

**SUBJECT:** Audit of USPTO's Oversight of the Systems Development  
and Integration Next Generation Contract  
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We are initiating an audit on U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's (USPTO's) oversight of the Systems Development and Integration Next Generation (SDI-NG) information technology contract. Our objective is to determine whether USPTO provided adequate oversight and monitoring of contractors' performance for the SDI-NG contract.

We plan to begin this work immediately. We will contact your audit liaison to schedule an entrance conference, at which time we will discuss our audit objectives and scope in further detail. Should you have any questions regarding this audit, please contact me at (202) 482-1931 or Amni Samson, Audit Director, at (571) 272-5561.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation during this audit.

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