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We reviewed the Department of Homeland Security's enterprise-wide security program and practices for its Top Secret/Sensitive Compartmented Information intelligence systems. Pursuant to Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002, we reviewed the department's security management, implementation, and evaluation of its intelligence activities, including its policies, procedures, and system security controls for enterprise-wide intelligence systems. In doing so, we assessed the department's Plan of Action and Milestones, certification and accreditation, and incident reporting processes, as well as its security training and awareness program.

The department continues to maintain an effective enterprise-wide information security management program for its intelligence systems. Overall, information security procedures have been documented and adequate security controls have been implemented. Nonetheless, management oversight and operational issues remain regarding the effectiveness of the program. We have concerns with the documentation for the Coast Guard Intelligence Support System certification and accreditation package and the information system security training and awareness program for intelligence personnel. Also, we identified security issues with the Classified Local Area Network and Coast Guard Intelligence Support System. We recommended that the Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis address the open recommendations identified during our review. The department concurred with all four recommendations. (OIG-11-XX, January 2011, ITA)



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