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Dear Colleague:

On behalf of the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO), I am pleased to invite you to consider nominating one or more individual(s) from your office to participate in the 2013 International Auditor Fellowship Program.

As a member of the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (INTOSAI), GAO sponsors this program to enhance participants' skills in order to strengthen the institutional capacity of supreme audit institutions (SAIs), sustain professional competencies and skills through continuous learning and knowledge sharing, and strengthen professional networks to promote institutional relationships among SAIs, donors, and other partners in the accountability community.

The individuals selected for this program engage in a 4-month comprehensive program that includes classroom instruction, observance of key management meetings, intergovernmental experience and development of strategies to implement change in SAIs. The program focuses on the methods and techniques for conducting performance audits and leadership development skills. In addition, participants prepare a strategy paper to introduce a plan or project to their SAIs. Typically, the head of the SAI identifies the plan or project as part of the nomination process.

I would like to invite you to participate by nominating middle to senior level candidate(s) from your audit office for the 2013 program. Please ask your nominee(s) to complete the application, which also requires your personal, signed recommendation and insight on how the nominee, if selected, would transfer the knowledge, skills, and experience to other colleagues in the SAI.

While there is no tuition for the program, participating SAIs are responsible for securing the required funding for travel and living expenses. Funding assistance may be available from the United Nations Development Program, the World Bank, regional development assistance agencies, and national governments.

The application should be completed and returned no later than August 10, 2012. If you would like an electronic copy, please go to www.gao.gov/aac/fellowsprgm.html or send your request to Sandsp@gao.gov. We believe the International Auditor Fellowship Program, now in its 33rd year, will continue to promote the sharing of information and experiences that will strengthen the ability of SAIs to fulfill their missions and enhance accountability and governance worldwide.

If you need additional information or have any questions, please contact Ms. Pam Sands, Fellowship Program Manager, at (202) 512-5796 or Sandsp@gao.gov.

Sincerely yours,

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