



UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
1100 DEFENSE PENTAGON
WASHINGTON, DC 20301-1100

JUL 28 2011

COMPTROLLER

The President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

This letter reports two violations of the Antideficiency Act (ADA), Army case number 10-06 (enclosed), as required by title 31, U.S.C., sections 1351 and 1517(b). The violations occurred within the Operation and Maintenance Army (OMA) account 21 7 2020 during Fiscal Year 2007 at the U.S. Combat Readiness/Safety Center (CRC), Fort Rucker, Alabama. The violations totaled \$2,000,000.00.

The first violation occurred when the CRC obligated \$2,000,000.00 for the development and modernization of the Army Consolidated Mishap Reporting and Risk Management System without getting Investment Review Board Certification and approval from the Defense Business System Management Committee (DBSMC). Failure to get approval from the DBSMC led to a violation of title 10, U.S.C., section 2222 which in turn resulted in a violation of title 31, U.S.C., section 1341. A second violation occurred when OMA funds were improperly obligated in support of this business system modernization effort in lieu of Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation (RDTE) funds. Because insufficient account balances of RDTE were not available within the formal subdivision at Operating Activity 22, funds had to be obtained from the Army Budget Office to correct the violation, resulting in a violation of title 31, U.S.C., section 1517.

Ms. Barbara Reynolds Ransum, GS-14, Director G-1/4, was found responsible for the violation. Ms. Ransum was not disciplined due to the fact she died during the course of the investigation. There was no knowing or willful violation of the ADA by the responsible individual.

To prevent a recurrence of these types of violations, Resources Services Washington has developed ADA Awareness Training and is now providing refresher training for budget execution and funds control personnel to increase awareness of (1) certifying officer responsibilities; (2) what an ADA violation is and how to recognize it; (3) what action to take and what internal controls should be applied to ensure prevention of ADA violations; and (4) what specific references and resources are available.

Identical reports will be submitted to the President of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Comptroller General of the United States, and Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Respectfully yours,

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