



UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

1100 DEFENSE PENTAGON
WASHINGTON, DC 20301-1100

MAR 17 2008

COMPTROLLER

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

Dear Mr. President:

This letter is to report a violation of the Antideficiency Act as required by Title 31, United States Code, Section 1351. The Antideficiency Act violation, Army case number 05-05, totaling \$42,293.76, occurred in fiscal year 2003. The violation occurred when United States Army Corps of Engineers personnel illegally augmented the Army Civil Works Revolving Fund. Army Corps of Engineers collected conference registration and vendor exhibition fees from private companies and did not deposit the fees into the Treasury Miscellaneous Receipt Account as required. Improper augmentation occurred because these expenses should have been paid from the Army Civil Works Revolving Fund, which effectively was overobligated in violation of Title 31, United States Code, Section 1341(a)(1)(A).

Enclosed is a report from the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Financial Management and Comptroller). The following five individuals were responsible for the violation:

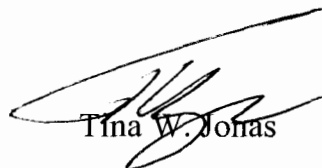
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To prevent a reoccurrence of this type of violation, the Army developed conference guidance; requires resource managers to certify contracts; requires fiscal law training for all approvers, certifiers, and program managers; and briefs conference funding requirements at senior leadership conferences.

Enclosed are copies of the letter and report transmitting a violation of Title 31, United States Code, Section 1341(a)(1)(A). Copies of the report were submitted to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Acting Comptroller General of the United States, and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Respectfully yours,



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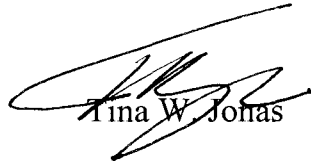
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Washington, DC 20515

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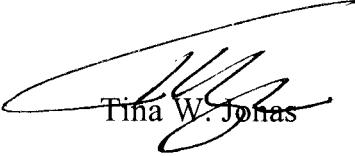
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