



UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

1100 DEFENSE PENTAGON  
WASHINGTON, DC 20301-1100

SEP 11 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 Section 1517(b) of title 31, United States Code. The Antideficiency Act violation, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency case number 07-01, totaling \$2,650,000, occurred in fiscal year 2005. The violation occurred when Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency contracting personnel inadvertently issued a duplicate contract modification that overobligated a fiscal year 2005 Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation Defense-Wide fund allocation. The overobligation resulted in a violation of Section 1517(a) of title 31, United States Code.

Mr. Mark Bennington, Senior Executive Service, Contracts Management Office Director, was found responsible for the violation and received a verbal reprimand and counseling. The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency concluded there was no knowing or willful violation of the Antideficiency Act. To prevent a reoccurrence of this type of violation, the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency strengthened internal controls and provided functional training.

Enclosed is a letter and report from the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency Comptroller transmitting the violation of Section 1517(a) of title 31, United States Code. Copies of the letter and 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tina W. Jonas".

Tina W. Jonas

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President of the Senate  
285 Eisenhower Executive Office Building  
Washington, DC 20501

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U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

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