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Dear Colleague:

After careful consideration regarding the health and safety of everyone in GAO’s International Auditor Fellowship Program (IAFP) – our international participants, our staff, our instructors, and our longtime partners – we have made the difficult decision to cancel GAO’s IAFP for 2021.

Following continued concerns related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic, we felt this was the best way to proceed during such an unprecedented global health emergency. We are very disappointed that we will be unable to hold the 2021 IAFP, but we know it is the right decision for the health and safety of everyone involved.

As we continue to evaluate the status of the program, we will issue an announcement and share updates widely, including at https://www.gao.gov/about/what-gao-does/audit-role/fellows/.

We thank everyone who has expressed interest in the fellows program. We wish you, your families, and your colleagues health and safety in these challenging times and we look forward to resuming the IAFP when it is safe to do so.

Sincerely yours,

Gene L. Dodaro
Comptroller General
of the United States