

Office of the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction John F. Sopko Special Inspector General

March 21, 2016

The Honorable Charles E. Grassley Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510-6275

Dear Chairman Grassley,

Thank you for your interest and continued support of SIGAR's review of the Department of Defense's Task Force for Business Stability Operations (TFBSO) programs and activities in Afghanistan.

On January 15, 2016, we received your letter requesting that SIGAR audit TFBSO programs and spending and provide a report to Congress. SIGAR will conduct a performance audit that will assess the strategy, planning, interagency coordination, oversight, and outcomes of TFBSO's programs and activities in Afghanistan. SIGAR notified the Department of Defense of our performance audit on February 19, 2016. We plan to issue the final product in early 2017.

In addition, SIGAR will perform a thorough financial audit to assess TFBSO's internal controls, compliance, corrective actions taken on prior findings and recommendations, and outstanding liabilities. SIGAR plans to announce its financial audit work by the end of April 2016 and issue the final report in early 2017.

SIGAR will keep your staff fully briefed on the developments of the audits. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly, or your staff may contact SIGAR's Director of Congressional Relations and Governmental Affairs, Jaryd Bern at jaryd.m.bern.civ@mail.mil or at 703-545-6000.

Sincerely,

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