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MEMORANDUM FOR: PORTIA WU

**Assistant Secretary for Employment** 

and Training

FROM: ELLIOT P. LEWIS

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for Audit

SUBJECT: Initiation of Review of Job Corps Center Safety

The Office of Inspector General will begin a self-initiated review to assess safety and security at Job Corps centers. This review is being initiated in response to the two recent homicides of Job Corps students and as a follow-on to OIG's February 2015 audit report, Job Corps Needs to Improve Enforcement and Oversight of Student Disciplinary Policies to Better Protect Students and Staff at Centers.

The review will examine the following areas:

- Job Corps' actions in response to potentially criminal student misconduct;
- physical security at Job Corps centers; and
- Job Corps' efforts to prevent violence and other serious crimes at its centers.

We will contact your audit liaisons to schedule a meeting to discuss the review's objectives, scope, methodology, and timeframes. Please notify the appropriate officials of our plans to initiate work.

If you have any questions, please contact Ray Armada, Audit Director, at (415) 625-2713 or Heather Atkins, Audit Manager, at 415-309-6632.

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