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Memorandum

To: Eric Eisenstein  
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Office of Financial Management

From: Michael P. Colombo   
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Subject: Verification Review of Recommendation for the Management Advisory Report,  
“Bureau of Indian Affairs’ Contract with the National Native American Law  
Enforcement Association Contract No. CBK00090002” (WR-EV-BIA-0015-  
2009, February 2010)  
Report No. WR-VS-BIA-0021-2013

The U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Inspector General (OIG) has completed a verification review of the recommendation presented in the subject management advisory report. The objective of the verification was to determine whether the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) implemented the recommendation as reported to the Office of Financial Management (PFM), Office of Policy, Management and Budget. PFM reported to OIG when BIA had addressed and provided supporting documentation for the recommendation in the subject report. Based on our review, we determined that the recommendation is resolved and implemented.

**Background**

Our February 2010 management advisory report, “Bureau of Indian Affairs’ Contract with the National Native American Law Enforcement Association Contract No. CBK00090002,” contained one recommendation pertaining to the termination of a contract for law enforcement recruitment services.

In its March 23, 2010 response, BIA agreed with our recommendation, and stated that it terminated the contract for convenience effective February 25, 2010. Because we received the response after the due date, however, we considered the recommendation unresolved and unimplemented. We subsequently forwarded BIA’s response to PFM. On April 12, 2010, PFM notified us that the recommendation was closed.

**Scope and Methodology**

The scope of this review was limited to determining whether BIA took action to implement our recommendation. To accomplish our objective, we reviewed the supporting documentation that we obtained during a subsequent OIG evaluation.

We did not perform any site visits or conduct fieldwork to determine whether BIA had corrected the underlying deficiencies that we initially identified. As a result, this review was not conducted in accordance with the Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the Quality Standards for Inspection and Evaluation of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency.

## **Results of Review**

We determined that the recommendation is resolved and implemented.

**Recommendation:** The Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs direct BIA to immediately terminate its contract with National Native American Law Enforcement Association.

In its response to our report, BIA stated that it had terminated the contract for convenience on February 25, 2010. We obtained documents related to the contract termination and settlement in a subsequent OIG evaluation titled "Bureau of Indian Affairs' Law Enforcement Recruitment Services Contract with the National Native American Law Enforcement Association" (Report No. WR-EV-BIA-0005-2011). Based on our review of documents, we conclude that the recommendation is resolved and implemented.

## **Conclusion**

We informed BIA officials of the results of this review at a teleconference on June 25, 2013. BIA officials agreed with the results of our review.

If you have any questions about this report, please contact me at 916-978-5653.

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