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**Intelligence Community Inspector General Announces Recovery of \$229,497
in Labor Mischarging Investigation of a former ODNI Contractor**

(July 2019) The Inspector General of the Intelligence Community, Michael K. Atkinson, announces the recoupment of \$229,497 to the United States Treasury resulting from a substantiated labor mischarging investigation conducted by the Office of the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community (ICIG).

The investigation was initiated through proactive counter-fraud efforts by the ICIG's Investigations Division, which identified discrepant time and attendance records versus hours billed to a government contract. The investigation revealed labor mischarging by an Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) contract employee, spanning over a year-long period, who billed the government for hours the contractor did not actually work and for time when she was not present at her assigned place of performance. The investigation further revealed that, in some instances, though the contractor had billed for a full eight hour work day, she was only present at her place of performance for half that time, and the contractor was on notice that she was not permitted to telework. As a further result of the investigation, ODNI removed the contract employee from working on the government contract.

The ICIG expresses its appreciation to ODNI, particularly the Chief Financial Executive, for their assistance in recovering the funds from the government contracting firm and taking other remedial steps in response to the fraudulent activity.

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