



OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY
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**Office of the Inspector General of the Intelligence
Community Completes Fiscal Year 2019 Independent
Evaluation of the Office of the Director of National
Intelligence's Information Security Program and Practices,
as Required by the *Federal Information Security
Modernization Act of 2014***

(November 2019) The Office of the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community (ICIG) recently completed the Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 independent evaluation of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence's (ODNI's) information security program and practices as required by the *Federal Information Security Modernization Act of 2014* (FISMA). FISMA requires federal agencies to establish agency-wide, risk-based security programs for the information systems that support the agency, including those systems provided or managed by another agency or operated by contractors. FISMA prescribes an annual self-assessment and independent evaluation of an agency's information security program and practices. The ODNI Chief Information Officer conducts the annual self-assessment and the ICIG performs the annual independent evaluation.

The ICIG performed the evaluation using the *FY 2019 Inspector General Federal Information Security Modernization Act of 2014 (FISMA) Reporting Metrics* developed by the Office of Management and Budget, Department of Homeland Security, and the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency, in consultation with the Federal Chief Information Officer Council. Those *Reporting Metrics* require Inspectors General to assess the effectiveness of information security programs on a maturity model spectrum in which the foundational levels ensure that agencies develop sound policies and procedures and the advanced levels capture the extent that agencies institutionalize those policies and procedures.

The ICIG's assessment of the effectiveness of the ODNI's information security program and policies for FY 2019 is classified. The ICIG identified deficiencies and made two recommendations. In addition to these recommendations, prior ICIG reports included 20 information security-related recommendations that remain open.

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