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Audit of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence’s Implementation of the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015

(October 2021) On December 18, 2015, Congress passed Public Law 114-113, the *Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016*, which includes Title I - the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015 (the Act). The Act was established to improve cybersecurity in the United States through enhanced sharing of cyber threat information. The Act requires the inspectors general of the “appropriate Federal entities,” defined as the Departments of Homeland Security, Justice, Defense, Commerce, Energy, and the Treasury, and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI), “in consultation with the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community and the Council of Inspectors General on Financial Oversight,” to jointly report to Congress by December 18—every two years—on the actions taken over the most recent two-year period to carry out the Act. The Office of the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community (IC IG) audited the ODNI’s implementation of the Act for calendar year (CY) 2019 and CY 2020. The results presented in the ODNI report will also be included in the joint, biennial report due to Congress by December 18, 2021.

The IC IG found that ODNI’s sharing of cyber threat indicators and defensive measures with Intelligence Community elements has improved over the past two years and efforts are underway to expand accessibility to information. In CY 2019 and CY 2020, ODNI and its information technology service provider made progress enhancing accessibility to cyber threat information for improved sharing of information with other IC elements. In addition, IC IG auditors determined that ODNI and its service provider continue to implement the cybersecurity information sharing requirements.

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