Memorandum

U.S. Department of Transportation
Office of the Secretary of Transportation
Office of Inspector General

Subject: INFORMATION: Audit Termination Notification:
Security Controls Audit of the Data Communications Program
Federal Aviation Administration
Project No. 14F3011F000

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Reply to Attn. of: JA-20

To: Director, Audit and Evaluation

On May 27, 2014, the Office of Inspector General (OIG) announced an audit of the Federal Aviation Administration’s (FAA) security and controls for the Data Communications Program (DataComm). The announced objectives were to determine whether (1) FAA is identifying security risks and properly mitigating them, and (2) FAA’s contingency plan for the system limits the effects of the loss of DataComm’s availability.

We are terminating this audit. The DataComm system is currently in development and has not yet become operational. Consequently, it does not have a complete security review or contingency plan available for us to test. According to FAA, the DataComm system is scheduled for a security review in June 2015. At that time, we will determine whether to perform this audit.

We appreciate the courtesies and cooperation of FAA representatives during our audit. If you have any questions or would like additional information regarding this terminated audit, please contact me at (202) 366-1407, or Nathan Custer, Program Director, at (202) 366-5540.

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