



Memorandum

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Transportation**

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Subject: INFORMATION: Audit of Improving Screening
Checkpoint Security

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The Office of Inspector General is scheduling an audit of Improving Screening Checkpoint Security. The objective of this audit is to assess FAA's efforts for improving passenger and carryon baggage screening at security checkpoints within the United States. Specifically, we will evaluate all processes for improving screening checkpoint security including policy and planning requirements, developing technologies, deploying technologies, using systems and equipment, maintaining equipment, training and measuring screener performance, and inspecting and enforcing security requirements.

The audit will be conducted at FAA's Office of Civil Aviation Security, Washington, DC and selected regional and field offices; FAA's Aviation Security Research and Development Laboratory in Atlantic City, NJ; and FAA's Security Equipment Integrated Product Team in Herndon, VA.

We plan to begin the audit the week of September 10, 2001. We will contact your audit liaison in the Office of Performance Management to arrange an entrance conference. Our staff in San Francisco, CA and Washington, DC will conduct the audit. If you have any questions or need additional information prior to the entrance conference, please contact me at (202) 366-0500, or Ms. Robin K. Hunt, Director for Aviation Security and Infrastructure, at (415) 744-3090.

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