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**U.S. Department of  
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Office of the Secretary  
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Subject: INFORMATION: Audit of Deployment of  
Advanced Security Technologies,  
Post-September 11, 2001

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The Office of Inspector General (OIG) plans to conduct a series of audits of the Deployment of Advanced Security Technologies, Post-September 11, 2001. The objective of these audits is to evaluate the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) strategies for budgeting, purchasing, and deploying advanced security technologies used in screening passengers, checked and carry-on baggage, and cargo. During this initial audit we will (1) review TSA's plans for meeting the December 31, 2002 deadline to screen all checked baggage using explosives detection systems or alternate screening methods; and (2) evaluate TSA's strategies for purchasing and deploying the equipment necessary for meeting the deadline.

The audit will be conducted at TSA's Office of Aviation Operations in Washington, D.C.; the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Security Equipment Integrated Product Team in Herndon, Virginia; FAA's Aviation Security Research and Development Center in Atlantic City, New Jersey; and selected airports nationwide. Our staff in San Francisco, California, and Washington, D.C., will conduct the audit.

We plan to begin the audit the week of April 1, 2002. We will contact your audit liaison in the Office of Aviation Operations to arrange an entrance conference.

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