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SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2024 Quarter 2 Security Evaluation

The Office of Inspector General performed an inspection of the Office of the Chief Economist to determine the likely level of sophistication an attacker would need to compromise selected U.S. Department of Agriculture systems or data. We interviewed agency officials and assessed information regarding previous penetration tests. We also performed an independent penetration test as part of our evaluation. **This report contains sensitive content. It is being withheld from public release due to concerns about the risk of circumvention of law.**

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