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SUBJECT: Security Over Web Applications

The Office of Inspector General performed an inspection of four mission areas within the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to determine if the USDA and its mission areas are effectively identifying and mitigating security vulnerabilities on their publicly accessible web applications and websites. To conduct our inspection, we: (1) reviewed vulnerability scanning policies and procedures for identifying and mitigating vulnerabilities; (2) performed vulnerability scanning of a select number of mission area websites; and (3) reviewed previous web vulnerability scan results. **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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