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**MEMORANDUM**

July 10, 2023

**To: Members, Subcommittee on National Security, the Border, and Foreign Affairs and Subcommittee on Government Operations and the Federal Workforce**

**From: Committee Staff**

**Re: Joint Subcommittee hearing titled “Beyond the Budget: Addressing Financial Accountability in the Department of Defense”**

On **Thursday, July 13, 2023, at 10:00 AM ET in 2154 Rayburn House Office Building**, the Subcommittee on National Security, the Border, and Foreign Affairs and the Subcommittee on Government Operations and the Federal Workforce will host a hearing titled “Beyond the Budget: Addressing Financial Accountability in the Department of Defense.”

**I. BACKGROUND:**

As Congress is now appropriating nearly \$1 trillion per year to the Department of Defense (DoD), we must ensure that it utilizes those funds in the most efficient manner possible. With such a large amount of American taxpayer money being spent per year on defense, the Department should provide Congress with a “clean” audit. In November of 2022, DoD failed its fifth consecutive audit, unable to account for 61 percent of its \$3.5 trillion in assets.

**II. HEARING PURPOSE:**

This joint hearing will examine DoD’s financial management practices. The joint hearing will also highlight the need for a clean audit and examine the expensive and burdensome contracting and procurement process within DoD.

**III. WITNESSES:**

**Mr. John Tenaglia**

Principal Director, Defense Pricing and Contracting  
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**Mr. Brett Mansfield**

Deputy Inspector General for Audits  
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