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Good morning folks,

Please see below. Our colleagues at NIH continue to discover Tier 1 BSAT in unregistered spaces as they proceed on their "clean sweep" of the Bethesda campus. They are immediately reporting these discoveries to us as required in the regulations and will send us written confirmation of their destruction, transfer, or retention in secure registered space of these materials within a week.

I am confident that NIH is appropriately handling and securing these materials as they find them. In fact, these discoveries are an indication of how seriously NIH is taking the "clean sweep" mandate from their Director. Our plan for handling these is to, at the close of the clean sweep:

- review their plans for preventing future incidences of BSAT samples being retained in unregistered spaces and work with them to address any gaps or concerns that we have with the plan and;
- to prepare a package for consideration of compliance penalties by the HHS IG. Although NIH is being admirably responsive and transparent in their reporting these discoveries, the retention of multiple samples of Tier 1 BSAT outside of secure registered space is a serious compliance matter.

Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

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