MEMORANDUM FOR CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICERS

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SUBJECT: Designation of Certification and Accreditation Shared Service Centers under the Information Systems Security Line of Business

The purpose of this memorandum is to announce the designation of four agencies as Shared Service Centers (SSCs) for Certification and Accreditation (C&A) Services under the Information Systems Security Line of Business (ISS LoB) initiative. The ISS LoB evaluated agency proposals to become shared services centers for C&A Services and the following agencies were selected:

- Department of Transportation/FAA-Enterprise Services Center
- Department of Treasury/Bureau of Public Debt
- Department of Interior/National Business Center
- Department of Justice

Accordingly, all agencies undertaking steps to acquire new C&A services should consider the C&A SSCs.

OMB and the ISS LoB have identified Shared Service Centers (SSCs) as a mechanism to strengthen the ability of all agencies to identify and manage information security risks. The SSCs will reduce redundancy of C&A services across agencies, facilitate the use of best practices and contribute to increased security throughout the federal enterprise. The SSC model also contributes to cost avoidance through reduced duplication and economies of scale.

Capabilities of these agencies were assessed through common C&A requirements established under the ISS LoB. Additional SSCs under the ISS LoB include services for FISMA Reporting, IT Security Awareness Training and Trusted Internet Connections Access Providers.

In order to acquire services from a designated SSC, agencies should use the following SSC contacts:

- Department of Transportation/FAA-Enterprise Services Center – Jerome.Kemp@faa.gov
- Department of Treasury/Bureau of Public Debt – Michael.Duffy@do.treas.gov
- Department of Interior/National Business Center - Maria.E.Clarke@nbc.gov
- Department of Justice – Mark.E.Phillip@usdoj.gov