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MEMORANDUM TO THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

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SUBJECT: Reinforcing Transparency, Accountability, and Oversight of Federal Technology

**Overview**

Information technology (IT) plays a crucial role in every service the Federal Government provides to the public, and the effective use of that technology is paramount to achieving the Administration's vision for a more efficient Government. Through his Executive Orders, President Trump has demanded timely, coordinated action to eliminate unnecessary and wasteful Government spending.<sup>1</sup> This policy furthers that objective by reinforcing foundational practices to maximize transparency and increase accountability for agency chief information officers (CIOs). It also provides guidance to enhance information-sharing, which will help the Government procure best-in-class technology solutions, achieve economies of scale, and better serve the public while conserving Americans' tax dollars.

**Scope**

The reporting requirements of section 1 of this memorandum apply only to agencies,<sup>2</sup> other than the Department of War, that are identified in the Chief Financial Officers Act at 31 U.S.C. § 901(b) ("covered CFO Act agencies"). The reporting requirements do not apply to national security systems, as defined in 40 U.S.C. § 11103(a).

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<sup>1</sup> Exec. Order 13833, *Enhancing the Effectiveness of Agency Chief Information Officers* (May 15, 2018), <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/05/18/2018-10855/enhancing-the-effectiveness-of-agency-chief-information-officers>; Exec. Order 14240, *Eliminating Waste and Saving Taxpayer Dollars by Consolidating Procurement* (Mar. 20, 2025), <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2025/03/25/2025-05197/eliminating-waste-and-saving-taxpayer-dollars-by-consolidating-procurement>; Exec. Order 14243, *Stopping Waste, Fraud, and Abuse by Eliminating Information Silos* (Mar. 20, 2025), <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2025/03/25/2025-05214/stopping-waste-fraud-and-abuse-by-eliminating-information-silos>; Exec. Order 14271, *Ensuring Commercial, Cost-Effective Solutions in Federal Contracts* (Apr. 15, 2025), <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2025/04/18/2025-06835/ensuring-commercial-cost-effective-solutions-in-federal-contracts>.

<sup>2</sup> For the purposes of this memorandum, the term "agency" has the definition provided in 44 U.S.C. § 3502(1).

Section 2 of this memorandum applies to all agencies, but not to national security systems. Agency heads are encouraged to apply the practices in Section 2 to national security systems to the extent practicable.

## **Guidance**

### **1. Empowering CIOs as Strategic Partners in Agency Decisions**

The CIOs of CFO Act agencies are required by law to monitor the performance of their agencies' IT programs, evaluate the performance of those programs, and advise the agency head on whether to continue, modify, or terminate a program or project.<sup>3</sup> To effectively fulfill their statutory duties, those agency CIOs must be empowered as strategic partners who are appropriately involved in any agency decision related to IT. The Federal Information Technology Acquisition Reform Act (FITARA) recognizes the critical role of these CIOs and forbids covered CFO Act agencies from entering into a contract or other agreement for IT or IT services, *unless* the agency CIO has reviewed and approved the contract or other agreement.<sup>4</sup>

### ***Requirements***

Beginning in May 2026 and on a monthly basis thereafter, the CIOs of covered CFO Act agencies shall notify the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) of the following:

- 1) All contracts or other agreements for IT or IT services that he or she personally approves; and
- 2) Any contracts or other agreements for IT products or services that are approved by a delegatee of the CIO, if such contracts or agreements directly enable or facilitate interaction between the public and the Federal Government through digital services.<sup>5</sup>

This visibility will enable agencies to better identify waste, fraud, and abuse, and ensure that IT investments are strategically aligned across the Executive Branch.

The top-level CIO for each covered agency shall be responsible for reporting on behalf of the entire agency, including all bureaus or components. Reports must be sent through email to [ofcio@omb.eop.gov](mailto:ofcio@omb.eop.gov) and submitted no later than the 10th of each month. Each report shall cover the period from the first day through the last day of the immediately preceding month. This requirement shall sunset in October 2026, following covered CFO Act agencies' submission of their sixth and final report, unless OMB notifies agencies beforehand that it will continue past that time.<sup>6</sup> See the Appendix for a reporting table.

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<sup>3</sup> 40 U.S.C. § 11315(c)(2).

<sup>4</sup> 40 U.S.C. § 11319(b)(1)(C).

<sup>5</sup> A "digital service," for the purposes of this memorandum, is a transactional service (e.g., online form, account management tool) or an informational service that is delivered over the internet across a variety of platforms, devices, and delivery mechanisms (e.g., websites, mobile applications, text/SMS).

<sup>6</sup> OMB may re-evaluate and revise the reporting schedule and scope as appropriate.

Within one week of this memorandum's issuance, OMB will provide a template for CIOs to use to report approved contracts or other agreements to OMB's Office of the Federal CIO.

## **2. Eliminating Information Silos for Federal Technology Acquisitions**

In accordance with OMB Circular No. A-137, *Strategic Management of Acquisition Data and Information*,<sup>7</sup> agencies "should no longer view acquisition data as a singular agency asset, but rather as an asset that is critical to support the mission of the Government." Government-wide sharing of this information will result in more informed procurement decisions, reducing time and cost burdens for both the Federal workforce and industry. Failure to obtain this information for the Government's use in a timely manner inhibits the Government's ability to consolidate acquisitions and make decisions to save taxpayer dollars.

As the Administration continues its efforts to consolidate procurement, it has become apparent that contractors may have information that the Government needs to make data-driven decisions around IT acquisitions. Agencies may be able to request and receive relevant information from contractors for their existing IT contracts, and should, to the extent practicable, obtain such information for Government-wide use. Agencies should actively facilitate the collection and sharing of relevant IT-related acquisition data, in accordance with the measures outlined below.

### ***Requirements***

Effective immediately, each agency head – acting through the agency CIO, Chief Acquisition Officer (CAO), or other relevant responsible officials – shall:

- 1) Request that current vendors provide information about the agency's utilization rates and prices paid with respect to IT products (hardware and software) and services;<sup>8</sup>
- 2) Include appropriate provisions in solicitations and contracts issued after the date of this memorandum to require IT vendors to disclose utilization and pricing information to the Government, without limiting the extent to which that information may be shared across agencies;
- 3) Compile this information in a machine-readable, open standard format consistent with OMB Memorandum M-25-05, *Phase 2 Implementation of the Foundations for Evidence-Based Policymaking Act of 2018: Open Government Data Access and Management Guidance*;<sup>9</sup>

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<sup>7</sup> OMB Circular No. A-137, *Strategic Management of Acquisition Data and Information*, <https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/OMB-Circular-A-137-Strategic-Management-of-Acquisition-Data-and-Information.pdf>.

<sup>8</sup> This includes resellers, third-party vendors, and manufacturers.

<sup>9</sup> OMB Memorandum M-25-05, *Phase 2 Implementation of the Foundations for Evidence-Based Policymaking Act of 2018: Open Government Data Access and Management Guidance* (Jan. 15, 2025), <https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/M-25-05-Phase-2-Implementation-of-the-Foundations-for-Evidence-Based-Policymaking-Act-of-2018-Open-Government-Data-Access-and-Management-Guidance.pdf>.

- 4) Share this information with OMB and the General Services Administration (GSA), consistent with applicable law and contract provisions, upon request of either agency; and
- 5) Ensure component- and bureau-level compliance with this memorandum.

GSA will support agencies by sharing best practices, sample contract language, and templates, as appropriate. Agency CIOs and CAOs shall jointly notify OMB's Office of the Federal CIO and Office of Federal Procurement Policy of any impediments to achieving full compliance with this memorandum. Notifications must be made through email to [ofcio@omb.eop.gov](mailto:ofcio@omb.eop.gov). OMB will support agencies in overcoming barriers as appropriate.

**Appendix: Reporting Table for Section 1**

	<b>Due to OMB by...</b>	<b>Includes all IT contracts approved between...</b>
<b>Report #1</b>	May 10, 2026	April 1, 2026 – April 30, 2026
<b>Report #2</b>	June 10, 2026	May 1, 2026 – May 31, 2026
<b>Report #3</b>	July 10, 2026	June 1, 2026 – June 30, 2026
<b>Report #4</b>	August 10, 2026	July 1, 2026 – July 31, 2026
<b>Report #5</b>	September 10, 2026	August 1, 2026 – August 31, 2026
<b>Report #6</b>	October 10, 2026	September 1, 2026 – September 30, 2026