#### Fraud

Intentional perversion of truth in order to induce another to part with something of value or to surrender a legal right or an act of deceiving or misrepresenting.

#### ■ Waste

An expenditure that is significantly out of proportion to the benefit reasonably expected to accrue to the government.

# Abuse of Authority

An arbitrary or capricious exercise of power by a federal official or employee that adversely affects the rights of any person, or that results in personal gain, or advantage to himself/herself or to preferred other persons.

# Mismanagement

A management action or inaction that creates a substantial risk of significant adverse impact on the agency's ability to accomplish its mission. The matter must be significant and more than *de minimis* wrongdoing or simple negligence. It does not include management decisions that are merely debatable among reasonable people.

## Reprisal

Taking, (or threatening to take) an unfavorable personnel action or withholding (or threatening to withhold) a favorable personnel action from a military member for making or preparing to make a Protected Communication.

# Military Whistleblower

A member of the Armed Forces, who makes, or prepares to make, a protected communication and is protected by whistleblower statutes.

### Station Inspector's Office Hotline

To report fraud, waste, abuse of authority or mismanagement of programs and personnel under the purview of MCAS Iwakuni, including adverse personnel actions taken against an individual because that individual made or was thought to have made a protected disclosure, visit the Station Inspector's Office website at: https://

www.mcasiwakuni.marines.mil/Organizations/Station/Inspectors-Office/

If you are unable to access our website, please call:

Hotline Number: 0827-79-3100 (Local) 253-3100 (DSN)

## Connect with the Station Inspector's Office

Location: Building 230, 1st Floor, Room 121

<u>SharePoint Site</u>: https://usmc.sharepoint-mil.us/sites/mcipac\_iwakuni\_SIO/SitePages/Home.aspx

<u>Website</u>: https://www.mcasiwakuni.marines.mil/ Organizations/Station/Inspectors-Office/







### Authority and Purpose

Marine Corps Order 5430.1A, "Marine Corps Inspector General Program," of 28 January 2019, establishes the Command Inspector General (CIG). Installation Commanding Officers (O-6 level) shall have a CIG who executes Assistance, Investigation, and Teach and Train functions. The CIG shall serve as fair, impartial, and objective fact-finders and problem solvers; must be sufficiently independent so that there is no impediment for personnel requesting IG assistance.

Command Types	CIG Functional Responsibilities			
	Assistance	Inspection	Investigation	Teach/Train
Installation				
Commanding Officers	X	*1	X	X
(O-6 level COs at				
bases and stations)				
Commanding Generals				
and Regional	X	X	X	X
Installation				
Commanders (I MEF,				
1stMarDiv, MCI-West,				
etc.)				
MARFOR Commanders				
(MARFORPAC, MARFORCOM	X	*2	X	X
MARFOREUR/AF, etc.)				

Note 1: Installation CIG may provide functional area oversight within the scope of their commander's authority; however, all installations shall be formally inspected under their respective regional CGIP. Note 2: A CIG at the MARFOR level shall execute an Inspection Program for any subordinate command not covered by another CGIP.

### Assistance

The process of receiving, inquiring into, and responding to complaints, requests for information, and requests for help presented or referred to an IG. This process is used to correct problems indirectly. The CIG corrects problems by bringing the matter to the attention of the command and letting the command do the right thing. This referral occurs at the lowest level of command appropriate to take the corrective action and the matter is elevated only when deemed appropriate. This process assists in eliminating conditions detrimental to the morale, efficiency, or reputation of the unit and the command.

### Investigation

Inspector General Inquiry: Any type of review used to ascertain the facts in response to a complaint. These include: audits, examinations, and inspections.

Inspector General Investigation: A formal fact-finding examination by an IG into allegations of Fraud, Waste, Abuse of Authority, or Mismanagement to provide the Directing Authority a sound basis for decisions and actions.

#### Criminal Activities

The CIG will report criminal allegations to the Commander and the Staff Judge Advocate and refer the criminal activity to the applicable Law Enforcement Agency, such as the MCAS Iwakuni Provost Marshall's Office, or the respective Service's criminal investigative authority.

#### Teach and Train

An independent function that the CIG incorporates into all aspects of his/her duties by explaining standards and the reason those standards were established.

The effectiveness of the CIG is, to a great extent, a function of how receptive personnel are to the CIG. Therefore, the CIG must teach leaders and their personnel how the CIG contributes to mission accomplishment and search for opportunities to inform them of the IG system's purpose, functions, methods, benefits, and constraints. The bottom line is that while assisting or investigating, the CIG contributes to improving the command by Teaching and Training others in policy and procedures.

Note: The Teaching and Training is also important during the inspection preparation, the inspection, and all follow-up.

