

THE WHITE HOUSE

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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

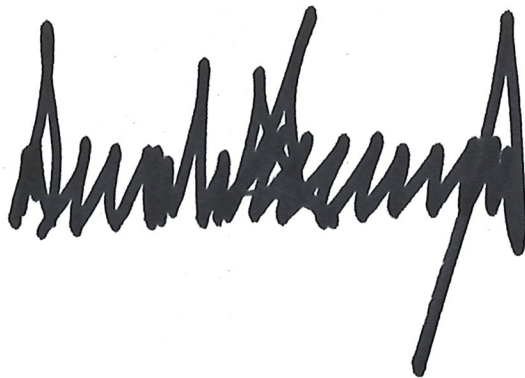
Dear Speaker Pelosi:

This is to advise that I am exercising my power as President to remove from office the Inspector General of the Department of State, effective 30 days from today.

It is extremely important that we promote the economy, efficiency, and effectiveness of Federal programs and activities. The Inspectors General have a critical role in the achievement of these goals. As is the case with regard to other positions where I, as President, have the power of appointment, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, it is vital that I have the fullest confidence in the appointees serving as Inspectors General. That is no longer the case with regard to this Inspector General.

At a later date, I will be submitting to the Senate my nomination of an individual for this position who has my full confidence and who meets the appropriate qualifications.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Donald Trump", written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned below the word "Sincerely," and is centered horizontally on the page.