

As a result of the Department of Justice, Office of the Inspector General's recent report relating to the FBI's use of National Security Letters, the Inspection Division currently is auditing several field offices regarding the FBI's use of NSLs. The Office of the General Counsel has been receiving many questions regarding whether errors identified during the audit should be reported to OGC as potential Intelligence Oversight Board (IOB) matters. In light of these questions, a copy of the November 16, 2006 "Revised Procedures for the Submission of Reports of Potential Intelligence Oversight Board Matters" is attached to this email for your convenience. Further, additional guidance is listed below.

The AIIPs are directed by the Inspection Division to note any deviation or error. Then, this information is passed to the CDC to determine if a matter should be reported to OGC as a potential IOB matter. It is expected that the AIIPs will note many more issues than the CDCs will report to OGC for adjudication as potential IOB matters. Even so, OGC is encouraging overreporting of errors as potential IOB matters. If you have any questions about OGC's guidance relating to IOB matters, please contact

In addition to the November 16, 2006 IOB guidance, OGC has highlighted the following issues based upon conversations with CDCs from around the country.

The following incidents are reportable as potential IOBs matters for adjudication by OGC:

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