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SUBJECT: *Border Search of Electronic Devices* – Office of Inspector General, Field Audit Review

To address corrective actions from the Office of Inspector General (OIG) -19-10, "*CBP's Searches of Electronic Devices at Ports of Entry*" report, Tactical Operations Division (TOD), conducted Field Audit reviews at the Houston Field Office in August 2019. During the visit the TOD representative checked for the following:

1. Port Directors/supervisors oversee that local SOPs and checklist/log books are established and updated.
2. Data connections are disabled prior to search and documented appropriately.
3. Ensure all equipment used during advanced searches is accounted for and secured when not in use.
4. Ensure that travelers' copied information is immediately deleted from the thumb drives within five days after successful upload to the Automated (b) (7)(C) [redacted] and documented appropriately.

TOD is pleased to report that there were no discrepancies during the audit at Houston, Port of Entry. HQ-Operations would like to thank you for your cooperation and reiterate that the Houston Field Office must continue to monitor the DOMEX program and provide additional guidance and oversight to ensure personnel continue to follow CBP Directive 3340-049A.

If you have any questions, please have a member of your staff contact (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
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