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United States Government Accountability Office
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Dear Colleague:

On behalf of the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO), I am pleased to invite you to nominate one or two individuals from your office to participate in GAO's 2015 International Auditor Fellowship Program.

As a member of the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (INTOSAI), GAO sponsors this program, now in its 35th year, to enhance participants' skills in order to strengthen the institutional capacity of supreme audit institutions (SAI); sustain professional competencies through continuous learning and knowledge sharing; and strengthen professional networks to promote institutional relationships among SAIs, donors, and other partners in the accountability community.

The individuals selected for this program engage in a comprehensive 4-month training program that includes classroom training, observance of key management meetings, U.S. intergovernmental audit experience and development of strategies to implement change within their respective SAIs. The program focuses on methods and techniques for conducting performance audits and leadership development skills. In addition, participants prepare a strategy paper to introduce a plan or project to their SAIs. Typically, the head of the SAI identifies the plan or project as part of the nomination process.

If your SAI would like to participate in the 2015 program, please nominate one or no more than two, middle-to-senior level candidate(s) from your audit office. Your nominee(s) should complete the enclosed application, which also requires your personal, signed recommendation and insight on how the nominee, if selected, would transfer the knowledge, skills, and experience gained to other colleagues in your SAI.

While there is no tuition for the program, participating SAIs are responsible for securing the required funding for travel and living expenses. Funding assistance may be available from the United Nations Development Program, the World Bank, regional development assistance agencies, or national governments.

The application should be completed and returned no later than August 7, 2014. An electronic copy of the application is available at www.gao.gov/aac/fellowsprgm.html or by sending a request to Sandsp@gao.gov.

If you need additional information or have any questions, please contact Ms. Pam Sands, Fellowship Program Manager, at (202) 512-5796 or Sandsp@gao.gov.

Sincerely yours,

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