



October 10, 2025

Director Russell T. Vought
Office of Management and Budget
725 17th Street NW
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Director Vought,

As state and local Inspectors General, we write to express our profound concern regarding the proposed termination of funding for the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE). We strongly urge you to reject this proposal and to ensure that CIGIE continues to receive the resources it needs to fulfill its essential mission.

CIGIE sets professional standards, coordinates cross-agency oversight efforts, and provides critical training that strengthens Inspectors General nationwide. Through its leadership, the Council ensures that federal oversight is carried out with consistency, rigor, and independence.

The ripple effects of CIGIE’s work extend well beyond Washington. State and local oversight professionals, including our own offices, rely on CIGIE’s work to develop best practices and promote innovation. This, in turn, helps us safeguard against waste, fraud, and abuse, ensuring that public funds are used efficiently and that public trust in government is preserved at every level.

Eliminating funding for CIGIE would not only weaken federal oversight, but also undermine oversight across American state and local governments. The result would be diminished accountability, greater vulnerability to misconduct, and reduced confidence in government institutions.

We therefore respectfully urge you to preserve funding for CIGIE, in recognition of its indispensable role in safeguarding the integrity of government operations.

Thank you for your consideration of this urgent matter, and for your continued commitment to strong, independent oversight.

Sincerely,

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