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**Inspector General Hannibal “Mike” Ware Designated as
Acting Inspector General for Social Security Administration Office of
Inspector General**

WASHINGTON – Today, Hannibal “Mike” Ware joined the Social Security Administration (SSA) Office of Inspector General (OIG) as Acting Inspector General. He will continue to serve in his role as the Inspector General of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), providing leadership to both agencies until a permanent SSA Inspector General is appointed.

The Social Security Administration Office of Inspector General is an independent entity that serves to protect taxpayer dollars and ensure the integrity of SSA’s programs and operations. SSA OIG plays a vital role in overseeing over \$1 trillion in benefits annually, impacting more than 72 million people, and ensuring programs are administered effectively and efficiently to serve the public. SSA OIG accomplishes its mission through independent audits, evaluations, and investigations.

"I am honored to have the confidence of the President to provide interim leadership within SSA OIG and to simultaneously continue my commitment to the mission of SBA OIG," said Inspector General Ware. "This dual role underscores the importance of strong, independent oversight across federal programs to ensure they operate effectively and with integrity. I am committed to keeping the heads of both establishments and Congress fully and currently informed of the oversight activities and findings."

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