

UNITED STATES OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT Washington, DC 20415

July 7, 2020

The Honorable Gerald E. Connolly Chairman Committee on Oversight and Reform Subcommittee on Government Operations Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Connolly:

Thank you for your June 15, 2020, letter requesting that the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) Office of the Inspector General (OIG) oversee OPM's response to the pandemic. Specifically, you asked that the OPM OIG review whether OPM and its managers are employing best practices and existing guidance when deciding whether or when to require federal employees and contractors to return to federal office buildings.

I understand that you are concerned about the health and safety of federal employees. I share your concerns, and have decided to open a review into OPM's policies for returning OPM employees and contractors to OPM office buildings. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or my staff, Faiza Mathon-Mathieu, Senior Counsel for Legislative and External Affairs, at 202-606-1200 or Faiza.Mathon-Mathieu@opm.gov.

Sincerely,

Norbert E. Vint

Deputy Inspector General

Performing the Duties of the Inspector General

cc: The Honorable Jody B. Hice, Ranking Member Subcommittee on Government Operations