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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

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SUBJECT: Investigation of Suspected Fraud

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1. Prompt investigation of suspected fraud is vital to the successful prosecution and deterrence of this crime. AR 195-2 specifies USACIDC as the responsible Army agency for the investigation of criminal incidents or allegations involving persons subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice, DOD civilians in connection with their assigned duties, government property under Army jurisdiction, and those incidents occurring in areas under Army control or in violation of AR 600-50. USACIDC may also investigate criminal offenses committed outside military controlled installations when there is a legitimate Army interest as determined in coordination with the local commander. All initial requests for investigative support must be made to USACIDC rather than to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. If FBI or other investigative agency assistance is needed, USACIDC will obtain such assistance. Assistance from the Federal Protective Service and local law enforcement agencies may always be sought in those cases requiring immediate response such as the commission of a violent crime.

2. ER 190-1-50 specifies the Office of Security and Law Enforcement as the element within the Corps of Engineers responsible for law enforcement activities, including liaison with USACIDC. When an incident occurs or information is obtained that fraud or any other crime has occurred, the appropriate district or division Security and Law Enforcement Office should be requested to contact CID and arrange for investigative support.

3. This guidance does not preclude communication between Corps attorneys and U.S. Attorneys regarding the prosecution or defense of any criminal or civil litigation. This guidance applies only to situations regarding the investigation of suspected criminal activity.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Lester Edelman". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

LESTER EDELMAN  
Chief Counsel

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