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## **INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

Findings of Misconduct by a Chief Deputy U.S. Marshal for Having an Inappropriate Relationship With a Subordinate, Making False Statements to a Supervisor, and Submitting Misleading Statistics

The Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of the Inspector General (OIG) initiated an investigation of a Chief Deputy U.S. Marshal (CDUSM) based on information it received that, among other things, the CDUSM engaged in misconduct by engaging in an intimate personal relationship with a subordinate, and that the CDUSM directed personnel to submit false statistics to the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) program to secure additional funding for the fugitive task force that the CDUSM supervised.

The OIG substantiated the allegation that the CDUSM engaged in an inappropriate relationship with a subordinate, and the CDUSM admitted to the OIG to having engaged in the relationship. During the investigation, the OIG determined that the CDUSM provided false statements to a previous supervisor who directly asked the CDUSM if the CDUSM was involved in an intimate personal relationship with the subordinate. The OIG also substantiated the allegation that the CDUSM instructed personnel to submit false or misleading arrest statistics to HIDTA to secure increased funding. The OIG found that the CDUSM's conduct violated USMS policies.

Prosecution was declined. Other allegations against the CDUSM were not substantiated.

The OIG has completed its investigation and provided its report to the U.S. Marshals Service.

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