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INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

Findings of Misconduct by a then Federal Bureau of Investigation Supervisory Intelligence Analyst for Knowingly Possessing Child Pornography

The Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General (OIG) initiated this investigation upon the receipt of information from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Inspection Division (INSD) alleging that a then FBI Supervisory Intelligence Analyst (SIA) had stated, during a routine FBI security inquiry, that the SIA had viewed and downloaded child pornography from the internet several years earlier. The SIA denied ever receiving or sending child pornography.

The OIG obtained and forensically examined the SIA's personal and FBI issued devices. Our examination identified pornographic images on the SIA's personal devices, and the OIG took several steps to determine whether the images represented child pornography, including providing such images to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. None of the images were determined to be evidence of child pornography. No pornographic material, or evidence pertinent to the investigation, was identified on the SIA's FBI-issued devices. Based on the SIA's statements during the security interview, the OIG investigation concluded that the SIA had knowingly possessed child pornography, in violation of federal law and FBI policy.

The SIA was summarily dismissed by the FBI while the OIG investigation was pending.

Prosecution of the SIA was declined.

The OIG has completed its investigation and provided its report to the FBI.

Unless otherwise noted, the OIG applies the preponderance of the evidence standard in determining whether Department of Justice personnel have committed misconduct.

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