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SUBJECT: Army Charge Card Programs

Recent congressional hearings and audits identified abuse of Army charge cards, to include: numerous cases of card misuse and potentially fraudulent activity; travel card delinquency; the failure of commanders and supervisors to take disciplinary action; and inadequate command emphasis and oversight.

The travel and purchase card programs provide substantial savings and internal efficiencies to the Army and are crucial to our mission. However, card misuse and delinquency tarnish our reputation as public stewards and leaders; hinder our efforts to obtain congressional funding; and place these two programs in jeopardy. Failure of leadership to take action is unacceptable.

I am directing a series of corrective actions on the travel and purchase card programs (Enclosures 1 and 2, respectively). The Assistant Secretaries for Financial Management and Comptroller and Acquisition, Logistics and Technology will provide detailed guidance.

I hold you accountable for immediate results.

Thomas E. White

Enclosures

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