

NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

Office of the Director

April 17, 2019

Dear Chair Murkowski, Chair McCollum, Ranking Member Udall and Ranking Member Joyce,

This report is provided by the National Gallery of Art as required by the Good Accounting Obligation in Government Act (PL 115-414) as an addendum to the FY 2020 President's Budget justification that was submitted to Congress on March 18, 2019. The Gallery has two outstanding recommendations over one year old from the Government Accountability Office that remain open as of the date of this letter. These open recommendations are from GAO report 17-679, dated July 2017. The status of Gallery action on these recommendations is described below.

Recommendation 2: Ensure that program goals and performance measures linked to those goals are included as part of the master security plan and develop a timeline for completion of this plan

Status of recommendation 2:

On September 25, 2018, the Gallery's Administrator, approved a 5 Year Protection Services Strategic Plan including program goals linked to the plan. Key performance measures for these goals are anticipated to be completed by FY 2020.

Recommendation 3: Seek additional input from federal entities with expertise regarding ways to enhance testing of the physical security program

Status of recommendation 3:

The Gallery and its partners on the National Mall, have made great strides to address this recommendation. The National Gallery of Art has sought additional input from federal entities with expertise regarding ways to enhance testing of our physical security program. The Mall Security Working Group created a sub-committee (The Standard and Performance Measure Subcommittee or SPMS) charged with developing the means of measuring performance for the physical security program and gathering data for appropriate decision making. The SPMS is focused on developing measures and methods for testing the physical security programs associated with organizations located on or near the National Mall. In addition to the Gallery, SPMS members include the Smithsonian Institution, US Park Police, the National Archives and Records

Administration and the US Holocaust Memorial Museum. A draft "Standard Operating Procedures concerning Unannounced Facility Security Testing Process" has been developed and is expected to be finalized by late Spring 2019.

If you or staff have questions concerning these recommendations or the status Gallery actions to address them, please contact Delia Scott on my staff. She can be reached at d-scott@nga.gov or 202-842-6656.

With all best wishes,

Sincerely,



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