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Case Information:

Complaint Number	INTR-21-0034-I
Complaint Title	Employee 1
Date Closed	July 13, 2022
Subject Type	Treasury Employee
Allegation Location	District of Columbia
Confidentiality	No
Congressional Interest	No
Cooperating IG Offices	Justice-Department of
Allegation(s)	31 CFR 0.214 Conduct while on government property, Law Enforcement Misconduct, Other

Closing Summary:

On June 30, 2022, the OIG completed its report of investigation for a case initiated upon notification that an OIG employee allegedly entered restricted areas on the U.S. Capitol grounds on January 6, 2021. The OIG substantiated this allegation after conducting interviews, reviewing records and after the employee admitted that they went through a barricade and remained inside the barricaded areas for an extended period of time. In addition, the OIG substantiated that the employee did not disclose his locations on the U.S. Capitol grounds upon his initial reporting to the OIG. Criminal prosecution was presented and declined, on May 27, 2022, by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia.

Administrative Summary:

The Department of Justice, Office of Inspector General (DOJ-OIG) provided the OIG with information alleging that an OIG employee entered restricted grounds without lawful authority at the U.S. Capitol, on January 6, 2021, during the joint session of Congress to affirm the Electoral College ballot count. The investigation determined that the employee went through an U.S. Capitol Police (USCP) barricade and remained inside the restricted grounds for approximately two hours during the riot at the U.S. Capitol, in violation of restricted grounds or buildings and conduct while on government property. The OIG substantiated this allegation after conducting interviews, reviewing records and conducting open source research. The employee admitted that he went through a barricade and remained inside the barricaded areas for an extended period of time.

The OIG also substantiated lack of candor. The employee originally

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reported to OIG Officials that he did not see any issues while he was at the U.S. Capitol, did not see any confrontations, and did not see anyone breaking the law while at the U.S. Capitol. He stated he was unaware that the protest turned into something more until he arrived home. He also did not see any violence; he observed protestors going through and around barricades; and he did not do anything illegal. An interview with the employee later revealed he went through a USCP barricade located at the East Plaza at approximately 1:45 p.m., the same time and location of the East Plaza barricade breach, and continued to move within the restricted grounds from the East Plaza, for an extended period of time, traveling around the North side to the West Plaza during the riot before exiting the restricted area. In addition, he observed the USCP deploy an intermediate weapon at the West Plaza prior to departing.

The USCP timeline documents widespread unlawful behavior in addition to ongoing and urgent requests for additional law enforcement and National Guard resources to gain control of the crowd on the U.S. Capitol grounds and inside the U.S. Capitol building. Open source videos related to the East Plaza and North side of the U.S. Capitol, on January 6, 2021, shows a range of protestor behaviors and indicators that show barricade security was compromised. The videos document that security at the barricades on the East Plaza were overwhelmed and protestors gained unauthorized access within the security zone at approximately 1:45 pm. Several indicators were identified in the videos that show the security zone was breached and some protestors within the crowd had become belligerent and violent. Barricades laying sideways on the ground, retreating police personnel, protestors gathered en masse on the East Plaza rotunda stairs and protestors standing on government vehicles within the security zone were apparent indicators that barricade security was compromised.

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Case Information:

Complaint Number	DO-22-0085-I
Complaint Title	(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Date Closed	September 26, 2022
Subject Type	Treasury Employee
Allegation Location	District of Columbia
Confidentiality	No
Congressional Interest	No
Cooperating Agencies	State Agency, United States Secret Service
Allegation(s)	31 CFR 0.207 Possession of weapons or explosives, Misconduct by Senior (GS-15 or Above) Treasury Official, Other

Closing Summary:

On September 13, 2022, the OIG completed its report of investigation for a case initiated upon notification that a Departmental Offices employee entered the Main Treasury building with a loaded firearm in their bag. The employee advised that they did not intentionally bring the weapon into the building and placed the bag with the weapon on the magnetometer conveyor belt prior to it being detected. Criminal prosecution of the employee was presented, on May 20, 2022, and declined by the U.S. Attorney's for the District of Columbia.

Administrative Summary:

The OIG received notification from the Treasury's Office of General Counsel that a current Departmental Offices (DO) employee was detained by the U.S. Secret Service for entering the Main Treasury building with a loaded firearm violating Possession of weapons or explosives. The investigation determined that the employee had the firearm in a purse, which she placed on the magnetometer conveyor belt at Main Treasury. When interviewed, the employee stated her fiancé placed the weapon in her purse several weeks prior after shooting at a firearms range, unbeknownst to her. The OIG substantiated possession of a firearm based on interviews and records; however, prosecution was declined and the employee resigned on September 9, 2022.



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