

INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR TAX ADMINISTRATION

September 15, 2016

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The Honorable Sander Levin Ranking Member United States House of Representatives Committee on Ways and Means 1106 Longworth House Office Building Washington DC 20515

The Honorable Elijah E. Cummings Ranking Member United States House of Representatives Committee on Oversight and Government Reform 2471 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ranking Members Levin and Cummings:

I have received your September 14, 2016 letter regarding TIGTA's June 30, 2015 report of investigation entitled "Exempt Organization Data Loss" and its conclusion that "No evidence was uncovered that any IRS employees had been directed to destroy or hide information from Congress, the DOJ, or TIGTA." In your letter, you specifically ask, "Since issuing this report, has your office changed its previous conclusion on this matter?"

At this time, no additional information has been uncovered that changes our conclusion in the report.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions at 202-622-6500 or have your staff contact David Barnes, acting congressional liaison, at 202-622-3062.

Sincerely, J. Runell Meange

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