

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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Michelle Anderson
Acting Inspector General
Office of the Inspector General
Social Security Administration
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Washington DC, 21235

Dear Acting Inspector General Anderson,

In a January 16, 2026, Department of Justice (DOJ) court filing, the Administration acknowledged that DOGE affiliated personnel improperly accessed and transmitted Social Security Administration (SSA) - maintained personally identifiable information to outside parties.¹ The DOJ disclosure follows repeated assurances from the Administration and SSA that worker and beneficiary data had not been compromised in any manner by DOGE actions in 2025.

On November 20, 2025, we wrote to your office requesting a review of a series of disclosures made by former SSA Chief Data Officer Charles Borges regarding the violation of significant agency data requirements, as well as for a recommended remediation plan, if needed.²

This subsequent disclosure further elevates the urgent need for the Office of the Inspector General to conduct its own investigation, and to present its findings to the U.S. Congress and to the American public. For over ninety years since its enactment in 1935 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Social Security has served as our nation's primary program to combat poverty. American workers, retirees, and families expect, and rely upon, the SSA to operate in compliance with relevant privacy and IT laws, regulations, and protocols, and most importantly, for their Government to act on behalf of their interests and to do its best to safeguard their sensitive, personal information.

We look forward to a prompt reply regarding our renewed request.

Sincerely,



Kirsten Gillibrand
United States Senator
Ranking Member, Special
Committee on Aging



Charles E. Schumer
United States Senator



Angela D. Alsobrooks
United States Senator

¹<https://storage.courtlistener.com/recap/gov.uscourts.mdd.577321/gov.uscourts.mdd.577321.197.0.pdf>

² Social Security whistleblower submits 'involuntary resignation,' citing 'intolerable' work conditions