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**GREATER SOUTHWEST REGION INVESTIGATIONS OFFICE** 

February 6, 2012

MEMORANDUM FOR GEOFFREY CHERRINGTON ASSISTANT INSPECTOR GENERAL

FOR INVESTIGATIONS (JI)

FROM:

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE (JI-7)

SUBJECT: Manna from Heaven – Fraudulent Acquisition of Surplus Property

File No. I0970424

(7)(C)

This is to advise you that the above-captioned investigation was officially closed on this date.

Our office initiated this investigation based on information received from (b) (7)(C), auditor, GSA OIG, regarding (b) (7)(C), founder, Manna from Heaven, obtaining and selling surplus property from the Arkansas Agency for Federal Surplus Property (AFSP). (5)(7)(C) reviewed the GSA personal property program and noted that Manna owed AFSP approximately \$20,000 for eight mobile homes it received.

Our investigation identified nine mobile homes, three travel trailers, and other property from the AFSP obtained by  $\frac{b(7)(C)}{C}$  The property had a total acquisition cost of \$394,612 and AFSP charged Manna \$56,534 in handling fees.  $\frac{b(7)(C)}{C}$  sold all the mobile homes and two of the travel trailers.

On March 25, 2009, our office and the Arkansas Attorney General's Office, interviewed (b) (7)(c) regarding the property. (b) (7)(c) explained accepted monetary donations for the mobile homes and travel trailers from the individuals that purchased the property. (b) (7)(c) stated (d) did not use all of the donated money for the travel trailers and mobile homes to pay the AFSP.

On October 29, 2010, (b) (7)(C) was arrested by Conway County Sheriff's Department under an arrest warrant for violating Arkansas State Code 5 § 5-36-103 Theft of property, a Class "B" Felony. On November 9, 2011, (b) (7)(C) pled guilty before the Circuit Court of Conway County, Arkansas, to Theft of Property, a Class A Misdemeanor. (b) (7)(C) was sentenced to a 365 days in the Conway County Detention Center. The sentence was suspended and (b) (7)(C) was ordered to pay \$2,000 in restitution to the Conway County Sheriff's Department.

If you have any questions, please call Special Agent (b) (7)(C) or me at (b) (7)(C)