



COMPLIANCE DIVISION

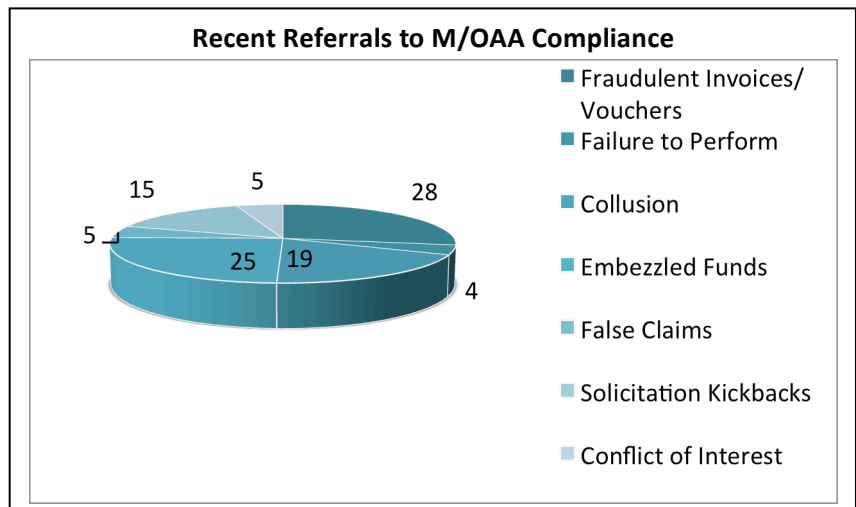
The role of the Compliance Division is to protect the integrity of USAID’s foreign assistance programs by safeguarding U.S. taxpayer funds. Within that construct, the following are the Division’s objectives:

- Prevent fraud, waste, and abuse by the use of responsible partners for implementation of USAID’s development programs thereby creating a foundation for success. This objective is accomplished through determinations regarding whether a partner is “presently responsible”.
- Promote a culture of compliance by (1) serving as a central resource for compliance-related issues, by (2) limiting risk to stakeholders by recommending suspension and debarment actions to the Suspending and Debarment Official (SDO) when a partner is considered not “presently responsible”, and by (3) facilitating constructive dialogue through outreach and training.

USAID partners in order to advance its mission; thus, being able to trust our partners is essential. Suspension and debarment actions are discretionary and are not used for punishment. The Federal Acquisition Regulation at subpart 9.4 and Non Procurement Rule 2 C.F.R. 180. et seq. describe the federal regulations regarding suspension and debarment. The Compliance Division is focused on using suspension and debarment actions to protect the interests of not only USAID and the United States Government (USG), but also other implementing partners that share USAID’s goal and conduct themselves in an ethical and compliant manner.

Prior to the award of any new work, Contracting and Agreement Officers are required to check the System for Award Management to determine whether a partner is eligible for federal awards.

NOTE: Entities or persons that are ineligible (termed “excluded”) from receiving new work, due to a suspension, proposed debarment (under the FAR) or debarment, are listed on this System.



Since its inception in 2011, the Compliance Division has taken over 255 suspension and debarment actions to protect USAID and the USG. USAID’s success is absolutely reliant on the dollars expended being directly used for its purpose – foreign aid.

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