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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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The Honorable Andy Biggs
U.S. House of Representatives
252 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Eli Crane
U.S. House of Representatives
1229 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Debbie Lesko
U.S. House of Representatives
1214 Longworth House Office Building
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The Honorable Paul Gosar, D.D.S.
U.S. House of Representatives
2057 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Biggs, Representative Crane, Representative Lesko, and Representative Gosar:

Thank you for your recent letter requesting the U.S. Department of Education (Department) Office of Inspector General (OIG) conduct an investigation into the Department's Federal Student Aid office's (FSA) \$37.7 million fine against Grand Canyon University (GCU). We understand that GCU has exercised its right to appeal the fine under 34 C.F.R. § 668.84(b) and this appeal is currently pending.

As the matter is under appeal, actions related thereto are ongoing. The OIG generally does not conduct audit or investigative work where there is an ongoing and significant proceeding or where such work could potentially interfere with that proceeding. We are, however, closely monitoring the matter and may consider work once the appeals process has concluded and a final determination is made.

Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with the OIG. If you have any questions or need more information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (202) 245-6900 or have a member of your staff contact our Congressional Liaison, Catherine Grant, at (202) 245-7023.

Sincerely,

Sandra D. Bruce
Inspector General

cc: Secretary Miguel Cardona, U.S. Department of Education
Richard Cordray, Chief Operating Officer, Federal Student Aid