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The Honorable Charles Grassley  
United States Senate  
135 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Richard J. Durbin  
United States Senate  
711 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senators Grassley and Durbin:

I am writing in response to your letter dated April 21, 2020, in which you requested the Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General (OIG) to incorporate several issues into our ongoing remote inspections of Federal Bureau of Prison (BOP) facilities housing inmates during the COVID-19 pandemic. We are carefully reviewing the information in your letter, and will take your concerns into consideration as we continue our work. Shortly after we complete our inspections, we anticipate issuing public reports with our findings that will address many of the topics identified in your letter.

We appreciate your support of the OIG's work and attention to these important matters. If you have further questions, please feel free to contact me or Adam Miles, Counselor to the Inspector General, at (202) 514-3435.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Horowitz  
Inspector General