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Summary: The Mission Support Council (MSC) met on September 21, 2017 and evaluated the Senior Assessment Team's (SAT's) recommendation in regards to reporting material weaknesses for FY 2017 in the Administrator's Annual Statement of Assurance (SoA) Letter. Per the Federal Manager's Financial Integrity Act (FMFIA), the Agency must provide assurance to the Office of the President, at least annually, as to the state of internal controls across the Agency. NASA's SAT is chartered to make recommendations regarding Agency material weaknesses reported by the Agency, as required by statute and OMB guidance. and as included in the Administrator's Annual Statement of Assurance.

Prior to the MSC, the NASA SAT members met on August 28th to review the status of the Agency's internal controls and the material and information reflected in the "Annual Statement of Assurance, and 4th Quarter SAT Update" report. The SAT determined that none of the internal control weaknesses identified were considered material.

The Mission Support Council made this decision after consultation from the recommender and report from the SAT. SAT membership included: Senior Assessment Team

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Decision: Based on this review, the Mission Support Council decided to accept the SAT's recommendation of reporting an Unmodified ("Clean") Statement of Assurance with no material weaknesses for FY 2017 in the Administrator's Annual Statement of Assurance Letter. As stated in Slide #3 of the decision package, the Statement of Assurance (SoA) serves the following functions:

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- Certifies the required evaluation of management controls was conducted in accordance with OMB Circular A-123, as • amended
- States the organization's systems of management control taken as a whole complies with GAO standards •
- Provides reasonable assurance programs are effectively carried out in accordance with applicable law .
- Identifies the material weaknesses and/or significant deficiencies, if any, in the organization's systems of . management control

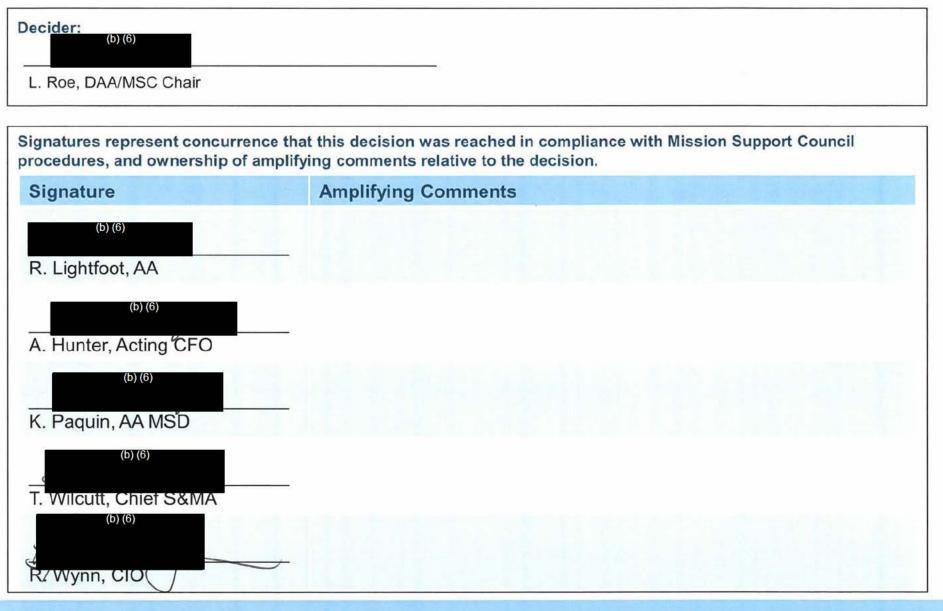
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Decision execution responsibility	Accountable for:	
D. Tenney, MSD Deputy Associate Administrator	Shall ensure accurate reporting on the state of internal controls, on keeping with the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act.	
A. Hunter, Acting CFO	Shall ensure final letters are transmitted to OMB as required	

Execution milestone	Milestone Date	Responsible Party
QAD finalizes the SoA Letter and provides to OCFO/SID and OIG/CLA	10/20/2017	F. Petersen, Quality Assurance Division (QAD) Director
Final review of SoA letter via Purple Package	10/26/2017	F. Petersen, Quality Assurance Division (QAD), Director
Issue NASA's FY 2017 Agency Financial Report (AFR)	11/15/2017	R. Lightfoot, Acting NASA Administrator