On April 29, 2005, the nonpartisan Government Accountability Office (GAO) issued a report entitled *Interagency Contracting: Problems with DOD's and Interior's Orders to Support Military Operations* . This report is a comprehensive critique of the process by which the Administration hired a private contractor, CACI International, Inc., to interrogate prisoners in Iraq.

The contract at issue involves a "Blanket Purchase Agreement" with CACI to provide information technology services to government agencies. This contract has been administered by the Department of Interior since January 2001. When the Army decided that it needed help with interrogations in late 2003 and early 2004, it placed eleven orders worth $66 million for interrogation support under this IT contract. The Department of Interior contracting personnel raised no objections and their office received fees from the Army for processing the orders.

According to GAO, the Administration repeatedly violated federal procurement rules when it awarded this interrogation work to CACI.

Documents and Links

- Fact Sheet: GAO Report on CACI Contract