Appendix C – Comparison of Inspector-General and ISC Functions

Inspector-General Functions	USA	Canada	Australia	New	South	ISC Functions
				Zealand	Africa	
Ensures compliance with standards of propriety						
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Carries out audits, investigations and inspections						
Prevents and detects waste, fraud and abuse						
Promotes economy, effectiveness and efficiency						
Reviews compliance with executive directives and operational policies						
Ensures compliance with warrant authorisations						
Reviews operational activities						
Reviews pending legislation and regulation						

Inspector-General Functions	USA	Canada	Australia	New	South	ISC Functions
				Zealand	Africa	
Reports regularly to the agency head(s)						
Report regularly to executive, legislature or oversight commission						
Reports in response to requests by legislature or oversight commission						
Investigates complaints about the agency						
Ensures proper regard to human rights						
Ensures compliance with regulations on release of records & information						

Inspector-General Freedoms and Powers	USA	Canada	Australia	New	South	ISC Functions
				Zealand	Africa	
Is immune from arbitrary sacking						
Hires and controls own staff and contract resources						
Has ready access to the agency head(s)						
Has access to all records and information of the agency						
Initiates investigations on own initiative						
Issues subpoenas for information/documents outside the agency						
Administers oaths for taking testimony						

Exists	
Inapplicable or unclear whether exists	
Does not exist	