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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 1-38-84

TO: ALL-COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE SECRET SERVICE AND THE

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL - FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

This notice is to inform you of a recently signed Memorandum of Understanding between the Secret Service and the Office of Inspector General of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). This memorandum gives the Secret Service the authority to conduct investigations of food stamp recipients and any commercial facility under contract to a state agency for the purpose of storing, transporting, or issuing Food Stamp coupons.

Jurisdiction to conduct such investigations derives from the fact that genuine USDA Food Stamp coupons are defined as obligations of the United States (18 U.S.C.8). These investigations will be conducted only for the purpose of protecting the integrity of the Food Stamp Program.

In the event of a Secret Service investigation, your cooperation is requested. If you have any questions, please contact the Food Stamp Policy Implementation Bureau at (916)445-6907.

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