

Client Alert: The Biden Administration's Aggressive Policy Changes to Combat Corruption

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This week, the Biden Administration took a series of steps showing that anti-corruption issues across the globe will be among its highest priorities.

On December 6, 2021, the Biden Administration unveiled the first ever “United States Strategy on Countering Corruption.” While corruption has long been viewed by the US as a top criminal threat that federal agencies attempt to combat, the Strategy is notable for many reasons. First, the Administration discusses a “whole-of-government” approach to fighting corruption that will rely on engagement with the private sector, federal prosecution of corrupt actors, and more aggressive efforts by foreign countries and state and local governments. Second, the Administration labels corruption as a “national security concern,” which may cause agencies to shift some of the vast resources they ordinarily devote to more traditional national security threats, such as terrorism and espionage, to investigating and prosecuting bribes to foreign and domestic public officials.

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