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IRS Terminates 7,000 Employees

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According to the National Association of Enrolled Agents (NAEA), the IRS has begun the process of terminating approximately 7,000 employees, including 3,500 Small Business/Self-Employed Division employees who are still on probationary status and have generally served less than two years. Employees deemed critical to tax filing appear to be exempt from this round of layoffs. The IRS is claiming that there should be no disruption to the current tax filing season, although organizations like NAEA are advising tax professionals to encourage their clients to file early and avoid paper filing, such as filing amended returns.

NAEA is also reporting that the White House and Treasury Department have agreed to prohibit the Department of Government Efficiency team from accessing personal tax-payer data at the IRS. This action was taken after a lawsuit was filed, suing the Trump administration for granting Elon Musk's government efficiency agency access to the tax records of millions of U.S. citizens.