Assessment and Authorization (A&A) is required by the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) of 2002, which requires that all Information Technology (IT) systems and applications supporting Federal agencies must go through a formal A&A, also known as Certification and Accreditation (C&A) process before being put into production and use.

System Authorizations require time, energy, and money to manage:

- **System Security Plan**
- **Security Assessment Report**
- **POA&Ms (Plan of Action and Milestones)**

There are 2 ways to achieve A&A:

**The Hard Way**
Complete the formal A&A/Certification and Accreditation (C&A) process.

**The Easy Way**
Leverage a FedRAMP System

**How?**
Streamline assessment by leveraging authorized system security plans and their:
- **System Specific Controls**
- **Hybrid Controls**
- **Common Controls**

**Benefits**
- Save significant cost, time, and resources
- Improve real-time security visibility
- Provide a uniform approach to risk-based management
- Enhance transparency between government and Cloud Service Providers (CSPs)
- Improve the trustworthiness, reliability, consistency, and quality of the Federal security authorization process

**SOURCES:**
1901 Group’s InSight™ Platform has received FedRAMP Moderate authorization from the U.S. Government that enables the confidence in security for Federal agencies to trustingly utilize monitoring and managed services. This certifies that 1901 Group has passed the Federal Risk Management Process defining standards as a cloud service provider.

*By leveraging 1901 Group’s FedRAMP authorized product (InSight™), we were able to concisely map IT security controls to NIST standards which expedited issuance of an essential Authority To Operate (ATO) resulting in substantial time savings and cost savings.*

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