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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: A14020007

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We reviewed an allegation of plagiarism in an NSF proposal¹ and referred an investigation to the Subject's university.² The Subject stated that she worked on the proposal for a long period of time and did not carefully distinguish original material from copied material as she was preparing her drafts. The university concluded that the Subject recklessly plagiarized in the proposal and we concurred.

We submitted a report to NSF recommending actions to protect NSF interests. NSF made a finding of research misconduct, issued a letter of reprimand, required certification and assurances for one year, and prohibited the Subject from participating as a reviewer, advisor, or consultant for NSF for one year.

This case is closed with no further action taken.

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