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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I-16-0049-O

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We investigated an allegation that a grantee removed a co-PI on an NSF award in retaliation for making allegations to grantee management concerning misuse of grant funds, and plagiarism and misrepresentation in award-related documents. The grantee stated that it chose not to renew the co-PI's contract due to financial concerns, performance issues, and inappropriate conduct. We examined the matter in accordance with 41 U.S.C. § 4712. As part of our investigation, we interviewed all relevant parties, and submitted a report of our investigation of the alleged retaliation to NSF management, the grantee, and the complainant. NSF reviewed the report and concluded that the grantee did not subject the complainant to a prohibited reprisal under 41 U.S.C. § 4712.

Accordingly, this case is closed.