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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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We received an allegation of plagiarism in an NSF proposal. Our analysis showed that the PI copied text mostly from the PI's own papers. Reusing one's own material does not meet NSF's definition of plagiarism. The remaining copied text consisted of a definition and a derivation. These were cited and referenced properly, but the copied text was not distinguished from original text. We concluded that no further action is warranted.

This case is closed with no further action taken.