

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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NSF OIG received an allegation of plagiarism in an NSF proposal (Proposal) that a PI and Co-PI submitted. We contacted the PI and Co-PI regarding the allegation. Based on their responses and our further review, we determined that the PI was solely responsible for the copied text, portions of the text initially thought to be plagiarized were not, and that the remaining copied text did not rise to the level of research misconduct. We sent the PI and Co-PI questionable research practice letters reminding them about the importance of appropriate citation.

Accordingly, this case is *closed* with no further action taken.