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Office of
Inspector General

MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 13, 1993

FROM: [REDACTED] Special Agent

VIA: [REDACTED] Special Agent-in-Charge
Investigations Section

SUBJECT: Possible Conflict of Interest by [REDACTED]

TO: Case No. I93060020

On June 1, 1993, we read in NSF's "FYI" newsletter that a [REDACTED] in the Division of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] had received a 1993 [REDACTED] Award for [REDACTED]. The award was for \$5,000, and was presented by the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) in April, 1993. Given the nature of Ms. [REDACTED] position and involvement with science education, we investigated a possible conflict of interest between Ms. [REDACTED] and NSTA.

We examined Ms. [REDACTED] conflict of interest file, located in NSF's Office of General Counsel (OGC). There was no record of Ms. [REDACTED] reporting the award or seeking conflicts advice from OGC about the award, nor was NSTA listed by Ms. [REDACTED] on her Statement of Employment and Financial Interests (Form 681). However, when we checked with the MDR conflicts official, we found that Ms. [REDACTED] had in fact filed a recusal memo in April, 1991, which stated that she was not to be contacted in any way regarding NSTA. According to [REDACTED] of OGC, unless otherwise stated in the recusal memo, the memo is in effect in perpetuity. Therefore, Ms. Moses' actions were proper. We found no other irregularities in this matter.

This case is closed.