

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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A review of NSF calling card records¹ revealed numerous calls, including several expensive and lengthy long distance calls from foreign countries, to a local dial-up number for a modem connection to a commercial Internet Service Provider (ISP).² The owner of the calling card was identified.³ It was established that the subject left her personal NSF computer logged on to the NSF network continuously, with a set of forwarding rules that transmitted incoming email messages to a private ISP email account.⁴ The subject then used the connection to the commercial ISP as a means to access NSF-email, including attachments, rather than using the direct RLS dial-in or https://exchange.nsf.gov, which did not allow attachments to be accessed via the Macintosh system used. The procedure had been developed with the IT specialist⁵ for the division, and the administrative officer⁶ was aware of this continuing use of the calling card.

Accordingly, this case is *closed*.

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