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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: A03070042

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After emailing complainant¹ to arrange a time to speak by phone, complainant replied by email that she would like to withdraw the allegation that the NSF awardee did not follow its criteria in selecting students to participate in the summer program.² Complainant alleged that the subject³ had admitted verbally to her that a mistake was made in denying her admission to the program. Complainant was admitted to the program two days before it started and does not feel it necessary to follow through with the complaint.

The summer program chose its participants:

based on both a student's academic record and particular circumstances relating to time in a graduate program. Priority was given to those applicants who could benefit most from the subject matter to be offered (e.g., students who are ready to submit proposals Fall of 2003).⁴

Although the selection criteria are vague, there are no other indications that the initial denial of admission was anything more than a mistake that the subject has now rectified. There is insufficient substance to warrant inquiry.

Accordingly, this file is closed.

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⁴ Taken from subject's email to complainant.