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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: *A0400064*

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Our office received an allegation that a PI¹ had not completed his C&PS form in a proposal² submitted to the Biology Directorate. In doing so, the subject allegedly masked that fact that he had submitted a somewhat identical proposal to NIH which is a violation of the NSF Grant Proposal Guide.

Our review of the NSF and NIH proposals showed they were not identical, however, they did contain blocks of similar text and contained overlapping scientific aims and goals. We also confirmed that the NIH proposal was not listed on the C&PS of the NSF proposal.

The subject's response to our questions suggested a somewhat lax perspective of the need to list pending proposals on the NSF C&PS form. We wrote to the subject strongly reminding him to list all current and pending support on his future proposals.

No further actions are required and accordingly, this case is closed.

¹ [REDACTED]