

## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

## **CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM**

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A proactive review of NSF proposals identified possible plagiarism in two proposals submitted by the Subject, Proposal-1 and Proposal-2. We requested the Subject's perspective on the allegations. With regards to Proposal-1, a nomination for an award, the Subject provided documentation showing that the text in question was furnished by the nominee. We noted that the text was drawn from the nominee's own writings and concluded that the allegation of plagiarism was not substantiated. With regards to Proposal-2, the Subject responded that the text in question was contributed by a foreign collaborator. The collaborator wrote to us acknowledging his role in the proposal and apologized for his failure to properly cite the sources. We determined that this matter did not rise to the level that would warrant further investigation. Accordingly, this case is *closed*.

. Neither proposal was funded.