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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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NSF OIG received an allegation of plagiarism in an NSF proposal.¹ A review of the proposal showed that there were a few blocks of copied text. OIG contacted the subjects to request an explanation. Their responses showed that no substantive block of plagiarized text was attributable to one particular PI and that the four PIs all had some input to the proposal. Also, the largest block of copied text was preceded by a sentence giving credit to the author and source document. Each PI was sent a Questionable Practice Letter and this case is closed.

