

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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Our office received an allegation of plagiarism in a funded NSF proposal.¹ Our review of the matter determined that most of the text in question belonged to foreign collaborators who were listed as co-mentors on projects of the funded proposal. The foreign collaborators' CVs and letters of support were included in the proposal. We found only one sole instance of minor plagiarism that did not rise to the level of research misconduct and therefore the allegation was not substantiated. Accordingly, this case is *closed* with no further action taken.