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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL  
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

## CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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This investigation was initiated pursuant to an allegation that three NSF employees were retaliated against for participating as witnesses in an internal NSF investigation and that a fourth employee, who was “at odds” with the subject of the investigation but did not participate in it, suffered the same retaliatory act. We reviewed the allegations and determined that if the employees wished to seek relief from a prohibited reprisal, they would need to file a claim with the Office of Special Counsel, which has exclusive jurisdiction to investigate claims by federal employees of retaliation in violation of the Whistleblower Protection Act.

Accordingly, this investigation is closed.