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**CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** AIGI

**File Number:** I00120019

**Date:** 6 June 2002

**Subject:** Closeout Memo

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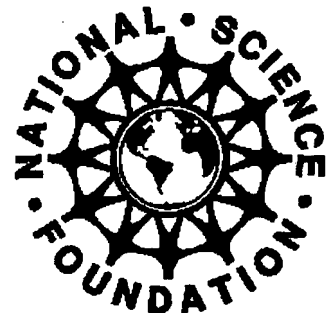
There was no closeout written at the time this case was closed. The following information was extracted from the file in conformance with standard closeout documents.

Our office was informed that the subject<sup>1</sup> was alleged to be in violation of Animal Care and Use Protocol. The institution<sup>2</sup> had not done the required inspections of the facility to certify compliance according to the NIH Guidelines. The subject had also allegedly made a false statement on a previous grant.

Accordingly this case is closed.



Name:	Prepared by:	Cleared by:		
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MEMORANDUM

Date: April 10, 2001

To: [REDACTED], Inspector General

From: [REDACTED], Investigative Analyst [REDACTED]

RE: [REDACTED]  
NSF Grants [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

On [REDACTED] [REDACTED] received an email from a [REDACTED], Program Director in the Division [REDACTED] about a call he received from Dr. [REDACTED] Institutional Official at [REDACTED] University. Dr. [REDACTED] stated that although [REDACTED] University signs-off on the Animal Care and Use Protocol Review Form for [REDACTED] College their animal care facilities have never been examined by anyone from [REDACTED] University. The Division [REDACTED] is currently supporting Dr. [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] College. Dr. [REDACTED] immediately contacted the OIG to set up a meeting to discuss what should be done about the situation because he clearly saw it as a violation of the Animal Care and Use Protocol. On [REDACTED] and I met with Dr. [REDACTED] discuss the situation, we decided that the matter should be investigated further.

After review of the information received from the institutions as well as the principal investigator involved, the awards [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were suspended for approximately 30 days to allow the institution time to correct all deficiencies in their animal care and use protocol. As of [REDACTED] 01 all deficiencies have been corrected and the college is now in compliance with NSF as well as NIH Guidelines. Further, there is not sufficient evidence to substantiate any criminal wrongdoing under the USC 18 § 1001 (false certifications) or loss to the government under USC 31 § 3729. Therefore, I recommend transferring this case to an A-case.

[REDACTED]  
4/29/01