

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: 102030008

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On February 8, 2002, we received a complaint concerning a workshop award¹ and a pending proposal for a follow-on workshop². In the course of our preliminary inquiry we resolved issues related to the pending proposal, but issues remained with respect to the active award. Specifically, (1) the award primarily provided support for group travel, but most of the funds remained unexpended long after the workshop had occurred; (2) the timing and amount of awardee payments did not clearly correspond to items in the project budget. On March 7, we closed the preliminary inquiry and opened an investigation into misuse of government funds.

In the course of our investigation, we requested and received detailed records of financial expenditures on the award from the institution's Authorized Organizational Representative. Our review of these records, performed with the assistance of OIG Audit Staff, indicated that all expenditures were allowable. The level of unexpended funds was accounted for by the fact that only three researchers attended the workshop with NSF support.

Accordingly, this case is closed and no further action will be taken.

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