

## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

## **CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM**

Case Number: <u>I10070032</u>

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We received an allegation that an employee, had traveled and provided speeches at international conferences without NSF authorization. Our investigation determined that the employee submitted false statements when he submitted yearly Financial Disclosure Reports, SF-450, by failing to disclose travel related reimbursements and other gifts from restricted sources.

We referred this matter to the Department of Justice and the employee retired while under investigation. After his retirement from NSF, the former employee entered a plea of guilty in Federal Court to a single count of submitting False Statements to NSF and was sentenced to one year probation, paid restitution of \$1601.80, a fine of \$5000.00 and special assessment of \$100.00.

Based on our recommendation, NSF debarred the former employee for a period of 5 years.

This case is *closed* with no further action taken.

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