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## CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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We were contacted by the FBI regarding information it received about a plagiarism allegation involving an NSF-funded researcher<sup>1</sup> during its investigation of grant fraud involving another federal agency.<sup>2</sup> We reviewed the researcher's NSF portfolio of proposals (awarded and declined) and identified several passages with similarity to published works. However, most of the material identified originally comes from either that researcher's publications or from the published work of his colleagues who appear on the proposals as PI or CoPI. After eliminating these sources the remaining overlap between the proposals and potential source documents is negligible and does not warrant further investigation.

Accordingly, this case is closed.

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