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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: A15040028

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We investigated an allegation of plagiarism in a small business proposal submitted to NSF.¹ We concluded that the Subject knowingly plagiarized text into the NSF proposal, that his actions were a significant departure from the standards of the research community, and therefore constitute research misconduct. We recommended that NSF take appropriate action. NSF made a finding of research misconduct, required him to complete a responsible conduct of research training course within one year, for a period of two years required him to submit certifications and assurances, and for a period of two years barred him from being a peer reviewer for NSF.

¹ [REDACTED]