



NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I15050026

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We learned of another agency's¹ investigation into a university² professor³, which involved the professor sending emails to associates in a foreign country. That investigation resulted in the indictment of the professor on four counts of wire fraud, which was subsequently dismissed. Shortly after the indictment, the university placed the professor on leave and removed the professor as PI from his/her only active NSF grant⁴.

We opened this case to investigate whether that professor received duplicate travel reimbursements from NSF funds. We reviewed the ledgers for several university accounts and determined that in the past four years, the professor charged approximately \$300 in travel expenses to one⁵ of his/her two NSF awards, and based upon the evidence available to us, we were unable to determine whether there were any duplicative charges. The professor does not currently have any active NSF awards nor any pending NSF proposals.

Accordingly, this case is closed.

