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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: A-06100049

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We reviewed an allegation of plagiarism¹ in an NSF Collaborative proposal.² The PIs and co-PIs on the proposal, the subjects,³ allegedly copied text into the proposal without appropriately distinguishing it from their own work.

Our review showed that the total amount of apparently copied text was very limited.⁴ Further, about half of the apparently copied text was written by one of the participants on the proposal, who was described within the text of the proposal as one of the co-PIs, even though he was only a participant.

We concluded that there was insufficient substance. Accordingly, this case is closed and no further action will be taken.

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