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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I03110065

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The National Science Foundation, Office of Inspector General (NSF/OIG) received an allegation from a Program Director¹ regarding a Conflict of Interest (COI) issue involving panel review members. The Program Officer advised that several days after a panel review the complainant² called and informed him that prior to the review another panel member³ had sent a letter requesting support for his home institutions proposal.

The complainant confirmed that the information provided to NSF/OIG by the Program Director was accurate. However, the complainant was reluctant to cooperate with NSF/OIG. Following NSF/OIG's interview of an additional panel member and the subject panelist, a determination was made to close the case due to the complainant's unwillingness to cooperate with the investigation and the lack of evidence.

Accordingly, this case is closed.

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