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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I 03120076

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On November 6, 2003, a Division Director¹ forwarded an e-mail to OIG that contained allegations of misuse of NSF funds. The e-mail from an individual² previously associated with the award identified several concerns including the use of current award funds to cover previous budget deficits, lack of ship maintenance and an alleged coverup of faulty accounting practices.

Interviews of the complainants and the Program Officer were conducted and identified that the university had conducted an audit in response to the allegations prior to NSF's involvement. The university was contacted and a copy of the audit report was requested. This report found no evidence to support the complainant's allegations.

Based on the information received from the Program Officer, the findings of the internal audit and the lack of any credible information to support complainant's allegations, there is no need for any further action regarding this matter.

Accordingly, this case is closed.

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