RESEARCH SECURITY

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

Figures as of February 2023

NSF has taken a range of actions against individuals and entities associated with foreign talent programs or organizations receiving foreign funding, based on recommendations by the OIG. In many cases, actions were taken based on grant fraud or other wrongful conduct (or allegations thereof) before any foreign affiliation was surfaced to NSF.

AWARD SUSPENSION

50 **awards** suspended*

AWARD TERMINATION

20 **awards** terminated

FINAL PAYMENT CANCELED

Final payment cancelled to

1 **organization** on

1 **award**

GOVERNMENT-WIDE SUSPENSION

15 **government-wide suspensions** issued for

9 **researchers** and **4** **entities.**

One researcher and one entity were suspended twice.

DEBARMENT

5 **researchers** and

2 **entities** debarred

VOLUNTARY EXCLUSIONS

5 **researchers** and

1 **entity** agreed to voluntary exclusions following notices of proposed debarments by NSF

BAR ON SERVING AS A REVIEWER, PANELIST OR CONSULTANT

17 **researchers** barred from serving as reviewers

16 of these bars arose from government-wide debarments, government-wide suspensions, or voluntary exclusion agreements.

Collectively, collaborations with the OIG to date have resulted in:

$15 M

Grant funds recovered by NSF

7

Other entities involved

30

Organizations of higher education/ small businesses involved*

**Note: These numbers are approximate due to pending cases.*

43

Researchers involved

**Note: Suspensions were lifted for a small subset of these awards based on OIG recommendations or responsive actions taken by the organization (e.g., removal of PI under OIG investigation).*

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