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Closure Recommendation Memorandum

Case Number: 20-0080-C	Date of Entry: 13 August 2020
Primary Investigator: 	(b)(3)

Allegation Information

Narrative:
(U//~~FOUO~~) The OIG received a complaint about a contractor soliciting funds for a medical emergency via GWAN email.

Last Investigative Step:
(U//~~FOUO~~) Subject Email review

Resolution:
(U) Unsubstantiated

Case Closure Recommendation Justification

Additional Information:
(U//~~FOUO~~) The National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) Office of Inspector General (OIG) opened this case for two purposes: 1) determine if the practice engaged by the subject is not prohibited by law or NRO policy and 2) determine if subject expended significant amount of effort in the practice amounting to a potential false claim for contract hours not actually worked.

(U//~~FOUO~~) In regards to the first instance, NRO OIG Associate Counsel, contacted the Office of General Counsel (OGC) ethics attorney at NRO. He stated that there were no ethics concerns or restrictions on contractors using the NRO Mission Information System (NMIS) to solicit donations for private reasons such as a medical emergency in this case. (b)(3)

(U//~~FOUO~~) In regards to number 2) above, the case agent obtained the email account of the subject on 3 and 12 August 2020 and found less than five email messages of thousands wherein subject was engaged in this activity suggesting her use of the NMIS for this practice was de minimus in nature.

(U//~~FOUO~~) As a result of the aforementioned, this case is recommended for closure as unsubstantiated.

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