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Closure Recommendation Memorandum

Case Number: 20-0088-C	Date of Entry: 10/6/2020
Primary Investigator: [REDACTED]	

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Allegation Information

Narrative:

(U//~~FOUO~~) OIG received information alleging that a contracting officer's spouse was hired as a [REDACTED] and will be [REDACTED]

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Last Investigative Step:

(U//~~FOUO~~) Conducted interview with [REDACTED]

Resolution:

(U) Unsubstantiated

Case Closure Recommendation Justification

Additional Information:

(U//~~FOUO~~) OIG received an online complaint (Hotlink) from a contractor who is a [REDACTED]. The contractor wishes to remain anonymous. The anonymous complainant had recently learned that MOD/MS&O had hired [REDACTED] wife ([REDACTED]) as the new [REDACTED]. The Complainant was concerned about nepotism and/or conflict of interest issues.

(U//~~FOUO~~) Given that [REDACTED] was still listed in the Employee Directory as an [REDACTED] employee, Case Agent met with the [REDACTED] to find out [REDACTED] actual office of assignment. The [REDACTED] confirmed that [REDACTED] had been hired by NRO [REDACTED] and had recently completed her last day with [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] provided contact information to the hiring official within [REDACTED] (see [REDACTED] for details).

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(U//~~FOUO~~) Case Agent met with the [REDACTED] and also the [REDACTED]. Both officials were involved in the [REDACTED] selection process of [REDACTED] and provided an overview of the hiring, as well as the "Separation of Duties" and the "Internal Controls" within [REDACTED]. Furthermore, they explained why a conflict of interest did not exist for this situation (see [REDACTED] for details).

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(U//~~FOUO~~) As a result of the information obtain during the investigation, Case Agent concurs with the [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED]. The aforementioned interviews provided necessary information to disprove a conflict of interest for this case. Case Agent recommends closing the complaint as Unsubstantiated.

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