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Employee Misconduct

In March 2021, the Export-Import Bank of the United States (EXIM), Office of Inspector General received a complaint that an employee was working full time for a private sector employer while simultaneously working at EXIM. The investigation determined that the employee began working for the private sector employer without receiving approval for outside employment. When the employee did seek approval from the agency, the employee intentionally misrepresented the hours the employee was working at the second job. The investigation also revealed that the employee claimed approximately four weeks of sick leave, claiming that the employee had been injured and was unable to perform the EXIM job. However, records from the private sector employer show that the employee was working full time at the second job during the time the employee was supposedly incapacitated. The employee resigned from EXIM while the investigation was ongoing. In June 2021, this matter was referred to the Fraud and Public Corruption Section of the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia for prosecution based on potential violations of 18 USC § 287 – false or fraudulent claims. The United States Attorney's Office declined to pursue prosecution. The results of this investigation were referred to EXIM for action deemed appropriate by the agency. In February 2022, EXIM sent the former employee a letter requesting repayment of \$8,881.55 for the improper use of sick leave claimed by the employee.