

U.S. Department of Justice

Criminal Division

Washington, D.C. 20530

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Mr. David Mehring Special Agent Office of the Inspector General Department of Health and Human Services 330 Independence Avenue SW

Washington, DC 20201

Re: Dr. Robert Smith

Dear Mr. Meluing:

The Public Integrity Section has reviewed the above-referenced matter in which there were alleged violations of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1905, perpetrated by Dr. Robert Smith and other employees of the Food and Drug Administration's Center for Devices and Radiological Health. After reviewing this matter, we have decided to decline prosecution. We understand that your office concurs with this decision.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Jack Smith

Chief

Public Integrity Section