

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
INVESTIGATIONS



INVESTIGATIVE CASE SUMMARIES



December 2017

In December 2017, [the former owner of a transportation company pleaded guilty](#) to stealing \$17,335 in Federal grant funds intended for a Department-maintained foreign exchange program. OIG and FBI special agents determined the owner conspired with a Department official to steal portions of the \$247,200 grant by submitting false and inflated invoices. Sentencing is scheduled for April 2018.

In December 2017, a U.S. citizen agreed to pay a \$25,000 settlement to resolve allegations that he knowingly submitted false information to the Department. OIG special agents determined a U.S. embassy issued 13 immigrant work visas based on false information submitted by the individual. The visa recipients did not actually work for the sponsoring organization during their time in the United States.