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Today, Special Commissioner of Investigation Richard J. Condon released a report detailing an investigation which found that John Donaldson, a 51-year-old former Spanish teacher at East Brooklyn Congregations/East New York High School for Public Safety & Law, remained on the payroll of the New York City Department of Education (DOE) for ten months after his employment had ended. The investigation revealed that even though Donaldson resigned from his DOE position in November 2004, he continued to receive a salary between December 2004 and October 2005 which amounted to a total of 21 paychecks and more than \$67,000 in public funds to which he was not entitled. Donaldson knowingly and wrongfully accepted the checks and deposited them into his bank account.

Commissioner Condon has referred his findings to the Kings County District Attorney's Office for appropriate action. He has also recommended that John Donaldson be made ineligible for any future employment with the DOE and that he reimburse the DOE for the money he received erroneously.

The Office of the Special Commissioner of Investigation is part of the New York City Department of Investigation and Special Commissioner Condon reports to Commissioner Rose Gill Hearn.