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FEDERAL CHIEF OF POLICE

Re: MUR 4558

Dear Ms. Sealander:

This letter constitutes the response of the DNC Services Corporation/Democratic National Committee and R. Scott Pastrick, as Treasurer, to the Commission's initiation of MUR 4558, based on receipt of a complaint from "People for Truth." The respondents hereby incorporate by reference their response to MUR 4549, dealing with the identical issue.

With respect to other issues alluded to in the complaint, first, Cleo Fields was not a candidate for federal office in 1996, as he is retiring from the House of Representatives. The DNC made payments to Rep. Fields to reimburse his expenses incurred in connection with generic GOTV activities undertaken on behalf of the DNC, and the disbursement to the Human Rights Campaign Fund is a non-federal disbursement. The reference to transfers to other party committees is addressed in our response to MUR 4549, incorporated by reference.

For the reasons established in our response to MUR 4549, and for the reasons set out above, the respondents DNC and R. Scott Pastrick, through undersigned counsel, urge the Commission to dismiss MUR 4558 and close the file. Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Sincerely,

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Democratic National Committee