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March 18, 1998

Ms. Melissa Hurd, Reports Analyst Reports Analysis Division Federal Election Commission 999 E Street NW Washington, DC 20463

#### LETTER AMENDMENT

Dear Ms. Hurd:

This is a letter amendment to the report to the Federal Election Commission (FEC) of the Holland & Knight Committee for Effective Government (the "Committee")(FEC No. C00171330) covering the period 4/1/96 through 6/30/96 and is in response to your letter of March 11, 1998 requesting information and corrective action. The Committee is a nonconnected multicandidate political committee.

In reply to your letter of March 11, no contribution in excess of the limitation of the Committee's contributions to \$5,000 per candidate per election has occurred.

Your letter and its attachments noted that the Committee's reports to the FEC reflected three contributions to the Friends of Bob Graham (FEC No. C00196527), the authorized committee of Senator Bob Graham of Florida, which, in the aggregate appeared to exceed the limitation of the Committee's contributions to \$5,000 per candidate per election. (11 CFR 110.2(b)) The three contributions were as follows:

Date of Contribution	Amount	Designation Shown on Check	Designation Shown on FEC Report
4/9/96	\$1,000	none (therefore Primary)	General
5/13/97	\$1,000	General	General
7/8/97	\$4,000	General	General

The contribution checks for the contributions dated 5/13/97 and 7/8/97 stated on their faces that; they were designated for the general election, which is scheduled for November 3, 1998; those contributions were correctly reported as designated for the general election (11 CFR 110.2(b)(2)(i)). The contribution check of 4/9/96 was not designated for a particular election

either on its face or in an accompanying writing; accordingly, that check was, by operation of FEC regulations, designated for "the next election for that Federal office after the contribution is made" (11 CFR 110.2(b)(2)(ii)), which is the primary election for U.S. Senator in Florida scheduled for September 1998. Accordingly, the contribution of 4/9/96 was incorrectly reported as a contribution for the General election, when it was, in fact, designated by operation of FEC regulations for the Primary election.

#### AMENDMENT

Therefore, the Committee's report to the FEC covering the period 4/1/96 through 6/30/96 is hereby amended as follows:

On Schedule B, Page 1, in Block A (the item relating to Friends of Bob Graham), strike the "X" in the box next to "General" and insert an "X" in the box next to "Primary."

On a separate matter, included in this letter for your information only, please be aware that the Friends of Bob Graham Committee recently informed the Committee that it lost the Committee's contribution check for the contribution of 5/13/97 of \$1,000 for the general election. Therefore, the Committee's report for covering the period that includes the date of this letter will include appropriate entries to reverse the entry relating to the contribution of 5/13/97, which appeared in the Committee's report to the FEC covering the period 1/31/97 through 6/30/97 on Schedule B, Page 6, Block E.

The Committee is furnishing a copy of this letter to the Friends of Bob Graham. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

phen J. Powell

Treasurer

Holland & Knight Committee for Effective Government

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