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March 17, 1999

Neil Evans, Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20463

RE: ATU-COPE 1998 Year End Report

Dear Mr. Evans:

I am writing in response to your letter of March 3, 1999, which raised questions concerning information contained in our 1998 year end report. Your letter noted that "Schedule B of (our) report . . . disclose(d) a contribution(s) which appears to exceed the limits set forth in the Act, 2 U.S.C. §441a (a)" specifically with respect to a \$1,000.00 contribution made on December 4, 1998, to the Friends of Harry Reid designated for use in Congressman Reid's general election campaign.

This appearance of an ostensibly excessive contribution is the result of an erroneous designation of the December 4 contribution in the 1998 year end report. The December contribution of \$1,000.00 was erroneously designated as a contribution of the general rather than the primary election. We have instructed the Friends of Harry Reid (see the attached letter) to redesignate the December 4 contribution as a contribution to Congressman Reid's primary election campaign. With this redesignation, ATU-COPE's total contributions to Congressman Reid for the general campaign equals \$5,000.00, the maximum amount permitted by law, while contributions to the Congressman's primary election campaign total is \$1,000.00 as of this date.

I hope this letter satisfies your questions in this matter. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office at (202) 537-1645.

Sincerely,

Oliver W. Green
International Secretary-Treasurer/
ATU-COPE Director
FEC#C00032995

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A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Day (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
David Wu for Congress 921 SW Morrison Street Galleria Suite 208A Portland, OR 97205	Campaign Contribution Disbursement for <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General Other (specify) 1998 Debt	12/1/98	2,000.00
OR			
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Day (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
The Lautenberg Committee P.O. Box 200382 Newark, NJ 07102-0307	Campaign Contribution Disbursement for <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General Other (specify) 2000	12/2/98	2,000.00
NJ			
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Day (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Citizens for Sarbanes 503 Capitol Court, NE, Suite 100 Washington, DC 20002	Campaign Contribution Disbursement for <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General Other (specify) 2000	12/4/98	1,000.00
MD			
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Day (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Friends of Harry Reid 245 2nd Street, NE, Suite 30 Washington, DC 20002	Campaign Contribution Disbursement for <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General Other (specify) 1998 Debt	12/4/98	1,000.00
NV			
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Day (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Levin for Congress 438 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20003	Campaign Contribution Disbursement for <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General Other (specify) 1998 Debt	12/4/98	1,000.00
MI			
F. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Day (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Ellen Tauscher for Congress P.O. Box 1285 Alamo, CA 94507	Campaign Contribution Disbursement for <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General Other (specify) 1998 Debt	12/4/98	1,000.00
CA			
G. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Day (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Friends of Jim Maloney 240 Main Street, Suite 3 Danbury, CT 06810	Campaign Contribution Disbursement for <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General Other (specify) 1998 Debt	12/4/98	1,000.00
CT			
H. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Day (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Gutierrez for Congress 2300 West Wabansia, Suite 334 Chicago, IL 60647	Campaign Contribution Disbursement for <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General Other (specify) 2000	12/4/98	500.00
IL			
I. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Day (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Friends of Jim Oberstar P.O. Box 465 Duluth, MN 55802	Void Check - Never Cashed Disbursement for <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General Other (specify) 1998	(7/8/98) 12/8/98	(2,500.00)
MN			

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Friends of Harry Reid
245 2nd Street, NE, Suite 300
Washington, D.C. 20002

RE: December 4, 1998 ATU-Cope Contribution

To Whom It May Concern:

As Treasurer of the ATU-COPE fund, I am writing to request that our December 4, 1998, contribution of \$1,000.00 to your committee be redesignated. When made this contribution was erroneously designated as a contribution to Congressman Reid's, general election campaign. In actuality, this contribution was intended to be directed towards Congressman Reids primary election campaign debt.

I appreciate your assistance in this matter, and would request that this office be copied on any correspondence between the committee and the Federal Election Commission regarding this contribution. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office at (202) 537-1645.

Sincerely,

Oliver W. Green
International Secretary-Treasurer/
COPE Director
FEC# C00032995

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cc: Neil Evans
Reports Analyst - FEC

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