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Reply to your letter of 8/8/2001

Dear Ms. Kang,

I have just spoken with Ms. Manning on the phone about the issues raised in your letter. She was unable to confirm just what "clarifying information" you are requesting.

It appears that you want me to contact the Montana Republican State Central Committee and demand that they report their transfer to MSSA, or demand that they submit documentation of their transfer to MSSA.

I'm sure you will understand that I cannot act as an enforcement agent for the FEC by demanding performance from the Montana Republican State Central Committee.

If you wish additional documentation from the Montana Republican State Central Committee, I believe you should ask them for that documentation, not MSSA. We have filed and reported as required.

As an aside, when we receive a donation to our political committee, we do not then demand a letter from the donor confirming that the donor actually intended the donation. We just put the money in the bank and report the donation to the FEC. I believe it is unreasonable for the FEC to set a precedent whereby it then becomes necessary for MSSA to demand a confirming donor letter from every donor, just in case the FEC should, some time in the future, ask for "clarifying information" that the questioned donor actually did, and did intend to, donate to MSSA.

Sincerely yours,

Gary Marbut, treasurer
Montana Shooting Sports Association Political Committee

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