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Ms. Alissa V. Sagri
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Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
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Re: Leadership '02. FEC Id No. C00165753

Dear Ms. Sagri:

This letter is in response to your review of the 2001 Year End, 2002 April Quarterly and 2002 July Quarterly reports. In particular, your letter to Leadership '02 notes that the Committee "discloses the receipt of apparent offsets to operating expenditures.....not previously reported by our committee.

The offset receipts in question were generated by the DNC Travel Offset Account. These refunds were due to overcharges incurred in 1998, when the Committee was known as Leadership '98. Specifically, these refunds were connected to disbursements made to the DNC Travel Offset Account on the following reports: 1998 June Monthly, 1998 July Monthly, 1998 August Monthly, 1998 September Monthly, 1998 October Monthly, 1998 Pre-General and 1998 Year End reports. A paper copy of the relevant pages from those reports has been sent under separate cover.

Accordingly, the Committee has no original disbursements made to the DNC Travel Offset Account that have gone unreported. I hope that this information provides clarity in regard to your questions surrounding the offset receipts reported in the 2001 Year End, 2002 April Quarterly and 2002 July Quarterly reports. Should you have any further questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact our Controller, Miriam Zalman, at your convenience. She can be reached at (703) 875-9650.

nnnnnnSincerely,

nnnnnnElizabeth M. Brown
oooooooTreasurer
uuuuuuLeadership '02