FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Nicholas F. Moles, Treasurer
Tropicana Resort & Casino Political Action Committee
3801 Las Vegas Blvd (S)
Las Vegas, NV 89109

APR 08 2003

Identification Number: C00331082

Reference: October Quarterly Report (7/1/02-9/30/02)

Dear Mr. Moles:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule B supporting Line 23 of your report discloses one or more contributions to a candidate(s) for the primary election; however, the funds were disbursed after the election date(s) (pertinent portion(s) attached). Please note that contributions may not be designated for an election which has already occurred unless the funds are to be used to reduce a candidate committee's debts incurred during that election campaign.

If any apparently impermissible contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If you have made an impermissible contribution, you must request a refund or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during

which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR §110.1(b)

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this impermissible activity, your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

-Schedule B of your report (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(a) prohibits a multicandidate committee and its affiliates from making a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of $5,000 per election.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If any contribution you made exceeds the limits, you must request a refund of the excessive amount or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund of the excessive amount.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR §110.1(b)

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

A response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in

its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Alissa V. Sagri
Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)
TROPICANA RESORT & CASINO POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

A.
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): Battle Born Political Action Comm.
Mailing Address: 1155 21ST STREET NW SUITE 300
City: WASHINGTON State: DC Zip Code: 20036
Purpose of Disbursement: Contrib. to Leadership PAC/Sen. Ensign
Candidate Name:
Category/Type:
Office Sought: House / Senate / President
State: District:
Disbursement For: 2001 Primary X General Other (specify)
Date of Disbursement: M 06 D 07 Y 2001
Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 5000.00
Transaction ID: SB23.5663

B.
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): Comm. to Re-Elect Shelly Berkley
Mailing Address: 3069 Conquista Court
City: Las Vegas State: NV Zip Code: 89121
Purpose of Disbursement:
Candidate Name:
Category/Type:
Office Sought: X House / Senate / President
State: NV District: 01
Disbursement For: Primary X General Other (specify)
Date of Disbursement: M 04 D 17 Y 2001
Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1000.00
Transaction ID: SB23.1470

C.
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE
Mailing Address: 607 14TH STREET NW SUITE 800
City: WASHINGTON State: DC Zip Code: 20005
Purpose of Disbursement: Contrib. Leadership PAC/Cong. Gephardt
Candidate Name:
Category/Type:
Office Sought: House / Senate / President
State: District:
Disbursement For: 2001 Primary X General Other (specify)
Date of Disbursement: M 06 D 07 Y 2001
Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1000.00
Transaction ID: SB23.5664

SUBTOTAL of Disbursements This Page (optional) → 7000.00

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TROPICANA RESORT & CASINO POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

A.
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): Alaskans for Don Young
Mailing Address: P O BOX 100298
City: ANCHORAGE State: AK Zip Code: 99510
Purpose of Disbursement: Contribution
Candidate Name:
Category/Type:
Office Sought: X House / Senate / President
State: AK District: 00
Disbursement For: 2002 X Primary / General / Other (specify)
Date of Disbursement: 02 19 2002
Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1000.00
Transaction ID: SB23.6513

B.
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): BERKLEY FOR CONGRESS
Mailing Address: 3069 CONQUISTA COURT
City: LAS VEGAS State: NV Zip Code: 89121
Purpose of Disbursement: Contribution
Candidate Name:
Category/Type:
Office Sought: X House / Senate / President
State: NV District: 01
Disbursement For: 2002 Primary / X General / Other (specify)
Date of Disbursement: 03 20 2002
Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 500.00
Transaction ID: SB23.6522

C.
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): Friends of Max Baucus
Mailing Address: 203 C Street N.E.
City: Washington State: DC Zip Code: 20002
Purpose of Disbursement: Contribution
Candidate Name:
Category/Type:
Office Sought: House / X Senate / President
State: MT District: 00
Disbursement For: 2002 X Primary / General / Other (specify)
Date of Disbursement: 03 20 2002
Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1000.00
Transaction ID: SB23.6521

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TROPICANA RESORT & CASINO POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

A.
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): Alaskans for Don Young
Mailing Address: P O BOX 100298
City: ANCHORAGE State: AK Zip Code: 99510
Purpose of Disbursement: contribution
Candidate Name: Category/Type:
Office Sought: X House / Senate / President
State: AK District: 00
Disbursement For: 2002 X Primary / General / Other (specify)
Date of Disbursement: 08 / 02 / 2002
Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1000.00
Transaction ID: SB23.6904

B.
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): BERKLEY FOR CONGRESS
Mailing Address: 3069 CONQUISTA COURT
City: LAS VEGAS State: NV Zip Code: 89121
Purpose of Disbursement: contribution
Candidate Name: Shelley Berkley
Category/Type:
Office Sought: X House / Senate / President
State: NV District: 01
Disbursement For: 2002 Primary / X General / Other (specify)
Date of Disbursement: 09 / 20 / 2002
Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 2000.00
Transaction ID: SB23.7153

C.
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): DCCC Women LEAD
Mailing Address: 430 South Capitol Street
City: Washington, D.C. State: DC Zip Code: 20003
Purpose of Disbursement: benefit-Ladies Night Out
Candidate Name: Shelley Berkley
Category/Type:
Office Sought: X House / Senate / President
State: NV District: 01
Disbursement For: 2002 Primary / X General / Other (specify)
Date of Disbursement: 09 / 23 / 2002
Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 5000.00
Transaction ID: SB23.7122

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TROPICANA RESORT & CASINO POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

A.
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)
DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSIONAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE - EXPENDITURES

Mailing Address
430 S CAPITOL ST SE

City: WASHINGTON | State: DC | Zip Code: 20003

Purpose of Disbursement
contribution

Candidate Name | Category/Type

Office Sought: House / Senate / President

Disbursement For: 2002 — X Primary / General / Other (specify)

State: District:

Date of Disbursement: 06 / 02 / 2002

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 2500.00

Transaction ID: SB23.6908

B.
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)
Friends of Max Baucus

Mailing Address
203 C Street N.E.

City: Washington | State: DC | Zip Code: 20002

Purpose of Disbursement
contribution

Candidate Name | Category/Type

Office Sought: House / X Senate / President

Disbursement For: 2002 — X Primary / General / Other (specify)

State: MT District: 00

Date of Disbursement: 06 / 02 / 2002

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1000.00

MT Primary 6/4/02

Transaction ID: SB23.6905

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C.
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)
Kirk & Sanders Committee for Senate

Mailing Address
2570 South Eastern Avenue

City: Las Vegas | State: NV | Zip Code: 89109

Purpose of Disbursement
contribution

Candidate Name: Ron Kirk | Category/Type

Office Sought: House / X Senate / President

Disbursement For: 2002 — X Primary / General / Other (specify)

State: TX District:

Date of Disbursement: 06 / 02 / 2002

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1000.00

TX Primary 3/12/02

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TROPICANA RESORT & CASINO POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

A.
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)
Klink & Sanders Committee for Senate

Date of Disbursement: 06 / 20 / 2002

Mailing Address
2570 South Eastern Avenue

City: Las Vegas | State: NV | Zip Code: 89109

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1000.00

Purpose of Disbursement
contribution

Candidate Name
Alex Sanders

Category/Type: SC Primary 6/11/02

Office Sought: House / X Senate / President

Disbursement For: 2002 / X Primary / General / Other (specify)

State: TX District:

Transaction ID: SB23.6921

B.
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)
LoBiondo For Congress

Date of Disbursement: 06 / 02 / 2002

Mailing Address
P. O. Box 550

City: Vineland | State: NJ | Zip Code: 08362-0550

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 2500.00

Purpose of Disbursement
contribution

Candidate Name
LoBiondo For Congress

Category/Type: NJ Primary 6/4/02

Office Sought: X House / Senate / President

Disbursement For: 2002 / X Primary / General / Other (specify)

State: NJ District: 02

Transaction ID: SB23.6906

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