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FREEDOM'S DEFENSE FUND
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Response Due Date

06/14/2016

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00401786

REFERENCE: YEAR-END REPORT (07/01/2015 - 12/31/2015)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 6 item(s):

1. Schedule D of your report discloses credits for debts owed to "FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC." Please provide further clarification regarding these credits.
2. Schedule E of your report discloses disbursements with the purpose of "VOTER CONTACT MAILING - ADJUSTMENT" and "PORTION OF THE MAILING NOT PAID IN THIS PERIOD." Please be advised that if the committee received goods or services from a vendor without making any payment for the services rendered, the committee may be in receipt of a prohibited contribution. 52 U.S.C. § 30118(a) (formerly 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a)) prohibits the receipt of contributions from corporations unless made from separate segregated funds established by the corporations and labor organizations. Any prohibited contribution must be refunded or disgorged. (11 CFR § 103.3(b)(1) and (2)) The refund must be made within 30 days of the treasurer becoming aware of the possible illegality of the contribution. (11 CFR § 103.3(b)(2)) If the identity of the contributor cannot be determined, the committee must disgorge funds to a governmental entity or to a qualified charitable organization described in 2 U.S.C. § 170(c). (Commission Advisory Opinions 1995-19 and 1991-39). Please take and report corrective action or amend your report if these transactions were incompletely or incorrectly disclosed.

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3. Your committee has filed a 48 hour report for independent expenditures opposing "HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON" (see attached) which have not been itemized on Schedule E supporting Line 24 of the Detailed Summary Page. Please be advised that independent expenditures disclosed on 48 hour reports must also be itemized on a corresponding Schedule E or MEMO Schedule E and Schedule D (if applicable), in the appropriate reporting period. Further, if the actual payment(s) for the independent expenditure(s) occurs after the date of dissemination, the appropriate report(s) should continue to show payment on Schedule E and Schedule D, until the debt is fully extinguished. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction. (11 CFR §104.4)

4. Schedule E of your report indicates that your committee may have failed to file one or more of the required 48 hour report(s) for independent expenditures (see attached). A political committee must file a 48 hour report with the Federal Election Commission as specified in 11 CFR §104.4(b), within 48 hours of any independent expenditures aggregating \$10,000 or more with respect to a given election, made any time during the calendar year up to and including the 20th day before an election. The report must be received by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. on the second day following the date on which independent expenditures that aggregate \$10,000 or more are publicly distributed or disseminated. These expenditures must then be fully itemized on Schedule E, or as memo entries on Schedule E and reflected on Schedule D if distributed or disseminated prior to payment, of the next report required to be filed by the committee. Although the Commission may take further action concerning this matter, your prompt response will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR §104.3(b))

5. Schedule E for Line 24 of your report discloses MEMO entries for apparent independent expenditures made in opposition of "HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON" during this reporting period. However, a Schedule D supporting Line 10 has not been provided. Please be advised that if a communication is aired in one reporting period and the payment is made in a later reporting period, the independent expenditure should be reported as a memo entry on Schedule E when the communication is publicly disseminated or distributed, and on a Schedule D if it is a reportable debt under 11 CFR §104.11. Subsequently, when the payment for the independent expenditure is made, the report should show a payment on Schedule E and the same payment on Schedule D, if applicable. Please amend your report to clarify this apparent discrepancy. (11 CFR §104.4)

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6. Schedule E discloses Calendar Year-To-Date Per Election total(s) for the 2016 General election for President which appear to be incorrect. Please amend your report to provide the correct total(s) on Schedule E. (52 U.S.C. §30104(b)(4) (formerly 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(4)) and 11 CFR §104.4(f))

- On Schedule(s) B of your report you have disclosed a transaction(s) for \$0.00. For your information and consideration when preparing future filings, only transactions with an actual monetary value should be itemized on your report. If the amount for this transaction(s) was entered in error, please amend your report to include the correct amount(s). (11 CFR §104.3)

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

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 should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1393.

Sincerely,



Paul Stoetzer
Senior Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

Missing Schedule E (48 Hour Report)
Freedom's Defense Fund (C00401786)

Name of Payee	Dissemination Date	Amount	Candidate	Election
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/9/15	\$5,150.80	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/15/15	\$9,901.53	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	8/10/15	\$2,425.90	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	9/23/15	\$5,368.82	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	10/14/15	\$2,674.17	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	11/3/15	\$2,554.89	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	11/25/15	\$2,536.72	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016

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DONOR BUREAU	5/28/15	\$642.97	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	5/28/15	\$33,821.25	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DIRECT SUPPORT SERVICES INC	5/28/15	\$86,655.58	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DONOR BUREAU	6/16/15	\$313.32	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DSSI (FORMERLY CENTURY DATA SYSTEMS CORP)	6/16/15	\$1,013.13	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	6/16/15	\$5,364.00	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	6/16/15	\$10,795.14	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DIRECT SUPPORT SERVICES INC	6/16/15	\$28,918.02	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DSSI (FORMERLY CENTURY DATA SYSTEMS CORP)	7/9/15	\$163.55	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DSSI (FORMERLY CENTURY DATA SYSTEMS CORP)	7/9/15	\$1,233.80	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
INTEGRAM	7/9/15	\$9,878.95	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DIRECT SUPPORT SERVICES INC	7/9/15	\$31,309.64	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/15/15	\$21,648.76	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DIRECT SUPPORT SERVICES INC	7/15/15	\$52,162.04	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DSSI (FORMERLY CENTURY DATA SYSTEMS CORP)	8/10/15	\$316.51	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016

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CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	8/10/15	\$7,811.17	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DIRECT SUPPORT SERVICES INC	8/10/15	\$11,188.30	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DSSI (FORMERLY CENTURY DATA SYSTEMS CORP)	9/23/15	\$1,040.38	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DIRECT SUPPORT SERVICES INC	9/23/15	\$26,573.60	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DSSI (FORMERLY CENTURY DATA SYSTEMS CORP)	10/14/15	\$164.35	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	10/14/15	\$2,521.74	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	10/14/15	\$4,591.29	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DIRECT SUPPORT SERVICES INC	10/14/15	\$16,006.33	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DSSI (FORMERLY CENTURY DATA SYSTEMS CORP)	11/3/15	\$161.04	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	11/3/15	\$4,402.80	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DIRECT SUPPORT SERVICES INC	11/3/15	\$15,183.53	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DSSI (FORMERLY CENTURY DATA SYSTEMS CORP)	11/25/15	\$209.22	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	11/25/15	\$2,744.08	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
INTEGRAM	11/25/15	\$7,962.77	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DIRECT SUPPORT SERVICES INC	11/25/15	\$11,899.97	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016