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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)

FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

SECURE OUR FREEDOM ACTION FUND

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September 20, 2022

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Reference: JULY QUARTERLY REPORT (05/05/2022 - 06/30/2022)

Dear Ms. Hanna:

This response pertains to the Reports Analysis Division's ("RAD") Request for Additional Information ("RFAI") dated September 8, 2022, concerning Secure Our Freedom Action Fund's July 2022 Quarterly Report filed on July 15, 2022.

In June 2022, the email account of a Secure Our Freedom Action Fund principal was compromised by hackers. On June 21, 2022 the hackers impersonated the principal, and used his email account to send an invoice to Secure our Freedom Action Fund's accounting personnel requesting a wire payment in the amount of \$70,796.80. All processes and procedures were followed and the wire was sent. The hackers similarly sent a second invoice payment request on June 24, 2022 for \$87,336.39, and funds were again wired following standard processes and procedures.

On June 27, 2022, it was discovered that the email account had been compromised and that the two wires were fraudulent. The committee immediately froze the bank accounts and took action to recover funds. On August 8, 2022 the Committee recovered \$87,336.39 from the June 24, 2022 transaction. The remaining disbursement is still under review by the receiving financial institution to determine whether it is recoverable. The Committee is pursuing all means to recover the remaining funds.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any additional questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Colleen Nunnelee
Treasurer