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August 29, 1995

Federal Election Commission
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RE: Resignation of Treasurer
Friends of Alan Keyes Committee

In June 1995, I reluctantly accepted the position of Treasurer of the Friends of Alan Keyes Committee (Friends), upon the resignation of the prior Treasurer, with the understanding that it was an authorized committee for a candidate for the Office of President of the United States of America. It was also my understanding that another primary committee had been organized and that the Friends committee's future was uncertain.

At the time I accepted the Treasurer's position, Mr. Keyes had a representative from his primary committee working in the Friends committee office to oversee it's operations. The committee had also embarked upon a major fundraising campaign during the last two weeks of June that covered eight to ten states.

Near the end of June, I was informed of Mr. Keyes wishes to terminate operations of the Friends Committee on June 30, 1995. This came from his primary committee. Mr. Keyes did not confirm this with me personally.

I, however, started informing all necessary parties of the closing and terminating the remaining office staff. We were physically out of the office in early July. I advised Mr. Keyes' primary committee that, based on my understanding of Federal Election Commission (FEC) Code of Federal Regulation paragraph 102.4, a legal termination was not possible due to outstanding debts and obligations. I suggested that a new Treasurer, of their choosing, be named and I would gladly turn over all documents to this new person. I was told this would be taken care of. To date, it has not happened.

In early August, I learned from outsiders that there were press allegations of intentional misappropriation of funds by the Friends Committee. Let me state categorically that I am not aware of any intentional misappropriation of campaign funds. There were some returned checks. I believe this was due to timing. Not all contributions had cleared the bank before campaign checks were presented for payment. To my knowledge, all checks written have been honored.

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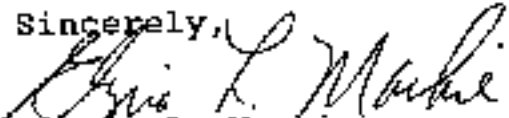
Also, I verbally indicated to the primary committee that all of the most recent expenditures had not been included in the July 15th FEC report because of the office moving and that an amended return would have to be filed.

On August 23, 1995 I received a letter from an attorney representing Mr. Keyes and his primary committee stating that litigation would be filed against me if I did not comply with their earlier demand for all original documents of the Friends committee.

For the above stated reasons, among other unstated ones, it is necessary for me to resign as Treasurer of the Friends of Alan Keyes Committee. This resignation is to be effective immediately.

Furthermore, based on recommendations from FEC representatives, I will immediately forward all original documents and other items in my possession belonging to the Friends committee to the Treasurer of the primary committee since I am not aware of any other person currently named as Treasurer of the Friends Committee.

Sincerely,


Elyria L. Mackie

P.O. Box 12279
Atlanta, Georgia 30355

enclosures

cc:

Mr. Alan Keyes
Mr. C. Michael Tarone, Attorney -
Alan Keyes for President '96
Mr. William Spiegel, Treasurer -
Alan Keyes for President '96
Mr. Art Rocker

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August 17, 1995

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Mr. Art Rocker
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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS
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✓ Mr. Elyria Mackie, C.P.A.
Treasurer, Friends of Alan Keyes Committee
2675 Pacas Jerry Road, Suite 21
Atlanta, Georgia 30339

Re: Termination and Compliance Effort
Friends of Alan Keyes Committee

Dear Gentlemen:

By letter dated June 30, 1995, you and the Friends of Alan Keyes Committee ("Exploratory") were requested (i) to terminate all activity on behalf of Alan Keyes and (ii) to voluntarily turn over to his designated agents all books and records of Exploratory for the purpose of complying with federal election laws. A copy of that letter is enclosed.

Without justification or reasonable basis you have failed to cooperate or comply with this request. This is unacceptable.

Recent disclosures that checks written against Exploratory's accounts were returned for insufficient funds have heightened the concern of the candidate that the financial affairs of the committee are not in order and that an immediate audit is necessary. The issuance of checks without sufficient funds in the bank to satisfy the drafts was without the knowledge or approval of the candidate. That conduct is totally improper and impermissible. These circumstances must be corrected immediately. The payees of returned checks and other creditors

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of Exploratory must be promptly identified and the indebtedness paid.

Additionally, all political contributions must be accounted for and the sources properly disclosed in compliance with federal law.

Financial irregularities and other questions about the activities of Exploratory are not matters which can wait. Federal law controlling the federal election related activities impose clear and important legal obligations on the treasurer of Exploratory and other functionaries.

Sanctions for non-compliance with the federal election laws are serious and substantial. Moreover, state laws prohibiting the issuance of bank drafts without sufficient funds to cover the checks carry serious penalties.

The candidate has a legal interest to be protected to insure compliance with federal and state law and to insure that innocent persons who dealt in good faith with Exploratory are not injured. Essential to this compliance effort is immediate access to all the books and records, copies or originals, wherever they may be.

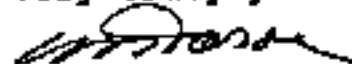
The candidate will not permit intentional or unintentional violations of federal or state laws by any committee or person associated with his campaign.

This letter is to advise you that suit will be filed in Georgia or any other place where there is jurisdiction to obtain the books and records and to require full disclosure of financial activities to the appropriate federal and state authorities in order to comply with all laws and to make innocent parties whole.

Unless I have your satisfactory reply to this letter to provide the books and records by August 27, 1995, legal action will be instituted.

Awaiting your response, I remain,

Very truly yours,



C. Michael Tarone

CMT:kar
Enclosure
cc: Hon. Alan Keyes (w/encl)
Mary Lewis

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June 30, 1995

VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

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Treasurer
Friends of Alan Keyes Committee
Suite 2080
34 Peachtree Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Re: Termination and Compliance Effort
Friends of Alan Keyes Committee

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is to request on behalf of Ambassador Alan Keyes that you immediately terminate all activities of the Friends of Alan Keyes Committee ("campaign committee") and to revoke the authority of that committee, yourself as treasurer, and any agent designated or authorized by you to act on your behalf. This instruction to you, Mr. Art Rocker and others is to expedite the orderly termination of the campaign committee's activities.

Any contributions physically received after this notice are to be forwarded to Alan Keyes for President '96 Committee. Of course, no checks are to be written and no cash funds are to be expended. This new committee will address how the expenses incurred to date are to be paid.

This letter is to be construed to revoke the committee's status as an "authorized committee." However, the committee and the treasurer are under a continuing legal duty to meet the duties and obligations imposed by the federal election law to wind up its affairs, report and disclose all activities and file truthful and accurate reports with the Federal Election Commission in furtherance of its immediate termination. The campaign committee's accounting firm will assist you in carrying out these efforts.

As treasurer, you and your designated or authorized agents are under a continuing duty to exercise diligent efforts to satisfy all federal election law requirements and towards this end, and for that purpose, the accounting firm of Quinn, Lynch & Lobel of 1636 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036 (202-232-4327) has been retained and will proceed with a prompt internal election law compliance effort.

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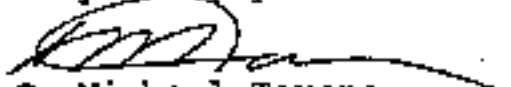
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I request that you cooperate fully with George Lynch and Joseph Quinn in all respects.

All questions which are of a legal nature can be put to me, C. Michael Tarone of Balsamo & Tarone, 1815 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006 (202-457-6681).

I am grateful for all your cooperation and look forward to you continuing assistance.

Very truly yours.



C. Michael Tarone

CMT:crt

cc: Ambassador Alan Keyes (via Federal Express)
Art Rocker (via Federal Express)
Mary Lewis (via facsimile)
George F. Lynch, Jr. (via facsimile)

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