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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

FRED S. EILAND

PRESS OFFICE

THROUGH:

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AUDIT DIVISION

FROM:

JUDY HAWKINS

SUBJECT:

PUBLIC ISSUANCE OF AUDIT REPORT

Attached please find the final audit report of the Minnesota Democratic Telethon Committee which was approved by the Commission on November 16, 1979.

As of this date, February 12, 1979, all informational copies of the report have been received by all parties involved and this report may be released to the public.

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# REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION ON THE MINNESOTA DEMOCRATIC TELETHON COMMITTEE

## I. Background

#### A. Overview

This report is based on an audit of the Minnesota Democratic Telethon Committee ("the Committee") undertaken by the Audit Division of the Federal Election Commission in accordance with the Commission's audit policy, to determine whether there has been compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). The audit was conducted pursuant to Section 438(a)(8) of Title 2, United States Code, which directs the Commission to make from time to time audits and field investigations with respect to reports and statements filed under the provisions of the Act.

The Minnesota Democratic Telethon Committee registered with the Office of the Clerk of the United States Pouse of Representatives on June 28, 1974 and filed its termination report with the Federal Election Commission on December 22, 1976. The Committee maintained its headquarters in Minnesota.

This audit report is based on documents and working papers supporting each of its factual statements. They form part of the record upon which the Commission based its decisions on the matters in this report and were available to Commissioners and appropriate staff for review.

# B. Key Personnel

The principal officers of the Committee were Mr. Pank Fischer, Chairman, and Mr. Lawrence R. Meyer, Treasurer.

#### C. Scope

The audit included such tests as verification of total reported receipts and expenditures and individual transactions; review of required supporting documentation; analysis of Committee debts and obligations; and such other audit procedures as deemed necessary under the circumstances.

## II. Auditor's Statement and Description of Findings

It is the opinion of the Audit staff based upon examination of the reports and statements filed and the records presented, that the Minnesota Democratic Telethon Committee was not a political committee as defined by the Act and was not subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.

This opinion is based on the fact that the Committee did not receive contributions or make expenditures in support of Federal candidates in an amount exceeding \$1,000 during a calendar year. The Committee was financed by the Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party of Minnesota for the purpose of raising funds on behalf of the Democratic Party.

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