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MEMORANDUM

TO: FRED EILAND
PRESS OFFICE

THROUGH: BOB COSTA *BJC*

FROM: JUDY HAWKINS *JH*

SUBJECT: PUBLIC ISSUANCE OF AUDIT REPORT -
WASHINGTON STATE DEMOCRATIC TELETHON COMMITTEE

Attached please find a copy of the final audit report of the Washington State Democratic Telethon Committee which was approved by the Commission on April 12, 1979.

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

Attachment as stated

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REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION ON THE WASHINGTON STATE DEMOCRATIC TELETHON COMMITTEE

I. Background

A. Overview

This report is based on an audit of the Washington State 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 Washington State Democratic Telethon Committee registered with the Office of the Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives on June 26, 1974 and filed its termination report with the Federal Election Commission on April 12, 1976. The Committee maintained its headquarters in Seattle, Washington.

This audit 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. Neale V. Chaney, Chairman, and Dr. George Winston, 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

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

This opinion is based on the fact that the Committee was financed by the Democratic National Committee and the Washington State Democratic Committee to raise funds on behalf of the Democratic Party and did not support candidates in connection with Federal elections.

