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MEMORANDUM

TO:

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THROUGH:

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FROM:

JUDY HAWKINS

SUBJECT:

PUBLIC ISSUANCE OF AUDIT REPORT -

NATIONAL REPUBLICAN HERITAGE GROUPS

1977 CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Attached please find a copy of the final audit report of the National Republican Heritage Groups 1977 Convention Committee which was approved by the Commission on January 24, 1980.

Informational copies of the report have been received by all parties involved and the report may be released to the public.

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REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION ON THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN HERITAGE GROUPS 1977 CONVENTION COMMITTEE

I. Background

A. Overview

This report is based on an audit of the National Republican Heritage Groups 1977 Convention 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 of the 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 Committee registered with the Federal Election Commission on September 6, 1977. 1/ The Committee maintained its headquarters in Chicago, Illinois. The audit covered the period March 31, 1977, the inception date of the Committee, through June 30, 1977, the final coverage date of the Committee's termination report.

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

The Committee filed its statement of organization and its only report, covering the period March 31, 1977 through June 30, 1977, on September 6, 1977.

B. Key Personnel

The principal officers of the Committee were Casimir G. Oksas, Chairman and Edward W. Gjertson, Treasurer.

C. Scope

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

II. Finding and Recommendation

Based upon examination of the reports and statements filed and the records presented, the National Republican Heritage Groups 1977 Convention Committee is not a political committee as defined by Section 431(d) of Title 2 of the United States Code and therefore not subject to the reporting requirements of the Act. This opinion is based on the fact that the Committee had no receipts or expenditures in connection with Federal elections during the period audited.

