



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

August 13, 1981

MEMORANDUM

TO: FRED EILAND  
PRESS OFFICE

FROM: *[Signature]* COSTA

SUBJECT: PUBLIC ISSUANCE OF FINAL AUDIT REPORT -  
CARTER/KENNEDY UNITY DINNER COMMITTEE

Attached please find a copy of the final audit report of the Carter/Kennedy Unity Dinner Committee which was approved by the Commission on July 21, 1981.

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

Attachment as stated

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REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION  
ON THE  
CARTER/KENNEDY UNITY DINNER COMMITTEE

I. Background

A. Overview

This report covers an audit of the Carter/Kennedy Unity Dinner Committee ("the Unity Committee"), 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 9038(a) of Title 26 of the Internal Revenue Code which states that "after each matching payment period, the Commission shall conduct a thorough examination and audit of the qualified campaign expenses of every candidate and his authorized committees who received payments under Section 9037."

In addition, Section 9039(b) of Title 26 of the United States Code, and Section 9038.1(b) of Title 11 of the Code of Federal Regulations state that the Commission may conduct other examinations and audits from time to time as it deems necessary to carry out the provisions of this subchapter.

The Unity Committee registered with the Federal Election Commission as a joint fundraising committee, and was authorized by President Jimmy Carter and Senator Edward M. Kennedy, on September 30, 1980. Affiliated with the Unity Committee were the Carter/Mondale Presidential Committee and Kennedy for President Committee. The Unity Committee maintains its headquarters in Washington, D.C.

The audit covered the period from October 1, 1980 through December 31, 1980. The Unity Committee reported an opening cash balance of \$-0-, total receipts of \$380,587.10, total expenditures of \$365,181.50, and a closing cash balance of \$15,405.60 during the period.

This 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 Unity Committee during the period audited were Mr. S. Lee Kling, Treasurer, Mr. Robert Fitzgerald, Co-Treasurer, Mr. Robert S. Strauss, Co-Chairman, and Mr. Stephen Smith, Co-Chairman.

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. Audit Findings and Recommendations

Matters Referred to the Office of General Counsel

Matters noted during the audit were referred to the Commission's Office of General Counsel on June 22, 1981.



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ORGANIZATION'S COMPLETED COMPLIANCE ACTION FILE  
SIMPLY ASK FOR THE PRESS SUMMARY OF MUR # 1392.  
THE PRESS SUMMARY WILL PROVIDE A BRIEF HISTORY OF  
THE CASE AND A SUMMARY OF THE ACTIONS TAKEN, IF ANY.



