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Hi Evan,

There is no intent currently to make any independent expenditures in support of or opposition to nonfederal candidates.

Thanks,
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Ms. Lopez:

We received a request from a Commissioner for more information about Sen. Cortez Masto’s request to establish a Nevada state political committee to “raise and spend funds *exclusively* for Nevada nonfederal election activities, including activities such as contributing to state and local candidates running for office in Nevada and spending in connection with state ballot initiatives.” AOR001.

Specifically, the Commissioner has asked whether the entity the Requestor has proposed intends to engage only in the activities enumerated in the request—that is, contributions to nonfederal candidates and state ballot initiatives—or whether the proposed entity intends to make independent expenditures in support of or opposition to nonfederal candidates.

Please let us know if we can answer any questions or provide any additional information about this request.

Thank you,

Evan R. Christopher

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