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WASHINGTON -- In anticipation of increased press and public interest in third quarter campaign finance reports of presidential candidates, the Federal Election Commission will extend the open hours of its Public Records Room from 9 a.m. until 8 p.m. on October 10, 11 and 12, and will be open on Saturday, October 13 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Candidate and committee contributions and expenditures disclosures for the third quarter are due on October 10, or must be mailed by registered or certified mail postmarked before midnight October 10. Reporters and political analysts are expected to view the FEC reports as a barometer of strength of individual candidates because they will show how much money has been contributed to each, and where the candidates have been spending their funds.

The FEC's Public Records Room, which is operated by the Public Disclosure Division, makes available reports both on microfilm and in paper copy, generally within 24 hours after a report is received. The Public Records Room is equipped with 10 microfilm reader-printers, 3 copy machines, and other research facilities at the Commission's headquarters at 1325 K Street, N.W. The phone number of the Public Records Room is 523-4181.