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## PUBLIC RECORDS EXTENDS HOURS

WASHINGTON--In an effort to provide complete access to campaign finance data filed in year-end reports, the Federal Election Commission's Public Records Office will be open during the second weekend in February. On Saturday, February 8, office hours will be from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Public Records also will open on Sunday, February 9, from noon until 4 p.m. Weekday hours will remain 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

All candidate and political committees registered with the FEC are required to file reports covering their campaign finance activities between the end of the last reporting period and December 31, 1985. Those reports are due January 31, 1986.

Reports for Senate candidates are filed with the Secretary of the Senate, while House candidates' reports are filed with the Clerk of the House of Representatives. Those offices forward the reports to the FEC where, within 48 hours of their receipt by the agency, they are placed on the public record.

Federal candidates' reports also must be filed concurrently with the designated elections office of the state in which they ran or are running.

The Commission's Public Records Office is a library-type facility equipped with computer terminals, microfilm reader-printers, photocopy machines and ample work space. A trained staff is available to assist in locating documents.

Copies of reports may be obtained by calling the Public Records Office at (202) 523-4181 or toll free at (800) 424-9530.

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