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Federal Election Commission
Washington, DC 20463

MEMORANDUM

October 5, 2017

TO: The Commission

THROUGH: Alec Palmer *KPCO*
Staff Director

FROM: Patricia C. Orrock *PCO*
Chief Compliance Officer

Krista J. Roche *KJR*
Acting Director, ADR Office

SUBJECT: ADR 827 Kaisar Ahmed for US Congress 2016 and Kaisar Ahmed, Treasurer, Recommendation to Approve Settlement Agreement

RESOLUTION TERMS: Participate in a one-on-one training regarding basic reporting requirements and procedures scheduled with the Information Division and/or Reports Analysis Division (RAD); and file reports disclosing all campaign activity for the 2016 election cycle and continue to file disclosure reports until such time as a termination report is approved.

Attached for your review is a signed negotiated ADR Settlement Agreement pertaining to ADR 827 (MUR 7203). The ADR Office received this referral from the Office of General Counsel on May 18, 2017.

SUMMARY: On December 5, 2016, Mark C. Edwards filed a Complaint alleging that Kaisar Ahmed for US Congress 2016 and Kaisar Ahmed, Treasurer, (Respondents or the Committee) failed to file with the Commission a Statement of Candidacy and disclosure reports regarding Kaisar Ahmed, a 2016 candidate in the primary election for California's 31st Congressional District. A Statement of Organization was received on May 13, 2016.

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Respondents contend that a statement was filed with the San Bernadino County Elections Office of the Registrar of Voters. The statement was filed on July 29, 2016, and disclosed receipts totaling \$20,290.52 (\$18,440.52 in candidate loans and \$1,850 in unitemized monetary contributions) and \$20,290.52 in expenditures. The statement filed with the county covered the period from 1/1/16 through 06/30/16. Respondents contend that due to inexperience, reports were not also filed with the Commission.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approve the attached settlement agreement of Kaiser Ahmed for US Congress 2016 and Kaiser Ahmed, Treasurer.
2. Approve the appropriate letters.
3. Close the file on this matter.