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The Honorable John Warren McGarry  
Chairman  
Federal Election Commission (FEC)  
999 E Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20463

Dear Chairman McGarry

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I am writing to request an FEC advisory opinion about the proper manner to report income received for a series of radio programs in which I have been asked to participate

WGMS Radio of Washington, D C has asked me to take part in a series of 65 brief debates over the next six months on policy issues of the day The radio station proposes to pay \$100 for each of the 65 appearances A copy of their proposal is enclosed for your review

I would appreciate your advice as to whether this income should be treated as honoraria a stipend or another type of income

Thank you for clarifying this matter If you have questions about my inquiry please let me know

Sincerely,

Tom Daschle  
United States Senator

Enclosure

# American Communications

## A G R E E M E N T

This document will confirm the agreement between American Communications, Inc. and Senator Thomas Daschle to record and produce a debate series titled *Point-Counterpoint*. Senator Richard Lugar will present the opposing view in this series. The series shall consist of 65 two-minute debates to be aired at 8:00 a.m. on WGMS RADIO in the Washington metropolitan area. The debates will air in two three-month flights from March 4 - May 31, 1991 and September 3 - November 28, 1991.

The debates will be aired in an alternating pattern -- Monday, Wednesday and Friday one week and Tuesday and Thursday the following week. Each Senator will have one (1) minute to give his comments. Each Senator shall be responsible for ensuring that his scripts are written and recorded in a timely fashion.

Representatives of both Senators shall establish a rotation ensuring that each Senator presents opening and closing statements on an equal basis.

Sponsor for the series will be Royal Ordnance, a subsidiary of the British Aerospace Corporation. Royal Ordnance will receive a one-minute commercial spot with each program. These announcements will be titled "Countdown to '92" and will focus on the forthcoming political and economic integration of Europe. Royal Ordnance will have no control of any kind over the topics or content of the *Point-Counterpoint* series.

American Communications agrees to provide compensation to Senator Daschle, or to a designated recipient, in the amount of \$100 per program, payable at the end of each month.

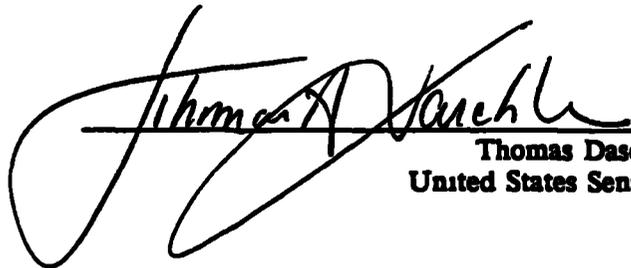
American Communications will attempt to market the *Point-Counterpoint* series for national distribution. Should an underwriter be secured for national distribution, any agreement governing national distribution will require the consent of both Senators Lugar and Daschle.

Each of the parties to the Agreement will have the ability to unilaterally terminate the Agreement. In the event that this option is exercised, the party seeking to nullify the Agreement will be bound to give a minimum of six weeks written notice to the other party and will be obligated to fulfill the terms of the Agreement during the notice period. Once the notice period has expired, the Agreement will be null and void.

**AGREEMENT**  
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This AGREEMENT takes effect Monday, March 4, 1991 and expires Thursday, November 28, 1991.

  
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James C. Roberts  
President  
American Communications, Inc.

  
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Thomas Daschle  
United States Senator

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