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> Re: MUR 4544 - Dole for President Commit-
> tee, Inc. and Robert E. Lighthizer,
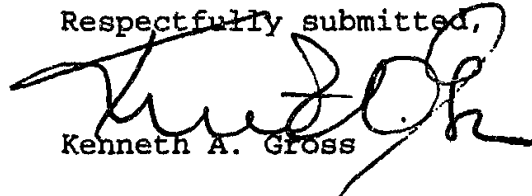> as its Treasurer

Dear Mr. Noble:

This responds to the letter from the Federal
Election Commission ("Commission"), dated July 24, 1997,
notifying Dole for President Committee, Inc. ("DFP") and
Robert E. Lighthizer, as its Treasurer, of a complaint
filed against them by Rebecca Carley, MD. That complaint
attaches a video of a press conference held by Common
Cause, in which Common Cause alleges that the Republican
National Committee ("RNC") paid for DFP advertisements
thus making excessive contributions to and expenditures
on behalf of DFP.

The allegation of the RNC paying for DFP adver-
tisements is already the subject of a matter under review
("MUR") by the Commission. The Democratic National
Committee ("DNC") filed a complaint against respondents
in MUR 4553 making the same allegations as Common Cause
in this matter. Indeed, the only specific advertisement
discussed in the video tape of the Common Cause press
conference attached to the complaint is the one entitled
"The Story." That advertisement is also at the center of
the DNC complaint in MUR 4553. Respondents responded to
that DNC complaint on December 13, 1996 and incorporate
by reference that response to this complaint.

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        For the same reasons proffered in the response
to MUR 4553, this complaint should also be dismissed.

                              Respectfully submitted,

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