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Darryl R. Wold, Chairman  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20463

Re: MUR 5045

Dear Mr. Wold:

I request on behalf of Mr. Patrick J. Buchanan an opportunity to pursue pre-probable cause conciliation with respect to MUR 5045. I also request on behalf of Buchanan for President Inc. an opportunity for pre-probable cause conciliation with respect to MUR 5045.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, do not hesitate to give me a call.

Sincerely,

John J. Duffy

cc: Albert Veldhuyzen, Esq.

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