



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

July 31, 2000

**CERTIFIED MAIL**  
**RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Andrew Tobias, Treasurer  
Democratic National Committee  
430 South Capitol Street, S.E.  
Washington, DC 20003

RE: MUR 5046

Dear Mr. Tobias:

On July 11, 2000, the Federal Election Commission found reason to believe that the Democratic National Committee (the "DNC") and you, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(4)(H)(iv), which is a provision of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, by failing to report expenditures for the 1996 Clinton/Gore Primary Committee dinner at the Sheraton New York Hotel & Towers on February 15, 1996 made pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 441a(d). However, after considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission also determined to take no further action against the DNC provided that the DNC amends its disclosure report to reflect those expenses as Section 441a(d) expenses. The First General Counsel's Report, which formed a basis for the Commission's finding, is attached for your information.

The Commission reminds you that disclosure reports shall include disbursements made under 2 U.S.C. § 441a(d). 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(4)(H)(iv). You should take steps to ensure that those type of disbursements are reported in the future.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12)(A), unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the matter to be made public.

21-04-399-14980

If you have any questions, please contact Delbert K. Rigsby, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Darryl R. Wold".

Darryl R. Wold  
Chairman

Enclosure  
First General Counsel's Report

21-04-399-4981