

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) MUR 7587
 Bernard Sanders; Bernie 2016 and Susan)
 Jackson in her official capacity as)
 treasurer; Bernie 2020 and Lora Haggard)
 in her official capacity as treasurer; Erika)
 Andiola; Maria Belen Sisa; Cesar Vargas)

CERTIFICATION

I, Viktoria J. Allen, recording secretary of the Federal Election Commission executive session, do hereby certify that on February 23, 2021, the Commission took the following actions in the above-captioned matter:

1. Failed by a vote of 2-2 to:
 - a. Find reason to believe that Senator Bernard Sanders, Bernie 2016 and Susan Jackson in her official capacity as treasurer, and Bernie 2020 and Lora Haggard in her official capacity as treasurer violate 52 U.S.C. § 30121 and 11 C.F.R. § 110.20(g) and (i).
 - b. Dismiss the allegation that Erika Andiola, Cesar Vargas, and Maria Belén Sisa violated 52 U.S.C. § 30121 by making a prohibited foreign national contribution by working for the Sanders campaign.
 - c. Dismiss the allegation that Maria Belén Sisa and Bernie 2016 and Susan Jackson in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30121 by making and accepting \$35 in foreign national contributions.
 - d. Enter pre-probable cause conciliation with Senator Bernard Sanders, Bernie 2016 and Susan Jackson in her official capacity as treasurer, and Bernie 2020 and Lora Haggard in her official capacity as treasurer.

- e. Approve the conciliation agreement, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated November 1, 2019.
- f. Approve the Factual and Legal Analyses, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated November 1, 2019.
- g. Approve the appropriate letters.
- h. Close the file as to Erika Andiola, Cesar Vargas, and Maria Belén Sisa.

Commissioners Broussard and Cooksey voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioners Dickerson and Trainor dissented. Commissioner Walther was not present and did not vote. Commissioner Weintraub was recused and did not vote.

2. Failed by a vote of 3-1 to:

Find reason to believe that Senator Bernard Sanders, Bernie 2016 and Susan Jackson in her official capacity as treasurer, and Bernie 2020 and Lora Haggard in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30121 and 11 C.F.R. § 110.20(g) and (i).

Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, and Dickerson voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioner Trainor dissented. Commissioner Walther was not present and did not vote.

Commissioner Weintraub was recused and did not vote.

3. Decided by a vote of 5-0 to:

Dismiss the allegation that Erika Andiola, Cesar Vargas, and Maria Belén Sisa violated 52 U.S.C. § 30121 by making a prohibited foreign national contribution by working for the Sanders campaign.

Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, and Walther voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Weintraub was recused and did not vote.

4. Decided by a vote of 5-0 to:

Dismiss the allegation that Maria Belén Sisa and Bernie 2016 and Susan Jackson in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30121 by making and accepting \$35 in foreign national

contributions, and send an admonishment letter as amended at the table.

Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, and Walther voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Weintraub was recused and did not vote.

5. Decided by a vote of 5-0 to:

- a. Approve the appropriate letters.
- b. Close the file as to Erika Andiola, Cesar Vargas, and Maria Belén Sisa.

Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, and Walther voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Weintraub was recused and did not vote.

Attest:



April 7, 2021
Date

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Vicktoria J. Allen
Acting Deputy Secretary of the
Commission