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RE: MUR 7637
National Rifle Association Institute
for Legislative Action, *et al.*

Dear Mr. Torchinsky and Mr. Bayes:

On August 21, 2019, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients, the National Rifle Association Institute for Legislative Action and the National Rifle Association Political Victory Fund and Robert G. Owens in his official capacity as treasurer, of a complaint alleging that your clients violated 52 U.S.C. § 30121(a) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, and 11 C.F.R. § 110.20(g) of the Commission's regulations by knowingly soliciting, accepting, or receiving a prohibited foreign national contribution or donation in connection with an election, and violated 11 C.F.R. § 110.20(h) of the Commission's regulations by knowingly providing substantial assistance in the making or receipt of a prohibited foreign national contribution or donation. On February 9, 2021, the Commission considered the matter but was equally divided on whether to dismiss the allegations against your clients. Accordingly, the Commission decided to close its file in this matter.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. *See* Disclosure of Certain Documents in Enforcement and Other Matters, 81 Fed. Reg. 50,702 (Aug. 2, 2016), effective September 1, 2016.

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Conley, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1475 or lconley@fec.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Claudio Pavia".

Claudio J. Pavia
Acting Assistant General Counsel