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FEC RELEASES NEW COMPUTER PRINT-OUT ON CONTRIBUTION DATA

WASHINGTON - OCTOBER 22 - The Federal Election Commission today released two new computer print-out summaries of contributions to federal candidates: (1) a 400 page alphabetical listing of major contributors to the Carter and Ford primary campaigns; and (2) a listing of all contributions made to federal candidates by 52 of the largest non-party political committees.

This is the second series of summary reports made available through the FEC's new computer system. Last month, the FEC released a Presidential candidate index showing all reports filed and summarizing total contribution and expenditure figures.

FEC Chairman Vernon Thomson said, "The contribution data we can compile in a single computer print-out, such as the two we are releasing today, will save hours of time for persons desiring to analyze federal campaign finance reports. Through our computer system, we hope to have all contribution and expenditure data instantly at everybody's fingertips."

Details of the computer contribution summaries released today follow:

(1) CARTER/FORD PRIMARY ELECTION CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY:

The FEC report lists by contributor name and amount the more than 10,000 contributions of \$500 or more to the Carter and Ford primary election campaigns. This totals approximately \$8 million. This is broken down as approximately 5700 donors giving approximately \$4 1/2 million to Ford, and approximately 4300 donors giving approximately \$3 1/2 million to Carter, all in amounts of \$500 or more. These figures do not include donors who made several contributions under \$500, even though the total of all such contributions may have exceeded \$500.

Contribution refunds reported by the campaigns through the October 10 reports are included in the report. The FEC report cautioned that (1) Refunds made by the campaigns but not reported in time to be included in this report, or (2) incomplete information about separate contributors who may appear in the report to be the same person, may be among the legitimate explanations for contributions that could appear on the face of the index to represent possible violations of the \$1,000 contribution limit per election.

The contribution data is compiled from reports filed by the campaigns through the October 10 reports.

(2) POLITICAL COMMITTEE CONTRIBUTION LISTS

The political committee list represents the initial release of contribution summaries of political committees not connected with a political party. The FEC staff identified 125 political committees reporting expenditures of \$50,000 or more through the September 10 Report. Contribution data on the first half of these committees is being released today. The second half will be released as soon as they are available.

The index lists the total primary, general and special election contributions for each Presidential, Senate and House candidate, made by each political committee.

NOTE: AN ALPHABETICAL LISTING OF THE 50 COMMITTEES IS ON THE BACK OF THIS RELEASE.

NOTE: THIS LIST DOES NOT REPRESENT THE 50 LARGEST COMMITTEES, ONLY THE FIRST FIFTY SUMMARIES MADE AVAILABLE.

NAMES OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE INDEXES CURRENTLY AVAILABLE

Action Committee for Rural Electrification (ACRE)
 Active Ballot Club, A Dept. of the Retail Clerks Int'l. Assoc.
 AFL-CIO COPE Political Contributions Committee
 Agricultural and Dairy Educational Political Trust
 Alaska Alive Voluntary Committee
 Amalgamated Political Education Committee
 AMCOPE
 American Conservative Union
 American Dental Political Action Committee
 American Family Political Action Committee (AF-PAC)
 American Medical Political Action Committee
 American Optometric Association Political Action Committee
 Association for Better Citizenship
 Attorneys Congressional Campaign Trust
 Automobile and Truck Dealers Election Action Committee
 Bread Political Action Committee
 Brooklyn Longshoremen's Political Action and Education Fund
 Burlington Northern Employees Voluntary Good Government Fund
 Business-Industry Political Action Committee
 California Dental Political Action Committee
 California Medical Political Action Committee
 Coal Miners Political Action Contribution Committee
 Colt Industries Voluntary Political Committee
 Committee for Action
 COPE/CWA Political Contributions Committee
 District 2 MEBA-AMO, AFL/CIO Voluntary Political Action Fund
 Employee Rights Campaign Committee
 Florida Dental Political Action Committee
 General Telephone of California Employee's Good Government Club
 Gun Owners of America Campaign Committee '76. (TARGET '76)
 Hughes Active Citizenship Fund
 ILGWU Campaign Committee
 Independent Minnesota Political Action Committee for Education
 Laborer's Political League
 Litton Employees PAC (LEPAC)
 LTV Corporation/Vought Corporation Active Citizenship Campaign Fund
 Machanists Non-Partisan Political League
 Maryland Medical Political Action Committee
 Masters, Mates & Pilots Pensioners, Action Fund
 National Agents Political Action Committee (NAPAC)
 National Conservative Political Action Committee
 National Education Association Political Action Committee
 Non-Partisan Political Support Committee
 North Western Officers Trust Account
 Pennsylvania Medical Political Action Committee
 Podiatry Political Action Committee
 Texas Medical Political Action Committee
 Transportation Political Education League
 Trust for Special Political Agricultural Education
 United Steelworkers of America Fund
 VOTE/COPE Committee on Political Education
 Young America's Campaign Committee