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FEC RELEASES POLITICAL PARTY SPENDING FIGURES THROUGH OCTOBER 17, 1984

WASHINGTON — The Democratic Party has narrowed a long-standing financial gap with their activity in the 1983-84 election cycle, but the Republican Party remains far ahead, both in receipts and expenditures, according to new figures released by the Federal Election Commission.

While nationwide political party activity through June 30 showed the gap narrowing between the parties, the financial activity of the national-level committees alone through October 17 reveals the Republican Party holds a 4 to 1 lead in both receipts and expenditures - down from a 5 to 1 lead in the full 1981-82 election cycle.

From January 1, 1983, through mid-October 1984, according to FEC compilations, the national-level committees of the Republican Party have raised \$225.4 million and have spent \$217.6 million. The national committees of the Democratic Party have raised \$57.3 million and have spent \$54.4 million. Once state and local political party activity is included in the totals, the disparity may change. However, those figures are not yet available.

The activity of the national-level committees of each of the major parties is detailed on the following page showing activity for several periods - from January 1, 1983, through June 30, 1984; from July 1 through September 30, for the first half of October and for the election cycle to-date (January 1, 1983 - October 17, 1984.)

The figures show that as of October 17, 1984, the Republican Party at the national level had contributed \$3.8 million to candidates and had spent an additional \$14.3 million on their behalf in general election campaigns. (These "coordinated expenditures" are monies spent by the parties on behalf of their candidates in the general election and are in addition to contributions made directly to candidates' campaigns.) The Democratic Party national-level committees had contributed \$1.2 million and spent \$4.6 million on behalf of candidates through the same mid-October date. These figures show the national committees of the Republican Party have a 3 to 1 lead over their Democratic counterparts in direct candidate support activity.

The FEC has also released a detailed 18-month study of campaign finance activity by political party committees. The study shows that Republican Party committees at all levels had raised \$207.7 million and spent \$171.0 million from January 1, 1983, through June 30, 1984. The Democratic Party had raised \$59.7 million and spent \$52.1 million through the same time period.

The figures mean that for every dollar raised by Democrats, the Republicans raised \$3.50; and for every Democratic dollar spent, the Republicans spent \$3.30. In 1981-82, Republican fundraising was 6½ times higher than Democratic fundraising; their spending was 5½ times higher than the Democrats'. In 1979-80, both fundraising and spending by Republicans were 5½ times as much as Democrats for 18-months of activity.

Listed below are comparable 18-month figures for national, state and local political party activity for 4 election cycles. As the figures show, for the first 18-months of the 1984 election cycle, as compared to the same period in 1982, Democratic receipts have increased 141%; Republican receipts, by 29%. Democratic spending is up by 115%; Republican spending has increased only 28%.

		<u>Raised</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Cash-on-Hand</u>
1983-84	Democrats	\$ 59.7	\$ 52.1	\$ 9.8
	Republicans	\$207.7	\$171.1	\$ 44.6
1981-82	Democrats	\$ 24.8	\$ 24.2	\$ 3.0
	Republicans	\$161.2	\$134.1	\$ 33.8
1979-80	Democrats	\$ 17.5	\$ 15.5	\$ 2.7
	Republicans	\$ 96.1	\$ 83.1	\$ 17.9
1977-78	Democrats	\$ 14.4	\$ 13.6	\$ 2.0
	Republicans	\$ 49.6	\$ 42.4	\$ 8.5

(Figures are in millions of dollars.)

The FEC figures also show that for the same 18-month period, the Democratic Party received four times as much money from PAC's as did the Republican Party; however, PAC contributions to the parties still remain low - \$5 million, or 3.3% of total PAC spending.

The Republican Party continues to lead the Democratic Party in contributions from individuals, raising 5½ times more money in this category, or \$180.6 million compared with the Democrats' \$33 million. (18-month figures.)

The FEC Report on Financial Activity, 1983-84, Interim Report No. 8: Party and Non-Party Political Committees is a four-volume set. Copies may be purchased from the FEC Office of Public Records for \$15 per volume. Payment in advance is required and checks should be made payable to the Federal Election Commission.

1983-1984
Financial Activity
National-level Committees
Major Political Parties

	January 1, 1983 through June 30, 1984	July 1, 1984 through Sept. 30, 1984	October 1, 1984 through October 17, 1984	Total January 1, 1983 through October 17, 1984
DNC SERVICES CORP				
Receipts	\$ 29,765,113	\$ 5,990,811	\$ 4,071,708	\$ 39,827,632
Disbursements	29,561,741	5,856,638	2,920,942	38,339,321
Contributions	14,000	23,750	20,000	57,750
Coord. Exp.	9,480	151,802	785,825	947,107
DSCC				
Receipts	\$ 5,498,475	\$ 1,857,223	\$ 874,178	\$ 8,229,876
Disbursements	3,671,675	2,323,379	1,350,501	7,345,555
Contributions	329,050	78,500	2,500	410,050
Coord. Exp.	407,318	1,498,985	1,184,939	3,091,242
DCCC				
Receipts	\$ 7,441,121	\$ 1,546,631	\$ 290,872	\$ 9,278,624
Disbursements	6,616,716	1,767,692	359,434	8,743,842
Contributions	298,999	389,211	54,507	742,717
Coord. Exp.	444	313,746	235,925	550,115
TOTAL DEMOCRATIC				
Receipts	\$ 42,704,709	\$ 9,394,665	\$ 5,236,758	\$ 57,336,132
Disbursements	39,850,132	9,947,709	4,630,877	54,428,718
Contributions	642,049	491,461	77,007	1,210,517
Coord. Exp.	417,242	1,964,533	2,206,689	4,588,464
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RNC				
Receipts	\$ 75,232,100	\$ 19,273,132	\$ 3,078,521	\$ 97,583,753
Disbursements	64,436,824	20,396,712	7,875,099	92,708,635
Contributions	232,730	445,195	98,500	776,425
Coord. Exp.	5,774	2,616,235	2,555,562	5,177,571
NRSC				
Receipts	\$ 60,084,572	\$ 11,866,264	\$ 1,595,219	\$ 73,546,055
Disbursements	51,272,959	15,563,425	4,612,777	71,449,161
Contributions	504,023	37,269	23,564	564,856
Coord. Exp.	925,357	3,069,658	1,086,087	5,081,102
NRCC				
Receipts	\$ 41,964,626	\$ 10,001,310	\$ 2,270,449	\$ 54,236,385
Disbursements	32,329,398	17,547,628	3,606,229	53,483,255
Contributions	1,304,370	997,700	164,160	2,466,539
Coord. Exp.	140,134	1,898,377	1,954,311	3,992,822
TOTAL REPUBLICAN				
Receipts	\$ 177,281,298	\$ 41,140,706	\$ 6,944,189	\$ 225,366,193
Disbursements	148,039,181	53,507,765	16,094,105	217,641,051
Contributions	2,041,132	1,480,164	286,524	3,807,820
Coord. Exp.	1,071,265	7,584,270	5,595,960	14,251,495

MAJOR POLITICAL PARTY FINANCIAL ACTIVITY 1983-84 (JANUARY 1, 1983 - JUNE 30, 1984)

Committee 1/	# Cmte	Total Receipts		Net Receipts (minus Transfers)		Total Disbursements		Net Disbursements (minus Transfers)		Latest 2/	Owed to	Debts Owed by	PAC Contributions	Total Individual Contributions
		(as reported)	(as reported)	(as reported)	(as reported)	(as reported)	(as reported)	(as reported)	(as reported)					
DNC Services Corp.	1	\$ 29,765,113	\$ 29,765,113	\$ 29,564,726	\$ 29,561,741	\$ 476,396	\$ 0	\$ 5,173,236	\$ 1,015,967				\$ 1,015,967	\$ 17,088,837
Dem. Sen. Camp. Cmte.	1	\$ 5,498,475	\$ 5,498,475	\$ 3,671,675	\$ 3,671,675	\$ 1,850,655	\$ 0	\$ 88,492	\$ 1,188,451				\$ 1,188,451	\$ 2,766,223
Dem. Cong. Camp. Cmte	1	\$ 7,441,121	\$ 7,441,121	\$ 6,616,716	\$ 6,616,716	\$ 939,370	\$ 0	\$ 229,101	\$ 1,165,405				\$ 1,165,405	\$ 4,687,097
Assoc. State Chair.	1	\$ 3,530,757	\$ 3,530,757	\$ 3,761,512	\$ 3,761,512	\$ 386,701	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0				\$ 0	\$ 3,505,912
Subtotal 3/	4	\$ 46,235,466	\$ 46,235,466	\$ 43,614,629	\$ 43,611,644	\$ 3,653,122	\$ 0	\$ 5,490,829	\$ 3,369,823				\$ 3,369,823	\$ 28,048,069
Pres. Convention	1	\$ 6,062,131	\$ 6,062,131	\$ 1,638,871	\$ 1,638,871	\$ 4,423,259	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0				\$ 0	\$ 639,068
State & Local	134	\$ 8,132,502	\$ 7,446,726	\$ 6,841,379	\$ 6,828,815	\$ 1,777,556	\$ 53,595	\$ 495,435	\$ 517,460				\$ 517,460	\$ 4,274,842
Grand Total	139	\$ 60,430,099	\$ 59,744,323	\$ 52,094,874	\$ 52,074,330	\$ 9,853,937	\$ 53,595	\$ 5,986,264	\$ 3,887,283				\$ 3,887,283	\$ 32,961,979

Committee 1/	# Cmte	Total Receipts		Net Receipts (minus Transfers)		Total Disbursements		Net Disbursements (minus Transfers)		Latest 2/	Owed to	Debts Owed by	PAC Contributions	Total Individual Contributions
		(as reported)	(as reported)	(as reported)	(as reported)	(as reported)	(as reported)	(as reported)	(as reported)					
Rep. Nat'l Cmte	2	\$ 137,560,600	\$ 75,232,100	\$ 126,765,322	\$ 64,436,824	\$ 11,104,057	\$ 88,613	\$ 0	\$ 471,862				\$ 471,862	\$ 71,927,005
Nat'l Rep. Sen. Cmte	2	\$ 104,570,290	\$ 60,084,572	\$ 95,563,411	\$ 51,272,959	\$ 10,347,886	\$ 588	\$ 1,299,537	\$ 249,118				\$ 249,118	\$ 53,098,450
Nat'l Rep. Cong. Cmte	2	\$ 72,189,626	\$ 41,964,626	\$ 62,254,398	\$ 32,329,398	\$ 14,969,954	\$ 0	\$ 583,845	\$ 208,805				\$ 208,805	\$ 36,626,648
Other Nat'l Cmtes	1	\$ 128,899	\$ 128,899	\$ 119,044	\$ 119,044	\$ 9,858	\$ 500	\$ 94,128	\$ 100				\$ 100	\$ 89,927
Subtotal 3/	7	\$ 314,449,415	\$ 177,410,197	\$ 284,702,175	\$ 148,158,225	\$ 36,431,755	\$ 89,701	\$ 1,977,510	\$ 929,885				\$ 929,885	\$ 161,742,030
Pres. Convention	1	\$ 6,420,208	\$ 6,420,208	\$ 2,240,776	\$ 2,240,776	\$ 4,179,431	\$ 265,314	\$ 281,163	\$ 0				\$ 0	\$ 0
State & Local	338	\$ 24,402,123	\$ 23,892,958	\$ 21,316,992	\$ 20,643,696	\$ 3,956,014	\$ 24,121	\$ 570,591	\$ 95,551				\$ 95,551	\$ 18,892,554
Grand Total	346	\$ 345,271,746	\$ 207,723,363	\$ 308,259,943	\$ 171,042,697	\$ 44,567,200	\$ 379,136	\$ 2,829,264	\$ 1,025,436				\$ 1,025,436	\$ 180,634,584

1/ Categories of committees listed here differ from those in FPG Reports on Financial Activity, 1983-84, Interim Report: Party and Non-Party Political Committees.
 2/ Latest cash-on-hand is as of June 30, 1984, unless committee ceased reporting earlier in the election cycle or has not yet filed all reports.
 3/ Total receipt and disbursement figures (as well as net receipt and disbursement figures) for national level committees are somewhat overstated due to the fact that refunds received are included in totals.

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CONTRIBUTIONS TO CANDIDATES AND EXPENDITURES ON THEIR BEHALF
(JANUARY 1, 1983 - JUNE 30, 1984)

CONTRIBUTOR ^{1/}	CONTRIBUTIONS TO CANDIDATES				EXPENDITURES ON BEHALF OF CANDIDATES			
	Total	Presidential	Senate	House	Total	Presidential	Senate	House
ABC Services Corp.	\$ 14,000	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 14,000	\$ 9,400	\$ 3,974	\$ 506	\$ 5,000
Dem. Sen. Camp. Onite	\$ 329,050	\$ 0	\$ 329,050	\$ 0	\$ 407,310	\$ 0	\$ 407,310	\$ 0
Dem. Cong. Camp. Onite	\$ 298,999	\$ 0	\$ 1,695	\$ 297,304	\$ 444	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 444
Other Nat'l Onites	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Assoc. State Chltr.	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Subtotal	\$ 642,049	\$ 0	\$ 330,745	\$ 311,304	\$ 417,242	\$ 3,974	\$ 407,874	\$ 5,444
Pres. Convention	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Slate & Local	\$ 101,203	\$ 0	\$ 15,850	\$ 85,353	\$ 76,155	\$ 0	\$ 14,600	\$ 61,545
Grand Total	\$ 743,252	\$ 0	\$ 346,595	\$ 396,657	\$ 493,397	\$ 3,974	\$ 422,474	\$ 66,989
CONTRIBUTOR ^{1/}	CONTRIBUTIONS TO CANDIDATES				EXPENDITURES ON BEHALF OF CANDIDATES			
	Total	Presidential	Senate	House	Total	Presidential	Senate	House
Rep. Nat'l Onite	\$ 232,730	\$ 0	\$ 4,500	\$ 228,230	\$ 5,774	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 5,774
Nat'l Rep. Sen. Onite	\$ 504,023	\$ 422	\$ 503,601	\$ 0	\$ 925,357	\$ 0	\$ 925,357	\$ 0
Nat'l Rep. Cong. Onite	\$ 1,304,379	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,304,379	\$ 140,134	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 140,134
Other Nat'l Onites	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Subtotal	\$ 2,041,132	\$ 422	\$ 508,101	\$ 1,532,609	\$ 1,071,265	\$ 0	\$ 925,357	\$ 145,908
Pres. Convention	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Slate & Local	\$ 139,339	\$ 2,000	\$ 28,747	\$ 108,592	\$ 2,919	\$ 0	\$ 1,932	\$ 987
Grand Total	\$ 2,180,471	\$ 2,422	\$ 536,848	\$ 1,641,201	\$ 1,074,184	\$ 0	\$ 927,289	\$ 146,895

^{1/} Categories of committees listed here differ from those in the report on Financial Activity, 1983-84, Interim Report No. 8: Party and Non-Party Political Committees.

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