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FEC FINAL 1984 REPORT SHOWS REPUBLICANS' STILL HOLD FINANCIAL LEAD

WASHINGTON — Final Federal Election Commission figures for the 1983-84 election cycle show that while the Republican Party maintained a three-to-one lead over the Democratic Party in overall financial activity, the Democrats increased their activity by a substantial margin over 1981-82 and 1979-80, when they trailed the Republicans by more than five-to-one.

From January 1, 1983, through December 31, 1984, the Republican Party raised \$297.9 million and spent \$300.8 million, an increase of approximately 40% over 1982 levels. The Party began the cycle with \$7.5 million cash-on-hand.

The Democrats, beginning with only \$1.4 million cash-on-hand, raised \$98.5 million and spent \$97.4 million. This was an increase of 151% in receipts over 1982, and an increase of 143% in spending for the same period.

In direct support of federal candidates for the '84 elections, the Republican Party spent only twice as much as the Democrats. Contributions to Presidential, Senate and House campaigns, as well as general election expenditures on their behalf totalled \$25 million for the Republicans and \$11.6 million for the Democrats. In the 1982 elections, Republican direct support totalled \$20 million, compared to Democratic support of \$5 million - a four-to-one difference.

Contributions made directly to Senate and House campaigns by the Democratic Party increased only slightly in 1984 over 1982 (\$1.8 million compared to \$1.7 million.) However, general election expenditures made by the Party on behalf of its candidates continued the dramatic rise begun in the '82 elections. The Democrats spent \$4.4 million on behalf of Senate campaigns in the fall of 1984, an increase of 83% over 1982 levels. The \$1.8 million spent for House candidates in 1984 was a 129% increase over 1982.

GOP contributions to federal candidates in the 1984 elections dropped by 15%, totalling \$4.9 million compared to \$5.6 million contributed in 1982. While spending twice as much as the Democrats on its general election candidates, the Republican Party actually spent 29% less on Senate campaigns in 1984 than in 1982 (\$6.8 million compared to \$8.7 million), and only increased by 14% its spending on House races (\$6.3 million compared to \$5.5 million.)

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FEC data shows that both parties managed to end the cycle with fewer debts than in the 1982 elections: as of December 31, 1984, Republicans had debts of \$2 million, with cash-on-hand of \$4.9 million; Democrats had debts totalling \$3 million, with \$2.4 million cash-on-hand. In late December 1982, those figures were: Republicans - \$5.3 million debt, \$7.5 million cash-on-hand; Democrats - \$4.1 million debt, \$1.4 million cash-on-hand.

The national committees of the Democratic Party reported receiving \$12 million in loans during the '84 election cycle and made loan repayments totalling \$13 million during the same two-year period, which accounted for approximately 17-18% of their total financial activity. The Republican national committees reported no loan activity.

The Republican Party received a greater percentage of money from individuals, 88%, than the Democratic Party, which received 59% of its funds from individuals. PAC money accounted for 7% of the Democratic Party's receipts and one-half of one percent of Republican Party revenues.

Below are tables listing political party activity for the past four election cycles. The charts on the following pages provide greater detail on the sources of receipts for both parties and the amounts contributed to candidates or spent on their behalf.

	<u>REPUBLICANS</u>				<u>DEMOCRATS</u>			
	<u>83-84</u>	<u>81-82</u>	<u>79-80</u>	<u>77-78</u>	<u>83-84</u>	<u>81-82</u>	<u>79-70</u>	<u>77-78</u>
Raised	\$297.9	\$215.0	\$169.5	\$84.5	\$98.5	\$39.3	\$37.2	\$26.4
Spent	\$300.8	\$214.0	\$161.8	\$85.9	\$97.4	\$40.1	\$35.0	\$26.9
Contributed	\$ 4.9	\$ 5.6	\$ 4.5	\$ 4.5	\$ 2.6	\$ 1.7	\$ 1.7	\$ 1.8
Coord. Exp.	\$ 20.1	\$ 14.3	\$ 12.4	\$ 4.3	\$ 9.0	\$ 3.3	\$ 4.9	\$.4

(figures in millions of dollars)

The full FEC Reports on Financial Activity, 1983-84 Final Report: Party and Non-Party Political Committees is a four-volume set. Volumes may be purchased from the Commission's Office of Public Records, 1325 K St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20463. Telephone: (202) 523-4181, or toll free (800) 424-9530. The cost is \$15 per volume. Questions concerning the material contained in the Report should be directed to the Commission's Press Office at (202) 523-4065, or toll free (800) 424-9530.

MAJOR POLITICAL PARTY FINANCIAL ACTIVITY 1983-84

Committee 1/	#Cmte	Net									
		Total Receipts (as reported)	Net Receipts (minus Transfers)	Total Disbursements (as reported)	Disbursements (minus Transfers)	Latest 2/ Cash-on-Hand	Owed to	Debts Owed by	Contributions From PAC's	Total Individual Contributions	
DNC Services Corp.	1	\$ 46,626,873	\$ 46,626,873	\$ 46,617,481	\$ 46,611,516	\$ 292,543	\$ 0	\$ 2,011,244	\$ 1,437,963	\$ 32,194,486	
Dem. Sen. Camp. Cmte.	1	\$ 8,904,115	\$ 8,904,115	\$ 8,713,726	\$ 8,713,726	\$ 214,246	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,779,116	\$ 5,240,840	
Dem. Cong. Camp. Cmte	1	\$ 10,391,548	\$ 10,391,548	\$ 10,207,965	\$ 10,207,965	\$ 298,548	\$ 0	\$ 298,563	\$ 1,471,719	\$ 6,907,921	
Assoc. State Chair.	1	\$ 5,779,149	\$ 5,779,149	\$ 5,592,802	\$ 5,592,802	\$ 766,847	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 5,755,986	
Subtotal	4	\$ 71,701,685	\$ 71,701,685	\$ 71,131,974	\$ 71,126,009	\$ 1,572,184	\$ 0	\$ 2,309,807	\$ 4,688,798	\$ 50,099,233	
State & Local	1	\$ 8,257,439	\$ 8,257,439	\$ 8,146,319	\$ 8,146,319	\$ 111,120	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 639,068	
State & Local	88	\$ 18,604,205	\$ 18,522,274	\$ 18,254,528	\$ 18,166,202	\$ 767,951	\$ 29,928	\$ 645,827	\$ 1,775,458	\$ 7,552,803	
Grand Total	93	\$ 98,563,329	\$ 98,481,398	\$ 97,532,821	\$ 97,438,530	\$ 2,451,255	\$ 29,928	\$ 2,955,634	\$ 6,464,256	\$ 58,291,104	

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Rep. Nat'l Cmte	2	\$205,738,362	\$105,931,314	\$204,380,419	\$104,573,373	\$ 1,666,721	\$ 81,113	\$ 0	\$ 668,431	\$ 99,877,524	
Nat'l Rep. Sen. Cmte	2	\$165,203,755	\$ 81,655,723	\$166,982,611	\$ 83,642,301	\$ -437,850	\$ 83,225	\$ 414,623	\$ 378,710	\$ 77,007,210	
Nat'l Rep. Cong. Cmte	2	\$117,984,582	\$ 58,304,582	\$121,259,942	\$ 61,729,942	\$ 1,759,369	\$ 0	\$ 10,212	\$ 243,055	\$ 52,266,054	
Other Nat'l Cmtes	1	\$ 220,627	\$ 220,627	\$ 218,130	\$ 218,130	\$ 2,501	\$ 500	\$ 62,632	\$ 200	\$ 161,862	
Subtotal 3/	7	\$489,147,326	\$246,112,246	\$492,841,102	\$250,163,746	\$ 2,990,741	\$ 164,838	\$ 487,467	\$ 1,290,396	\$ 229,312,650	
Pres. Convention	2	\$ 8,672,623	\$ 8,672,623	\$ 8,692,070	\$ 8,692,070	\$ 10,672	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	
State & Local	131	\$ 44,327,938	\$ 43,129,200	\$ 43,332,310	\$ 41,931,619	\$ 1,937,716	\$ 61,781	\$ 1,536,124	\$ 434,513	\$ 32,694,666	
Grand Total	140	\$542,147,887	\$297,914,069	\$544,865,482	\$300,787,435	\$ 4,939,129	\$ 226,619	\$ 2,023,591	\$ 1,724,909	\$ 262,007,316	

- 1/ Categories of committees listed here differ from those in FEC Reports on Financial Activity, 1983-84, Final Report: Party and Non-Party Political Committees.
- 2/ Latest cash-on-hand is as of December 31, 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 include payments received from the sale of goods and services to candidates' campaigns. These payments were reported as offsets to expenditures and as operating expenses. Therefore, they are not included as contributions to candidates or as coordinated expenditures.

MAJOR POLITICAL PARTY FINANCIAL ACTIVITY 1983-84
(January 1, 1983 - December 31, 1984)

CONTRIBUTIONS TO CANDIDATES

DEMOCRATIC PARTY COMMITTEE 1/	CONTRIBUTIONS TO CANDIDATES			
	TOTAL	PRESIDENTIAL	SENATE	HOUSE
SERVICES CORP.	\$ 925,672 *	\$ 820,922 *	\$ 0	\$ 104,750
SEN. CAMP. CMTE.	\$ 420,185	\$ 0	\$ 420,035	\$ 150
CONG. CAMP. CMTE.	\$ 762,767	\$ 0	\$ 1,695	\$ 761,072
D.C. STATE CHAIR.	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SUBTOTAL	\$2,108,624 *	\$ 820,922 *	\$ 421,730	\$ 865,972
S. CONVENTION	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
STATE & LOCAL	\$ 519,120	\$ 8,887	\$ 54,469	\$ 455,764
GRAND TOTAL	\$2,627,744 *	\$ 829,809 *	\$ 476,199	\$1,321,736

EXPENDITURES ON BEHALF OF CANDIDATES

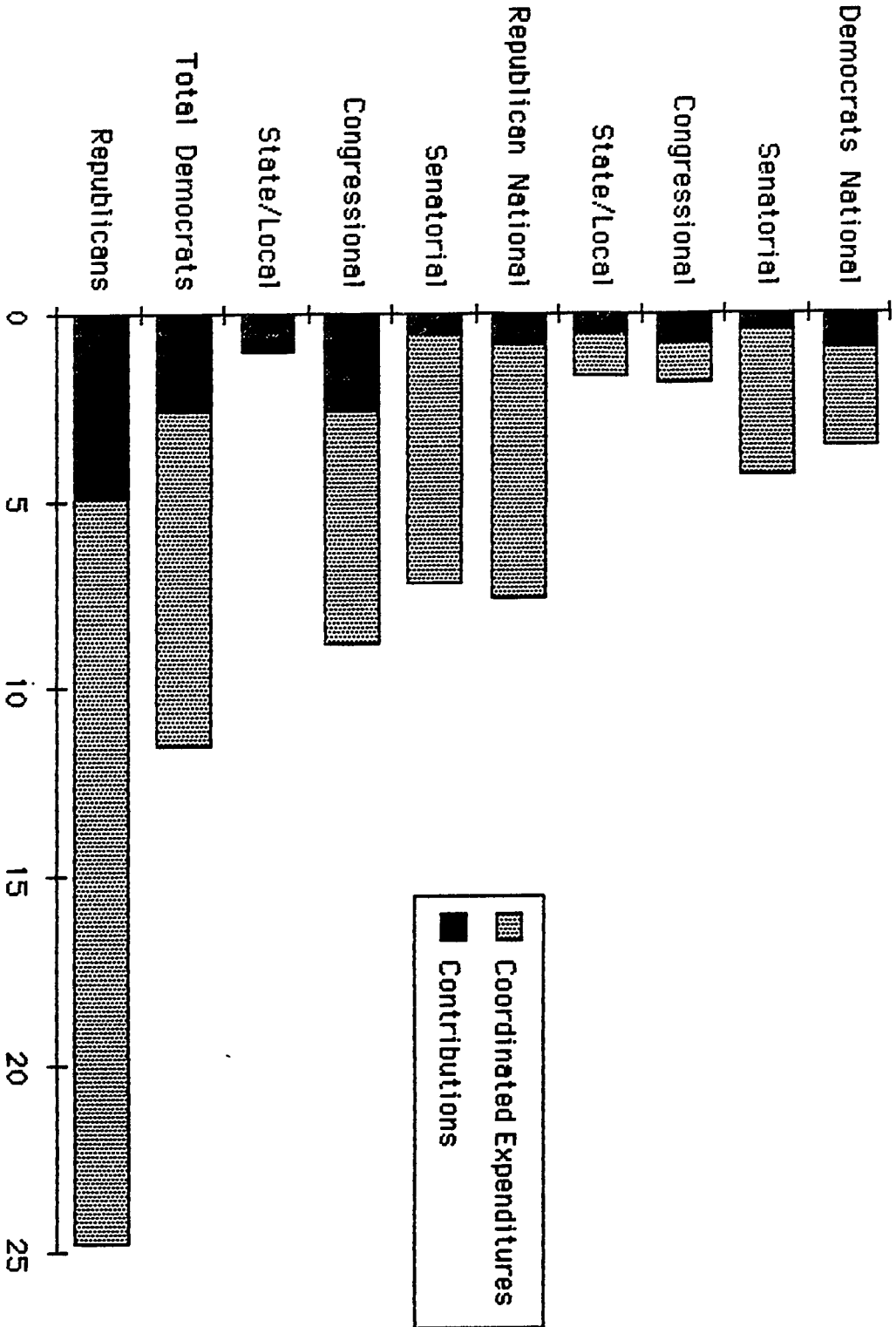
DEMOCRATIC PARTY COMMITTEE 1/	EXPENDITURES ON BEHALF OF CANDIDATES			
	TOTAL	PRESIDENTIAL	SENATE	HOUSE
SERVICES CORP.	\$2,665,184	\$2,659,678	\$ 506	\$ 5,000
SEN. CAMP. CMTE.	\$3,948,650	\$ 0	\$3,948,650	\$ 0
CONG. CAMP. CMTE.	\$1,124,047	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$1,124,047
D.C. STATE CHAIR.	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SUBTOTAL	\$7,737,881	\$2,659,678	\$3,949,156	\$1,129,047
S. CONVENTION	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
STATE & LOCAL	\$1,274,170	\$ 127,629	\$ 455,721	\$ 690,820
GRAND TOTAL	\$9,012,051	\$2,787,307	\$1,404,877	\$1,819,867

REPUBLICAN PARTY COMMITTEE 1/	CONTRIBUTIONS TO CANDIDATES			
	TOTAL	PRESIDENTIAL	SENATE	HOUSE
S. CONVENTION	\$ 848,794	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 848,794
STATE & LOCAL	\$ 563,051	\$ 422	\$ 562,629	\$ 0
REP. SEN. CMTE	\$2,581,579	\$ 0	\$ 753	\$2,580,826
CONG. CAMP. CMTE	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SUBTOTAL	\$3,993,424	\$ 422	\$ 563,382	\$3,429,620
S. CONVENTION	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
STATE & LOCAL	\$ 887,109	\$ 5,263	\$ 103,984	\$ 777,862
GRAND TOTAL	\$4,880,553	\$ 5,685	\$ 667,366	\$4,207,482

REPUBLICAN PARTY COMMITTEE 1/	EXPENDITURES ON BEHALF OF CANDIDATES			
	TOTAL	PRESIDENTIAL	SENATE	HOUSE
S. CONVENTION	\$ 6,817,810	\$6,811,061	\$ 0	\$ 6,749
STATE & LOCAL	\$ 6,732,151	\$ 0	\$6,732,151	\$ 0
REP. SEN. CMTE	\$ 6,264,062	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$6,264,062
CONG. CAMP. CMTE	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SUBTOTAL	\$19,814,023	\$6,811,061	\$6,732,151	\$6,270,811
S. CONVENTION	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
STATE & LOCAL	\$ 269,291	\$ 200,377	\$ 30,771	\$ 38,143
GRAND TOTAL	\$20,083,314	\$7,011,438	\$5,762,922	\$6,308,954

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* \$820,922 represents proceeds from joint fundraising activity for various presidential campaigns.

Party Committee Support of Federal Candidates



Millions of Dollars

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