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MEMO TO EDITORS AND CORRESPONDENTS

WASHINGTON, D.C. REGIONAL SEMINAR

The Federal Election Commission is holding a seminar in Washington, D.C. to help explain the new Federal campaign finance laws to multi-candidate committees formed by corporations, labor unions, and other organizations.

The seminar is part of a series of 14 such "Regional Seminars" held by the FEC across the country, 3 of which deal specifically with multi-candidate committees.

The Commission held its first series of Regional Seminars in January, February, and March in 19 cities across the country, including four held in Washington, D.C. FEC Commissioner Thomas Harris said, "Our first sessions in Washington indicated interest in more information on multi-candidate committees, and that is why we are holding a specialized seminar here."

Details for the Washington seminar are as follows:

DATE: Friday, June 11, 1976

TIME: 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

LOCATION: Marvin Center
George Washington University
800 - 21st Street, N.W.

PARTICIPANTS: FEC Commissioner Thomas Harris (biography enclosed), and representatives of the FEC legal, auditing, and information departments.

FORMAT: Throughout the day, there will be formal presentations and opportunities for question and answer periods. Topics to be taken up include:

- Statutory definition of a multi-candidate committee
- Registration of multi-candidate committees
- Contribution limits and reporting requirements
- Fund-raising procedures and record-keeping
- Special problems of political party committees

NOTE: SPECIAL PRESS BRIEFING: At 1:30 pm, a special briefing will be held for political correspondents and editorial writers to answer any questions they may have about the new federal campaign laws and the FEC.

If you have any question about the Regional Seminars, or the FEC, please contact David Fiske or Susan Tifft at FEC offices in Washington (202) 382-4112.