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FEC RELEASES UP-DATED INDEX  
OF INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURES

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WASHINGTON - OCTOBER 27 - An index released by the Federal Election Commission today reveals that over \$1.3 million has been spent as "independent expenditures" for or against 65 Federal candidates in the 1976 elections.

The 12-page index, itemizing "independent expenditures" by candidate, was compiled by the FEC from reports filed with it through the October 10 quarterly report.

The index shows that 324 separate individuals, political committees, or other groups of individuals reported making \$1,215,139 in independent expenditures and \$102,907 in independent contributions. Seventy percent (70%) or \$923,562, of the independent expenditures and contributions reported exceeded \$10,000.

"Independent expenditures," which are expenditures "expressly advocating the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate" may not be made in cooperation with a candidate, and are reported separately by the expending person.

Details from the report include the following:

Those candidates on whose behalf there have been the greatest amount of independent expenditure activity are:

<u>CANDIDATE</u>	<u>INDEPENDENT CONTRIBUTION</u>	<u>INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1. Ronald Reagan	\$21,262	\$608,932	\$630,194
2. Gerald Ford	\$ 1,200	\$179,751	\$180,951
3. Hubert Humphrey		\$ 75,093	\$ 75,093
4. Henry M. Jackson		\$ 66,821	\$ 66,821
5. Lloyd Bentsen		\$ 58,796	\$ 58,796
6. Jimmy Carter		\$ 45,642	\$ 45,642
7. Jerry Litton		\$ 26,820	\$ 26,820
8. Frank Church		\$ 26,056	\$ 26,056
9. Joseph Tydings		\$ 25,421*(in opposition to)	\$ 25,421*
10. Birch Bayh		\$ 23,014	\$ 23,014

The individuals, groups and political committees making the greatest independent expenditures and contributions are:

<u>PERSON</u>	<u>CANDIDATE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1. American Conservative Union	Ronald Reagan	\$173,496
2. Friends for Reagan Committee	Ronald Reagan	\$ 63,655
3. Henry C. (Hank) Grover	Ronald Reagan	\$ 63,000
4. Humphry for President Committee	Hubert Humphrey	\$ 56,895
5. Texas Friends of Ronald Reagan	Ronald Reagan	\$ 47,224
6. Edward P. Dowd	Frank Church and Jerry Litton	\$ 34,728
7. Ford for President - California	Gerald Ford	\$ 33,877
8. Joseph Coors	Ronald Reagan	\$ 33,410
9. Friends of the First Family	Gerald Ford	\$ 32,500
10. Labor for Jackson	Henry Jackson	\$ 28,460
11. Sheetmetal Workers' Intl. Assoc. PAL	Henry Jackson	\$ 27,824
12. UAW-V-CAP	Carter, Metzbaum, Keys	\$ 27,074
13. Houston Area Delegates for Reagan	Ronald Reagan	\$ 25,421
14. Citizens Against Tydings	Joseph Tydings * (in opposition to)	\$ 22,353
15. Delegates for Reagan Comm. Ft. Worth Texas	Ronald Reagan	\$ 21,229
16. Ronald Reagan Delegate Comm. Dallas Tx.	Ronald Reagan	\$ 21,164
17. Bentsen in the 16th Committee	Lloyd Bentsen	\$ 20,730
18. Labor for Bayh Committee	Birch Bayh	