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GOP COMMITTEES LEAD IN FUNDRAISING

WASHINGTON -- Republican national party committees raised nine times as much as their Democratic counterparts during the first fifteen months of the 1982 election cycle according to information on file with the Federal Election Commission.

Republicans also outspent Democrats by more than seven-to-one.

The financial information was filed by the following national committees:

Republican National Committee (RNC)
National Republican Senatorial Committee (NRSC)
National Republican Congressional Committee (NRCC)

DNC Services Corp. (DNC)
Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)
Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC)

Adjustments have been made for transfers between these committees. The financial status of other national, state and local party committees is not yet available.

The Republicans began the fifteen-month period January 1, 1981, with \$5.5 million cash-on-hand. The Democrats had, at that time, almost \$600,000.

Throughout the period, the Republicans raised approximately \$120 million, spent \$91 million, had a cash reserve of \$34 million as of March 31, 1982, and owed approximately \$600,000.

In contrast, the Democrats both raised and spent \$13 million during the same fifteen-month period, ending with slightly less than \$1 million in cash-on-hand at the beginning of April and owing \$2.3 million.

The best information available is through March 31, 1982, due to the differing filing patterns of the six committees.

The two national party committees and the Senate and House committees compare as follows (figures are approximate and in millions of dollars):

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Cash-on-Hand</u>
RNC	\$ 54.0	\$ 45.3	\$ 10.2
DNC	8.9	8.8	.6
NRSC (Senatorial)	26.4	21.3	5.2
DSCC "	1.3	1.3	.2
NRCC (House)	39.6	24.7	18.0
DCCC "	2.8	2.7	.2

According to reports on file at the FEC, few contributions have been made to federal candidates in the non-election year and Spring of 1982, by these six committees. Limited coordinated expenditures were made in conjunction with special elections held in 1981 and payment of debts for 1980 Presidential campaigns.

Additional information on the financial activity of the six national committees will be provided as available after the parties file their second quarter reports for 1982.