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June 3, 1974

Mr. Frederick C. N. Littleton
Senior Vice President and Secretary
The Fidelity Bank
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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19109

Dear Mr. Littleton:

We very much appreciated the opportunity to meet with you and to discuss the Committee's activities and the specific request for information which we wished to direct to the Fidelity Bank.

We are in receipt of your letter of May 23, 1974 containing your response to our preliminary inquiries.

It is apparent to us, after reviewing the information which you have supplied, that additional information will be necessary so that the Committee may properly evaluate the loans which we discussed and the context in which they were made.

Accordingly, we request that you make available to the Committee, copies of all loan agreements between your bank and any political committee operating on behalf of or authorized by Milton J. Shapp and/or Ernest Kline. In addition, we request copies of all supporting bank materials prepared pursuant to requests for such loans, as well as any materials or documents prepared upon repayment and termination of these accounts. This data should, of course, include any and all documents indicating the date, time and method of repayment of these loans.

It will be imperative, in addition, that the Committee know what action, if any, the holders of the certificates of deposit proffered as collateral for such loans took to indicate the status of the certificates of deposit as collateral.

Specifically, the Committee must know if the bank took physical possession of the certificates and if the bank did, in fact, file a financing statement making known its lien against the certificates of deposit with either the Secretary of the Commonwealth or the Prothonotary of the Philadelphia Common Pleas Court.

We are appreciative, of course, that the compilation of this data may require some expenditure of time in its preparation. Accordingly, we request only that these materials be in the possession of special counsel to the Committee via either messenger or certified mail by June 17, 1974 at 11:00 A.M.

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Please be assured that we are most appreciative of your cooperation and look forward to working with you throughout the course of the Committee's investigation.

Cordially,

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