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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Commission
FROM: Joan D. Aikens *JDA*
Commissioner
SUBJECT: Amended Language - AO 1996-11

Attached please find proposed amended language for Advisory Opinion 1996-11 for the Open Session meeting of May 16th.

Please call my office if you have any questions.

Attachment a/s

SUBMITTED LATE .
AGENDA ITEM
For Meeting of: 5-16-96

First, all communications by NRL and any person on its behalf, the candidates themselves, the candidates' staff members, representatives and agents must not expressly advocate the nomination, election or defeat of any candidate. 4/ However, anyone introducing the speakers may briefly note the fact that the speaker is a candidate. 5/ *not done*

4/ Same as Footnote 4/ in Agenda Document #96-54

5/ For example, the introduction may indicate that the speaker "is a candidate for President," but may not describe the speaker as "the next President," or "a strong pro-life supporter who will be our pro-life President," or state that "we need to keep Congressmen like him in Congress." These examples are also applicable to a subsequent press conference conducted by NRL during the convention.

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With respect to the NRL-sponsored press conference to be held at or near the convention site before, during or after the convention, the Commission concludes that the candidate speakers may participate in the press conference to discuss pro-life issues and may be identified as candidates so long as NRL does not endorse the candidates during the press conference.