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May 17, 1991

Peggy J.P. McCoo  
Commissioner ANC 4-C  
4020 8th street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20011-7942

Re: Use of ANC funds to pay for a two-day  
communications training program for ANC  
Commissioners

Dear Commissioner McCoo:

This is in response to your May 6, 1991 memorandum to me concerning my March 13, 1991 memorandum to Virgil Thompson on the subject of whether an Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) may lawfully expend ANC funds to pay for a two-day communications training program for its Commissioners.

You ask for a description of the nature of the communications training program that was addressed in the March 13, 1991 memorandum. That program was described as follows in a letter, dated January 7, 1991, from ANC S-C Commissioner Caroline E. Wills to Mayor Dixon:

This letter is to request your support and endorsement for a two-day communication training program for elected officials of the District, including city administrators and community and business leaders. The training is being spearheaded by Commissioner Caroline E. Wills, Advisory Neighborhood Commission SCOS, for the intended purpose of bringing together individuals who are responsible, by mandate of the people, for fulfilling their commitment for excellence and achievement in City management and service delivery.

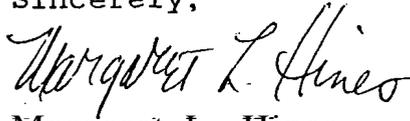
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...The two day communication program will provide the impetus for government officials under the current circumstances to deliver on their promises and to guarantee results out of a personal stand for

excellence, quality and achievement. Further, the training will allow individuals to invent possibilities where they can commit to tasks and assume full responsibility for their commitments.

An outline of this program was sent to the Mayor with Commissioner Wills' letter. A copy of that outline is enclosed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Margaret L. Hines". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M".

Margaret L. Hines  
Deputy Corporation Counsel, D.C.  
Legal Counsel Division

Enclosure