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June 30, 1966

Dr. Martin L. King, Jr.
President
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
S. C. O. P. E.
330 Auburn Avenue, Northeast
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Dr. King:

Enclosed is a report on the fiscal transactions of The Southern Christian Leadership Conference-Summer Community Organization of Political Education hereinafter referred to as S. C. O. P. E. The results shown in our report and attached schedules represent summaries of information made available for the audit. The classification of this information was based on data obtained from the checks, check stubs and vouchers submitted.

To the best of our knowledge, the S.C.O.P.E. operation began in April, 1965 and operated primarily during the summer. However, some expenditures were made continuously into 1966. At the beginning of the project, vouchers were submitted to S.C.L.C. indicating the purpose and amount of funds needed. S.C.L.C. would make the check payable to the designated individuals.

On May 3, 1965 an account was opened with The Citizens and Southern National Bank in Atlanta, Georgia. The number of the account referred to above is 075-00-580. When this account had been opened, the checks were written by Southern Christian Leadership Conference to S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E. These checks were generally issued per written request and quite often the request would represent several different things. This check would be deposited in the account at Citizens and Southern National Bank and the various checks would be drawn. All checks inspected were signed by Mr. H. L. Williams or Miss Barbara Williams.

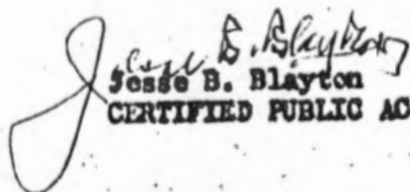
The nature and purpose of this engagement and the data presented for examination were such that a formal opinion of financial position of the S.C.O.P.E. Project could not be rendered. However, we have examined the attached schedules of cash receipts and disbursements for the period beginning April 1, 1965 and ending February 28, 1966. Except for checks and/or debit memos not submitted, we have classified all expenditures on this account.

For this engagement, we were given certain petty cash vouchers, travel vouchers and other informal receipts submitted by field workers. These were sampled and as far as we could determine were valid. We satisfied ourselves that vouchers were not submitted for all expen-

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ditures to field workers or expenses of the field offices. Consequently, we have submitted our report without trying to tie the vouchers to specific invoices. We felt that such an undertaking would be impracticable and certainly would not justify the time and expense required.

Respectfully submitted,


Jesse B. Blayton
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
S. C. O. P. E.
SCHEDULE OF DEPOSITS

EXHIBIT A

Date 1965		Amount
May	3	\$ 800.00
June	3	6,967.74
	17	5.00
	21	59,413.43
	21	20.00
	23	10,719.77
July	2	1.56
	2	5,785.52
	2	5,947.76
	6	121.00
	6	8,200.00
	8	11,437.00
	8	100.50
	12	211.00
	16	5,087.00
	26	2,500.00
	26	2,795.16
	26	15,773.59
	28	4,443.54
	29	2,880.92
August	3	188.92
	3	4,432.63
	6	1,189.27
	6	2,448.74
	9	1,196.36
	10	1,787.57
	10	5,066.68
	30	2,285.69
	31	397.08
September	28	2,489.90
October	27	1,649.31
November	11	200.75
December	30	5.82
	30	<u>730.56</u>
Total		\$ 167,280.77
Redeposits Per List Submitted		<u>3,463.80</u>
Net Deposits		\$ <u>163,816.97</u>

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
S. C. O. P. E.
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES

EXHIBIT B

SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS DISBURSED PER REQUISITIONS

Equipment Purchased		\$ 55,342.62
Field Office Expenses		56,045.89
Meals and Subsistence		38,662.62
Recruiting		28,291.46
Transportation		14,729.95
Cost of Printing		4,929.76
Office Expense		6,963.27
Improvements	\$ 1,288.19	
General Expenses	<u>975.65</u>	
		2,263.84
Expenditure To Petty Cash		2,126.91
Publicity		3,988.75
General Expense		1,811.77
Bond Fees		936.00
Miscellaneous Expenses		588.69
Total		\$ <u>216,681.53</u>

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES PER CHECKS

CITIZENS AND SOUTHERN NATIONAL BANK

ACCOUNT No. 075-00-580

EXHIBIT C

Equipment	\$ 44,194.13
Refunds	437.70
Budget for Chapters	59,906.22
Printing Supplies And Publications	1,894.95
Room And Board	17,690.21
Rent of Automobiles	276.00
Subsistence	5,870.08
Automobile Upkeep	1,369.77
Repairs	5,803.72
Travel Expenses	4,197.84
Salaries	2,923.62
Legal And Bond Expenditures	390.00
Miscellaneous	1,851.75
Various Debit Memos	1,614.69
* Checks Not Submitted or Memos	<u>14,608.12</u>
Total Expenditures, C & S National Bank	\$ <u>163,028.80</u>

* Items shown as debits on bank statements for which no checks or debit Memoranda were submitted.

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

S. C. O. P. E.

SCHEDULE OF EQUIPMENT PURCHASEDSCHEDULE 1

<u>Date</u>	<u>Explanation or Payee</u>	<u>Number Of Autos Purchased</u>	<u>Check Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	Automobile:			
4-23-65	Incins Bacote	3*	8841	\$ 7,493.25
4-27-65	Rev. Fred C. Bennettee	1*	8862	1,500.00
6-22-65	Hub Motor Company	5	600	15,178.58
6-23-65	Hub Motor Company	3	594	7,240.98
6-29-65	Hub Motor Company	2	592	4,894.00
6-30-65	Hub Motor Company	1	590	3,622.58
6-29-65	Hub Motor Company	2	588	4,913.99
7- 3-65	Hub Motor Company	1	586	2,447.00
7-13-65	Hub Motor Company	1	585	2,450.00
	Totals	19		\$ 49,740.38
4-26-65	Furniture For Freedom House	*	8873	\$ 110.72
4-23-65	5 Sets of Double Beds-Sears	*	8879	453.20
4-23-65	Blankets-Chesterfield Laundry	*	8880	103.60
4-23-65	Kitchen Ware For Freedom House	*	8921	40.00
4-30-65	Office Furniture-S.C.O.P.E. House	*	8941	572.68
5- 1-65	House Supplies	*	8956	48.00
5-11-65	Tables, Desk Lamp, Chairs	*	9072	51.45
5-11-65	2 File Cabinets	*	9092	123.45
5-14-65	Miss E. Hicks-Electric Fan	*	9143	100.00
	Georgia Collection Agency-8Cabinets, 6 Trays, 4 Chairs, 8 Desks, 3 Machines, Stand.	*	9172	1,313.50
5-26-65	Sears, Freezer For Freedom House	*	9304	333.20
5-26-65	John Wenger-2 Large Window Fans	*	9304	60.00
5-27-65	Army Surplus-Desks and Lamps	*	9308	123.40
5-31-65	Army Surplus-Furniture For S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E. House	*	9314	65.92
6- 3-65	Arlene Bock-Desk Room Equipment	*	9350	70.00
6-30-65	Martel Electronics-5 Tape Recorders, 5 Brief Cases	*	9672	1,584.00
7-30-65	4 Walkie Talkies		75	135.00
	Miscellaneous Small Amounts			343.12
				\$ 5,632.24
				\$ 55,372.62

*Receipt or Voucher Numbers

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SCHEDULE OF FIELD OFFICE EXPENSES

SCHEDULE 2

<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee and Explanation</u>	<u>Voucher Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4-29-65	Charles Souder-Reimbursements for Field Expense	8882	\$ 88.24
5-31-65	Golden Frinks-Setting up office in Edenton	9138	64.59
5-17-65	John Wenger-Chicago Office	9175	200.00
5-17-65	Bayard Rustin-S.C.O.P.E. Headquarters in N.Y.	9192	1,500.00
5-17-65	Channing L. Bete Co.-Voter Registration	9243	190.00
6-7-65	Annie E. Hill-Various	9405	156.60
6-10-65	Western Union-For H. Coulton	9433	153.86
6-15-65	Clark College-Facilities For Orientation	9457	1,000.00
6-25-65	S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E.-1st Installment on Budgets for 52 Chapters	9573	10,000.00
7-6-65	Aid to S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E. Chapters	9732	11,437.00
7-15-65	Partial Payment of Budget-S.C.O.P.E.	9932	450.00
7-26-65	S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E.-Assistance to S.C.O.P.E. Chapters	9974	12,743.19
7-20-65	S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E.-Greyhound Express Charge	9982	100.00
7-26-65	Travel and Operational Expenses	9983	215.00
7-26-65	Southern Bell-Phone Used at Morris Brown During Orientation	9998	112.14
7-26-65	Robert Haylene-S.C.O.P.E., St. Augustine, Florida	2	200.00
7-29-65	Aid to Direct Action Program	18	1,600.00
7-26-65	Mrs. Lee Sewell-S.C.O.P.E. Chicago Operation	27	250.00
7-28-65	S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E.-Assistance to Chapters	29	2,205.00
8-13-65	S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E.-Assistance to Chapters	65	1,147.50
8-5-65	S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E.-Assistance to Chapters	133	750.00
8-6-65	S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E.-Assistance to Chapters	151	785.69
8-7-65	S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E.-Budget, Monroe and Wilcox, Alabama	210	600.00
8-6-65	S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E.-Chatham County Budget	209	650.00
8-9-65	S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E.-Assistance to Chapters	211	600.00
8-24-65	S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E.-Richland Co. Operation Expense	364	465.30
8-24-65	Operational Expenses-Dike and Geneva Co. Alabama	372	605.00
8-24-65	" " -Crenshaw Co. Alabama	373	200.00
8-24-65	" " -S.C.O.P.E.	374	1,618.00
8-24-65	" " -S.C.O.P.E.	375	865.00
8-24-65	S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E.-Assistance to Chapters	377	1,420.43
8-24-65	County Aid-Virginia and Taliferro Co.	383	1,200.00
8-29-65	S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E.-Chatham Co. *	391	1,000.00
	Various Small Amounts		473.30
Total			\$ 56,045.99

*Check Number

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**SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
S.C.O.P. E.**

SCHEDULE OF CHECKS SUBMITTED OVER \$500.00

SCHEDULE 3

<u>Date</u>	<u>Check Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Signed By</u>	<u>Pertinent Comments</u>
1-19	Mitchell Shur	193 \$ 777.00		Cashed at Trust Co. of Ga.
1-21	Barbara J. Williams	222 2,000.00	H.L. Williams	Transportation of S.C.O.P.E. Chapters to Local Communities
1-22	Diamond Printing Company	238 1,201.00	Barbara Williams	Printing of Materials and Supplies
1-24	Hosea Williams	251 733.05	" "	Reimbursement for Chapters
7-1	Diamond Printing Company	350 1,030.91	" "	Printing-Office Supplies
7-2	S.C.L.C.-S.C.O.P.E. Project	362 800.00	H.L. Williams	
7-2	Hub Ford Company	404 2,447.00	Barbara Williams	
7-2	Daughter County	406 870.00	" "	
7-4	Orangeburg, S. C.	424 1,000.00	H.L. Williams	For Chapters
7-4	Charleston County	426 700.00	" "	
7-6	Peach County	436 4,162.00	" "	Transfer of Accounts
7-12	Bibb County	459 780.00	" "	For Chapters
7-14	Butler Street Y.M.C.A.	510 500.40	Barbara Williams	Housing Persons
7-14	Mr. H. Hunter	551 1,000.00	H.L. Williams	Auto Payment
7-15	Army Surplus	525 520.15	Barbara Williams	Chairs, Fan & Beds for N.C.
7-16	Talaferr County	39 1,300.00	H.L. Williams	
7-29	Barbara J. Williams	646 5,000.00		S.C.O.P.E. Fund
7-28	Western Union	644 4,000.00		S.C.O.P.E. Chapter
8-9	Chatham County	790 650.00		Balance on Budget
8-3	Jesse Perkins	888 737.00		868 Meals-Convention
8-14	Diamond Printing Company	917 1,200.00		Bond Paper, File Cabinet, etc.
8-30	Eula Hicks	963 2,310.17		For Payment of Cash
Other Check Stubs Submitted				
8-22	Hub Ford Company	600 15,178.58		Automobile
1-22	Cash	599 6,000.00		Rent of 82 Officers
1-23	Hub Ford Company	594 7,240.93		Automobile
1-29	"	592 4,894.00		"
1-29	Chatam County	591 1,000.00		For Chapters
1-30	Hub Ford Company	590 3,622.58		Automobile
1-29	" " "	588 4,913.99		"
7-3	" " "	586 2,447.00		"
7-11	" " "	585 2,450.00		"
Total		\$ 81,465.81		

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RECONCILIATION OF BANK ACCOUNT

FEBRUARY 28, 1966

SCHEDULE 4

Balance Per Bank Account	\$ 1,345.56
Deposit In Transit	_____
Total	\$ 1,345.56

Less: Outstanding Checks*

<u>Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1018	\$ 79.06
1019	12.30
1020	6.30
1021	4.00
1033	50.00
1034	40.90
1035	60.00
1036	70.00
1037	95.00
1038	90.00
1039	50.00

557.56

BALANCE, MARCH 31, 1966

\$ 788.00

* Per Our Determination By Consideration Recent Checks
Written That Had Not Cleared The Account.

"Atlanta, Georgia
12/9/65

"Money utilized by SCOPE during 1965 was furnished to SCOPE by SCLC and SCOPE was expected to maintain its own financial records separate from SCLC records. It was assumed that SCOPE did account for all money spent and that such accounting would be under the overall direction of HOSEA WILLIAMS.

"As of the present time, JESSIE B. BLAYTON, CPA, Atlanta, is in the process of conducting an audit of SCLC. This audit has not been completed and the reason therefore is the lack of all SCOPE financial records. Apparently these records are appreciably delinquent from the standpoint of necessary posting."