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## Via E-Mail

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### Re: Statement re Democratic National Committee

Dear Mr. Robinson:

We are writing on behalf of our client, the Democratic National Committee ("DNC").

A post by "coffee260" on "Freerepublic.com" today states that this morning, on the "Quinn & Rose" show on XM, co-host Jim Quinn stated that DNC Chairman Governor Howard Dean had called Gov. Kathleen Sebelius (D-Kan.) "around 5:00 a.m. one morning after a tornado had destroyed the town of Greensburg, Kansas and discussed with her what to say about the tornado and how to blame the war in Iraq and the Bush administration on a slow response to the aftermath."

The statement made by Mr. Quinn, repeated on FreeRepublic.com, is demonstrably, unequivocally and absolutely false. Governor Dean had no such conversation with Governor Sebelius, ever.

No effort was made by FreeRepublic.com to contact anyone at the DNC for comment or to check the accuracy of these statements before they were published. FreeRepublic.com not only repeated this statement but further stressed that Quinn's "source,...was extremely reliable and in a position that would give him direct knowledge of these revelations."

The statements quoted above are false and defamatory, are libelous and slanderous, and clearly threaten to interfere with the DNC's operations and ability to solicit support and raise funds by prejudicing the organization in the eyes of Democratic Party supporters and the public. For these reasons, we demand that FreeRepublic.com (i)

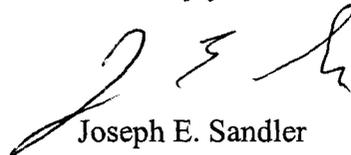
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immediately cease and desist from further dissemination of the above-quoted statements or any statements similar in substance and (ii) immediately post a retraction of these statements in a location on its web page as least as prominent as that on which the original story appeared.

Please let us know by noon tomorrow (May 11, 2007) whether you intend to comply with these requests.

Thank you for your time and immediate attention to this important matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J E Sandler', written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned above the printed name 'Joseph E. Sandler'.

Joseph E. Sandler