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Dear Kathryn,

Please find attached the response of Senator Tim Scott to the Complaint in MUR 8142. If you would, please confirm receipt.

Best,

Megan

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## Re: <u>MUR 8142 – Senator Timothy E. Scott</u>

Dear: Ms. Brown:

This will respond to the Complaint filed in MUR 8142, which recklessly disregards the actual facts on the public record. On April 15, 2023, Senator Tim Scott filed his Form 2 Statement of Candidacy, in which he declared his candidacy for President and designated Tim Scott Presidential Exploratory Committee as his principal campaign committee for the 2024 presidential election. This public filing, available <u>here</u>, was made 15 days prior to the April 30, 2023 comments cited by the Complainant as the basis for its Complaint. Senator Scott filed an *amended* Statement of Candidacy on May 19, 2023 to reflect the name change of his principal campaign committee to Tim Scott for America.

These facts make clear that Senator Scott has at all times complied with the law and regulations set forth in 52 U.S.C. §30102(e)(1) and 11 C.F.R. §101.1(a). Since there is quite obviously no factual or legal basis for the Commission to find reason to believe that Senator Scott violated the Federal Election Campaign Act, I respectfully request that the Commission promptly dismiss this Complaint and close the file.

Very truly yours,

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