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Senator Barbara Boxer, Chair
Senator Johnny Isakson, Vice Chair
Select Committee on Ethics
220 Hart Building
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Senator Mary Landrieu Mixed Purpose Travel Reimbursements

Dear Chairman Boxer and Vice Chairman Isakson:

We are writing on behalf of Senator Mary Landrieu to inform the Committee that, as counsel to Senator Landrieu and Friends of Mary Landrieu, Inc., we have conducted a thorough review of all available records covering the Senator's use of official Senate funds for private charter flights from February 6, 2002 -- when the Federal Election Commission announced that mixed-purpose travel may be paid for using a mix of campaign and allocated funds¹ -- until the present.

We have carefully analyzed the records of each trip for which the Senator used official funds to pay for private charter flights to identify any campaign activity. In the instances where mixed purpose trips were paid for with official funds, we calculated the appropriate pro-rated share of the invoiced cost owed by Friends of Mary Landrieu. To determine the proper pro-rated share for each mixed purpose trip, we analyzed the number, nature and length of events involved.

The results of our analysis on a per-trip basis is attached. We have determined the net amount owed by Friends of Mary Landrieu to be \$33,727.02. Today, Friends of Mary Landrieu, Inc. sent a check in that amount to the U.S. Department of the Treasury. Note that for one trip the associated schedule is unavailable and the campaign conducted some activity. Out of an

¹ Interpretation of Allocation of Candidate Travel Expenses, 67 Fed. Reg. 5445-01 (Feb. 6, 2002).

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abundance of caution, we attributed the full invoiced cost of the private charter flight to the campaign.

Please also note that from this point forward any use of official funds to pay for private charter flights will be cleared in advance by counsel. Further, Senator Landrieu will establish an operating account pursuant to Committee guidance. Going forward, the pro-rated share of the cost of private charter flights owed by the campaign will be deposited in the Senator's operating account.

Please let us know if you would like any further information regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,



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