

Comment Received to CommissionerRavel@fec.gov on Aug. 26, 2016

Ms. Ravel,

Thank you so much for asking our opinions and considering them as legitimate!!!

I personally feel that foreign governments should never be allowed to donate to any elections in the US. It buys them too much influence. Small foreign donors are not allowed to contribute to American elections, why should large corporations or other governments be allowed to?

I am very concerned with this trend. It seems to me we are selling our country bit by bit to foreign entities. Selling our politicians, who should be responsible to American citizens instead of big money, especially from foreign groups makes them think they should get favors in return.

This election we have seen what big money does to an election. We are losing what is left of our democracy. Being part of a global economy should mean working in concert with other countries in good ways. Not selling out to the country that pays us enough to give them unfair advantages.

If donors of small amounts of money, individuals, are not allowed, then certainly, money from foreign leaders, other countries, and foreign corporations should also not be allowed.

Thank you again for your time and thinking of us!!

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Dear Commissioner Ravel,.

while I applaud your position on foreign money in Politics I ask; how can you stop short of condemning and asking Congress to remove PAC and Corporate Money in Politics? Not to mention Clinton Foundation pay-to-play politics, as documented by James Grimaldi of the WSJ. All of These sources of monies, insidiously corrupt our Democracy Far more than foreign money.

Dear Commissioner Ann Ravel:

Thank you for your very stewardly invitation for comments on the influence of money in our United States election.

The influence of money, both foreign and domestic, on elections in the United States must be restricted to protect our citizens' vote at federal, state and local levels. The Federal Election Commission's job is to assure an absolute equality of each and every citizen's vote.

Each citizen has the right to one vote, and only one vote, in an election. Citizens, individually, have a right to support candidates and propositions of their choice up to a monetary limit set by law. No citizen should gain a larger vote or more votes than another citizen by filing corporate papers.

Citizens, not corporations or organizations, are the voting unit in the United States. Therefore, corporations and foreign individuals, organizations, and governments must be prohibited from any and all contributions to politicians or election funds, in both primary and general elections.

Our government properly limits the monetary free speech of citizens in elections, thus our government can prohibit monetary free speech of non-citizens in elections. Citizens United must be overturned, because it has allowed corporations, foreign organizations, and foreign governments to make overtly political donations.

Regards,
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I agree with the issue of foreign money should not be allowed in US Political campaigns.
Citizens United should be overturned. But you are right the FEC should stand up for the people!

Sent from my iPhone

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Dear Commissioner Ravel,

It seems blatantly obvious to me that there is a problem of foreign governments being allowed to contribute their money in American elections. I disagree with the recent Supreme Court ruling which gives corporations human rights - this is based on my own personal views - but this power ceded to foreign governments to make (untraceable) cash contributions to campaigns borders on the treasonous.

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