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Dr. Martin Shepard
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Dear Dr. Shepard,

I thought I should fill you in on my activities of the past few weeks.

Although there is no official Citizens for Kennedy organization in Bloomington, there are 350 students in a Students for Kennedy organization. The Kennedy organization has sent Mr. Pat Loftus to Bloomington to work with us since we have the manpower and the enthusiasm. I am responsible, as an officer in the Students for Kennedy organization, for identifying and organizing support and help for Senator Kennedy in the residence halls at Indiana University. Since there are 12,000 students living in the halls at I.U., I have quite a population from which to draw.

Our organization was responsible for obtaining the necessary 500 signatures in the Bloomington and Terre Haute district. We also aided many other areas in obtaining signatures. We've publicized both of Senator Kennedy's visits to Indianapolis and sent buses. We've also aided the Democratic party in obtaining many new registered voters in the area.

Senator Kennedy and members of his family will be coming to I.U. several times before the May 7th. primary. I certainly will keep you posted on these events.

Marty, I can't tell you how exciting this is for me and all the young adults I'm working with. We are not the screaming, idolizing group. We all honestly believe that RFK can, should, and must go all the way.

Until a week ago, I was the only person who had an RFK in '68 button. I ordered some from you and gave them to the people who have worked so diligently for RFK the last three weeks in Indiana. You would have thought I'd given them a medal.

I have several requests. First, as soon as you have compiled Senator Kennedy's and Senator McCarthy's voting record, I'd appreciate the data. I've spent the last two days in the library, researching the Civil Rights voting records of both men. Also, Humphrey's, if you do it.

Obviously we must play up the tremendous breadth of issues RFK has acted and commented upon. McCarthy looks like a lazy senator next to our man.

However, you must anticipate several questions. One will be why Senator Kennedy in 1966 voted for tabling Senator Morse's amendment to repeal the Tonkin Gulf resolution. McCarthy voted against tabling it and this could be made into a significant point on the Vietnam question. Also, even though McCarthy voted against the bill requiring Senators to disclose their assets, he did disclose his financial situation. RFK has not done this - he should!

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We must be very careful not to distort his record as the McCarthy people are doing. I'd have a question regarding McCarthy's Chairmanship of the African Affairs Subcommittee of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. What has he accomplished?

I just wanted you to know I am not "dead wood." Although our organization is not officially attached to yours, we are using your information and your buttons. Hopefully, you'll continue sending me the newsletter.

Sincerely,

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