--- On Fri, 4/1/08, Anne Cameron <rutschmann.cameron@bluewin.ch> wrote:

> From: Anne Cameron <rutschmann.cameron@bluewin.ch>
> Subject: Re: FAWCO members can participate in a Global Primary for Democrats Abroad
> To: "Mary Burgher" <emessbe@yahoo.com>
> Date: Friday, 4 January, 2008, 7:41 PM
> Dear Mary,
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> Many thanks! I am looking forward to good information!
> Pinky should remain on your list. Thank you for your nice
> wishes. I wish you good success as well in 2008.
>
> Kind regards,
> Anne
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> > Mary Burgher wrote:
> > Dear Anne, I would be delighted! Shall I remove Pinky,
> > as well?
> > In case you didn't get it, here is some info I sent
> > to
> > the Committee in December (message below and attached
> > file); I wish you much success in your work.
> > Mary Stewart (Burgher)
> >
> > I have 4 messages for you (in addition to "Happy
> > Holidays!!!").
> > 1. I hope you are encouraging people to register for
> > the primaries; several states have deadlines in
> > December. Check the Overseas Vote Foundation web site
> > (https://www.overseasvotefoundation.org/svid-ppp-deadlines)
> > for details.
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> > 2. I'm trying to get the FAWCO web pages updated.
> > Until I can figure out how to do this, I attach a
> > document summarizing relevant info on registration
> > and
> > voting, AND giving instructions for a "virtual
> > registration and voting campaign" - one in which you
> > point voters to online materials and services and
> > they
> > do all the work themselves. I plan of course to
> > update
> > Kathy Webster's wonderful materials on a full-out,
> > face-to-face campaign, but this is a start.
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3. I’m sorry to say that, because of a new law in New Mexico, you must NOT help New Mexico voters to register. Refer them to the embassy/consulate, FVAP or OVF. The law is being challenged in court, but that is how things are for the present. (Details: In a 2005 law, New Mexico requires that anyone who “either registers or assists another person in completion of a certificate of voter registration,” on behalf of an organization of one or more persons, must register as a “third-party registration agent” with the Secretary of State and follow a number of special procedures. The law makes no mention of — and therefore no exception for — overseas or out-of-state organizations registering New Mexico voters. Anyone who intentionally violates a provision of the new law is guilty of a petty misdemeanor and subject to criminal penalties, including a $500 fine and six months in jail for each violation.)

4. If you are interested in the discussion about registration or voter fraud, see this new report by the Brennan Center, “The truth about voter fraud” (http://www.brennancenter.org/stack_detail.asp?key=97&subkey=38347).

I wish you the happiest of holidays and good health and happiness in the new year. I'll be in touch - Mary Stewart Burgher

Voting From Overseas Committee

--- Anne Cameron <rutschmann.cameron@bluewin.ch> wrote:

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*Subject:* FAWCO members can participate in a
Global

Primary for Democrats Abroad

Dear Mary,

I am the new FAWCO Rep for AWC Zürich. Pinky Niggli forwarded me the below email you sent her which was very interesting. Would you kindly add my name to your email list so that I receive future FAWCO information from you. I would most appreciate this.

Many thanks! Happy New Year!

Kind regards,

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Hi, I think you should let your FAWCO members know that they can vote in the Democratic Primaries.
Republicans have not recognised Republicans Abroad as an official state of the Republican Party. Democrats, however, list Democrats Abroad as the 51st state and recognise their vote at the Democratic National Convention after the state of Delaware. For the first time ever, Democrats Abroad is hosting a Global Presidential Primary. Members who are registered with Democrats Abroad can vote in the primary. You can vote via mail, fax, internet or in-person at voting centers around the world.

London, for example, is expecting more than 700 people to come to the voting center on February 5, at Port Chester Hall. The results will then be used to determine the allocation of votes to the Democratic presidential candidates at the convention in Denver this August.

I have attached a press release and a description of the primary process that may be of interest. I know that FAWCO is non-partisan but this primary is a legally recognised primary of a state party. It is direct representation for Expats and is no more partisan than any other state's Republican or Democratic primaries. While I very much hope that the Republicans also recognise their overseas members as an official state, Democrats should still be made aware of the primary through FAWCO communications. Perhaps you could point to the OverseasVoteFoundation website to direct Republicans to vote in their home state primaries. Democrats who vote in the Global Presidential Primary cannot vote for the office of President in their home state.
Please let me know your thoughts on this. If you would like, I can write a short non-partisan paragraph for FAWCO reps to put in their local newsletters. Thank you for your time.

Stephanie Stewart, FAWCO member and Vice-Chair of Democrats Abroad UK

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