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The Ford Foundation denied yesterday allegations in Patrick J. Buchanan's testimony before the Senate Watergate committee that the foundation had engaged in partisan politics.

"Like other private foundations and charitable organizations we are sanctioned under law to support only educational and charitable work," a spokesman for the foundation said. "We abide scrupulously by the letter and spirit of the laws governing our status."

Also commenting on Mr. Buchanan's testimony, Dr. John H. Knowles, president of the Rockefeller Foundation, said "It is rediculous to attempt to categorize foundations as either liberal or conservative. "To try to justify the activities of the national Committee to Re-elec he Presiden on the basis of th ideological stance of foundations is utterly ridiculous."