## THE REPUBLICAN STIMULUS PACKAGE

The AP FOIAed Mark Sanford's calendars and discovered him traipsing about on some undisclosed trips using supporters' planes. Make sure you read through to the second page, though, where the AP discloses that the Republican Governor's Association paid for one of Sanford's nookie runs.

Sanford arranged to meet with his mistress in one of the 2008 RGA trips that he did not disclose. He had been traveling to Ireland for RGA in November, and arranged a meeting with the woman when he returned, according to records he released after the affair became public.

So let's see. The RGA paid for Mark Sanford's nookie runs. The NRSC doubled the salary of John Ensign's mistress and put her son on the payroll. The RNC paid to keep Palin in Prada (which may not have helped her sex life but it sure made for some starbursts in Rich Lowry's living room).

And yet the NRCC is the Republican entity with the ethics and accounting problems?

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