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It is with heavy hearts that we pass on the sad news that a founder and the first chairman of the National Committee, Bob Scalapino, died on Tuesday, November 1. He had just celebrated his 92nd birthday on October 19. Those who were fortunate enough to have known Bob are aware that he packed more into those 92 years than most people could in ten lifetimes of that duration.

From the time he and a few others conceived of the idea of the National Committee in the mid-1960s until the end of his life, Bob was devoted to this organization and always found a way, despite his incredibly busy and peripatetic life, to respond positively to our requests – be those for speaking to a group, writing something for a publication or, even at the age of 86, accompanying a Committee delegation on a two-week trip to China!

We will miss him greatly: his sagacity, humor, balance, generosity, energy and dozens of other wonderful traits that defined this true friend.

Those who wish to send condolences to the family may do so by writing his two daughters, Lynne Scalapino and Diane Jablon, at 2850 Buena Vista Way, Berkeley, CA, 94708.