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The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) spent \$28 million to pay for insurance claims filed by Miami-Dade County residents for damage they claimed was caused by Hurricane Frances. However, the hurricane never hit the county.

The *Sun-Sentinel* Editorial Board wants an explanation as to why FEMA investigators spent tax pay dollars on obviously bogus claims? The authors of this editorial proclaim that FEMA never properly investigated the claims before sending out checks. Now, the *Sun-Sentinel* Editorial Board explains that FEMA is covering up for their mistake. They also seek a congressional investigation on the matter to uncover the truth.

Without question, a congressional investigation is in order. This type of fraud cannot be allowed to go unpunished. The fraudulent claimers have to be forced to return the money and/or serve jail time for their intent to deceive and defraud the federal government. It also seems that FEMA is in need of new management since the current management is not properly running the organization.