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Committee on Ethics

MEMBER / OFFICER POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

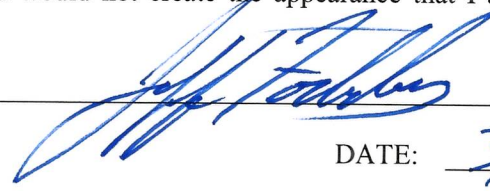
This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from a private source for travel taken in connection with a Member or officer's official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the Member or officer's annual Financial Disclosure Statement. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must **complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, 135 Cannon House Office Building, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please do not file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

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1. Name of Traveler: Jeff Fortenberry
2. a. Name of accompanying relative: Celeste Fortenberry *or* None
b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: February 18, 2017 Return: February 27, 2017
b. Dates at personal expense: One *or* None
4. Departure city: Washington, DC Destination: New Delhi & Hyberabad, India Return city: Washington, DC
5. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): The Aspen Institute, Inc. (Congressional Program)
6. Describe meetings and events attended (attach additional pages if necessary): Meetings outlined in attached adenda: India's Emergence & Development Challenges: Policy Implications
7. Attached to this form are EACH of the following (*signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*):
 - a. a completed Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form;
 - b. the Primary Trip Sponsor Form completed by the trip sponsor prior to the trip, including all attachments and Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms;
 - c. page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the Member or officer; *and*
 - d. the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the sponsor's agenda. (*Signify that statement is true by checking box*):
b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have determined that all of the expenses on the attached Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or officer of the U.S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for private gain.

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER: _____



DATE: _____

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. *A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within 10 days of their return.* You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): The Aspen Institute, Inc. (Congressional Program)

2. Travel Destination(s): New Delhi and Hyderabad, India

3. Date of Departure: February 18, 2017 Date of Return: February 27, 2017

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Rep. Jeff Fortenberry and Celeste Fortenberry

(NOTE: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if all information is identical for each person listed.)

5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in response to Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$5,912	\$1,445	\$608	Visa: \$124; Conference expense: \$160
Accompanying Relative	\$6,429		\$608	Visa: \$124; Conference expense: \$160

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. (Signify statement is true by checking box):

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name: Dan Glickman Title: Vice President and Executive Director

Organization: The Aspen Institute, Inc (Congressional Program)

I am an officer of the above-named organization (signify statement is true by checking box):

Address: One Dupont Circle, NW

Washington, DC 20036

Telephone number: 202-736-5825

Email Address: lisa.jones@aspeninstitute.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at (202) 225-7103.

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Congressman Jeff Fortenberry
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): The Aspen Institute, Inc. (Gates, Luce, Democracy Fund, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, MacArthur foundations)
3. Travel destination(s): New Delhi, India and Hyderabad, India
4. a. Date of departure Feb. 18, 2017 Date of return: Feb. 27, 2017
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? Yes No
If yes, dates at personal expense: Feb. 26-27, 2017 (one day extension)
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a relative at the sponsor's expense? Yes No
b. If yes:
(1) Name of accompanying relative: Celeste Fortenberry
(2) Relationship to traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
(3) Accompanying relative is at least 18 years of age: Yes No
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(d) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent and you are requesting lodging for two nights)? Yes No
b. If yes, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:

7. Primary Trip Sponsor Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms: Yes No
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.
I serve as a Member of the State & Foreign Operations Subcommittee of the Appropriations Committee, & I regularly engage in legislative initiatives involving nuclear security, diplomacy, cultural exchange, and national security.
9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, and/or arranging the trip? Yes No

10. **FOR STAFF TRAVELERS:**

TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Date: _____

Signature of Employing Member

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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a Traveler Form at least 30 days before the start date of the trip. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee Web site (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Sponsor (who will be paying for the trip): _____
The Aspen Institute, Inc. (Congressional Program) _____
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent (signify that the statement is true by checking box):
3. Check only one: I represent that:
 - a. the primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip *or*
 - b. the trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds *or*.
 - c. the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____
Gates, Luce, Democracy Fund, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, MacArthur foundations _____
4. Provide names and titles of ALL House Members and employees you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary):
See attached list _____
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying relative of the House invitee(s)? Yes No
6. Date of departure: Feb. 18, 2017 Date of return: Feb. 26, 2017
7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC or district
b. Destination(s): New Delhi, India and Hyderabad, India
c. City of return: Washington, DC or district
8. I represent that (check one of the following):
 - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: *or*
 - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: *or*
 - c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event and lobbyist/foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.
9. Check one of the following:
 - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above:
 - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging:
 - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night: *or*
 - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights:If "d" is checked, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted: _____

10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities the House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees) (indicate agenda is attached by checking box):

11. Check one:

- a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (signify that the statement is true by checking box): or
b. N/A – trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.

12. For each sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip and its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

Aspen Institute's Congressional Program (AICP) provides non-partisan educational forums for members of Congress on public policy issues. AICP has organized and will conduct the conference

and has selected and invited the attendees. The foundations listed in Question 3C provide the grants to AICP and are interested in congressional education regarding "India's Emergence and

Development Challenges: Policy Implications for the U.S."

13. Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary.

- a. Mode of travel: Air Rail Bus Car Other (Specify: _____)
b. Class of travel: Coach Business First Charter Other (Specify: _____)
c. If travel will be first class or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). (signify that the statement is true by checking box):

15. I represent that either (check one of the following):

- a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees: or
b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation:

If "b" is checked:

1) Detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided): _____

\$105

2) Provide reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____

India provides a central meeting point for international scholars and provides the opportunity for sites visits to view the impact of US-funded projects in India.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel name: Imperial Hotel City: Delhi Cost per night: \$291

Reason(s) for selecting: Hotel has required technology and meeting space with security and food safety a key factor.

Hotel name: Taj Hotel City: Hyderabad Cost per night: \$125

Reason(s) for selecting: Hotel has required technology and meeting space with security and food safety a key factor.

Hotel name: _____ City: _____ Cost per night: _____

Reason(s) for selecting: _____

17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. (signify that the statement is true by checking box):

18. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

<input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$7,000	\$1,445	\$608
For each accompanying relative	\$7,000	-0-	\$608

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$284	Visa \$124; Meeting room rental \$160
For each accompanying relative	\$284	Visa \$124; Meeting room rental \$160

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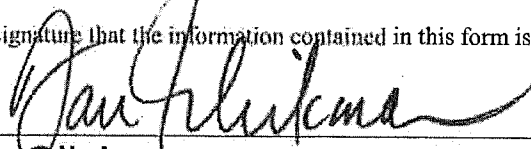
19. Check one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below. *or*
 b. N/A – sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.

21. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____



Name: _____

Dan Glickman

Title: _____

Vice President, Aspen Institute; Executive Director, Congressional Program

Organization: _____

The Aspen Institute, Inc.

Address: _____

1 Dupont Circle, NW, Washington, DC 20036

Telephone number: _____

202-736-5859 (Lisa Jones)

Email address: _____

lisa.jones@aspeninst.org

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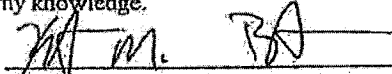
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1. I certify that (name of your organization): The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
has been designated a § 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service.
 Yes No
2. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor: Aspen Institute Congressional Program
3. I certify that my organization (complete a or b):
a. Has provided a grant, gift, or donation to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor and conducts an audit or review of its grant, gift, or donation to ensure that the funds are spent in accordance with the terms of its grant, gift, or donation. or
b. Has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, or conducting of a trip to
(destination) _____ on (date) _____ that is being organized or arranged by the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor.
4. Check one:
a. My organization does not employ or retain a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent or
b. My organization employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but their involvement in planning, organizing, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the travel regulations.
5. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.
6. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name: Katy Button

Title: Senior Program officer

Organization: The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Address: P.O. Box 6178, Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044

Telephone number: 202-662-8122

Email: Katy.button@gatesfoundation.org

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1. I certify that (name of your organization): The Henry Luce Foundation
has been designated a § 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service.
 Yes No
2. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor: Aspen Institute Congressional Program
3. I certify that my organization (complete a or b):
a. Has provided a grant, gift, or donation to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor and conducts an audit or review of its grant, gift, or donation to ensure that the funds are spent in accordance with the terms of its grant, gift, or donation. or
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4. Check one:
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5. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.
6. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:



Name:

Toby Alice Volkman

Title: Secretary + Director of Policy Initiatives

Organization:

The Henry Luce Foundation

Address:

51 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10010

Telephone number:

212-489-7700

Email:

tvolkman@hluce.org

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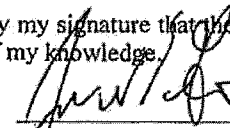
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1. I certify that (name of your organization): Democracy Fund
has been designated a § 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service.
 Yes No
2. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor: Aspen Institute
3. I certify that my organization (*complete a or b*):
 - a. Has provided a grant, gift, or donation to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor and conducts an audit or review of its grant, gift, or donation to ensure that the funds are spent in accordance with the terms of its grant, gift, or donation. or
 - b. Has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, or conducting of a trip to
(destination) _____ on (date) _____ that is
being organized or arranged by the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor.
4. Check one:
 - a. My organization does not employ or retain a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent or
 - b. My organization employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but their involvement in planning, organizing, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the travel regulations.
5. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.
6. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.
Signature: 
Name: Joseph Goldman Title: President
Organization: Democracy Fund
Address: 1333 New Hampshire Ave, Suite 730, Washington DC 20036
Telephone number: 202-465-8525 Email: jgoldman@democracyfund.org

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1. I certify that (name of your organization): Rockefeller Brothers Fund
has been designated a § 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service.
 Yes No
2. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor: Aspen Institute Congressional Program
3. I certify that my organization (complete a or b):
a. Has provided a grant, gift, or donation to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor and conducts an audit or review of its grant, gift, or donation to ensure that the funds are spent in accordance with the terms of its grant, gift, or donation. *or*
b. Has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, or conducting of a trip to
(destination) _____ on (date) _____ that is being organized or arranged by the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor.
4. Check one:
a. My organization does not employ or retain a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent *or*
b. My organization employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but their involvement in planning, organizing, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the travel regulations.
5. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.
6. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: [Signature]

Name: STEPHEN HEINTZ

Title: PRESIDENT

Organization: Rockefeller Brothers Fund

Address: 475 Riverside Drive, New York, NY 10115

Telephone number: 212-812-4389

Email: shaintz@rbf.org

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1. I certify that (name of your organization): The MacArthur Foundation
has been designated a § 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service.
 Yes No
2. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor: Aspen Institute Congressional Program
3. I certify that my organization (complete a or b):
- a. Has provided a grant, gift, or donation to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor and conducts an audit or review of its grant, gift, or donation to ensure that the funds are spent in accordance with the terms of its grant, gift, or donation. or
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5. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.
6. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____

Name: Joshua J. Mintz Title: Vice President & General Counsel

Organization: The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation

Address: 140 S. Dearborn St.; Chicago, IL 60603

Telephone number: 312 920 6250 Email: jmintz@macfound.org

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The Honorable Jeff Fortenberry
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Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your and your spouse's proposed trip to India, scheduled for February 18 to 27, 2017, sponsored by the Aspen Institute, with financial support from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the Henry Luce Foundation, the Democracy Fund, the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, and the MacArthur Foundation. We note that this trip includes one day at your personal expense.

You must complete a Member/Officer Post-Travel Disclosure Form and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. You must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$390 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House Members may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts "of minimal value [currently \$390] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of minimal value received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments filed with the Committee, and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

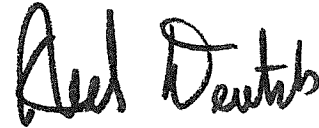
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If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,



Susan W. Brooks
Chairwoman



Theodore E. Deutch
Ranking Member

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India's Emergence and Development Challenges: Policy Implications for the U.S.

Agenda overview as of 10/7/2016 THE ASPEN INSTITUTE CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM
February 18-26, 2017 New Delhi & Hyderabad (4 nights in Delhi; 2 nights in Hyderabad)
****DRAFT AGENDA OVERVIEW****

SATURDAY, February 18:

10:25am Depart Dulles (IAD) on Emirates #232

SUNDAY, February 19 (Overnight in New Delhi):

8:10am Arrive in Dubai

10:00am Depart Dubai on Emirates #516

2:45pm Arrive in New Delhi

MONDAY, February 20 (Overnight in New Delhi):

Morning Roundtable Discussions (9am-1pm)

INDIA'S POVERTY, INEQUALITY, FOOD & POPULATION CHALLENGES:

THEIR GLOBAL IMPACT AND CONSEQUENCES

Raj Shah, former USAID Administrator (invited)

Nachiket Mor, India Director, Bill & Melinda Gates

Foundation (invited)

INDIA'S RISING ECONOMIC CLOUT AND GLOBAL ROLE: THE NEXUS OF GROWTH AND POVERTY AND ITS RELEVANCE TO U.S. POLICY

Sachin Chaturvedi, Director General, Research &

Information System for Developing Countries, New Delhi

Milan Vaishnav, Carnegie Endowment for International

Peace (invited)

Pre-Dinner Remarks: A CONTEMPORARY

PERSPECTIVE ON INDIA, Indian Young Leaders

TUESDAY, February 21 (Overnight in New Delhi):

Breakfast Remarks

THE U.S.-INDIA RELATIONSHIP:

BOLSTERING U.S. GLOBAL INTERESTS

Richard Verma, U.S. Ambassador to India, New Delhi

(invited)

Morning Roundtable Discussions (9am-1pm)

INDIA'S ENERGY NEEDS IN THE CONTEXT OF CLIMATE CHANGE & DEVELOPMENT

Brahma Chellaney, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi

(confirmed)

Tanvi Madan, Director, the India Project, the Brookings

Institution (invited)

INDIA'S FUTURE OUTLOOK

Tim Roemer, former U.S. Ambassador to India

and former Member of Congress (confirmed)

Reception/Dinner: joined by Indian parliamentarians & dignitaries

WEDNESDAY, February 22 (Overnight in Delhi):

Breakfast Remarks

POLIO'S ERADICATION IN INDIA: A REMARKABLE SUCCESS STORY WITH GLOBAL IMPLICATIONS

Nachiket Mor, India Director, Bill & Melinda Gates

Foundation (invited)

Morning Roundtable Discussions (9am-1pm)

INDIA'S ROLE IN THE REGION AND GLOBALLY: THE CHALLENGES OF TERRORISM, EXTREMISM, AND NUCLEAR NONPROLIFERATION

Alyssa Ayres, Council on Foreign Relations (invited)

Constantino Xavier, Associate, Carnegie Endowment for

International Peace, New Delhi (invited)

INDIA'S DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES AND THEIR RELEVANCE TO THE U.S.

Shashi Tharoor, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs

Committee, Indian Parliament (invited)

SITE VISIT: Sanitation Challenges in an Urban Slum National Hygiene Project supported by USAID

THURSDAY, February 23 (Overnight in Hyderabad):

MORNING MEETING WITH INDIA'S PRIME

MINISTER (*to be requested*)

AFTERNOON TRANSIT TO HYDERABAD

11:00am Depart hotel; Noon Arrive at airport

2:05pm Flight to Hyderabad on Indigo Airlines #6E679

4:10pm Arrive at Hyderabad

6:00pm Arrive at hotel; dinner

FRIDAY, February 24 (Overnight in Hyderabad):

SITE VISITS: USAID effort to Dispense Clean Water;

Maternal hospital treating HIV/AIDS patients

(Global Fund); Modern hospital supported by OPIC

SATURDAY, February 25:

SITE VISIT: USAID-supported ICRISAT

International Ag Research Center

5:00pm Dinner at hotel; 6:00pm Depart hotel for airport

7:30pm Check in for flight; 9:20pm Depart Hyderabad on

Emirates #529; 11:59pm Arrive in Dubai

SUNDAY, February 26:

2:25am Depart Dubai on Emirates #231

8:10am Arrive at Dulles (IAD) in the U.S.

**Answer to Question 4 – House Ethics Primary Trip Sponsor Form
Aspen Institute – India Conference – 2017**

4. Provide names and titles of all House members you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited.

The invitees reflect a bipartisan delegation representing different geographical areas of the country, having various committee assignments with relevance to U.S. policy issues dealing with diplomacy and development in India. These Members have an interest in deeper analysis with the benefit of American and Indian analysts.

1. Rep. Don Beyer – VA – Science, Space and Technology Committee
2. Rep. Earl Blumenauer – OR – Ways and Means Committee
3. Rep. Jim Cooper – TN – Armed Services Committee
4. Rep. Suzan DelBene – WA – Agriculture Committee
5. Rep. Charlie Dent – PA – Appropriations Committee
6. Rep. Dan Donovan – NY – Foreign Affairs Committee
7. Rep. Anna Eshoo – CA – Energy and Commerce Committee
8. Rep. Elizabeth Esty – CT – Science, Space and Technology Committee
9. Rep. Jeff Fortenberry – NE – Appropriations Committee
10. Rep. John Garamendi – CA – Armed Services Committee
11. Rep. Andy Harris – MD – Appropriations Committee
12. Rep. Hank Johnson – GA – Armed Services Committee
13. Rep. Dan Kildee – MI – Financial Services Committee
14. Rep. Darin LaHood – IL – Science, Space and Technology Committee
15. Rep. Zoe Lofgren – CA – Judiciary Committee
16. Rep. Alan Lowenthal – CA – Foreign Affairs Committee
17. Rep. Stephen Lynch – MA – Oversight and Government Reform Committee
18. Rep. Dave McKinley – WV – Energy and Commerce Committee
19. Rep. Patrick Meehan – PA – Ways and Means Committee
20. Rep. Kathleen Rice – NY – Homeland Security Committee
21. Rep. Mark Sanford – SC – Budget Committee
22. Rep. Jan Schakowsky – IL – Energy and Commerce Committee
23. Rep. Brad Schneider – IL – Foreign Affairs Committee
24. Rep. David Valadao – CA – Appropriations Committee
25. Rep. Peter Welch – VT – Energy and Commerce Committee

October 7, 2016

Dan Glickman

Executive Director

Congressional Program

The Honorable Jeff Fortenberry
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Jeff:

I would like to invite you and Celeste to participate in a congressional conference on ***India's Emergence and Development Challenges: Policy Implications for the U.S.***, February 18-26, 2017, in **New Delhi and Hyderabad, India**, during the likely dates of the February recess. We have limited space and must hear from you proactively as soon as possible if you wish to participate.

Within the next decade India will surpass China to be the most populous country, and it is now described as one of the most important bilateral relations for the U.S. We will examine the dichotomy of its economic growth and potential while one-fourth of its 1.3 billion people live in extreme poverty without access to proper sanitation or reliable electrical power. We will also review the regional security concerns of this nuclear power. Site visits will showcase examples of U.S. development assistance to support policy interests. The agenda is attached.

We will have a mix of contributors from India as well as prominent American scholars to assist our discussions. Attendance is by invitation only, with no outside observers, lobbyists, or congressional staff. Funding is provided solely by grants from foundations—no government, individual, foreign, corporate or special interest funds are accepted.

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Under guidelines established by the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, we will provide you with a signed Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form affirming that no lobbyists fund this activity, that the Aspen Institute does not hire or retain lobbyists, and that no lobbyists will be present. Our purpose is education, not advocacy.

If your accompanying spouse or family member is a registered lobbyist, under the ethics rules of the House, their participation would not be allowed. Guidance from the Committee will not allow us to accept any enrollments less than one month prior to the conference.

Departure will be on Saturday, February 18th and we will return on Sunday, February 26th. Should you accept the invitation, it is required that you participate through the duration of the conference.



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Expenses for you and Celeste, including business class airfare on a carrier with whom we have negotiated a fare, lodging and meals will be paid by the Aspen Institute Congressional Program. Under the ethics rules, no expenses are covered for entertainment or recreation. Congressional participants are limited to only one accompanying family member.

The Aspen Institute, an independent, nonprofit organization founded in 1950, provides a nonpartisan, neutral forum for leaders to discuss critical issues. The Institute's Congressional Program is designed to promote leadership on selected public policy issues in the Congress by bringing legislators together with internationally-recognized scholars and analysts in high-level discussion. Since the program's inception, over 410 Members of Congress have participated in the 131 conferences we have conducted.

Enclosed is a fact sheet on the program. In addition to answering any questions you may have, it has proven to be useful in responding to public and press inquiries.

Additionally, we hold breakfast meetings in the Capitol throughout the year to keep Members of Congress up-to-date between our annual conferences. We hope you will be able to participate in the extended educational offerings of our breakfast series.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 202-736-5825. I hope you and Celeste will join us for this important conference.

Sincerely,



Dan Glickman

Enclosures



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FACT SHEET

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- **Participation.** Since the program's inception, 429 members of Congress (including 35% of the current Congress), 194 international parliamentarians, political and government leaders, and 921 scholar/experts have been involved. Participation is limited to these individuals, their spouses and foundation representatives. No lobbyists, congressional staff or outside observers are permitted.
- **Funding.** Since its inception, the Congressional Program has been funded solely by established foundations. Funding is not accepted from lobbyists, governments, corporations, private citizens or special interests; honoraria are not paid to members of Congress or scholars. Legislators feel free to engage openly because of their confidence in the integrity of the program. In 2017, funding is provided by the following foundations: the Asia Foundation, Carnegie Corporation (foundation) of New York, the Democracy Fund, the Ford Foundation, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, the Henry Luce Foundation, the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, the Rockefeller Foundation, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, and Sasakawa Peace Foundation, USA.
- **Ethics.** The Congressional Program is in full compliance with the rules adopted by the House in 2007, and also conforms to provisions in the "Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007." Lobbyists have no role whatsoever: they do not plan, fund, or participate in program activities. The Aspen Institute does not employ or retain registered lobbyists. All conference agendas are reviewed by the House and Senate Ethics committees.
- **Venues.** Members of Congress face massive demands on their time. Convening conferences outside Washington gives lawmakers an opportunity to devote time to serious learning and reflection without interruption. To supplement the annual conferences, 20-25 breakfast meetings are held each year in the Capitol featuring distinguished scholars and international experts with both academic and practical experience on program topics.

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