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MEMBER/OFFICER POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM Original Amendment

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, by email at gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Henry Cuellar
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: Imelda Cuellar OR None
 b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: April 16th, 2021 Return: April 19th, 2021
 b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ OR None
4. Departure City: Washington Destination: Isle of Palms Return City: Washington
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: International Conservation Caucus Foundation
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended (attach additional pages if necessary):
 Wild Dunes is conveniently located on the Isle of Palms in South Carolina. The Isle of Palms is a coastal barrier island that serves as an ideal jumping-off point for participants to access nearby undeveloped coastal ecosystems, where participants can witness some of the shared challenges facing coastal regions around the world.
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** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
 - 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 attached sponsor's agenda.
Signify statement is true by checking the 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.

Member / Officer Signature: 

Date: 04/01/2022



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Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form

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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 ten 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: International Conservation Caucus Foundation (ICCF)

2. Travel Destination(s): Isle of Palms, SC

3. Date of Departure: 04/16/21 Date of Return: 04/19/21

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Henry Cuellar

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 Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$519.08	\$448.50	\$163.88	\$77.76 (Fees: Resort, Marketing, Beach Nourishment) \$32.19(Service Charges)
Accompanying Family Member	\$594.62	\$448.50	\$110.88	\$77.76 (Fees: Resort, Marketing, Beach Nourishment) \$17.67(Service Charges)

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: Date: 04/28/21

Name: John B. Gantt Title: President

Organization: International Conservation Caucus Foundation (ICCF)

I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box:

Address: 1200 Potomac Street NW, Washington, DC 20007

Telephone: 202-471-4222 Email: johngantt@iccfoundation.us

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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Non-Grantmaking Trip Sponsor Form

This form should be completed by a private individual or entity that provides funds, services, or in-kind donations to another entity to underwrite, in whole or in part, a trip or an event, meal, or activity that will occur during a trip, or a necessary expense that will be incurred during a trip, with express or implicit knowledge or understanding that one or more House Members or employees may participate in or attend that trip or event, or otherwise may be beneficiaries of the gift or donation. A Non-Grantmaking Sponsor that has a direct involvement in planning, organizing, conducting, or participating in the trip must complete this form. **Provide a copy of your completed form to the primary sponsor of the trip.**

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. Name of your organization: Conservation Council of Nations (d.b.a. the ICCF Group)
2. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor: International Conservation Caucus Foundation (ICCF)
3. My organization has provided funds to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor to pay all or part of the expenses for a trip to (destination): Isle of Palms, SC on date: April 16-19, 2021 that primarily is being organized or arranged by the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor. Yes No
4. My organization has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, arranging, or will have a role in conducting, the trip identified in response to Question 3 or an event that will occur during that trip. Yes No
5. **Check only 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.
6. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.
7. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Clare J. Falcone Date: 04/05/21

Name: Clare Falcone Title: Secretary

Organization: The ICCF Group

Address: 1200 Potomac Street, NW, Washington, DC 20007

Telephone: 202-471-4222 Email: falconecj@verizon.net

If there are any questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee at the following address:

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1015 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515
Phone: 202-225-7103 General Fax: 202-225-7392



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 website (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: International Conservation Caucus Foundation (ICCF)
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: Conservation Council of Nations (d.b.a. the ICCF Group)
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 addendum.
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)? Yes No
6. Date of Departure: Friday, April 16, 2021 Date of Return: Monday, April 19, 2021
7. a. City of departure: Varied by Member
b. Destination(s): Isle of Palms, SC
c. City of return: Varies by Member
8. **Check only one.** I represent that:
 - 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 only 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 you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted: _____



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10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities 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 only one of the following:**
 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. *Not Applicable.* 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:
See addendum.

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. **Check only one.** I represent that either:
 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): \$66 per day

 2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: See addendum.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:
 Hotel Name: Wild Dunes Resort City: Isle of Palms, SC Cost Per Night: \$299
 Reason(s) for Selecting: On site of agenda.
 Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____
 Reason(s) for Selecting: _____
 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:*



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18. Total Expenses for each Participant:

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates			
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$600	\$448	\$217
For each Accompanying Family Member	\$600	\$448	\$217

	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	\$160	tips, hotel fees, etc.
For each Accompanying Family Member	\$160	tips, hotel fees, etc.

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19. Check only one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below: **OR**
- b. *Not Applicable.* Trip 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:  Date: 04/05/21

Name: John Gantt

Title: President

Organization: International Conservation Caucus Foundation (ICCF)

Address: 1200 Potomac Street, NW, Washington, DC 20007

Telephone: 202-471-4222

Email: johngantt@iccfoundation.us; cc: rhowell@iccfoundation.us (organizing logistics)

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ICCF CONGRESSIONAL INTERNATIONAL CONSERVATION LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Wild Dunes, Isle of Palms, SC – April 16-19, 2021

Friday, April 16th

Guests arrive throughout the day at Charleston International Airport

Rep. Henry Cuellar, AA 4802, DCA 3:25PM – 5:08PM CHS
Mrs. Imelda Cuellar, UA , LRD 2:00PM – 8:31PM CHS
Rep. Jeff Fortenberry, AA 4802, DCA 3:25PM – 5:08PM CHS
Mrs. Celeste Fortenberry, DL 2005/1242, MCI 12:41PM – 5:50PM CHS
Rep. David Joyce, AA 4802, DCA 3:25PM – 5:08PM CHS
Ms. Bridey Joyce, AA 4802, DCA 3:25PM – 5:08PM CHS
Rep. Betty McCollum, AA 4802, DCA 3:25PM – 5:08PM CHS

6:30pm – 8:30pm Welcome Dinner

ICCF leadership will open the conference at the welcome dinner by providing an overview of ICCF, as well as the upcoming conference and agenda. During dinner, co-chairs of the International Conservation Caucus will present on goals for the conference. Conference opening remarks will be about 50 minutes. Smaller conversations/discussion will take place after presentations.

Speakers likely to include: ICCF Founder David Barron, Congressman Henry Cuellar, Congressman Jeff Fortenberry, Congressman David Joyce, Congresswoman Betty McCollum

Accommodations: Wild Dunes

Saturday, April 17th

9:00am – 9:30am Breakfast Briefing with ICCF Program Staff

ICCF program staff will present on the work of ICCF and the International Conservation and Oceans Caucuses since the organization's founding.



Staff will also brief participants on the expansion of the caucus model, though the ICCF Group, around the world, including in the UK, Africa, Asia, and Latin America. With parliamentary conservation caucuses in 17 countries, The ICCF Group is at the forefront of building political will to improve conservation governance by educating U.S. and international policymakers, facilitating public-private conservation partnerships, and providing on-the-ground conservation solutions.

Through this discussion, participants will review past successes to build upon and identify potential areas for collaboration with international lawmakers through ICCF Group-supported caucuses.

Speakers likely to include: ICCF Founder David Barron and ICCF Vice-President Susan Lylis

9:30am – 9:45am

Coffee Break

9:45am – 11:30am

Briefing and Strategy Session – Natural Carbon Sequestration and Preventing Wildlife-Borne Pandemics: Addressing Deforestation and Wildlife Trade

International Conservation Caucus co-chairs will lead a discussion to identify strategic objectives for work in the 117th Congress.

Forests and trees are natural carbon sinks and play a major role in sequestering atmospheric carbon. Deforestation and habitat destruction, along with wildlife trade, are among drivers of zoonotic disease emergence. Illegal logging and wildlife trafficking can be linked to transnational organized crime and armed groups, along with forest and land degradation; drive poverty and conflict, which raise concerns for US national security interests; and impact the need for development assistance.

Participating ICC co-chairs will discuss the role that the caucus plays in addressing these natural resource management issues. The mission of the ICC, which comprises one-third of Congress, is to provide “the strong U.S. leadership necessary to conserve the world’s most biologically rich and diverse places.”




Due to public health guidelines, House Members and Senators not traveling will have an opportunity to join this discussion by teleconference.

Additional speakers: Senator Chris Coons (via teleconference); Barry Gold, Clean Future Forum; Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, GEF

There will be a 10-minute break during discussion.

11:30am - 1:30pm Break for Lunch

Guests will also have this time to return to their rooms to freshen up or do an activity before afternoon nature tour.

1:30pm – 2:15am  Water Transport to Capers Island for Nature Tour

2:15pm – 4:45pm Nature Tour at Capers Island

Capers Island is a classic, undeveloped barrier island located about 15 miles north of Charleston between Dewees Island and the Cape Romain National Wildlife Refuge. The island contains diverse habitats supporting abundant wildlife. One may observe alligators, white-tailed deer, raccoons, loggerhead sea turtles, and birds such as herons, egrets, ibises, bitterns, and various waterfowl species. The creeks and marshes adjacent to Capers are alive with oysters, shrimp, hard clams, crabs, and many species of fish such as sea trout, red drum, flounder, black drum, king whiting, spot, pompano, and croaker.

Members are attending this conference to discuss conservation, and this nature tour is important so participants can see these topics first hand. During this tour, Members will be briefed on issues impacting the Lowcountry and other marine ecosystems, including marine plastic pollution, migratory bird conservation, and blue carbon sequestration and will have to opportunity to ask questions of local expert guides. Understanding these ecosystems is essential when discussing ideas and policies about how to protect them. Discussion will be ongoing throughout the tour.

Speaker: Robert Hopkins, Barrier Island Eco Tours

4:45pm – 5:30pm Water Transport from Capers Island to the Boardwalk Inn



5:30pm – 6:00pm Freshen up for dinner

6:00 pm - 8:30pm Reception/Dinner with South Carolina Congressional Delegation

Local Members of Congress and other elected officials will meet attendees during an evening reception/dinner and speak to conservation issues impacting the state.

Speakers will give remarks for approximately 50 minutes. Smaller conversations/discussion will take place at the table after presentations.

Invited speakers: Members of SC Congressional Delegation, State Senator Chip Campsen, Isle of Palms Mayor Jimmy Carroll

Accommodations: Wild Dunes

Sunday, April 18th

9:30am-10:00am Breakfast Briefing with GEF CEO Carlos Manuel Rodriguez

Carlos Manuel Rodriguez is CEO of the Global Environment Facility (GEF). The GEF is a partnership for international cooperation where 183 countries work together with international institutions, civil society organizations, and the private sector to address global environmental issues. GEF provides grant support for sustainable development projects in biodiversity, international waters, land degradation, persistent organic pollutants, and mercury pollution, among others. The GEF is the largest multilateral funder of projects benefiting global environmental commons – from fisheries to forests to productive lands.

10:00am – 10:15am Coffee Break

10:15am -12:30pm Briefing and Strategy Session – Parks and Protected Areas: Leveraging U.S. Expertise to Aid Partner Nations and Support Transboundary Conservation

ICCF Group staff will present on the International Conservation Corps, which utilizes retired parks and land management experts from the United States and Canada to provide technical assistance to developing countries in the management of their protected areas.



International Conservation Caucus co-chairs will then lead a discussion to identify strategic objectives for work in the 117th Congress.

National parks, protected areas, and transboundary conservation areas play a vital role in wildlife conservation and provide countries and regions with economic benefits through sustainable tourism. Public-private partnerships support park management and tourism development and help leverage additional public and private investments. Community-based conservation further bolsters protected areas by providing additional private conservation land in buffer zones or along wildlife migration routes with direct economic benefits to communities.

Participating ICC co-chairs will discuss the role that the caucus plays in addressing these natural resource management issues.

Due to public health guidelines, House Members and Senators not traveling will have an opportunity to join this discussion by teleconference.


Additional speakers: Barry Gold, Clean Future Forum; Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, GEF; Mark Green, Wilson Center

There will be a 10-minute break during discussion.

12:30pm – 3:30pm

Break for Lunch

3:30pm-5:30pm

 117th Congress Strategy Session - Final Questions and Takeaways

Attending International Conservation Caucus co-chairs will continue discussion of strategic objectives. This is also an opportunity for any last minute questions and to discuss takeaway messaging.

5:30pm – 6:00pm

Freshen up for dinner

6:00pm – 8:00pm

 Dinner Briefing with Ambassador Mark Green

Mark Green is President, Director, and CEO of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and has served as Administrator of the US Agency for International Development, President of the McCain Institute and the International Republican Institute, Ambassador to



Tanzania, and US Representative from Wisconsin. Ambassador Green also serves on the ICCF Group Board of Directors.

Ambassador Green will offer keynote remarks, and attending co-chairs of the International Conservation Caucus will offer closing remarks, approximately 50 minutes. Smaller conversations/discussion will take place after presentations.

Accommodations: Wild Dunes

Monday, April 19th

No meetings scheduled.

Guests depart throughout the morning from Charleston International Airport.

Rep. Henry Cuellar, AA 4873, CHS 11:39AM – 1:15PM DCA
Mrs. Imelda Cuellar, UA , CHS 7:00AM – 1:23PM LRD
Rep. Jeff Fortenberry, AA 4873, CHS 11:39AM – 1:15PM DCA
Mrs. Celeste Fortenberry, DL 2832/2519, CHS 10:40AM – 2:17PM MCI
Rep. David Joyce, AA 4873, CHS 11:39AM – 1:15PM DCA
Ms. Bridey Joyce, AA 4873, CHS 11:39AM – 1:15PM DCA
*Rep. Betty McCollum (4/18), AA 4802, CHS 5:41PM – 7:15PM DCA

Addendum to Primary Trip Sponsor Form

4. Congressman Jeff Fortenberry, Congressman Dave Joyce, Congressman Henry Cuellar, Congresswoman Betty McCollum

Each individual was invited to participate in a comprehensive discussion of natural resource management challenges faced around the world and to see, first hand, an ecosystem that faces a number of these challenges. Congressman Fortenberry, Congressman Joyce, Congressman Cuellar, and Congresswoman McCollum are Co-Chairs of the House International Conservation Caucus (ICC). As leaders of the International Conservation Caucus, participants are invited to identify and debate priorities, working to build bipartisan consensus around issues of international conservation and ocean conservation and strategize a path forward in the 117th Congress.

12. The International Conservation Caucus Foundation (ICCF) educates U.S. policymakers and other global political and business leaders on the vital links between good natural resource management, sustainable economic development, conflict avoidance, and regional security. ICCF organized the logistics of lodging and travel for the trip and identified topics and expert speakers.

The Conservation Council of Nations (d.b.a. The ICCF Group) recognizes governance as an essential and under-addressed component in modern conservation efforts. To address this gap, it builds and supports successful legislative caucuses around the world to provide education and build political will around unifying topics of natural resource management. Our programs engage political decision makers in the United States and partner nations, facilitate the development of innovative public-private conservation partnerships, and deploy top conservation professionals from U.S. and Canadian government agencies to share their expertise. A member of the ICCF Group is leading the delegation while on the ground.

15b. Wild Dunes is conveniently located on the Isle of Palms in South Carolina. The Isle of Palms is a coastal barrier island that serves as an ideal jumping-off point for participants to access nearby undeveloped coastal ecosystems, where participants can witness some of the shared challenges facing coastal regions around the world. These include marine plastic pollution, migratory bird conservation, and the conservation of intact maritime forests for blue carbon sequestration.