Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual Financial Disclosure Statements of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, B-81 Cannon House Office Building, 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: KATHERINA DIMENSTEIN

2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: __________________________ OR None ☐
   b. Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): __________

3. a. Dates: Departure: 25 August 2019  OR  None ☐
   b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _________________________________

4. Departure City: Washington, DC  Destination: Stockholm, Sweden; Moscow, Russia  Return City: Washington, DC

5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: See attached itinerary.

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 Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms;
   c. ☒ page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the employee; 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 on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Traveler: __________________________ Date: 9.10.19

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: DAVID SCHWEIKERT Date: 9.10.19

Signature of Supervising Member: __________________________

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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 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.

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

1. **Sponsor(s) who paid for the trip:** Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

2. **Travel Destination(s):** Stockholm, Sweden and Moscow, Russia

3. **Date of Departure:** 25 August 2019  
   **Date of Return:** 31 August 2019

4. **Name(s) of Traveler(s):** See attached list.  
   **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:

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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:** 9/4/19

**Name:** Michael Forster  
**Title:** Chief Operating Officer

**Organization:** Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

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

**Address:** 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20004

**Telephone:** 202-691-9966  
**Email:** michael.forster@wilsoncenter.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: Katherine Dimenstein

2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying for the trip: Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

3. City and State OR Foreign Country of Travel: Stockholm, Sweden; Moscow, Russia

4. a. Date of Departure: Sunday, August 25th, 2019 Date of Return: Saturday, August 31st, 2019
   b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?    ☐ Yes ☐ No
      If yes, list dates at personal expense: ____________________________

5. a. Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor’s expense?    ☐ Yes ☐ No    If yes:
      (1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: __________________________________________
      (2) Relationship to Traveler:    ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): __________________________
      (3) Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age:    ☐ Yes ☐ No

6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer “Yes” to Question 8(c) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?    ☐ Yes ☐ No
   b. If yes, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night 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.

   As the Chief of Staff, I provide oversight on legislative policy for the office, specifically in regards to foreign affairs issues and trade issues, both of which are highly politically charged and must be handled on a senior staff level.

9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved planning, organizing, requesting, 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.

    Signature of Employing Member: ____________________________ Date: 7/24/2019
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: Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

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:

   Carnegie Corporation of New York (See Included Grantmaking Sponsor Form)

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 family member of the House invitee(s)? ☐ Yes ☑ No

6. Date of Departure: Sunday, August 25th, 2019 Date of Return: Saturday, August 31st, 2019

7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC
   b. Destination(s): Stockholm, Sweden; Moscow, Russia
   c. City of return: Washington, DC

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 attached response.

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:
      N/A

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

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:
   Hotel Name: Blique By Nobis Stockholm City: Stockholm Cost Per Night: $201
   Reason(s) for Selecting: Below or equal to per diem rate
   Hotel Name: Moscow Grand Marriott City: Moscow Cost Per Night: $239
   Reason(s) for Selecting: Central location, below per diem rate
   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:

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<td>Total: $1119 (Stockholm: $201 per night, Moscow: $239 per night)</td>
<td>Total: $832 Travel days: $196 Sweden: $306 Russia: $336</td>
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<td>For each Accompanying Family Member</td>
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<th>Identify Specific Nature of “Other” Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)</th>
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<td>For each Member, Officer, or Employee</td>
<td>$298 $105.86</td>
<td>Business Russian Single Entry Visa Ice Carving and Climate Change Interactive</td>
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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: [Signature] Date: [July 18, 2019]

Name: Michael Forster
Title: Chief Operating Officer
Organization: Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
Address: 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20004
Telephone: 202.691.4366
Email: michael.forster@wilsoncenter.org

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

Committee on Ethics
U.S. House of Representatives
1015 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515
Phone: 202-225-7103 General Fax: 202-225-7392

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August 23, 2019

Ms. Katherina Dimenstein  
Office of the Honorable David Schweikert  
1526 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Dimenstein:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Russia and Sweden,¹ scheduled for August 25 to 31, 2019, sponsored by Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, with financial support from Carnegie Corporation of New York.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) 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. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, 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 employees 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 and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

¹ Please be aware that the Committee’s review of the proposed trip does not extend to either the security situation in the destination country or security related to foreign travel in general. We recommend you contact the Sergeant at Arms (SAA) for a safety and security briefing prior to your departure. SAA may be reached at (202) 226-2044 or ohssstaff@mail.house.gov. House travelers should also register for the U.S. State Department’s Smart Traveler Enrollment Program at https://step.state.gov.
If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee’s Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

Theodore E. Deutch  
Chairman

Kenny Marchant  
Ranking Member

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18. Total Expenses for each participant:

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<td><strong>AIRFARE:</strong> $1800</td>
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<td><strong>MOSCOW:</strong> $19 for airport transfers per person, $7 per person for unlimited three-day transportation card</td>
<td><strong>Stockholm:</strong> $201 per night</td>
<td><strong>Travel days:</strong> $196</td>
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<td><strong>STOCKHOLM:</strong> $159 per person for a passenger van to and from site visits for 3 days.</td>
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4. Name(s) of Traveler(s):

   *Trip participants were chosen because they are all alumni of the six week Foreign Policy Fellowship Program.*

**Name**: Maria Bowie  
**Title**: Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of Representative Tom Cole

**Name**: Ryan Carney  
**Title**: Chief of Staff, Office of Representative Bryan Steil

**Name**: Katherina Dimenstein  
**Title**: Chief of Staff, Office of Representative David Schweikert

**Name**: Denise Fleming  
**Title**: Legislative Director, Office of Representative Cindy Axne

**Name**: Jonathan Halpern  
**Title**: Legislative Director, Office of Representative Sanford Bishop

**Name**: Daniel Hare  
**Title**: Senior Legislative Assistant, Office of Representative Michael Turner

**Name**: Tim Hysom  
**Title**: Chief of Staff, Office of Representative Alan Lowenthal

**Name**: Brittany Madni  
**Title**: Legislative Director, Office of Representative Troy Balderson

**Name**: Nishith Pandya  
**Title**: Legislative Director, Office of Representative Bobby Rush
**Name:** Jessica Presley  
**Title:** Director of Digital Strategy, House Judiciary Committee

**Name:** Rick Terrazas  
**Title:** Chief of Staff, Office of Representative Duncan Hunter

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

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<td>Room Rental + Audio Equipment: $46 per person</td>
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<td>Passenger Van Sweden: $162 per person to and from site visits for 3 days</td>
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<td>Passenger Van Moscow: $18.40 per person to and from the airport</td>
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<td>Moscow: $149 per person</td>
<td>Tickets to Contemporary Museum of History + Private Tour: $9 per person</td>
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<td>Metro Cards in Moscow: $6.80 per person for unlimited three day transportation card</td>
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<td><strong>NOTE:</strong> Russian Embassy required us to obtain official visas, and the visa fee was waived by the Embassy. Thus, the $298 fee indicated on the pre-ethics forms was not paid.</td>
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| Accompanying Family Member | N/A                                  | N/A                         | N/A                  | N/A                           |
Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
Foreign Policy Fellowship Program, Polar Institute, and Kennan Institute
2019 Congressional Staff Trip

August 25 – 31, 2019

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25TH

Participants travel to Stockholm, Sweden

3:00PM  Meet at Washington Dulles Airport (IAD)

5:40PM  Flight departs Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)
        KLM #652
        Flight time: 7hrs 35 mins

OVERNIGHT: PLANE

MONDAY, AUGUST 26TH

Stockholm, Sweden
Focus: Sweden’s national climate policy
Attire: Morning: Casual, Afternoon: Business Casual

7:15AM  Flight lands Amsterdam Schipol Airport for layover
        Layover duration: 3 hrs 5 min
        Time change from departure airport: +6 hours

10:20AM Flight departs Amsterdam Schipol Airport (AMS)
        KLM #1109
        Flight time: 2 hrs 0 min

12:20PM Flight arrives Stockholm Arlanda Airport (ARN)
        Time change from departure airport: 0 hours

1:30 – 2:15PM Travel to Blåke by Nobis Stockholm
        Address: Gåvlegatan 18, 113 30 Stockholm, Sweden
        Phone: +46 709 807695

2:15 – 3:30PM Check-in at Blåke by Nobis
3:30 - 3:45PM  TRAVEL TO STOCKHOLM INTERNATIONAL PEACE RESEARCH INSTITUTE

3:45 – 5:45PM  STOCKHOLM INTERNATIONAL PEACE RESEARCH INSTITUTE AND SWEDISH DEFENSE RESEARCH AGENCY
Address: Signalstgatan 9, SE-167
72 Solna, Sweden
Phone: +46 709 807695

About SIPRI: SIPRI is an independent international institute dedicated to research into conflict, armaments, arms control and disarmament. SIPRI provides data, analysis and recommendations, based on open sources, to policymakers, researchers, media and the interested public. Based in Stockholm, SIPRI is regularly ranked among the most respected think tanks worldwide.

About SDRA: The Swedish Defense Research Agency is a government agency in Sweden for defense research that reports to the Ministry of Defense. Their activities include research, development of technology and analysis, primarily for military defense, but also for civil emergency, security and other civilian applications.

Presenter: Dr Malin Mobjörk, Senior Researcher and Director of SIPRI’s Climate Change and Risk Programme

Topics of Discussion:
- Sweden’s climate policy
- Sweden’s national climate adaptation and mitigation strategies
- Sweden’s global engagement on international conflict, disarmament, international development.
- Swedish security perspectives on Russia, Nordic countries, and the Euro-Atlantic security

5:45  END OF PROGRAMMING: PARTICIPANTS ARE TO ACQUIRE DINNER BY THEIR OWN MEANS

OVERNIGHT: STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN
Tuesday, August 27th

Stockholm, Sweden
Focus: US-Swedish Relations and Sweden's Global Outlook
Attire: Business casual

8:30 AM  Breakfast at the Hotel
Breakfast included in the hotel reservation

9:30 – 9:45 AM  Travel to Ministry of Foreign Affairs

9:45 – 12:00 PM  Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Address: Rosenbad 4
Stockholm, Sweden
Phone: +46 8 405 10 00

Presenters:
HE Björn Lyrvall, Sweden’s Ambassador for Arctic Affairs
Ms Elinor Blomberg, Deputy Director, Arctic Affairs, MFA

Topics of Discussion:
- Swedish-US relations
- Sweden’s policy towards the European Union, United Nations, China, Russia, and the Arctic

12:00 – 1:00 PM  Lunch and Round Table Discussion at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Presenters:
HE Björn Lyrvall, Sweden’s Ambassador for Arctic Affairs
Ms Elinor Blomberg, Deputy Director, Arctic Affairs, MFA

Topics of Discussion:
- Sweden’s role in global affairs

1:00 – 1:30 PM  Walk to Riksdag: Parliament House

1:30 – 2:30 PM  Tour of Riksdag
Address: Riksgatan 1, 100 12 Stockholm, Sweden
Phone: +46 8 786 40 00

About: The Riksdag is the national legislature and supreme decision-making body of Sweden. Since 1971, the Riksdag has been a unicameral legislature with 349 members, elected proportionally and serving, from 1994 onwards, on fixed four-year terms. The Riksdag performs the normal functions of a legislature in
parliamentary democracy by enacting laws, amending the constitution and appointing a government.

**Topics of Discussion:**
- Swedish legislative affairs
- Sweden’s domestic policy

2:30 – 3:00PM
**TRAVEL TO U.S. EMBASSY SWEDEN**

3:00 – 5:00PM
**U.S. EMBASSY SWEDEN**
Address: Dag Hammarskjölds Väg 31
SE-115 89 Stockholm
Phone: + 08 783 53 00
Presenter: Christopher Dorn, Acting Political/Economic Counselor U.S. Embassy Sweden, Greg Ventresca, Political Officer, U.S. Embassy Sweden

**Topics of Discussion:**
- US- Swedish relations
- US-Arctic Policy and Swedish/Scandinavian engagement
- US-Russia Relations and related policies from a US Embassy Sweden perspective
- US national security issues re: Arctic, Scandinavian perspectives

5:00 – 5:30PM
**TRAVEL TO BLIQUE BY NOBIS HOTEL**

5:30 – 6:45 PM
**NO PROGRAMMING**

6:45 – 7:00 PM
**DEPART BLIQUE BY NOBIS HOTEL FOR DINNER**
Walking movement to dinner

7:00 – 9:30 PM
**DINNER AND TRANSITIONAL BRIEFING AT FEM SMA HUS**
Address: Nygränd 10, 111 30 Stockholm, Sweden
Phone: +46 8 10 87 75

About: Historic restaurant, in operation since 1694. Dinner will take place in a private, vaulted dining room while Dr. Sfraga and Mr. Pomeranz wrap up the Sweden portion of the trip and hand off to the Russia portion, highlighting the shared issues and competing perspectives.

Presenters: Dr. Mike Sfraga, Director of the Wilson Center’s Polar Institute
Will Pomeranz, Deputy Director of the Wilson Center’s Kennan Institute
9:30 PM    END PROGRAMMING

OVERNIGHT: STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28TH

PARTICIPANTS TRAVEL TO MOSCOW, RUSSIA
FOCUS: DOMESTIC ISSUES IN RUSSIA
ATTIRE: MORNING: CASUAL, EVENING: BUSINESS

6:00AM    DEPART BLIQUE BY NOBIS HOTEL

6:00 – 6:30AM    TRAVEL TO STOCKHOLM ARLANDA AIRPORT

8:30AM    FLIGHT DEPARTS STOCKHOLM ARLANDA AIRPORT (ARN)
FINNAIR #802
FLIGHT TIME: 1 HR

10:30AM    ARRIVE HELSINKI AIRPORT (HEL)
LAYOVER DURATION: 1 HOUR 40 MINUTES
TIME CHANGE FROM DEPARTURE AIRPORT: +1 HR

11:10AM    FLIGHT DEPARTS HELSINKI AIRPORT (HEL)
FINNAIR #715
FLIGHT TIME: 1 HR 30 MINS
TIME CHANGE FROM DEPARTURE AIRPORT: NONE

12:50PM    ARRIVE SHEREMETYEVO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT MOSCOW (SVO)

2:00 – 3:00PM    TRAVEL TO MARRIOTT GRAND HOTEL
Address: 26/1 Tverskaya Street
Moscow, 125009

Phone: +7 495 937-00-00

3:00 – 4:00PM    CHECK-IN MARRIOTT GRAND HOTEL

4:00 – 5:00PM    TRAVEL TO SPAZO HOUSE, RESIDENCE OF US AMBASSADOR
Address: Spasopeskovskiy Lane, 10, Moscow, Russia, 119002

Phone: +7 906 958-38-52

Point of Contact: Sonata Coulter (CoulterSN@state.gov)

5:00 – 8:00PM    SPAZO HOUSE BRIEFING AND RECEPTION WITH AMBASSADOR JON HUNTSMAN
Host: H.E. Jon Huntsman

Topics of Discussion:
- Domestic Issues
- Foreign Policy
- Economics
- Russian Security

8:00PM       END PROGRAMMING

OVERNIGHT: MOSCOW, RUSSIA

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29TH

MOSCOW, RUSSIA
FOCUS: RUSSIAN DOMESTIC POLITICS
ATTIRE: BUSINESS CASUAL

8:00AM       BREAKFAST ON YOUR OWN AT THE HOTEL
BREAKFAST INCLUDED IN THE HOTEL RESERVATION

9:00 – 10:00AM  US-RUSSIA RELATIONS AND RULE OF LAW BRIEFING
MARRIOTT GRAND HOTEL CONFERENCE ROOM

Presenters: Matthew Rojansky, Director, Kennan Institute, Wilson Center
William Pomeranz, Deputy Director, Kennan Institute, Wilson Center

Topics of Discussion:
- Rule of Law
- US-Russia Relations

10:00 – 10:30AM  TRAVEL TO THE FEDERATION COUNCIL AND STATE DUMA

10:30AM – 12:00PM  TOUR | FEDERATION COUNCIL AND STATE DUMA

FEDERATION COUNCIL
Address: 26 Bolshaya Dmitrovka Street, Moscow 103426 Russia

Phone: +7 495 697-43-54

Point of Contact: Inga Yumasheva

Topics of Discussion:
- Structure of Russian Governing Body
12:00 – 12:30PM

**TRAVEL TO LUNCH AT STRANA KOTOROY NET**

12:30 – 2:00PM

**LUNCHTIME PANEL | RUSSIAN DOMESTIC AFFAIRS**

Address: “Fashion Season” Shopping Center, Okhotnyy Ryad Street, 2, Moscow, Russia, 125009

Phone: +7 495 259-70-80

Presenters:

- **Ekaterina Schulman**, Russian political Scientist and Senior Lecturer, Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration.
- **Kirill Rogov**, Political Analyst, Moscow Center, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
- **Andrei Kolesnikov**, Senior Fellow and Chair, Russian Domestic Politics and Political Institutions Program, Moscow Center, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

**Topics of Discussion:**

- Russian Domestic Politics
- Modern Russian Ideology
- Economics and Globalization in Russia and Eurasia

2:00 – 2:30PM

**TRAVEL TO RIAC**

2:30 – 4:00PM

**RUSSIAN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS COUNCIL (RIAC)**

RIAC HEADQUARTERS

Address: 119180, Moscow, 1 Bolshaya Yakimanka Street

Phone: +7 495 225-62-83

Presenters: Andrey Kortunov, Director General, RIAC; Ruslan Mamedov (MENA), Ksenia Kuzmina (Asia-Pacific Region), Natalia Evtikheevich (Euro-Atlantic Region).

**Topics of Discussion:**

- Russian foreign policy and international security
- Sanctions
- Nuclear/ INF Treaty
- Geopolitics/ Regional Relations
  - Russia/ EU/ China Triangle
4:00 – 7:00 PM

**NO PROGRAMMING**

7:00 – 9:00 PM

**DINNER AND DISCUSSION ON NUCLEAR WEAPON ISSUES AT SCENARIO CAFÉ**

Address: Tverskaya St, 22A
Moskva, Russia, 125009
Phone: +7 499 404-11-75

Presenter: Andrey Baklitskiy, Consultant at PIR Center

**Topics of Discussion:**
- Russian nuclear policy
- US-Russian strategic dialogue
- Russia and JCPOA/ Iran’s Nuclear Program

9:00 PM

**END PROGRAMMING**

**OVERNIGHT: MOSCOW, RUSSIA**

Friday, August 30th

**MOSCOW, RUSSIA**

*Focus: Russian Media, Economy and History*

*Attire: Business Casual*

9:00 – 10:00 AM

**BREAKFAST BRIEFING | MEDIA IN RUSSIA**

**MARRIOTT GRAND HOTEL CONFERENCE ROOM**

Presenters: Echo of Moscow, Forbes Russia, Vedomosti, Novaya Gazeta

- Alexei Venediktov, Russian journalist, editor-in-chief, host and co-owner, Echo of Moscow
- Sergey Sokolov, Deputy Chief Editor of Novaya Gazeta
- Sergey Parkhomenko, Russian journalist and Kennan Institute Senior Advisor

**Topics of Discussion:**
- Independent Media in Russia
10:00 – 11:00AM  BRIEFING | FOREIGN POLICY AND NATIONAL IDENTITY WITH KENNAN INSTITUTE ALUMNI DR. VICTORIA ZHURAVLEVA

Address: Marriott Grand Hotel

Topics of Discussion:
- US and Russian mutual perceptions in retrospect and now
- Myths and stereotypes
- Cycles of hope and disappointment
- Recent shifts in societal perceptions

11:00 – 12:45PM  NO PROGRAMMING

12:45 – 1:45PM  PARTICIPANTS ARE TO ACQUIRE LUNCH BY THEIR OWN MEANS

1:45 – 2:00PM  TRAVEL TO LEVADA CENTER

2:00 – 3:00PM  BRIEFING | PERCEPTION OF RUSSIANS AND AMERICANS: PUBLIC OPINION AND THE US-RUSSIA RELATIONSHIP WITH LEV GUDKOV FROM LEVADA CENTER

Address: 109012, Moscow, 17 Nikolskaya Street

Phone: 499-755-40-30

About: Levada Center is a Russian non-governmental research organization. It is one of the largest Russian centers in the field and regularly conducts sociological research. Staff of the center bring together experts in the fields of sociology, political science, economics, psychology, market research and public opinion polls.

Presenter: Lev Gudkov, Director, Levada Center

Topics of Discussion:
- Russian Society and Public Opinion
- Russian Public Opinion Trends

3:00 – 4:30PM  NO PROGRAMMING

4:30 – 5:00PM  TRAVEL TO MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY RUSSIAN HISTORY
5:00 – 6:00PM  
**Lecture and Discussion of the Importance of World War II in Russian Politics and Society**  
Address: 21 Tverskaya Street, Moscow, Russia, 125009  
Phone: +7 495 699-67-24  
Presenter: Nikita Sokolov, History Expert and Public Intellectual  

**Topics of Discussion:**  
- History  
- Mutual perceptions/representations of Russians and Americans (Imagology)  
- Foreign Policy and National Identity  

6:00 – 6:30PM  
**Travel to LavkaLavka Restaurant**  

6:30 – 9:15PM  
**Recap on Lessons Learned and Group Dinner**  
**LavkaLavka Restaurant**  
Address: Petrovka St. 21, First Floor, Moscow, Russia, 127051  
Phone: +7 903 115-50-33  

**Topics of Discussion:**  
- Russian perceptions vs United States perceptions  
- Russian’s national security and world view  
- Share takeaways and lessons learned from the trip  

9:15PM  
**End Programming**  

**Overnight: Moscow, Russia**  

**Saturday, August 31st**  
Moscow, Russia ➔ Munich, Germany ➔ Dulles, Virginia  

**Depart for DME at 5:00 AM**  

8:45 AM  
**Flight Departs Moscow Domodedovo Airport (DME)**  
Air France #1145  
Flight time: 3 hours and 15 minutes

10:20AM  
**Flight Arrives Charles de Gaulle International Airport (CDG)**  
Layover duration: 6 hour and 10 minutes
Time change from departure airport: 1 hour

4:30 PM
Flight departs Charles de Gaulle Airport (CDG)
Air France #026
Flight time: 8 hours and 35 minutes

7:05 PM
Arrive Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)
Time change from departure airport: -6 hours
List of Invitees Wilson Foreign Policy Fellowship Program Trip to Sweden/ Russia
August 2019 | House of Representatives

Name: Maria Bowie
Title: Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of Representative Tom Cole

Name: Ryan Carney
Title: Chief of Staff, Office of Representative Bryan Steil

Name: Kat Dimenstein
Title: Chief of Staff, Office of Representative Dave Schweikert

Name: Denise Fleming
Title: Legislative Director, Office of Representative Cindy Axne

Name: Jonathan Halpern
Title: Legislative Director, Office of Representative Sanford Bishop

Name: Daniel Hare
Title: Senior Legislative Assistant, Office of Representative Michael Turner

Name: Tim Hysom
Title: Chief of Staff, Office of Representative Alan Lowenthal

Name: Brittany Madni
Title: Legislative Director, Office of Representative Troy Balderson
Name: Nishith Pandya
Title: Legislative Director, Office of Representative Bobby Rush

Name: Jessica Presley
Title: Director of Digital Strategy, House Judiciary Committee

Name: Rick Terrazas
Title: Chief of Staff, Office of Representative Duncan Hunter
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:

The Wilson Center is the sole organizer of the trip. The Wilson Center is a Trust Instrumentality of the US government and was established by an Act of Congress in 1968. The Carnegie Corporation of New York funds the Foreign Policy Fellowship, but plays no role in choosing participants, selecting the destination, or designing the itinerary.

The Wilson Foreign Policy Fellowship Program aims to educate Congressional staffers on foreign policy issues critical to U.S. national security, as well as to foster bipartisan working relationships. The trip supplements the work of the program’s six-week seminar series, providing fellows with an opportunity to gain first-hand understanding of some of the policy challenges and opportunities discussed in the seminars. The focus for this trip in Sweden is examining through site visits and meetings climate policy, US-Swedish relations, Swedish Arctic policy and national security issues in the region. In Russia, the focus of the trip will center on Russian domestic issues, economics, sanctions and media.

Our goal is to promote a first-hand understanding of policy issues on the legislative agenda through exposure to the perspectives of key stakeholders. The goal of the fellowship program is deeply rooted in the Wilson Center’s mission to “…unite the world of ideas to the world of policy by supporting preeminent scholarship and linking that scholarship to issues of concern to officials in Washington.”

The Carnegie Corporation supports the Wilson Foreign Policy Fellowship Program with a grant, one of several Corporation grants aimed at educating Congressional staffers. The Carnegie Corporation shares the Wilson Center’s interest in fostering bipartisanship in Congress, as well as in educating lawmakers on critical foreign policy issues.

15b (2) Provide reason for selecting the location of the event or trip.

Sweden was selected as the destination for this trip in order to study the cooperation between the United States and Sweden in the Arctic. The meetings will aim to teach staff about the emerging national security threats in the Arctic and will teach participants how the members of the Arctic Council work together in the region. Moscow, Russia was selected as our second destination to focus on Russian security, state media, sanctions and the history of US-Russian relations. Our meetings will focus on Russian domestic issues, foreign policy and economics through meetings with the US Embassy in Moscow, think tanks and the US-Russia Chamber of Commerce.