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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 by email at gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov*, within 15 days after travel is completed. Please *donot* 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: Yusuf Nekzad

2.	a. Name of Accompanying Relative:	OR 🔲 None
	b. Relationship to Traveler: 🗖 Spouse 🗖 Child 🗖 Other (specify):	
3.	a. Dates: Departure: 05/08/2024 Return: 05/12/2024	
	b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any:	OR None
4.	Departure City: Washington, D.C. Destination: London, U.K. Return City: Washington, D.C.	ashington, D.C.
5.	Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Third Way Foundation (Progressive Policy Institute is a project of T	hird Way Foundation)
6.	Describe Meetings and Events Attended: Meetings and events with public and private se	ector participants
	focused on energy and climate change, and how U.SU.K. bilateral relations can play a role in the o	limate conversation.
7.	Attached to this form are <i>each</i> of the following, <i>signify that each item is attached by checking the correction of the</i>	responding box:
	a. 🔲 a completed Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form;	
	b. I the Primary Trip Sponsor Form completed by the trip sponsor prior to the trip, including all a the Additional Sponsor Form(s);	attachments and
	c. Description page 2 of the completed <i>Traveler Form</i> 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 agence <i>is true by checking the box.</i>	la. Signify statement
	b. If not, explain:	
Ic	ertify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of r	ny knowledge.
	Vuouf Nokzad Digitally signed by Yusuf Nekzad	
Sig	gnature of Traveler: Yusuf Nekzad Digitally signed by Yusuf Nekzad Date: 2024.05.21 11:38:15 -04'00' Date: 05/21/2024	
Dis	uthorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached <i>Spo</i> sclosure Form were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.	
Na	me of Supervising Member: Rep. Nikki Budzinski Date: 05/21/2024	

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 in 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.

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

- Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip:
 The Third Way Foundation (Progressive Policy Institute is a project of Third Way Foundation)
- 2. Travel Destination(s): London, United Kingdom
- 3. Date of Departure: May 8, 2024 Date of Return: May 12, 2024

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Macey Matthews, Aaron Schmidt, Casey O'Shea, Charlie Chamness, Will Pisano, Joe Valente, Yusuf Nekzad, Alex Rajakovich, Michael Burnside

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:

c	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$930	\$840 for general \$708 for energy	\$470.64 for general \$441.41 for energy	\$0
Accompanying Family Member				

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: Lindsay Lewis	Date:	May 17th, 2024	
Name: Lindsay Lewis	Title:	Executive Director	

Organization: Progressive Policy Institute

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

Address:	1919 M St NW			
Talanhan	e: (202) 617-4042	Emaile	llewis@ppionline.org	
relephon	e: (202) 011 1012	Email:	Gebrer	

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: Yusuf Nekzad

2.	Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip:	
	The Third Way Foundation (Progressive Policy Institute is a project of Third Way Foundation)	

3. City and State OR Foreign Country of Travel: United Kingdom

4. a. Date of Departure: 05/08/2024 Date of Return: 05/12/2024

b. Yes 🗋 No 🔳 Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?

If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____

5. a. Yes 🗌 No 🔳 Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? If yes:

(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _

- (2) Relationship to Traveler:
 Spouse Child Other (specify):
- (3) Yes 🗌 No 🗍 Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?

6. a. Yes 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)?

b. If yes, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes 🔟 No 🗌 *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.

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 am a Legislative Director handling energy and infrastructure issues for the Congresswoman. The agenda for this trip centers around climate, sustainability, and clean energy infrastructure issues and how the United States and United Kingdom can work bilaterally to achieve shared goals in those sectors.

- 9. Yes No Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?
- 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: <u>04/05/2024</u>

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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's website (ethics. house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form. The Committee will notify the House invitees directly of its decision and will not notify the trip sponsors.

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. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:

The Third Way Foundation (Progressive Policy Institute is a project of Third Way Foundation)

- 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, services, or in-kind assistance 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:

- 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): <u>Please see attached.</u>
- 5. Yes 🔲 No 🔳 Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?
- 6. Date of Departure: May 8, 2024 Date of Return: May 12, 2024

7. a. City of departure: Washington, D.C.

- b. Destination(s): London, England
- c. City of return: Washington, D.C.
- 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.

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9. Check only one of the following.

- a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above; OR
- b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; OR
- 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.
- 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 the statement is true by clicking the 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: PPI has been conducting policy work and facilitating transatlantic dialogues between U.S. policymakers and international partners since 1989. The trip will focus on the global energy transition and related policy issues surrounding generation, infrastructure, trade, national security, and international relations.

13.	a. Mode of travel: Airb. Class of travel: Coad	Inswer part c if necessary: Image: Second structure Image: Second structure	Other [] (specify:)
14.	I represent that the e	xpenditures related to local area travel during the	e trip will be unrelated to personal
	or recreational activiti	ies of the invitee(s). Signify that the statement is tru	ue by checking box.
15.	 and that meals provid event attendees; OR b. The trip involves of participation. If "b" is 	an event that is arranged or organized <i>without reg</i> ed to congressional participants are similar to the events that are arranged specifically <i>with regard</i> t checked: <i>day</i> of meals (approximate cost may be provided 50 per day	ose provided to or purchased by other
		for selecting the location of the event or trip:t of the U.K. government and capital city.	
16.	Hotel Name: Wellington H	reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging Hotel by Blue Orchid City: London centrally located to meetings.	
		City:	Cost Per Night:
	· · · · · · · · ·	City:	

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 the box.*

18. Total Expenses for each Participant:

Actual Amounts Good Faith Estimates		Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$900	\$850	\$400
For each Accompanying Family Member			

	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		
For each Accompanying Family Member		

19. Check only one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
- b. D Not Applicable. Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. I certify by my signature that

- a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
- b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and
- c. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 1A	Date: 04/04/2024
Name: Lindsay Lewis	Title: Executive Director
Organization: The Third Way Foundation	
Address: 1919 M Street NW, Ste 300, Washington, DC 20036	3
Email: Ilewis@ppionline.org	Telephone: (202)-617-4042

If there are questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

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U.S. House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

May 7, 2024

Mr. Yusuf Nekzad Office of the Honorable Nikki Budzinski 1009 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Nekzad:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to United Kingdom,¹ scheduled for May 8 to 12, 2024, sponsored by the Third Way Foundation.

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 \$480 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 \$480] 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 Office of House Security (OHS) for a safety and security briefing prior to your departure. OHS may be reached at (202) 226-2044 or ohsstaff@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.

Michael Guest

Chairman

Sincerely, Fisalis

Susan Wild Ranking Member

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U.S. Congressional Staff Attendees

StaffDel to London, May 8-12, 2024

Harrison Jumper Senior Legislative Assistant U.S. Rep. Chrissy Houlahan

Will Pisano Legislative Director U.S. Rep. Annie Kuster

Joe Valente Legislative Assistant U.S. Rep. Jake Auchincloss

Mike Burnside

Sr. Policy Advisor U.S. Rep. Marc Veasey

Alex Rajakovich

Legislative Assistant U.S. Rep. Chris Deluzio

Prerna Bhat

Legislative Assistant U.S. Sen. Cory Booker

Chris Avila

Legislative Assistant U.S. Sen. Chris Coons

London Energy StaffDel Schedule

Wednesday, May 8, 2024 - Sunday, May 12, 2024

All times local

Wednesday, May 8

6:30 PM - 6:45 AM+1

United (UA 918): IAD to LHR

Flight lands at LHR

Thursday, May 9

6:45 AM

7:00 AM

8:00 - 10:00 AM

12:30 - 2:00 PM

Check into hotel and drop bags off – Wellington Hotel by Blue Orchid 71 Vincent Square, London SW1P 2PA, United Kingdom

Transportation to hotel (anticipate at least 1 hour) Heathrow Express to Paddington Station, Cab to Hotel

Meeting with Office of MP Ed Milliband

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: 20 Rushworth St, London SE1 0SS, United Kingdom

Staff will meet with office of Labour's Shadow Secretary of State for Climate Change and Net Zero, MP Ed Miliband, to discuss center-left climate politics and the UK's energy transition.

Lunch Briefing on Climate Mitigation and Global Energy Security with UK energy experts

Location: Cheniere London Offices. 3rd, Zig Zag, 70 Victoria St, London SW1E 6SQ

Staff will meet with industry and energy experts to discuss transatlantic energy security and climate mitigation.

Trading Desk Tour and Market Discussion Location: Cheniere London Offices. 3rd, Zig Zag, 70 Victoria St, London SW1E 6SQ

Tour of the trading floor at Cheniere's offices will include a presentation on current market news, dynamics, and evolving responses to Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

3:30 - 4:30 PM

2:00 - 3:00 PM

Briefing on EU Energy and Climate Policy with EU Director-General of Energy Ditte Juul-Jorgensen. Location: 71 Vincent Square, London SW1P 2PA, United Kingdom

	Meeting with Director-General Ditte Juul-Jorgensen of the European Commission to discuss EU policy on energy security and Russia, climate and trade policy, and the European reception to the Inflation Reduction Act.
5:00 - 7:30 PM	Reception with Labour MPs, Staff, U.K. Business Officials Location: Kentish Town Brewery, 55-58 Wilkin Street mews Kentish Town, NW5 3NN
	Reception with top Labour MP, prospective Candidates, staffers and business officials to discuss policy that supports domestic and international business
8:00 - 10:30 PM	Dinner: Conversation with John Kemp and Christabel Cooper
	Location: Santini: 29 Ebury St, London SW1W 0NT, United Kingdom
	Dinner discussion on the energy transition in British and global contexts. John Kemp is the energy transition reporter at Reuters and author of the Best in Energy newsletter. Christabel Cooper is a public opinion expert and data analyst for Labour Together, a center-left think tank based in London.
Friday, May 10	
8:00 AM	Breakfast: Hotel Location: Wellington Hotel, 71 Vincent Square, London SW1P 2PA, U.K.
9:00 - 11:00 AM	Houses of Parliament Tour with MP Ian Lidell-Granger Location: Palace of Westminster, London SW1A 0AA, United Kingdom
12:00 - 2:00 PM	Lunch Briefing on Innovation and the Electric Grid with Paul Domjan of Enoda Location: Wellington Hotel, 71 Vincent Square, London SW1P 2PA, U.K.
	Discussion on grid reliability and resilience from Paul Domjan, CEO of Enoda, and presentation of the company's innovative distribution grid technology.
2:30 - 4:30 PM	Critical Minerals Roundtable with Benchmark Mineral Intelligence Location: Benchmark Mineral Intelligence offices, 3 Coldbath Square London EC1R 5HL
	Roundtable discussion with Benchmark Mineral Intelligence COO Andrew Miller on critical minerals, global battery supply chains, and mineral-related policy efforts in the UK, US, and Europe.

5:00 - 7:00 PM

Reception with Progressive Britain and London Chapter of New Liberals

Location: Duke of Wellington, 12 Toynbee St, London E1 7NE, UK

Reception with staffers and researchers from Progressive Britain, Labour MPs, and the London Chapter of the Center for New Liberalism.

7:00 - 9:30 PM

Dinner Discussion led by Claire Ainsley, Director of PPI's Project on Center-Left Renewal Location: Bellamy's. 18 Bruton PI, London W1J 6LY, UK

Dinner discussion with Claire Ainsley on policies to support working class constituents in both the U.K. and the U.S.

Saturday, May 10

8:00 AM

9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Breakfast: Hotel Location: Wellington Hotel, 71 Vincent Square, London SW1P 2PA, U.K.

2024 Progressive Britain Conference Location: 133 Houndsditch, London, EC3A 7DB Link to conference page Note: Agenda to come

10:00 - 10:45 am: Keynote Address from Labour Party Leadership

11:00 - 11:50 am: Participants can choose from several small group policy discussions including: Economic growth, Energy and Net Zero, Crime, and Opportunity and Class

12:00 - 12:45 pm: Participants can choose between larger policy panels around Crime or Health care

12:45 pm - 1:30 pm: Lunch and networking Break

1:30 - 2:15 pm: Participants can choose from several small group policy discussions including: How does the Labour government tackle crime against women, Housing Priorities, Mental Health Crisis, and Workforce Development.

2:25 - 3:10 pm: Participants can choose from several small group policy discussions including: Municipal green growth, Change to Cultural Industrial Strategys, Cracking down on Fraud, Delivering high quality health care.

3:10 - 3:30 pm: Networking break

3:30 - 4:14 pm: Participants can choose from several small group policy discussions including: A.I. Growth, Saving the NHS, Protecting U.K. natural environment, and providing support for families and young children.

4:25 - 5:10 pm: Participants can choose between larger policy panels with Rachel Reeves MP, Shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer, on the State of the British Economy or Bidenomics and the Green New Deal

7:00 - 9:00 PM

Closing Dinner with Team PPI Location: Dishoom Covent Garden, 12 Upper St. Martin's Lane, London

Closing discussion with PPI team on takeaways from the trips and lessons learned.

Sunday, May 11

12:15 - 3:20 PM

United (UA 919): LHR to IAD