COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

☐ *Original* ☐ *Amendment*

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 ***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: Olivia Mullaney
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ ***OR*** ☒ None
   b. Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: 8/21/2026 Return: 8/27/2026
   b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ ***OR*** ☒ None
4. Departure City: Washington DC Destination: Kyiv, Ukraine Return City: Washington DC
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Atlantic Council Eurasia Center
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: Meetings with government and other leaders to learn about the war in Ukraine and US support
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 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:** 09/17/26

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: Pat Ryan **Date:** 09/17/26

Signature of Supervising Member: _____

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: Atlantic Council's Eurasia Center
2. Travel Destination(s): Kyiv, Ukraine; Warsaw, Poland
3. Date of Departure: August 21, 2026 Date of Return: August 27, 2026
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Olivia Mullaney

   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	$2,308.08	$806.11	$325.00	$357.14: Private security in Ukraine
Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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: Julie Varghese **Date:** 09/17/26

Name: Julie Varghese **Title:** Chief Operating Officer

Organization: Atlantic Council of the United States, Inc.

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

Address: 1400 L St. NW, 11th Floor, Washington, DC 20005

Telephone: 202-213-8200 **Email:** JVarghese@atlanticcouncil.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

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This form and any attachments may be submitted at 1015 Longworth House Office Building or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

Your completed request must be submitted to the Committee no less than 30 days before your proposed departure date. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. **You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.**

Name of Traveler: Olivia Mullaney

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

Signature: OM

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): Rep. Pat Ryan

Office Address: 1708 Longworth House Office Building

Telephone Number: (202) 225-5614

Email Address of Contact Person: olivia.mullaney@mail.house.gov

☐ Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, *and* these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM. Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Olivia Mullaney
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: Atlantic Council
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Kyiv, Ukraine
4. a. Date of Departure: August 21, 2026 Date of Return: August 28, 2026

   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 ☐ No ☒ 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.**

   Olivia serves as a National Security Advisor for Rep. Pat Ryan. This trip will help expand her knowledge and understanding of the war in Ukraine, and how the U.S. can support Ukraine and take lessons learned for future conflicts.
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:** 7/20/2026

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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 Atlantic Council of the United States, Inc.

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): _____

   See attached list.

5. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?
6. Date of Departure: August 21, 2026 Date of Return: August 28, 2026
7. a. City of departure: August 27, 2026
   b. Destination(s): Kyiv, Ukraine; Warsaw, Poland
   c. City of return: Washington, DC, USA
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; **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:

   The Atlantic Council promotes constructive leadership and engagement in international affairs. The Council's Eurasia Center aims to enhance transatlantic cooperation and generate awareness about the region. The Atlantic Council is the full sponsor of the trip and is organizing and conducting all aspects of the trip.

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: private bus)
   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): _____
      Kyiv $72; "Ukraine, Other" $97; Warsaw $107 (for each: maximum, appropriate).
      2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____
      Insight from Ukraine and from Ukraine's neighbor is key to the Western response to Russia's full-scale war in Ukraine.

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

   Hotel Name: InterContinental Kyiv City: Kyiv Cost Per Night: $205.20
   Reason(s) for Selecting: Location, rate, availability, security, prior experience with the hotel

   Hotel Name: Hotel Bristol City: Warsaw Cost Per Night: $190.51
   Reason(s) for Selecting: Location, rate, availability, prior experience with the hotel, and included breakfast.

   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 the box.*

18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

☐ Actual Amounts ☒ Good Faith Estimates	Total **Transportation** Expenses per Participant	Total **Lodging** Expenses per Participant	Total **Meal** Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	$2,216.48	$996.62	$408
For each Accompanying Family Member	n/a	n/a	n/a

	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	$357.14	Private security in Ukraine
For each Accompanying Family Member	n/a	n/a

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 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: Julie Varghese Date: 09/17/26

Name: Julie Varghese Title: Chief Operating Officer

Organization: Atlantic Council of the United States, Inc.

Address: 1400 L St. NW, 11th Floor, Washington, DC 20005

Email: JVarghese@atlanticcouncil.org Telephone: 202-213-8200

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August 17, 2026

Ms. Olivia Mullaney
Office of the Honorable Patrick Ryan
1708 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Mullaney:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Ukraine and Poland,[1] scheduled for August 21 to 28, 2026, sponsored by Atlantic Council of the United States, Inc. We note that the governments of Ukraine and Poland will be providing food during in-country meetings while on this trip.

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 $525 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 $525] 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.

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[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.

Sincerely,

Michael Guest
Chairman

Mark DeSaulnier
Ranking Member

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Signature: OM

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): Rep. Pat Ryan

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3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Kyiv, Ukraine and Poland

4. a. Date of Departure: August 21, 2026 Date of Return: August 28, 2026

   b. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?

   If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____

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6. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ 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)?

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Signature of Employing Member: _____ **Date:** 7/20/2026

Atlantic Council

August 21, 2026 to

August 28, 2026

Kyiv, Ukraine and Warsaw, Poland

Agenda: Eurasia Study Trip

For reference: Eurasia Center Congressional Fellowship program

(All times listed are local)

Friday, August 21 – group departs US

3:25 p.m. – 5:30 a.m. +1	Delegation flies from Washington Dulles (IAD) to Frankfurt (FRA) on Flight LH 417

Saturday, August 22

5:05 a.m. – 8:10 a.m.	Sami Araboghli flies from Tel Aviv (TLV) to Warsaw (WAW) on Flight LO 152
5:30 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.	Layover, delegation connects in airport, boards flight to Warsaw
7:10 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.	Anna Owens flies from Frankfurt (FRA) to Warsaw (WAW) on Flight LH 1346
8:10 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Sami Araboghli arrival in Warsaw, pick up luggage, free time in Warsaw, transfer Hotel Bristol Warsaw and meet the group
8:50 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Anna Owens arrival in Warsaw, pick up luggage, free time in Warsaw, transfer Hotel Bristol Warsaw and meet the group
10:35 a.m. – 12:25 p.m.	Delegation flies from Frankfurt (FRA) to Warsaw (WAW) on Flight LH 5714
12:25 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Arrival in Warsaw, pick up luggage, transfer to Hotel Bristol Warsaw
1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	Lunch briefing with Ambassador Herbst

Atlantic Council

Location: Hotel Bristol Warsaw
Krakowskie Przedmieście 42/44, 00-325 Warsaw

Topics of Discussion: Trip agenda, security, the state of Russia's war on Ukraine, Ukrainian government changes since the spring, recent updates on the US-Ukraine relationship.

2:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Break to stretch legs before bus and train

Location: Warsaw Old Town

3:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. Delegation transfers to Chełm Train Station, pick up dinner on the way

Pickup location: Hotel Bristol Warsaw
Krakowskie Przedmieście 42/44, 00-325 Warsaw

7:15 p.m. – 8:14 p.m. Delegation boards train

Location: Chełm Train Station, Chełm, Poland

8:14 p.m. Depart from Chełm Train Station for Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station

Location: Chełm Train Station, Chełm, Poland

Sunday, August 23

7:51 a.m. Arrive to Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station from Chełm Train Station

Location: Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station

7:51 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Delegation deboards and transfers to the National Prayer Breakfast of Ukraine

Pickup location: Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station

8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Delegation attends National Prayer Breakfast of Ukraine

Location: Ukraine's National Prayer Breakfast 2025 Location

Topics: Ukraine's religious freedoms and the role of faith leaders, civil society, and government in responding to the full-scale invasion and recovery efforts.

Relevance: Staffers will learn about religious plurality in Ukraine and the role religion, and religious communities play in Ukraine's response to Russia's war and US-Ukraine relations.

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. **Delegation transfers to InterContinental Kyiv hotel**

Pickup location: National Prayer Breakfast of Ukraine 2026 Location

10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. **Delegation break to check in to hotel rooms, shower, and security team briefing as well as US Embassy Kyiv RSO briefing**

Location: InterContinental Kyiv
Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine,

11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. **Walking tour of St. Michael's Golden Domed Monastery and St. Sophia's Cathedral**

Location: St Michael's Square
Mykhailivska Sq, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01018

Topic: Shelby Magid, Deputy Director of the Atlantic Council's Eurasia Center, will give a tour of St. Michael's Square and the cathedral as well as the memorial wall.

Relevance: Staffers will learn about how Ukraine's resistance to Russia today has been woven in with Ukraine's physical cultural heritage and how those Ukrainians killed by Russia are honored by the Ukrainian people. Staffers will learn about key elements of Ukraine's history and centuries-long resistance to foreign aggression, crucial context ahead of the next days' meetings with top Ukrainian experts, government leaders, and military officials.

12:15 p.m. –12:30 p.m. **Delegation transfers to lunch**

Pickup location: St Michael's Square
Mykhailivska Sq, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01018

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Lunch**

Location: Veterano Pizza
Sofiivs'ka St, 8, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01001

1:30 p.m. –2:00 p.m. **Delegation transfers to the Kyiv Pechersk Lavra and goes through security and entry**

Pickup location: Veterano Pizza

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Visit to the Kyiv Pechersk Lavra

Location: Ivan Mazepa St, 21, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01015

Topic: Ukraine's historical and religious history and Russia's violence against Ukraine's national identity

Relevance: Staffers will visit the Kyiv Pechersk Lavra, a UNESCO World Heritage site and symbol of Ukraine's religious and cultural history. Staffers will experience firsthand the damage wrought on the Kyiv Pechersk Lavra by recent Russian drone attacks and take part in a discussion on freedom of religion in Ukraine and in Russia led by Eurasia Center senior director Amb. John Herbst.

3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Delegation transfers to Independence Square and the Heavenly Hundred Memorial

Pickup Location: Ivan Mazepa St, 21, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01015

3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Visit to Independence Square and the Heavenly Hundred Memorial, guided by Amb. John Herbst

Location: Independence Square, Kyiv, Ukraine, 02000

Topic: Ukraine's historic fight for independence.

Relevance: Staffers will visit Independence Square and the National Memorial to the Heavenly Hundred, honoring those killed by Russia-aligned security forces during the 2014 Revolution of Dignity, which saw peaceful Ukrainian protestors eventually oust their corrupt president. This will be an opportunity for staffers to gain a better understanding of independent Ukraine's struggle for freedom from Russia influence and the lengths Ukrainians have gone to protect and grow their country's democracy. Staffers will also see the adjacent makeshift memorial to soldiers killed since Russia's full-scale invasion began in 2022, a visual and human reminder of the war's cost that informs oversight of military aid, casualty reporting, and long-term reconstruction and veterans' policy.

5:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Delegation transfers to InterContinental Kyiv hotel

Pickup location: Independence Square, Kyiv, Ukraine, 02000

5:15 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

Break at hotel

Location: InterContinental Kyiv

Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine,

5:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Delegation transfers to dinner with representatives of the Kyiv School of Economics

Pickup location: InterContinental Kyiv
Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine,

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Dinner with representatives of the Kyiv School of Economics including Tymofiy Mylovanov, President of the Kyiv School of Economics; Yevhenii Malik, Head of National Defense and Security Educational Programs at Kyiv School of Economics and former Marine infantry sergeant and defender of Mariupol; and Alexandra Vacroux, Vice President for Strategic Engagement, Kyiv School of Economics

Location: Kyiv School of Economics
Mykoly Shpaka St, 3 Kyiv

Topic: Experts with the Kyiv School of Economics will discuss the state of the battlefield in Ukraine, updates on front lines, the security situation in Ukraine's cities, education in Ukraine, and Ukraine's economy and recovery efforts.

Relevance: Staffers will learn about the battlefield and Russia's tactics in Ukraine, Ukraine's economy, and recovery efforts in Ukraine.

8:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

Delegation transfers to hotel

Pickup location: Kyiv School of Economics
Mykoly Shpaka St, 3 Kyiv

Monday, August 24

Until 8:30 a.m.

Breakfast available for delegation at InterContinental Kyiv

Breakfast is optional and is available for all guests starting from 7:00 a.m. in the Olivera Restaurant in the hotel. The delegation will be able to eat breakfast at their leisure but should be ready to depart the hotel by 8:30 a.m.

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Delegation transfers to the offices of SkyFall

Pickup location: InterContinental Kyiv
Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine, 01001

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Meeting with representatives of SkyFall and Mark Savchuk, member of the Ukrainian Armed Forces

Location: SkyFall production facility

Topic: Ukraine's defense technology ecosystem and the impact on European and Allied security

Relevance: Staffers will hear about Skyfall's unarmed aerial vehicle capabilities and how they fit into the Brave1 ecosystem, hearing from one of Ukraine's leading defense technology about their extensive research and development capabilities, large-scale production lines and developing industry partnerships to advance European and Ukrainian air defense technology.

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Delegation transfers to the Khartiia Corps Rubizh Brigade in Hostomel

Pickup location: SkyFall production facility

11:30 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Lunch and briefing with Rubizh Brigade commanders as well as Aubin Aimes, head of International Relations for Khartiia Corps, members of the Ukrainian Military, and Oleksandra Berchenko, Operations Manager of the Serpens Center for International Security.

Location: Rubizh Brigade Hostomel Headquarters

Topic: The National Guard of Ukraine's role in territorial defense, drone technology, and military life

Relevance: Staffers will meet with Rubizh Brigade commanders and see what life is like for Ukrainian defenders, as well as see drones used for defense against Russia's aggression and how a command post operates.

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Delegation transfers to Bucha

Pickup location: Rubizh Brigade Hostomel Headquarters

2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Visit to the Memorial to Slain Civilians in Bucha with Father Andriy Galavin and Mykhailyna Skoryk-Shkarivska, Former Deputy Mayor of Bucha and Founder of the Institute for Sustainable Community Development

Location: St. Andrew's Church Orthodox Church, Bucha

Topic: The Russian military's massacre of civilians in Bucha

Relevance: Staffers will visit the memorial to the civilians murdered by the Russian military in Bucha, one of the most prominent sites in Ukrainian

recent memory concerning Russia's mass violence and war crimes since February of 2022.

2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. **Delegation transfers to Bucha Car Cemetery**

Pickup location: St. Andrew's Church Orthodox Church, Bucha

2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Visit to Bucha Car Cemetery**

Location: Bucha Car Cemetery

Topic: The Russian military's massacre of civilians in Bucha

Relevance: Staffers will see remnants of cars and other vehicles destroyed during Russia's occupation of Bucha and the massacre of civilians in Bucha.

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Delegation transfers to the Foreign Intelligence Service of Ukraine Headquarters**

Pickup location: Bucha Car Cemetery

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Meeting with Representatives of the Foreign Intelligence Service of Ukraine**

Location: Foreign Intelligence Service of Ukraine Headquarters

Topic: Ukraine's national security

Relevance: Staffers will learn about key issues related to Ukraine's national defense including Kremlin strategy, politics, and tactics including information warfare and hybrid operations, Russia's economy, and other maters critical to Ukraine's war effort.

5:00 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. **Delegation transfers to hotel, break at hotel**

Pickup location: Foreign Intelligence Service of Ukraine Headquarters

6:15 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. **Delegation walks to dinner**

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. **Dinner with Eurasia Center nonresident and distinguished fellows based in Ukraine including Oksana Nechyporenko, Valeriya Ionan, Andriy Zagorodnyuk, Volodymyr Havyrlov, Brian Mefford, and Oleh Shamsur.**

Location: Etre Sofie

Volodymyrska St, 24a Kyiv

Topic: Ukraine's domestic landscape, including digital transformation work, social cohesion and human capital, and Ukraine's military.

Relevance: Staffers will hear from a variety of experts on Ukraine's domestic landscape to synthesize their findings from their time in Kyiv, learn more about Ukraine's domestic situation, and discuss with the experts.

8:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. **Delegation transfers to Air Defense Coordination Center**

Pickup location: Etre Sofie
Volodymyrska St, 24a Kyiv

8:30 p.m. – 9:15 p.m. **Meeting with Air Defense Coordination Representatives**

Location: Air Defense Coordination Center

Topic: Ukraine's counter-drone and air defense capabilities, including satellite tracking, air defense technologies, and efforts to streamline and coordinate air defense nationwide.

Relevance: Staffers will gain insight into Ukraine's approach to countering Russian aerial attacks, including how its air defense network is coordinated, the technologies and systems used to respond to evolving threats, and how this organization contributes to the country's broader defense architecture including the protection of critical infrastructure.

9:15 p.m. – 9:45 p.m. **Delegation transfers to hotel**

Pickup location: Air Defense Coordination Center

Tuesday, August 25

Until 8:15 a.m. **Breakfast available for delegation at InterContinental Kyiv**

Breakfast is optional and is available for all guests starting from 7:00 a.m. in the Olivera Restaurant in the hotel. The delegation will be able to eat breakfast at their leisure but should be ready to depart the hotel by 8:00 a.m.

8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **Delegation transfers to RECOVERY Rehabilitation Center Kyiv**

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Pickup location: InterContinental Kyiv
Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine, 01001

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Visit to RECOVERY Rehabilitation Center Kyiv

Location: RECOVERY Rehabilitation Center Kyiv
49 Nekrasova (Pivnichno-Syretska) Street, Kyiv

Topic: Casualties from the war, and the work of rehabilitation centers and hospitals to support civilians, members of the Ukrainian Armed Forces, and Ukrainian veterans with their recovery.

Relevance: Russia's war has caused severe physical and psychological harm to many members of Ukraine's Armed Forces as well as Ukrainian civilians. Staffers will learn about what hospitals face in Ukraine during Russia's war and about rehabilitation and recovery efforts.

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Delegation transfers to National Museum of Folk Architecture and Life of Ukraine

Pickup location: RECOVERY Rehabilitation Center Kyiv
49 Nekrasova (Pivnichno-Syretska) Street, Kyiv

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Visit to the National Museum of Folk Architecture and Life of Ukraine

Location: National Museum of Folk Architecture and Life of Ukraine
Kyiv, st. Akademika Tronka, 1

Topic: Ukraine's domestic history and culture

Relevance: Staffers will learn about the cultural and social history of Kyiv through a guided visit to the open-air museum and discuss how Ukraine has developed as a nation over time, including how war and conflict have played a role in the past and present.

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Delegation transfers to Office of Defense Intelligence of Ukraine, goes through security

Pickup location: National Museum of Folk Architecture and Life of Ukraine
Kyiv, st. Akademika Tronka, 1

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Meeting with representatives of the Office of Defense Intelligence of Ukraine

Location: Office of Defense Intelligence of Ukraine, Kyiv, Ukraine
Instytutska St, 26, Kyiv, Ukraine, 02000

Topic: Ukraine's military intelligence efforts during Russia's full-scale war.

Relevance: Staffers will hear from senior representatives of Ukraine's Office of Defense Intelligence about the status of the Russian government's war efforts and their forces, as well as Ukraine's defense efforts more broadly.

1:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. **Delegation transfers to lunch**

Pickup location: Office of Defense Intelligence of Ukraine, Kyiv, Ukraine
Instytutska St, 26, Kyiv, Ukraine, 02000

1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. **Lunch with Ukrainian and foreign journalists including Peter Dickinson, Editor, UkraineAlert; Christopher Miller, Chief Correspondent in Kyiv, the Financial Times; and Sevgil Musaieva, Journalist, Ukrainska Pravda**

Location: Musafir
Saksaganskogo St, 57A Kyiv 02000

Topic: The dangers journalists face on the ground in Ukraine and the role of journalism and reporting during Russia's war against Ukraine.

Relevance: Staffers will hear from prominent Ukrainian journalists and foreign correspondents about the dangers they face working on the ground in Ukraine, the state of journalism, access to information in Ukraine today, and the role of journalism in supporting the documentation of Russia's crimes in Ukraine and developments in the war.

2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. **Delegation transfers to the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine**

Pickup location: Musafir
Saksaganskogo St, 57A Kyiv 02000

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Meeting with representatives of the Office of the Prime Minister of Ukraine**

Location: Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine
Mykhaila Hrushevskoho St, 12/2, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01008

Topic: The prime minister and the prime minister's team's work during Russia's war in Ukraine and Ukraine's government processes and economy.
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Relevance: Staffers will hear from senior representatives of the Office of the Prime Minister of Ukraine about the Prime Minister's work as well as governance in Ukraine and the state of Ukraine's economy today and moving forward.

3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. **Delegation transfers to the War Museum**

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Pickup location: Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine
Mykhaila Hrushevskoho St, 12/2, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01008

3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Visit to the War Museum**

Location: Kyiv War Museum
27, Lavrska St., Kyiv

Topic: Ukraine's military history today in the context of WWI, WWII, and Russia's contemporary invasion.

Relevance: Staffers will visit the War Museum in Kyiv to learn about the history of Ukraine during WWII, which led to the loss of over 10 million lives during Nazi aggression, as well as explore artifacts and testimonies from Ukraine's history after WWII, during the fight for independence, and today.

5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. **Delegation transfers to dinner**

Pickup location: Kyiv War Museum
27, Lavrska St., Kyiv

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. **Dinner discussion with Arseniy Yatsenyuk, former Prime Minister of Ukraine, and the Kyiv Security Forum (KSF) team**

Location: Fairmont Grand Hotel Kyiv
St. Naberezhno-Khreshchatytska, 1, Kyiv, Ukraine, 04070

Topic: Arseniy Yatsenyuk's work as Prime Minister and the current work of his Kyiv Security Forum team.

Relevance: Staffers will hear more about the specifics of the security situation in different regions of Ukraine during Russia's full-scale invasion and the work of KSF and other analytical organizations in Ukraine.

7:30 p.m. – 7:45 p.m. **Delegation transfers to hotel**

Pickup location: Fairmont Grand Hotel Kyiv
St. Naberezhno-Khreshchatytska, 1, Kyiv, Ukraine, 04070

Wednesday, August 26

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Until 8:45 a.m.	Breakfast available for delegation at InterContinental Kyiv *Breakfast is optional and is available for all guests starting from 7:00 a.m. in the Olivera Restaurant in the hotel. The delegation will be able to eat breakfast at their leisure but should be ready to depart the hotel by 8:45 a.m., checked out and bags packed and ready to put on the bus.*
8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Delegation transfers to Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine Pickup location: InterContinental Kyiv Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine, 01001
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Meeting with senior representatives of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine Location: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1 Mykhailivska Sq, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01018 Topic: Ukraine's foreign policy and international relations amidst Russia's war on Ukraine, relationships with the US, and allied nations. Relevance: Staffers will hear from senior representatives of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs about the Ministry's work and how it has changed during the full-scale invasion, their diplomatic efforts involved with Ukraine's negotiations to end the war and learn about Ukraine's relationships with the United States and other allies.
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Delegation transfers to Kyiv City Council Pickup location: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1 Mykhailivska Sq, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01018
10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Meeting with the Mayor of Kyiv Vitali Klitschko Location: Kyiv City Hall Khreschatyk St, 36, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01044 Topic: Kyiv's response to Russia's full-scale invasion. Relevance: Staffers will hear about how the city of Kyiv has responded and adapted to the conditions of war and how the city has transformed because of Russia's full-scale invasion. Staffers will also learn about the broader political landscape in Kyiv and beyond.
11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Delegation transfers to the Office of the President of Ukraine, security and entry Pickup location: Kyiv City Hall Khreschatyk St, 36, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01044

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12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Meeting with senior representatives of the Office of the President of Ukraine

Location: Office of the President of Ukraine
Bankova St, 11, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01220

Topic: The President's leadership of Ukraine during Russia's full-scale invasion and major government initiatives concerning topics of security, justice, recovery, and foreign relations.

Relevance: Staffers will hear from representatives of the Office of the President of Ukraine and learn about the president's role as a wartime president and main goals for domestic policy, security, and foreign policy.

1:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Delegation transfers to the Residence of the US Ambassador to Ukraine

Pickup location: Office of the President of Ukraine
Bankova St, 11, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01220

1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

Lunch meeting with Chargé D'Affairs Sandra S. Oudkirk and the staff of the US Embassy in Ukraine

Location: US Ambassador's Residence

Topic: US-Ukraine relationship.

Relevance: Staffers will have the opportunity to hear from the Embassy team about how the US Embassy supports Ukraine on the ground and the status of US support for Ukraine during Russia's war.

2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Delegation transfers to the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine

Pickup location: US Ambassador's Residence

2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Security and entry into the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine

Location: Ministry of Defense of Ukraine
6 Povitrianykh Syl Ave, Kyiv, Ukraine, 03168

2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Meeting with senior representatives of the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine

Location: Ministry of Defense of Ukraine
6 Povitrianykh Syl Ave, Kyiv, Ukraine, 03168

Topic: Ukraine's war effort, the status of the war, and relations with international partners for defense support.

Relevance: Staffers will hear from a senior representative of Ukraine's Ministry of Defense on the Ministry's work defending Ukraine against Russian aggression and will learn about the role of US and allied security packages and how American support can impact the state of the war on the battlefield, in the air, and at sea.

4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Delegation transfers to the InterContinental Kyiv

Pickup location: Ministry of Defense of Ukraine
6 Povitrianykh Syl Ave, Kyiv, Ukraine, 03168

4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Meeting with Representatives of the Ukraine Recovery Platform including Lana Zerkal, former Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine for European Integration

Location: InterContinental Kyiv
Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine, 01001

Topic: Ukraine's strategic development and recovery efforts, including EU integration and engagement with the US to drive Ukraine's economic self-sufficiency and reforms, as well as EU leadership on Ukraine's reconstruction.

Relevance: Staffers will learn about opportunities and challenges facing Ukraine's economic recovery and how this relates to public and private engagement and investment, including the US-Ukraine Recovery Investment Fund.

5:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Delegation transfers to dinner

Pickup location: InterContinental Kyiv
Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine, 01001

5:30 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.

Dinner with Andy Hunder, President of the American Chamber of Commerce in Ukraine, Tetyana Prokopchuk, Vice President of the American Chamber of Commerce in Ukraine, and Iryna Mudra, Deputy Head of the Office of the President of Ukraine

Location: Restaurant O'panas
Vulytsya Tereshchenkivs'ka, 10, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01004

Topic: US-Ukraine economic ties and Ukraine's business and investment climate

Relevance: Staffers will learn about American business in Ukraine and US-Ukraine economic ties, the investment climate in Ukraine today, the impact of war on Ukraine's business environment, and rule of law in Ukraine.

6:15 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Delegation transfers to Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station

Pickup location: Restaurant O'panas
Vulytsya Tereshchenkivs'ka, 10, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01004

7:00 p.m. – 7:36 p.m. Board train

Location: Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station

7:36 p.m. Depart from Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station for Chelm Train Station

Location: Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station

Thursday, August 27

5:00 a.m. Delegation arrives at Chelm Train Station

5:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Delegation transfers to hotel in Warsaw via private transportation (breakfast on the way)

Pickup location: Chelm Train Station

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Delegation drops off bags, coffee at the Bristol, shower and change

Location: Hotel Bristol Warsaw
Krakowskie Przedmieście 42/44, 00-325 Warsaw

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Delegation transfers to the Parliament of the Republic of Poland (Sejm), security and entry

Pickup location: Hotel Bristol Warsaw
Krakowskie Przedmieście 42/44, 00-325 Warsaw

9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Meeting with Paweł Kowal and Members of the Polish Sejm focused on foreign policy

Location: Parliament of the Republic of Poland (Sejm)
Wiejska 6/8, 00-902 Warszawa, Poland

Topic: Polish parliamentary foreign policy.

Relevance: Staffers will hear from Polish members of parliament about the work of parliament on Poland's foreign policy, especially as related to Russia's war in Ukraine.

10:00 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. Olivia Mullaney transfers to Warsaw Chopin Airport via private transportation.

Pickup location: Hotel Bristol Warsaw
Krakowskie Przedmieście 42/44, 00-325 Warsaw

10:40 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. Olivia Mullaney check-in, security, boarding

11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Delegation transfers to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland

Pickup location: Parliament of the Republic of Poland (Sejm)
Wiejska 6/8, 00-902 Warszawa, Poland

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Meeting with members of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland including Bolesław Woźniak, Deputy Director of the Strategy Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland, Mr. Marek Kręt, Deputy Director at the Security Policy Department, and Marianna Chlebowska, Career Diplomat with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland.

Location: Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Al. Jana Christiana Szucha 23 Warsaw

Topic: Poland's diplomatic priorities during Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine.

Relevance: Staffers will learn from Ministry of Foreign Affairs representatives about Poland's diplomatic objectives and foreign policy, which has taken on even greater importance since Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine. Staffers will also hear about how the Ministry is working with partners to respond to the war in Ukraine and discuss Poland's related foreign policy priorities in the EU and UN.

12:30 p.m. – 12:45 p.m. Delegation transfers to lunch at Zapiecek

Pickup location: Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Al. Jana Christiana Szucha 23 Warsaw

12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Lunch with Denise Forsthuber, Deputy Director of Strategic

Engagement and Operations at the Atlantic Council's Europe Center, Dr. Piotr Arak, Chief Economist at VeloBank and Nonresident Senior Fellow with the Atlantic Council's Europe Center, Dr. Olena Babakova, Board Member with the WOT Foundation and Nonresident Senior Fellow with the Atlantic Council's Europe Center, Mr. Tony Housh, Principal at CGC Advisors and Nonresident Senior Fellow with the Atlantic Council's Europe Center, Dr. Danuta Hubner, Former European Commissioner and Distinguished Fellow with the Atlantic Council's Europe Center, Ambassador Marek Magierowski, Former Polish Ambassador to the United States and Nonresident Senior Fellow with the Atlantic Council's Europe Center, and Dr. Jacek Siewiera, Professor at the Polish Naval Academy and Nonresident Senior Fellow with the Atlantic Council's Europe Center.

Location: Zapiecek
Nowy Świat 40, 00-363 Warszawa, Poland

Topic: US-Polish relations and cooperation in responding to the war in Ukraine, Polish governmental relations.

Relevance: Staffers will be briefed by Atlantic Council Europe Center leadership to understand Poland's political and security environment and how the government navigates the response to the war in Ukraine.

1:15 p.m. – 2:50 p.m. Olivia Mullaney flies from Warsaw (WAW) to Munich (MUC) on Flight LH 1613

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Delegation transfers to iSANS headquarters

Pickup location: Zapiecek
Nowy Świat 40, 00-363 Warszawa, Poland

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Meeting with iSANS (International Strategic Action Network for Security) as well as Sviatlana Tsihanouskaya, National Leader of Belarus, Franak Viačorka, nonresident fellow at the Atlantic Council's Eurasia Center and Chief Advisor to Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya and Dzianis Kuchynski, Diplomatic Advisor to Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya

Location: iSANS Headquarters
Zgoda 11, 00-018 Warsaw, Poland

Topics: The role Belarus plays in Russia's full-scale war in Ukraine.

Relevance: Staffers will learn about the Belarusian government's involvement in Russia's war in Ukraine and about the Belarusian democratic movement's work to support Ukraine, along with their efforts to shape a free and democratic Belarus.

2:50 p.m. – 4:20 p.m. Olivia Mullaney layover, additional US security screening, board flight to Washington

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3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Delegation transfers to the residence of Deputy Chief of Mission at the US Embassy in the Republic of Poland Stephanie Holmes

Pickup location: iSANS Headquarters
Zgoda 11, 00-018 Warsaw, Poland

3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Meeting with Stephanie Holmes, Deputy Chief of Mission at the US Embassy in the Republic of Poland

Location: Residence of the Deputy Chief of Mission of the US Embassy in the Republic of Poland
Jarosława Dąbrowskiego 48, 02-561 Warszawa

Topics: US-Polish and transatlantic relations, Poland's response to Russia's war in Ukraine.

Relevance: Staffers will have the opportunity to debrief their findings and impressions from the delegation's meetings in Kyiv, discuss key questions and takeaways, and hear from the US Embassy team on the importance of US-Polish relations and how the war in Ukraine has impacted these relations.

4:20 p.m. – 7:25 p.m.

Olivia Mullaney flies from Munich (MUC) to Washington Dulles (IAD) on Flight LH 414

4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Delegation transfers to the Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Poland, security and entry

Pickup location: Residence of the Deputy Chief of Mission of the US Embassy in the Republic of Poland
Jarosława Dąbrowskiego 48, 02-561 Warszawa

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Meeting with the Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Poland

Location: Al. Niepodległości 218, 00-911 Warsaw

Topic: Polish defense and Russia's war.

Relevance: Staffers will learn about the Polish Ministry of Defense's priorities focusing on Poland, NATO, and Polish defense posture toward Russian aggression.

6:00 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.

Delegation transfers to Hotel Bristol

Pickup location: Al. Niepodległości 218, 00-911 Warsaw

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6:15 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.	Break at the hotel
6:45 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Delegation transfers to dinner by foot
7:00 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.	Dinner discussion with Amb. John Herbst recapping the main takeaways of the delegation's trip Location: Rusiko Restaurant, Wierzbowa 11, 00-094 Warsaw, Poland Topic: Takeaways and remaining questions from the trip. Relevance: Following all meetings in Kyiv and Warsaw, staffers will hear Amb. John Herbst's main takeaways from both Kyiv and Warsaw and discuss their insights from the trip.
8:45 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Delegation walks back to Hotel Bristol

Friday, August 28

5:00 a.m. – 5:40 a.m.	Delegation transfers to Warsaw Chopin Airport via private transportation. Breakfast to-go bags provided. Pickup location: Hotel Bristol Warsaw Krakowskie Przedmieście 42/44, 00-325 Warsaw
5:40 a.m. – 7:40 a.m.	Check-in, security, boarding
7:40 a.m. – 9:40 a.m.	Delegation flies from Warsaw (WAW) to Frankfurt (FRA) on Flight LH 5715 (James Nycz returns on his own personally booked flights)
9:40 a.m. – 1:10 p.m.	Layover, additional US security screening, delegation boards flight to Washington
1:10 p.m. – 4:05 p.m.	Delegation flies from Frankfurt (FRA) to Washington Dulles (IAD) on Flight LH 418

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August 21, 2026 to

August 28, 2026

Kyiv, Ukraine and Warsaw, Poland

Agenda: Eurasia Study Trip

For reference: Eurasia Center Congressional Fellowship program

(All times listed are local)

Friday, August 21 – group departs US

3:25 p.m. – 5:30 a.m. +1	**Delegation flies from Washington Dulles (IAD) to Frankfurt (FRA) on Flight LH 417**

Saturday, August 22

5:05 a.m. – 8:10 a.m.	**Sami Araboghli flies from Tel Aviv (TLV) to Warsaw (WAW) on Flight LO 152**
5:30 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.	**Layover, delegation connects in airport, boards flight to Warsaw**
7:10 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.	**Anna Owens flies from Frankfurt (FRA) to Warsaw (WAW) on Flight LH 1346**
8:10 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.	**Sami Araboghli arrival in Warsaw, pick up luggage, free time in Warsaw, transfer to Hotel Bristol Warsaw and meet the group**
8:50 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.	**Anna Owens arrival in Warsaw, pick up luggage, free time in Warsaw, transfer to Hotel Bristol Warsaw and meet the group**
10:35 a.m. – 12:25 p.m.	**Delegation flies from Frankfurt (FRA) to Warsaw (WAW) on Flight LH 5714**
12:25 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	**Arrival in Warsaw, pick up luggage, transfer to Hotel Bristol Warsaw**

1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	**Lunch briefing with Ambassador Herbst** Location: Hotel Bristol Warsaw Krakowskie Przedmieście 42/44, 00-325 Warsaw Topics of Discussion: Trip agenda, security, the state of Russia's war on Ukraine, Ukrainian government changes since the spring, recent updates on the US-Ukraine relationship.
2:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	**Break to stretch legs before bus and train** Location: Warsaw Old Town
3:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.	**Delegation transfers to Chełm Train Station, pick up dinner on the way at McDonald's** Pickup location: Hotel Bristol Warsaw Krakowskie Przedmieście 42/44, 00-325 Warsaw
7:15 p.m. – 8:14 p.m.	**Delegation boards train** Location: Chełm Train Station, Chełm, Poland
8:14 p.m.	**Depart from Chełm Train Station for Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station on Train 24** Location: Chełm Train Station, Chełm, Poland

Sunday, August 23

8:50 a.m.	**Arrive to Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station from Chełm Train Station** Location: Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station
8:50 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	**Delegation de-boards and transfers to the National Prayer Breakfast of Ukraine** Pickup location: Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	**Delegation attends National Prayer Breakfast of Ukraine**

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Location: Ukraine's National Prayer Breakfast 2026 Location

Topics: Ukraine's religious freedoms and the role of faith leaders, civil society, and government in responding to the full-scale invasion and recovery efforts.

Relevance: Staffers will learn about religious plurality in Ukraine and the role religion, and religious communities play in Ukraine's response to Russia's war and US-Ukraine relations.

11:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. **Delegation transfers to the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine**

Pickup location: Ukraine's National Prayer Breakfast 2026 Location

11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Security and entry into the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine**

Location: Ministry of Defense of Ukraine

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Meeting with senior representatives of the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine including Deputy Minister of Defense of Ukraine for European Integration Sergiy Boyev**

Location: Ministry of Defense of Ukraine

Topic: Ukraine's war effort, the status of the war, and relations with international partners for defense support.

Relevance: Staffers will hear from a senior representative of Ukraine's Ministry of Defense on the Ministry's work defending Ukraine against Russian aggression and will learn about the role of US and allied security packages and how American support can impact the state of the war on the battlefield, in the air, and at sea.

1:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. **Delegation transfers to Veterano Pizza**

Pickup location: Ministry of Defense of Ukraine

1:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Lunch**

Location: Veterano Pizza
Sofiivska Street, 8, Kyiv

2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. **Delegation transfers to the Kyiv Pechersk Lavra and goes through security and entry**

Pickup location: Veterano Pizza

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Sofiivska Street, 8, Kyiv

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Visit to the Kyiv Pechersk Lavra

Location: Ivan Mazepa St, 21, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01015

Topic: Ukraine's historical and religious history and Russia's violence against Ukraine's national identity.

Relevance: Staffers will visit the Kyiv Pechersk Lavra, a UNESCO World Heritage site and symbol of Ukraine's religious and cultural history. Staffers will experience firsthand the damage wrought on the Kyiv Pechersk Lavra by recent Russian drone attacks and take part in a discussion on freedom of religion in Ukraine and in Russia led by Eurasia Center senior director Amb. John Herbst.

3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Delegation transfers to InterContinental Kyiv hotel

Pickup location: Ivan Mazepa St, 21, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01015

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Delegation break to check in to hotel rooms, shower, and security team and US Embassy Kyiv RSO briefing

Location: InterContinental Kyiv
Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine

5:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

Walking tour of St. Michael's Golden Domed Monastery and St. Sophia's Cathedral

Location: St. Michael's Square
Mykhailivska Sq, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01018

Topic: Shelby Magid, deputy director of the Atlantic Council's Eurasia Center, will give a tour of St. Michael's Square and the cathedral across the street from the hotel as well as the memorial wall.

Relevance: Staffers will learn about how Ukraine's resistance to Russia today has been woven in with Ukraine's physical cultural heritage and how those Ukrainians killed by Russia are honored by the Ukrainian people. Staffers will learn about key elements of Ukraine's history and centuries-long resistance to foreign aggression, crucial context ahead of the next days' meetings with top Ukrainian experts, government leaders, and military officials.

5:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Delegation transfers to dinner with representatives of the Kyiv School of Economics

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Pickup location: InterContinental Kyiv
Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine,

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Dinner with representatives of the Kyiv School of Economics including Tymofii Brik, Rector of the Kyiv School of Economics and Olga Slyvyvnska, Dmytro Krukovets, Pavlo Shkurenko, and Vlada Grudova of the KSE Institute

Location: Kyiv School of Economics
Obolonska Naberezhna 20

Topic: Experts with the Kyiv School of Economics will discuss the state of the battlefield in Ukraine, updates on front lines, the security situation in Ukraine's cities, education in Ukraine, and Ukraine's economy and recovery efforts.

Relevance: Staffers will learn about the battlefield and Russia's tactics in Ukraine, Ukraine's economy, and recovery efforts in Ukraine.

8:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

Delegation transfers to hotel

Pickup location: Kyiv School of Economics
Obolonska Naberezhna 20

Monday, August 24

Until 8:25 a.m.

Breakfast available for delegation at InterContinental Kyiv

Breakfast is optional and is available for all guests starting from 7:00 a.m. in the Olivera Restaurant in the hotel. The delegation will be able to eat breakfast at their leisure but should be ready to depart the hotel by 8:30 a.m.

8:25 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Delegation transfers to the offices of SkyFall

Pickup location: InterContinental Kyiv
Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine, 01001

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Meeting with representatives of SkyFall and Mark Savchuk, member of the Ukrainian Armed Forces

Location: SkyFall production facility

Topic: Ukraine's defense technology ecosystem and the impact on European and Allied security.

Relevance: Staffers will hear about Skyfall's unmanned aerial vehicle capabilities and how they fit into the Brave1 ecosystem, hearing from one of Ukraine's leading defense technology companies about their extensive research and development capabilities, large-scale production lines and developing industry partnerships to advance European and Ukrainian air defense technology.

10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Delegation transfers to the Khartiia Corps and Rubizh Brigade in Hostomel

Pickup location: SkyFall production facility

10:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Lunch and briefing with Rubizh Brigade commanders as well as the head of International Relations for Khartiia Corps, members of the Ukrainian National Guard, and Oleksandra Berchenko, Operations Manager of the Serpens Center for International Security

Location: Rubizh Brigade Hostomel garrison

Topic: The National Guard of Ukraine's role in territorial defense, drone technology, and military life.

Relevance: Staffers will meet with Rubizh Brigade commanders and see what life is like for Ukrainian defenders, as well as see drones used for defense against Russia's aggression and how a command post operates.

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Delegation transfers to Bucha

Pickup location: Rubizh Brigade Hostomel garrison

2:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.

Visit to the Memorial to Slain Civilians in Bucha with Father Andriy Galavin and Mykhailyna Skoryk-Shkarivska, Former Deputy Mayor of Bucha and Founder of the Institute for Sustainable Community Development

Location: St. Andrew's Orthodox Church, Bucha

Topic: The Russian military's massacre of civilians in Bucha.

Relevance: Staffers will visit the memorial to the civilians murdered by the Russian military in Bucha, one of the most prominent sites in Ukrainian recent memory concerning Russia's mass violence and war crimes since February of 2022.

2:50 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Delegation transfers to Bucha Car Cemetery

Pickup location: St. Andrew's Orthodox Church, Bucha

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3:00 p.m. – 3:10 p.m.	**Drive through Bucha Car Cemetery** Location: Bucha Car Cemetery Topic: The Russian military's massacre of civilians in Bucha. Relevance: Staffers will see remnants of cars and other vehicles destroyed during Russia's occupation of Bucha and the massacre of civilians in Bucha.
3:10 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	**Delegation transfers to the Foreign Intelligence Service of Ukraine Headquarters** Pickup location: Bucha Car Cemetery
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	**Meeting with Representatives of the Foreign Intelligence Service of Ukraine** Location: Foreign Intelligence Service of Ukraine Headquarters Topic: Ukraine's national security. Relevance: Staffers will learn about key issues related to Ukraine's national defense including Kremlin strategy, politics, and tactics including information warfare and hybrid operations, Russia's economy, and other matters critical to Ukraine's war effort.
5:00 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.	**Delegation transfers to hotel, break at InterContinental Kyiv hotel** Pickup location: Foreign Intelligence Service of Ukraine Headquarters
6:15 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	**Delegation transfers to dinner at Selyam** Pickup location: InterContinental Kyiv Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine, 01001
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	**Dinner with Oksana Nechyporenko, nonresident senior fellow with the Atlantic Council's Eurasia Center, Peter Erban, Principal Advisor at the International Foundation for Electoral Systems, and Roman Vybranovskyy, Co-Founder, Ukraine Facility Platform** Location: Selyam Petra Sahaidachnoho St, 35, Kyiv, Ukraine, 04070

Topic: Ukraine's domestic landscape, including civil society's work, social cohesion and human capital, and Ukraine's military.

Relevance: Staffers will hear from a variety of experts on Ukraine's domestic landscape to synthesize their findings from their time in Kyiv, learn more about Ukraine's domestic situation, and discuss with the experts.

8:00 p.m. – 8:20 p.m. **Delegation transfers to InterContinental Kyiv hotel**

Pickup location: Selyam
Petra Sahaidachnoho St, 35, Kyiv, Ukraine, 04070

8:20 p.m. – 9:15 p.m. **Tea with Jose Andrés, Founder, World Central Kitchen and Mark Savchuk, member of the Armed Forces of Ukraine**

Location: InterContinental Kyiv
Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine, 01001

Topic: Humanitarian aid work in Ukraine and innovation in the Armed Forces of Ukraine and US-Ukraine technology collaboration.

Relevance: Staffers will hear from Jose Andres, founder of World Central Kitchen, on humanitarian work in Ukraine and Mark Savchuk, member of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, about how the Ukrainian military adapts to new technological needs at speed and how what they learn on the battlefield gets translated into technological development brought to collaboration with the United States.

Tuesday, August 25

Until 8:15 a.m. **Breakfast available for delegation at InterContinental Kyiv**

Breakfast is optional and is available for all guests starting from 7:00 a.m. in the Olivera Restaurant in the hotel. The delegation will be able to eat breakfast at their leisure but should be ready to depart the hotel by 8:15 a.m.

8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **Delegation transfers to RECOVERY Rehabilitation Center Kyiv**

Pickup location: InterContinental Kyiv
Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine, 01001

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Visit to RECOVERY Rehabilitation Center Kyiv**

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Location: RECOVERY Rehabilitation Center Kyiv

Topic: Casualties from the war, and the work of rehabilitation centers and hospitals to support civilians, members of the Ukrainian Armed Forces, and Ukrainian veterans with their recovery.

Relevance: Russia's war has caused severe physical and psychological harm to many members of Ukraine's Armed Forces as well as Ukrainian civilians. Staffers will learn about what hospitals face in Ukraine during Russia's war and about rehabilitation and recovery efforts.

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Delegation transfers to the Office of the President of Ukraine, security and entry

Pickup location: RECOVERY Rehabilitation Center Kyiv

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Meeting with Serhii Kyslytsia, First Deputy Head of the Office of the President of Ukraine

Location: Office of the President of Ukraine
Bankova St, 11, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01220

Topic: The President's leadership of Ukraine during Russia's full-scale invasion and major government initiatives concerning topics of security, justice, recovery, and foreign relations.

Relevance: Staffers will hear from representatives of the Office of the President of Ukraine and learn about the president's role as a wartime president and main goals for domestic policy, security, and foreign policy.

12:00 p.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Delegation transfers to Lviv Croissants

Pickup location: Office of the President of Ukraine
Bankova St, 11, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01220

12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch

Location: Lviv Croissants
Ivan Mazepa St, 3, Kyiv, Ukraine, 02000

1:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Delegation transfers to the War Museum

Pickup location: Lviv Croissants
Ivan Mazepa St, 3, Kyiv, Ukraine, 02000

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1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Guided visit to the War Museum with Yurii Savchuk, Director General, Kyiv War Museum

Location: Kyiv War Museum
27, Lavrska St, Kyiv

Topic: Ukraine's military history today in the context of WWI, WWII, and Russia's contemporary invasion.

Relevance: Staffers will visit the War Museum in Kyiv to hear from the Director General and learn about the history of Ukraine during WWII, which led to the loss of over 10 million lives during Nazi aggression, as well as explore artifacts and testimonies from Ukraine's history after WWII, during the fight for independence, and today.

2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Delegation transfers to Independence Square and the Heavenly Hundred Memorial

Pickup Location: Kyiv War Museum
27, Lavrska St, Kyiv

3:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Visit to Independence Square and the Heavenly Hundred Memorial, guided by Amb. John Herbst

Location: Independence Square, Kyiv, Ukraine, 02000

Topic: Ukraine's historic fight for independence.

Relevance: Staffers will visit Independence Square and the National Memorial to the Heavenly Hundred, honoring those killed by Russia-aligned security forces during the 2014 Revolution of Dignity, which saw peaceful Ukrainian protestors eventually oust their corrupt president. This will be an opportunity for staffers to gain a better understanding of independent Ukraine's struggle for freedom from Russian influence, and the lengths Ukrainians have gone to protect and grow their country's democracy. Staffers will also see the adjacent makeshift memorial to soldiers killed since Russia's full-scale invasion began in 2022, a visual and human reminder of the war's cost that informs oversight of military aid, casualty reporting, and long-term reconstruction and veterans' policy.

4:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Delegation transfers to InterContinental Kyiv hotel

Pickup Location: Independence Square, Kyiv, Ukraine, 02000

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4:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	**Break at hotel** Location: InterContinental Kyiv Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine, 01001
5:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	**Delegation transfers to dinner** Pickup location: InterContinental Kyiv Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine, 01001
5:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.	**Dinner discussion with Arseniy Yatsenyuk, former Prime Minister of Ukraine, and the Kyiv Security Forum (KSF) team** Location: Fairmont Grand Hotel Kyiv St. Naberezhno-Khreshchatytska, 1, Kyiv, Ukraine, 04070 Topic: Arseniy Yatsenyuk's work as Prime Minister and the current work of his Kyiv Security Forum team. Relevance: Staffers will hear more about the specifics of the security situation in different regions of Ukraine during Russia's full-scale invasion and the work of KSF and other analytical organizations in Ukraine.
7:15 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	**Delegation transfers to Air Defense Coordination Center** Pickup location: Fairmont Grand Hotel Kyiv St. Naberezhno-Khreshchatytska, 1, Kyiv, Ukraine, 04070
8:00 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.	**Meeting with Air Defense Coordination Representatives** Location: Air Defense Coordination Center Topic: Ukraine's counter-drone and nationwide air defense capabilities, including satellite tracking, air defense technologies, and coordination efforts. Relevance: Staffers will gain insight into Ukraine's approach to countering Russian aerial attacks, including how its air defense network is coordinated, the technologies and systems used to respond to evolving threats, and how this organization contributes to the country's broader defense architecture.
8:45 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.	**Delegation transfers to InterContinental Kyiv hotel** Pickup location: Air Defense Coordination Center

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Wednesday, August 26

Until 7:30 a.m.

Check out of hotel

The delegation should be ready to depart the hotel by 7:30 a.m., checked out, and bags packed on the bus.

7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Delegation transfers to the Hilton Kyiv

Pickup location: **InterContinental Kyiv**
Velyka Zhytomyrska Street 2A Kyiv, Ukraine, 01001

8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Breakfast meeting with Chargé D'Affairs of the US Embassy Kyiv Paul Houston, Deputy Chief of Mission Meghan Gregoria, Political Counselor Baron Lobstein, Public Diplomacy Council William Coleman, Economic Counselor Anya Brunson, Assistance Coordinator Brian Roraff, International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Director William Soley, and Deputy Economic Counselor Brad Hopewell

Location: **Hilton Kyiv**
Tarasa Shevchenko Blvd, 30, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01030

Topic: **US-Ukraine relationship.**

Relevance: **Staffers will have the opportunity to hear from the Embassy team about how the US Embassy supports Ukraine on the ground and the status of US support for Ukraine during Russia's war.**

9:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Delegation transfers to Lukianivka Metro and McDonald's

Pickup location: **Hilton Kyiv**
Tarasa Shevchenko Blvd, 30, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01030

9:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Tour of site of recent Russian destruction and impact on American businesses

Location: **McDonald's**
Yuriia Illienka St, 3, Kyiv, Ukraine, 02000

Topic: **How Russia's aggression impacts civilian life and American businesses.**

Relevance: Staffers will visit the McDonald's in the neighborhood in Kyiv that has been most frequently targeted to see damage and learn about how civilians have adapted to living among and beside damaged civilian infrastructure and how American businesses have adapted to conditions of war in Ukraine.

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Delegation transfers to Naftogaz Headquarters

Pickup location: McDonald's
Yuriia Illienka St, 3, Kyiv, Ukraine, 02000

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Meeting with senior representatives of Naftogaz including Acting CEO Serhiy Fedorenko

Location: Naftogaz Kyiv Offices

Topic: Ukraine's energy security and Russia's assault on energy.

Relevance: Staffers will learn about Ukraine's preparations for the winter in terms of their energy supply and how Russia targets critical energy infrastructure and energy transit.

12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Delegation transfers to Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine

Pickup location: Naftogaz Kyiv Offices

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Meeting with senior representatives of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine including Deputy Foreign Minister Olexandr Mischenko

Location: Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
1 Mykhailivska Sq, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01018

Topic: Ukraine's foreign policy and international relations amidst Russia's war on Ukraine, relationships with the US, and allied nations.

Relevance: Staffers will hear from senior representatives of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs about the Ministry's work and how it has changed during the full-scale invasion, their diplomatic efforts involved with Ukraine's negotiations to end the war, and about Ukraine's relationship with the United States and other allies.

1:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Delegation transfers to Glek

Pickup location: Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
1 Mykhailivska Sq, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01018

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1:45 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	**Lunch** Location: Glek Velyka Zhytomyrska Street, 6/11
2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	**Delegation transfers to the Security Service of Ukraine Headquarters** Pickup location: Glek Velyka Zhytomyrska Street, 6/11
3:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.	**Meeting with representatives of the Security Service of Ukraine** Location: Security Service of Ukraine Headquarters Topic: The Security Service of Ukraine's work during Russia's full-scale invasion, how the service has changed and evolved since Russia's full-scale invasion, and the service's role in wartime Ukraine. Relevance: Staffers will hear from senior representatives of Ukraine's Security Service about the Security Service's counter-intelligence work and their role in protecting Ukraine from Russia's attacks.
4:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	**Delegation transfers to Restaurant O'Panas** Pickup location: Security Service of Ukraine Headquarters
5:00 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.	**Dinner with Peter Dickinson, editor of UkraineAlert with the Atlantic Council's Eurasia Center, Andy Hunder, President, American Chamber of Commerce in Ukraine, and Brian Mefford, nonresident senior fellow with the Atlantic Council's Eurasia Center** Location: Restaurant O'Panas Vulytsya Tereshchenkivs'ka, 10, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01004 Topic: US-Ukraine economic ties and Ukraine's business and investment climate. Relevance: Staffers will learn about journalism in Ukraine during war time and the work of the Atlantic Council's team and fellows in Kyiv. Staffers will also learn about how Russia's war in Ukraine has impacted how organizations working with the United States operate.
6:15 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	**Delegation transfers to Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station**

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Pickup location: Restaurant O'panas
Vulytsya Tereshchenkivs'ka, 10, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01004

7:00 p.m. – 7:29 p.m. **Board train**

Location: Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station

7:29 p.m. **Depart from Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station for Chelm Train Station on Train 19**

Location: Kyiv-Pasazhyrskyi Train Station

Thursday, August 27

5:00 a.m. **Delegation arrives at Chelm Train Station**

5:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **Delegation transfers to hotel in Warsaw via private transportation (breakfast on the way)**

Pickup location: Chelm Train Station, Chełm, Poland

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Delegation drops off bags at the Hotel Bristol Warsaw**

Location: Hotel Bristol Warsaw
Krakowskie Przedmieście 42/44, 00-325 Warsaw

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Delegation transfers to the Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Poland**

Pickup location: Hotel Bristol Warsaw
Krakowskie Przedmieście 42/44, 00-325 Warsaw

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **Meeting with the Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Poland**

Location: Aleja Al Niepodległości 218, 00-911 Warsaw

Topic: Polish defense and Russia's war.

Relevance: Staffers will learn about the Polish Ministry of Defense's priorities focusing on Poland, NATO, and Polish defense posture toward Russian aggression.

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10:00 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.	**Olivia Mullaney transfers to Warsaw Chopin Airport via private transportation** Pickup location: Hotel Bristol Warsaw Krakowskie Przedmieście 42/44, 00-325 Warsaw
10:40 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.	**Olivia Mullaney check-in, security, boarding**
11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	**Delegation transfers to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland** Pickup location: Aleja Al Niepodległości 218, 00-911 Warsaw
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	**Meeting with members of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland including Bolesław Woźniak, Deputy Director of the Strategy Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland, Marek Kręt, Deputy Director at the Security Policy Department, and Marianna Chlebowska, Career Diplomat with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland** Location: Ministry of Foreign Affairs Al. Jana Christiana Szucha 23 Warsaw, entrance A Topic: Poland's diplomatic priorities during Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine. Relevance: Staffers will learn from Ministry of Foreign Affairs representatives about Poland's diplomatic objectives and foreign policy, which has taken on even greater importance since Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine. Staffers will also hear about how the Ministry is working with partners to respond to the war in Ukraine and discuss Poland's related foreign policy priorities in the EU and UN.
12:30 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.	**Delegation transfers to lunch with iSANS** Pickup location: Ministry of Foreign Affairs Al. Jana Christiana Szucha 23 Warsaw
12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	**Lunch with iSANS (International Strategic Action Network for Security)** Location: Atlantic Council Poland Office Hotel Europejski, Ossolińskich 1 Topics: The role Belarus plays in Russia's full-scale war in Ukraine.

Relevance: Staffers will learn about the Belarusian government's involvement in Russia's war in Ukraine and about the Belarusian democratic movement's work to support Ukraine, along with their efforts to shape a free and democratic Belarus.

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Delegation transfers to the Chancellery of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland**

Pickup location: Atlantic Council Poland Office
Hotel Europejski, Ossolińskich 1

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Meeting with Paweł Kowal and his team focused on foreign policy**

Location: Prime Minister's Chancellery
Al. Ujazdowskie 1/3

Topic: Polish parliamentary foreign policy.

Relevance: Staffers will hear from a prominent Polish member of parliament about the work of parliament on Poland's foreign policy, especially as related to Russia's war in Ukraine.

1:15 p.m. – 2:50 p.m. **Olivia Mullaney flies from Warsaw (WAW) to Munich (MUC) on Flight LH 1613**

2:50 p.m. – 4:20 p.m. **Olivia Mullaney layover, additional US security screening, board flight to Washington**

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Delegation transfers to the residence of Stephanie Holmes, Deputy Chief of Mission at the US Embassy in the Republic of Poland**

Pickup location: Prime Minister's Chancellery
Al. Ujazdowskie 1/3

3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. **Meeting with Stephanie Holmes, Deputy Chief of Mission at the US Embassy in the Republic of Poland**

Location: Residence of the Deputy Chief of Mission of the US Embassy in the Republic of Poland

Topics: US-Polish and transatlantic relations, Poland's response to Russia's war in Ukraine.

Relevance: Staffers will have the opportunity to debrief their findings and impressions from the delegation's meetings in Kyiv, discuss key questions and takeaways, and hear from the US Embassy team on

the importance of US-Polish relations and how the war in Ukraine has impacted these relations.

4:20 p.m. – 7:25 p.m.	**Olivia Mullaney flies from Munich (MUC) to Washington Dulles (IAD) on Flight LH 414**
4:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.	**Delegation transfers to Hotel Bristol Warsaw** Pickup location: Residence of the Deputy Chief of Mission of the US Embassy in the Republic of Poland
4:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	**Meeting with Sviatlana Tsihanouskaya, National Leader of Belarus, Franak Viačorka, nonresident fellow at the Atlantic Council's Eurasia Center and Chief Advisor to Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya** Location: Hotel Bristol Warsaw Krakowskie Przedmieście 42/44, 00-325 Warsaw Topic: The Democratic Forces in Belarus and their relationship with the United States Government. Relevance: Staffers will learn about the Belarusian democratic movement's work to shape a free and democratic Belarus and their engagement with the US government as well as the US government's engagement with the Lukashenka regime.
6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.	**Break at the Hotel Bristol Warsaw**
7:15 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	**Delegation transfers to dinner at Rusiko by foot**
7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	**Dinner discussion with Amb. John Herbst recapping the main takeaways from the delegation's trip** Location: Rusiko Restaurant, Wierzbowa 11, 00-094 Warsaw, Poland Topic: Takeaways and remaining questions from the trip. Relevance: Following all meetings in Kyiv and Warsaw, staffers will hear Amb. John Herbst's main takeaways from both Kyiv and Warsaw and discuss their insights from the trip.
9:00 p.m. – 9:15 p.m.	**Delegation walks back to Hotel Bristol**

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5:00 a.m. – 5:40 a.m.	**Delegation transfers to Warsaw Chopin Airport via private transportation. Breakfast to-go bags provided.** Pickup location: Hotel Bristol Warsaw Krakowskie Przedmieście 42/44, 00-325 Warsaw
5:40 a.m. – 7:40 a.m.	**Check-in, security, boarding**
7:40 a.m. – 9:40 a.m.	**Delegation flies from Warsaw (WAW) to Frankfurt (FRA) on Flight LH 5715**
9:40 a.m. – 1:10 p.m.	**Layover, additional US security screening, delegation boards flight to Washington**
1:10 p.m. – 4:05 p.m.	**Delegation flies from Frankfurt (FRA) to Washington Dulles (IAD) on Flight LH 418**

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Olivia Mullaney
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Dear Olivia,

On behalf of the Atlantic Council, it is my pleasure to invite you to join a staff delegation to Kyiv, Ukraine and Warsaw, Poland led by the Council's Eurasia Center. The trip will take place between **August 21 and August 28, 2026.**

Since its founding, the Atlantic Council's Eurasia Center has been a key resource on issues relating to Ukraine. The Eurasia Congressional Fellowship program connects a group of congressional staff members from the US House and Senate with leading experts to learn about Ukraine and the region. A crucial part of the program is this study trip to Ukraine, where staffers can learn more about the impact of Russia's war on Ukraine from the Ukrainian people and meet with Ukraine's leaders to better understand the need for American support. This staff delegation will take congressional staffers to Kyiv, where they will meet with senior representatives from the Ukrainian government, Ukrainian civil society, global NGOs, and the private sector.

The Eurasia Center has experience organizing successful travel to and from Kyiv on multiple occasions since February of 2022, including congressional staff trips to Kyiv, Ukraine in August 2024 and 2025, and will take utmost care to monitor the security situation and plan accordingly. The delegation will travel via Poland to take the train into Ukraine.

We hope that you can join this timely trip. Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me, or my colleague Shelby Magid (smagid@atlanticcouncil.org).

Best,

Ambassador John Herbst
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