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*Furnish this exhibit for EACH foreign principal listed in an initial statement
and for EACH additional foreign principal acquired subsequently.*

1. Name and address of registrant Alston & Bird LLP	2. Registration No. 5549
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3. Name of foreign principal Russian Federation (through Ketchum, Inc.)	4. Principal address of foreign principal 4, Staraya Square, Moscow, 103132
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5. Indicate whether your foreign principal is one of the following:

Foreign government

Foreign political party

Foreign or domestic organization: If either, check one of the following:

<input type="checkbox"/> Partnership	<input type="checkbox"/> Committee
<input type="checkbox"/> Corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> Voluntary group
<input type="checkbox"/> Association	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____

Individual-State nationality _____

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6. If the foreign principal is a foreign government, state:

a) Branch or agency represented by the registrant
Executive Branch

b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals
Dmitry Peskov, First Deputy Press Secretary of the President of the Russian Federation (through Ketchum, Inc.)

7. If the foreign principal is a foreign political party, state:

a) Principal address
n/a

b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals
n/a

c) Principal aim
n/a

8. If the foreign principal is not a foreign government or a foreign political party,

a) State the nature of the business or activity of this foreign principal.

n/a

b) Is this foreign principal

Supervised by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Owned by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Directed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Financed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Subsidized in part by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

9. Explain fully all items answered "Yes" in Item 8(b). *(If additional space is needed, a full insert page must be used.)*

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10. If the foreign principal is an organization and is not owned or controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party or other foreign principal, state who owns and controls it.

n/a

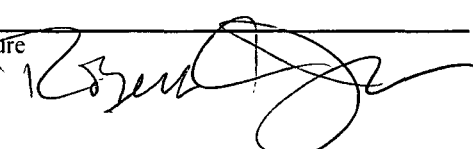
Date of Exhibit A 1/28/09	Name and Title partner, Alston & Bird	Signature 
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Exhibit B
To Registration Statement
Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended

INSTRUCTIONS: A registrant must furnish as an Exhibit B copies of each written agreement and the terms and conditions of each oral agreement with his foreign principal, including all modifications of such agreements, or, where no contract exists, a full statement of all the circumstances by reason of which the registrant is acting as an agent of a foreign principal. One original and two legible photocopies of this form shall be filed for each foreign principal named in the registration statement and must be signed by or on behalf of the registrant.

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1. Name of Registrant Alston & Bird LLP	2. Registration No. 5549
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3. Name of Foreign Principal Russian Federation (through Ketchum, Inc.)
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Check Appropriate Boxes:

- 4. The agreement between the registrant and the above-named foreign principal is a formal written contract. If this box is checked, attach a copy of the contract to this exhibit.
- 5. There is no formal written contract between the registrant and the foreign principal. The agreement with the above-named foreign principal has resulted from an exchange of correspondence. If this box is checked, attach a copy of all pertinent correspondence, including a copy of any initial proposal which has been adopted by reference in such correspondence.
- 6. The agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal is the result of neither a formal written contract nor an exchange of correspondence between the parties. If this box is checked, give a complete description below of the terms and conditions of the oral agreement or understanding, its duration, the fees and expenses, if any, to be received.

We are contracted by Ketchum, Inc., the principal registrant, as described below in # 7 and #8.

7. Describe fully the nature and method of performance of the above indicated agreement or understanding.
The agreement is between Ketchum, Inc. and Alston & Bird LLP. Assistance will be provided to Ketchum, Inc. for dissemination to the foreign principal at their discretion pursuant to our agreement with Ketchum, Inc.

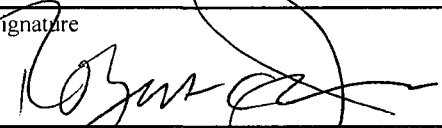
8. Describe fully the activities the registrant engages in or proposes to engage in on behalf of the above foreign principal.

Alston & Bird LLP will gather information and provide advice and analysis on various areas of U.S. foreign and foreign economic policy, including trade, energy, and politico-military issues which affect the bilateral US-Russian relationship. Alston & Bird LLP will also monitor and report on legislative developments in the Congress in similar issue areas. Assistance will be provided to Ketchum, Inc. for dissemination to the foreign principal at their discretion pursuant to our agreement with Ketchum, Inc.

9. Will the activities on behalf of the above foreign principal include political activities as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act and in the footnote below? Yes No

If yes, describe all such political activities indicating, among other things, the relations, interests or policies to be influenced together with the means to be employed to achieve this purpose.

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Date of Exhibit B 1/28/09	Name and Title <i>Partner Alston & Bird</i>	Signature 
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Footnote: Political activity as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act means any activity which the person engaging in believes will, or that the person intends to, in any way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting, or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to the political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

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January 1, 2009

Mr. Ray Kotcher
Chief Executive Officer
Ketchum, Inc.
1285 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10019

Re: Engagement letter for Russian advisory services

Dear Mr. Kotcher:

We are pleased for the opportunity to work with you to provide advisory services to Ketchum, Inc. for the Russian Federation. The purpose of this letter is to confirm the terms of our engagement to provide advisory services on policy and legislative developments of interest to the Russian Federation. I will be the attorney ultimately responsible to Ketchum, Inc., although you should feel free at any time to speak with anyone in our firm who is working with me.

The attorney-client privilege is an important subject that we raise with our clients at the outset of any new representation. As a matter of professional responsibility, we are required to preserve the confidences of our clients. This professional obligation and the legal privilege accorded attorney-client communication exist to encourage candid and complete communication between client and attorney. The attorney-client privilege can be lost if our written or oral communications are shared inappropriately with others, including, under certain circumstances, other employees or representatives of either Ketchum, Inc. or the Russian Federation. We should, therefore, discuss in advance any intention of yours to include others in our confidential relationship.

We will advise, through the auspices of Ketchum, Inc. the Russian Federation on matters regarding policy, political and legislative issues and developments as determined through consultation with designated representatives of Ketchum, Inc. and, as you determine to be necessary, the Russian Federation. It is our understanding that the terms of this engagement require our registration under the Foreign Agents Registration Act. As this engagement entails providing advisory services to the Russian Federation via Ketchum, Inc. this engagement does not constitute a contract to represent the Embassy of the Russian Federation, the Government of the Russian Federation or any of its affiliates before the U.S. Government or any organization, public or private.

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The terms of this contract shall run from January 1, 2009, and will continue until May 31, 2009, unless otherwise agreed by Alston & Bird and Ketchum, Inc. Our advisory fees for this engagement will be \$35,000 per month, inclusive of all fees and expenses. In May of 2009, the parties will review the terms of the contract with the objective of extending the advisory relationship into the future. Should you have any questions about any statement, please feel free to call me. Throughout the period of this engagement, we will send monthly statements, for our services rendered in the previous month. Ketchum, Inc. shall remit payment to Alston & Bird within thirty (30) days of receiving the corresponding payment from the Russian Federation.

As in any professional relationship where mutual trust and confidence are essential, it is appropriate for Ketchum, Inc. or Alston & Bird to be able to terminate our engagement at any time by reasonable written notice. If our engagement is terminated, we understand that Ketchum, Inc. will take whatever steps are necessary to evidence that we are free from any obligation to perform further, and to pay us for unpaid fees for services rendered incurred to the date of termination to the extent that Ketchum, Inc. has received payment from the Russian Federation for Alston & Bird's services. For clients who are not regular, general clients of the firm, but who hire us as special counsel for a limited engagement, a condition of our acceptance of the engagement is an agreement that our acceptance of the limited engagement shall not preclude our firm from representing other clients in the future who may have adverse interests with respect to matters unrelated to the limited engagement. We consider our advisory work for Ketchum, Inc. and the Russian Federation to fall into this category.

Alston & Bird and Ketchum, Inc. shall each be solely responsible and liable for its acts and omissions in providing services to the Russian Federation.

We would appreciate your acknowledging on behalf of Ketchum, Inc. that this letter correctly reflects the terms of our engagement by signing, dating, and returning to me the enclosed copy of this letter. There is a space for your acknowledgement below my signature.

We are privileged and delighted that Alston & Bird will work with Ketchum, Inc. to advise the Russian Federation for the purposes described herein, and we thank you very much for choosing us. We look forward with enthusiasm and appreciation to working with you.

Sincerely,

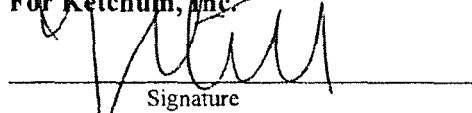


Robert C. Jones

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I AGREE WITH THE FOREGOING TERMS AND CONDITIONS

For Ketchum, Inc.



Signature

Mr. Ray Kotcher
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: 1/23/09

cc. Mr. Craig Mersky, Ketchum, Inc.
Ms. Kathy Jeavons, Ketchum, Inc.

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