

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, DC 20530

**Exhibit A to Registration Statement
Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of
1938, as amended**

INSTRUCTIONS. Furnish this exhibit for EACH foreign principal listed in an initial statement and for EACH additional foreign principal acquired subsequently. The filing of this document requires the payment of a filing fee as set forth in Rule (d)(1), 28 C.F.R. § 5.5(d)(1). Compliance is accomplished by filing an electronic Exhibit A form at <http://www.fara.gov>.

Privacy Act Statement. The filing of this document is required by the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq.*, for the purposes of registration under the Act and public disclosure. Provision of the information requested is mandatory, and failure to provide this information is subject to the penalty and enforcement provisions established in Section 8 of the Act. Every registration statement, short form registration statement, supplemental statement, exhibit, amendment, copy of informational materials or other document or information filed with the Attorney General under this Act is a public record open to public examination, inspection and copying during the posted business hours of the Registration Unit in Washington, DC. Statements are also available online at the Registration Unit's webpage: <http://www.fara.gov>. One copy of every such document, other than informational materials, is automatically provided to the Secretary of State pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act, and copies of any and all documents are routinely made available to other agencies, departments and Congress pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Act. The Attorney General also transmits a semi-annual report to Congress on the administration of the Act which lists the names of all agents registered under the Act and the foreign principals they represent. This report is available to the public in print and online at: <http://www.fara.gov>.

Public Reporting Burden. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .49 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to Chief, Registration Unit, Counterespionage Section, National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530; and to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

1. Name and Address of Registrant Podesta Group, Inc.	2. Registration No. 5926
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3. Name of Foreign Principal Republic of Maldives	4. Principal Address of Foreign Principal 800 2nd Avenue, #400E New York, NY 10017
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5. Indicate whether your foreign principal is one of the following:

- Government of a foreign country¹
- Foreign political party
- Foreign or domestic organization: If either, check one of the following:
- | | |
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| <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 _____

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

a) Branch or agency represented by the registrant

Permanent Mission of the Republic of Maldives to the United Nations

b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals

H.E. Ahmed Sareer, Ambassador / Permanent Representative of the Republic of Maldives to the United Nations

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

¹ "Government of a foreign country," as defined in Section 1(e) of the Act, includes any person or group of persons exercising sovereign de facto or de jure political jurisdiction over any country, other than the United States, or over any part of such country, and includes any subdivision of any such group and any group or agency to which such sovereign de facto or de jure authority or functions are directly or indirectly delegated. Such term shall include any faction or body of insurgents within a country assuming to exercise governmental authority whether such faction or body of insurgents has or has not been recognized by the United States.

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

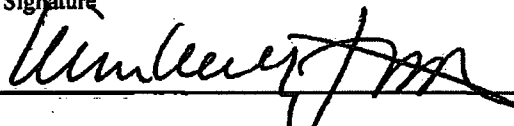
N/A

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

EXECUTION

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swears or affirms under penalty of perjury that he/she has read the information set forth in this Exhibit A to the registration statement and that he/she is familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

Date of Exhibit A	Name and Title	Signature
9-17-15	Kimberley Fritts, CEO	

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**Exhibit B to Registration Statement
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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. Compliance is accomplished by filing an electronic Exhibit B form at <http://www.fara.gov>.

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1. Name of Registrant Podesta Group, Inc.	2. Registration No. 5926
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3. Name of Foreign Principal

Republic of Maldives

Check Appropriate Box:

- 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.

7. Describe fully the nature and method of performance of the above indicated agreement or understanding.

Research and analyze issues of concern to the principal; counsel the principal on U.S. policies of concern, activities in Congress and the executive branch and developments on the U.S. political scene generally; and maintain contact, as necessary, with members of Congress and their staff, executive branch officials, media, and nongovernmental organizations.

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

Registrant will provide strategic counsel to the principal on strengthening the principal's ties to the United States government and institutions. Registrant will also assist in communicating priority issues in the United States-Maldives bilateral relationship to relevant U.S. audiences, including the U.S. Congress, executive branch, media, and policy community.

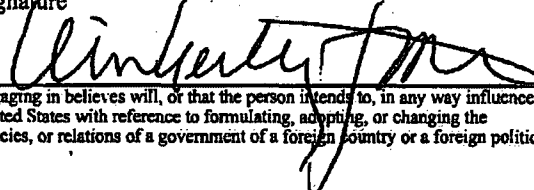
9. Will the activities on behalf of the above foreign principal include political activities as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act and in the footnote below? Yes No

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.

The activities listed in Item 8 will be undertaken in order to communicate information to the principal, as well as to communicate information about the principal to interested persons in the public sector. At the request of the principal, meetings with members of Congress and their staff and executive branch officials may be arranged.

EXECUTION

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Date of Exhibit B	Name and Title	Signature
9-17-15	Kimberley Fritz coo	

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.

ENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT

THIS ENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT (hereinafter referred as "Agreement") is entered into this September 8, 2015, by and between the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Maldives to the United Nations (hereinafter referred to as "the Mission") located at 300 2nd Avenue, #400E, New York, NY 10017, and the Podesta Group (hereinafter referred as "the Provider"), having its principal office located at 1001 G Street NW, Suite 1000 West, Washington, DC 20001, United States of America. Now therefore the parties agree as follows:

Scope of Work

The Provider shall provide government relations and public relations services to strengthen the ties between the Mission and United States institutions (hereinafter referred as the "Services").

Term

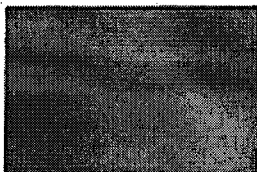
The Provider shall perform the Services during the period commencing September 8, 2015 through March 7, 2016.

Payment

The Mission shall pay the Provider an amount of fifty thousand U.S. dollars (US \$50,000) per month, including expenses.

The Mission shall pay the Provider in advance of services rendered on a monthly basis, including at the beginning of the term of this Agreement. Work shall commence upon receipt of funds from the Mission. Expenses for each month shall be invoiced and paid with the fees due for the following period. Should payment remain outstanding for more than thirty (30) days after the Mission receives an invoice from the Provider, all services will cease until all outstanding amounts are paid in full. Wire instructions are as follows:

Bank Name:
Acct Name:
Acct #:
Routing #:
Swift Code:



Confidentiality

The Provider shall not, during the term of this Agreement and within two (2) years after its expiration, disclose any proprietary or confidential information regarding the Scope of Work, this Agreement or the operations of the Mission without the prior written consent of the Mission.

Assignment

The Provider shall not assign this Agreement or any portion of it to third parties without the Mission's prior written consent.

Governing Law and Language

The Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the United States of America, and the language of the Agreement shall be English.

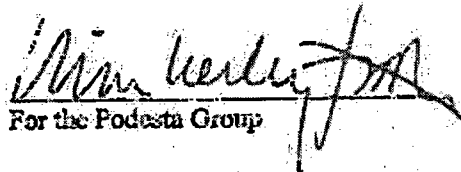
Amendment

This Agreement may not be modified or amended except by an instrument in writing by the parties hereto.



For the Permanent Mission of the
Republic of Maldives to the
United Nations

His Excellency Mr Ahmed Saeed
Ambassador | Permanent Representative of the
Republic of Maldives to the United Nations



For the Podesta Group