

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 <https://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 FARA Unit in Washington, DC. Statements are also available online at the FARA Unit's webpage: <https://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 online at: <https://www.fara.gov>.

Public Reporting Burden. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .22 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, FARA Unit, Counterintelligence and Export Control 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 of Registrant  Scribe Strategies & Advisors, Inc.	2. Registration Number  6305
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3. Primary Address of Registrant  
 1050 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 500, Washington, DC 20036

4. Name of Foreign Principal  The Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ministry of Communications and Media	5. Address of Foreign Principal  83 Tabu Ley Avenue Gombe, Kinshasa CONGO, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE
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6. Country/Region Represented  
 CONGO, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE

7. Indicate whether the foreign principal is one of the following:

- Government of a foreign country<sup>1</sup>
- Foreign political party
- Foreign or domestic organization: If either, check one of the following:
  - Partnership
  - Corporation
  - Association
  - Committee
  - Voluntary group
  - Other (*specify*) \_\_\_\_\_
- Individual-State nationality \_\_\_\_\_

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

- a) Branch or agency represented by the registrant  
 Ministry of Communication and Media
- b) Name and title of official(s) with whom registrant engages  
 Patrick Katembwe Muyaya, Minister of Communication and Media

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.

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

- a) Name and title of official(s) with whom registrant engages
  
- b) Aim, mission or objective of foreign political party

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10. 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.

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"/> |

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11. Explain fully all items answered "Yes" in Item 10(b).

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12. 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.

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**EXECUTION**

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, and subject to the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 22 U.S.C. § 618, the undersigned swears or affirms under penalty of perjury that he/she has read the information set forth in this statement filed pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq.*, 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	Printed Name	Signature
03/05/2025	Joseph J. szlavik	<input data-bbox="886 405 954 443" type="text" value="Sign"/> /s/Joseph J. szlavik
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_____	_____	<input data-bbox="886 577 954 615" type="text" value="Sign"/> _____
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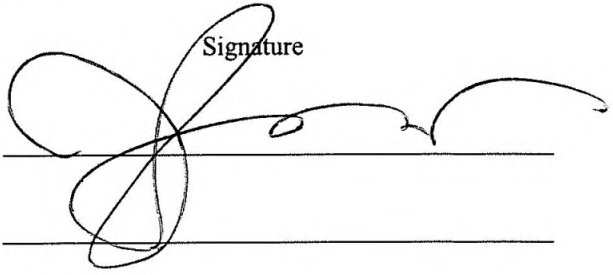
Date

Printed Name

Signature

5 March 2025

Joseph Szlavik



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**Exhibit B to Registration Statement  
Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of  
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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 <https://www.fara.gov>.

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1. Name of Registrant

scribe strategies &amp; Advisors, Inc.

2. Registration Number

6305

3. Name of Foreign Principal

The Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ministry of Communications and Media

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, and the fees and expenses, if any, to be received.
7. What is the date of the contract or agreement with the foreign principal? 02/04/2025
8. Describe fully the nature and method of performance of the above indicated agreement or understanding.

scribe will endeavor to pursue services ensuring the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo interests are met with regard to bilateral relations with the United States and to make the US-THE DRC RELATIONSHIP GREAT AGAIN.

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

Scribe will endeavor to pursue the following services: ensuring the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo interests are met with regard to bilateral relations with the United States and to make the US-THE DRC RELATIONSHIP GREAT AGAIN; increase U.S. trade and investment; enhance the government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo's profile in the United States; providing advice, counsel with regard to communications and news media; assisting the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo's in relations to combating terrorism in particularly the M23; and other reasonable services that the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo shall from time to time assign to Scribe and agreed to in writing by Scribe.

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10. Will the activities on behalf of the above foreign principal include political activities as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act.<sup>1</sup>

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 response must include, but not be limited to, activities involving lobbying, promotion, perception management, public relations, economic development, and preparation and dissemination of informational materials.

See Appendix for Response

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11. Prior to the date of registration<sup>2</sup> for this foreign principal has the registrant engaged in any registrable activities, including political activities, for this foreign principal?

Yes  No

If yes, describe in full detail all such activities. The response should include, among other things, the relations, interests, and policies sought to be influenced and the means employed to achieve this purpose. If the registrant arranged, sponsored, or delivered speeches, lectures, social media, internet postings, or media broadcasts, give details as to dates, places of delivery, names of speakers, and subject matter. The response must also include, but not be limited to, activities involving lobbying, promotion, perception management, public relations, economic development, and preparation and dissemination of informational materials.

Set forth below a general description of the registrant's activities, including political activities.

Set forth below in the required detail the registrant's political activities.

Date	Contact	Method	Purpose
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12. During the period beginning 60 days prior to the obligation to register<sup>3</sup> to the date of registration for this foreign principal, has the registrant received from the foreign principal, or from any other source, for or in the interests of the foreign principal, any contributions, income, money, or thing of value either as compensation, or for disbursement, or otherwise?

Yes  No

If yes, set forth below in the required detail an account of such monies or things of value.

Date Received	From Whom	Purpose	Amount/Thing of Value
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13. During the period beginning 60 days prior to the obligation to register<sup>4</sup> to the date of registration for this foreign principal, has the registrant disbursed or expended monies, or disposed of anything of value other than money, in connection with activity on behalf of the foreign principal or transmitted monies to any such foreign principal?

Yes  No

If yes, set forth below in the required detail an account of such monies or things of value.

Date	Recipient	Purpose	Amount/Thing of Value
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<sup>1</sup> "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.

<sup>2,3,4</sup> Pursuant to Section 2(a) of the Act, an agent must register within ten days of becoming an agent, and before acting as such.

**EXECUTION**

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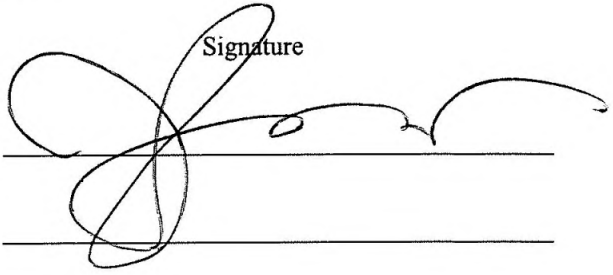
Date

Printed Name

Signature

5 March 2025

Joseph Szlavik



## **Appendix Response to Item 10**

**Item 10: Will the activities on behalf of the above foreign principal include political activities as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act. 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 response must include, but not be limited to, activities involving lobbying, promotion, perception management, public relations, economic development, and preparation and dissemination of informational materials.**

Scribe will engage in activities to advance the interests of the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), particularly in strengthening bilateral relations with the United States, enhancing trade and investment, and raising the DRC government's profile in the U.S. This will include providing counsel on communications, media relations, and strategic public relations to positively influence public perception. Scribe will also assist the DRC in counter-terrorism efforts, particularly in relation to the M23, and provide other reasonable services as assigned by the DRC government, as agreed upon in writing. These activities will employ lobbying, public relations, perception management, and informational materials to achieve these objectives.

## Professional Services Agreement

### I. TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT

We are submitting for your approval terms of a professional services agreement (this "Agreement") between the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo hereinafter referred to as ("the DRC") and Scribe Strategies & Advisors, Inc ("Scribe").

The terms of this Agreement are as follows:

#### A. Legal Authority

This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the United States of America, including the Foreign Agents Registration Act ("FARA"), regulations of the Office of Foreign Asset Control ("OFAC"), without limitation the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act ("FCPA"). Scribe warrants and represents it will comply with all applicable registration and disclosure requirements.

The parties acknowledge and agree that Scribe is an independent contractor and not an agent or employee of the DRC and that Scribe will not hold itself out as such an employee. Scribe shall bear no liability to the DRC for loss or damage in connection with advice or assistance by Scribe given in good-faith performance of the services set forth in this Agreement, and neither makes any representations or warranties other than as expressly set forth in this Agreement nor is providing any assurances or guaranty regarding any results or performance with respect to the services performed hereunder.

#### B. Scope of Subject Matter

Scribe will endeavor to pursue the following services: ensuring the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo interests are met with regard to bilateral relations with the United States and to make the US-THE DRC RELATIONSHIP GREAT AGAIN; increase U.S. trade and investment; enhance the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo's profile in the United States; providing advice, counsel with regard to communications and news media; assisting the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo's in relations to combating terrorism in particularly the M23; and other reasonable services that the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo shall from time to time assign to Scribe and agreed to in writing by Scribe.

The DRC acknowledges and agrees that nothing in this Agreement shall obligate Scribe to provide the services to the DRC on an exclusive basis and that nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to restrict or limit Scribe in any way in providing similar services to third parties unaffiliated with the DRC.

### II. CONFIDENTIALITY

#### A. General Provisions

Except for as described in Paragraph II.B. of this Agreement, the DRC and Scribe recognize that the subject matter of this Agreement requires the highest degree of confidentiality. Each party acknowledges its responsibility, both during and after the term of this Agreement, to use all reasonable and legally permissible efforts to preserve the proprietary or confidential information developed by the other party or disclosed by the other party.

**B. Foreign Agents Registration Act**

The DRC understands that Scribe's work on behalf of the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo may require Scribe to register with the U.S. Department of Justice ("DOJ") pursuant to the FARA, and that such registration requires the disclosure to DOJ, and in turn the public, of certain documents and other information related to this work, including this Agreement.

**III. COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

The DRC agrees to compensate Scribe in the amount of USD\$70,000.00 per month, payable six months in advance of services to be performed in the amount of a USD\$420,000 beginning February 4, 2025. Payment shall be made on a bi-annual (every 180 days) basis. Subsequent payment shall be made on August 4, 2025 in advance of the services to be performed. This Agreement shall be deemed to be executed upon receipt of the first payment by Scribe from the Client.

Scribe will also be paid for ordinary and reasonable out-of-pocket expenses, including items such as transportation, hotel, car services, incidental expenses and meals; however, these will be authorized by the Client in advance. Payments will not derive from restricted or prohibited sources, including any accounts outside the United States under sanctions. Payments are made by wire transfer to an account identified separately by Scribe.

**IV. TERM: TERMINATION OR MODIFICATION**

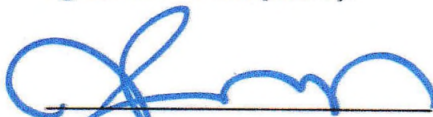
This Agreement is for a period of one year, it renews automatically for another 12 months. This Agreement cannot be modified before 180 days post-signing, except as stated in the Agreement or with mutual written consent. Thirty (30) days' notice is required for modification, except Scribe may terminate immediately if the DRC breaches compensation terms. Scribe is entitled to payment for services rendered and approved termination costs.

**V. MISCELLANEOUS**

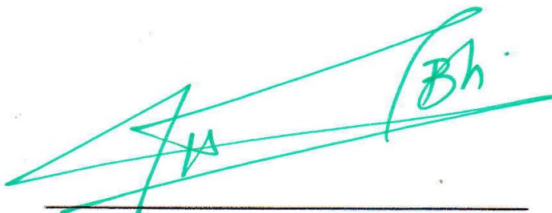
This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the DRC and Scribe, superseding all prior agreements and understandings. Assignment of this Agreement or its rights requires prior written consent from the other party and is binding on successors and assigns. Neither party is liable for delays or failures due to uncontrollable events (Force Majeure) such as natural disasters, strikes, war, pandemics, or acts of the other party. Failures to pay are not excused under Force Majeure.

The Agreement may be executed in counterparts, all considered as one document. Electronic signatures are valid. In witness whereof, each of the parties hereto has caused this Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized representative on the date indicated.

Agreed to and accepted by:



For Scribe Strategies & Advisors, Inc.  
Joseph Szlavik



On behalf of the Government of The DRC

4 Feb 2025 Date



04/02/2025 Date

