

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, DC 20530

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

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1. Name of Registrant Nineveh Plain Defense Fund	2. Registration No. 6339
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3. Name of Foreign Principal  
Nineveh Plain Protection Units (NPU)

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.

See attachment.

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

The Nineveh Plain Defense Fund is to be organized as a nonprofit corporation of the State of Illinois with the goal to direct support from Americans and others throughout the world for the Nineveh Plains Protection Unit of Iraq in full compliance with the laws of the United States. The NPU are a local security force in the Nineveh Plain of Iraq originally sponsored by the Assyrian Democratic Movement and now recognized by the Government of Iraq.

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.

While political lobbying is not the purpose of the Nineveh Plain Defense Fund, the Defense Fund intends to inform the executive administration of the United States and legislative members of Congress of its activities. The Defense Fund does not intend to provide any political contributions but may organize or participate in events in which others may collect contributions for political purposes.

The primary intent of the Nineveh Plain Defense Fund is not to engage in political activity. However, it is possible that in the performance of our mission we interact with officials of the United States Government and influence policies of the United States. The Nineveh Plain Defense Fund is supportive of policies that would provide financial, logistical, and training support directly to the Nineveh Plain Protection Units of Iraq as well as policies that would provide financial, logistical, humanitarian, and economic development support directly to the indigenous ethnoreligious minorities of the Nineveh Plains of Iraq and their non-governmental organizations.

**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 B 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 B 12-8-2017	Name and Title Elmer Abbo President	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.

## **Nineveh Plain Defense Fund**

**Attachment to Revised Exhibit B  
December 8, 2017**

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

On November 25, 2017, the Assyrian Democratic Movement (ADM), one of our foreign principals, elected to name Iraqi Rapporteur of Parliament and member of the Iraqi Parliamentary Committee of Security and Defense Imad Youkhana to assume the role of Chairman of the Nineveh Plain Protection Units (NPU) Political Committee.

In light of the NPU's leadership changes, we are restructuring the relationship of the NPDF with the NPU to improve the efficiency of our decision-making and routine operations. Previously, the Chairman of the NPU Political Committee served as a board member on the Nineveh Plain Defense Fund (NPDF) with veto authority. Now, the NPDF has removed from the board this *ex officio* officer position reserved for the Chairman of the NPU Political Committee and in its place, we have created a new officer position of the NPDF Liaison to the NPU. The NPDF Liaison to the NPU must be an ADM member based in Iraq, who will coordinate with the NPU Logistics Committee to receive requests and/or approvals for NPDF funding. Furthermore, the NPDF Liaison to the NPU shall, as appropriate, inform and consult with the Chairman of the NPU Political Committee on NPDF activities. This new structure continues to tie the NPDF administratively to the NPU and ensures that no NPDF funding may be provided unless requested and/or approved by the NPU Logistics Committee.

The NPDF By-Laws were amended to reflect these changes on November 29, 2017.

Yacob Yaco, who is currently an NPDF board member with an active registration under FARA, has been elected the role of NPDF Liaison to the NPU.