

U.S. Department of Justice  
Washington, DC 20530

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

For Six Month Period Ending January 31, 2021  
(Insert date)

**I - REGISTRANT**

1. (a) Name of Registrant (b) Registration No.  
US Mission of the Syrian Democratic Council 6516

(c) Business Address(es) of Registrant  
800 Maine Ave SW, Suite 200  
Washington DC 20024

2. Has there been a change in the information previously furnished in connection with the following?

- (a) If an individual:
- |                           |                              |  |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| (1) Residence address(es) | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| (2) Citizenship           | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| (3) Occupation            | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
- (b) If an organization:
- |                          |                              |  |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| (1) Name                 | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| (2) Ownership or control | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| (3) Branch offices       | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

(c) Explain fully all changes, if any, indicated in Items (a) and (b) above.

**IF THE REGISTRANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, OMIT RESPONSE TO ITEMS 3, 4, AND 5(a).**

3. If you have previously filed Exhibit C<sup>1</sup>, state whether any changes therein have occurred during this 6 month reporting period.

Yes  No

If yes, have you filed an amendment to the Exhibit C? Yes  No

If no, please attach the required amendment.

<sup>1</sup> The Exhibit C, for which no printed form is provided, consists of a true copy of the charter, articles of incorporation, association, and by laws of a registrant that is an organization. (A waiver of the requirement to file an Exhibit C may be obtained for good cause upon written application to the Assistant Attorney General, National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530.)

4. (a) Have any persons ceased acting as partners, officers, directors or similar officials of the registrant during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes  No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position	Date Connection Ended
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(b) Have any persons become partners, officers, directors or similar officials during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes  No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
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5. (a) Has any person named in Item 4(b) rendered services directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal?

Yes  No

If yes, identify each such person and describe the service rendered.

N/A

(b) During this six month reporting period, has the registrant hired as employees or in any other capacity, any persons who rendered or will render services to the registrant directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal(s) in other than a clerical or secretarial, or in a related or similar capacity? Yes  No

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
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(c) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their employment or connection with the registrant during this 6 month reporting period? Yes  No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or Connection	Date Terminated
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N/A

(d) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their connection with any foreign principal during this 6 month reporting period? Yes  No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or Connection	Foreign Principal	Date Terminated
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N/A

6. Have short form registration statements been filed by all of the persons named in Items 5(a) and 5(b) of the supplemental statement?

Yes  No

If no, list names of persons who have not filed the required statement.

**II - FOREIGN PRINCIPAL**

7. Has your connection with any foreign principal ended during this 6 month reporting period? Yes  No   
If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal

Date of Termination

8. Have you acquired any new foreign principal(s)<sup>2</sup> during this 6 month reporting period? Yes  No   
If yes, furnish the following information:

Name and Address of Foreign Principal(s)

Date Acquired

9. In addition to those named in Items 7 and 8, if any, list foreign principal(s)<sup>2</sup> whom you continued to represent during the 6 month reporting period.

Syrian Democratic Council, Syria  
(also called the Self-Administration of North and East Syria and/or the Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria)

10. (a) Have you filed exhibits for the newly acquired foreign principal(s), if any, listed in Item 8?

Exhibit A<sup>3</sup> Yes  No

Exhibit B<sup>4</sup> Yes  No

If no, please attach the required exhibit.

- (b) Have there been any changes in the Exhibits A and B previously filed for any foreign principal whom you represented during this six month period? Yes  No

If yes, have you filed an amendment to these exhibits? Yes  No

If no, please attach the required amendment.

<sup>2</sup> The term "foreign principal" includes, in addition to those defined in section 1(b) of the Act, an individual organization any of whose activities are directly or indirectly supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or subsidized in whole or in major part by a foreign government, foreign political party, foreign organization or foreign individual. (See Rule 100(a) (9)). A registrant who represents more than one foreign principal is required to list in the statements he files under the Act only those principals for whom he is not entitled to claim exemption under Section 3 of the Act. (See Rule 208.)

<sup>3</sup> The Exhibit A, which is filed on Form NSD-3 (Formerly CRM-157) sets forth the information required to be disclosed concerning each foreign principal.

<sup>4</sup> The Exhibit B, which is filed on Form NSD-4 (Formerly CRM-155) sets forth the information concerning the agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal.

**III - ACTIVITIES**

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11. During this 6 month reporting period, have you engaged in any activities for or rendered any services to any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement?                      Yes                       No

If yes, identify each foreign principal and describe in full detail your activities and services:

Please see attachment.

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12. During this 6 month reporting period, have you on behalf of any foreign principal engaged in political activity<sup>5</sup> as defined below?  
Yes                       No

If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail all such political activity, indicating, 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 or radio and TV broadcasts, give details as to dates, places of delivery, names of speakers and subject matter.

Please see attachment.

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13. In addition to the above described activities, if any, have you engaged in activity on your own behalf which benefits your foreign principal(s)?                      Yes                       No

If yes, describe fully.

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<sup>5</sup> The term "political activity" means any activity that 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 political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

## IV - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

14. (a) **RECEIPTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal, any contributions, income or money either as compensation or otherwise? Yes  No

If no, explain why.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies.<sup>6</sup>

Date	From Whom	Purpose	Amount
August 2020 - January 2021	Various Syrian and Kurdish grassroots supporters in the United States	To support the US Mission of the Syrian Democratic Council's work	Approximately \$8,000 to \$10,000 per month
			\$8k to \$10k per mo
			Total

(b) **RECEIPTS - FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received, as part of a fundraising campaign<sup>7</sup>, any money on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes  No

If yes, have you filed an Exhibit D to your registration? Yes  No

If yes, indicate the date the Exhibit D was filed. Date \_\_\_\_\_

(c) **RECEIPTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received any thing of value<sup>9</sup> other than money from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal?

Yes  No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal	Date Received	Thing of Value	Purpose
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<sup>6, 7</sup> A registrant is required to file an Exhibit D if he collects or receives contributions, loans, moneys, or other things of value for a foreign principal, as part of a fundraising campaign. (See Rule 201(e)).

<sup>8</sup> An Exhibit D, for which no printed form is provided, sets forth an account of money collected or received as a result of a fundraising campaign and transmitted for a foreign principal.

<sup>9</sup> Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

15. (a) **DISBURSEMENTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you

(1) disbursed or expended monies in connection with activity on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes  No

(2) transmitted monies to any such foreign principal? Yes  No

If no, explain in full detail why there were no disbursements made on behalf of any foreign principal.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies, including monies transmitted, if any, to each foreign principal.

Date	To Whom	Purpose	Amount
August 2020 - January 2021	Property Manager/Owner	Rent for office space	\$4,200 per month
August 2020 - January 2021	Utilities, rent, transportation expenditures, office supplies	Office operations, office expenses, transportation	\$3,000 per month

\$7,200 per mo

Total

**(b) DISBURSEMENTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you disposed of anything of value<sup>10</sup> other than money in furtherance of or in connection with activities on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement?

Yes  No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Recipient	Foreign Principal	Thing of Value	Purpose
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**(c) DISBURSEMENTS-POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you from your own funds and on your own behalf either directly or through any other person, made any contributions of money or other things of value<sup>11</sup> in connection with an election to any political office, or in connection with any primary election, convention, or caucus held to select candidates for political office?

Yes  No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Amount or Thing of Value	Political Organization or Candidate	Location of Event
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<sup>10, 11</sup> Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks" and the like.

## V - INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

16. (a) During this 6 month reporting period, did you prepare, disseminate or cause to be disseminated any informational materials?<sup>12</sup>

Yes  No

If Yes, go to Item 17.

(b) If you answered No to Item 16(a), do you disseminate any material in connection with your registration?

Yes  No

If Yes, please forward the materials disseminated during the six month period to the Registration Unit for review.

17. Identify each such foreign principal.

Syrian Democratic Council, Syria

(also called the Self-Administration of North and East Syria and/or the Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria)

18. During this 6 month reporting period, has any foreign principal established a budget or allocated a specified sum of money to finance your activities in preparing or disseminating informational materials? Yes  No

If yes, identify each such foreign principal, specify amount, and indicate for what period of time.

19. During this 6 month reporting period, did your activities in preparing, disseminating or causing the dissemination of informational materials include the use of any of the following:

- Radio or TV broadcasts       Magazine or newspaper       Motion picture films       Letters or telegrams  
 Advertising campaigns       Press releases       Pamphlets or other publications       Lectures or speeches  
 Other (*specify*) Online/website-based newspaper, Syrian Democratic Times / SDC US website

**Electronic Communications**

Email

Website URL(s): www.syriandemocrattimes.com, www.syriandemocraticcouncil.us

Social media websites URL(s): Facebook Page: @syriandemtimes / Twitter: @syriandemtimes

Other (*specify*) Verbal info offered in meetings, presentations, interviews. Please see attachment for details.

20. During this 6 month reporting period, did you disseminate or cause to be disseminated informational materials among any of the following groups:

- Public officials       Newspapers       Libraries  
 Legislators       Editors       Educational institutions  
 Government agencies       Civic groups or associations       Nationality groups  
 Other (*specify*) \_\_\_\_\_

21. What language was used in the informational materials:

English

Other (*specify*) Arabic, Kurdish

22. Did you file with the Registration Unit, U.S. Department of Justice a copy of each item of such informational materials disseminated or caused to be disseminated during this 6 month reporting period? Yes  No

23. Did you label each item of such informational materials with the statement required by Section 4(b) of the Act?

Yes  No

<sup>12</sup> The term informational materials includes any oral, visual, graphic, written, or pictorial information or matter of any kind, including that published by means of advertising, books, periodicals, newspapers, lectures, broadcasts, motion pictures, or any means or instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce or otherwise. Informational materials disseminated by an agent of a foreign principal as part of an activity in itself exempt from registration, or an activity which by itself would not require registration, need not be filed pursuant to Section 4(b) of the Act.



**VI - EXECUTION**

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swear(s) or affirm(s) under penalty of perjury that he/she has (they have) read the information set forth in this registration statement and the attached exhibits and that he/she is (they are) familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her (their) knowledge and belief, except that the undersigned make(s) no representation as to truth or accuracy of the information contained in the attached Short Form Registration Statement(s), if any, insofar as such information is not within his/her (their) personal knowledge.

(Date of signature)

(Print or type name under each signature or provide electronic signature<sup>13</sup>)

February 25, 2021

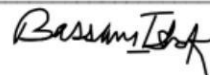
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Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

February 25, 2021

Sign



Bassam Said Ishak

February 25, 2021

Sign



Bassam Saker

Sign

<sup>13</sup> This statement shall be signed by the individual agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar functions, if the registrant is an organization, except that the organization can, by power of attorney, authorize one or more individuals to execute this statement on its behalf.

ATTACHMENT to NSD-2 Form

Registrant: US Mission of the Syrian Democratic Council  
Registration #6516

Pursuant to Item #12, Activities

## **FARA - Reporting Requirements**

**Syrian Democratic Council - Meetings, Events, and Media Appearances  
For the Period: August 1, 2020 - January 31, 2021**

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August 7, 2020

Meeting with Naz Durakoglu, advisor to US Senator Jeanne Shaheen

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics Discussed: US-Syria policy, Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria (AANES), Syrian Democratic Council (SDC), Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), regional issues

August 19, 2020

Meeting with Joel Rayburn, Deputy Assistant Secretary, US Department of State

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics discussed: US-Syria policy, Caesar sanctions, Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria (AANES), Syrian Democratic Council (SDC), Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), regional issues

August 25

Panel Discussion (online) hosted by the US Mission of the Syrian Democratic Council. "After the Caliphate in Syria: The Role of Women in Post-War Diplomacy and Governance, a Roundtable Discussion."

Speakers: Zehra Bell, Abeer Hassaf, Sinam Sherkany Mohamad, Meghan Bodette

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics Discussed: Womens Rights in North and East Syria and the Middle East, Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria's inclusive governance model, Turkish occupation of Afrin, Syrian policy, US policy, regional issues

September 4, 2020

Interview with Joshua Keating, Slate Magazine

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics discussed: US-Syria policy, Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria (AANES), Syrian Democratic Council (SDC), Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), human rights, Turkish occupation, regional issues

September 15, 2020

Meeting with DAS Chris Maier, Department of Defense

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics discussed: Global Coalition to Defeat ISIS, counter-terrorism in Syria and the Middle East, Syrian Democratic Council (SDC), Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria (AANES), regional issues

September 18, 2020

Panel Discussion (online), "Targeting Christians in Turkey," Columbia University / Institute for the Study of Human Rights / moderated by David Phillips

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics discussed: Turkish persecution of religious minorities, Turkish occupation of North and East Syria, Turkish domestic policies, US-Syria policy, Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria (AANES), human rights, regional issues

23 September,

Panel Discussion hosted by the Washington Kurdish Institute, including speaker Sinam Sherkany Mohamad, titled "Is the Expansionism Policy Erdogan's or Turkey's?"

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics discussed: Turkish occupation and expansionism, militarism in the region, Turkish-backed militias, US Middle East policy, Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), human rights, regional issues

September 25, 2020

Panel discussion on how the justice mechanism can support the search for missing persons.

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics discussed: Syrian migration, refugees and displaced persons, human rights, regional issues

October 7, 2020

Profile in Washington Diplomat, "Sinam Mohamad Pushes U.S. Not to Abandon Her Fellow Kurds in Syria"

Article in Washington Diplomat online magazine

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics discussed: US-Syria policy, Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria (AANES), Syrian Democratic Council (SDC), Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), regional issues

October 21, 2020

Meeting with DAS Chris Maier, Department of Defense

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics discussed: Global Coalition to Defeat ISIS, counter-terrorism in Syria and the Middle East, Syrian Democratic Council (SDC), Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria (AANES), regional issues

October 23, 2020

Meeting with David Brownstein, US Department of State

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics discussed: Update of recent situation, US-Syria policy, Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria (AANES), Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), human rights, Turkish occupation, regional issues

November 9, 2020

Meeting with Colin Brooks, US Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Naz Durakoglu, Advisor to US Senator Jeanne Shaheen

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics discussed: US-Syria policy, Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria (AANES), Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), human rights, Turkish occupation, regional issues

November 10, 2020

Panel Discussion, "Are We Losing a Valuable Feminist Project in the Middle East?" hosted by the International Center for the Study of Violent Extremism (ICSVE). Speakers: Ambassador Peter Galbraith, Sinam Sherkany Mohamad, Amy Austin Holmes, Meghan Bodette, Anne Speckhard.

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics Discussed: Womens Rights in North and East Syria and the Middle East, Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria's inclusive governance model, Turkish occupation of Afrin, Syrian policy, US policy, regional issues

November 12, 2020

Meeting with Stephen Gillen, Stephen Dreyer, US Department of State office on human rights

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics Discussed: Human rights violations in Syria, Turkish occupation, Turkish-backed militias, Assad government, US-Syria policy, Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria (AANES), Syrian Democratic Council (SDC), Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), regional issues

December 17, 2020

Panel Discussion on "Biden Policy on Syria" hosted by JINSA, speakers: James Jeffrey, Sinam Sherkany Mohamad, Mike Mulroy

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics Discussed: US-Syria policy, Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria (AANES), Syrian Democratic Council (SDC), Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), regional issues

December 20, 2020

Interview with Voice of America (Kurdish)

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics Discussed: Human rights violations in Syria, Turkish occupation, Turkish-backed militias, Assad government, US-Syria policy, Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria (AANES), Syrian Democratic Council (SDC), Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), regional issues

December 22, 2020

Meeting with Joel Rayburn, Deputy Assistant Secretary, US Department of State

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics discussed: US-Syria policy, Caesar sanctions, Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria (AANES), Syrian Democratic Council (SDC), Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), regional issues

January 8, 2020

Interview with Jeff Selden, Voice of America (English)

SDC US Personnel: Sinam Sherkany Mohamad

Topics discussed: ISIS detainees, counter-terrorism, US-Syria policy, global terrorism, Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), regional issues