

OMB No. 1124-0002; Expires May 31, 2020

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 10/30/2018

(Insert date)

**I - REGISTRANT**

1. (a) Name of Registrant (b) Registration No.

MHz Networks LLC (hereinafter "MHz") 6553

(c) Business Address(es) of Registrant  
2750 Prosperity Ave.  
Suite 430  
Fairfax, VA 22031

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  No
- (2) Citizenship Yes  No
- (3) Occupation Yes  No

(b) If an organization:

- (1) Name Yes  No
- (2) Ownership or control Yes  No
- (3) Branch offices Yes  No

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

This supplemental statement reflects the following developments: 1) a contractual arrangement with Deutsche Welle ("DW") as of April 30, 2018 for carriage on the "MHz Worldview" channel; 2) an additional contractual arrangement as of December 1, 2017, in which MHz performed limited administrative and liaison services for a nominal fee in connection with DW's broader distribution agreement with the Public Broadcasting Service ("PBS"); and 3) the corporate restructuring of MHz for business reasons, resulting in the creation of MHz News, a news service and wholly owned subsidiary of MHz that has reported to the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") pursuant to § 1085 of the FY2019 National Defense Authorization Act. MHz was not distributing DW content at the time of its May 18, 2018 FARA registration. It resumed distribution of DW content on July 14, 2018, a development that was to be reflected in an amended filing. However, as of October 12, 2018, MHz's distribution contract with DW and MHz's distribution contracts with other foreign programmers have been assigned to MHz News, a news service under 22 U.S.C. § 611(d) and exempt from FARA registration. MHz's December 1, 2017 contract with DW for administrative and liaison services has also been assigned to MHz News. Out of an abundance of caution and a commitment to FARA compliance, we are appending this contract and including DW's nominal payment as part of this supplemental statement.

**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.

As described in response to 2(c), MHz's distribution contracts with foreign programmers have been assigned to MHz News, a news service and wholly owned subsidiary of MHz that is exempt from registration under 22 U.S.C. § 611(d). MHz News has and will continue to file the relevant reports with the FCC pursuant to its obligations under § 1085 of the FY2019 National Defense Authorization Act.

<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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(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
Frederick Thomas	President & CEO	FRANCE MEDIAS MONDE ("FMM") for France 24	10/12/2018
		Deutsche Welle ("DW")	10/12/2018

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.

N/A

**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
FRANCE MEDIAS MONDE ("FMM") for France 24	10/12/2018
Deutsche Welle ("DW")	10/12/2018

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
Deutsche Welle ("DW") Kurt-Schumacher-Str. 3 53113 Bonn Germany	4/30/2018

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.  
N/A

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, 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, sets forth the information concerning the agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal.

**III - ACTIVITIES**

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:

As an American independent television programming distributor based in Northern Virginia, MHz acted solely as a distributor of content, or as an administrative liaison for other distributors of content. MHz offered distribution services, on a commercial basis, through which various producers of programming could gain access to television audiences. MHz had no involvement in the creation or approval of content, or in its promotion. As stated in its initial registration and as applied during the current reporting period, MHz did not act as an agent of FMM, France 24, DW, or any other foreign agent, entity, or principal. Despite concerns regarding the First Amendment implications of any requirement for registration, following consultations with the Department of Justice, MHz registered out of an abundance of caution and its commitment to FARA compliance. It is now terminating its registration because it is no longer engaged in a direct contractual relationship for distribution services with any foreign principal; these contracts have been assigned to MHz News, a news service under 22 U.S.C. § 611(d) and exempt from FARA registration.

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.

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.

<sup>5</sup> "Political activity," as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act, 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.

MHz's contractual arrangement with Deutsche Welle ("DW") dated 4/30/2018 for distribution services was free of charge and did not involve any monetary payment or other compensation. Out of an abundance of caution, we are also referencing MHz's December 1, 2017 contractual arrangement with DW for administrative and liaison services in connection with PBS's distribution of DW programming.

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
6/1/2018	FRANCE MEDIAS MONDE ("FMM") for France 24	Purchase of television distribution services	\$50,000
On or about 1/1/2018	Deutsche Welle ("DW")	Administrative and liaison services in connection with broader distribution agreement between DW and PBS	\$1,500
			<u>\$51,500</u>
			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<sup>8</sup> 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. MHz acted solely as a distributor of content, or as an administrative liaison for other distributors of content. It performed these services on a commercial basis. It did not make any disbursements on behalf of a foreign principal, and it did not act as an agent 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
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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.

FRANCE MEDIAS MONDE ("FMM") for France 24

Deutsche Welle ("DW")

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) \_\_\_\_\_

**Electronic Communications**

- Email  
 Website URL(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Social media websites URL(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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) Television audiences

21. What language was used in the informational materials:

- English     Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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>)

OCTOBER 30, 2018

  
FREDERICK THOMAS

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<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.