

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 Von Batten-Montague-York, L.C.	2. Registration Number 7130
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3. Primary Address of Registrant
 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Suite 700, Washington, D.C., DC 20016

4. Name of Foreign Principal The Republic of Burundi	5. Address of Foreign Principal Ntare Rushatsi House, Boulevard de l'UPRONA Bujumbura, Burundi BURUNDI
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6. Country/Region Represented
 BURUNDI

7. Indicate whether the 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:
 - 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
 office of the President of Burundi
- b) Name and title of official(s) with whom registrant engages
 Général de Brigade Aloys Sindayihebura, Chef du cabinet civil du président de la république (Head of the civil cabinet of the president of the republi

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.

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

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 No

Owned by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal

Yes No

Directed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal

Yes No

Controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal

Yes No

Financed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal

Yes No

Subsidized in part by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal

Yes No

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

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.

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.

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_____	_____	<input data-bbox="886 573 954 615" type="text" value="Sign"/> _____
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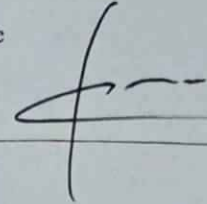
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Printed Name

Signature

02/16/2026

Kareema Ibrahim



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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 <https://www.fara.gov>.

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3. Name of Foreign Principal
 The Republic of Burundi

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? 02/11/2026
8. Describe fully the nature and method of performance of the above indicated agreement or understanding.
 See Appendix for Response

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

See Appendix for Response

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

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

11. Prior to the date of registration² 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 register³ 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 register⁴ 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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¹ "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.

^{2,3,4} 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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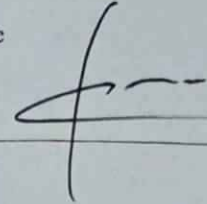
Date

Printed Name

Signature

02/16/2026

Kareema Ibrahim



Appendix Response to Item 8

Item 8: Describe fully the nature and method of performance of the above indicated agreement or understanding.

The Firm's services include high-level representation and advocacy before the U.S. Congress, relevant congressional committees, and executive-branch agencies (including the Department of State, National Security Council, Department of Defense, and Department of the Treasury). The Firm prepares and delivers policy memoranda, briefing materials, issue papers, and strategic talking points; conducts ongoing legislative and policy monitoring; advises on U.S. security cooperation frameworks and defense institutional modernization; supports lawful engagement with policymakers; assists in articulating economic development, critical minerals, and regional supply-chain objectives; and provides strategic communications, stakeholder engagement, and reputation management support in Washington, D.C.

Method of Performance:

The Firm performs these services through lawful advocacy, direct engagement with U.S. policymakers and officials, preparation and dissemination of written materials, coordination with diplomatic missions and multilateral institutions, and structured reporting to the Office of the President of Burundi. Services are rendered strictly in compliance with all applicable U.S. and Burundian laws, including FARA, the Lobbying Disclosure Act, ITAR, the Arms Export Control Act, and applicable human rights and Leahy vetting requirements. The Firm provides monthly written reports and additional oral briefings as requested.

Appendix Response to Item 9

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

On behalf of the Government of the Republic of Burundi, the registrant engages in lawful government affairs, strategic advisory, and public affairs activities in the United States to advance Burundi's diplomatic, security, and economic interests. These activities include direct engagement with Members of Congress, congressional committees, and professional staff; preparation and dissemination of policy memoranda, briefing materials, and strategic talking points; and ongoing monitoring and analysis of legislative and policy developments. The registrant also conducts lawful outreach to executive-branch agencies, including the Department of State, National Security Council, Department of Defense, and Department of the Treasury, regarding Burundi's regional security role, cross-border stabilization efforts, defense cooperation objectives, and diplomatic posture in the Great Lakes region.

In addition, the registrant provides strategic advisory services related to defense institutional modernization, U.S. security cooperation frameworks, human rights and Leahy Law compliance, and applicable oversight requirements. The registrant supports engagement concerning U.S. policy on strategic and critical minerals, infrastructure security, supply-chain resilience, and long-term economic development objectives. Services further include strategic communications counsel, stakeholder engagement, and guidance on lawful participation in policy forums and diplomatic events in Washington, D.C. All activities are conducted strictly in compliance with the Foreign Agents Registration Act, the Lobbying Disclosure Act, the Arms Export Control Act, export control regulations, and all other applicable U.S. laws and ethical standards

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.

On behalf of the Government of the Republic of Burundi, the registrant engages in political activities within the meaning of the Foreign Agents Registration Act for the purpose of informing and influencing U.S. government decision-making and policy discourse concerning Burundi's diplomatic posture, regional security role in the Great Lakes region, cross-border stabilization efforts related to Eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo, security cooperation frameworks, human-rights compliance obligations, and long-term economic development priorities, including strategic and critical minerals and regional supply-chain resilience. The interests and policies sought to be influenced include U.S. legislative and executive-branch consideration of bilateral security cooperation, defense institutional modernization, civilian protection frameworks, regional stabilization initiatives, and economic and commercial engagement affecting Burundi's integration into U.S.-aligned development and trade initiatives.

To achieve these objectives, the registrant employs lawful lobbying and advocacy through direct engagement with Members of Congress, congressional committees, and professional staff; outreach to officials at the Department of State, National Security Council, Department of Defense, Department of the Treasury, and other relevant agencies; and ongoing monitoring and analysis of legislative and policy developments. Activities include preparation and dissemination of policy memoranda, briefing papers, issue analyses, talking points, and background materials; coordination of meetings and briefings; strategic communications counsel; stakeholder engagement; reputation and perception management in Washington, D.C.; guidance on lawful participation in policy forums and diplomatic events; and support for economic development messaging to U.S. governmental and policy audiences. All such activities are conducted strictly in compliance with applicable U.S. law, including FARA, the Lobbying Disclosure Act, export control regulations, and human-rights and oversight requirements.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS AGREEMENT

This Government Affairs and Public Relations Agreement (the "Agreement") is entered into as of the Effective Date set forth below (the "Effective Date"), by and between:

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BURUNDI, acting through the Office of the President of the Republic, with principal offices in Bujumbura, Republic of Burundi (the "Client"),

and

VON BATTEN-MONTAGUE-YORK, L.C., a Washington, D.C.-based government affairs, public policy, and strategic advisory firm, including its principals, officers, employees, agents, and subcontractors (the "Firm").

The Client and the Firm may be referred to individually as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties."

1. PURPOSE, STRATEGIC CONTEXT, AND STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLE

- 1.1 The Client seeks to retain the Firm to provide comprehensive government affairs, strategic advisory, and public relations services in the United States in furtherance of the Republic of Burundi's sovereign interests, including but not limited to national security, regional stabilization, diplomatic engagement, and long-term economic development objectives.
- 1.2 Burundi occupies a strategically sensitive position in the Great Lakes region and has articulated its intention to act as a constructive, stabilizing regional actor, particularly with respect to cross-border security, civilian protection, and post-conflict normalization in the eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo ("Eastern DRC"). The Client further seeks to preserve the integrity of the Washington Accords for Peace and Prosperity and to align its regional role with the strategic, security, and economic interests of the United States.
- 1.3 The Firm's professional mission includes providing high-level representation to under-resourced sovereign governments and institutions that, notwithstanding limited financial means, seek lawful, principled, and effective access to policymakers in Washington, D.C. In undertaking this engagement, the Firm acknowledges Burundi's economic constraints and affirms that the structure and pricing of this Agreement reflect the Firm's commitment to ensuring that smaller and less-advantaged nations are not excluded from the U.S. policy process.

2. SCOPE OF SERVICES

During the Term, the Firm shall provide strategic, advisory, representational, and public affairs services (the "Services") on behalf of the Client, including the following:



2.1 Government Affairs and Congressional Engagement

- 2.1.1 Strategic engagement with members of the United States Congress, relevant congressional committees, and professional staff on matters affecting Burundi's regional security role, border integrity, and post-conflict stabilization objectives.
- 2.1.2 Preparation and delivery of policy memoranda, briefing materials, issue papers, and strategic talking points designed to articulate Burundi's positions in a manner consistent with U.S. law, policy norms, and congressional oversight practices.
- 2.1.3 Ongoing monitoring and analysis of legislative and policy developments relevant to the Client's interests.

2.2 Executive-Branch and Interagency Engagement

- 2.2.1 Engagement with the U.S. Department of State, National Security Council, Department of the Treasury, Department of Defense, and other relevant executive-branch agencies concerning Burundi's diplomatic posture, security contributions, and regional stabilization role.
- 2.2.2 Advising on U.S. policy frameworks applicable to regional security, civilian protection, and cross-border cooperation in the Great Lakes region.
- 2.2.3 Coordination, as appropriate, with diplomatic missions and multilateral institutions to ensure policy coherence and strategic alignment.

2.3 Defense Capacity, Security Cooperation, and Institutional Support

- 2.3.1 Firm shall provide strategic advisory and government affairs support relating to Burundi's defense capacity and security cooperation objectives, strictly within applicable legal and policy frameworks, including:
 - 2.3.1.1 Advising on U.S. security cooperation authorities, institutional processes, and policy considerations governing bilateral defense relationships.
 - 2.3.1.2 Supporting lawful engagement with U.S. policymakers and officials regarding Burundi's border security needs, force readiness, professionalization, and contribution to regional stability.
 - 2.3.1.3 Assisting the Client in articulating defense institutional modernization goals, interoperability objectives, and accountability standards consistent with U.S. oversight and human-rights vetting requirements.



2.3.1.4 Developing policy narratives positioning Burundi as a responsible and reliable regional security partner.

2.4 Economic Development and Strategic Interests

2.4.1 Advising on U.S. government policy relating to strategic and critical minerals, infrastructure security, and regional supply-chain resilience.

2.4.2 Supporting engagement strategies related to U.S.-linked commercial and development interests affected by instability in Eastern DRC.

2.4.3 Assisting the Client in presenting its long-term economic development and regional integration objectives to U.S. stakeholders.

2.5 Public Affairs and Strategic Communications

2.5.1 Strategic counsel on stakeholder engagement, reputation management, and public positioning in Washington, D.C.

2.5.2 Guidance on lawful participation in policy forums, briefings, and diplomatic events.

2.5.3 Coordination with U.S. media and policy institutions, strictly in compliance with applicable law and ethical standards.

3. LEGAL COMPLIANCE, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND PROFESSIONAL LIMITATIONS

3.1 The Parties acknowledge that all Services shall be performed in full compliance with all applicable laws and regulations of the United States and the Republic of Burundi, including but not limited to the U.S. Foreign Agents Registration Act (22 U.S.C. § 611 et seq.), the Lobbying Disclosure Act (2 U.S.C. § 1601 et seq.), the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. § 2751 et seq.), the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (22 C.F.R. Parts 120–130), and all applicable ethics, disclosure, and oversight requirements.

3.2 **Human Rights and Leahy Vetting Compliance.** The Parties expressly acknowledge that any U.S. security cooperation, assistance, or institutional engagement discussed or supported under this Agreement is subject to applicable human rights and accountability requirements, including the so-called *Leahy Laws* (10 U.S.C. § 362; 22 U.S.C. § 2378d), which prohibit U.S. assistance to foreign security force units where there is credible information of gross violations of human rights. Accordingly:

3.2.1 The Firm's Services shall include advisory support to assist the Client in understanding and navigating U.S. human rights vetting, accountability, and remediation expectations applicable to security cooperation engagements.



- 3.2.2 The Client affirms its intention to cooperate in good faith with applicable vetting, transparency, and accountability processes administered by the Government of the United States.
- 3.2.3 Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to request, encourage, or facilitate any action inconsistent with U.S. human rights law, congressional oversight requirements, or established end-use and accountability standards.
- 3.3 The Firm shall not be required to undertake any activity that would be unlawful, unethical, or inconsistent with U.S. public policy.

4. TERM

- 4.1 The term of this Agreement shall be six (6) months (the "Term"), commencing on the Effective Date, unless earlier terminated in accordance with this Agreement.

5. FEES, BILLING PHILOSOPHY, AND PAYMENT TERMS

- 5.1 The Firm's customary professional fees for sovereign government representation substantially exceed the rate set forth herein. However, the Firm maintains a longstanding institutional commitment to assisting under-resourced and politically marginalized sovereign states seeking a lawful and credible voice in Washington, D.C.
- 5.2 In recognition of the Republic of Burundi's economic constraints and development priorities, the Firm agrees to provide the Services at a nominal professional rate of USD \$10,000 (Ten Thousand United States Dollars) per month, substantially below market rates for comparable services.
- 5.3 The total contract value for the six-month Term shall be USD \$60,000.
- 5.4 Payment Schedule:
 - 5.4.1 Fifty percent (50%) of the total contract value (USD \$30,000) shall be due and payable immediately upon execution of this Agreement; and
 - 5.4.2 The remaining fifty percent (50%) (USD \$30,000) shall be due and payable at the midpoint of the Term (Three months from the effective date of this agreement).
 - 5.4.3 All payments shall be made by wire transfer or other mutually agreed method. Any applicable taxes shall be borne by the Client.



- 5.4.4 Out-of-pocket expenses incurred with the **prior written** approval of the Client, including travel, lodging, and approved third-party professional services, shall be reimbursed at cost.

6. REPORTING AND COORDINATION

- 6.1 The Firm shall report directly to the Office of the President of the Republic of Burundi, or such designated officials as the Client may identify in writing.
- 6.2 The Firm shall provide written reports (monthly) and oral reports (as requested) summarizing activities undertaken, engagements conducted, and strategic assessments relevant to the Services.

7. CONFIDENTIALITY

- 7.1 All non-public information exchanged pursuant to this Agreement shall be treated as confidential.
- 7.2 Neither Party shall disclose such information to any third party without the prior written consent of the other Party, except as required by law.
- 7.3 These confidentiality obligations shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

8. TERMINATION

- 8.1 Either Party may terminate this Agreement for convenience upon thirty (30) days' written notice.
- 8.2 Fees paid shall be non-refundable. Any fees accrued but unpaid as of the effective date of termination shall remain due and payable.

9. GOVERNING LAW AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 9.1 This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the District of Columbia, United States of America, without regard to conflict-of-laws principles.
- 9.2 Any dispute arising under this Agreement shall first be addressed through good-faith negotiations and, if unresolved, through binding arbitration in Washington, D.C., unless otherwise agreed in writing.



10. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding between the Parties and supersedes all prior discussions or understandings, whether written or oral. This Agreement may be amended only by a written instrument executed by both Parties.

11. SIGNATURES

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement, which shall become effective (Effective Date) upon execution by the Government of the Republic of Burundi

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BURUNDI
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Name: Général de Brigade Aloys Sindayhebura
Title: Chef du Cabinet Civil du Président de la République.

Date: Feb 10 11 2026

Signature: 



FOR VON BATTEN-MONTAGUE-YORK, L.C., ON BEHALF OF ITS SENIOR PARTNERS, PARTNERS,
ASSOCIATES, AND APPROVED SUBCONTRACTORS

Name: Dr. Karl Von Batten, FRSPH

Title: Managing Partner

Date: 2/2/2026

Signature: 

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