

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 in print and 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  Mr. Daniel Schneider	2. Registration Number  7495
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3. Primary Address of Registrant  
 1771 N Pierce Street, Arlington, VA 22209

4. Name of Foreign Principal  The Japanese Conservative Union	5. Address of Foreign Principal  Ginza Otake-Bijidensu 2F, 1-22-11, Ginza, Chuo-ku Tokyo JAPAN 104-0061
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6. Country/Region Represented  
 JAPAN

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
  
- b) Name and title of official(s) with whom registrant engages

<sup>1</sup> "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.

See Appendix for Response

b) Is this foreign principal:

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| Supervised by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal         | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Owned by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal              | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Directed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal           | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal         | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Financed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal           | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Subsidized in part by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" 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.

The Japanese Conservative Union is a private non profit. Its chairman is Jay Aeba.

**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
11/26/2024	Daniel schneider	<input data-bbox="886 405 954 443" type="text" value="Sign"/> /s/Daniel schneider
_____	_____	<input data-bbox="886 491 954 529" type="text" value="Sign"/> _____
_____	_____	<input data-bbox="886 577 954 615" type="text" value="Sign"/> _____
_____	_____	<input data-bbox="886 663 954 701" type="text" value="Sign"/> _____

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## **Appendix Response to Item 10(a)**

JCU believes in a society that Japanese people can call "our own society" through shared values. It builds on the work of the Japanese thought leader and scholar Fukuzawa Yukichi who wrote, "Whosoever perfectly realizes the principle of Independence, both of Mind and Body, and, paying due respect to his own person, preserves his dignity unblemished, him we call a man of independence and self-respect."  
JCU helps educate the Japanese people and others about these ideas and promotes freedom and liberty for all people.

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**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  
Mr. Daniel Schneider

2. Registration Number  
7495

3. Name of Foreign Principal  
The Japanese Conservative Union

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. What is the date of the contract or agreement with the foreign principal? 11/17/2024
8. Describe fully the nature and method of performance of the above indicated agreement or understanding.

I will hold weekly telephone calls with the principal and maintain additional communications as needed. I will advise the principal about policies and political issues important to Japan. I will also facilitate relationships with government officials and others in civil society. I will assist with media relations upon request.

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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.

Keep the principal informed about important issues. Introduce the principal to government officials, leaders of relevant non profits and for profit companies, and advise on media strategy.

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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.

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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, such as 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> 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> 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
11/26/2024	Daniel Schneider	Sign /s/Daniel Schneider
_____	_____	Sign _____
_____	_____	Sign _____
_____	_____	Sign _____

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DAN SCHNEIDER  
1771 N. PIERCE STREET, #1804  
ARLINGTON, VA 22209

## INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

Upon formal acknowledgement and approval by both parties, this Consulting Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into this date by and between Dan Schneider ("Consultant"), an independent contractor, with its principal place of business at 1771 N. Pierce Street, #1804, Arlington, VA 22209 and The Japanese Conservative Union ("Client") with a mailing address of ~~Shinagawa Intercity Tower A, 28<sup>th</sup> Floor, 2-15-1 Kanari, Minato-Ku, Tokyo, 108-6028 Japan~~ Ginza Otake-Bijidensu 2F, 1-22-11, Ginza, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, 104-0061, Japan

### 1. Independent Contractor

1. Legal Status. It is the express intention of both parties that the Consultant shall remain an independent contractor and not an employee of Client. Unless formally agreed in a separate written agreement, nothing in this Agreement or the course of conduct of the parties shall be interpreted as creating an employer/employee relationship.

2. Liability. Consultant agrees to assume exclusive liability for any and all taxes, assessments, levies or fines which may be deemed owed by it, or to any employee contractor of Consultant as a result of performance of services pursuant to this Agreement.

3. Taxes, Etc. It is understood and agreed that Client will not be responsible for the payment or withholding of federal, state, and/or local taxes, payroll taxes, social security taxes, health insurance, unemployment insurance, workman's compensation benefits, and other similar personnel costs incurred by Consultant in connection with this Agreement.

### 2. Duties and Term

1. Duties. Consultant shall provide Client with consulting services described in the attached Exhibit A, during the period described in Paragraph 2.2. Consultant gives no guarantees as to the outcome of the services it provides.

2. Term. The Term of the Agreement shall commence upon execution of this Agreement (effective *ENTER DATE*) and end on *ENTER DATE* (the "Term"). Either party may terminate this Agreement without cause at any time by giving 30 (thirty) days' notice in writing to Consultant at 1771 N. Pierce Street, #1804, Arlington, VA 22209 and Client at Shinagawa Intercity Tower A, 28<sup>th</sup>

Floor, 2-15-1 Kanan, Minato-Ku, Tokyo, 108-6028 Japan. Client shall pay Consultant within 10 (ten) days of such termination, all fees and expenses accrued and incurred up to an including date of termination.

**3. Compensation and Expenses**

1. Compensation. Client shall pay the Consultant, as compensation for the services provided as described in Exhibit A, a fee of \$10,000 per month. Compensation will be paid on the first of each month for the previous month's services.
2. Expenses. Client agrees to reimburse Consultant for all reasonable pre-approved expenses incurred in performing its duties.
3. Invoices. Consultant shall submit an invoice to Client at the end of each month for payment that includes Consultant's name, address, amount due and billing period.

**4. Lobbying Disclosure Act Compliance Responsibilities**

The parties understand and agree that Consultant's consulting services pursuant to the Agreement shall require Consultant to register under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, as amended ("LDA"). Consultant shall be responsible for filing all required registration statements and reports as required under the LDA.

**5. FARA Compliance Responsibilities**

The parties understand and agree that Consultant's consulting services pursuant to this Agreement shall not require Consultant to register under the Foreign Agents Registration Act ("FARA"), based on Consultant's current understanding that Client is not funded or controlled by any non-U.S. government or political party. Should circumstances change in that regard, and Client does accept funding from any non-U.S. government or political party, client will notify Consultant within 5 (five) days.

**6. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act ("FCPA") Compliance Responsibilities**

The parties understand and agree that in all undertakings, Client will make no payments of money, or anything of value, not will such be offered, promised or paid, directly or indirectly, to any non-U.S. officials, political parties, party officials, or candidates in their official capacity, to induce them to use their influence with a government to obtain or retain business or gain an improper advantage in connection with this Agreement or any other venture or contract in which the Consultant is a participant. Any violation of this provision constitutes a material breach of this Agreement.

**7. Indemnification**

Client shall indemnify and hold Consultant, its employees, directors, officers, agents, and volunteers harmless against and from any and all claims, demands, liabilities, actions, damages, costs, and expenses related thereto (including attorney's fees, court costs, and other expenses of litigation) and all damages and liabilities of any kind or nature whatsoever, arising out of or attributable to Client's negligent performance or nonperformance under the terms of this Agreement. Consultant shall indemnify and hold Client, its employees, directors, officers, agents, and volunteers harmless against and from any and all claims, demands liabilities, actions, damages, costs, and expenses related thereto (including attorney's fees, court costs, and other expenses of litigation) and all damages and liabilities of any kind or nature whatsoever, arising out of or attributable to Consultant's negligent performance or nonperformance under the terms of this Agreement.

**8. Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure; Return of Client Materials**

1. Confidential and Proprietary Information. All matters between the Parties, including but not limited to the provisions under this Agreement, including the financial terms, shall remain confidential and shall not be transferred, communicated or delivered to any third party, whether or

not for compensation, without prior express written consent of Consultant.

2. Non-Disclosure. Consultant agrees not to communicate, directly or indirectly, with any member of the news media on behalf of, for, or about Client, without the express advance consent of client.

9. **Conflict of Interest**

Consultant agrees to notify Client of any existing or potential conflicts of interest related to services provided under this Agreement. Consultant represents that its prior work presents neither the actuality nor the appearance of any such conflicts. Any potential conflicts must be resolved to the satisfaction of the client prior to payment of any compensation under this Agreement.

10. **Choice of Law**

Client and Consultant agree that this Agreement shall be deemed to be made under, governed by, and construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

11. **Jurisdiction**

Client and Consultant agree that all disputes arising out of or in connection with this Agreement shall be submitted to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

12. **Attorney's Fees**

In the event either party must bring suit for any reason under this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other party all costs of such suit, including reasonable attorney's fees.

13. **Headings**

The headings in this Agreement are for the sole purpose of convenience of reference and shall not in any way limit or affect the meaning or interpretation of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement.

14. **Severability**

If any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement are held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, the remaining terms and provisions shall continue in full force and effect.

15. **Notice**

All Notices, requests, claims, demands and other communications permitted or required hereunder shall be in writing and delivered personally or by registered or certified mail (postage prepaid, return receipt requested), or by a courier or national reputation (such as FedEx) for next day delivery. Notices sent to Consultant shall be mailed to 1771 N. Pierce Street, #1804, Arlington, VA 22209. Notices sent to Client. Shall be mailed to ~~Shinagawa Intercity Tower A, 28<sup>th</sup> Floor, 2-15-1 Kanan, Minato-Ku, Tokyo, 108-6028 Japan.~~ Ginza Otake-Bijidensu 2F, 1-22-11, Ginza, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, 104-0061, Japan, or to such other address Client has previously furnished to Consultant.

16. **Entire Agreement**

This Agreement contains the entire understanding between the parties and supersedes any prior understandings and agreements between them. The terms of this Agreement may be changed only by written agreement signed by both parties.

**EXHIBIT A**

Services to be rendered by Consultant on behalf of Client include the following:

1. Facilitate relationships with U.S. conservatives on Capitol Hill, in the Trump Administration, and in non-profit conservative organizations. (Includes meetings with Members of Congress and staff, Administration

- Officials, think tanks, conservative activist organizations, etc.)
2. Facilitate introductions to influential potential speakers for ~~J-CPAC~~ CPAC-JAPAN. (Includes all of the above categories plus governors, business leaders, etc.)
  3. Provide accurate, timely information about U.S. politics, including actions by the Trump Administration, Congress, etc., particularly with regard to issues of importance to Japan, e.g. security of the region, trade, etc. (Includes emails/forwarding articles as warranted to convey breaking news, and weekly detailed reports of actions, as warranted.)
  4. Facilitate collaboration with ACU in planning and execution of (U.S.) CPAC YEAR and ~~J-CPAC~~ CPAC-JAPAN YEAR.
  5. General public relations/media relations to raise Client's profile with targeted audiences. (Includes publicity related to projects to be discussed on a case-by-case basis.)
  6. Assist with matters related to the Asia-Pacific Conservative Union on a case-by-case basis agreed upon by both Consultant and Client.

These services to not include the following:

1. Fundraising on behalf of Client.
2. Coordination or travel logistics for ~~J-CPAC~~ CPAC-JAPAN speakers and CPAC attendees/participants. (Consultant will hire someone, with Client's pre-authorization, to coordinate with appropriate Client staff on logistics for U.S. speakers, and Consultant will submit this expense to Client for reimbursement.)
3. Reviewing English translation of ~~J-CPAC~~ CPAC-JAPAN speaker bios. (Consultant will provide bios of U.S. speakers and will review English translations of promotional brochures and ~~J-CPAC~~ CPAC-JAPAN session descriptions, and potentially others on a case-by-case basis and agreed upon by both Consultant and Client.)
4. Liberty Ecosystem project (except on a case-by case basis and agreed upon by both Consultant and Client, e.g. selection of public relations firm and coordination of Liberty Ecosystem sponsorship of CPAC.)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Agreement as of the dates noted by each below. This Agreement may be executed in one of more counterparts, all of which, taken together, shall constitute a single executed original.

DAN SCHNEIDER

BY:

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

*Daniel C. Schneider*  
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*Daniel C. Schneider*  
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 11/17/2024

THE JAPANESE CONSERVATIVE UNION

BY:

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

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