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MEMBER / OFFICER POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

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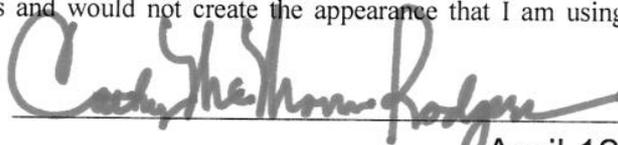
This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from a private source for travel taken in connection with a Member or officer's official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the Member or officer's annual Financial Disclosure Statement. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must **complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, B-106 Cannon House Office Building, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Cathy McMorris Rodgers
2. a. Name of accompanying relative: Brian Rodgers *or* None
 b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: 3/26/13 Return: 3/31/13
 b. Dates at personal expense: _____ *or* None
4. Departure city: Spokane Destination: Dehli Return city: Spokane
5. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): National Indian American Public Policy Corporation
6. Describe meetings and events attended (attach additional pages if necessary): _____
Met with high ranking Indian government officials and visited American businesses.
7. Attached to this form are EACH of the following (*signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*):
 - a. a completed Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form;
 - b. the Primary Trip Sponsor Form completed by the trip sponsor prior to the trip, including all attachments and Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms;
 - c. page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the Member or officer; *and*
 - d. the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the sponsor's agenda. (*Signify that statement is true by checking box*):
 b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have determined that all of the expenses on the attached Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or officer of the U.S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for private gain.

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER:



DATE: April 12, 2013

**U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Ethics**

SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. ***A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within 10 days of their return.*** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): National Indian American Public Policy Institute

2. Travel Destination(s): India

3. Date of Departure: March 26th, 2013 Date of Return: March 31st, 2013

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Cathy McMorris Rodgers and Brian Rodgers
(NOTE: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if all information is identical for each person listed.)

5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in response to Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$ 7450	\$ 930	\$390	\$100
Accompanying Relative	\$ 7450	\$ 0	\$ 390	\$100

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. (Signify statement is true by checking box):

- I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: *Shalabh Kumar*

Name: Shalabh Kumar Title: Chairman

Organization: National Indian American Public Policy Institute

I am an officer of the above-named organization (signify statement is true by checking box):

Address: 363 St. Paul Blvd., Carol Stream, IL 60188

Telephone number: 630-510-7171

Email Address: shalabh@avg.net

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at (202) 225-7103.

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Representative Cathy McMorris Rodgers
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): National Indian American Public Policy Corporation (NIAPPC)
3. Travel destination(s): Dehli, Ahmedabad, Bangalore
4. a. Date of departure March 26 Date of return: March 31
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? Yes No
If yes, dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a relative at the sponsor's expense? Yes No
b. If yes:
(1) Name of accompanying relative: Brian Rodgers
(2) Relationship to traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
(3) Accompanying relative is at least 18 years of age: Yes No
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(d) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (*i.e.*, travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent and you are requesting lodging for two nights)? Yes No
b. If yes, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:

7. Primary Trip Sponsor Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms: Yes No
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.
As a member of the Energy and Commerce Committee and House Leadership, it is important to develop strong U.S. relationships with critical U.S. trade partners and geopolitical allies.
9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, and/or arranging the trip? Yes No

10. **FOR STAFF TRAVELERS:
TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:**

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Date: _____

Signature of Employing Member

**U.S. House of Representatives
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**PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM
(provide directly to each House invitee)**

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers or employees under House Rule XXV, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee.

Private sponsors are urged to submit this form to each House invitee at least 30 days before travel is scheduled to begin. The failure to provide the Committee with adequate time to review the form and attachments may result in the invitee not receiving approval for the trip. The submission of an incomplete form will delay the review process. Before completing this form, sponsors are urged to carefully review the Committee's private travel guidelines and advisory memoranda detailing the rules and restrictions for private travel, as well as the instructions for completing this form. Sponsors should call the Committee with any questions prior to submitting the form. Please type form.

1. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): National Indian American Public Policy Corp. (NIAPPC)

2. I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a federally-registered lobbyist or a registered foreign agent (*signify "yes" by checking box*):
3. I represent that the trip sponsor(s) has not accepted from any other source funds earmarked directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip (*signify "yes" by checking box*):
4. Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)? Yes No
5. Provide names and titles of ALL House invitees; for each invitee, provide explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary): Please see attachment

6. Dates of travel: March 26th to April 7th, 2013

7. Cities of departure – destination – return: Chicago-Delhi-Chicago

8. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities taking place during the travel (*i.e.*, an hourly description of planned activities) (*signify "yes" by checking box*):
9. I represent that (*check one of the following*):
 - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: or
 - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a federally registered lobbyist or registered foreign agent: or
 - c. The trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.
10. If travel is for participation in a one-day event (*i.e.*, if you checked Question 9(c)), check one of the following:
 - a. One-night's lodging and meals are being offered: or
 - b. Two-nights' lodging and meals are being offered:
If "b" is checked, explain why the second night is warranted: _____

11. If the trip is not sponsored by an institution of higher education, I represent that a federally-registered lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (*signify "yes" by checking box*):
12. Private sponsors must have a direct and immediate relationship to the purpose of the trip or location being visited. Describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip: _____
 NIAPPC is the sole sponsor of the trip to establish mutual understanding, respect and common bond
 between members of US congress, US businessmen and Indians.
13. Describe each sponsor's organizational interest in the purpose of the trip: The purpose of this trip is for
American congressmen and business leaders to first hand experience the culture, traditions and values
of India and develop a deeper understanding and friendship between the two peoples.
14. Describe the type and class of the transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first-class transportation will be provided. In addition, for travel via aircraft, please indicate if travel is being offered on a commercial flight, chartered flight or on an aircraft operated or paid for by a carrier not licensed by the Federal Aviation Administration to operate for compensation or hire (*i.e.*, a private aircraft). If first-class fare is being provided, or if travel is via chartered or private aircraft, please provide an explanation describing why such travel is warranted: _____
 Air-travel, commercial, business class
15. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). (*signify "yes" by checking box*):
16. I represent that either (*check one of the following*):
- a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees: *or*
- b. The trip involves events that are arranged or organized *specifically with regard* to congressional participation:
 If "b" is checked, detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided): _____
 \$150 per day
17. Reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: The visiting delegation would have educational, political
and business meetings in Delhi, Ahamdabad, Bangalore, Amritsar and visit cultural sights.
18. Name of hotel or other lodging facility: Taj Hotels in all the towns mentioned in 17 above.
19. Cost per night of hotel or other lodging facility (approximate cost may be provided): _____
 \$500 in Delhi, \$400 in Bangalore, \$300 in Ahamdabad and Amritsar
20. Reason(s) for selecting hotel or other lodging facility: _____
 Location and availability of Business and conference facilities

21. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

<input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts <input type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates	Total <i>Transportation</i> Expenses per Participant	Total <i>Lodging</i> Expenses per Participant	Total <i>Meal</i> Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$10,000Air,\$1000 GND	\$3100	\$1050
For each accompanying family member	\$8,000Air,\$600 GND, Average	None	\$700 average

	<i>Other</i> Expenses (dollar amount)	Identify Specific Nature of " <i>Other</i> " Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$300	Entrance fees and Tour Guides
For each accompanying family member		

22. I represent that reimbursement for miscellaneous travel expenses for the trip, such as travel to and from airports, security costs, interpreter fees, visa application fees, and similar expenses, will be for actual costs incurred and are necessary for the purpose of the trip (*signify "yes" by checking box*):
23. I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Shalabh Kumar

Name and title: Shalabh Kumar, Chairman

Organization: National Indian American Public Policy Corp.

Address: 363 St. Paul Blvd., Carol Stream, IL 60188

Telephone number: 630-510-7171

Fax number: _____

Email Address: shalabh@avg.net

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If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee at the following address:

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March 25, 2013

The Honorable Cathy McMorris Rodgers
U.S. House of Representatives
203A Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your and your spouse's proposed trip to India scheduled for March 26 to 31, 2013, sponsored by the National Indian American Public Policy Corporation.

Current Committee rules require that you submit your complete pre-trip approval request to the Committee at least 14 days before the commencement of the trip. Despite your failure to do so in this instance, we are approving your current request. However, we would ask that any future requests adhere to the 14-day requirement. In addition, we note that the submission deadline will increase to 30 days before the departure date of the trip for all trips beginning on or after April 1, 2013. This deadline will be strictly enforced.

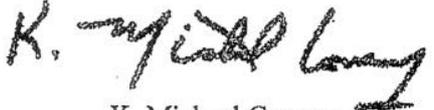
You must complete a Member Travel Disclosure Form and file it with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are required to attach a copy of this letter and the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form, including attachments. You must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$350 from a single source on Schedule VII of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement.

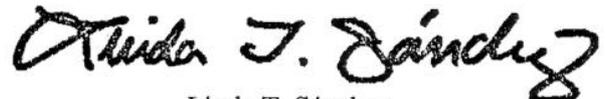
Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House Members may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act, gifts "of minimal value [currently \$350] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of \$350 received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

The Honorable Cathy McMorris Rodgers
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If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,


K. Michael Conaway
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Linda T. Sanchez
Ranking Member

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6. REP. MARLIN STUTZMAN (IN-03): MEMBER OF AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

DATE	PROGRAM	NOTES
Tue, March 26th	Chicago	Congressman Aaron Schock, Senior Staff: Mr. Mark Roman Legislative Director, Mr. Steven Shearer, Chief of Staff, Congressman Marlin Strutzman, Congresswoman Cathy M. Rodgers and Congresswoman Cynthia Loomis. Congressman Strutzman will join delegation on March 30th. Congresswoman Rodgers will leave back for US on the 30th of March
12:00 Noon		Meet at the counter of Air India/ Chicago O'hare Airport - Terminal 5
2:30 PM		Depart from Chicago to Delhi-Ahmadabad, Air India AI 126 AI 10
Wed, March 27th	Ahmedabad	
7:35 PM		Arrive at Ahmdabad Airport
8:30 PM		Check-in hotel
9:30 PM		Dinner at Hotel
Thur, March 28 th	Ahmedabad	
9:00 AM		Breakfast at the Hotel
10:30 AM		Meeting with Chief Minister of Gujarat, discuss trade relations with the state of Gujarat, India with a population of 60 million, with highest GDP growth for 10 years, also discuss mutual security concerns resulting from global terrorism, Gujarat shares a long border with Pakistan
12:30 PM		Lunch with Chamber of Commerce of Gujarat
4:00 PM		Visit Infrastructure projects highlighting rapid growth of Gujarat
6:00 PM		Hotel
7:00 PM		Meeting with local industrialists and government officials to view Gujarat's growth plans and learn of business opportunities of American businesses
8:00 PM		Dinner meeting with Hon. Narendra Modi, Chief Minister of Gujarat, at the Taj Hotel
Friday, March 29 th	Ahmedabad	

8:00 AM		Breakfast at hotel
9:30 AM		Visit the Gandhi Smarak Sangrhalaya, Museum to preserve the work of Mahatma Gandhi and develop a deeper understanding of "ahinsa", non-violence
1:00 PM		Lunch at Hotel
4:00 PM		Depart to Bangalore
7:30 PM		Arrive at Gold Finch hotel, Bangalore Airport
8:30 PM		Dinner meeting with Hon. Janardhana Swamy, member of Parliament of India and also a technologist to explore trade opportunities between US and India
Sat, March 30th	Bangalore	
8:00 AM		Breakfast at hotel
10:00 AM		Meeting with Chief Minister of Karnataka, discuss trade relations with the state of Karnataka, India, with Bangalore known as the Silicon Valley of India
1:00 PM		Attend Lunch with the Bangalore Chamber of Commerce
3:00 PM		Attend IT industry seminar to learn more about the global opportunities and challenges faced by IT industry in India, location at Taj Hotel
5:00 PM		Free Time
7:00 PM		Dinner
Sunday, March 31st	Bangalore	
8:00 AM		Breakfast at Hotel
11:00 AM		Arrive at Tripuri Temple, India's most acclaimed temple. Meet with local Member of Parliament
1:00 PM		Short Lunch
5:00 PM		Arrive at Mysore Palace to see the great artwork of India
8:00 PM		Back to hotel and dinner

Monday, April 1st	Bangalore	
8:00 AM		Breakfast at hotel
10:00 AM		Visit Rana-Reagan Palace and the Famous Dome of Freedom featuring the common struggle of independence from the British
12:00 Noon		Lunch with local businessmen and parliamentarians, discuss business opportunities from the point of view of the Silicon Valley of India, at RRP
4:00 PM		Fly to New Delhi
8:00 PM		Arrive in New Delhi Hotel Taj
8:45 PM		Dinner
Tuesday, April 2nd	New Delhi	
8:00 AM		Breakfast at Hotel
9:30 AM		Visit the Mahatma Gandhi Memorial in the capital, pay respect to the Father of the nation
11:00 AM		Visit the leadership of BJP, the principal Opposition party of India
1:00 PM		Lunch meeting with the Mayor of Delhi at Hotel
3:00 PM		Meet with the Ministry of Foreign affairs for a briefing on bilateral issues and relations between India and US as well as the whole region
4:00 PM		Visit Red Fort, and House of Parliament with a guided tour describing the Terrorist Attack on the Parliament Meet with Sushma Swaraj, Senior Leader of Parliament
7:00 PM		Attend Dinner meeting with Delhi Chamber of Commerce and media corps for a discussion on state of corruption in the country.
11:00 PM		Return to hotel
Wed, April 3rd	New Delhi	
8:00 AM		Breakfast at Hotel
9:00 AM		Attend a seminar on how to promote and deepen Indo-American bonds between the two peoples at Hotel
12:00 PM		Lunch with Delhi Study Group, the Intelligencia of India, at Hotel

3:00 PM		Visit Delhi temples including Hanuman statue to develop a deeper understanding between two peoples of India and US
6:00 PM		<i>Attend Bollywood and Cultural program, cocktails, dinner and show, meet with local parliamentarians of all political parties, diplomats of other countries, and local businessmen. Bollywood and Entertainment is a big industry in India.</i>
11:00 PM		Back to hotel
Thur and Friday, April 4th to 6th		Congressional delegation will pay for their own expenses
2:00:00 AM		Free days
Sunday, 7th of April		Fly back to Chicago, arriving Chicago at 6:30 AM on the morning of the 7th of April