

## Employee Post-Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

**Post-Travel Filing Instructions:** Complete this form within 30 days of returning from travel. Submit all forms to the Office of Public Records in 232 Hart Building.

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In compliance with Rule 35.2(a) and (c), I make the following disclosures with respect to travel expenses that have been or will be reimbursed/paid for me. I also certify that I have attached:

- ☒ The original *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* (Form RE-1), **AND**  
☒ A copy of the *Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form* with all attachments (itinerary, invitee list, etc.)

Private Sponsor(s) (list all): Ian Nicholson

Travel date(s): May 27 to June 3

Name of accompanying family member (if any): n/a

Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child

IF THE COST OF LODGING DID NOT INCREASE DUE TO THE ACCOMPANYING SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT CHILD, ONLY INCLUDE LODGING COSTS IN EMPLOYEE EXPENSES. (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

## Expenses for Employee:

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
<input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimate	\$2,580.51	985.07	395.65	None
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Actual Amount				

## Expenses for Accompanying Spouse or Dependent Child (if applicable):

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
<input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimate	None	None	None	None
<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amount				

Provide a description of all meetings and events attended. See Senate Rule 35.2(c)(6). (Attach additional pages if necessary.):

Attended various meetings with leading policy experts on US-Asia relations and high-level government, civil society and private sector leaders

6-23-17  
(Date)

Ian Nicholson

(Printed name of traveler)

Ian M. Nicholson  
(Signature of traveler)

## TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER:

I have made a determination that the expenses set out above in connections with travel described in the *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* form, are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in Rule 35.

6/23/17  
(Date)

Ron Upton  
(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)

Date/Time Stamp:

## EMPLOYEE PRE-TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

**Pre-Travel Filing Instructions:** Complete and submit this form at least 30 days prior to the travel departure date to the Select Committee on Ethics in SH-220. Incomplete and late travel submissions will not be considered or approved. This form must be typed and is available as a fillable PDF on the Committee's website at ethics.senate.gov. Retain a copy of your entire pre-travel submission for your required post-travel disclosure.

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Name of Traveler: Ian Nicholson

Employing Office/Committee: Senate Finance Committee

Private Sponsor(s) (list all): Japan Center for International Exchange

Travel date(s): May 27 - June 3, 2017

*Note: If you plan to extend the trip for any reason you must notify the Committee.*

Destination(s): Tokyo and Hiroshima, Japan

Explain how this trip is specifically connected to the traveler's official or representational duties:

The Senate Finance Committee has jurisdiction and oversight responsibilities on matters pertaining to international trade, global economic policy and additional issues impacting relations between the U.S. and the Asia Pacific. This trip will expand my skill set tackling these same issues <sup>as an</sup> Investigator on the Senate Finance Committee on behalf of Ranking Member Wyden.

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Name of accompanying family member (if any): N/A

Relationship to Employee: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child

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

4-27-17  
(Date)

Ian M. Nicholson  
(Signature of Employee)

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING SENATOR/OFFICER (President of the Senate, Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms, Secretary for the Majority, Secretary for the Minority, and Chaplain):

I, Senator Ron Wyden hereby authorize Ian Nicholson  
(Print Senator's/Officer's Name) (Print Traveler's Name)

an employee under my direct supervision, to accept payment or reimbursement for necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses for travel to the event described above. I have determined that this travel is in connection with his or her duties as a Senate employee or an officeholder, and will not create the appearance that he or she is using public office for private gain.

I have also determined that the attendance of the employee's spouse or child is appropriate to assist in the representation of the Senate. (signify "yes" by checking box) ☐

4/27/17  
(Date)

Ron Wyden  
(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)

Japan Center for International Exchange (JCIE)

## US Congressional Staff Exchange Program

26th Delegation to Japan

May 27–June 3, 2017

### SCHEDULE

#### Saturday, May 27

12:20 Depart Washington Dulles International Airport [ANA 1]

#### Sunday, May 28

15:25 Arrive at Narita Airport, clear customs

16:15-17:45 Travel by minibus to Tokyo; check-in at Hotel New Otani

19:00- 20:30 **Orientation dinner** [Aux Bacchanales]

Hideko Katsumata, Executive Director & COO, Japan Center for International Exchange

Hifumi Tajima, Chief Program Officer, Japan Center for International Exchange

Dai Funaki, Program Officer, Japan Center for International Exchange

James Gannon, Executive Director, JCIE/USA

*Briefing on the program agenda, key trends in Japanese politics and US-Japan relations that are likely to be raised during the program, and expectations for participants*

#### Monday, May 29

8:30-8:55 Travel via taxi from hotel to JCIE office

9:00-9:30 **Overview of JCIE** [JCIE office]

Akio Okawara, President, Japan Center for International Exchange

*Welcome and brief background of JCIE and its programs in the context of US-Japan relations*

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- 9:30–10:30      **“Trends in Japanese Politics”**      [JCIE]  
                  Toshiaki Miura, Editorial Writer, Asahi Shimbun  
*Roundtable briefing on the Japanese political system, important trends in Japanese politics, and headline issues in contemporary Japanese politics by one of the country’s top political analysts*
- 10:30-10:45      Break
- 10:45–12:00      **“Japan’s Foreign Policy Approaches to the US and Asia”**      [JCIE]  
                  Hitoshi Tanaka, Senior Fellow, JCIE; Chairman, Institute for International Strategy (IIS), Japan Research Institute, Ltd; Former Deputy Foreign Minister of Japan  
*Roundtable discussion with one of Japan’s leading foreign policy strategists on Japan’s foreign policy priorities as well as on his personal experiences secretly negotiating a potential Japanese rapprochement with Pyongyang and what is needed now in dealing with North Korea*
- 12:00–13:30      **“Dealing with North Korea: Japan’s Security Policy”**      [JCIE]  
                  Lt. Gen. (ret.) Koichiro Bansho, Former Commanding General, Western Army, Japan Ground Self-Defense Force  
*Lunch roundtable on Japanese security policy and capabilities relevant for a contingency on the Korean Peninsula as well as other key issues in US-Japan defense relations*
- 13:30-14:00      Travel by minibus to Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI)
- 14:00-15:00      **“Trade and US-Japan Economic Relations”**      [METI]  
                  Tetsuya Watanabe, Director-General, Multilateral Trade System Department, Trade Policy Bureau, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI)  
*Roundtable briefing Japan’s regional trade strategy and trade issues in US-Japan relations*
- 15:00-15:20      Travel by minibus to Diet Members Office Building
- 15:20-16:30      **“US-Japan Trade and Economics: The View from the Diet”**  
                  [House of Councillors Members’ Office Building]  
                  Hon. Yoshimasa Hayashi, Member of House of Councillors (LDP); former Minister of Agriculture; former Minister of Defense



*Discussion with a leading Diet member from the ruling LDP (and a former Congressional staffer) who is an expert on trade about Japanese perspectives on US-Japan trade relations as well as regional trading arrangements such as the TPP and the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP)*

16:30-17:00 Travel by minibus to Roppongi Hills

17:00-18:00 **"US-Japan Monetary and Financial Policy"** [Goldman Sachs Japan]  
Shigemitsu Sugisaki, Vice Chairman, Goldman Sachs Japan Co., Ltd,  
Tokyo; former Deputy Managing Director of the International  
Monetary Fund (IMF)

Yoichiro Sato, Government Affairs, Goldman Sachs Japan

*Roundtable briefing on the prospects for Abenomics and key issues in US-Japan economic relations.*

18:15 Return to the hotel by minibus

19:15 Meet in the Garden Tower lobby

19:30-21:00 Informal Group Dinner (Shibuya)

## **Tuesday, May 30**

7:50

Meet in Room Lapis, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Main Building, Hotel New Otani

8:00-9:15

**Breakfast Roundtable with Leaders in the Japanese Diet**  
[Room Lapis, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, The Main, Hotel New Otani]

Hon. Yukihiisa Fujita, Member, House of Councilors (Democratic Party - DP)

Hon. Kenichi Hosoda, Parliamentary Vice-Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries; Member, House of Representatives (Liberal Democratic Party-LDP)

Hon. Hideki Makihara, Member, House of Representatives (LDP)

Hon. Hiroe Makiyama, Member, House of Councilors (DP)

Hon. Keitaro Ohno, Member, House of Representatives (LDP)

Hon. Mitsunari Okamoto, Member, House of Representatives (Komeito)

Hon. Masahiko Shibayama, Special Advisor to the Prime Minister; Member, House of Representatives (LDP)

Hon. Keisuke Suzuki, Member, House of Representatives (LDP)

Hon. Yuichiro Tamaki, Member, House of Representatives (DP)

Hon. Kiyohiko Toyama, Member House of Representatives (Komeito)

*Panel discussion with Diet members on how Japanese legislators view US-Japan relations and what they feel the key priorities need to be*

9:15-10:00 Break

10:00-10:30 Travel by minibus to Diet Office Building

10:30-11:30 **“Empowering Women in Japanese Politics and Society”**  
[House of Representatives 1st Office Building]

Hon. Seiko Noda, Member of the House of Representatives (LDP);  
former Minister of Post and Telecommunications

Hon. Noriko Miyagawa, Member of the House of Representatives (LDP)

Hon. Michiyo Takagi, Member of the House of Representatives  
(Komeito)

*Discussion with senior and up-and-coming women legislators in the Japanese Diet about the challenges that women face in Japanese politics, how things have changed, and how the Japanese government is utilizing “womenomics” to make it easier for women to participate in Japan’s workforce*

11:30-12:00 Travel by minibus to Diet Office Building

12:00-13:30 **Luncheon Briefing by Ministry of Foreign Affairs –“Japanese Views of US-Japan Economic and Security Ties”**

[Japanese Restaurant Kissho, Kioicho]

Keiichi Ono, Deputy Director-General, North American Affairs Bureau

Yukako Ito, Deputy Director, First North America Division, North  
American Affairs Bureau

Yuki Kadono, First North American Division, North American Affairs  
Bureau, North American Affairs Bureau

Daisuke Roberto Kido, Principal Deputy Director, Second North  
America Division, North American Affairs Bureau

Yukiko Matsuda, Principal Deputy Director, North America Division,  
North American Affairs Bureau

*Luncheon discussion with top official from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs North American Bureau on Japanese perspectives on US-Japan trade, security relations, and other potential areas of bilateral cooperation*

13:30-14:15 Break

14:10-14:30 Travel by minibus to Diet Office Building

14:30-15:10      **“Opportunities and Challenges for the US-Japan Alliance”**  
[House of Representatives 2nd Office Building]  
Hon. Itsunori Onodera, Member, House of Representatives (LDP);  
former Minister of Defense

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Hon. Itsunori Onodera, Member, House of Representatives (LDP);  
former Minister of Defense

*Discussion with a senior Diet member from the ruling LDP who is a foreign policy specialist on US-Japan defense policy, security challenges to the US-Japan alliance from the DPRK and China, and what is needed to further strengthen US-Japan security cooperation*

15:40-16:10      Travel by minibus to JCIE office

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16:30-18:00 **Roundtable on US-Asia Relations with Up-and-Coming Foreign Policy Specialists** [JCIE]

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Ken Jimbo, Associate Professor, Keio University  
Yasuyo Sakata, Professor, Kanda University of International Studies  
Jun Osawa, Senior Research Fellow, Institute for International Policy  
Studies; Senior Fellow, National Security Secretariat of Japan  
Tomohiko Satake, Senior Research Fellow, National Institute for Defense  
Studies

*Panel discussion on regional relations in East Asia with mid-career experts on US-Japan relations, Korea-Japan relations, Australia-Japan relations, and cybersecurity*

18:00-18:30      Travel by minibus to Tameike

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18:30-20:30 **“Japan’s Demographics, Immigration Policy, and Refugee Policy”**  
[Chinese Restaurant Iwaen Tameike]

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Eri Ishikawa, Chair of the Board, Japan Association for Refugees  
Toshihiro Menju, Chief Program Officer, JCIE

*Dinner discussion of Japan's responses to aging and a declining population, as well as Japan's evolving immigration policy*

**Wednesday, May 31**

9:40-10:15

Travel via minibus from hotel to US Embassy; go through security

10:15-11:15

**US Embassy Briefing on US-Japan Relations** [US Embassy]  
Jason Hyland, Acting Charge d'Affaires and Deputy Chief of Mission  
Dave Averne, Commercial Attache  
Jessica Berlow, Second Secretary, Political-Military Affairs Unit

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Daniel Rochman, Counselor, Economic and Science Affairs  
Drew Shufletowski, Deputy Director, Political Affairs  
Jonas Stewart, Press Attache

*Briefing on issues in US-Japan relations and US perspectives on US-Japan basing, security challenges such as the DPRK, trade, and other issues in US-Japan relations*

11:15-11:30

Travel via minibus from US Embassy to Keidanren Building

11:30-13:00

**“Japanese Business Perspectives on US-Japan Economic Relations”**

[Room 403, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Keidanren Building]

Kei Kota, Manager, Government & External Relations Department,  
Tokio Marine & Nichido Fire Insurance Company

Chika Mashiko, Assistant Manager, International Affairs Bureau,  
Keidanren (Japan Business Federation)

Naoto Muraoka, General Manager, Honda Motor CO., Ltd.

Katsunori Nemoto, Managing Director, Keidanren

Mizuki Takura, Vice President, Group Strategy and Executive Office,  
Nomura Holdings Inc.

Teruko Wada, Senior Manager, International Affairs Bureau, Keidanren

Atsushi Yamakoshi, Executive Director, Keidanren US Office

Ryota Yoshimura, Manager, EMEA & CIS and Americas Team, Deputy  
General Coordination Dept, Sumitomo Corporation

*Roundtable discussion with business executives from top Japanese companies on US-Japan trade relations, market access and non-tariff barriers, and investment in the United States*

13:00-13:15

Walk to next meeting

13:15-13:50

Break

13:50-15:00

**“China-Japan Relations in a Changing Asia”** [JA Conference Room 303]

Akio Takahara, Professor of Contemporary Chinese Politics, Graduate  
School of Law and Politics, University of Tokyo

*Roundtable discussion with Japan's top China expert on Sino-Japanese relations, China's views of the United States, and China's calculations vis-à-vis North Korea.*

15:20-16:00

**Pre-seminar consultation**

[JA Conference Room 303]

Gerald Curtis, Burgess Professor Emeritus, Columbia University; Senior  
Fellow, JCIE



16:00-17:30      **Public Seminar on US Politics and US-Japan Relations**  
[JA Conference Room 401]  
Moderator: Gerald Curtis, Burgess Professor Emeritus, Columbia  
University; Senior Fellow, JCIE

*Panel discussion with Congressional staffers as speakers on trends in US politics, the likely key issues on the Congressional agenda for the coming year, and how the US Congress views US-Asia relations, moderated by one of the top American experts on US-Japan relations. There will be 110 attendees, primarily foreign policy experts, government officials, Diet staff, business executives, and others.*

17:30-18:00      **Free Discussion with Seminar Attendees**

18:00-18:20      Taxi back to hotel

19:30              Informal dinner in Shinjuku area

**Thursday, June 1**

6:50-7:30          Minibus from Hotel New Otani to Haneda Airport

8:15-9:40          Flight from Haneda to Hiroshima Airport by ANA673

9:40-11:00        Travel by bus to Mitsui Garden Hotel Hiroshima

11:00-11:15       Check luggage at Mitsui Garden Hotel Hiroshima

11:15-11:40       Travel by bus from Mitsui Garden Hotel Hiroshima to Hiroshima City Hall

11:40-12:10       **Meeting with Hiroshima Mayor Kazumi Matsui** [Hiroshima City Hall]

Hon. Kazumi Matsui, Mayor of Hiroshima  
Hiroshi Tsumura, Director, International Peace Promotion Department,  
City of Hiroshima  
Yasco Suehiro, Director, Hiroshima Secretariat, Mayors for Peace

*Discussion with the Hiroshima Mayor on US-Japan relations and key issues at the local level to give a sense of how Japanese in Japan's 'heartland' view the United States and foreign relations*

12:10-12:30       Travel by bus to Mitsui Garden Hotel Hiroshima

12:30-14:15       **Nonproliferation Issues in East Asia Security**  
[Italian Restaurant Viale, 15 Floor, Sunroute Hiroshima Hotel]

Yasuhito Fukui, Associate Professor, Hiroshima Peace Institute,  
Hiroshima City University; former Deputy Director General,  
International Peace Cooperation Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
of Japan

*Lunch discussion on the role of nonproliferation and arms control in  
Japanese foreign policy and Japan's relations with neighboring countries*

14:15-14:30 Walk to Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum

14:30-15:30 **Lecture and Guided Tour of Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum**

Shuichi Kato, Deputy Director, Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum  
Yasuko Furuta, Chief, International Affairs Division, City of Hiroshima

*Guided tour of the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum to see artifacts from  
the bombing, to get explanations of the recovery process and the legacy of  
the bombing, and to have a briefing on WMD nonproliferation efforts that  
have been inspired by this experience*

15:30-16:00 **Wreath Laying & Guided Tour of the Atomic Bomb Dome**

Shuichi Kato, Deputy Director, Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum

*We will lay a wreath at the cenotaph that memorializes the victims of the  
atomic bombing (including foreign residents and 12 US POWs). This is the  
site of President Obama's May 2016 speech on nuclear disarmament and  
reconciliation. Then, while explaining how the Hiroshima bombing has  
shaped Japanese thinking about history and US-Japan relations, the  
museum's deputy director will lead the participants through the memorial  
park to visit the A-bomb Dome that was at the epicenter of the blast.*

16:00-17:30 **Discussion with Hibakusha/Atomic Bomb Survivor**

Keiko Ogura, Representative, Hiroshima Interpreters for Peace

*Keiko Ogura, a peace activist who was 8 years old at the time of the  
bombing, will share her recollections of the bombing and how it has  
impacted her life, her family, and Japanese views of US-Japan relations.*

17:30-17:50 Walk back to hotel and check-in

19:00 Informal dinner

## Friday, June 2

8:15-8:30 Walk to Motoyasubashi Pier

8:45-9:30 Travel from Motoyasubashi Pier by high speed ferry for Miyajima Island

9:30-10:00 Walk to Itsukushima Shrine entrance

10:00-11:30 **Briefing from head priest of Itsukushima Shrine/World Heritage/Site on cultural preservation in an era of internationalization**

Michinori Fukuda, Priest, Itsukushima Shrine

*The 6<sup>th</sup> Century Shinto Shrine at Itsukushima is considered one of Japan's most sacred sites, and its stewards have had to try to cope with damage from natural disasters and, increasingly now, from climate change and a flood of overseas tourism. The head of the shrine will discuss how the community has balanced concerns about the security and sustainability of the fragile site, which is threatened by rising water levels and increasingly frequent disasters, with the imperatives of local economic revitalization and the impact of globalization.*

12:00-13:00 **Discussion on Globalization and the Local Economy with village leaders from Miyajima Chamber of Commerce**

*In our only visit to a rural area, we will have luncheon discussion with local leaders on how the economic dislocations and the influx of foreign visitors that has accompanied globalization has changed a traditional and tight-knit community, how the local economy has adapted, and the measures are being taken to ensure that local residents can have a secure economic future.*

13:10 -13:20 Travel from Miyajima Island to Hiroshima (Miyajimaguchi) by ferry

13:30-14:45 Travel by bus to Hiroshima Airport

15:35-17:00 Flight from Hiroshima to Haneda Airport on JL 260

17:00-18:00 Taxi from Haneda Airport to Hotel New Otani & check-in

19:00-21:30 **Wrap-up dinner and debriefing**

Akio Okawara, President, JCIE  
Hideko Katsumata, Executive Director & COO, JCIE  
Hifumi Tajima, Chief Program Officer, JCIE  
Dai Funaki, Program Officer, JCIE

*At a wrap-up dinner, we will reflect on the main opportunities and challenges for US-Japan relations that were raised during the program as*

*well as next steps for remaining informed about and engaged in US-Japan relations.*

**Saturday, June 3**

6:55	Check out of Hotel New Otani
7:05-8:50	Travel via airport limousine bus to Narita Airport
11:00	Depart Narita Airport at IAD [ANA 2]—arrive 10:40 am on Saturday

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**26th Delegation to Japan**  
May 27- June 3, 2017

**Participants**

Kimberly Lynn Brandt, Chief Oversight Council, Senate Finance Committee (Sen Orrin Hatch, R-UT)

Monica McGuire, Tax Policy Advisor, Senator Johnny Isakson (R-GA)

Ian Nicholson, Investigator, Senate Finance Committee (Sen Ron Wyden, D-OR)

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Josie Villanueva, Legislative Assistant, Senator Tammy Duckworth (D-IL)

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