

# COVER SHEET FOR AMENDMENT OF POST-TRAVEL SUBMISSION

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Name of Traveler: T. Michael Andrews

Employing Office/Committee: Committee on Indian Affairs

Travel Expenses Paid by (List all sources): The Atlantic Council of the U.S

Travel Date(s): May 25, 2019 - June 1, 2019

Description/Title of Attached Forms: \_\_\_\_\_

- 1) Form RE-1 Employee Pre-Travel Authorization
- 2) Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form

Purpose of Amendment (describe the reason for amending original submission): \_\_\_\_\_

I did not include all the forms included on the private  
sponsor travel certification form

9/3/19

(Date)

T. Michael Andrews

(Signature of Traveler)

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The trip to the Balkins will educate me on trade and economic development opportunities for Native American Communities. Currently, Serbia and Kosovo import about \$20 million dollars worth of Native art and crafts. Therefore, I will be examining any barriers to increase art and craft trade opportunities as well as tourism. In addition, as an advisor to Senator John Hoeven, I will be examining and exploring agriculture trade opportunities for the agriculture producing Native American Tribes in the United States.

*(Signature of Employee)*

  
(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)







**14. Briefly describe each sponsor's prior history of sponsoring congressional trips:**

The Atlantic Council, through its various centers and programs, has organized several trips of Members and congressional staff in previous years. The Atlantic Council's Future Europe Initiative organized trips to its Wroclaw Global Forum in Poland with varying Senate and House participation in 2014 and 2016. The Atlantic Council's Eurasia Center organized a staff delegation trip to Ukraine in August/ September 2018. The Atlantic Council's Global Energy Center organized a staff trip to Abu Dhabi in October 2018 and a similar trip in April 2019.

**15. Briefly describe the educational activities performed by each sponsor (other than sponsoring congressional trips):**

The Atlantic Council is a non-profit think tank which convenes more than 600 events a year across its 12 centers and programs in a variety of formats, including public panel discussions, private roundtables, strategy sessions, government and congressional briefings, wargames and policy simulations, and next generation fellowships. In line with our status and mission, all of these programming elements are intended to educate a broad audience of policymakers, stakeholders, and the general public, raise awareness of key issues impacting US foreign policy and national security, the Atlantic Alliance, and the global politics and policy, and promote deeper understanding of and dialogue on the challenges and opportunities facing the United States and its allies.

**16. Total Expenses for Each Participant**

Type	Breakdown
Transportation Expenses	Total: \$2800 \$2,100 - Transatlantic Flight \$192 - Regional Flight Tirana to Belgrade \$246 - Regional Flight Belgrade to Tivat \$ 40 - Pristina to Tirana bus \$ 25- Ground transportation in Pristina \$ 25- Ground transportation in Tirana \$ 50- Ground transportation in Belgrade \$120 - Airport transfers to and from IAD
Lodging Expenses	Total: \$794





that impact its regional and international relations. The current government is officially committed to a reform agenda, including a solution to the dispute with Kosovo, but also faces significant opposition at home. Given Belgrade's regional importance, the meetings with Serbian officials and societal actors will not only provide an important counterpart to the earlier dialogue in Pristina, but also offer new insights for the visiting staffers into US-Serbia relations, the country's progress as an EU candidate, and the role of other foreign actors.

Budva, in Montenegro, is the location of the To Be Secure (2BS) Forum, which will take place from May 30 through June 1, 2019. The 9th 2BS Forum is a high-level international conference and a flagship event of the Atlantic Council of Montenegro, which each year brings together political leaders, senior government officials, think tank experts, and other thought leaders from across the Western Balkans, Europe, and the United States. As such, the Forum offers many opportunities for bilateral meetings with senior government officials, especially with leaders from those Balkan countries which the group will not visit. Meetings with Montenegro's political leadership but also government representatives from North Macedonia are being requested for the delegation. This year, the conference will focus on the so-called "return of geopolitics" to the region as a result of growing influence of Russia, China, and Turkey; the 70th Anniversary of NATO; and the need for US and European engagement and political investment in a new framework for the Western Balkans. Through its diverse sessions and discussions, the programming at the conference will therefore further advance the educational objectives of the visit to raise awareness and build deeper expertise among the congressional staff participants about regional challenges and opportunities as well as the need for US involvement and transatlantic cooperation in the region.

**19. Name and location of hotel or other lodging facility:**

**Hotel Nartel, Kalabria Bll B2 Llam B, Pristina, Kosovo**

**The Plaza, Rruga 28 Nentori, 1001 Tirana, Albania**

**Metropol Palace, Bulevar kralja Aleksandra 69, 11000 Belgrade, Serbia**

**Hotel Splendid, Becici bb, 85310 Budva, Montenegro**

**20. Reason(s) for selecting hotel or other lodging facility:**

**The Hotel Nartel has been selected for Pristina because of its central location in Kosovo's capital and as one of the few hotels in the city which offers international standards and amenities.**

**The Plaza has been selected for Tirana because of its central location, allowing easy access to government ministries for meetings. It is one of the few hotels with international standards in Tirana.**

**The Metropol Palace has been selected for its central location in Belgrade, which allows easy access to meetings at government ministries and cuts down on local transportation needs.**

