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**COVER SHEET FOR AMENDMENT OF
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Name of Traveler: Stephanie Mertz

Employing Office/Committee: Senator Cynthia Lummis

Travel Expenses Paid by (List all sources): Partnership for a Secure America

Travel Date(s): May 14th - May 15th

Description/Title of Attached Forms: Program Agenda

Purpose of Amendment (describe the reason for amending original submission): The original submission had unconfirmed speakers and the amended version has the final schedule of events and speakers

10/21/2022

(Date)

Stephanie Mertz
(Signature of Traveler)



Congressional Partnership Program

Itinerary

Saturday, May 14 th	
1:30 PM	Departure from Union Station, Washington D.C.
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Arrive at Airlie Conference Center & Check-in
4:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Opening Remarks & Event Review (<i>East Room</i>) Attendees will review their substantive materials for the retreat. Andy Semmel, Chairman of Partnership for a Secure America (PSA), will outline retreat agenda, provide logistical information for the day (i.e. location of restrooms, where to store any bags, etc.).
4:30 PM – 5:30 PM	Trade Simulation (<i>East Room</i>) Participants will take part in a mock trade simulation that will take place over the two days. The exercise is based on fictional countries negotiating a trade agreement. Participants will do part one of negotiation during this session and part two will take place the following day.
5:30 PM – 6:15 PM	Pre-Dinner Reception (<i>Federal Room</i>) Attendees will break for a reception in the Federal Room. Participants will have an opportunity to informally engage their colleagues, PSA staff, and speakers. Participants will converse with colleagues, PSA staff, and speakers on matters relevant to their duties and the scheduled event discussions.
6:15 PM – 8:30 PM	Keynote Dinner (<i>Federal Room</i>) Featuring: Bruce Jones, Director - Project on International Order and Strategy, The Brookings Institution (confirmed); Richard Weitz, Director of Political-Military Analysis, The Hudson Institute (confirmed) Speakers will discuss current U.S. foreign policy interests: how should the U.S. understand the current foreign affair environment and define its goals for the future. For approximately half the time, staff will have the opportunity to directly ask speakers question relevant to their duties.
8:30 PM – 9:00 PM	After-Dinner Reception Participants will have an opportunity to informally engage their colleagues, PSA staff, and speakers. Participants will converse with colleagues, PSA staff, and speakers on matters relevant to their duties and the scheduled event discussions.

Sunday, May 15th		
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Breakfast (<i>Airlie Dinning Room</i>) Participants will gather for breakfast.	
	Participants will be split up into groups	
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Group A -Trade Simulation (<i>Jefferson Room</i>) Participants will do part two of a mock trade simulation that will take place over the two days. The exercise is based on fictional countries negotiating a trade agreement.	Group B – Global Food Security (<i>East Room</i>) Featuring: Abiola Afolayan, Strategic Partnership & Communications Officer, United Nations (<i>confirmed</i>) Speakers will discuss the state of global food security. For approximately half the time, staff will have the opportunity to directly ask speakers question relevant to their duties.
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Group A -Trade Simulation (<i>Jefferson Room</i>) Participants will do part two of a mock trade simulation that will take place over the two days. The exercise is based on fictional countries negotiating a trade agreement.	Group B – Implications for Eastern Europe from the Russia Invasion into Ukraine (<i>East Room</i>) Featuring: Vasili Rukhadze, Visiting Lecturer of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh (<i>confirmed</i>) Speaker will discuss the implications of the Russian invasion into Ukraine from Eastern Europe’s perspective. For approximately half the time, staff will have the opportunity to directly ask speakers question relevant to their duties.



12:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Lunch (<i>Airlie Dining Room</i>) Attendees will break for lunch in the Airlie Dining Room. Participants will have an opportunity to informally engage their colleagues, PSA staff, and speakers on matters relevant to their duties and the scheduled event discussions.	
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM	Group A - Global Food Security (<i>East Room</i>) Featuring: Abiola Afolayan, Strategic Partnership & Communications Officer, United Nations (<i>confirmed</i>) Speakers will discuss the state of global food security. For approximately half the time, staff will have the opportunity to directly ask speakers question relevant to their duties.	Group B – Trade Simulation (<i>Jefferson Room</i>) Participants will do part two of a mock trade simulation that will take place over the two days. The exercise is based on fictional countries negotiating a trade agreement.
3:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Group A - Implications for Eastern Europe from the Russia Invasion into Ukraine (<i>East Room</i>) Featuring: Vasili Rukhadze, Visiting Lecturer of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh (<i>confirmed</i>) Speaker will discuss the implications of the Russian invasion into Ukraine from Eastern Europe’s perspective. For approximately half the time, staff will have the opportunity to directly ask speakers question relevant to their duties.	Group B – Trade Simulation (<i>Jefferson Room</i>) Participants will do part two of a mock trade simulation that will take place over the two days. The exercise is based on fictional countries negotiating a trade agreement.
5:00-5:30 PM	Retreat Debrief & Event Ends Participants will briefly meet with PSA to review the retreat’s events before departure.	
5:30 PM	Departure Departure from Airlie. Buses will return back to Union Station, Washington DC, for drop off.	

