RE-2 Employee Post Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

Date/Time Stamp

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. **This form is a public disclosure. The form and all attachments will be made publicly available.**

Certification: *In compliance with the Regulations Governing Privately Sponsored Travel, Senate Rule 35, and the Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007, I certify that I accepted the following gift of privately sponsored travel:*

Private Sponsor(s):

Former Members of Congress (FMC)

Travel Dates:

October 2 - 4, 2024

Name of accompanying family member (if any):

N/A

Relationship to Traveler:

N/A

Total Expenses

Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meals Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
$183.42	$272	$186.44	$194.06 (parking fee, meeting room rental, meeting materials, hotel fees)

I also certify that attached to this form are all required documents for post travel disclosure, including:

- **The final Employee Pre-Travel Authorization** (Form RE-1)
- The final **Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form** with all attachments
- The final invitation
- The final approved itinerary

Finally, I certify that all trip information reflected in the attachments above accurately reflects the travel that I accepted. If there were any changes to the trip after I received approval from the Committee, the changes are described in ATTACHMENT 1.

Walter Lohman

Date 10/23/23 Printed Name of Traveler

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.

10/23/23

Date

Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer

ATTACHMENT 1 – CHANGES FROM APPROVED PRE-TRAVEL

Note: Material changes to a trip that occur after the Committee has issued an approval letter may invalidate the Committee's approval. Please contact the Committee with any questions regarding changes to an approved trip.

Were there any changes to the pre-approved travel expenses? (Transportation, Meals, Lodging, Other)?

(●) Yes ( ) No

Expense Change	Revised Amount	Explanation
Transportation	$183.42 ($83.42 higher)	Mr. Lohman elected to drive himself and was reimbursed on mileage at the standard rate of 67 cents per mile.
Lodging	$272 ($6 higher)	Nightly rate was raised to the new Charlottesville per diem of $136 from $133, effective October 2024.
Meals expenses	$186.44 ($33.56 lower)	Negotiated lower-priced choices for some meals.
Misc Expenses	$194.06 ($119.06 higher)	Additional hotel fees and parking charges as a result of change of travel plans.

Were there any changes to the pre-approved itinerary?

(●) Yes ( ) No

Explanation:

Some panels were lengthened ~10-15 minutes to continue answering audience questions.

Were there any additional changes to the pre-approved trip?

( ) Yes (●) No

Explanation:

Trip Name: Congressional Study Group on Japan Congressional Senior St

Organization Information

Organization Name:
FMC

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?
(●) Yes ( ) No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:
[ ] Private Foundation [✓] Public Charity

Address:
1401 K St NW

City, State, Zip:
Washington, DC, 20005

Phone Number:
202 222 0972

Organization URL:
usafmc.org

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

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Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

Lobbyist Registration Status (Select one):

(●) I certify that the sponsor is not a federally registered lobbyist and does not retain or employ a federally registered lobbyist.

( ) I certify that the sponsor is not a federally registered lobbyist but does retain or employ one or more federally registered lobbyists.

Foreign Agent Registration Status (Select one):

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Foreign Government Involvement

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Is your organization the only sponsor for this trip?

○ Yes ◉ No

If No, describe your organization's role in planning the trip.

FMC is solely responsible for inviting attendees, arranging for expert panelists, coordinating travel and accommodation, and all other conceptual and logistical aspects of the program.

Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA provides funding for the trip subject to and as defined by a grant agreement in effect from April 1, 2024, through March 31, 2025.

If there are multiple sponsors, each sponsor must submit Organization Information (Page 1 of the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form) and a Signature Page Form.

Grantmaking Organizations (Optional)

If you have a Grantmaking Organization, you must attach a Grantmaking Organization Certification Form.

1. Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA

2.

3.

With or Without Regard to Congressional Participation (Select one):

- ○ The trip is arranged or organized without regard to congressional participation.
- ◉ The trip is arranged or organized with regard to congressional participation.

Lobbyist/Foreign Agent Involvement in Planning, Organizing, Requesting or Arranging

- ☑ The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal, other than de minimis involvement.

Lobbyist/Foreign Agent Financing (Must select all):

- ☑ The trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.
- ☑ No funds or in-kind contributions were earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.

Lobbyist/Foreign Agent Accompaniment

Complete if all sponsors are §501(c)(3) organizations (Select one):

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Complete if any of the sponsors is not a §501(c)(3) organizations (Select one):

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Required if selecting the third option in either column - Please explain why the second overnight stay is practically required and necessary to accomplish the purpose of the trip.

Certification of No Recreational Activity and No Alcohol (Must select all):

- ☑ Travel expenses paid for will not include expenditures for recreational activities.
- ☑ Travel expenses paid for will not include expenditures for alcohol, except as permitted by the Regulations Governing Privately Sponsored Travel.

Invitees list

- ☑ A list of all Senate invitees is attached to this form (required).
- ☑ Members and staff from the House of Representatives will also receive invitations.

Travel Details (Submit additional pages as needed)

Trip Start Date/Time:	⇄	Trip End Date/Time:
Evening of Oct 2, 2024		Afternoon of Oct 4, 2024

Will the traveler be accompanied by a family member for whom the sponsor will pay travel expenses?

○ Yes ◉ No

Transportation (Member/Officer/Employee: $100 Accompanying Family Member: $_____)

Transportation Type	Class	Amount
Charter bus		$100 per person

Details (optional)

Lodging (Member/Officer/Employee: $266 Accompanying Family Member: $N/A)

Check-In	Check-Out	Facility	City	State	Country
10/2/24	10/4/24	Kimpton The Forum C	Charlottesville	VA	USA

Nights	Cost/Night	Cost Exceed Per Diem (Yes/No)	If Yes, please explain why expenses over the per diem rate are reasonable and necessary.
2	$133	No	

Check-In	Check-Out	Facility	City	State	Country

Nights	Cost/Night	Cost Exceed Per Diem (Yes/No)	If Yes, please explain why expenses over the per diem rate are reasonable and necessary.

Check-In	Check-Out	Facility	City	State	Country

Nights	Cost/Night	Cost Exceed Per Diem (Yes/No)	If Yes, please explain why expenses over the per diem rate are reasonable and necessary.

Meals (Member/Officer/Employee: $ $155 Accompanying Family Member: $ N/A)

Date	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Incidentals	Total	City	State	Country	Cost Exceeds Per Diem (Y/N)
10/2/24			$30		$30	Charlottesville	VA	USA	N
10/3/24	$15	$25	$40		$80	Charlottesville	VA	USA	N
10/4/24	$15	$30			$45	Charlottesville	VA	USA	N

If costs exceed the federal per diem, please explain why expenses over the per diem rate are reasonable and necessary.

Reasonable Miscellaneous Expenses

(Member/Officer/Employee: $ 0 Accompanying Family Member: $ N/A)

Expense Type	Amount	Notes

Additional Details (optional)

PRIVATELY SPONSORED TRAVEL

SPONSOR SIGNATURE PAGE

I hereby certify that the information submitted in connection with the trip listed below is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Trip Name: Congressional Study Group on Japan Congressional Senior Staff Asia Retreat

Travel Date(s): October 2 - October 4, 2024

Travel Destination(s): Charlottesville, Virginia

Sponsor: FMC

Sabine Schleidt — Chief Operating Officer

(printed name of sponsor representative) — *(title)*

Sabine Schleidt — 8/26/2024

(signature of sponsor representative) — *(date)*

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July 10, 2024

Dear Walter,

It is our pleasure to invite you to be a featured discussant at FMC & The Congressional Study Group on Japan's upcoming colloquium on Asia for senior staff of U.S. House of Representatives, taking place Wednesday, October 2nd to Friday, October 4th in Charlottesville, Virginia.

For over 30 years, the Congressional Study Groups have conducted high-level, discussion-driven study tours for Members of Congress and senior Congressional staff, along with year-round programs on Capitol Hill. Bipartisan and non-advocacy, our model promotes active, substantive discussion among all principals instead of speeches or formal presentations that hinder the development of lasting working relationships.

This year, we are excited to resume our annual colloquium centering on relationships in the Indo-Pacific for a bipartisan group of senior Congressional staff. The program will provide two full days of focused panel discussions, combined with opportunities for interaction on a more personal level away from the buzz of Washington, DC. More than 50 senior Congressional staff and experts have participated in past colloquia, and panelists have represented diverse sectors, including think-tanks, Administration, business, the diplomatic community, and media.

Topics that will be discussed include:

- Asian domestic politics and challenges (Japan, Korean Peninsula, China, ASEAN)
- Regional security (multilateral and bilateral defense cooperation, North Korea, Taiwan)
- Economic Issues (Trade, Energy security, supply chains, telecommunications & critical technologies)
- Future of U.S. engagement in Asia

Given your expertise, we would be honored to feature you as a discussant. As we finalize the participant list, we would welcome the opportunity to work with you and fellow experts to shape panels. We will also have other, non-targeted programming throughout the weekend, as well as informal meal discussions that we would be delighted for you to participate in.

Should you be able to join us in October, we are offering lodging at the **Kimpton Forum Hotel** and will cover all scheduled meal costs. For your transportation to/from Charlottesville, we will reimburse mileage upon the conclusion of the program. We also expect to provide other transportation services via rail and a possible shuttle bus. All expenses will be paid for by FMC, a Congressionally-chartered, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, with the generous support of Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA.

Please let us know if you have any questions on this program or FMC and thank you in advance for your consideration.

Best,

Sabine Schleidt

Sabine Schleidt, Chief Operating Officer, FMC

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2024 Asia Retreat Agenda

Wednesday, October 2nd- Friday, October 4th, 2024 | Charlottesville, Virginia
Last Update: 9/13/2024 10:09 AM | Meeting partners subject to change

Charlottesville Hotel:
Kimpton The Forum Hotel
540 Massie Rd, Charlottesville, VA 22903

Wednesday, October 2nd [TRAVEL DAY]

2:00 PM **Departure from Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C.**

Pick-up Location: Capitol South Metro Station

4:30 PM **Participants Arrive, Check in to Hotel**

5:30 PM – 6:30 PM **Welcome Reception**
A setting for Congressional attendees and experts to connect in a more substantial manner than group introductions, fostering personal relationships that will form the foundation for candid, productive discussions throughout the retreat. This gathering encourages meaningful interactions, setting the stage for open and collaborative exchange.

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM **Welcome Dinner - Indo-Pacific Update**
An overarching introduction to the key issues and players in the Indo-Pacific, providing insight into the importance of the region ahead of the deep-dive that will follow on subsequent days. Featuring remarks by **Dr. Satohiro Akimoto**, President and Chairman of Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA, and **the Hon. Dennis Ross** (R-FL, 2011-2019), FMC Board Member.

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Thursday, October 3rd

Morning — **Breakfast at Hotel**

9:00 AM – 10:15 AM — **Securing the Indo-Pacific**
Roundtable discussion examining the complex security situation in the Indo-Pacific, encompassing traditional military threats and emerging cyber challenges. With several potential flashpoints and unpredictable actors, the U.S. and allies have taken steps to formalize cooperative measures, reform command structures, and integrate supply chains to enhance collective security. Featuring **James Schoff**, Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA, **Gregory Poling**, CSIS, and **Caitlin Campbell**, CRS. Moderated by **Emma Chanlett-Avery**, Asia Society Policy Institute.

10:45 AM – 12:00 PM — **U.S.-Japan Bilateral Relationship**
Roundtable discussion on the U.S. and Japan's partnership, identifying unique opportunities for cooperation on security, economy, space and energy. Further, a conversation on Japan's domestic political situation following the LDP leadership election and expectations for the alliance with a new U.S. administration next year. Featuring **Professor Leonard Schoppa**, University of Virginia, **Dr. William Chou**, Hudson Institute, and **Emma Chanlett-Avery**, Asia Society Policy Institute. Moderated by **Shihoko Goto**, Wilson Center.

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM — **Lunch Roundtable – Trade and Economy**
Roundtable discussion over lunch on trade and investment conditions in the region, multilateral agreements and frameworks like CPTPP and IPEF, and Asia's role in the global economy. Featuring **Shihoko Goto**, Wilson Center**, Isabelle Icso**, U.S. Chamber of Commerce**,** and **the Hon. Dennis Ross** (R-FL, 2011-2019). Moderated by **Walter Lohman**, Office of Senator Dan Sullivan (R-AK).

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM — **A New Era of Trilateral Cooperation – U.S.-Japan-ROK**
Roundtable discussion on the U.S.-Japan-South Korea trilateral relationship, including its role in the region, mutual interests, and the circumstances that have led to the current unprecedented levels of cooperation, as well as prospects for its endurance into the future. Featuring **Dr. William Chou**, Hudson Institute, **Dr. Darcie Draudt-Véjares**, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, and **Keome Rowe**, U.S. Department of State. Moderated by **Walter Lohman**, Office of Senator Dan Sullivan (R-AK).

3:30 PM – 6:30 PM — **Executive Time**

6:30 PM — **Depart for Dinner**

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM — **Dinner Roundtable – Breakout Conversations**
Guided dinner discussion at local Charlottesville restaurant debriefing what's been learned, integrating the day's themes, and looking ahead to Friday's topics.

Bad Luck Ramen Bar, 522 2nd St SE Unit E, Charlottesville, VA 22902

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Friday, October 4th

Morning — **Breakfast at Hotel**

9:00 AM – 10:15 AM — **China's View of the Future**
Roundtable discussion on China's decision making with respect to the South China Sea and Taiwan, and how the CCP plans to ensure regime stability through economic growth and management of demographic challenges in order to stay on course towards their broader ambitions. Featuring **Walter Lohman**, Office of Senator Dan Sullivan (R-AK), **Caitlin Campbell**, CRS, and DCM **Johnson Chiang**, TECRO. Moderated by **Keome Rowe**, U.S. Department of State.

10:30 AM – 11:45 AM — **Balancing Powers – Southeast Asia and ASEAN**
Panel discussion exploring Southeast Asia's strategic balancing act between US and Chinese geopolitical interests, including economic dependencies, security concerns, and the impact on regional stability and sovereignty.
Featuring DCM **Jaime Ramon T. Ascalon**, Embassy of the Philippines, DCM **Weiyang Lim**, Embassy of Singapore. Moderated by **Gregory Poling**, CSIS.

Check out of Hotel

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM — **Closing Lunch: Breakout Conversations**
Guided debriefing lunch discussion synthesizing lessons learned from the program and identifying areas in which Congress can best act on the issues going forward.
Featuring closing remarks by **the Hon. Dennis Ross** (R-FL, 2011, 2019).

TBD

2:30 PM — **Departure to Washington, D.C.**

5:00 PM — **Arrive at Capitol Hill, Washington D.C.**

Drop-Off Location: Capitol South Metro Station

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RE-1 Employee Pre-Travel Authorization

Date/Time Stamp

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.

Name of Traveler:
Walter Lohman

Employing Office/Committee:
Office of Senator Dan Sullivan

Private Sponsor(s):
FMC (Assoc of Former Members of Cong)

Destination(s):
Charlottesville, VA

Travel Dates:
Oct 2-4

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

Explain how this trip is specifically connected to the traveler's official or representational duties.
Sentor Sullivan is Co-chair of one of FMC's Congressional Study Groups. This is to share my professional perspectives on US-Japan relations.

Do you have an accompanying family member or spouse on this trip? ☐ (signify "yes" by checking box)

Name and Relationship to Traveler:

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

8/23/20
Date

Signature of Employee

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

I Dan Sullivan (Print Senator's/Officer's Name) hereby authorize Walter Lohman (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)

8/23/24
Date

Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer

Former Members of Congress (FMC): Congressional Study Group on Japan Congressional Senior Staff Asia Retreat

Walter Lohman

Title:
National Security Advisor

Employing Office/Committee:
SULLIVAN, DAN

Duty Station:
WASHINGTON,DC

Destination(s):
Charlottesville, Virginia

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

Senator Sullivan Co-chair of one of FMC's Congressional Study Groups. This event in Charlottesville is to allow me to share my professional perspectives on US-Japan relations.

Name of accompanying family member (if any):
Not Entered

Name and Relationship to Traveler:
None

Organization Information

Organization Name
Former Members of Congress (FMC)

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?
○ Yes ● No

§501(c)(3) Organization Type
N/A

Address
1401 K Street NW

Address 2 (Optional)
Suite 901

City, State Zip
Washington, District Of Columbia 20005 United States

Phone Number
7039530381

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Comments

None Entered

Signature Page

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Is your organization the only sponsor for this trip?

● Yes ○ No

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Invitees

ⓘ Members and staff from the House of Representatives **will** receive invitations.

The list of invitees is below.

Travel Details

Trip Start Date/Time:
10/02/2024 @ 03:00 PM

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Trip End Date/Time:
10/04/2024 @ 04:30 PM

Will the traveler be accompanied by a family member for whom the sponsor will pay travel expenses?

○ Yes ● No

Itinerary

The itinerary is below.

Transportation (Per Member/Officer/Employee: $100.00 | Accompanying Family Member: $0.00)

Transportation Type	Class	Amount
Ground Transportation	N/A	$100.00

Note
Charter bus

Lodging (Per Member/Officer/Employee: $266.00)

Check-In	Check-Out	Facility	City	State	Country	Nights	Cost/Night	Cost Exceed Per Diem
10/02/2024	10/04/2024	Kimpton The Forum Charlottesville	Charlottesville	Virginia	United States	2	$133.00	No

Meals (Per Member/Officer/Employee: $220.00)

Date	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Incidentals	Total	City	State	Country	Cost Exceeds Per Diem

Date	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Incidentals	Total	City	State	Country	Cost Exceeds Per Diem
10/02/2024	$0.00	$0.00	$70.00	$0.00	**$70.00**	Charlottesville	Virginia	United States	Yes

Cost Exceeds Per Diem Reason
FMC has worked with the sales staff of the Kimpton Forum to bring meal catering costs as close to the per diem as possible. As the hotel is the sole catering option for certain meals, we are bound to work within their pricing. Menu prices are in-line with similar venues in the area.

10/03/2024	$20.00	$30.00	$40.00	$0.00	**$90.00**	Charlottesville	Virginia	United States	Yes

Cost Exceeds Per Diem Reason
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10/04/2024	$20.00	$40.00	$0.00	$0.00	**$60.00**	Charlottesville	Virginia	United States	No

Reasonable Miscellaneous Expenses (Per Member/Officer/Employee: $75.00)

Expense Type	Amount	Notes
Other (Room rental and setup, AV costs, meeting materials)	$75.00	

Additional Attachments

Document Name
There are no additional attachments.

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SPONSOR SIGNATURE PAGE

I hereby certify that the information submitted in connection with the trip listed below is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Trip Name: Congressional Study Group on Japan Congressional Senior Staff Asia Retreat

Travel Date(s): October 2 - October 4, 2024

Travel Destination(s): Charlottesville, Virginia

Sponsor: FMC

Sabine Schleidt — *(printed name of sponsor representative)*

Chief Operating Officer — *(title)*

(signature of sponsor representative)

8/26/2024 — *(date)*

Grantmaking Organization Certification Form

Instructions: If a sponsor receives funds from a grantmaking organization, the sponsor must disclose this on the *Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form*, and the grantmaking organization must complete the *Grantmaking Organization Certification Form*. The completed *Grantmaking Organization Certification Form* must be submitted to the Senate Select Committee on Ethics by the trip sponsor at least 30 days prior to the travel departure date.

Grantmaking Organization: Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA

Private Sponsor: Former Members of Congress (FMC)

Trip Name: Congressional Study Group on Japan Congressional Senior Staff Asia Retre

Travel Date(s): October 2 - 4, 2024

Destination(s): Charlottesville, VA

In compliance with the *Regulations Governing Privately Sponsored Travel*, I certify the following:

- ☑ The grantmaking organization is a § 501(c)(3) organization.
- ☑ The grantmaking organization is not a lobbyist, lobbying firm, or foreign agent, nor an entity that retains or employs a lobbyist or foreign agent.
- ☑ The grantmaking organization provides funds under an established grant program, or in a manner that is otherwise consistent with the mission and practices of the organization.
- ☑ The grantmaking organization is not involved, directly or indirectly, in organizing and conducting the trip. This includes selecting participants for a trip.
- ☑ The grantmaking organization does not directly pay or reimburse travel expenses for any Senate Member, officer, or employee.

Dr. Satohiro Akimoto — *(Printed name of grantmaking organization representative)*

President and Chairman — *(Title)*

(Signature of grantmaking organization representative)

8/26/24 — *(Date)*

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2024 Chief of Staff Asia Seminar

October 2 – 4 | Charlottesville, Virginia
List of Invitees

U.S. Senate

1. Walter Lohman, Foreign Policy Advisor, Office of Senator Dan Sullivan (R-AK)

U.S. House of Representatives

2. Bradley Bottoms, Chief of Staff, Office of Rep. John Garamendi (D-CA)
3. Lorissa Bounds, Chief of Staff, Office of Rep. Jay Obernolte (R-CA)
4. Mark Dreiling, Chief of Staff, Office of Rep. Don Bacon (R-NE)
5. Robert Edmonson, Chief of Staff, Office of Rep. Robert Garcia (D-CA)
6. Jaryn Emhof, Chief of Staff, Office of Rep. Daniel Webster (R-FL)
7. Jamie Fleet, Democratic Staff Director, House Administration Committee & Senior Adviser, House Minority Leader Hakeem Jefferies (D-NY)
8. Megan Bel Miller, Chief of Staff & Senior Advisor, House Majority Leader Steve Scalise (R-LA)
9. Hillary Parkinson, Chief of Staff, Office of Rep. Keith Self (R-TX)
10. Mitchell Rivard, Chief of Staff, Office of Rep. Dan Kildee (D-MI)
11. Mary Rosado, Chief of Staff, Office of Rep. Andy Barr (R-KY)
12. Amy Soenksen, Chief of Staff, Office of Rep. Morgan McGarvey (D-KY)
13. Rebekah Solem, Chief of Staff, Office of Rep. Sydney Kamlager-Dove (D-CA)

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RE-1 Employee Pre-Travel Authorization

Date/Time Stamp

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.

Name of Traveler:
Walter Lohman

Employing Office/Committee:
Office of Senator Dan Sullivan

Private Sponsor(s):
FMC (Assoc of Former Members of Cong)

Destination(s):
Charlottesville, VA

Travel Dates:

Oct 2-4

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

Explain how this trip is specifically connected to the traveler's official or representational duties.
Sentor Sullivan is Co-chair of one of FMC's Congressional Study Groups. This is to share my professional perspectives on US-Japan relations.

Do you have an accompanying family member or spouse on this trip? ☐ (signify "yes" by checking box)

Name and Relationship to Traveler:

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

8/23/20
Date

Signature of Employee

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

I Dan Sullivan (Print Senator's/Officer's Name) hereby authorize Walter Lohman (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)

8/23/24
Date

Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer

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2024 Asia Retreat Agenda

Wednesday, October 2nd- Friday, October 4th, 2024 | Charlottesville, Virginia
Last Update: 9/13/2024 10:09 AM | Meeting partners subject to change

Charlottesville Hotel:
Kimpton The Forum Hotel
540 Massie Rd, Charlottesville, VA 22903

Wednesday, October 2nd [TRAVEL DAY]

2:00 PM **Departure from Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C.**

Pick-up Location: Capitol South Metro Station

4:30 PM **Participants Arrive, Check in to Hotel**

5:30 PM – 6:30 PM **Welcome Reception**
A setting for Congressional attendees and experts to connect in a more substantial manner than group introductions, fostering personal relationships that will form the foundation for candid, productive discussions throughout the retreat. This gathering encourages meaningful interactions, setting the stage for open and collaborative exchange.

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM **Welcome Dinner - Indo-Pacific Update**
An overarching introduction to the key issues and players in the Indo-Pacific, providing insight into the importance of the region ahead of the deep-dive that will follow on subsequent days. Featuring remarks by **Dr. Satohiro Akimoto**, President and Chairman of Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA, and **the Hon. Dennis Ross** (R-FL, 2011-2019), FMC Board Member.

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Thursday, October 3rd

Morning — **Breakfast at Hotel**

9:00 AM – 10:15 AM — **Securing the Indo-Pacific**
Roundtable discussion examining the complex security situation in the Indo-Pacific, encompassing traditional military threats and emerging cyber challenges. With several potential flashpoints and unpredictable actors, the U.S. and allies have taken steps to formalize cooperative measures, reform command structures, and integrate supply chains to enhance collective security. Featuring **James Schoff**, Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA, **Gregory Poling**, CSIS, and **Caitlin Campbell**, CRS. Moderated by **Emma Chanlett-Avery**, Asia Society Policy Institute.

10:45 AM – 12:00 PM — **U.S.-Japan Bilateral Relationship**
Roundtable discussion on the U.S. and Japan's partnership, identifying unique opportunities for cooperation on security, economy, space and energy. Further, a conversation on Japan's domestic political situation following the LDP leadership election and expectations for the alliance with a new U.S. administration next year. Featuring **Professor Leonard Schoppa**, University of Virginia, **Dr. William Chou**, Hudson Institute, and **Emma Chanlett-Avery**, Asia Society Policy Institute. Moderated by **Shihoko Goto**, Wilson Center.

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM — **Lunch Roundtable – Trade and Economy**
Roundtable discussion over lunch on trade and investment conditions in the region, multilateral agreements and frameworks like CPTPP and IPEF, and Asia's role in the global economy. Featuring **Shihoko Goto**, Wilson Center, **Isabelle Icso**, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and **the Hon. Dennis Ross** (R-FL, 2011-2019). Moderated by **Walter Lohman**, Office of Senator Dan Sullivan (R-AK).

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM — **A New Era of Trilateral Cooperation – U.S.-Japan-ROK**
Roundtable discussion on the U.S.-Japan-South Korea trilateral relationship, including its role in the region, mutual interests, and the circumstances that have led to the current unprecedented levels of cooperation, as well as prospects for its endurance into the future. Featuring **Dr. William Chou**, Hudson Institute, **Dr. Darcie Draudt-Véjares**, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, and **Keome Rowe**, U.S. Department of State. Moderated by **Walter Lohman**, Office of Senator Dan Sullivan (R-AK).

3:30 PM – 6:30 PM — **Executive Time**

6:30 PM — **Depart for Dinner**

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM — **Dinner Roundtable – Breakout Conversations**
Guided dinner discussion at local Charlottesville restaurant debriefing what's been learned, integrating the day's themes, and looking ahead to Friday's topics.

Bad Luck Ramen Bar, 522 2nd St SE Unit E, Charlottesville, VA 22902

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Friday, October 4th

Morning — **Breakfast at Hotel**

9:00 AM – 10:15 AM **China's View of the Future**
Roundtable discussion on China's decision making with respect to the South China Sea and Taiwan, and how the CCP plans to ensure regime stability through economic growth and management of demographic challenges in order to stay on course towards their broader ambitions. Featuring **Walter Lohman**, Office of Senator Dan Sullivan (R-AK), **Caitlin Campbell**, CRS, and DCM **Johnson Chiang**, TECRO. Moderated by **Keome Rowe**, U.S. Department of State.

10:30 AM – 11:45 AM **Balancing Powers – Southeast Asia and ASEAN**
Panel discussion exploring Southeast Asia's strategic balancing act between US and Chinese geopolitical interests, including economic dependencies, security concerns, and the impact on regional stability and sovereignty.
Featuring DCM **Jaime Ramon T. Ascalon**, Embassy of the Philippines, DCM **Weiyang Lim**, Embassy of Singapore. Moderated by **Gregory Poling**, CSIS.

Check out of Hotel

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM **Closing Lunch: Breakout Conversations**
Guided debriefing lunch discussion synthesizing lessons learned from the program and identifying areas in which Congress can best act on the issues going forward.
Featuring closing remarks by **the Hon. Dennis Ross** (R-FL, 2011, 2019).

TBD

2:30 PM **Departure to Washington, D.C.**

5:00 PM **Arrive at Capitol Hill, Washington D.C.**

Drop-Off Location: Capitol South Metro Station

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