

RE-2 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 144 Hart Building. **This form is a public disclosure. The form and all attachments will be made publicly available.**

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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):
Council on Foreign Relations

Travel Dates:
09/26/2025 to 09/27/2025

Name of accompanying family member (if any):

Relationship to Traveler:

Expenses

Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meals Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00

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.

10/15/2025
Date

Simon Lee
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.

10/15/2025
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	\$0.00	Traveled to/from New York on own expense.

Were there any changes to the pre-approved itinerary?

Yes No

Explanation: Agenda adjusted slightly due to change in Amtrak tickets booked.

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

Yes No

Explanation: There were no additional changes to the pre-approved trip.

RE-1 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.

Date/Time Stamp

Name of Traveler:

Simon Lee

Employing Office/Committee:

Office of Senator Angus King

Private Sponsor(s):

Council on Foreign Relations

Destination(s):

New York, NY

Travel Dates:

Friday, September 26, 2025

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.

As a participant in the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) foreign policy study group, I will be traveling to New York City to attend panel discussions and meet with foreign policy and national security experts located at CFR's headquarters.

Do you have an accompanying family member or spouse on this trip?

Name and Relationship to Traveler:

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(signify "yes" by checking box)

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

7/17/25

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)

Senator Angus King

hereby authorize

Simon Lee

(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.

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7/17/25

Date

Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer

Council on Foreign Relations: Council on Foreign Relations 2025 Trip to New York

Simon Lee

Title:

None

Employing Office/Committee:

KING, ANGUS

Duty Station:

WASHINGTON, DC

Destination(s):

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

None

Name of accompanying family member (if any):

Not Entered

Name and Relationship to Traveler:

None

Organization Information

Organization Name

Council on Foreign Relations

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?

Yes

No

§501(c)(3) Organization Type

Public Charity

Address

1777 F Street NW

Address 2 (Optional)

None

City, State Zip

Washington, District Of Columbia 20006 United States

Phone Number

(202) 509-8410

Organization URL

History of Congressional Travel

The Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) has hosted six similar trips to New York on September 25, 2015; September 19, 2016; September 15, 2017; September 21, 2018; September 27, 2019; and September 27, 2024.

Educational Activities

The Council on Foreign Relations is an independent, nonpartisan membership organization, think tank, and publisher dedicated to being a resource for its members, government officials, business executives, journalists, educators and students, civic and religious leaders, and other interested citizens in order to help them better understand the world and the foreign policy choices facing the United States and other countries.

Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

Lobbyist Registration Status: *I certify that the sponsor is not a federally registered lobbyist and do not retain or employ a federally registered lobbyist.*

Foreign Agent Registration Status: *I certify that the sponsor is not an agent of a foreign principal and do not retain or employ an agent of a foreign principal.*

Foreign Government Involvement

Foreign Agent Registration Status:

I certify that the sponsor is not a foreign government.

I certify that the sponsor is not an entity that is owned or operated by a foreign government.

I certify that the sponsor does not receive funding from a foreign government.

Comments

None Entered

Signature Page

The signature page is below.

Purpose and Details

Provide a brief description of the trip.

To provide congressional staff members participating in CFR's Foreign Policy Study Group an opportunity to visit CFR's headquarters in New York.

Explain how the purpose of the trip relates to your organization's mission.

The program will allow participants to attend panel discussions and meet with foreign policy and national security experts located at CFR's New York office.

Is your organization the only sponsor for this trip?

Yes

No

Grantmaking Organizations (Optional)

There are no grantmaking organizations.

With or Without Regard for Congressional Participation

The trip is arranged or organized specifically 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

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

The trip is limited to three days (for trips inside the continental United States) or seven days (for trips outside the continental United States), and no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip

The trip is limited to a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and **one** overnight stay) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip

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

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Certification of No Recreational Activity and No Alcohol

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

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

The list of invitees is below.

Travel Details

Trip Start Date/Time:
09/26/2025 @ 08:05 AM

Trip End Date/Time:
09/26/2025 @ 09:32 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: \$460.00 | Accompanying Family Member: \$0.00)

Transportation Type	Class	Amount
Other	N/A	\$10.00
Train	Business	\$450.00

Lodging (Per Member/Officer/Employee: \$0.00)

Check-In	Check-Out	Facility	City	State	Country	Nights	Cost/Night	Cost Exceed Per Diem
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There are no lodging expenses.

Meals (Per Member/Officer/Employee: \$50.00)

Date	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Incidentals	Total	City	State	Country	Cost Exceeds Per Diem
09/26/2025	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	New York	New York	United States	No

Reasonable Miscellaneous Expenses (Per Member/Officer/Employee: \$0.00)

Expense Type	Amount	Notes
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There are no miscellaneous expenses.

Additional Attachments

Document Name

There are no additional attachments.

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: Council on Foreign Relations 2025 Trip to New York
Travel Date(s): September 26, 2025
Travel Destination(s): New York, NY
Sponsor: Council on Foreign Relations

Jessica Harrington
(printed name of sponsor representative)

Director, Government Affairs
(title)

Jessica L. Harrington
(signature of sponsor representative)

Digitally signed by Jessica L. Harrington
Date: 2025.07.17 09:28:24 -04'00'

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(date)

U.S. Senate Participants

Molly Barlow

U.S. Senate Committee on Foreign Relations

Charles Dunst

Office of Senator Michael Bennet

Kasca Hamar

U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence

Sal Lee

Office of Senator Angus King

Heather Melancon

U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence

Emily Park

*U.S. Senate Committee on Homeland Security and
Governmental Affairs*

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Congressional Foreign Policy Study Group New York Program

Friday, September 26, 2025

- 8:05 a.m. Depart Union Station (Amtrak 56)
- 11:21 a.m. Arrive at New York Moynihan Train Hall
- 11:40 a.m. Arrive at Council on Foreign Relations (58 East 68th Street, New York)
- 11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Coffee Reception
- 12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Networking Lunch
Participants will have the opportunity to meet and network with CFR Members based in New York.
- 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Council on Foreign Relations General Meeting
A Conversation with Volker Türk, *United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights*
Moderated by Linda Thomas-Greenfield, *Board Member, Council on Foreign Relations*
Participants will discuss the future of human rights on the global stage and the role of the United Nations in protecting those rights.
- 1:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.
Discussion with Ambassador Michelle Gavin, *Ralph Bunche Senior Fellow for Africa Policy Studies, Council on Foreign Relations*
Participants will discuss developments across the continent including U.S. security and trade relations across the region.
- 3:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Discussion with Dr. Benn Steil, *Senior Fellow and Director of International Economics, Council on Foreign Relations*
Participants will discuss U.S. trade and tariff policy, U.S. economic security, and the future of the global economy.
- 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Discussion with Dr. Michael Horowitz, *Senior Fellow for Technology and Innovation, Council on Foreign Relations*
Participants will discuss the future of defense technology and the defense industrial base.
- 5:00 p.m. Meeting Concludes; Depart CFR for New York Moynihan Train Hall
- 6:08 p.m. Depart New York Moynihan Train Hall (Amtrak 197)
- 9:32 p.m. Arrive in Washington, DC