

RE-3 Senators and Officers Post Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

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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):
International Conservation Caucus Foundation

Travel Dates:
04/21/2025 to 04/28/2025

Name of accompanying family member (if any):
Emma Barrasso

Relationship to Traveler:
Child

Expenses

Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meals Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
\$22,049.96	\$3,174.00	\$560.00	\$1,090.00

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

- The final **Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form** with all attachments
- The final invitation
- The final approved itinerary

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.

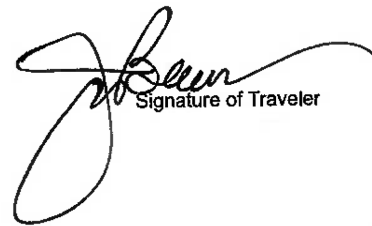
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5/21/25

Date

JOHN BARRASSO
Printed Name of Traveler


Signature of Traveler

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	\$22,049.96	On the ground transportation costs varied from the estimated cost because a number of the Senator's transports and airport assistance services costs were covered by his security team. We also had a slight variation in on the ground transportation costs from the original estimate. Includes cost of accompanying family member.
Lodging	\$3,174.00	We used dayrooms at the Fairmont Hotel on April 27th prior to international flight that cost \$150.00 (for a single). Includes cost of accompanying family member.
Meals	\$560.00	Dinner at the hotel on the 27th wasn't reported in previous paperwork. Dinner cost \$43.00 per person. Includes cost of additional family member.
Misc. Expenses	\$1,100.00	Tips varied slightly from original estimation. Instead of \$105.00 it ended up being more like \$110.00 per person. Includes cost of accompanying family member.

Were there any changes to the pre-approved itinerary?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

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



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March 19th, 2025

Senator John Barrasso
United States Senate
By Electronic Delivery

Dear Senator,

We are pleased to invite you and an accompanying family member to join a Congressional Member Delegation to visit Kenya from April 21-28, 2025, inclusive of travel days. The primary purpose of this mission is to familiarize and educate the delegation about the increasingly overlapping issues of natural resource management and food security.

While in Kenya, participants will observe the impact that malnutrition has on communities, particularly mothers and children, and see how conservation can play a role in improved access to health services, food production, and income. The delegation will visit acute malnutrition health clinics and meet with conservation and nutrition stakeholders while in Nairobi before visiting Ol Kinyei Conservancy to see how the conservancy model not only helps protect wildlife and habitat, but involves local communities by providing income generation through land lease programs, tourism, and agricultural development.

Trip expenses, including transportation, lodging, meals, and associated fees, will be covered by ICCF.

ICCF is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, which acts as an informal secretariat to the leadership of the bipartisan International Conservation Caucus and Oceans Caucus, with the mission to advance U.S. leadership in international conservation and develop the next generation of congressional conservation leaders.

Thank you for taking the time to learn more about the impacts of malnutrition on children and communities and how good natural resource management can support human development in at-risk communities.

Sincerely,

John B. Gantt
President

International Conservation Caucus Foundation: ICCF Kenya Congressional Delegation 2025

 JOHN BARRASSO

Title:
Senator

Employing Office/Committee:
BARRASSO, JOHN

Duty Station:
CASPER,WY

Destination(s):
Nairobi, Kenya
Ol Kinyei Conservancy, Kenya
Nairobi, Kenya
Ol Kinyei Conservancy, Kenya

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

Not applicable for Senators and Officers.

Name of accompanying family member (if any):
Emma Barrasso

Name and Relationship to Traveler:
Child

Organization Information

Organization Name
International Conservation Caucus Foundation

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

☒ Yes ☐ No

§501(c)(3) Organization Type
Public Charity

Address
1200 Potomac St. NW

Address 2 (Optional)
None

City, State Zip
Washington, District Of Columbia 20007 United States

Phone Number
2024714222

Organization URL
iccfoundation.us

History of Congressional Travel

ICCF has hosted numerous congressional trips including attendees from the House and Senate, including several to Kenya and most recently with Senate staff to Mozambique and Kenya in 2024, with House members to Botswana in 2023 and 2024 and Kenya in 2022, and with Senate and House staff to Angola and Botswana in 2021.

Educational Activities

ICCF organizes educational briefings on issues related to international environmental conservation for members and staff, as well as round table discussions, workshops, and forums on Capitol Hill.

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

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Purpose and Details

Provide a brief description of the trip.

While in Kenya delegation will observe about the impact that malnutrition has on communities, particularly mothers and children, and see how conservation can play a role in improved access to health services, food production, and income. The delegation will visit acute malnutrition health clinics and meet with US officials while in Nairobi and visit sites within Ol Kinyei Conservancy to see how the conservancy model not only helps protect wildlife and habitat, but involves local communities by providing income generation through land lease programs, tourism, and agricultural development.

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

ICCF's mission is to advance U.S. leadership in international conservation and develop the next generation of congressional conservation leaders. This trip will familiarize and educate participants about the impacts of malnutrition on children and communities and how good natural resource management can support human development in at-risk communities.

Is your organization the only sponsor for this trip?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Grantmaking Organizations (Optional)

1. Eleanor Crook Foundation

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

Complete if any of the sponsors is not a §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
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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:
04/21/2025 @ 11:26 AM



Trip End Date/Time:
04/28/2025 @ 02:15 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: \$15,296.97 | Accompanying Family Member: \$7755.25)

Traveler Type	Transportation Type	Class	Amount
Member/Officer/Employee	Airfare	Charter	\$452.26
Note Flights between Nairobi and Naboisho			
Member/Officer/Employee	Airfare	Charter	\$876.00
Note Charter flight to Kakuma Refugee Camp			
Member/Officer/Employee	Airfare	Business	\$13,566.71
Note Round trip international airfare			
Member/Officer/Employee	Ground Transportation	N/A	\$402.00
Note On the ground transport in Nairobi and Mara.			
Accompanying Family Member	Airfare	Charter	\$876.00
Note Charter flight to Kakuma Refugee Camp			
Accompanying Family Member	Airfare	Business	\$6,024.99
Note Round trip international airfare			
Accompanying Family Member	Airfare	Charter	\$452.26

Traveler Type	Transportation Type	Class	Amount
Note Flights between Nairobi and Naboisho			
Accompanying Family Member	Ground Transportation	N/A	\$402.00

Note
On the ground transport while in Nairobi and the Mara.

Lodging (Per Member/Officer/Employee: \$1,230.00 | Accompanying Family Member: \$1,230.00)

Traveler Type	Check-In	Check-Out	Facility	City	State	Country	Nights	Cost/Night	Cost Exceed Per Diem
Member/Officer/Employee	04/22/2025	04/24/2025	Fairmont Norfolk	Nairobi	None	Kenya	2	\$180.00	No
Member/Officer/Employee	04/24/2025	04/27/2025	OI Kinyei Cottages	OI Kinyei Conservancy	None	Kenya	3	\$290.00	No
Accompanying Family Member	04/22/2025	04/24/2025	Fairmont Norfolk	Nairobi	None	Kenya	2	\$180.00	No
Accompanying Family Member	04/24/2025	04/27/2025	OI Kinyei Cottages	OI Kinyei Conservancy	None	Kenya	3	\$290.00	No

Meals (Per Member/Officer/Employee: \$237.00 | Accompanying Family Member: \$237.00)

Traveler Type	Date	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Incidentals	Total	City	State	Country	Cost Exceeds Per Diem
Member/Officer/Employee	04/23/2025	\$0.00	\$27.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$77.00	Nairobi	None	Kenya	No
Accompanying Family Member	04/23/2025	\$0.00	\$27.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$77.00	Nairobi	None	Kenya	No
Member/Officer/Employee	04/24/2025	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$35.00	\$0.00	\$45.00	OI Kinyei Conservancy	None	Kenya	Yes
Cost Exceeds Per Diem Reason Due to remote location, limited outside food options.										
Accompanying Family Member	04/24/2025	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$35.00	\$0.00	\$45.00	OI Kinyei Conservancy	None	Kenya	Yes
Cost Exceeds Per Diem Reason Due to remote location, limited outside food options.										
Member/Officer/Employee	04/25/2025	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$35.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	OI Kinyei Conservancy	None	Kenya	Yes

Traveler Type	Date	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Incidentals	Total	City	State	Country	Cost Exceeds Per Diem
Cost Exceeds Per Diem Reason Due to remote location, limited outside food options.										
Accompanying Family Member	04/25/2025	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$35.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	OI Kinyei Conservancy	None	Kenya	Yes
Cost Exceeds Per Diem Reason Due to remote location, limited outside food options.										
Member/Officer/Employee	04/26/2025	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$35.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	OI Kinyei Conservancy	None	Kenya	Yes
Cost Exceeds Per Diem Reason Due to remote location, limited outside food options.										
Accompanying Family Member	04/26/2025	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$35.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	OI Kinyei Conservancy	None	Kenya	Yes
Cost Exceeds Per Diem Reason Due to remote location, limited outside food options.										
Member/Officer/Employee	04/27/2025	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15.00	OI Kinyei Conservancy	None	Kenya	Yes
Cost Exceeds Per Diem Reason Due to remote location, limited outside food options.										
Accompanying Family Member	04/27/2025	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15.00	OI Kinyei Conservancy	None	Kenya	No

Reasonable Miscellaneous Expenses (Per Member/Officer/Employee: \$545.00 | Accompanying Family Member: \$545.00)

Traveler Type	Expense Type	Amount	Notes
Accompanying Family Member	Other (insurance)	\$20.00	Emergency Medvac Coverage
Accompanying Family Member	Other (tips)	\$105.00	
Member/Officer/Employee	Other (insurance)	\$20.00	Emergency Medvac Coverage
Member/Officer/Employee	Other (Conservancy Conservation fee)	\$390.00	Conservancy Conservation Fee (130/per day)
Accompanying Family Member	Other (Conservancy Conservation fee)	\$390.00	Conservancy Conservation Fee (130/per day)
Member/Officer/Employee	Other (tips)	\$105.00	
Accompanying Family Member	Visa Fees	\$30.00	
Member/Officer/Employee	Visa Fees	\$30.00	

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: Kenya Congressional Delegation April 2025
Travel Date(s): April 21-28, 2025
Travel Destination(s): Nairobi and Ol Kinyei Conservancy, Kenya
Sponsor: International Conservation Caucus Foundation

John B. Gantt

(printed name of sponsor representative)

President

(title)*(signature of sponsor representative)*

3/21/2025

(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: Eleanor Crook Foundation

Private Sponsor: International Conservation Caucus Foundation (ICCF)

Trip Name: ICCF Kenya Member Delegation April 2025

Travel Date(s): April 21 - 28, 2025

Destination(s): Nairobi, Kenya; Ol Kenyei Conservancy, Kenya

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.

Mariana Becerra

(Printed name of grantmaking organization representative)

Director of North American Advocacy

(Title)



(Signature of grantmaking organization representative)

03/18/2025

(Date)

ICCF April Kenya Co-Del Invitee List

Senator Martin Heinrich, (D-NM)

Senator Thom Tillis (R-NC)

Senator John Barrasso (R-WY)

Senator Gary Peters (D-MI)

Senator Ted Budd (R-NC)

**I****Congressional Member Delegation to Kenya***April 21st-28th, 2025***Monday, April 21st - Travel Day**

17:15 Depart Washington Dulles for Frankfurt on United flight 989

Tuesday, April 22nd - Travel Day

11:25 Depart Frankfurt for Nairobi on Lufthansa flight 590

20:55 Arrive in Nairobi (NBO)

Accommodations: Fairmont The Norfolk

Wednesday, April 23rd

08:00 - 08:30 Breakfast Briefing by ICCF Representatives

ICCF representatives will outline the purpose and agenda of the mission, give an overview of ICCF, and provide background on US government support for conservation, food security, and human development in Kenya, providing participants with baseline information they will need throughout the trip.

08:45 - 09:30 Transfer to Wilson Airport

10:00 - 11:30 Flight to Kakuma Airstrip on Kenya Air charter

11:30 - 13:30 Visit to Kakuma Refugee Camp

Kakuma Refugee Camp is located in the Northwestern region of Kenya. The camp was established in 1992 following the arrival of the "Lost Boys of Sudan". During that year, large groups of Ethiopian refugees fled their country following the fall of the Ethiopian government. Somalia had also experienced high insecurity and civil strife causing people to flee.

The delegation will be visiting a hospital in Kakuma that will show first hand the impact of conflict and changing weather impacts on food security.

13:30 - 15:00 Flight from Kakuma Refugee Camp back to Nairobi on Kenya Air charter



- 15:00 - 16:00 Transfer to US Embassy
- 16:00 - 17:00 Meeting with US Chargé d'Affaires Marc Dillard and classified country briefing
- The delegation will meet with Marc Dillard to hear about current US - Kenya relationship dynamics in the national and regional context. Mr. Dillard will also update the group on the US role in malnutrition and conservation efforts in Kenya. This briefing will provide participants with important background and context about the work of US agencies like US Department of State, USAID, USDA, and the US Fish & Wildlife Service, among others, as well as US partnerships with UN agencies like UNDP, UNEP, and the World Food Programme, which directly relate to participants' work on conservation and food security issues.*
- 17:00 - 17:30 Return to the hotel, clean up for dinner at the hotel
- 19:00 - 21:00 Dinner briefing with local conservation, food security, and human development organizations
- ICCF partners and others implementing food security and conservation initiatives will convene to discuss the overlapping issues facing Kenya and East Africa. The delegation will hear about a wide array of conservation and food security projects being implemented on the ground, including projects supported by US and UN agencies, and how the issues overlap, giving participants a better understanding of the scope of projects in the region. Invited participants include: PATH, USAID, UN Environment Programme, World Wildlife Fund, SUN CSN, Wildlife Conservation Society, African Wildlife Foundation, African Parks, BAND Foundation, UNICEF, Kenyan Ministry of Health, and World Food Programme.*

Accommodations: Fairmont The Norfolk

Thursday, April 24th

- 08:00 - 09:00 Quick breakfast and packing to depart for airport
- 09:00 - 09:30 Transfer to Wilson Airport
- 10:30 Flight departs Nairobi (WIL)
- 11:10 Flight arrives at Naboisho Airstrip (OSJ)



- 11:10 - 12:10 Transfer to Ol Kinyei Cottages in the Ol Kinyei Conservancy
- 13:00 - 14:30 Lunch briefing with Gamewatchers CEO Dr. Mohanjeet Brar on tourism and conservation
- Dr. Mohanjeet Brar will brief the delegation on the role of sustainable tourism in supporting conservation. The delegation will gain a better understanding of the ecotourism models in Kenya and the economic opportunities presented for local communities, which will inform participants' work in Congress on conservation and natural resource issues. Mohanjeet started his career as the Managing Director of Gamewatchers Safaris & Porini Camps in 2005. In 2019, he became a Trustee of the Wildlife Habitat Trust and a Board Member of the Kenya Tourism Board. Mohanjeet also served as a Board Member of the Maasai Mara Wildlife Conservancies Association from 2013 to 2021. In 2021, he co-founded Earthacre and became a Board Member of the African Wildlife Foundation, the Kenya Association of Tour Operators, and the African Conservation Center. Overall, Mohanjeet Brar has held various leadership positions and contributed significantly to the tourism and conservation sectors.*
- 14:30 - 15:30 Check in to rooms and unpack
- 15:30 - 18:30 Field briefing with Senior Warden Simon Nkoitai, a Maasai from the community who leads the Ol Kinyei Conservancy management on the ground
- Simon Nkoitai will brief the delegation on Ol Kinyei's management and operations, as well as its successes and challenges. The discussion will provide participants with the warden's unique perspectives as a community member with respect to his conservancy, which will also inform later discussions with the MMWCA on the broader conservancy model.*
- 18:30 - 19:00 Return to camp
- 19:00 - 21:30 Dinner briefing on critical landscape conservation, including protected areas management and other effective area-based conservation measures (OECMs) like the Maasai Mara conservancies
- ICCF staff will lead a discussion on management challenges of protected areas and OECMs and explore partnership models that make these areas effective. Participants will learn, broadly, how each of these models operates and how they support short- and long-term sustainability throughout the continent. This discussion will inform participants' work on conservation and natural resources by illustrating how different models are successful in their respective contexts.*
- Protected areas are widely recognized as the "anchors" to any effort to*



preserve and regenerate nature and restore ecosystems for the benefit of wildlife, human well-being, and Africa's economies. Yet, most African countries lack the funding and capacity necessary to effectively manage protected areas.

OECMs are defined as "a geographically defined area other than a Protected Area, which is governed and managed in ways that achieve positive and sustained long-term outcomes for the in situ conservation of biodiversity, with associated ecosystem functions and services and, where applicable, cultural, spiritual, socioeconomic, and other locally relevant values."

Accommodations: Ol Kinyei Cottages

Friday, April 25th

- 06:30 - 09:00** Field briefing to observe predator activity and discuss human-wildlife conflict
- Conservancy representatives will guide participants to track lion pride movements, discussing, en route, the important role lions and other predators play in the ecosystem as well as the Maasai's historical relationship with lions and present threats of human-wildlife conflict. This discussion will provide participants with key background information and observations on how predators, in particular, support the overall health of the ecosystem, human-wildlife conflict, traditional practices of indigenous groups, and the challenges these create for local buy-in to ecotourism as a development solution.*
- 09:00 - 10:30** Breakfast and field briefing with Niels Mogensen, Senior Program Scientist at the Mara Predator Hub
- The Mara Predator Hub leads research on the Mara's top predators to help community members and landowners understand and appreciate the role of predators in the ecosystem, ensure that key stakeholders in the Greater Mara Ecosystem consistently utilise sound scientific information to inform conservation strategies, and support stable, healthy predator populations in the Greater Mara Ecosystem by providing scientific evidence for conservation action.*
- 10:30 - 11:00** Return to camp
- 11:30 - 13:30** Lunch with Daniel Sopia, CEO of the Maasai Mara Wildlife Conservancies Association (MMWCA)
- Daniel Sopia will brief the delegation on the community conservancy model employed around the Maasai Mara, including its history, the unique ownership and land-use rights associated with it, and the direct support*



they have received from the US government. This discussion will further inform participants' work on conservation and natural resources, illustrating how the conservancy model generates sustainable incomes for individual landowners.

The Maasai Mara Wildlife Conservancies Association is a membership organization of the Mara Conservancies established in 2013. They have a mandate from landowners and tourism parties to play an overarching coordination role for Greater Mara Ecosystem stakeholders. Currently, they have a membership of 24 conservancies at different stages of development, covering about 450,000 acres. The member conservancies bring together over 15,000 landowners who annually receive approximately 7.5 Million paid as lease fees.

- 13:30 - 15:00 Afternoon Break. No activities are planned at this time, and members of the delegation will have an opportunity to rest before evening activities.
- 15:00 - 18:00 Field briefing and visit to a local boma (Maasai homestead) to see one of the lion-proof enclosures and engage with community members, led by Sammy Ole Mpusia, the community liaison officer.

Sammy Ole Mpusia was instrumental in setting up the Ol Kinyei conservancy 19 years ago and getting community buy-in, which is still an ongoing process. He will brief the delegation about cost-effective solutions, like the lion-proof enclosures, to mitigate human-wildlife conflicts, as well as ways in which conservation benefits humans living in proximity to parks and protected areas. For participants, this discussion will build on the morning's observations to see how the communities are tangibly addressing these challenges. Human-wildlife conflict is a serious obstacle to wildlife conservation worldwide and is becoming more prevalent as human population increases, development expands, and other human and environmental factors put people and wildlife in greater direct competition for a shrinking resource base.

- 18:00 - 19:00 Return to camp
- 19:30 - 21:30 Dinner briefing on global biodiversity and habitat loss, land use change, and environmental migration

ICCF representatives will lead a discussion on global biodiversity loss and its implications. More than one million species may be in danger of extinction this century, creating grave threats to human health, well-being, food security, regional stability, and continued economic success. Africa is the most vulnerable continent to the impacts of these changes, subject to increasing frequency and severity of natural disasters, unpredictable rainfall, and widespread crop failure. An estimated 36 million people across Africa are displaced, mostly from conflict. This number has tripled since 2011,



representing 44% of the global total.

This discussion will tie together information learned on the trip, more closely examine linkages to broader global issues, and include a discussion of various development mechanisms available to finance global conservation efforts and how these efforts can work in tandem.

Accommodations: Ol Kinyei Cottages

Saturday, April 26th

05:30 - 08:30 Field briefing with conservancy representatives to learn about wildlife tracking methods and their application for conservation, including combating poaching. The delegation will also learn about the process and training to become a guide or ranger in Kenya and the opportunities these roles create for local employment.

08:30 - 09:00 Return to camp

09:00 - 10:30 Breakfast with Dr. John Sankok, CEO of Community Health Partners (CHP)

Dr. Sankok will brief the delegation on CHP's health and community development programs. The delegation will learn how these programs work in tandem with the conservancy model to support human development in the communities. Community Health Partners has been on the forefront of healthcare since 1980, and played an especially big role during the COVID-19 pandemic. They work on two fronts: primary health care services and community development initiatives. Their overall strategic plan is to contribute to the delivery of quality, accessible, and affordable health services.

10:30 - 11:30 Return to camp

11:30 - 12:30 Break

12:30 - 14:00 Lunch with a representative from the Maa Trust

The Maa Trust is a non-profit organisation working with community-owned conservancies in the Maasai Mara, Kenya. They work to increase the benefits of wildlife and conservation to Maasai families so that they appreciate, and contribute to the protection of, wild animals on their land.

The Maa Trust empowers local people by promoting small business startups & micro finance schemes, enabling them to make their own money and to invest in their family's development. Their members self-identify



their needs and wish list of items, and The Maa Trust helps them to save up for and attain these. Despite a severe lack of education granted to girl children in previous years, their female beadwork and honey members are now affording and investing in clean drinking water for their homes, solar power, alternative fuel to firewood, and they can now send more of their children to school.

14:00 - 15:00

Beading with the Maa Trust representatives

Maa Beadwork is a social enterprise established by The Maa Trust as a sustainable alternative livelihood to generate income for Maasai women and their families. Beading is a tribal art and talent of Maasai women, who have been famed for their adornment for centuries. The delegation will have the opportunity to do some beadwork with the local women and purchase items to support their business.

15:00 - 16:00

Break

16:00 - 18:30

Field briefing with conservancy representatives to introduce the delegation to the Maasai Mara ecosystem

Conservancy representatives will brief the delegation on the Maasai Mara ecosystem en route through the conservancy. This will inform participants on the types and density of fauna and flora found in the conservancies and the larger ecosystem.

The Maasai Mara is Kenya's most important wildlife and tourism area. Roughly 25% of Kenya's wildlife resides within the greater Maasai Mara region, a 4,500 km² wildlife landscape comprised of the 1,510 km² Maasai Mara National Reserve (MMNR) and 3,000 km² of adjacent community and private lands. This area includes the key dry season range for the largest animal migration left on Earth.

18:30 - 19:00

Return to camp

19:00 - 21:00

Dinner Briefing with David Barron, ICCF Founder

David will lead a wrap-up discussion that will go over key takeaways from program visits and the important role the legislative branch plays in creating sound natural resource management policies that conserve the environment and ensure economic, food and national security.

Accommodations: Ol Kinyei Cottages

Sunday, April 27th - Travel Day

07:00

Breakfast at the camp



08:00 -10:00 Field briefing on combating wildlife trafficking (CWT)

ICCF representatives will lead a discussion of global efforts to combat wildlife trafficking. As both populations and economies have grown in East Asia, the demand for wildlife products has surged, sending the black-market price of ivory, rhino horn, and other products to historic highs. Poaching and wildlife trafficking in Africa are destabilizing economies, decimating iconic species, financing violent insurgent groups and international criminal organizations, contributing to the deterioration of governance, and creating large swaths of land in which insurgent groups can train and operate. The delegation will learn about the poaching risks facing conservation areas as well as recent legislative and policy successes in Kenya and the region.

10:00 -10:30 Return to camp

10:30 - 11:30 Pack up for departure

12:00 - 13:00 Lunch before flight back to Nairobi

13:30 - 14:00 Depart camp for Naboisho Airstrip (OSJ)

14:30 Flight departs for Nairobi (Wilson Airport)

15:10 Flight arrives at Wilson Airport

15:30 Ground transport to Fairmont the Norfolk to utilize dayrooms and prepare for international flights.

18:30 Depart hotel for Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (NBO)

23:45 Depart Nairobi for Brussels on Brussels Airlines flight 491

Monday, April 28th - Travel Day

12:00 Depart Brussels for Washington, Dulles on Brussels Airlines flight 8801

14:15 Arrive in Washington, Dulles