RE-2 Employee Post Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

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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.**

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):
National Bureau of Asian Research

Travel Dates:
01/31/2026 to 02/07/2026

Name of accompanying family member (if any):

Relationship to Traveler:

Expenses

Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meals Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
$1,900.00	$1,320.00	$400.00	$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.

3/5/2026
Date

Paul Burdette
Printed Name of Traveler

Paul Burdette
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.

3/5/2026
Date

Jeanne Shaheen
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
There were no changes to pre-approved travel expenses.		

Were there any changes to the pre-approved itinerary?

● Yes ○ No

Explanation: We added two meetings, and because of them moved the museum tour to a different museum on a different day. All other activities proceeded as planned, and we still have 6+ hours of substantive activities every day. I've pasted the revised itinerary below. The National Bureau of Asian Research U.S.-ROK Next Generation Leaders Program 2026 Delegation to the Republic of Korea February 2 – February 6 ITINERARY Saturday, January 31: 9:40AM Paul Burdette departs Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA) on AC 8783, with a stopover at Toronto-Pearson International Airport (YYZ). Sunday, February 1: 6:25 PM Paul Burdette arrives at Incheon International Airport (ICN) on AC 61. Monday, February 2: 8:30 AM Breakfast (at hotel) 9:15 AM – 9:45 AM 9:45 AM 10:15 AM – 11:15 AM Welcome Briefing (30 min.) Senior Expert Tami Overby and NBR Senior Director Doug Strub will provide an update on U.S.-ROK relations and other major issues that will be covered during the week's meetings. They will discuss the meeting participants' roles in U.S.-ROK relations and answer any questions the delegates have about the trip. Location: Hotel Leave for U.S. Embassy Briefing and dialogue with U.S. Embassy Seoul (1 hr.) The U.S. Embassy's Economic and Commercial Sections will provide a briefing on South Korea's overall economic environment, as well as South Korea's trade and economic relations with the United States and other countries throughout the

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

○ Yes ● No

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

Seoul, 188 Sejong-daero, Jongno-gu, Seoul, Korea 03141 Participants: • Andrew Gately, Minister Counselor for Commercial Affairs and Senior Commercial Officer • Joe Narus, Science, Technology, Energy Unit Chief, Economic Section • Haley Sund, Commercial Officer • Adam Hennings, Public Diplomacy Officer 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM Lunch with the Korea Foundation (1.5 hrs.) The Korea Foundation is a key South Korean public diplomacy institute that promotes educational and cultural exchange. They will provide remarks and engage in candid discussion on U.S.-ROK social and cultural relations to help give the delegates additional context to better understand the broader geopolitical relationship. Location: Samcheonggak, 151 Songi-ro, 가락2동 Songpa District, Seoul, South Korea Participants: • Rhee Jong Kook, Executive Vice President • Hyojung Kim, Assistant Director • Jiyeon Go, Program Officer 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM Meeting with Korea-U.S. Parliamentary Union (1.5 hrs.) The Korea-U.S. Parliamentary Union is a parliamentary body established in 2025 to strengthen the U.S.-ROK alliance through engagements with U.S. policymakers. They will provide insight on issues related to the alliance, followed by a Q&A and discussion. Location: National Assembly Member's Office Building, 1 Uisadang-daero, Yeongdeungpo District, Seoul, South Korea Participants: • Kim Young Bae, Member of the National Assembly (DPK) • Lee Jae Jung, Member of the National Assembly (DPK) • Taemyon Kwon, Executive Director, KUPU 4:30 PM Return to Hotel 4:30 PM – 5:00 PM Meetings Debrief (30 min.) Delegates will share key takeaways from the day's meetings in discussion with Senior Expert Tami Overby and Program Director Doug Strub. Location: Bus 6:00 PM Leave for Dinner Event 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM Dinner Event at the Digital Industry Policy Association (2 hrs.) The Digital Industry Policy Association is an organization comprising of major companies in South Korea's digital industry. Delegates will attend a dinner and reception for the Association's policy education program and hear from experts on U.S.-Korea relations and policy issues in the digital industry. Location: Kensington Hotel, 16 Gukhoe-daero 76-gil, Yeongdeungpo District, Seoul, South Korea Participants: Representatives from the National Assembly, Democratic Party, People Power Party, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, associations, cohort of students, and companies. 8:30 PM Return to Hotel Tuesday, February 3: 9:00 AM Breakfast (at hotel) 9:45 AM Leave for KITA 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM Meetings Briefing (30 min.) Senior Expert Tami Overby will provide brief introductions to the organizations and meeting participants in the day's schedule and answer any questions. Location: Bus 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Meeting with Korea International Trade Association (1 hr.) The Korea International Trade Association (KITA) is the largest business organization in Korea with over 77,000 member companies, and its objective is to bolster the Korean economy through global trade. KITA experts will present an overview of South Korean trade data and trade

relations with the United States. Location: Trade Tower, 511 Yeongdong-daero, Gangnam-gu, Seoul, 06164 Participants: • Sangjun Lee, Executive Managing Director • Moon Kyung Oh, Director, Americas Department • Gwi Il Jung, Director, Asia Department 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Lunch with Korea International Trade Association (1 hr.) Delegates will participate in a brown bag lunch with KITA staff to allow for open discussion and a more candid exchange of views. Location: Trade Tower, 511 Yeongdong-daero, Gangnam-gu, Seoul, 06164 Participants: • Sangjun Lee, Executive Managing Director • Moon Kyung Oh, Director, Americas Department • Gwi Il Jung, Director, Asia Department • Several junior colleagues 1:30 PM – 2:00 PM Meetings Debrief (30 min.) Delegates share key takeaways from the KITA meeting and discuss topics and questions to be discussed with MOFA and MOTIR, to account for recent developments in U.S.-ROK relations, per their request. Location: Bus 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM Meeting with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1 hr.) The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is the primary ROK government agency responsible for foreign policy. Delegates will meet with staff to hear insights on U.S.-ROK relations and Korea's technological development and foreign policy under the Lee administration, followed by a Q&A and discussion. Location: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 60 Sajik-ro 8-gil, Jongno District, Seoul, South Korea Participants: • Jonghun Park, Deputy Minister of Economic Affairs • Soyeon Joung, Second Secretary, North American Affairs Division • Joung Hoon Shin, Deputy Secretary, AI Diplomacy Division 3:30 PM – 5:30 PM Meeting with the Ministry of Trade, Industry, and Resources (1hr.) The National Museum of Korean Contemporary History showcases Korea's modern history from the nation's founding to the present day. Delegates will take a guided tour of the museum to learn about the historical context shaping Korea's economic development and foreign policy. Location: National Museum of Korean Contemporary History, 198 Sejong-daero, Jongno District, Seoul, South Korea Participants: • Young-man Kim, Director, Trade Policy Division • Jongmin Park, Deputy Director, Americas Trade Division 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM Group Dinner Discussion (1 hr.) The delegates and Program Director Doug Strub engage in a working dinner that allows for more candid discussion of their key takeaways from the first two days of meetings, and allows Director Strub to answer and questions they may have. Location: Korean restaurant near hotel Wednesday, February 4: 7:45 AM Breakfast (at hotel) 8:30 AM Leave for FKI 8:45 AM – 9:15 AM Meetings Briefing (30 min.) Senior Expert Tami Overby will provide brief introductions to the organizations and meeting participants in the day's schedule and answer any questions. Location: Bus 9:15 AM – 10:15 AM Meeting with the Federation of Korean Industries (1 hr.) The Federation of Korean Industries (FKI) is a major organization of Korean industries and companies. Delegates will participate in a discussion on Korea's economic landscape and private sector cooperation with the U.S. Location: FKI Tower, South Korea, Seoul, Yeongdeungpo District, Yeoui-daero, 24 FKI타워 Participants: • Dr. Chul Chung, CRO of FKI, President of KERI 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Meeting with the National Assembly Futures Institute (1 hr.) The National Assembly Futures Institute is a research institute established by Korea's National Assembly to conduct research informing economic and strategic challenges facing Korea and present the "National Future Vision Strategy." Delegates will participate in a discussion with team members on Korea's economic and technological strategies, lessons for the United States, and potential areas of cooperation. Location: National Assembly Member's Building, 741 Gukhoe-daero, Yeouido-dong, Yeongdeungpo-gu, Seoul Participants: • Dr. Jungmi Cha, Head of the Foreign Policy and Security Strategy Division • Eun-Ah Kim, Research Fellow • Sung Jun Park, Associate Research Fellow • Tae-Kyung Kim, Associate Research Fellow 12:00PM – 1:00 PM Lunch with the National Assembly Futures Institute (1 hr.) Delegates will participate in a lunch with NAFI staff to allow for open discussion and a more candid exchange of views. Location: National Assembly Members' Hall Restaurant 3 Participants: • Dr. Jungmi Cha, Head of the Foreign Policy and Security Strategy Division • Sung Jun Park, Associate Research Fellow • Tae-Kyung Kim, Associate Research Fellow • Eun-Ah Kim, Research Fellow 2:30 PM – 3:30 PM Meeting with Ambassador Ho-young Ahn (1 hr.) Ambassador Ho-young Ahn served as South Korea's ambassador to the United States from 2013–2017, and prior to that served as South Korea's First Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Delegates will participate in a discussion with Ambassador Ahn on major issues impacting the U.S.-ROK trade relationship. Location: At hotel Participants: • Ambassador Ho-young Ahn 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Meeting with Asan Institute for Policy Studies (1 hr.) The Asan Institute for Policy Studies is an independent, non-partisan think tank which undertakes policy research on strategic and foreign policy issues impacting the Korean Peninsula. Delegates will participate in a discussion on the impacts of U.S. trade policy on South Korea and how South Korea is responding and adapting to these developments. Location: Asan Institute for Policy Studies, 11 Gyeonghuigung 1ga-gil, Jongno District, Seoul Participants: • Dr. Choi Kang, President • Dr. Kim Heungchong, Adjunct Senior Fellow • Dr. Shim Sangmin, Senior Research Fellow, Center for Foreign Policy and National Security • Dr. Peter Lee, Research Fellow, Center for Regional Studies 5:00 PM Return to Hotel 5:00 PM – 5:30 PM Meetings Debrief (30 min.) Delegates will share key takeaways from the day's meetings in discussion with Senior Expert Tami Overby and Program Director Doug Strub. Location: Bus 6:30 PM Dinner (on own) Thursday, February 5: 7:30 AM Breakfast (at hotel) 8:15 AM Leave for American Chamber of Commerce in Korea 8:30 AM – 9:00 AM Meetings Briefing (30 min.) Senior Expert Tami Overby will provide brief introductions to the organizations and meeting participants in the day's schedule and answer any questions. Location: Bus 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM Meeting with American Chamber of Commerce in Korea (1 hr.) The American Chamber of Commerce in Korea (AmCham) is the largest foreign chamber in Korea representing

the interests of member companies in the Korean economy. Delegates will participate in a discussion on U.S.-ROK trade relations and the economic landscape in Korea. Location: 10, Gukjegeumyung-ro, Yeongdeungpo-gu, Seoul 07326 Participants: • James Kim, Chairman and CEO 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM Visit to the War Memorial Museum of Korea (1 hr.) The War Memorial Museum of Korea is a flagship museum that provides in-depth information on Korea's role in 20th century wars and how these conflicts shaped Korean development and society. Delegates will take a guided tour of the museum to learn more about the historical and cultural context of Korea. Location: War Memorial Museum of Korea, 29 Itaewon-ro, Yongsan District, Seoul, South Korea 11:30 AM Lunch (location TBD) 12:15 PM Leave for Samsung in Gangnam 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM Meeting with Samsung (1 hr.) Samsung is a major Korean multinational manufacturing company headquartered in Seoul. Delegates will participate in a discussion on Samsung's operations in South Korea and the United States, as well as its role in U.S.-ROK cooperation. Location: TBD Participants: • Daesoon Park, Director, Global Public Affairs • Cameron Cankaya, Director, Public Affairs 2:30 PM – 3:30 PM Meeting with Hyundai (1 hr.) Hyundai is a major multinational auto manufacturer headquartered in Seoul. Delegates will participate in a discussion on the impact of U.S. policy on Hyundai's operations in South Korea and the United States, and the role of private sector companies such as Hyundai in the U.S.-ROK relationship. Location: 12, Heolleung-ro, Seocho-gu, Seoul Participants: • Sung Kim, President 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Meeting with Korea Trade-Investment Promotion Agency (KOTRA) (1 hr.) KOTRA is an organization under Korea's Ministry of Trade, Industry, and Energy responsible for promoting the expansion of Korean business overseas and attracting foreign investment in South Korea. Delegates will participate in a discussion on the current business and investment environment in South Korea. Location: Heolleung-ro, Seocho-gu, Seoul, 06792, Rep. of KOREA Participants: • Nam Hwan Woo, Director, Investment Public Relations Team • So young Kim, Manager, Investment Public Relations Team 5:00 PM Return to Hotel 5:00 PM – 5:30 PM Meetings Debrief (30 min.) Delegates will share key takeaways from the day's meetings in discussion with Senior Expert Tami Overby and Program Director Doug Strub. Location: Bus 6:30 PM Dinner (on own) Friday, February 6: 8:15 AM Breakfast (at hotel) 9:00 AM Leave for SK Hynix in Icheon 9:30 AM – 10:00 AM Meeting Briefing (30 min.) Senior Expert Tami Overby will provide brief introductions to SK Hynix and meeting participants and answer any questions. Location: Bus 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM Meeting and Facility Tour with SK Hynix (2.5 hrs.) SK Hynix is a major global supplier of memory chips headquartered in Icheon, South Korea. Delegates will participate in a briefing covering SK Hynix's operations in South Korea and the United States and a window tour of the company's semiconductor manufacturing facility in Icheon. Location: SK Hynix Icheon campus 2091, Gyeongchung-daero, Bubal-eub, Icheon Participants: • Seojun Yang, VP of Global Business Policy • DongJoon Shin, Team Lead, Global Policy Planning 1:00 PM Lunch – Korean restaurant in Icheon 2:00 PM Return to Hotel 4:00 PM – 1:00 PM Hanwha Ocean (1 hrs.) Hanwha Ocean is a leading global shipbuilder with significant interests in the Hanwha Philly Shipyard. Delegates will participate in a briefing covering Hanwha's operations in South Korea and the United States, and about Hanwha Ocean's role in helping the United States meet it's shipbuilding demand. Location: 14 Sejong-daero, Hoehyeon-dong, Jung District, Seoul Participants: In Sub Jung, President, Hanwha Ocean 2:00 PM – 2:30 PM Meeting Debrief (30 min.) Delegates will share key takeaways from the meeting and tour in discussion with Senior Expert Tami Overby and Program Director Doug Strub. Location: Bus 5:30 PM Leave for Farewell Dinner 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM Farewell Dinner (2 hrs.) Delegates will engage in discussion with Senior Expert Tami Overby and Program Director Doug Strub and reflect on their experiences over the past week, including takeaways, remaining questions, and opportunities for further learning. Location: TBD 8:00 PM Return to Hotel Saturday, February 7: 8:10 PM Paul Burdette departs Incheon International Airport (ICN) on AC 62, with a stopover at Toronto-Pearson International Airport (YYZ). 10:35 PM Paul Burdette arrives at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA) on AC 8788.

Burdette, Paul (Foreign Relations)

From: Doug Strub <dstrub@nbr.org>
Sent: Monday, December 8, 2025 3:46 PM
To: Burdette, Paul (Foreign Relations)
Cc: Fern Hinrix
Subject: Re: Invitation to apply: NBR's U.S.-ROK NextGen Leaders Program

Hi Paul,

Thank you for submitting your application materials. **I am writing to confirm your selection for NBR's 2026 U.S.-ROK NextGen Leaders Program.**

Next steps:

- **Please confirm your acceptance into the program asap.**
- **Please work on getting approval from the Ethics Committee asap. Our preference is to purchase flights before the holiday break if possible.**
- Start thinking about your travel plans. We will share some potential itineraries soon, but generally delegates fly out on Saturday, January 31, and depart Seoul on Saturday, February 7.
    - If you would like to stay longer for vacation time, you are welcome to do so, and we're happy to work with you on a plane ticket that works for you so long as it's a comparable price to flying on the designated days. If you opt to add vacation days, you will need to cover your own food and accommodation costs for those days.
    - We will follow up about this soon so we can get your airfare purchased in the coming weeks.
- We will also be following up soon to check your availability for the January kickoff meeting. This will likely take place around the end of the work day during the week of January 19 or January 26.

Best,
Doug

From: Burdette, Paul (Foreign Relations) <Paul_Burdette@foreign.senate.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 4, 2025 10:36 AM
To: Doug Strub <dstrub@nbr.org>
Cc: Fern Hinrix <fhinrix@nbr.org>
Subject: RE: Invitation to apply: NBR's U.S.-ROK NextGen Leaders Program

Hi Doug,

Please see attached for my application. Thank you again for the opportunity to apply!

Best,
Paul

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:
Paul Burdette

Employing Office/Committee:
FOREIGN RELATIONS DEM

Private Sponsor(s):
National Bureau of Asian Research

Destination(s):
Seoul, Korea, Republic of

Travel Dates:
02/02/2026 to 02/06/2026

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.

I cover Indo-Pacific and international cyber and technology policy on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. My portfolio covers the U.S.-South Korea alliance, including military, economic, and technological cooperation.

Do you have an accompanying family member or spouse on this trip?
No

Name and Relationship to Traveler:
N/A

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

12/15/2025
Date

Paul Burdette
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 SENATOR JEANNE SHAHEEN
(Print Senator's/Officer's Name)

hereby authorize PAUL BURDETTE
(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)

12/15/2025
Date

Jeanne Shaheen
Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer

National Bureau of Asian Research: U.S.-ROK Next Generation Leaders Progam

Paul Burdette

Title:
Senior Legislative and Policy Analyst

Employing Office/Committee:
FOREIGN RELATIONS DEM

Duty Station:
WASHINGTON,DC

Destination(s):
Seoul, Korea, Republic of

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

I cover Indo-Pacific and international cyber and technology policy on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. My portfolio covers the U.S.-South Korea alliance, including military, economic, and technological cooperation.

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

Name and Relationship to Traveler:
None

Organization Information

Organization Name
National Bureau of Asian Research

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

Address 2 (Optional)
Suite 900

Phone Number
6088813077

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

Address
1819 L St. NW

City, State Zip
Washington, District Of Columbia 20036 United States

Organization URL

History of Congressional Travel

This will be the 13th iteration of NBR's U.S.-ROK NextGen Leaders program. It is not specifically a congressional-focused trip, but we bring delegates ranging from think tanks to the private sector to USG, and have included numerous USG delegates in the past.

Educational Activities

NBR hosts an evolving set of activities aimed at training and mentoring the next generation of Asia specialists. Currently these include our Bridge to Asia fellowship program, Chinese Language Fellowship Program, and U.S.-ROK NextGen program, but we have had many similar programs over the years.

Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

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

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.

This trip brings emerging U.S. experts to Seoul, South Korea for one week to engage in meetings with key stakeholders, including the ROK government (usually MOFA, MSIT, and MOTIR), the U.S. Embassy, think tanks, and the private sector to learn more about the U.S.-Korea relationship and how this fits into broader Indo-Pacific strategic dynamics. This delegation will focus on trade and technology issues. If the schedule permits, we will likely include 1-2 cultural activities, such as a museum or palace tour, or maybe attend a baseball game.

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

NBR has a twin mission of producing world-class, policy-relevant research on U.S.-Asia relations and to train the next generation of Asia specialists, who can then contribute to strengthening U.S. policy toward the region. This trip will inform emerging leaders on Indo-Pacific policy and U.S.-South Korea relations.

Is your organization the only sponsor for this trip?

- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

Grantmaking Organizations (Optional)

There are no grantmaking organizations.

With or Without Regard for Congressional Participation

The trip is arranged or organized without regard to congressional participation.

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

- [x] 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

- [x] The trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.
- [x] 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

- [x] 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 not** receive invitations.

The list of invitees is below.

Travel Details

Trip Start Date/Time:
01/31/2026 @ 07:02 AM

Trip End Date/Time:
02/07/2026 @ 10:56 AM

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: $1,900.00 | Accompanying Family Member: $0.00)

Transportation Type	Class	Amount
Airfare	Coach	$1,750.00
Ground Transportation	N/A	$150.00

Note
Delegates are allowed up to $150 for transportation to and from airports.

Lodging (Per Member/Officer/Employee: $1,320.00)

Check-In	Check-Out	Facility	City	State	Country	Nights	Cost/Night	Cost Exceed Per Diem
02/01/2026	02/07/2026	Courtyard Seoul Namdaemun	Seoul	None	Korea, Republic of	6	$220.00	No

Meals (Per Member/Officer/Employee: $400.00)

Date	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Incidentals	Total	City	State	Country	Cost Exceeds Per Diem
02/02/2026	$25.00	$20.00	$25.00	$10.00	**$80.00**	Seoul	None	Korea, Republic of	No
02/03/2026	$25.00	$20.00	$25.00	$10.00	**$80.00**	Seoul	None	Korea, Republic of	No
02/04/2026	$25.00	$20.00	$25.00	$10.00	**$80.00**	Seoul	None	Korea, Republic of	No
02/05/2026	$25.00	$20.00	$25.00	$10.00	**$80.00**	Seoul	None	Korea, Republic of	No
02/06/2026	$25.00	$20.00	$25.00	$10.00	**$80.00**	Seoul	None	Korea, Republic of	No

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

Expense Type	Amount	Notes
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: NBR U.S.-ROK NextGeneration Leaders

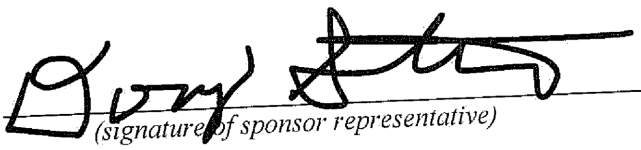
Travel Date(s): February 2-6, 2026

Travel Destination(s): Seoul, South Korea

Sponsor: The National Bureau of Asian Research

Doug Strub — *(printed name of sponsor representative)*

Senior Director — *(title)*



(signature of sponsor representative)

Dec. 12, 2025 — *(date)*

U.S.-ROK Next Generation Leaders Program – Senate Participants

Paul Burdette, Senior Legislative & Policy Analyst, United States Senate Committee on Foreign Relations

NBR THE NATIONAL BUREAU of ASIAN RESEARCH

The National Bureau of Asian Research U.S.-ROK Next Generation Leaders Program

2026 Delegation to the Republic of Korea
February 2 – February 6
ITINERARY

Saturday, January 31:

9:40AM	Paul Burdette departs Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA) on AC 8783, with a stopover at Toronto-Pearson International Airport (YYZ).

Sunday, February 1:

6:25 PM	Paul Burdette arrives at Incheon International Airport (ICN) on AC 61. Travels to hotel. All delegates will be staying at the following hotel for the duration of the trip: Courtyard Seoul Namdaemun 9 Namdaemun-ro, Jung District, Seoul, South Korea

Monday, February 2:

8:30 AM	**Breakfast (at hotel)**
9:15 AM – 9:45 AM	**Welcome Briefing (30 min.)** *Senior Expert Tami Overby and NBR Senior Director Doug Strub will provide an update on U.S.-ROK relations and other major issues that will be covered during the week's meetings. They will discuss the meeting participants' roles in U.S.-ROK relations and answer any questions the delegates have about the trip.* Location: Hotel
9:45 AM	**Leave for U.S. Embassy**
10:15 AM – 11:15 AM	**Briefing and dialogue with U.S. Embassy Seoul (1 hr.)** *The U.S. Embassy's Economic and Commercial Sections will provide a briefing on South Korea's overall economic environment, as well as South Korea's trade and economic relations with the United States*

and other countries throughout the Indo-Pacific region. Delegates will then engage in a Q&A and open discussion with Embassy experts.

Location: U.S. Embassy Seoul, 188 Sejong-daero, Jongno-gu, Seoul, Korea 03141
Participants:

- Andrew Gately, Minister Counselor for Commercial Affairs and Senior Commercial Officer
- others TBD

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Lunch with the Korea Foundation (1.5 hrs.)
The Korea Foundation is a key South Korean public diplomacy institute that promotes educational and cultural exchange. They will provide remarks and engage in candid discussion on U.S.-ROK social and cultural relations to help give the delegates additional context to better understand the broader geopolitical relationship.

Location: Samcheonggak, 151 Songi-ro, 가락 2 동 Songpa District, Seoul, South Korea
Participants:

- Senior Representative (TBD)
- Hyojung Kim, Assistant Director
- Jiyeon Go, Program Officer

3:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Meeting with Korea-U.S. Parliamentary Union (1.5 hrs.)
The Korea-U.S. Parliamentary Union is a parliamentary body established in 2025 to strengthen the U.S.-ROK alliance through engagements with U.S. policymakers. They will provide insight on issues related to the alliance, followed by a Q&A and discussion.

Location: National Assembly Member's Office Building, 1 Uisadang-daero, Yeongdeungpo District, Seoul, South Korea
Participants:

- Kim Young-bae, National Assembly Member (DPK)
- Cho Jung-hun, National Assembly Member (PPP)

4:30 PM

Return to Hotel

4:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Meetings Debrief (30 min.)
Delegates will share key takeaways from the day's meetings in discussion with Senior Expert Tami Overby and Program Director Doug Strub.

Location: Bus

6:00 PM — **Leave for Dinner Event**

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM — **Dinner Event at the Digital Industry Policy Association (2 hrs.)**
The Digital Industry Policy Association is an organization comprising of major companies in South Korea's digital industry. Delegates will attend a dinner and reception for the Association's policy education program and hear from experts on U.S.-Korea relations and policy issues in the digital industry.

Location: Kensington Hotel, 16 Gukhoe-daero 76-gil, Yeongdeungpo District, Seoul, South Korea
Participants: Representatives from the National Assembly, Democratic Party, People Power Party, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, associations, cohort of students, and companies.

8:30 PM — **Return to Hotel**

Tuesday, February 3:

9:00 AM — **Breakfast (at hotel)**

9:45 AM — **Leave for KITA**

10:00 AM – 10:30 AM — **Meetings Briefing (30 min.)**
Senior Expert Tami Overby will provide brief introductions to the organizations and meeting participants in the day's schedule and answer any questions.

Location: Bus

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM — **Meeting with Korea International Trade Association (1 hr.)**
The Korea International Trade Association (KITA) is the largest business organization in Korea with over 77,000 member companies, and its objective is to bolster the Korean economy through global trade. KITA experts will present an overview of South Korean trade data and trade relations with the United States.

Location: Trade Tower, 511 Yeongdong-daero, Gangnam-gu, Seoul, 06164
Participants:

- Inho Lee, Executive Chairman
- Sangjun Lee, Executive Managing Director

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Lunch with Korea International Trade Association (1 hr.)
Delegates will participate in a brown bag lunch with KITA staff to allow for open discussion and a more candid exchange of views.

Location: Trade Tower, 511 Yeongdong-daero, Gangnam-gu, Seoul, 06164
Participants:

- Inho Lee, Executive Chairman
- Sangjun Lee, Executive Managing Director
- Additional KITA staff TBC

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Meeting with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1 hr.)
The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is the primary ROK government agency responsible for foreign policy. Delegates will meet with staff to hear insights on U.S.-ROK relations and Korea's technological development and foreign policy under the Lee administration, followed by a Q&A and discussion.

Location: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 60 Sajik-ro 8-gil, Jongno District, Seoul, South Korea
Participants: TBD

3:30PM – 5:30 PM

Visit to the National Museum of Korean Contemporary History (2 hrs.)
The National Museum of Korean Contemporary History showcases Korea's modern history from the nation's founding to the present day. Delegates will take a guided tour of the museum to learn about the historical context shaping Korea's economic development and foreign policy.

Location: National Museum of Korean Contemporary History, 198 Sejong-daero, Jongno District, Seoul, South Korea

5:30 PM

Return to Hotel

5:30 PM – 6:00 PM	**Meetings Debrief (30 min.)** *Delegates will share key takeaways from the day's meetings in discussion with Senior Expert Tami Overby and Program Director Doug Strub.* Location: Bus
6:30 PM	**Dinner (on own)**

Wednesday, February 4:

7:45 AM	**Breakfast (at hotel)**
8:30 AM	**Leave for FKI**
8:45 AM – 9:15 AM	**Meetings Briefing (30 min.)** *Senior Expert Tami Overby will provide brief introductions to the organizations and meeting participants in the day's schedule and answer any questions.* Location: Bus
9:15 AM – 10:15 AM	**Meeting with the Federation of Korean Industries (1 hr.)** *The Federation of Korean Industries (FKI) is a major organization of Korean industries and companies. Delegates will participate in a discussion on Korea's economic landscape and private sector cooperation with the U.S.* Location: FKI Tower, South Korea, Seoul, Yeongdeungpo District, Yeoui-daero, 24 FKI 타워 Participants: • Dr. Chul Chung, CRO of FKI, President of KERI
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	**Meeting with the National Assembly Futures Institute (1 hr.)** *The National Assembly Futures Institute is a research institute established by Korea's National Assembly to conduct research informing economic and strategic challenges facing Korea and present the "National Future Vision Strategy." Delegates will participate in a discussion with team members on Korea's economic and technological strategies, lessons for the United States, and potential areas of cooperation.*

Location: National Assembly Member's Building, 741 Gukhoe-daero, Yeouido-dong, Yeongdeungpo-gu, Seoul
Participants:

- Dr. Jungmi Cha, Head of the Foreign Policy and Security Strategy Division
- Eun-Ah Kim, Research Fellow
- Sung Jun Park, Associate Research Fellow
- Tae-Kyung Kim, Associate Research Fellow

12:00PM – 1:00 PM **Lunch with the National Assembly Futures Institute (1 hr.)**
Delegates will participate in a lunch with NAFI staff to allow for open discussion and a more candid exchange of views.

Location: National Assembly Members' Hall Restaurant 3
Participants:

- Dr. Jungmi Cha, Head of the Foreign Policy and Security Strategy Division
- Sung Jun Park, Associate Research Fellow
- Tae-Kyung Kim, Associate Research Fellow
- Eun-Ah Kim, Research Fellow

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM **Meeting with Ambassador Ho-young Ahn (1 hr.)**
Ambassador Ho-young Ahn served as South Korea's ambassador to the United States from 2013–2017, and prior to that served as South Korea's First Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Delegates will participate in a discussion with Ambassador Ahn on major issues impacting the U.S.-ROK trade relationship.

Location: At hotel
Participants:

- Ambassador Ho-young Ahn

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM **Meeting with Asan Institute for Policy Studies (1 hr.)**
The Asan Institute for Policy Studies is an independent, non-partisan think tank which undertakes policy research on strategic and foreign policy issues impacting the Korean Peninsula. Delegates will participate in a discussion on the impacts of U.S. trade policy on South Korea and how South Korea is responding and adapting to these developments.

Location: Asan Institute for Policy Studies, 11 Gyeonghuigung 1ga-gil, Jongno District, Seoul
Participants:

- Dr. Choi Kang, President
- Dr. Kim Heungchong, Adjunct Senior Fellow

- Dr. Shim Sangmin, Senior Research Fellow, Center for Foreign Policy and National Security
- Dr. Peter Lee, Research Fellow, Center for Regional Studies
- Dr. Ben Forney, Non-Resident Fellow
- Dr. Ko Bomin, Assistant Professor, Incheon National University

5:00 PM **Return to Hotel**

5:00 PM – 5:30 PM **Meetings Debrief (30 min.)**
Delegates will share key takeaways from the day's meetings in discussion with Senior Expert Tami Overby and Program Director Doug Strub.

Location: Bus

6:30 PM **Dinner (on own)**

Thursday, February 5:

7:30 AM **Breakfast (at hotel)**

8:15 AM **Leave for American Chamber of Commerce in Korea**

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM **Meetings Briefing (30 min.)**
Senior Expert Tami Overby will provide brief introductions to the organizations and meeting participants in the day's schedule and answer any questions.

Location: Bus

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	**Meeting with American Chamber of Commerce in Korea (1 hr.)** *The American Chamber of Commerce in Korea (AmCham) is the largest foreign chamber in Korea representing the interests of member companies in the Korean economy. Delegates will participate in a discussion on U.S.-ROK trade relations and the economic landscape in Korea.* Location: 10, Gukjegeumyung-ro, Yeongdeungpo-gu, Seoul 07326 Participants: • James Kim, Chairman and CEO
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	**Visit to the National Museum of Korea (1 hr.)** *The National Museum of Korea is a flagship museum of Korean history and culture. Delegates will take a guided tour of the museum to learn more about the historical and cultural context of Korea.* Location: National Museum of Korea, 137 Seobinggo-ro, Yongsan District, Seoul, South Korea
11:30 AM	**Lunch (location TBD)**
12:15 PM	**Leave for Samsung in Gangnam**
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	**Meeting with Samsung (1 hr.)** *Samsung is a major Korean multinational manufacturing company headquartered in Seoul. Delegates will participate in a discussion on Samsung's operations in South Korea and the United States, as well as its role in U.S.-ROK cooperation.* Location: TBD Participants: • Daesoon Park, Director, Global Public Affairs • Cameron Cankaya, Director, Public Affairs

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM	**Meeting with Hyundai (1 hr.)** *Hyundai is a major multinational auto manufacturer headquartered in Seoul. Delegates will participate in a discussion on the impact of U.S. policy on Hyundai's operations in South Korea and the United States, and the role of private sector companies such as Hyundai in the U.S.-ROK relationship.* Location: 12, Heolleung-ro, Seocho-gu, Seoul Participants: • Sung Kim, President
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	**Meeting with Korea Trade-Investment Promotion Agency (KOTRA) (1 hr.)** *KOTRA is an organization under Korea's Ministry of Trade, Industry, and Energy responsible for promoting the expansion of Korean business overseas and attracting foreign investment in South Korea. Delegates will participate in a discussion on the current business and investment environment in South Korea.* Location: Heolleung-ro, Seocho-gu, Seoul, 06792, Rep. of KOREA Participants: • Nam Hwan Woo, Director, Investment Public Relations Team • So young Kim, Manager, Investment Public Relations Team
5:00 PM	**Return to Hotel**
5:00 PM – 5:30 PM	**Meetings Debrief (30 min.)** *Delegates will share key takeaways from the day's meetings in discussion with Senior Expert Tami Overby and Program Director Doug Strub.* Location: Bus
6:30 PM	**Dinner (on own)**
Friday, February 6:	
8:15 AM	**Breakfast (at hotel)**
9:00 AM	**Leave for SK Hynix in Icheon**

9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	**Meeting Briefing (30 min.)** *Senior Expert Tami Overby will provide brief introductions to SK Hynix and meeting participants and answer any questions.* Location: Bus
10:00 AM – 1:00 PM	**Meeting and Facility Tour with SK Hynix (3 hrs.)** *SK Hynix is a major global supplier of memory chips headquartered in Icheon, South Korea. Delegates will participate in a briefing covering SK Hynix's operations in South Korea and the United States and a window tour of the company's semiconductor manufacturing facility in Icheon.* Location: TBD Participants: TBD
1:00 PM	**Lunch (location TBD)**
2:00 PM	**Return to Hotel**
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM	**Meeting Debrief (30 min.)** *Delegates will share key takeaways from the meeting and tour in discussion with Senior Expert Tami Overby and Program Director Doug Strub.* Location: Bus
5:30 PM	**Leave for Farewell Dinner**
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	**Farewell Dinner (2 hrs.)** *Delegates will engage in discussion with Senior Expert Tami Overby and Program Director Doug Strub and reflect on their experiences over the past week, including takeaways, remaining questions, and opportunities for further learning.* Location: TBD
8:00 PM	**Return to Hotel**

Saturday, February 7:

8:10 PM	Paul Burdette departs Incheon International Airport (ICN) on AC 62, with a stopover at Toronto-Pearson International Airport (YYZ).
10:35 PM	Paul Burdette arrives at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA) on AC 8788.