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# Exhibit A to Registration Statement Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended

INSTRUCTIONS. Furnish this exhibit for EACH foreign principal listed in an initial statement and for EACH additional foreign principal acquired subsequently. The filing of this document requires the payment of a filing fee as set forth in Rule (d)(1), 28 C.F.R. § 5.5(d)(1). Compliance is accomplished by filing an electronic Exhibit A form at https://www.fara.gov.

Privacy Act Statement. The filing of this document is required by the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq.*, for the purposes of registration under the Act and public disclosure. Provision of the information requested is mandatory, and failure to provide this information is subject to the penalty and enforcement provisions established in Section 8 of the Act. Every registration statement, short form registration statement, supplemental statement, exhibit, amendment, copy of informational materials or other document or information filed with the Attorney General under this Act is a public record open to public examination, inspection and copying during the posted business hours of the Registration Unit in Washington, DC. Statements are also available online at the Registration Unit's webpage: https://www.fara.gov. One copy of every such document, other than informational materials, is automatically provided to the Secretary of State pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act, and copies of any and all documents are routinely made available to other agencies, departments and Congress pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Act. The Attorney General also transmits a semi-annual report to Congress on the administration of the Act which lists the names of all agents registered under the Act and the foreign principals they represent. This report is available to the public in print and online at: https://www.fara.gov.

Public Reporting Burden. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .49 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to Chief, Registration Unit, Counterintelligence and Export Control Section, National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530; and to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

| 1. Name and Address of Registrant | 2. Registration No. |
|---|---|
| Cornerstone Government Affairs<br>300 Independence Ave. SE<br>Washington, D.C. 20003 | 6401 |

| 3. Name of Foreign Principal | 4. Principal Address of Foreign Principal |
|---|---|
| The Democratic Party of Moldova | 32 Tighina Street, Chisinau, Moldova, MD 2001 |

5. Indicate whether your foreign principal is one of the following:

- ☐ Government of a foreign country[1]
- ☒ Foreign political party
- ☐ Foreign or domestic organization: If either, check one of the following:
  - ☐ Partnership
  - ☐ Corporation
  - ☐ Association
  - ☐ Committee
  - ☐ Voluntary group
  - ☐ Other *(specify)* _____
- ☐ Individual-State nationality _____

6. If the foreign principal is a foreign government, state:

a) Branch or agency represented by the registrant

b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals

7. If the foreign principal is a foreign political party, state:

a) Principal address
32 Tighina Street, Chisinau, Moldova, MD 2001

b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals Constantin Botnari, General Secretary

c) Principal aim Support Democratic Party policies

1 "Government of a foreign country," as defined in Section 1(e) of the Act, includes any person or group of persons exercising sovereign de facto or de jure political jurisdiction over any country, other than the United States, or over any part of such country, and includes any subdivision of any such group and any group or agency to which such sovereign de facto or de jure authority or functions are directly or indirectly delegated. Such term shall include any faction or body of insurgents within a country assuming to exercise governmental authority whether such faction or body of insurgents has or has not been recognized by the United States.



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8. If the foreign principal is not a foreign government or a foreign political party:

a) State the nature of the business or activity of this foreign principal.

N/A

b) Is this foreign principal:

| | |
|---|---|
| Supervised by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal | Yes ☐ No ☐ |
| Owned by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal | Yes ☐ No ☐ |
| Directed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal | Yes ☐ No ☐ |
| Controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal | Yes ☐ No ☐ |
| Financed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal | Yes ☐ No ☐ |
| Subsidized in part by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal | Yes ☐ No ☐ |

9. Explain fully all items answered "Yes" in Item 8(b). *(If additional space is needed, a full insert page must be used.)*

10. If the foreign principal is an organization and is not owned or controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party or other foreign principal, state who owns and controls it.

N/A

**EXECUTION**

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swears or affirms under penalty of perjury that he/she has read the information set forth in this Exhibit A to the registration statement and that he/she is familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

| Date of Exhibit A | Name and Title | Signature |
|---|---|---|
| August 10, 2017 | Geoff J. Gonella, President & Managing Director | /s/ Geoff J. Gonella eSigned |

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# Exhibit B to Registration Statement Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended

INSTRUCTIONS. A registrant must furnish as an Exhibit B copies of each written agreement and the terms and conditions of each oral agreement with his foreign principal, including all modifications of such agreements, or, where no contract exists, a full statement of all the circumstances by reason of which the registrant is acting as an agent of a foreign principal. Compliance is accomplished by filing an electronic Exhibit B form at https://www.fara.gov.

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| 1. Name of Registrant | 2. Registration No. |
|---|---|
| Cornerstone Government Affairs | 6401 |

3. Name of Foreign Principal

The Democratic Party of Moldova

Check Appropriate Box:

4. ☒ The agreement between the registrant and the above-named foreign principal is a formal written contract. If this box is checked, attach a copy of the contract to this exhibit.

5. ☐ There is no formal written contract between the registrant and the foreign principal. The agreement with the above-named foreign principal has resulted from an exchange of correspondence. If this box is checked, attach a copy of all pertinent correspondence, including a copy of any initial proposal which has been adopted by reference in such correspondence.

6. ☐ The agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal is the result of neither a formal written contract nor an exchange of correspondence between the parties. If this box is checked, give a complete description below of the terms and conditions of the oral agreement or understanding, its duration, the fees and expenses, if any, to be received.

7. Describe fully the nature and method of performance of the above indicated agreement or understanding.

Cornerstone/Registrant will provide strategic counsel to the principal on strengthening the principal's ties to the United States government and institutions.



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8. Describe fully the activities the registrant engages in or proposes to engage in on behalf of the above foreign principal.

Registrant will assist in communicating priority issues in the United States-Moldovan bilateral relationship to relevant U.S. audiences, including Congress, the executive branch, and policy community.

9. Will the activities on behalf of the above foreign principal include political activities as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act and in the footnote below? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, describe all such political activities indicating, among other things, the relations, interests or policies to be influenced together with the means to be employed to achieve this purpose.

All of the activities listed in Item 8 will be undertaken in order to communicate information to the principal as well as communicate information about the principal and its issues of concern to interested persons in the public sector. At the request of the principal, meetings with members of Congress and their staff, executive branch officials, and non-governmental organizations may be arranged.

## EXECUTION

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swears or affirms under penalty of perjury that he/she has read the information set forth in this Exhibit B to the registration statement and that he/she is familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

| Date of Exhibit B | Name and Title | Signature |
|---|---|---|
| August 10, 2017 | Geoff J. Gonella, President & Managing Director | /s/ Geoff J. Gonella eSigned |

Footnote: "Political activity," as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act, means any activity which the person engaging in believes will, or that the person intends to, in any way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting, or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to the political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

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# SERVICE AGREEMENT

THIS SERVICE AGREEMENT, dated August 1, 2017 (hereinafter "***Agreement***") is entered into by and between CORNERSTONE GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS, INC. (hereinafter "***CORNERSTONE***"), a sub-chapter S corporation duly organized under the laws of the District of Columbia, with its principal place of business at 300 Independence Avenue, SE, Washington, D.C. 20003, and the Democratic Party of Moldova (hereinafter "***PDM***"), with its principal place of business at Chișinău, str. Tighina no. 32, MD-2001, Moldova (hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties").

WHEREAS, CORNERSTONE is in the business of providing strategic consulting and advocacy services to assist its clients in dealing with federal, state and local governments and governmental and regulatory authorities (hereinafter "***GR Services***"); and

WHEREAS, PDM and CORNERSTONE desire to enter into this Agreement to set forth the basic terms and conditions that will govern the relationship under which CORNERSTONE will provide GR Services to PDM:

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing recitals, the agreements contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged by each party, the parties agree as follows:

1. Term. The term of this Agreement shall commence on the date first written above and continue through July 31, 2018. The parties may mutually agree in writing to extend the Term.

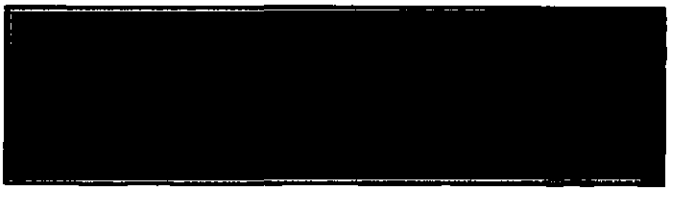
2. Termination. This Agreement may be terminated by either party with or without cause at any time during the Term after thirty (30) days written notice to the other party: PDM shall pay CORNERSTONE all fees and expenses otherwise owed it under the terms of this Agreement through the effective date of such termination. All balances not paid on the due dates specified herein will bear interest at the rate of one percent (1%) per month until paid. All costs incurred by CORNERSTONE in the collection of uncontested fees which are more than sixty (60) days past due shall be paid by PDM.

3. Services by CORNERSTONE. During the term, CORNERSTONE shall provide GR Services to PDM. The precise scope and extent of the GR Services may be amended by mutual agreement of the parties.

4. Relationship of the Parties. The parties acknowledge and agree that each is an independent business entity and, as such, neither party may represent itself as an employee, agent, or representative of the other. Neither party may incur any obligations on behalf of the other party unless specifically authorized in this Agreement. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall create or be construed as creating an agency, partnership, joint venture, employment relationship or any other relationship except as set forth between the parties.

5. Fee. Payment for the GR Services shall be made via wire transfer by PDM to CORNERSTONE in twelve (12) advance monthly payments of thirty thousand dollars ($30,000.00) plus reasonable and customary out-of-pocket expenses with any out of town travel being approved in advance by PDM (the "***Fee***"). PDM will make the first payment of the Fee within thirty (30) business days of the date this Agreement is executed by both PDM and CORNERSTONE, based on the invoice submitted by Cornerstone. The Parties agree to discuss in good faith any adjustment in the Fee that either party shall deem appropriate given the level of services mutually agreed upon under Section 3. Federally appropriated funds may not be used to pay for any services provided or expenses incurred under this contract. Wire instructions are as follows:

**DOMESTIC WIRE:**



**INTERNATIONAL WIRE:**

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6. Confidentiality. CORNERSTONE agrees with respect to any written information marked "confidential" or "proprietary" by PDM or information disclosed orally and identified orally as "confidential" or "proprietary" by PDM at the time of disclosure and reduced to writing (hereinafter "***Confidential Information***"), that CORNERSTONE will use Confidential Information solely to enable it to perform its obligations hereunder, and will not disclose any Confidential Information to any person or entity without the prior express written consent of PDM. Provided, however, that Confidential Information may be provided by CORNERSTONE to those of its employees who need such information to enable CORNERSTONE to perform its obligations hereunder and who are required to keep such information confidential and to its auditors, consultants and advisors who agree to keep such information confidential or are otherwise bound to restrictions on disclosure.

Confidential Information shall not include information which: (i) is now or hereafter becomes part of the public domain; (ii) was received by CORNERSTONE from a third party under no obligation of confidentiality to PDM; or (iii) is disclosed by PDM to a third party without restriction.

In the event that such disclosure is required by applicable law, regulation or court order, CORNERSTONE agrees, if reasonably practicable, to refrain from such disclosure until such time as PDM has received written notice with regard to any required disclosure (provided that notice of the required disclosure is not prohibited by law), and PDM has had a reasonable opportunity to contest the basis for disclosure and review the content of the proposed disclosure.

7. No Verification by CORNERSTONE. It is understood that CORNERSTONE cannot undertake to verify all facts supplied to it by PDM or related entities or all factual matters included in materials prepared or used by CORNERSTONE and approved by PDM or related entities.

8. Liability. The entire liability of CORNERSTONE, and PDM's exclusive remedy for damages from any cause related to or arising out of this Agreement, regardless of the form of action, whether in contract or in tort, shall not exceed the amount of monies actually paid to CORNERSTONE by PDM in the immediately preceding twelve (12) month period. In no event shall CORNERSTONE be liable for any incidental, indirect, special or consequential damages, including but not limited to, loss of use, revenues, profits or savings, even if CORNERSTONE knew or should have known of the possibility of such damages or claims against PDM by any person.

9. Indemnity. PDM agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless CORNERSTONE against any and all losses, claims, damages, legal fees, expenses, or liabilities that CORNERSTONE may incur based upon information, representations, reports, data or releases furnished or approved by PDM or its specifically authorized representative for use or release by CORNERSTONE, whether or not CORNERSTONE prepared or participated in the preparation of such materials. For purposes of this section, the parties indemnified shall include CORNERSTONE, its directors, members, agents and employees. Subject to the liability provisions of section 8, CORNERSTONE agrees to indemnify and hold harmless PDM against any and all losses, claims, damages, legal fees, expenses or liabilities that PDM may incur based upon information, representations, reports, data or releases made by CORNERSTONE or its authorized agent or representative that PDM did not expressly approve, or that CORNERSTONE materially changed or altered after PDM's approval; or that CORNERSTONE used in a negligent or reckless manner. This section 9 shall survive the termination of this Agreement and shall continue to bind both parties.

10. Compliance with Law. CORNERSTONE shall be responsible, at its own expense, for complying with any federal law and/or regulation governing lobbying, including, but not limited to any law or rule requiring registration of or the filing of public disclosure reports by lobbyists, which law or rule applies by reason of any service to be performed or activity to be conducted.

11. No Assignment. Neither party shall assign any of its rights or delegate any of its duties or obligations under this Agreement without the express written consent of the other party.

12. Governing Law. This Agreement and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the District of Columbia, without giving effect to any choice or conflict of law provision or rule.

13. Dispute Resolution. Any dispute arising under this Agreement shall be resolved by arbitration in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association. Arbitration shall be conducted before one arbitrator mutually agreeable to CORNERSTONE and PDM. If the parties cannot agree on an arbitrator within thirty (30) days after the request for arbitration, then each party will select an arbitrator and the two arbitrators will select a third who shall act as the sole



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arbitrator of the dispute. Judgment on any award rendered by an arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. All fees of the arbitrator and other costs and expenses of the arbitration shall be paid by PDM and CORNERSTONE equally unless otherwise awarded by the arbitrator.

14. Entire Agreement. This Agreement contains the entire understanding between the parties relating to the rights granted and the obligations assumed and supersedes all prior written and oral communications between the parties.

15. Amendment. This Agreement may be changed only by written agreement signed by each party.

The parties hereto may change their address as set forth in this section by providing the other party with written notice thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the authorized representatives of PDM and CORNERSTONE do hereby execute this Agreement as of the date first above written.

CORNERSTONE GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS, INC.

Date: 7/28/17

Name: Geoff J. Gonella

Title: President

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF MOLDOVA

Date: 28.07.17

Name: Constantin Botnari

Title: Secretary General



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