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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FARA REGISTRATION UNIT
NATIONAL SECURITY DIVISION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20530

NOTICE

Please answer the following questions and return this sheet in triplicate with your Supplemental Statement:

1. Is your answer to Item 16 of Section V (Informational Materials – page 8 of Form CRM-154, formerly Form OBD-64-Supplemental Statement):

YES _____ or NO _____

(If your answer to question 1 is "yes" do not answer question 2 of this form.)

2. Do you disseminate any material in connection with your registration:

YES _____ or NO _____

(If your answer to question 2 is "yes" please forward for our review copies of all material including: films, film catalogs, posters, brochures, press releases, etc. which you have disseminated during the past six months.)

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Jennifer Hirshberg
Signature

8/12/09
Date

Jennifer Hirshberg
Please type or print name of
Signatory on the line above

Partner
Title



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STATEMENT - PLEASE EXECUTE IN TRIPLICATE

SHORT-FORM REGISTRATION INFORMATION SHEET

SECTION A

The Department records list active short-form registration statements for the following persons of your organization filed on the date indicated by each name. If a person is not still functioning in the same capacity directly on behalf of the foreign principal, please show the date of termination.

Short Form List for Registrant: Alcalde & Fay, Ltd.

Last Name	First Name and Other Names	Registration Date	Termination Date	Role
Fay	Kevin	12/09/2008		
Hirshberg	Jennefer	12/09/2008		
Minakowski	Christopher	12/09/2008		
Smith	Clifton	04/28/2009		

Not Applicable

client terminated 1 March 2009

Response to Question 12

For International Democracy and Walid Benflis, Alcalde & Fay assisted them in their efforts to engage the United States government to become an active advocate for protecting free elections, human rights, and democratic reforms in the People's Republic of Algeria. We have undertaken efforts to educate and inform various committees of Congress, persons at the executive agencies, and other quasi-governmental institutions about the current political and human rights situation in Algeria by means of personal meetings. Specifically, our efforts have focused on promoting free elections, advancing democracy through reform, and advocating transparency in Algerian government. We have advocated personally for Ali and Walid Benflis. Our efforts have included attending and arranging (and attempting to arrange) meetings in which the current situation in Algeria was discussed, particularly as it pertains to the candidacy for President of Algeria of Ali Benflis. The following is a list of meetings that were attempted to be arranged:

Federal Contacts/Communications Jan. 13-30, 2009	
<i>Office</i>	<i>Names</i>
Center for Strategic and International Studies	Tom Sanderson
Senate Foreign Relations Committee	Perry Cammack Frank Lowenstein
Congressional Human Rights Commission	Hans Hogrefe Alan Makovsky
Carnegie Institute	
Brookings Institute	
International Republican Institute (IRI)	Scott Mastic Jonathan Crock
Carter Center	

Of these request, we met only with Scott Mastic and Jonathan Crock with the IRI on 4 February 2009 and discussed the above mentioned topics.

Addendum to Question 14(a)

The Supplemental Statement should reflect a “yes” for Karic and a “no” for International Democracy.

If no, explain why:

Although Alcalde & Fay continued in good faith to work on behalf of International Democracy and Walid Benflis, we were not paid for our services as provided in our Agreement. Alcalde & Fay was retained for \$25,000 per month for a total of \$75,000. As of this time, Democracy International and Walid Benflis have an obligation of \$45,000 to Alcalde & Fay. The contractual relationship between the parties was officially terminated for nonpayment on March 1, 2009. No money was exchanged between the parties during this reporting period.

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President Abdelaziz Bouteflika
President of Algeria
(Address)

Mr. President,

We write to reaffirm our commitment to essential democratic principles that result in a government that reflects the will of the people, while respecting the views of the Opposition; safeguards the rights of the citizenry through an independent judiciary and rule of law; protects individual human rights; encourages the development of independent democratic institutions; and provides for the orderly transition of power.

As the US government and Algeria work together to strengthen our ties and align our security and stability priorities, the Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission (TLHRC) of the United States Congress has watched with interest the unfolding of events in Algeria related to term limits. We note that the amendment to the Constitution was not ratified by the people through a referendum. While the U.S. Government does not presume to interfere in the internal politics of other Nations, we are concerned that the will of the majority be heard in the upcoming April 2009 elections. We want to be sure recent changes in the Algerian Constitution which permit a candidate to run for a third presidential term will not be abused to create perpetuity of power.

Therefore, TLHRC urges the following concrete actions be implemented:

- The elections should be monitored by teams of credible, international observers in sufficient numbers to provide accurate reporting and analysis. Among those groups invited should be intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) such as the United Nations, the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance, and the African Union; and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) such as the Carter Center, the International Republican Institute and the National Democratic Institute.
- The elections should be transparent. Elections lists should be scrubbed, vetted and certified to make sure that all votes are cast by eligible voters.
- The election results must be independently verified by an objective, non-interested party.
- Opposition candidates must be allowed access to state controlled TV and other State media and given equal time. Their campaigns should have unrestricted to access to all avenues of communications.

It is through free and fair elections and dedication to the aforementioned democratic principles that Algeria will see new and invigorated leadership emerge, the peaceful transfer of power will occur, and terrorism and other subversive elements will be kept in check.

Sincerely

Democracy International Decries Algerian Vote

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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(November 13, 2008 - Geneva Switzerland) -- Democracy International, a Geneva-based NGO focused on the development of democracy in countries in Africa, denounced yesterday's Parliamentary vote in Algeria that removed term limits for the President of Algeria.

"The vote was bought and paid for by President Bouteflika and his Ministers," said Damien Blanc, the attorney for Democracy International. "Tuesday night before the vote on Wednesday, \$50,000 was promised to each member of Parliament, a bribe that insured the subsequent vote of 503 in favor to 21 opposed, with eight abstaining. Twenty-one members refused the money, saying their vote was not for sale."

President Bouteflika announced his plan two weeks ago at the opening of the Justice calendar on October 29th. In a package of "reforms" that included several elements, Bouteflika proposed an amendment that would remove term limits, allowing him to serve a third term as president. Bouteflika claimed the amendments would "enrich the institutional system" and provide for stability and continuity.

Critics and Opposition leaders have charged that the constitutional change will result, de facto, in Bouteflika's being President for life. In an editorial, the daily al-Watan wrote on Wednesday, "In their crushing majority, the deputies will bury one of the great achievements of the Algerian constitution: the changeover of political power..."

Democracy International is a recently formed NGO that has as its mission assisting in the development of and advocating for democracy in Africa. The organization has first turned its attention to the impending constitutional crisis facing Algeria which threatens to move the country further in the direction of autocracy, rather than democracy. Democracy International lobbies Western democracies to shed light on anti-democratic actions and tendencies in the Maghreb and sub-Saharan African nations.

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