

Privacy Act Statement. 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, D.C. 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. Finally, the Attorney General intends, at the earliest possible opportunity, to make these public documents available on the Internet on the Department of Justice World Wide Web site.

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, Criminal 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.

Furnish this exhibit for EACH foreign principal listed in an initial statement and for EACH additional foreign principal acquired subsequently.

1. Name and address of registrant DAVID M. RAMSDEN 1100 CONNECTICUT AVE NW Suite 310 WASHINGTON DC 20036	2. Registration No. 5256
---	---------------------------------

3. Name of foreign principal MINISTRY OF INFORMATION GOVERNMENT HOUSE MANAMA, STATE OF BAHRAIN	4. Principal address of foreign principal
---	---

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

Foreign government

Foreign political party

Foreign or domestic organization: If either, check one of the following:

<input type="checkbox"/> Partnership	<input type="checkbox"/> Committee
<input type="checkbox"/> Corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> Voluntary group
<input type="checkbox"/> Association	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____

Individual-State nationality _____

CRM/ISS
REGISTRATION UNIT
1998 MAY 19 PM 1:48

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. MINISTER OF INFORMATION
MOHAMMAD AL MUTAWWA

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

a) Principal address.

b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals.

c) Principal aim

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

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.

Date of Exhibit A	Name and Title President, DM Ranson Associates, Inc	Signature 
-------------------	---	---

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. One original and two legible photocopies of this form shall be filed for each foreign principal named in the registration statement and must be signed by or on behalf of the registrant.

Privacy Act Statement. 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, D.C. 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. Finally, the Attorney General intends, at the earliest possible opportunity, to make these public documents available on the Internet on the Department of Justice World Wide Web site.

Public Reporting Burden. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .33 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, Criminal 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 of Registrant DAVID M. RANSOM	2. Registration No. 5256
---	------------------------------------

3. Name of Foreign Principal MOHAMMAD M. MUTAWWA MINISTER OF INFORMATION
--

Check Appropriate Boxes:

- 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.

I SEEK AMERICAN COMPANIES WHO MIGHT INVEST IN BAHRAIN

1998 MAY 19 1:46
 REGISTRATION UNIT
 CRM/ISS

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

AMERICAN INVESTMENT IN BAHRAIN

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.

Date of Exhibit B 12 MAY 1998	Name and Title PRESIDENT, DMRANSON ASSOCIATES, INC	Signature 
----------------------------------	--	---

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 interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Consulting Services Agreement ("the Agreement"), effective 1 November, 1997, is made by and between DMRansomAssociates, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Washington, the District of Columbia, in the United States of America ("the Consultant"), and the Ministry of Information of the State of Bahrain ("the Ministry").

RECITALS

- A. The Consultant specializes in providing services for international commerce and investment, particularly for American companies, and particularly in the region of the Middle East and the Arab Gulf.
- B. The Ministry wishes to engage the Consultant in providing services to promote commercial ventures which may be of interest to the State of Bahrain in its desire to continue development, prosperity, job creation and investment.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions hereinafter set forth, the parties agree as follows:

1. Consulting Services

- a) The Consultant will provide commercial services as may be requested and mutually agreed by the Ministry and the Consultant. These services will include solicitation of US and other companies to invest in Bahrain, to locate their offices in Bahrain, to attend seminars and other programs of trade promotion in Bahrain and in the United States, and to expand existing businesses of tourism, oil, industry, financial and other services.
- b) The Consultant will provide reports and accounting information as may be required by the Ministry.

CRH/193
REGISTRATION UNIT
1998 MAY -9 PM 1:46

- c) The Consultant is acting hereunder as an independent contractor and agrees that neither it nor any of its staff will make any representation to act for the State of Bahrain in any discretionary capacity.

2. **Term**

- a) The term of this Agreement will be for a period of 12 months, commencing on 1st November, 1997, and terminating on 31st October, 1998, subject to renewal by mutual agreement.

3. **Compensation**

- a) The Consultant shall be paid the sum of \$5000 a month. He shall be paid in quarterly installments of \$15,000, with the first quarter due on 30th November, 1997, and succeeding quarters due on 1st February, 1998, 1st May, 1998 and 1st August, 1998.
- b) The Consultant will bill the Ministry on a monthly basis for reasonable expenses incurred as a consequence of this Agreement for such things as routine use of telephone, couriers, copying, use of facsimile machines, the preparation of promotional materials, travel, temporary staff who may be required, and any bank interest charges which may apply if credit must be used to pay unusual bills.
- c) Non-routine projects, such as staging any special or large commercial information efforts, are subject to approval in advance, and will be billed on the basis of expenses plus 20%.
- d) The bills will describe the expenses and their cause with reasonable particularity. All such bills and invoices of the Consultant shall be paid within 15 days or as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter.
- e) All travel will be business class in both transportation and lodging.

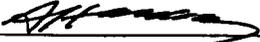
4. **Special Conditions**

- a) The President of DMRansomAssociates, Inc. (i.e., David M. Ransom) is subject to post-government employment restrictions as provided in Section 207 of Title 18 of U.S. Federal Statutes. No actions will be undertaken pursuant to this Agreement to contravene those restrictions. In particular, for the period of this contract, that is, for the first year after Mr. Ransom's employment as a "senior official," as defined in U.S. law mentioned above, both parties agree the Consultant will not offer, and the Ministry will not request, to represent, aid or advise any part of the Government of Bahrain with the intent of influencing a decision of any employee of any U.S. Department or Agency. In addition, the Government of Bahrain will not ask, and Mr. Ransom will not undertake, to appear before a Department of State official, or communicate with such an official, on any matter whatsoever where official action is sought by the Government of Bahrain.

5. **Termination**

- a) This Agreement may be terminated at any time without notice at the initiative of the Ministry or upon the death or disability of the President of the DMRansomAssociates, Inc. The Ministry will promptly thereafter, within 30 days, pay all sums due for services.

Signed on 15th November, 1997



For and on behalf of
the Ministry of Information
of the State of Bahrain



For and on behalf of
DMRansomAssociates, Inc.

Page 2 of DMRansomAssociates, Inc. letter of 18 March 1998

Addendum

The following additional provisions apply to the Consulting Services Contract, dated 15 November 1997, between the Ministry of Information of the State of Bahrain and DMRansomAssociates, Inc.:

Paragraph 1.c is amended by the addition of the following language:

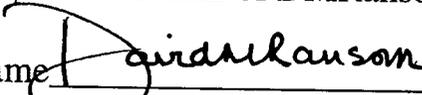
The Consultant is acting hereunder as an independent contractor for the purpose of providing commercial services to the Ministry, as detailed in paragraph 1.a hereof, and the Consultant will not act as an agent of, nor in any official capacity for, the Ministry of any other branch of the State of Bahrain at any time. Any non-routine projects, as referenced in paragraph 3.c hereof are limited by the scope of this agreement as defined in paragraph 1 hereof.

Signed:

For and on behalf of the Ministry of Information of the State of Bahrain

name  date 28 March, 1998

For and on behalf of DMRansomAssociates, Inc.

Name  date 18 March 1998
David M. Ransom, President