

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, DC 20530

**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 <http://www.fara.gov>.

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**1. Name and Address of Registrant**

Nineveh Plain Defense Fund

**2. Registration No.**

6339

**3. Name of Foreign Principal**

Nineveh Plain Protection Units (NPU)

**4. Principal Address of Foreign Principal**

Nineveh Plain Protection Units  
District 99443, Gardan Street 11  
Mahallah Mazi  
Dohuk - Iran

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

- Government of a foreign country<sup>1</sup>
- Foreign political party
- Foreign or domestic organization: If either, check one of the following:
- Partnership  Committee
- Corporation  Voluntary group
- Association  Other (*specify*) Local security force recognized by Gov. of Iraq
- Individual-State nationality

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

a) Branch or agency represented by the registrant

Not applicable

b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals

Not applicable

**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

<sup>1</sup> "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.

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.

The Nineveh Plain Protection Units are a local security force in the Nineveh Plain of Iraq originally sponsored by the Assyrian Democratic Movement and now recognized by the Government of Iraq.

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.)

The Nineveh Plain Protection Units were originally sponsored by the Assyrian Democratic Movement, an established political party in Iraq with democratically elected representation in the Iraqi Parliament. The Nineveh Plain Protection Units have now been recognized by the Government of Iraq as operating under the authority of the Popular Crowd (Popular Mobilization Forces). Please see official statement of the Popular Crowd in Arabic and a certified English translation provided in the supplementary materials.

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.

**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
2-28-2016	Elmer Abbo President	

U.S. Department of Justice  
Washington, DC 20530

**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 <http://www.fara.gov>.

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1. Name of Registrant  Nineveh Plain Defense Fund	2. Registration No.  6339
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3. Name of Foreign Principal  
 Nineveh Plain Protection Units (NPU)

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.

The Nineveh Plain Defense Fund (NPDF) acts as an agent for the Nineveh Plain Protection Units (NPU) by nature of its By-Laws, which were formally accepted by the the Defense's Fund board of directors on February 20, 2016. The NPU are a local security force in the Nineveh Plain of Iraq originally sponsored by the Assyrian Democratic Movement and now recognized by the Government of Iraq. A copy of the By-laws is provided in supplement. The nature of the agency relationship of the Nineveh Plain Defense Fund to the NPU is such that the Chairman of the Nineveh Plain Protection Units Military Committee is an ex officio board member of the NPDF with special powers, including the approval of nominations of board members and the power to veto decisions of the NPDF board. Thus, while the Defense Fund may make decisions separately from the Nineveh Plain Protection Units, the leader of the NPU retains final approval authority over the collective actions of the Defense Fund. As a result of this administrative relationship, the Nineveh Plain Defense Fund shall act as the official sponsor of the NPU to channel financial and other support from the international Assyrian diaspora community and other supporters to the NPU in full compliance with the laws of the United States and may use its full authority to enforce the reputation, goodwill, and any trademarks of the NPU as well as its own reputation, goodwill, and

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

The Nineveh Plain Defense Fund is to be organized as a nonprofit corporation of the State of Illinois with the goal to direct support from Americans and others throughout the world for the Nineveh Plains Protection Unit of Iraq in full compliance with the laws of the United States. The NPU are a local security force in the Nineveh Plain of Iraq originally sponsored by the Assyrian Democratic Movement and now recognized by the Government of Iraq.

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

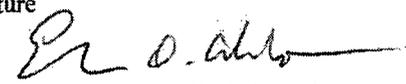
If yes, describe all such political activities indicating, among other things, the relations, interests or policies to be influenced together with the means to be employed to achieve this purpose.

While political lobbying is not the purpose of the Nineveh Plain Defense Fund, the Defense Fund intends to inform the executive administration of the United States and legislative members of Congress of its activities. The Defense Fund does not intend to provide any political contributions but may organize or participate in events in which others may collect contributions for political purposes.

The primary intent of the Nineveh Plain Defense Fund is not to engage in political activity. However, it is possible that in the performance of our mission we interact with officials of the United States Government and influence policies of the United States. The Nineveh Plain Defense Fund is supportive of policies that would provide financial, logistical, and training support directly to the Nineveh Plain Protection Units of Iraq as well as policies that would provide financial, logistical, humanitarian, and economic development support directly to the indigenous ethnoreligious minorities of the Nineveh Plains of Iraq and their non-governmental organizations.

**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 2-28-2016	Name and Title Elmer Abbo President	Signature 
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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.

REPUBLIC OF IRAQ  
Prime Minister  
AUTHORITY OF THE POPULAR  
crowd

المسند: ق/ن/ ٦٦ / ٢٠١٥  
التاريخ: ٢٨ / ١١ / ٢٠١٥



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رئاسة الوزراء  
هيئة المشقة الشعبية  
شعبة الادارة المركزية

الى السيد معاون الامامي الموقر

م ا اعلام

السلام عليكم

نود اعلامكم بان تشكيل (وحدات حماية مهول نفقوى) احدى تشكيلات هيئة الخطه  
الشعبى والمبلغ عندهم (٣٠٠) مقاتل تبدأ بالتسلسل ( ١ ابراهيم كامل اوراها كيا عنو )  
وتنتهى بالتسلسل (يوسف داود ايشو زانوخ ايور) علما ان تاريخ النشر ٢٠١٥/١١/٠١  
للتفضل بطعم.

مستند التفصيل

المراسلات:

- ١ قائمة بالاسماء (٣)
- ٢ الامر الاماري

محمد رشيد صليح  
مدير الادارة  
هيئة المشقة الشعبية  
لنسخة الثاني ٢٠١٥



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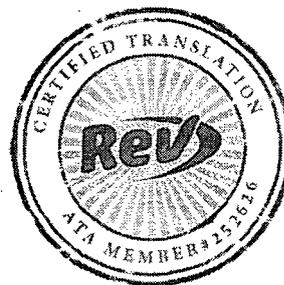
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Republic of Iraq  
Prime Minister  
Authority of the Popular Crowd  
Central Administration Directorate  
No. 6405  
Date: 28 NOV 2015



[Logo of the Authority of the Popular Crowd]

To the Administrative Associate

**Re: Notice**

Peace be upon you,

This is to notify you that the (Nineveh Plain Protection Units) Formation, a formation affiliated with the Authority of the Popular Crowd, totaling (300) fighters, starts with (Ibrahim Kamel Oraha Khaya Atto) and ends with (Youssef Dawoud Aysho Zaduakh Abbo).

The Date of Issue is 1 NOV 2015.

This is to certify.

Kindest regards...

**Enclosures:**

1. Name lists (3)
2. Administrative order



[Signature]

Majeed Rahim Saleh  
Chairman  
Authority of the Popular Crowd  
November 2015

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