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Dear Madam/Sir,

Enclosed please find the International Rescue Committee's
Lobbying Report for the period January 1 - June 30, 2000.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Sheppie G. Abramowitz
Vice President, Government Relations

Enclosure

Refugee Relief, Respect, Renewal

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LOBBYING REPORT

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1. Registrant Name INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported 1612 K Street, NW #700, Washington, DC 20006			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City: _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____			
4. Contact Name Mrs. Sheppie Abramowitz	Telephone 202 - 822-0043	E-mail (optional) ircgov@mindspring.com	5. Senate ID # 20048-12
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TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2000 Midyear (January 1-June 30) OR Year End (July 1-December 31)

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report
 10. Check if this is a Termination Report ⇨ Termination Date _____ 11. No Lobbying Activity

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13	
<p>12. Lobbying Firms</p> <p>INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇨ \$ _____ <small>Income (nearest \$20,000)</small></p> <p>Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).</p>	<p>13. Organizations</p> <p>EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇨ \$ <u>40,000</u> <small>Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</small></p> <p>14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 4033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code</p>

Signature Sheppie Abramowitz

Printed Name and Title Sheppie Abramowitz, VP, Government Relations, IRC

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LOBBYING ACTIVITY. Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code FOR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Increase funding to international disaster assistance, specifically to USAID, OFDA budgets; increase funding to Department of State's Bureau for Population, Refugees & Migration; increase funding to Migration Refugee Assistance (MRA) and ERMA accounts.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

House and Senate Appropriations Committees, House International Relations Committee, Senate Foreign Committee, Office of Management & Budget, Department of State Bureau of Population, Refugees & Migration.

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
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19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above Check if None

Signature *Sheppie Abramowitz* Date 7/24/2000

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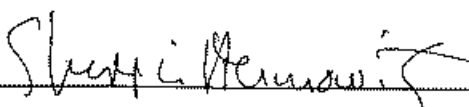
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