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### LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - All Filers Are Required To Complete This Page

1. Registrant Name <u>American Foreign Service Association</u>		
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported <u>2101 E St. N. W., Washington D. C. 20037</u>		
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City: _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____		
4. Contact Name <u>Susan Beardon</u>	Telephone <u>(202) 338-4045</u>	E-mail (optional) _____
7. Client Name <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self		5. Senate ID # <u>2365-12</u>
		6. House ID # <u>23194000</u>

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><b>12. Lobbying Firms</b></p> <p>INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input 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><b>13. Organizations</b></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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> ⇨ \$ <u>80,000</u>  <small>Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</small></p> <p><b>14. REPORTING METHOD.</b> Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(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 \_\_\_\_\_

*Susan Beardon*

Aug 8, 2000

Printed Name and Title \_\_\_\_\_

SUSAN BEARDON, Executive Director

**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 BUD (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

H.Con.Res. 290, Concurrent Budget Resolution for FY 2001: Concern for the Budget Level for Function 150. Urged highest possible levels, especially above the 1997 Balanced Budget Act recommendations. Also sought language expressing need for greater funding for the international affairs account.

H.R. 4690, Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary Appropriations bill for FY2001. AFSA is concerned about both the adequacy of the Administration's request as it applies to the operations account and the building account of the Department of State, especially embassy security funding, and the funding levels the Congress will approve in these areas. As in the past, AFSA believes neither have been adequately funded and will work for increases above the Administration's general request.

H.R. 4811/S. 2522. Foreign Operations Appropriations bill for FY2001. AFSA has general concerns over the entire bill's funding levels and the Administration's request for programs under this bill. However, AFSA is particularly concerned about adequate funding for the Operating Expense account of the bill as well as sufficient funding for security at USAID missions.

17. House(s) of congress and federal agencies contacted.  Check if None

The respective Budget and Appropriations Committees in both the Senate and the House of Representatives in the Legislative Branch and the Department of State, other foreign affairs agencies in the Executive Branch and the Office of Management and Budget.

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
Kennon H. Nakamura		
Ivo Spalatin		

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above.  Check if None

Signature  Date Aug 8, 2000

Printed Name and Title: Susan Reardon, Executive Director

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16. Specific lobbying issues

AFSA continues to meet with relevant authorization and appropriations committees of the Congress to discuss issues regarding the funding of the programs under the 150 International Affairs Budget Function as well as issues pertinent to employees of the Foreign Service that would help enhance professional qualifications and conditions of being in the Foreign Service. Particular appropriations legislation for the 150 account is discussed in the AFSA filing for the Budget category. Among the authorization issues discussed are retirement computation, training, treatment of domestic partners of foreign service employees while they are posted abroad, security, etc.

AFSA is also interested in the Congress's views regarding the recommendations of the Secretary of State's Overseas Presence Advisory Panel (OPAP).


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The House of Representatives, the Senate, and the Department of State

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16. Specific lobbying issues

H.R. 4040, "Federal Retirement Coverage Errors Corrections Act" AFSA sought to have the Foreign Service included in legislation that would provide a retirement remedy for those federal employees who were placed in the incorrect retirement system through no fault of their own.

H.R. 208, "Allowing for Contributions of Certain Rollover distributions to Accounts and Eliminating Certain Waiting Period Requirements for Participating in Thrift Savings Plan." AFSA supports the enactment of this bill. It has passed the House and passed the Senate amended.

H.R. 4040. "Long Term Care Security Act". AFSA encouraged the enactment of long term care insurance programs for federal employees, and the inclusion of Foreign Service employees in this program.

H.R. 974/PL 106-98, the "D.C. College Access Act". AFSA has been working on the implementing regulations with the Government of the District of Columbia regarding the inclusion of Foreign Service employees domiciled in the District of Columbia.


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The Government Reforms and Government Affairs Committees of the Senate, the House of Representatives, and also with the Department of State. With regard to the implementation of the D.C. College Access Act, PL 106-98, the D.C. Tuition Grant Assistance Program Office of the Government of the District of Columbia.

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

16. Specific lobbying issues

AFSA continues to seek the amendment of current tax law regarding the exclusion of capital gains on the sale of a principal residence by having included the provisions in Congressman Houghton's bill, H.R. 865. AFSA seeks to have time away from the principal residence, when on an official duty assignment away from the principal residence for an extended period, not be counted as part of the "look back" in determining the amount of time having lived in the principal residence in order to qualify for existing capital gains exclusions. This was section 204 in the 106<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Session's bill, H.R. 2488 and was vetoed.

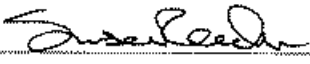
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The House of Representatives' Committee on Ways and Means, the Senate Finance Committee, the Office of the Hon. Arno Houghton, and the tax staff of Senate members of the Senate Finance Committee.

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**Information Update Page** - Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.

20. Client new address

21. Client new principal place of business (if different from line 20)

City State/Zip (of Country)

22. New general description of client's business or activities

**LOBBYIST UPDATE**

23. Name of each previously reported individual who is no longer expected to act as a lobbyist for the client

**ISSUE UPDATE**

24. General lobbying issues previously reported that no longer pertain

**AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS**

25. Add the following affiliated organization(s)

Name	Address	Principal Place of Business (city and state or country)

26. Name of each previously reported organization that is no longer affiliated with the registrant or client

**FOREIGN ENTITIES**

27. Add the following foreign entities

Name	Address	Principal place of business (city and state or country)	Amount of contribution for lobbying activities	Ownership percentage in client

28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity that no longer owns, or control, or is affiliated with the registrant, client or affiliated organization

Signature *Susan Reardon* Date Aug 8, 2000  
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