U.S. Department of Justice
Washington, DC 20530

Exhibit A
To Registration Statement
Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended

OMB NO. 1105-0003

Privacy Act Statement. Every registration statement, short form registration statement supplemental statement, exhibit, amendment, copy of information 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 documents, other than information 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

Verner, Liipfert, Bernhard, McPherson and Hand, Chartered
901 15th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20005

2. Registration No. 3712

3. Name of foreign principal

Government of Mexico

4. Principal address of foreign principal
1911 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

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:
☐ Partnership ☐ Committee
☐ Corporation ☐ Voluntary group
☐ Association ☐ Other *(specify)* _____

☐ Individual-State nationality _____

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

a) Branch or agency represented by the registrant. Embassy of Mexico

b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals. Ambassador Jesus F. Reyes-Heroles

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

a) Principal address.

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

c) Principal aim

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8. If the foreign principal is not a foreign government or a foreign political party, N/A

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 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.)*

N/A

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.

N/A

Date of Exhibit A	Name and Title	Signature
	Michael J. Roberts, President and Managing Attorney	Michael J Roberts

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Exhibit B
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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.

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Verner, Liipfert, Bernhard, McPherson & Hand, Chartered	3712

3. Name of foreign principal

Embassy of Mexico

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.

Performance of the above-mentioned agreement is set forth in the attached letter of agreement.

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

The activities to be engaged in by the Registrant on behalf of the foreign principal are set forth in the attached letter of agreement. The Registrant will engage in activities on behalf of the foreign principal that do not require registration under the Act. The Registrant is registering because some of its activities may require such registration.

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.

The Registrant will provide strategic advice and counsel to the foreign principal. The Registrant's activities may also include inquiries on behalf of the foreign principal with Executive Branch officials and officials of government agencies. The Registrant will not speak on behalf of the foreign principal except with its express authorization, both with the executive and legislative branches of the United States Government.

Date of Exhibit B	Name and Title Michael J. Roberts, President and Managing Attorney	Signature Michael J Roberts

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

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November 15, 1998

The Honorable Jesús F. Reyes-Heroles
Embassy of Mexico
1911 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Ambassador Reyes-Heroles:

We are pleased to submit the following proposal. As you know, Verner Liipfert Bernhard McPherson and Hand, Chartered ("the Firm") and its members have played an active role over the years in promoting a strong and durable relationship between the United States and Mexico. We are pleased to have the opportunity to work with the Embassy of Mexico (the "Embassy") on the important bilateral issues facing the two nations. Pleased be assured that the Firm would extend its best efforts under the terms of the agreement described more fully below.

Scope of Assignment

We understand that, unless you and your colleagues should elect to expand the scope of this assignment, the Firm would work in support of the Embassy's efforts in the United States to help ensure that U.S. policymakers continue to provide adequate attention to Mexico's relevant interests.

This assignment would require that the Firm expend significant efforts to help keep the Embassy abreast of interest in, and views about, Mexican law enforcement among U.S. policymakers in Congress, the Administration, and other important constituencies. The Firm would assist the Embassy: (1) in identifying activities and creating opportunities to

develop an accurate appreciation among U.S. policymakers of ongoing progress that has occurred; (2) in anticipating and addressing their concerns as and when they arise; and (3) in facilitating opportunities for you and your colleagues to provide useful information to U.S. policymakers as effectively as possible.

You are familiar with the Firm's governmental experience and resources. To accomplish the foregoing objectives, the Firm would make available, as appropriate, the expertise and strategic capabilities of our senior members, many of whom have extensive experience in government policymaking pertaining to U.S. – Mexico relations. We look forward to working closely with your colleagues at the Embassy and others whom you designate to assure success.

Proposed Terms of Agreement

We propose that the Firm and the Embassy (the "Parties") enter into an Agreement with an initial term extending from November 15, 1998 to May 15, 1999 (which, we understand, is the limit of the Embassy's current budget authority and renewable thereafter). We propose further that, as soon as the Embassy receives budget authority to extend the contract term, the Firm and the Embassy will revise the scope and financial terms of this Agreement.

Under this Agreement the Embassy agrees to pay the Firm a retainer of $35,000 per month (covering fees and expenses) for the first six months (ending May 15, 1999). To facilitate cash flow, it shall be material to this Agreement that the Embassy pay the initial monthly retainer promptly upon the signing of the Agreement and pay subsequent monthly retainer fees on the sixteenth of each month thereafter throughout the entire term of the contract. The Firm would submit a monthly invoice describing that month's hourly billings and expenses, which would be offset against the retainer amount.

Upon expiration of the initial term on May 15, 1999 the Parties may agree upon an adjusted, prospective retainer. Both Parties reserve the right to terminate this Agreement upon thirty days' written notice at any time.

The Embassy would remit all amounts owed under this Agreement to the Firm by wire transfer on the sixteenth of each month to the following account:

Bank:	Crestar Bank, N.A. 1445 New York Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C.
Bank Routing No. (ABA #)	054-000-522

Account Number:	206635575
Account Name:	Verner, Liipfert, Bernhard, McPherson and Hand Master Depository Account
Bank Contact:	Pearlie Jordan

The Firm's standard retainer fee would include charges for expenses incidental to the Firm's representation of the Embassy's interests. Such expenses covered under the Firm's retainer fee would include: long distance telephone; facsimile; telex; messenger, courier, and other communications costs; document reproduction and retrieval costs; staff overtime; document preparation on word processing facilities and computer research facilities. When the Embassy requests that members of the Firm travel outside of Washington, D.C., lodging and transportation will be billed directly and separately to the Embassy.

To contain costs and assure continuity in our representation, the Firm would assign a core team of Verner Liipfert professionals to work with the Embassy and supervise the Firm's work. We would serve on this core team along with Larry Levinson and Abaigeal Dodd. As we agreed, John A. Merrigan would serve as the project leader for this effort.

In addition to this core team, the Firm would allocate its resources efficiently and effectively to serve the Embassy's needs. You are familiar with a number of Firm members, but you requested that we share some information about the broader group who would support the Firm in this effort. We have enclosed, as Attachment Number 1, an illustrative list of Firm members who would assist in serving the Embassy. This list also itemizes some of their past experience for your information. We would call upon these and other members of the Firm as appropriate. If the Firm wishes to include the services of a Mexican national in performing its duties under this Agreement, the Firm would first seek the Embassy's specific approval.

We understand that, in the course of our representation, we may become privy to confidential information and that the maintenance of confidentiality is a material consideration in the performance of this Agreement. Please be assured that, as with all of our representations, the Firm would honor fully the confidentiality requirement. In addition, you may be confident that the Firm's lawyers, consultants, and legal assistants are bound by and strictly adhere to the Rules of Professional Conduct of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals and all laws and regulations applicable to representation by lawyers and lobbyists before the Congress and Executive Branch.

We hope this Agreement is acceptable and look forward to working with you in this important effort.

Sincerely,

VERNER, LIIPFERT, BERNHARD, McPHERSON AND HAND, CHARTERED

By: John A. Merrigan

By: María Fabiana Jorge

If the foregoing is acceptable to you, please sign below and return the executed copy to us.

AGREED AND ACCEPTED:

By: The Honorable Jesús F. Reyes-Heroles
Ambassador

Date: Nov 15 1998

ATTACHMENT No. 1

ILLUSTRATIVE LIST OF FIRM PERSONNEL WHO WOULD ASSIST WITH THE AFFOREMENTIONED ASSIGNMENT

CORE TEAM MEMBERS:

John A. Merrigan (Team Leader)	Member of Verner Liipfert Executive Committee; Co-chair of Federal Affairs and Latin American Practice Groups
Maria Fabiana Jorge (Core Team Member)	Director of Verner Liipfert's Latin American Practice
Larry Levinson (Core Team Member)	Verner Liipfert Partner

OTHER NOTABLE PERSONNEL TO ASSIST:

Berl Bernhard	Gary Klein
Harry McPherson	Jack McDonald
Lloyd Hand	David Weiss
	Jo-Anne Coe
	Vicki Hart
	Doug MacKinnon
	Brenda Meister
	Nell Payne
	Rosemary Freeman
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