

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 <https://www.fara.gov>.

Privacy Act Statement. The filing of this document is required by the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq.*, for the purposes of registration under the Act and public disclosure. Provision of the information requested is mandatory, and failure to provide this information is subject to the penalty and enforcement provisions established in Section 8 of the Act. 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 FARA Unit in Washington, DC. Statements are also available online at the FARA Unit's webpage: <https://www.fara.gov>. 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 online at: <https://www.fara.gov>.

Public Reporting Burden. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .22 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, FARA Unit, Counterintelligence and Export Control Section, National Security 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 Scribe Strategies & Advisors, Inc.	2. Registration Number 6305
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3. Primary Address of Registrant 1050 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 500, Washington, DC 20036
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4. Name of Foreign Principal The Republic of Côte d'Ivoire	5. Address of Foreign Principal Abidjan Plateau, Avenue Marchand, Rue Lecoeur, SCIAM Building, 19th Floor Abidjan COTE D'IVOIRE (IVORY COAST)
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6. Country/Region Represented COTE D'IVOIRE (IVORY COAST)
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7. Indicate whether the foreign principal is one of the following: ☒ Government of a foreign country ¹ ☐ Foreign political party ☐ Foreign or domestic organization: If either, check one of the following: ☐ Partnership ☐ Corporation ☐ Association ☐ Committee ☐ Voluntary group ☐ Other (<i>specify</i>) _____ ☐ Individual-State nationality _____

8. If the foreign principal is a foreign government, state: a) Branch or agency represented by the registrant Minister of Finance and Budget for the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire b) Name and title of official(s) with whom registrant engages M. Adama Coulibaly, Minister of Finance and Budget for the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

¹ "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.

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

- a) Name and title of official(s) with whom registrant engages

- b) Aim, mission or objective of foreign political party

10. 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:

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| 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 ☐ |

11. Explain fully all items answered "Yes" in Item 10(b).

12. 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

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Date	Printed Name	Signature
07/09/2025	Joseph J. szlavik	 /s/Joseph J. szlavik
		
		
		

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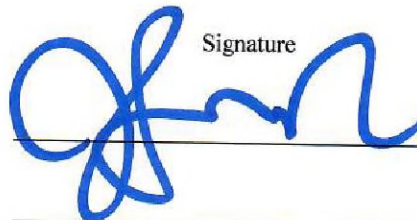
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Joseph Siskind



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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 <https://www.fara.gov>.

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1. Name of Registrant

Scribe Strategies & Advisors, Inc.

2. Registration Number

6305

3. Name of Foreign Principal

The Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

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, and the fees and expenses, if any, to be received.
7. What is the date of the contract or agreement with the foreign principal? 06/17/2025
8. Describe fully the nature and method of performance of the above indicated agreement or understanding.

Scribe will endeavor to pursue the following services: ensuring the Government of the Republic of the Ivory Coast interests are met with regard to bilateral relations with the United States and to make the US-THE IVORY COAST RELATIONSHIP GREAT AGAIN; increase U.S. trade and investment; enhance the Government of the Republic of the Ivory Coast's profile in the United States; providing advice, counsel with regard to communications and news media; assisting the Government of the Republic of the Ivory Coast's in relations to combating terrorism in particularly in northern Ivory Coast to counter the spread of al-Qaida and the Islamic State group; and other reasonable services that the Government of the Republic of the Ivory Coast shall from time to time assign to Scribe and agreed to in writing by Scribe.

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

Scribe will endeavor to pursue the following services: ensuring the Government of the Republic of the Ivory Coast interests are met with regard to bilateral relations with the United States and to make the US-THE IVORY COAST RELATIONSHIP GREAT AGAIN; increase U.S. trade and investment; enhance the Government of the Republic of the Ivory Coast's profile in the United States; providing advice, counsel with regard to communications and news media; assisting the Government of the Republic of the Ivory Coast's in relations to combating terrorism in particularly in northern Ivory Coast to counter the spread of al-Qaida and the Islamic State group; and other reasonable services that the Government of the Republic of the Ivory Coast shall from time to time assign to Scribe and agreed to in writing by Scribe.

10. Will the activities on behalf of the above foreign principal include political activities as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act.¹

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 response must include, but not be limited to, activities involving lobbying, promotion, perception management, public relations, economic development, and preparation and dissemination of informational materials.

See Appendix for Response

11. Prior to the date of registration² for this foreign principal has the registrant engaged in any registrable activities, including political activities, for this foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe in full detail all such activities. The response should include, among other things, the relations, interests, and policies sought to be influenced and the means employed to achieve this purpose. If the registrant arranged, sponsored, or delivered speeches, lectures, social media, internet postings, or media broadcasts, give details as to dates, places of delivery, names of speakers, and subject matter. The response must also include, but not be limited to, activities involving lobbying, promotion, perception management, public relations, economic development, and preparation and dissemination of informational materials.

Set forth below a general description of the registrant's activities, including political activities.

Set forth below in the required detail the registrant's political activities.

Date	Contact	Method	Purpose
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12. During the period beginning 60 days prior to the obligation to register³ to the date of registration for this foreign principal, has the registrant received from the foreign principal, or from any other source, for or in the interests of the foreign principal, any contributions, income, money, or thing of value either as compensation, or for disbursement, or otherwise?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, set forth below in the required detail an account of such monies or things of value.

Date Received	From Whom	Purpose	Amount/Thing of Value
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13. During the period beginning 60 days prior to the obligation to register⁴ to the date of registration for this foreign principal, has the registrant disbursed or expended monies, or disposed of anything of value other than money, in connection with activity on behalf of the foreign principal or transmitted monies to any such foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, set forth below in the required detail an account of such monies or things of value.

Date	Recipient	Purpose	Amount/Thing of Value
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¹ "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.

^{2,3,4} Pursuant to Section 2(a) of the Act, an agent must register within ten days of becoming an agent, and before acting as such.

EXECUTION

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Date

Printed Name

Signature

07/09/2025

Joseph J. Szlavik

Sign

/s/Joseph J. Szlavik

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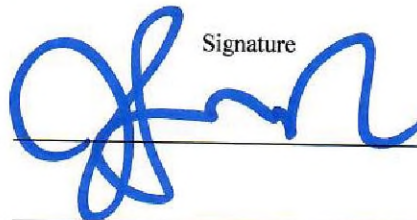
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Appendix Response to Item 10

Item 10: Will the activities on behalf of the above foreign principal include political activities as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act. 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 response must include, but not be limited to, activities involving lobbying, promotion, perception management, public relations, economic development, and preparation and dissemination of informational materials.

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

BETWEEN:

THE REPUBLIC OF CÔTE D'IVOIRE

Represented by the Minister of Finance and Budget

Located at Abidjan Plateau, Avenue Marchand, Rue Lecoeur, SCIAM Building, 19th Floor

BP V 163 ABIDJAN, Côte d'Ivoire

Tel: (225) 20 30 25 26 - Fax: (225) 20 30 25 28

(hereinafter referred to as "Côte d'Ivoire")

AND

SCRIBE STRATEGIES & ADVISORS, INC.

Represented by Mr. Joseph SZLAVIK

1050 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 500, Washington DC 20036, USA

(hereinafter referred to as "Scribe")

Each of the above individually referred to as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties."

I. LEGAL BASIS

This Agreement is governed by the laws of the United States of America, including, but not limited to:

- The Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA)
- The Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) regulations
- The Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA)

Scribe affirms that it will comply with all applicable registration, reporting, and disclosure requirements. The Parties agree that Scribe is acting as an independent contractor and not as an agent or employee of Côte d'Ivoire.

II. PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF WORK

Scribe shall undertake the following services on behalf of Côte d'Ivoire:

- Strengthen bilateral relations between Côte d'Ivoire and the United States;
- Promote U.S. trade and investment in Côte d'Ivoire;
- Raise Côte d'Ivoire's diplomatic and economic profile in Washington, D.C.;
- Provide strategic communications, policy advice, and media engagement;
- Assisting Côte d'Ivoire in combating terrorism in particularly in northern Côte d'Ivoire to counter the spread of al-Qaida and the Islamic State group;
- Provide other services as mutually agreed upon and Scribe will provide a monthly report of its efforts

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Côte d'Ivoire understands that Scribe may provide similar services to other governments or clients not affiliated with Côte d'Ivoire.

III. CONFIDENTIALITY

A. General Provisions

Except for as described in Section II. (PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF WORK) & Section III (B. Foreign Agents Registration Act) of this Agreement, Côte d'Ivoire and Scribe recognize that the subject matter of this Agreement requires the highest degree of confidentiality. Each party acknowledges its responsibility, both during and after the term of this Agreement, to use all reasonable and legally permissible efforts to preserve the proprietary or confidential information developed by the other party or disclosed by the other party.

B. Foreign Agents Registration Act

Côte d'Ivoire understands that Scribe's work on behalf of the Côte d'Ivoire may require Scribe to register with the U.S. Department of Justice ("DOJ") pursuant to the FARA, and that such registration requires the disclosure to DOJ, and in turn the public, of certain documents and other information related to this work, including this Agreement.

IV. PAYMENT AND COMPENSATION

Côte d'Ivoire agrees to pay Scribe the sum of \$50,000 USD per month, payable quarterly in advance, amounting to \$150,000 USD per quarter. The payment schedule is as follows:

- First payment due June 15, 2025
- Second payment due October 1, 2025

Scribe will also be reimbursed for ordinary and reasonable out-of-pocket expenses, such as travel and accommodation, upon advance approval by Côte d'Ivoire.

All payments will be made by bank transfer to a U.S. account designated by Scribe. Payments shall not originate from sanctioned or prohibited sources. This Agreement shall be deemed to be executed upon receipt of the first payment by Scribe from the Client.

V. TERM AND TERMINATION

This Agreement is effective from June 12, 2025, and will terminate on December 31, 2025. It is non-renewable unless otherwise agreed in writing.

The Agreement may not be modified within 150 days of execution, unless mutually agreed in writing. Scribe is entitled to payment for services rendered and approved termination costs.

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VI. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

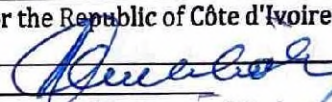
Disputes not resolved amicably within 30 days shall be submitted to arbitration under the ICC Conciliation and Arbitration Rules in Washington, D.C., before a tribunal of three arbitrators. The languages of arbitration shall be French and English.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between Côte d'Ivoire and Scribe, superseding all prior agreements and understandings. Assignment of this Agreement or its rights requires prior written consent from the other party and is binding on successors and assigns. Neither party is liable for delays or failures due to uncontrollable events (Force Majeure) such as natural disasters, strikes, war, pandemics, or acts of the other party. Failures to pay are not excused under Force Majeure.

The Agreement may be executed in two (2) counterparts, all considered as one document. In witness whereof, each of the parties hereto has caused this Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized representative on the date indicated.

Agreed to and accepted by:

For SCRIBE STRATEGIES & ADVISORS, INC.: 	For the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire: 
Joseph Szlavik	Minister of Finance and Budget
Date: <u>June 16, 25</u>	Date: <u>17.7 JUIN 2025</u>




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