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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 https://www.fara.gov.

Privacy Act Statement. The filing of this document is required for 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 the 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 in print and online at: https://www.fara.gov .

Public Reporting Burden. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .32 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	2. Registration Number
Latin America Advisory Group, LLC	6898

3. Name of Foreign Principal

Office of the President of El Salvador

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. What is the date of the contract or agreement with the foreign principal? 01/01/2024

8. Describe fully the nature and method of performance of the above indicated agreement or understanding.

Registrant will continue to provide public relations and communications advice and support to, and will continue outreach to the federal executive branch and Congress on behalf of the foreign principal. Registrant recently received the signed updated contract from the foreign principal and had it translated. Registrant received the translated contract on July 16, 2024.

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

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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.

Registrant will continue to communicate with U.S. government officials, the public, and the media about the importance of fostering a strong dialogue between the U.S. and El Salvador.

11. Prior to the date of registration[2] for this foreign principal has the registrant engaged in any registrable activities, such as political activities, for this foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A - This statement is filed to update the registrant's agreement/contract with the foreign principal.

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 register[3] 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 ☐ N/A - This statement is filed to update the registrant's agreement/contract with the foreign principal.

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

13. During the period beginning 60 days prior to the obligation to register[4] 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 ☐ N/A - This statement is filed to update the registrant's agreement/contract with the foreign principal.

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

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.

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EXECUTION

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, and subject to the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 22 U.S.C. § 618, the undersigned swears or affirms under penalty of perjury that he/she has read the information set forth in this statement filed pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq.*, 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	Printed Name		Signature
07/26/2024	Damian Merlo	Sign	/s/Damian Merlo
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Date	Printed Name	Signature
	Damian Merlo	

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PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC

CONSULTING SERVICE AGREEMENT:
CONSULTATION OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS
FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC

WE, CLAUDIA JUANA RODRIGUEZ DE GUEVARA, of 42 years old, secretary, domiciled in San Salvador, department of San Salvador, with Unique Identity Document number [redacted], in my capacity as Private Secretary appointed by the Head of the PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC, herein acting in the name and on behalf of the same, a Salvadorean public institution domiciled in San Salvador, department of San Salvador, with Tax Identification Number [redacted], and which throughout this document shall be referred to as "**THE PRESIDENCY**"; and **DAMIAN MATIAS MERLO DEBERNARDI**, of 49 years old, citizen of the United States of America, domiciled in the city of Miami, state of Florida, in the United States of America, with Passport number [redacted], herein acting in my capacity as Sole Administrator of the corporation **LATIN AMERICA ADVISORY GROUP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**, which may be abbreviated **LATIN AMERICA ADVISORY GROUP, LLC**, a company of corporate services, domiciled in the City of Wilmington, state of Delaware, in the United States of America, and which throughout this document shall be referred to as "**THE CONTRACTOR**"; in our aforementioned capacities, hereby grant this **CONSULTING SERVICE AGREEMENT: CONSULTING IN GOVERNMENT RELATIONS FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC**. This agreement shall be subject to the terms established in the offer submitted by the Contractor, the Constitution and other applicable laws of the Republic of El Salvador, as well as to the following **CLAUSES: FIRST: SUBJECT MATTER OF THE AGREEMENT**. The subject matter of this agreement is the supply of the service CONSULTING IN GOVERNMENT RELATIONS FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC. **SECOND: PRICE AND METHOD OF PAYMENT**. The PRICE of the supply subject matter of this agreement amounts up to SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, amount that shall be paid in TWELVE monthly installments of SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA each, prior approval by the person that the Presidency may appoint for the administration and technical follow-up of this agreement; without prejudice to the possibility that the Presidency may require any type of report on the services provided and/or actions taken in the development of this agreement. METHOD OF PAYMENT: Payment will be made in US dollars by electronic transfer, with due coordination between the person appointed for the administration and technical follow-up of the agreement and the Institutional Financial Unit. For THE PROCESSING OF THE PAYMENT, the contractor shall submit a collection proof in original and two photocopies to the office of the Institutional Treasury of the Presidency, located at Alameda Doctor Manuel Enrique Araujo No. 5500, in the city of San Salvador. The collection proof must be issued in the name of the PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC. Any payment made by the Presidency of the Republic, on the occasion of the supply subject matter of this agreement, shall be levied with the corresponding taxes and any applicable withholdings will be made in accordance with the provisions of the laws currently in force in the Republic of El Salvador. **THIRD: TERM OF THE AGREEMENT**. The term of the agreement will be of 12 MONTHS counted AS FROM JUNE 01, 2024 TO MAY 31, 2025. The term of the agreement may be extended in accordance with the provisions contained in this agreement. **FOURTH: PLACE, MANNER AND DELIVERY TERM OF THE SUPPLY**. The supply subject matter of this agreement shall be delivered in accordance with the instructions given by the person appointed by the Presidency for the administration and technical follow-up of this agreement. **FIFTH: AMENDMENT AND/OR EXTENSION OF THE AGREEMENT OR DELIVERY TERM OF THE SUPPLY**. The parties agree that, for reasons of force majeure or fortuitous event, or whenever the public interest may demand it, the Presidency may unilaterally amend or extend this agreement before the expiration of the current contractual term, by issuing the corresponding amendment or extension document in which the reasons for such amendment or extension are stated, and provided that the nature or essence of the contractual subject matter is not changed and that such amendment or extension is beneficial for the interests of the Presidency. Any amendment or extension must be framed within the parameters of reasonableness and good faith. If during the execution of the agreement, there are delays that are not attributable to the Contractor, the Presidency may grant an extension of the term for the delivery of the supply; to such end, the Contractor must document the causes that caused the delay, and submit before the expiration of the delivery term already set out, its request to extend the delivery term in writing to the Presidency; who, after verifying the circumstances set forth, shall establish a new delivery date of the supply, timely notifying the Contractor the new term established. By virtue of the Presidency's needs, it may designate any other place, date and time for the supply of the contracted service, and this will under no circumstance mean an additional expenditure for the Presidency, nor the amendment of this agreement. **SIXTH: CLAIMS FOR VICES AND/OR DEFICIENCIES.** During the term of this agreement, the Presidency will have the right to make claims for any breach, vices or deficiencies regarding the supply subject matter hereof. The Presidency may process the claim through telephone calls or email, however, if the claim is not resolved, it shall make the claim in writing and establish a deadline to correct the non-compliance, for which the nature and circumstances of the cause of the claim will be considered. If the Contractor fails to correct the claims within such term without justified cause, the Presidency

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will be exempt from any outstanding payment and will require the return of any payment it had made to the Contractor related to the supply of the services subject matter hereof, without prejudice to the exercise of any pertinent legal actions. **SEVENTH: OBLIGATIONS OF THE PRESIDENCY**. The Presidency undertakes to pay the Contractor the price for the supply, in accordance with the provisions of this agreement. **EIGHTH: OBLIGATIONS OF THE CONTRACTOR**. The Contractor shall comply with the legislation applicable to the supply subject matter of this agreement, the clauses hereof and the instructions given by the Agreement Manager. In addition, the Contractor shall especially: a) Respond with priority to the requirements that the Presidency makes through the Manager of the Agreement, to solve any petition related to the contracted supply; b) Deliver the supply in perfect conditions, assuring the compliance of the agreement in accordance with the quality offered and the requirements of the Presidency; c) In the event of any delay in the delivery of the supply for reasons not attributable to the Manager of the Agreement, a new delivery term will be notified in writing to the Presidency and coordinated with the Manager of the Agreement, which will be authorized by resolution issued by the manager of the agreement; and d) Respect and be subject to the insurance protocols set forth by THE PRESIDENCY. **NINTH: PROHIBITIONS**. The contractor may not: a) Assign, transfer or subcontract under any title the rights and obligations hereunder; b) Unilaterally amend the prices and supplies defined in its offer. **TENTH: CONFIDENTIALITY**. The Contractor undertakes to keep all confidentiality of the information on the supply acquired, including its prices, general and specific characteristics, as well as the information related to this agreement and other contractual documents. Likewise, the Contractor commits to carry out the activities related to the supply, maintaining due confidentiality and ethics, and not being allowed to reveal information of any kind without the express consent of the Presidency. **ELEVENTH: MANAGEMENT OF THE AGREEMENT**. As to the management of this agreement, the relationship between the Presidency and the Contractor shall be DEFINED BY THE PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC. The manager of the Agreement shall have the responsibility to represent the Presidency, coordinate the follow-up and execution, and verify the compliance with this agreement, in its technical, administrative and financial aspects; reporting any non-compliance by the Contractor. The Presidency may appoint more than one person to supervise the compliance with the technical aspects of the provision of the supply subject matter hereof. **TWELFTH: RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES**. The contracting parties hereby agree that for any type of dispute or conflict that may arise from the interpretation or application of this agreement, the parties will try to reach an agreement by themselves or their representatives, through a Direct Arrangement; should they not reach an agreement, or any controversy or conflict may subsist, the parties agree to refer themselves to the competent judicial authorities. **THIRTEENTH: GUARANTEES**. The Contractor shall issue in favor of the PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC, the following guarantees: **a) GUARANTY OF AGREEMENT FULFILLMENT**, to guaranty the fulfillment of the obligations assumed herein, which shall be made within the term of TEN BUSINESS DAYS following the signing of the authenticated agreement, for an amount equal to TEN PERCENT of the total contracted amount, and with a validity within the agreement term and three months after the termination of the agreement term. The guarantees shall be submitted to the Presidency for their revision, reception, safeguarding and execution thereof if necessary; and they will become effective in the following cases: **i)** when the Contractor fails to fulfill its contractual obligations without justified cause, **ii)** when any defects are found in the delivered supply and these are not corrected within the term assigned by the Manager of the Agreement, and **iii)** for any other causes as provided by law. If the term of the Agreement is extended or the price is amended, increasing the total contracted amount, the Contractor shall be obliged to extend this guarantee, either in its term or in its amount, in accordance with the corresponding extension or amendment instrument. The guarantees can be submitted in any of the following ways: i) Bank Guarantee, issued by a Bank Institution duly acknowledged by the Superintendency of the Financial System of El Salvador; ii) Bond, issued by an Insurance Company or Surety Company duly acknowledged by the Superintendence of the Financial System of El Salvador; or, iii) Promissory note. **FOURTEENTH: EARLY TERMINATION OF THE AGREEMENT**. The Presidency may early terminate this agreement due to the following causes: **a)** By expiration, due to non-compliance, without justified cause, of the contractual obligations of the Contractor; **b)** By bilateral termination by mutual agreement of the contracting parties; **c)** By revocation, in the cases provided for by law; **d)** By unilateral termination this agreement may be terminated, either totally or partially, with no liability for the Presidency to be convenient to its interests; for the loss of trust; for the non-fulfillment of the obligations assumed by the Contractor; when facts that may affect the normal execution of this agreement occur, although these are not attributable to the Contractor; and **e)** By any other causes that are determined contractually and in general by the current legislation. In all cases, the corresponding resolution shall be issued and the early termination instrument shall be granted. **FIFTEENTH: JURISDICTION AND APPLICABLE LAW**. For all jurisdictional effects hereof, the parties mutually agree to submit to the current legislation of the Republic of El Salvador. Furthermore, the parties have set as a special domicile the one in this city, where the competent courts to which we will submit are located. **SIXTEENTH: COMMUNICATIONS AND NOTIFICATIONS**. All notifications regarding the execution of this agreement will be valid when made in writing to the places designated by the contracting parties. Therefore, the appearing parties state that, having been informed and made aware of the terms and legal effects of this agreement, for being beneficial to the interests of our principals, we ratify the content thereof. In witness whereof, we sign this agreement in the city of San Salvador, on June 20, 2024. However, the effects thereof will come into effect on June 01, 2024.

[Signature] [Signature]

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CLAUDIA JUANA RODRIGUEZ DE GUEVARA
THE PRESIDENCY

DAMIAN MATIAS MERLO DEBERNARDI
THE CONTRACTOR

In the city of San Salvador, department of San Salvador, at 10:30 AM, on June 20, 2024. Before me, **ERNESTO ANTONIO URRUTIA GUZMAN**, Notary, of this domicile, there **APPEAR**: Mrs. **CLAUDIA JUANA RODRIGUEZ DE GUEVARA**, of 42 years of age, secretary, domiciled in San Salvador, department of San Salvador, to whom I know and identify by means of Unique Identity Document number [redacted], in the capacity as Private Secretary appointed by the Head of the **PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC**, herein acting in the name and on behalf of the same, a Salvadorean public institution domiciled in San Salvador, department of San Salvador, with Tax Identification Number [redacted], as evidenced by means of the following documentation which I have had before me: **a)** Executive Agreement number 78, dated June 06, 2024, through which the President of the Republic empowered the appearing party to appear on behalf of the Presidency of the Republic to the granting of the lease agreements of movable property, and purchase agreements of works, goods and services necessary for the good operation of the Presidency; and who will be referred to herein as "**THE PRESIDENCY**"; and Mr. **DAMIAN MATIAS MERLO DEBERNARDI,** of 49 years of, citizen of the United States of America, domiciled in the City of Miami of the state of Florida, United States of America, of whom I do not have personal knowledge but identify by means of Passport number [redacted], acting in his capacity of Unique Manager of the corporation **LATIN AMERICA ADVISORY GROUP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**, which is abbreviated as **LATIN AMERICA ADVISORY GROUP, LLC**, a corporate service company, domiciled in the City of Wilmington, State of Delaware, in the United States of America; as evidenced by the following documents: **a)** Certificate of Incorporation of LATIN AMERICA ADVISORY GROUP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, issued by the Corporations Division of the State Secretary of the State of Delaware, effective as of March 07, 2019, stating that the Unique Manager of the corporation LATIN AMERICA ADVISORY GROUP, LLC is DAMIAN MERLO, and who will be referred to in this document as "**THE CONTRACTOR**". The above stated parties, in the capacity they have appeared, state as follows: **I.** That they recognize as theirs the signatures appearing in the above document for having been in their own handwriting. **II.** That by means of this notarial deed and in accordance with the provisions of section 52 of the Notaries' Law, they appear before me with the purpose of executing a public instrument of the above private document drafted, dated and signed today in this city, containing the "**CONSULTING AGREEMENT SERVICES: CONSULTATION OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC**", comprising sixteen clauses, among which the most relevant are the following: "***FIRST: SUBJECT MATTER OF THE AGREEMENT***. *The subject matter of this agreement is the supply of the service CONSULTING IN GOVERNMENT RELATIONS FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC.* ***SECOND: PRICE AND METHOD OF PAYMENT***. *The PRICE of the supply subject matter of this agreement amounts up to SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, amount that shall be paid in TWELVE monthly installments of SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA each, prior approval by the person that the Presidency may appoint for the administration and technical follow-up of this agreement; without prejudice to the possibility that the Presidency may require any type of report on the services provided and/or actions taken in the development of this agreement. METHOD OF PAYMENT: Payment will be made in US dollars by electronic transfer, with due coordination between the person appointed for the administration and technical follow-up of the agreement and the Institutional Financial Unit. For THE PROCESSING OF THE PAYMENT, the contractor shall submit a collection proof in original and two photocopies to the office of the Institutional Treasury of the Presidency, located at Alameda Doctor Manuel Enrique Araujo No. 5500, in the city of San Salvador. The collection proof must be issued in the name of the PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC. Any payment made by the Presidency of the Republic, on the occasion of the supply subject matter of this agreement, shall be levied with the corresponding taxes and any applicable withholdings will be made in accordance with the provisions of the laws currently in force in the Republic of El Salvador.* ***THIRD: TERM OF THE AGREEMENT***. *The term of the agreement will be of 12 MONTHS counted AS FROM JUNE 01, 2024 TO MAY 31, 2025. The term of the agreement may be extended in accordance with the provisions contained in this agreement.* ***FOURTH: PLACE, MANNER AND DELIVERY TERM OF THE SUPPLY***. *The supply subject matter of this agreement shall be delivered in accordance with the instructions given by the person appointed by the Presidency for the administration and technical follow-up of this agreement".* "**THUS, I, THE UNDERSIGNED NOTARY, HEREBY ATTEST:** That the signatures appearing at the bottom of the above document are **AUTHENTIC** for having been recognized as theirs before me on this date. That is how the appearing parties expressed themselves to whom I informed the legal effects of this notarial deed, which comprises three useful pages that have been read to them, fully in a sole act without interruptions, they ratify the contents thereof and sign, ALL OF WHICH, I ATTEST.

[Signature]
CLAUDIA JUANA RODRIGUEZ DE GUEVARA
THE PRESIDENCY

[Signature]
DAMIAN MATIAS MERLO DEBERNARDI
THE CONTRACTOR

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NOTARY
[There is a round stamp:] Ernesto Antonio Urrutia Guzman. Notary. Republic of El Salvador.

[There is a rectangular certification stamp:]

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this photocopy corresponds with its original, to which I collated it, and it comprises five folios.
San Salvador, June 20, 2024.

[Signature]
[There is a round stamp:] Ernesto Antonio Urrutia Guzman. Notary. Republic of El Salvador.

CERTIFICATION: Translation from Spanish into English

I, Diego D. Rodriguez, a professional translator with over 20 years of experience in the translation business, member number 231266 of the American Translators Association, President and Director of Tranlanguage Inc., a certified translation services company duly incorporated in the State of Florida, hereby certify the foregoing to be a translation made by a professional and qualified translator, fluent in the abovementioned languages and experienced in the translation of this type of documents. To the best of my knowledge and belief, this translator produced a true and accurate translation of the pertinent part of the photocopy of the source document, which is attached hereto. This certification does not cover the legitimacy of the source document nor the truthfulness of the information contained therein. In witness whereof, I set my hand and seal on July 16, 2024.

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Translator Diego Rodriguez
American Translators Association
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PRESIDENCIA DE LA REPÚBLICA

CONTRATO DE SERVICIOS DE CONSULTORÍA:
CONSULTORÍA EN RELACIONES GUBERNAMENTALES
PARA LA PRESIDENCIA DE LA REPÚBLICA

NOSOTROS, CLAUDIA JUANA RODRÍGUEZ DE GUEVARA, de cuarenta y dos años de edad, secretaria, del domicilio de San Salvador, departamento de San Salvador, con Documento Único de Identidad cero cero cero catorce mil ochocientos cuarenta y dos – seis, actuando en nombre y representación, en mi calidad de Secretaria Privada y Designada por el Titular de LA PRESIDENCIA DE LA REPÚBLICA, institución pública salvadoreña, del domicilio de San Salvador, departamento de San Salvador, con Número de Identificación Tributaria cero seiscientos catorce – cero diez mil ciento once – cero diez – cero, y a quien en el transcurso de este documento denominaré "LA PRESIDENCIA", y DAMIAN MATIAS MERLO DEBERNARDI, de cuarenta y nueve años de edad, ciudadano de los Estados Unidos de América, del domicilio de la Ciudad de Miami del estado de Florida, en los Estados Unidos de América, con Pasaporte número quinientos sesenta y seis millones veintisiete mil setenta y seis, actuando en mi calidad de Administrador Único de la corporación LATIN AMERICA ADVISORY GROUP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY que puede abreviarse LATIN AMERICA ADVISORY GROUP, LLC, empresa de servicios corporativos, del domicilio de la Ciudad de Wilmington, en el Estado de Delaware, en los Estados Unidos de América, y a quien en el transcurso de este documento denominaré "LA CONTRATISTA"; en los caracteres dichos, otorgamos el presente CONTRATO DE SERVICIOS DE CONSULTORÍA: CONSULTORÍA EN RELACIONES GUBERNAMENTALES PARA LA PRESIDENCIA DE LA REPÚBLICA; Este contrato estará sujeto a las condiciones establecidas en la oferta presentada por el Contratista, la Constitución y demás leyes aplicables de la República de El Salvador, así como a las siguientes CLÁUSULAS: PRIMERA: OBJETO DEL CONTRATO. El objeto del presente contrato es el suministro del servicio de CONSULTORÍA EN RELACIONES

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GUBERNAMENTALES PARA LA PRESIDENCIA DE LA REPÚBLICA. **SEGUNDA: PRECIO Y FORMA DE PAGO.** El PRECIO del suministro objeto del presente contrato es hasta por el monto total de SETECIENTOS OCHENTA MIL DÓLARES DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS DE AMÉRICA, monto que será pagado en DOCE cuotas mensuales de SESENTA Y CINCO MIL DÓLARES DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS DE AMÉRICA cada una, previa aprobación de la persona que la Presidencia designe para la administración y seguimiento técnico del presente contrato; Sin perjuicio de la posibilidad de que la Presidencia requiera cualquier tipo de Informe sobre los servicios brindados y/o acciones efectuadas en el desarrollo del presente contrato. FORMA DE PAGO: El pago se realizará en dólares los Estados Unidos de América mediante transferencia electrónica, con la debida coordinación entre la persona designada para la administración y seguimiento técnico del contrato y la Unidad Financiera Institucional. Para EL TRÁMITE DE PAGO, el contratista deberá presentar comprobante de cobro en original y dos fotocopias en la oficina de la Tesorería Institucional de la Presidencia, ubicada en Alameda Doctor Manuel Enrique Araujo, número cinco mil quinientos de la ciudad de San Salvador. El comprobante de cobro deberá emitirse a nombre de PRESIDENCIA DE LA REPÚBLICA. Todo pago que realice La Presidencia de la República, con motivo del suministro objeto del presente contrato, estará gravado con los impuestos correspondientes y se realizarán las retenciones que apliquen conforme a lo dispuesto en las leyes vigentes en la República de El Salvador. **TERCERA: PLAZO DEL CONTRATO.** El plazo del contrato será de DOCE MESES contados A PARTIR DEL DÍA UNO DE JUNIO DE DOS MIL VEINTICUATRO; AL TREINTA Y UNO DE MAYO DE DOS MIL VEINTICINCO. El plazo del contrato podrá prorrogarse de acuerdo las estipulaciones contenidas en este contrato. **CUARTA: LUGAR, FORMA, Y TIEMPO DE ENTREGA DEL SUMINISTRO.** El suministro objeto del presente contrato, será brindado de conformidad a las indicaciones que gire la persona que la Presidencia designe para la administración y seguimiento técnico del presente contrato. **QUINTA:**

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MODIFICACIÓN Y/O PRÓRROGA DEL CONTRATO O PLAZO DE ENTREGA DEL SUMINISTRO. Las partes convienen que, por razones de fuerza mayor o caso fortuito, o cuando el interés público lo exija, la Presidencia podrá modificar o prorrogar unilateralmente el presente contrato, antes del vencimiento del plazo contractual vigente, emitiendo el correspondiente documento de modificación o prorroga; en el que se fundamenten los motivos de la modificación o prorroga y que no se cambia la naturaleza o esencia del objeto contractual y que dicha modificación o prorroga resulta beneficiosa para los intereses de la Presidencia, toda modificación o prorroga deberá estar enmarcada dentro de los parámetros de razonabilidad y buena fe. Si durante la ejecución del contrato existen demoras que no sean imputables a la Contratista, la Presidencia podrá conceder una prórroga o ampliación del plazo para la entrega del suministro, para ello, La Contratista deberá documentar las causas que han generado el retraso, y remitir antes del vencimiento del plazo de entrega ya señalado, su solicitud de prorroga en el plazo de entrega por escrito a la Presidencia; quien después de verificar las circunstancias expuestas, establecerá una nueva fecha de entrega del suministro, notificando oportunamente a la Contratista del nuevo plazo establecido. En virtud de sus necesidades de la Presidencia, podrá designar cualquier otro lugar, fecha y hora para la prestación del servicio contratado, sin que en ningún momento esto signifique una erogación adicional para la Presidencia, ni la modificación del presente contrato. SEXTA: RECLAMOS POR VICIOS Y/O DEFICIENCIAS. Durante la vigencia del plazo del contrato, La Presidencia tendrá derecho a efectuar reclamos por cualquier incumplimiento, vicios o deficiencias en cuanto al suministro objeto del contrato. La Presidencia, podrán gestionar el reclamo por medio de llamadas telefónicas o correo electrónico, no obstante, si no se resolviese el reclamo, deberá realizar el reclamo por escrito y establecerá un plazo para subsanar el incumplimiento, para lo cual considerará la naturaleza y circunstancias de la causa del reclamo. Si la Contratista no subsana lo reclamado en dicho plazo sin causa justificada, La Presidencia quedará exenta de cualquier pago pendiente y exigirá la devolución de cualquier pago que haya hecho a la

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Contratista, en relación con el suministro de los servicios objeto del contrato, sin perjuicio del ejercicio de las acciones legales pertinentes. SÉPTIMA: OBLIGACIONES DE LA PRESIDENCIA. La Presidencia se obliga a pagar a la Contratista el precio del suministro, de conformidad a lo establecido en el presente contrato. OCTAVA: OBLIGACIONES DE LA CONTRATISTA. La Contratista deberá cumplir con la legislación aplicable al suministro objeto del Contrato, las cláusulas del presente contrato y las instrucciones que gire la Administradora del Contrato; además, especialmente deberá: **a)** Atender con prioridad los requerimientos que la Presidencia le haga; por medio del Administrador del Contrato respectivo, para resolver cualquier petición relacionada con el suministro contratado; **b)** Entregar el suministro en óptimas condiciones, garantizando el cumplimiento del contrato conforme a la calidad ofertada y a lo solicitado por la Presidencia; **c)** En caso de que se produjere algún atraso en la entrega del suministro por razones no imputables a la contratista, deberá notificar por escrito a la Presidencia y coordinar con el Administrador de Contrato, un nuevo plazo de entrega, el cual será autorizado mediante resolución del administrador del contrato; y **d)** Respetar y someterse a los protocolos de seguridad establecidos por LA PRESIDENCIA.. NOVENA: PROHIBICIONES. La contratista no podrá: **a)** Ceder, traspasar o subcontratar a ningún título los derechos y obligaciones que emanen del contrato; y **b)** Modificar unilateralmente los precios y suministros definidos en su oferta. DÉCIMA: CONFIDENCIALIDAD. La contratista se compromete a guardar toda la confidencialidad de la información del suministro adquirido, incluyendo sus precios, características generales y específicas, así como la información relacionada al presente contrato y demás documentos contractuales. Así mismo, se compromete a realizar las actividades relacionadas al suministro guardando la debida confidencialidad y ética, no pudiendo revelar información de ningún tipo sin el consentimiento expreso de la Presidencia. DÉCIMA PRIMERA: ADMINISTRACIÓN DEL CONTRATO. En la relación administrativa del presente contrato, el enlace entre la Presidencia y la Contratista será DEFINIDO POR LA PRESIDENCIA DE LA REPÚBLICA. EL administrador del Contrato tendrá la

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responsabilidad de representar a la Presidencia, coordinar el seguimiento, ejecución y verificar el cumplimiento del presente contrato, en sus aspectos técnicos, administrativos y financieros; informando cualquier incumplimiento por parte de la Contratista. La Presidencia podrá designar a más de una persona para supervisar el cumplimiento de los aspectos técnicos de la prestación de los suministros objeto del presente contrato. DÉCIMA SEGUNDA: SOLUCIÓN DE CONTROVERSIAS. Las partes contratantes acuerdan que para cualquier tipo de controversia o conflicto que surgiere en la interpretación o aplicación del presente contrato, las partes tratarán de llegar a un acuerdo por ellas mismas o sus representantes, mediante Arreglo Directo; de no llegarse a un acuerdo, o subsistir alguna controversia o conflicto, las partes acuerdan someterse a las instancias judiciales competentes. DÉCIMA TERCERA: GARANTÍAS. La contratista deberá emitir a favor de la PRESIDENCIA DE LA REPÚBLICA las siguientes garantías: a) GARANTÍA DE CUMPLIMIENTO DE CONTRATO, para asegurar el cumplimiento las obligaciones asumidas en este contrato, y deberá rendirse en el plazo de DIEZ DÍAS HÁBILES posteriores a la firma del contrato legalizado, por un monto equivalente al DIEZ POR CIENTO de la suma total contratada, y con una vigencia comprendida por el plazo del contrato y tres meses después de la fecha de finalización del plazo del contrato. Las garantías deberán presentarse a la Presidencia, para su revisión, recepción, resguardo y ejecución en caso de ser necesario; y se harán efectivas en los siguientes casos: i) cuando: la contratista incumpla sus obligaciones contractuales, sin causa justificada; ii) Cuando se comprueben defectos en el suministro entregado, y estos no se subsanen en el plazo que le sea asignado por el Administrador del Contrato y iii) por las demás causas previstas en la ley. Si se prorrogare el plazo del Contrato o se modificase el precio, incrementando el monto total contratado, la contratista estará en la obligación de ampliar esta garantía, ya sea en su plazo o en su monto, de acuerdo con el instrumento de prórroga o modificación correspondiente. Las garantías podrán ser presentadas en cualquiera de las siguientes formas: i) Garantía Bancaria, emitida por Institución Bancaria debidamente legalizada por la Superintendencia del Sistema Financiero de El Salvador; ii)

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Fianza, emitida por Sociedad de Seguro o Compañía Afianzadora debidamente legalizadas por la Superintendencia del Sistema Financiero de El Salvador; o, iii) Pagaré.DÉCIMA CUARTA: TERMINACIÓN ANTICIPADA DEL CONTRATO. La Presidencia podrá dar por terminado de manera anticipada el presente contrato por las causales siguientes: **a)** Por caducidad, debido al incumplimiento, sin causa justificada, de las obligaciones contractuales de la Contratista; **b)** Por terminación bilateral por mutuo acuerdo de las partes contratantes; **c)** Por revocación, en los casos previstos en la ley; **d)** Por terminación unilateral, podrá rescindirse el presente contrato, total o parcialmente, sin responsabilidad para la Presidencia por convenir a sus intereses; por la pérdida de confianza; por el incumplimiento de las obligaciones asumidas por la Contratista; cuando acontezcan hechos que puedan afectar la ejecución normal de este contrato, aunque no sean imputables a la Contratista; y **e)** Por las demás causas que se determinen contractualmente y en general en el ordenamiento jurídico vigente. En todos los casos deberá emitirse la resolución correspondiente y otorgarse el instrumento de terminación anticipada. DÉCIMA QUINTA: JURISDICCIÓN Y MARCO LEGAL APLICABLE. Para los efectos jurisdiccionales de este contrato, las partes de común acuerdo nos sometemos a la legislación vigente de la República de El Salvador. Asimismo, las partes señalamos como domicilio especial el de esta ciudad, a la competencia de cuyos tribunales nos sometemos. DÉCIMA SEXTA: COMUNICACIONES Y NOTIFICACIONES. Todas las notificaciones referentes a la ejecución del presente contrato serán válidas cuando fueren hechas por escrito a los lugares señalados por las partes contratantes. Así nos expresamos los comparecientes, quienes, enterados y conscientes de los términos y efectos legales del presente contrato, por convenir así a los intereses de nuestras representadas, ratificamos su contenido, en fe de cual firmamos el mismo en la ciudad de San Salvador, a los veinte días del mes de junio de dos mil veinticuatro, no obstante sus efectos surten a partir del día primero de junio de dos mil veinticuatro.

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En la ciudad de San Salvador, departamento de San Salvador, a las diez horas con treinta minutos del día veinte de junio de dos mil veinticuatro. Ante mí, ERNESTO ANTONIO URRUTIA GUZMÁN, Notario, de este domicilio, COMPARECEN: La señora CLAUDIA JUANA RODRÍGUEZ DE GUEVARA, de cuarenta y dos años de edad, secretaria, del domicilio de San Salvador, departamento de San Salvador, a quien conozco e identifico por medio de su Documento Único de Identidad cero cero cero catorce mil ochocientos cuarenta y dos – seis, actuando en nombre y representación, en mi calidad de Secretaria Privada y Designada por el Titular de LA PRESIDENCIA DE LA REPÚBLICA, institución pública salvadoreña, del domicilio de San Salvador, departamento de San Salvador, con Número de Identificación Tributaria cero seiscientos catorce – cero diez mil ciento once – cero diez – cero, calidad que compruebo por haber tenido a la vista la siguiente documentación: a) Acuerdo Ejecutivo número setenta y ocho, de fecha seis de junio de dos mil veinticuatro, mediante el cual el Presidente de la República facultó a la compareciente para que pueda comparecer en nombre de la Presidencia de la República al otorgamiento de contratos de arrendamiento de bienes inmuebles, y contratos de compra de obras, bienes y servicios necesarios para el buen funcionamiento de la Presidencia; y a quien en el transcurso de este documento denominaré "LA PRESIDENCIA", y el señor DAMIAN MATIAS MERLO DEBERNARDI, de cuarenta y nueve años de edad, ciudadano de los Estados Unidos de América, del domicilio de la Ciudad de Miami del estado de Florida, en los Estados Unidos de América, a quien no conozco pero identifico por medio de su Pasaporte número quinientos sesenta y seis millones veintisiete mil setenta y seis, actuando en su calidad de Administrador Único de la

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corporación **LATIN AMERICA ADVISORY GROUP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**, que se abrevia **LATIN AMERICA ADVISORY GROUP, LLC**, empresa de servicios corporativos, del domicilio de la Ciudad de Wilmington, en el Estado de Delaware, en los Estados Unidos de América; calidad que compruebo mediante los siguientes documentos: **a)** Certificado de Formación de la corporación LATIN AMERICA ADVISORY GROUP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, emitida por la División de Corporaciones de la Secretaría de Estado del Estado de Delaware, en vigor desde el día siete de marzo de dos mil diecinueve, y en la que consta que el Administrador Único de la corporación LATIN AMERICA ADVISORY GROUP, LLC es DAMIAN MERLO, y a quien en el transcurso de este documento denominaré "**LA CONTRATISTA**"; y en el carácter en que comparecen **ME DICEN: I.** Que reconocen como suyas las firmas que calzan al documento que antecede, por haber sido suscritas de sus puños y letras. **II.** Que por medio de la presente acta notarial y de conformidad a lo establecido en el artículo cincuenta y dos de la Ley de Notariado, vienen ante mis oficios con el objetivo de darle valor de instrumento público al documento privado de obligación que antecede, que está redactado, fechado y firmado el día de hoy en esta ciudad, el cual contienen el *"CONTRATO DE SERVICIOS DE CONSULTORÍA: CONSULTORÍA EN RELACIONES GUBERNAMENTALES PARA LA PRESIDENCIA DE LA REPÚBLICA"*, y que contiene dieciséis cláusulas, entre las cuales a continuación se relacionan las más relevantes de ellas: *"PRIMERA: OBJETO DEL CONTRATO. El objeto del presente contrato es el suministro del servicio de CONSULTORÍA EN RELACIONES GUBERNAMENTALES PARA LA PRESIDENCIA DE LA REPÚBLICA. SEGUNDA: PRECIO Y FORMA DE PAGO. El PRECIO del suministro objeto del presente contrato es hasta por el monto total de SETECIENTOS OCHENTA MIL DÓLARES DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS DE AMÉRICA, monto que será pagado en DOCE cuotas mensuales de SESENTA Y CINCO MIL DÓLARES DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS DE AMÉRICA cada una, previa aprobación de la persona que la Presidencia designe para la administración y seguimiento técnico del presente contrato; Sin perjuicio de la posibilidad de que la Presidencia requiera cualquier tipo de Informe sobre los servicios brindados y/o acciones efectuadas en el desarrollo*

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ERNESTO ANTONIO URRUTIA GUZMÁN NOTARIO REPÚBLICA DE EL SALVADOR

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CERTIFICO: Que la presente fotocopia es conforme con su original, con el cual confronte y consta de Cinco folios. San Salvador 20/junio/2024.

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