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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.

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1. Name of Registrant
Mr. Julian Cardenas Garcia

2. Registration Number
7590

3. Primary Address of Registrant
4170 Martin Luther King Blvd, Houston, TX 77204-6060

4. Name of Foreign Principal
Ad Hoc Board of Petroleos de Venezuela, S.A. (or, "PDVSA Ad Hoc Board")

5. Address of Foreign Principal
2216 Adams Street, #307
Hollywood, FL 33020

6. Country/Region Represented
VENEZUELA

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 *(specify)* See Appendix for Response
- ☐ Individual-State nationality _____

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

a) Branch or agency represented by the registrant

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

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.

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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.

Venezuela is the sole stockholder of Petroleos de Venezuela, S.A. ("PDSVA"), the Venezuelan state-owned oil and natural gas company. In February 2019, pursuant to the Statute that Governs the Transition to Democracy to Reestablish the Full Force and Effect of the Constitution of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (the "Democracy Transition Statute") enacted by the Venezuelan National Assembly, Venezuela's Interim President, Juan Gerardo Guaido Marquez, appointed the PDVSA Ad Hoc Board.

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 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).

See Appendix for Response

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.

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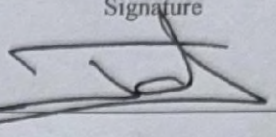
Date	Printed Name		Signature
05/12/2025	Julian Cardenas Garcia	Sign	/s/Julian Cardenas Garcia
		Sign	
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Date	Printed Name	Signature
05/12/2025	JULIAN CARDENAS	

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Appendix
Response to Item 7

Item 7: Indicate whether the foreign principal is one of the following: Other (specify).

Ad Hoc Board of Directors of state-owned corporation.

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Appendix
Response to Item 11

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

Item 10(b) Supervised: Venezuela is the sole stockholder of Petroleos de Venezuela, S.A. ("PDSVA"), the Venezuelan state-owned oil and natural gas company. In February 2019, pursuant to the Statute that Governs the Transition to Democracy to Reestablish the Full Force and Effect of the Constitution of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (the "Democracy Transition Statute") enacted by the Venezuelan National Assembly, Venezuela's Interim President, Juan Gerardo Guaido Marquez, appointed the PDVSA Ad Hoc Board.

Item 10(b) Owned: Venezuela is the sole stockholder of Petroleos de Venezuela, S.A. ("PDSVA"), the Venezuelan state-owned oil and natural gas company. In February 2019, pursuant to the Statute that Governs the Transition to Democracy to Reestablish the Full Force and Effect of the Constitution of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (the "Democracy Transition Statute") enacted by the Venezuelan National Assembly, Venezuela's Interim President, Juan Gerardo Guaido Marquez, appointed the PDVSA Ad Hoc Board.

Item 10(b) Directed: Venezuela is the sole stockholder of Petroleos de Venezuela, S.A. ("PDSVA"), the Venezuelan state-owned oil and natural gas company. In February 2019, pursuant to the Statute that Governs the Transition to Democracy to Reestablish the Full Force and Effect of the Constitution of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (the "Democracy Transition Statute") enacted by the Venezuelan National Assembly, Venezuela's Interim President, Juan Gerardo Guaido Marquez, appointed the PDVSA Ad Hoc Board.

Item 10(b) Controlled: Venezuela is the sole stockholder of Petroleos de Venezuela, S.A. ("PDSVA"), the Venezuelan state-owned oil and natural gas company. In February 2019, pursuant to the Statute that Governs the Transition to Democracy to Reestablish the Full Force and Effect of the Constitution of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (the "Democracy Transition Statute") enacted by the Venezuelan National Assembly, Venezuela's Interim President, Juan Gerardo Guaido Marquez, appointed the PDVSA Ad Hoc Board.

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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	2. Registration Number
Mr. Julian Cardenas Garcia	7590

3. Name of Foreign Principal

Ad Hoc Board of Petroleos de Venezuela, S.A. (or, "PDVSA Ad Hoc Board")

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? 06/12/2019

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

Appointed as Board Director of the PDVSA Ad Hoc Board pursuant to the Statute that Governs the Transition to Democracy to Reestablish the Full Force and Effect of the Constitution of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (the "Democracy Transition Statute"). The PDVSA Ad Hoc Board provides a monthly stipend of $4,750 for these services and may reimburse any out-of-pocket expenses incurred for travel, as needed.

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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.

Act as Board Director of the PDVSA Ad Hoc Board and represent the PDVSA Ad Hoc Board to third parties.

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.

The activities may include in-person meetings, calls, and emails with certain U.S. government officials in connection with the interests of PDVSA and the PDVSA Ad Hoc Board.

11. Prior to the date of registration[2] 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.

Participant in May, 2025 meeting with Michael Kozak (Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Western Affairs, U.S. State Department) regarding PDVSA interests in the United States.

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

Date	Contact	Method	Purpose
05/02/2025	Michael Kozak (Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Western Affairs, U.S. State Department)	Meeting	Discuss PDVSA interests in the United States

12. During the period beginning 60 days prior to the obligation to register[3] 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
03/03/2025	Ad Hoc Board of the Central Bank of Venezuela	Stipend	$ 4,750.00
04/01/2025	Ad Hoc Board of the Central Bank of Venezuela	Stipend	$ 4,750.00
05/01/2025	Ad Hoc Board of the Central Bank of Venezuela	Stipend	$ 4,750.00
		Total	$ 14,250.00

13. During the period beginning 60 days prior to the obligation to register[4] 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

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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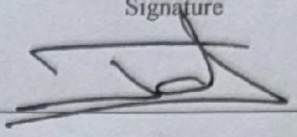
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Office of the Presidency of the
Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

Caracas, 12 June 2019.

Dear
Julián Cárdenas Garcia
Present

Greetings.

I am writing to inform you that in the Ordinary Session dated June 11, 2019, the Plenary of the National Assembly, authorized your appointment as a member of the Ad-Hoc Administrative Board of Petroleos de Venezuela, S.A. (PDVSA), replacing citizen Julio Rios.

This designation was made by virtue of Articles 333 and 236 numeral 11 of the Constitution of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, in accordance with Article 15, literal "a", and Article 34 of the Statute that governs the Transition to Democracy to restore the validity of the Constitution of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

I take the opportunity to express my feelings of esteem.

Sincerely,

Juan Guaidó

President of the National Assembly

President (E) of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

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DESPACHO DE LA PRESIDENCIA
República Bolivariana de Venezuela

Caracas, 12 de junio 2019.

Estimado
Julián Cárdenas García
Presente.-

Reciba un cordial saludo.

Me dirijo a usted, en la oportunidad de hacer de su conocimiento que en Sesión Ordinaria de fecha 11 de junio de 2019, la Plenaria de la Asamblea Nacional, autorizó su designación como miembro de la Junta Administradora Ad-Hoc de la sociedad Mercantil Petróleos de Venezuela, S.A. (PDVSA), en sustitución del ciudadano Julio Ríos.

Designación que fuese realizada en virtud de los artículos 333 y 236 numeral 11, de la Constitución de la República Bolivariana de Venezuela, en concordancia con el artículo 15, literal a , y el artículo 34 del Estatuto que rige la Transición a la Democracia para restablecer la vigencia de la Constitución de la República Bolivariana de Venezuela.

Aprovecho la oportunidad para expresarle mis sentimientos de estima.

Atentamente,

REPÚBLICA BOLIVARIANA DE VENEZUELA
ASAMBLEA NACIONAL
PRESIDENCIA

Juan Guaidó
Presidente de la Asamblea Nacional
Presidente (E) de la República Bolivariana de Venezuela

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