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NEAR EAST POLICY
50 F STREET NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20001

60 Month Period Ends:
Dec. 31, 1995
Addendum Applies:
NO

Dear Applicant:

We have received your notification of intent to terminate your private foundation status under section 507(b)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code during a 60 month period beginning January 1, 1991.

The information submitted indicates that you intend to operate as an organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the Code during the 60 month period.

Based on your proposed activities and support, it is held that you can reasonably be expected to terminate your private foundation status under section 507(b)(1)(B) of the Code. Accordingly, you will be treated as a public charity described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the Code for an advance ruling period of 60 months beginning January 1, 1991.

Within 90 days after the end of your 60 month period, you must establish to the satisfaction of the Internal Revenue Service that you have qualified as an organization which meets the requirements of paragraph (1), (2), or (3) of section 509(a) of the Code for the 60 month period. If you do establish that fact, you will be so classified for all purposes beginning with the first day of the first taxable year of the 60 month period and, thereafter, so long as you continue to meet the requirements of section 509(a)(1), (2), or (3). If, however, you do not meet these requirements for the 60 month period, you will be classified as a private foundation as of the first day of the first taxable year of the 60 month period.

If you satisfy the requirements of section 507(b)(1)(B) of the Code at the end of your 60 month period, you will not be subject to the provisions of section 507(a), (c), or (g) of the Code.

Grantors and donors may rely on the determination that you are not a private foundation until 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period. If you submit the required information within the 90 days, grantors and contributors may continue to rely on the advance determination until the Service makes a final determination of your foundation status.

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You are required to file Form 990-PF, Return of Private Foundation or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as a Private Foundation, until you complete your 60 month termination and are classified as a section 509(a)(1) organization. Form 990-PF must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. The law imposes a penalty of \$10 a day, up to a maximum of \$5,000 or 5 percent of your gross receipts (whichever is less), for failure to file a return on time unless there is reasonable cause for the delay.

If you do not pay the tax imposed by section 4940 of the Code for any taxable year or years during the 60 month period, and it is subsequently determined that such tax is due for such year or years, you will be liable for interest in accordance with section 6601 of the Code. Since any failure to pay such taxes during the 60 month period is due to reasonable cause, the penalty under section 6651 with respect to the tax imposed by section 4940 shall not apply.

If the heading of this letter indicate that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

We have sent a copy of this letter to your representative as indicated in your power of attorney.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,



District Director

Enclosure(s):
Form 872-B

Internal Revenue Service
District Director

Department of the Treasury

Date: April 28, 1986

Employer Identification Number:

Person to Contact:

Ms. A. K. Wilds

Contact Telephone Number:

301-962-4773

▷ The Washington Institute for Near
East Policy
444 North Capitol Street, NW
Suite 413
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Applicant:

Based on information supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

We have further determined that, as indicated in your application, you are a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code. Based on the information supplied, we have also determined that you are an operating foundation as defined in section 4942(j)(3).

If your purposes, character, or method of operation change, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. Also, you should inform us of all changes in your name or address.

Generally, you are not liable for social security (FICA) taxes unless you file a waiver of exemption certificate as provided in the Federal Insurance Contributions Act. If you have paid FICA taxes without filing the waiver, you should call us. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA). However, since you are a private foundation, you are subject to excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. You also may be subject to other Federal excise taxes. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other Federal taxes, please let us know. (see caveat attached)

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

You are required to file Form 990-PF, Return of Private Foundation Exempt from Income Tax. ~~Also, your foundation managers are required to file an annual report if you have at least \$5,000 of assets at any time during the tax year. (Form 990-AR, Annual Report of Private Foundation, may be used for this purpose.) The annual report, if required, and Form 990-PF must be filed by the 15th day of~~

the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. The law imposes a penalty of \$10 a day, up to a maximum of \$5,000, for each return or report filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay.

You are not required to file Federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T. In this letter, we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, a number will be assigned to you and you will be advised of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

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Teddy R. Kern
District Director

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This letter supersedes our letter dated June 18, 1985.

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~~(Form 990-PF cannot be reported by a private foundation; only be used for other purposes.)~~
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