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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 <a href="https://www.fara.gov">https://www.fara.gov</a>.

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: <a href="https://www.fara.gov">https://www.fara.gov</a>. 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: <a href="https://www.fara.gov">https://www.fara.gov</a>.

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 Balsera Communications	2. Registration Number 6835	
3. Primary Address of Registrant 2199 Ponce De Leon Blvd, #200, Coral Gables, FL 33134	•	
Centro de Inteligencia Estrategica - Gobierno de Ecuador	Address of Foreign Principal  Av. Eloy Alfaro y Rio Santiago Quito, Lumbisi ECUADOR	
6. Country/Region Represented ECUADOR		
7. Indicate whether the foreign principal is one of the following:   ☐ Government of a foreign country¹  ☐ 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		
<ul> <li>8. If the foreign principal is a foreign government, state:</li> <li>a) Branch or agency represented by the registrant Government of Ecuador</li> <li>b) Name and title of official with whom registrant engaguan DeHowitt, Director</li> </ul>	ges	

<sup>1 &</sup>quot;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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<ul><li>a) State the nature of the business or activity of this foreign principal.</li></ul>	
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 □
. Explain fully all items answered "Yes" in Item 10(b).	
. If the foreign principal is an organization and is not owned or controlled by a foreign government, foreign foreign principal, state who owns and controls it.	political party or other

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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 Exhibit A to Registration Statement, 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
06/13/2020	Alfredo J Balsera	/s/Alfredo J Balsera
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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 <a href="https://www.fara.gov">https://www.fara.gov</a>.

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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

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the foreign pri		e obligation to register <sup>3</sup> for this foreign properties for or in the interests of the foreign principles disbursement, or otherwise?	
Yes 🗷	No 🗆		
If yes, set forth	h below in the required detail an a	account of such monies or things of value	
Date Received	l From Whom	Purpose	Amount/Thing of Value
06/03/2020	Centro de Inteligencia Estrategica - Gobierno d Ecuador	Communications regarding CO crisis response	
			\$37,500.00
		e obligation to register <sup>4</sup> for this foreign participal of the foreign principal or transm	
Yes □	No 🗷		
If yes, set fort	h below in the required detail and	separately an account of such monies, in	acluding monies transmitted, if any.
Date	Recipient	Purpose	Amount

<sup>1 &</sup>quot;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.

<sup>2,3,4</sup> 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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#### Scope of Work for the Government of Ecuador Communications and Media Relations

Balsera Communications will execute on the following scope of work for the period of June 4 – August 15, 2020.

- Work with the Secretario General de Comunicación de la Presidencia, Centro de Inteligencia
  Estratégica del Gobierno del Ecuador and the Ecuadorian Ambassador to the United States
  to execute crisis and reputational management for the Government of Ecuador in the United
  States pertaining to the Covid-19 crisis
- Develop communications strategies and tactics to counter the perception of an Ecuador besieged by the coronavirus and lacking a cohesive response
- Develop and execute an engagement strategy with think tanks and other relevant nongovernmental thought leaders in the U.S.
- Monitor media concerning Ecuador and prepare appropriate reactions when necessary
- Key message development around Ecuador's response to Covid-19 and other relevant achievements by the Government
- Manage overall media relations and story pitching
- Assist with relevant content creation related to media engagement
- Conduct interview prepping and analysis of administration spokespersons

If additional services are required (i.e. social media engagement, Global communications engagement) the compensation associated for such services will be agreed upon by the parties prior to such additional service being rendered.



#### Alcance del trabajo para el gobierno de Ecuador Comunicaciones y relaciones con los medios

Balsera Communications se ejecutará el siguiente alcance de trabajo para el período del 4 de Junio al 15 de agosto de 2020.

- Trabajar con el Secretario General de Comunicación de la Presidencia, el Centro de Inteligencia Estratégica del Gobierno del Ecuador y la Embajadora ecuatoriana en los Estados Unidos para ejecutar una gestión de crisis y reputación del Gobierno de Ecuador en los Estados Unidos relacionado a la crisis de Covid-19.
- Desarrollar estrategias y tácticas de comunicación para contrarrestar la percepción de un Ecuador no preparado por el coronavirus y que carece de una respuesta coherente.
- Desarrollar y ejecutar una estrategia de interactuar con grupos de expertos no gubernamentales relevantes en los EE. UU.
- Monitorear las noticias relacionados a Ecuador y preparar reacciones apropiadas cuando sea necesario.
- Desarrollo de mensajes clave sobre la respuesta de Ecuador a Covid-19 y otros logros relevantes del Gobierno
- Mantener relaciones con los medios y interactuar con ellos para conseguir entrevistas.
- Asistir en la creación de contenido relevante para los medios
- Realizar entrevistas de preparación y análisis de portavoces de la administración.

Si se requieren servicios adicionales (por ejemplo, con social media o ayuda con comunicaciones al nivel global), la compensación para dichos servicios será acordada entre las partes antes de prestar los mismos.

