

United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

November 30, 2023

Case No. FL-2023-00036

Reed Rubinstein
America First Legal
611 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE #231
Washington, DC 20003

Dear Mr. Rubinstein:

As we noted in our letter dated October 31, 2023, we are processing your request for material under the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552. The Department of State (the "Department") has identified an additional 43 responsive records subject to the FOIA. We have determined all 43 records may be released in part.

An enclosure explains the FOIA exemptions and other grounds for withholding material. Where we have made redactions, the applicable FOIA exemptions are marked on each record. Where applicable, the Department has considered the foreseeable harm standard when reviewing these records and applying FOIA exemptions. All non-exempt material that is reasonably segregable from the exempt material has been released and is enclosed.

We will keep you informed as your case progresses. If you have any questions, your attorney may contact Assistant United States Attorney Jeremy Simon at Jeremy.simon@usdoj.gov. Please refer to the case number, FL-2023-00036, and the civil action number, 23-cv-00419, in all correspondence about this case.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Litigation and Appeals Branch

Enclosures: As stated.

Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552) and Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. § 552a)

FOIA Exemptions

- Information specifically authorized by an executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy. Executive Order 13526 includes the following classification categories:
 - 1.4(a) Military plans, systems, or operations
 - 1.4(b) Foreign government information
 - 1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
 - 1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US, including confidential sources
 - 1.4(e) Scientific, technological, or economic matters relating to national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
 - 1.4(f) U.S. Government programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
 - 1.4(g) Vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installations, infrastructures, projects, plans, or protection services relating to US national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
 - 1.4(h) Weapons of mass destruction
- Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency (b)(2)
- Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 USC 552), for example: (b)(3)

Arms Export Control Act, 50a USC 2411(c) **ARMSEXP**

Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 USC 403(g) CIA PERS/ORG Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 USC App. Sec. 2411(c) EXPORT CONTROL

Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 USC 4004 FS ACT

INA Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1202(f), Sec. 222(f) **IRAN** Iran Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 99-99, Sec. 505

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 (A) interfere with enforcement proceedings

 (B) deprive a person of a fair trial

 (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy

 (D) disclose confidential sources

 (E) disclose investigation techniques

 (F) endanger life or physical safety of an individual

 Prepared by or for a government agency regulating or supervising financial institutions

 Geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells

 Other Grounds for Withholding

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	From:	(b)(6)		>
	To:	(b)(6)	@state.gov>	
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From: (b)(6) @state.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2022 11:01 AM
To(b)(6)
Subject: Fwd: Upcoming DRL Israel/West Bank/Gaza Panel
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I know it has been a couple of years since we have conducted a DRL-funded panel for Israel, so please find a couple of notes below on this process:

- Per federal procurement guidelines, all panelists must come to the panel with the ability to
 represent their office's vote on each proposal. The panel is the opportunity for the different
 stakeholders across the Department to weigh in on each proposal based on their office's specific
 equities. We are unable to allow votes on proposals after a panel has concluded, as this would
 be considered actions/review outside of the procurement process.
- 2. Panelists who participate in the review of each proposal are highly encouraged to include specific suggested conditions and/or recommendations that could enhance each proposal in the evaluation scoresheet, and share those suggestions during the panel;
 - Conditions are hard and fast rules that <u>must be met</u> for the proposal to be funded.
 Recommendations are strong requests for clarifications that <u>should</u> be addressed by the applicant in a revised proposal if it is voted forward by the panel and approved by the DRL Front Office.

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Happy to answer any other questions you might have. Thanks again for your time and participation in this process!

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Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor Team Lead, NEA Programs

I am working remotely. For urgent matters, please call me at (b)(6)

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Re: Status Check: MEDIA INQUIRY - JEWIISH INSIDER Deadline: May 27 before 5 p.m. - DRL Human Rights Grant / Israel-Palestine - 00232736 [ref:_00D30mqyv._5003d3FCkh:ref]

Date: Wed, 1 Jun 2022 20:24:16 +0000

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From: (b)(6) @state.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, June 1, 2022 4:20 PM
To: (b)(6) @state.gov>

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Human Rights Grant / Israel-Palestine - 00232736 [ref:_00D30mqyv._5003d3FCkh:ref]

Me too, but it is simple enough.

I reply to this email. Correct?

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From: Media Inquiries System [noreplymediainquiry@state.gov]

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To: gabby@jewishinsider.com

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To: (b)(6) @state.gov; mediainquiries@state.gov Cc: nea-press@state.gov; drl-press@state.gov

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Human Rights Grant / Israel-Palestine - 00232736 [ref:_00D30mqyv._5003d3FCkh:ref]

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Working on it

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Sent: 6/1/2022 8:48 AM **To:**(b)(6) @state.gov

Cc: drl-press@state.gov; nea-press@state.gov

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Good Morning,

Checking/confirming this call has been closed out.

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From: (b)(6) astate.gov]

Sent: 5/27/2022 4:07 PM

To: nea-press@state.gov; nea-press@state.gov; nea

Hi All,

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Response:

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Best regards,

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Public Affairs Specialist

U.S. Department of State | DRL/Press | HST 5531

(b)(6) @state.gov

From:(b)(6) @state.gov>

Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2022 3:28 PM

To:(b)(6) @state.gov>; Department of State Media Inquiries

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Thanks(b)(6)

It seemed familiar. Hopefully we have some sort of update... I can understand why she's asking again - 3 months later for details or an update... Also, if my Public Diplomacy mind serves me correctly, the fiscal year budget ends /wraps in late August /early September, so grant money for a certain year would need to be allotted /spent by then... If that's not the case for this program, then maybe sharing/clarifying the time line could be part of the response.

Just a thought for DRL to consider... Will keep any eye out for your response to Gabby.

From: (b)(6) @state.gov>

Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2022 3:10 PM

To: Department of State Media Inquiries < MediaInquiries@state.gov >; DRL-Press < DRL-

Press@state.gov>; NEA-Press < NEA-Press@state.gov>

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Subject: Re: MEDIA INQUIRY - JEWIISH INSIDER Deadline: May 27 before 5 p.m. - DRL Human Rights Grant / Israel-Palestine - 00232736 [ref:_00D30mqyv._5003d3FCkh:ref]

Hi all,

I'll check with our DRL/GP office if there's anything more to handle, but flagging that this reporter already contacted us on this subject in March:

March 23, 2022 RTQ – Gabby Deutch of Jewish Insider - Israel, West Bank and Gaza: DRL Grant Program (via GPA/PRS with NEA-Press at 1:25pm):

Q: Writing with a question about this funding opportunity being offered by the State Department "to strengthen accountability and human rights in Israel and the West Bank and Gaza." I was wondering if there's any additional information you could share about the type of human **rights work** that State hopes to support. A few more specific questions below:

- Is there a particular focus on any one entity whether that's human rights abuses perpetrated by Israel, Fatah or Hamas? Or some combination of the three?
- In line with this funding opportunity, does Secretary Blinken plan to make human rights violations a major focus of his upcoming trip to the region?
- Lastly: The State Department has been highly critical of human rights groups such as Amnesty and HRW for calling Israel an apartheid state. If those groups apply for this funding opportunity, would State consider funding their work in Israel? What about other groups working in the region that call Israel an apartheid state?

Attribution: On background to a Department of State spokesperson

Response:

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- The Department vets recipients of federal funds per our well-established processes.
- The solicitation referenced here has been drafted specifically to allow local civil society organizations to submit proposals designed based on their assessment of local needs.
- As part of a normal procurement process, we are seeking only proposals at this point. All proposals will be subject to the Department's rigorous review process.

From: Department of State Media Inquiries <mediainquiries@state.gov>

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Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2022 2:44 PM

To: DRL-Press < DRL-Press@state.gov>; NEA-Press < NEA-Press@state.gov>

Cc(b)(6)@state.gov>

Subject: MEDIA INQUIRY - JEWIISH INSIDER Deadline: May 27 before 5 p.m. - DRL Human Rights Grant /

Israel-Palestine - 00232736 [ref: 00D30mgyv. 5003d3FCkh:ref]

Defer to DRL to respond to the journalist in coordination with NEA, given the nature of the

Please copy me on the response to the journalist... Will let her know we are working on it. Hopefully this is one we can knock out well before COB on a Friday before a holiday weekend! :

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Gabby:

Thank you for your inquiry.

Here is our response to your questions on background. Please attribute the following remarks to "a State Department spokesperson."

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Please don't hesitate to email me if you have any further questions.

Many thanks, Patrick Harvey (b)(6)

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Awesome! Thanks.

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Best regards,

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Subject: RE: SFRC Cruz QFRs on DRL Solicitation

Awesome thanks. Think this is the best place?

In 2019, DRL solicited in SFOP0006474, through an open competition, proposals for programs supporting civil society organizations to reduce barriers to full inclusion of members of marginalized groups in Israel in political and economic processes. DRL funds a wide range of programs aimed at promoting civil society engagement at the local level as well as on issues related to human rights violations by security forces around the world. We have not issued any solicitations for these specific activities with respect to Israel or the West Bank/Gaza previously.

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Subject: Re: Urgent: J SFRC Cruz QFRs on DRL Solicitation

Hi (b)(6) the number for the 2019 notice of funding opportunity is SFOP0006474

<u>Thanks,</u> (b)(6)

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Subject: Urgent: J SFRC Cruz QFRs on DRL Solicitation

Importance: High

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- Could you please send me ASAP the funding opportunity number for the program highlighted below?

Question 1:

To what extent has DRL previously issued notices for projects aimed at documenting human rights violations occurring in Israel? Please explicitly cite and convey any notices you believe are precedents for or similar to SFOP0008613 in that context.

Answer 1:

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related to human rights violations by security forces around the world. We have not issued any solicitations for these activities with respect to Israel or the West Bank/Gaza previously. In 2019, DRL solicited,

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Following up on this clearance request for the QFRs linked here: 2022 03 J Hearing QFRs Cruz 1-4	
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(b)(6) would you mind taking a look at (b)(6) responses to your comments on QFR 3?	
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OK for R - Have an amazing afternoon.

Many thanks,
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Hi all,

My apologies for the last minute clearance request, but please find at the link below for your review and clearance **by COB today, 3/24,** DRL's response to QFRs Cruz 1-4 from J's SFRC Hearing on Combating Authoritarianism.

The questions focus on a DRL Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for projects that strengthen accountability and human rights in Israel and the West Bank and Gaza.

2022 03 J Hearing QFRs Cruz 1-4

Happy to answer any questions or concerns!

Thanks,

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Great- I'll raise it at das's tomorrow morning.

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Subject: RE: Script on NOFO

Agreed, it makes sense for us to own this one. NEA/IPA is also working on an internal paper just so they're prepared as they receive questions, which I think will be good to have on file with ours.

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Subject: Script on NOFO **Importance:** High

Hey there – thinking ahead to A A/S Peterson's round table with groups about this NOFO, seems to make sense that GP and DRL/NEA own the script. We can help feed in IPA's input, and SEAS can add through clearance process.

Does that make sense to you all?

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Subject: Note for S staff re Isr-WBG NOFO

Importance: High

Lisa,

As promised, below is a note for Suzy George and Tom Sullivan re the Isr-WBG NOFO reactions. It has inputs from across DRL and from SEAS, NEA, and H. Suggested recipients noted below.

Christopher

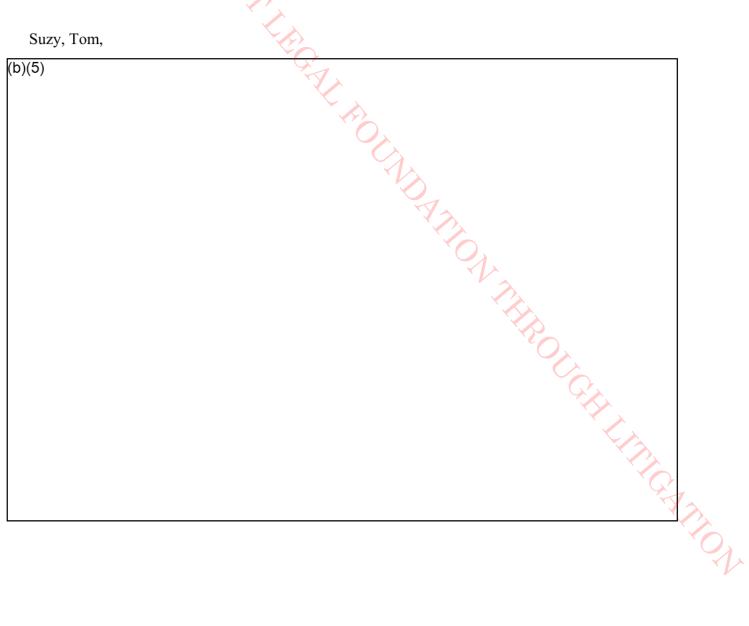
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RE: Update on reactions to DRL funding notice for Isr-WBG

Suzy, Tom,





I'll update further if we get notable additional inquiries, or if you or others have questions or concerns.

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Date: Fri, 10 Jun 2022 12:53:47 +0000

Hi (b)(6)

Yes, exactly. DRL/GP will take the pen on this one and we wouldn't want to publicly say anything about where we've landed.

Best, (b)(6)

From:(b)(6) @state.gov>

Sent: Friday, June 10, 2022 8:25 AM

To:(b)(6) @state.gov>

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 $Hi^{(b)(6)}$ – I think we would defer to GP on this one but I wouldn't think we can say anything publicly yet about where we landed on this NOFO, right?

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Per (b)(6) email, we look forward to your reply by 10 am today. Thank you!

(b)(6)

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Where's the guidance? I can clear, but I don't see anything

From: (b)(6)@state.gov> Sent: Monday, March 28, 2022 12:31 PM To: NEA-IPA-DL < NEA-IPA-DL@state.gov> Subject: FW\(\(\frac{1}{2}\)\)/ Fw: Clear by 10 am: query on DRL Strengthening Human Rights and Accountability in Israel and the West Bank and Gaza Importance: High (6) is slammed, flagging that DRL needs this in the next 30 min or they'll move with us as info. Thanks **From**(b)(6) @state.gov> Sent: Monday, March 28, 2022 12:30 PM **To:** (b)(6)@state.gov> Cc: DRL-Press < DRL-Press@state.gov>; NEA-Press < NEA-Press@state.gov> Subject: Re (b)(6) // Fw: Clear by 10 am: query on DRL Strengthening Human Rights and Accountability in Israel and the West Bank and Gaza Importance: High Thank you (b)(6) can we get your clearance NLT 1 pm? Want to run this by GPA and possibly SPOX before the reporter's 3 pm deadline. Best regards, (b)(6)Public Affairs Specialist U.S. Department of State | DRL/Press | HST 5531

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NEA/Press,

DRL recommends this response using two of the previously cleared lines from last week - please let us know by 10 am if you have any objections.

March 23, 2022 – RTQ – Lahav Harkov of Jerusalem Post - Israel, West Bank and Gaza: DRL Grant Program (via NEA-Press at 2:30 pm)

Question: Is this tender new and unprecedented as it has been portrayed in some media? Or is this something DRL has advanced in the past?

https://www.state.gov/drl-strengthening-human-rights-and-accountability-in-israel-and-the-west-bank-and-gaza/

My deadline is Monday 3 pm.

Attribution: On background to a Department of State spokesperson

Response:

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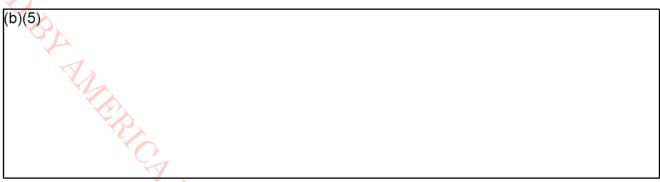
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Please see below as cleared by NEA. Sorry for delay, DSA Amr notes that IPA and DRL are working up more robust answers which I hope we can deploy in the next round of this...

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DAS Amr is following this issue closely, I've been told his clearance is required. He's meeting with the Speaker of Knesset now hopefully will clear the moment he's out- thanks!

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Hi Marin,

We've reached out to DRL to help answer your questions, and they offer these briefing times if any work for you and those joining you.

Monday, 4/18: 12-1 PM Tuesday, 4/19: 12-1 PM Wednesday, 4/20: 12-2 PM Thursday, 4/21: 12-2 PM

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Thanks (b)(6) Understood, but I actually haven't even googled any articles about this, and I have no doubt of the Administration's support for Israel. My questions are just from reading the Notice and seeking additional info and ideally a call.

Thanks, Marin

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Just to answer a few questions quickly I can tell you that no program has been reviewed or awarded; the article is inaccurate and we're only in the solicitation phase. As you know, all of our programs are intended to foster respect for human rights and the rule of law and support democracy. The President has been clear regarding his support for Israel and that has not changed.

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West Bank/ Gaza

Would it be possible for us to schedule this briefing after next Tuesday, May 17? Maybe that Wednesday, 5/18?

We have the proposal review panel panel for this program scheduled for early next week and will be better able to provide details on the proposals that we received / would like to move forward with following the panel.

Thanks!

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Hi thanks for checking in!	
Yes, that is correct that this CN contains the funding for that NOFO in question. I know that	
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Happy to brief HACFO on this, just let me know when we should start pulling times.	
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Subject: Re: Question RE DRL Funding Notice Strengthening Human Rights and Accountability Israel, West Bank/ Gaza

Hi All,

Our sincere apologies but we're going to need to postpone this briefing as we're still working through some details on our end and don't want to get ahead of anything that will be conveyed to Members in a written response. I will follow up in the days ahead with an offer to brief staff.

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Thank you very much (b)(6)

Wednesday, 4/20 at 1pm would be great.

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This isn't an Israel thing—it's HACFO

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West Bank/ Gaza

Can I possibly flip this back to you? I don't know the players on the Hill nor do I know the ins and outs of setting up briefings. I'd appreciate if you'd take this back since you know all the Israel/WB folks. (and what is NOFO?)

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Hi___- thanks for sending along. DRL would prefer to brief on these questions to provide additional context/background on this NOFO.

We are available at the following times next week:

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Sent: Thursday, March 24, 2022 10:40 AM To:(b)(6)@state.gov>

Cc: (b)(6) @state.gov>

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From: "Stein, Marin" < Marin.Stein@mail.house.gov> **To:** (b)(6) @state.gov> RE: Question RE DRL Funding Notice Strengthening Human Rights and Subject: Accountability Israel/ West Bank/ Gaza **Date:** Mon, 18 Apr 2022 20:40:22 +0000

Excellent

From (b)(6) @state.gov> Sent: Monday, April 18, 2022 4:36 PM

To: Stein, Marin < Marin. Stein@mail.house.gov>

Subject: Re: Question RE DRL Funding Notice Strengthening Human Rights and Accountability Israel/

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From: Stein, Marin < Marin.Stein@mail.house.gov>

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Are you still able to talk to me?

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Subject: Re: Question RE DRL Funding Notice Strengthening Human Rights and Accountability Israel/ West Bank/ Gaza

Hi All,

Our sincere apologies but we're going to need to postpone this briefing as we're still working through some details on our end and don't want to get ahead of anything that will be conveyed to Members in a written response. I will follow up in the days ahead with an offer to brief staff.

11/28/2023

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Just to answer a few questions quickly I can tell you that no program has been reviewed or awarded; the article is inaccurate and we're only in the solicitation phase. As you know, all of our programs are intended to foster respect for human rights and the rule of law and support democracy. The President has been clear regarding his support for Israel and that has not changed.

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Thanks (b)(6)

DRL, please respond with lines to my other chain. Please advise (to me only) of your timeframe, reporter has given us a deadline of 8pm tonight. V/r, (b)(6)

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Subject: Question on DRL Funding Opportunity in Israel, Gaza, West Bank

Hi and team,

Writing with a question about <u>this funding opportunity</u> being offered by the State Department "to strengthen accountability and human rights in Israel and the West Bank and Gaza." I was wondering if there's **any additional information you could share about the type of human rights work** that State hopes to support. A few more specific questions below:

- Is there a particular focus on any one entity whether that's human rights abuses perpetrated by Israel, Fatah or Hamas? Or some combination of the three?
- In line with this funding opportunity, does Secretary Blinken plan to make human rights violations a major focus of his upcoming trip to the region?
- Lastly: The State Department has been highly critical of human rights groups such as Amnesty
 and HRW for calling Israel an apartheid state. If those groups apply for this funding opportunity,
 would State consider funding their work in Israel? What about other groups working in the
 region that call Israel an apartheid state?

Thanks very much, Gabby

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Gabby Deutch

Washington Correspondent, Jewish Insider

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Will send the JPost RTQ now to GPA - the Jewish Insider RTQ is still pending JSEAS clearance and I see them actively in the link.

From:(b)(6) @state.gov> Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 4:45 PM To: (b)(6)@state.gov> Subject: Re: Question on DRL Funding Opportunity in Israel, Gaza, West Bank fine, we need to email hers to PA Press Duty for clearance and then close the loop; on 2nd one, we just need to give it (b)(6)on the email he requested, he can close the loop From(b)(6)@state.gov> Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 4:44 PM **To:**(b)(6)@state.gov> Subject: Re: Question on DRL Funding Opportunity in Israel, Gaza, West Bank Hi (b)(6) - when I spoke with (b)(6) earlier, she indicated that NEA had wanted us to return clearances on the Jerusalem Post item since it pertained to DRL. Best regards, (b)(6)(b)(6) Public Affairs Specialist U.S. Department of State | DRL/Press | HST 5531 @state.gov (b)(6)From: (b)(6) @state.gov> Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 4:08 PM @state.gov>;|(b)(6)**To:** (b)(6) @state.gov>; PA Press Duty <PAPressDuty@state.gov>; NEA-Press <NEA-Press@state.gov>; DRL-Press <DRL-Press@state.gov> Subject: Re: Question on DRL Funding Opportunity in Israel, Gaza, West Bank

Hi (b)(6)

One you sent us from Jerusalem Post is pending NEA-Press clearance; one below from Jewish Insider - we added extra lines, and just sent for clearance. Both RTQs will then go to GPA/PRS (and for Spox as needed) for clearance.

When final, you can close the loop with Jerusalem Post since it came to you, and one from Jewish Insider GPA/PRS would close as it came to them.

Thanks, (b)(6)

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From: Gabby Deutch <gabby@jewishinsider.com>

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Subject: Question on DRL Funding Opportunity in Israel, Gaza, West Bank

Hi (b)(6 and team,

Writing with a question about this funding opportunity being offered by the State Department "to strengthen accountability and human rights in Israel and the West Bank and Gaza." I was wondering if there's any additional information you could share about the type of human **rights work** that State hopes to support. A few more specific questions below:

- Is there a particular focus on any one entity whether that's human rights abuses perpetrated by Israel, Fatah or Hamas? Or some combination of the three?
- In line with this funding opportunity, does Secretary Blinken plan to make human rights violations a major focus of his upcoming trip to the region?
- Lastly: The State Department has been highly critical of human rights groups such as Amnesty and HRW for calling Israel an apartheid state. If those groups apply for this funding opportunity, would State consider funding their work in Israel? What about other groups working in the region that call Israel an apartheid state?

Thanks very much, Gabby

Gabby Deutch

Washington Correspondent, Jewish Insider

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Adding ir (b)(6) from our program team. I know they had been working up a cleared Q&A on this topic and will have guidance on how we can speak with external audiences about this solicitation. Thanks, (b)(6)

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Thank you very much for the information (b)(6)

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Subject: RE: Question about DRL grant to "strengthen accountability and human rights in Israel and the West Bank and Gaza,"

Unfortunately our programming is often designated as "sensitive" and we cannot share them with others outside of the USG for the safety of our implementing partners and their work. She is welcome to review other open DRL solicitations and will be able to see the similarities in language and scope for many of our projects globally if she wishes.

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Thank you(b)(6) The Q&A mentions that that similar grants exist for EU countries – can you let me know which ones? This is something that Leah asked me.

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Hi (b)(6)

Please find the final version of the QA attached.

This is a new grant for Israel and/or West Bank Gaza, but not new to the Department's global work funded out of DRL.

We cannot provide specifics into the USG's vetting processes as those are considered sensitive, but we do certainly vet all recipients of USG funding.

I hope that helps!
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Leah followed up with some additional questions including whether this grant is something new, or
whether it has existed in previous years – and if DRL has any vetting process for grantees and if so, what
is the criteria they are using?(b)(6) — any additional information you can provide would be much
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My deadline is Monday 3 pm.

Regards

Ron

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Hi, all. Let's aim for a final product by OOB Monday.

I'll send some edits in a few minutes.

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Subject: TASKER: J Hearing QFRs Fri. March 25 COB

Good Afternoon -

This is a tasker for questions for the record (QFR) from J's recent SFRC hearing on Combating Authoritarianism. The attached spreadsheet indicates the lead drafting bureau and the required clearers for each.

Please strictly follow the attached template and ensure all drafters have a copy of the template as well. Questions that do not follow this template will be returned. Directions include:

- The Drafting Bureau, R, and H must clear all QFRs along with those listed as required clearers in the attached. Info by Request D (exception for PRC-related questions in which D and NSC should clear), D-MR, P and S/P.
- Member QFRs should be written with single space and no indent. State's responses should be double spaced and indented one tab for each new paragraph.
- All Member QFRs should be labeled with the corresponding number as indicated in the attached spreadsheet (i.e. Menendez 1, Risch 2)
- The response should be short, preferable one page or less and focus only on responding to the question.
- Please make sure your response uses information only available at date of the hearing. This
 response will be part of the official Congressional Record for the date of the hearing, so
 responses should match what was available at the same date.

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Questions should have a separate clearance sheet at the end. If multiple responses are sent in sequence send the Clearances Page after the last QFR Response as a separate page at the end, i.e., No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, put one Clearance Page at the end for all of them. If different Clearances, drafters, clearers required/used send with a separate Clearance Sheet at the end of the QFR Response(s) as separate page. For example, QFR No. 1, No. 2, No. 3 have different drafters/clearers send a separate clearance page for each. If QFR No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3 (or more) have the same drafters/clearers just send as one separate clearance page at the end.

Responses are due to the J/FO by Friday March 25th COB. Please submit papers to Allison Peters (PetersAL@state.gov) and copy J StaffAssistants@state.gov and AllisonAP@state.gov.

Note: Several of these questions already have responses that were drafted for the hearing. Please review the full list of questions that were drafted in the link below to pull from pre-cleared language. We have done our best in the notes section of the spreadsheet to flag where language exists already.

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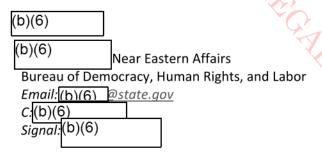
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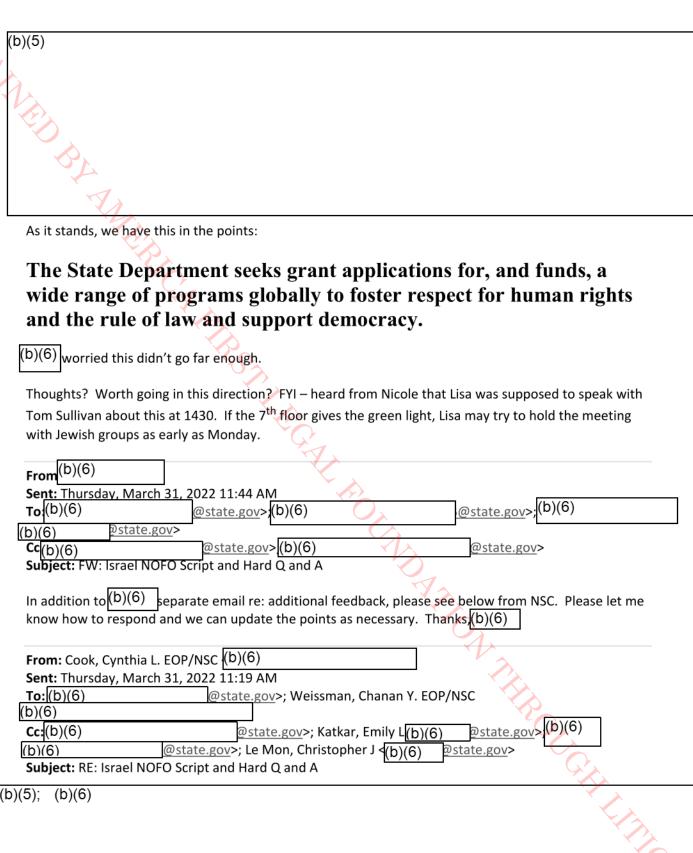
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DRL A A/S Peterson is planning to speak with Tom Sullivan sometime today to get his feedback and guidance re: proactive engagement with Jewish groups about this. We do not have an engagement planned as of now, but could get one on the books early next week if appropriate.

Looking forward to your feedback and please call me if you would like to discuss.

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I think that (b)(6) and others could benefit from it. Do you want to clean it up for you or me to send to (b)(6)

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I went down a rabbit hole on this Israel NOFO, but from what I saw, I think our DRL colleagues are a bit in denial and don't want to see the reality.

DRL lists the NOFOs they have released since Nov 2020 on the State Dept website here: <a href="https://www.state.gov/statements-of-interest-requests-for-proposals-and-notices-of-funding-opportunity/?coll filter year&coll filter month&coll filter country&coll filter release type&coll filter bureau=73&results

There are 100 NOFOs listed. Of those 100 listed, in addition to the Israel NOFO, I found 6 other NOFOs that addressed accountability or human rights writ large in a specific country. Check out the six countries:

Supporting Efforts to Address Accountability, Justice, and the Rule of Law in **Libya JANUARY** 21, 2022

Promoting and Protecting Human Rights in **Malaysia DECEMBER 21**, **2021**Supporting Democracy, Human Rights, and Rule of Law in **Syria APRIL 27**, **2021**Strengthening Democracy and Human Rights in **Thailand APRIL 12**, **2021**

Supporting Transparency and Accountability in Sudan FEBRUARY 16, 2021 Burma Democracy and Human Rights Programs DECEMBER 7, 2020

In the email chain that was run on the Free Beacon article (attached) when we were putting points together, (b)(6) noted, "Aren't there some democratic European countries where we have funded programs, too? If so, it would be good to list one or two of those. I just cleared on a NOFO, for instance, involving Roma in Eastern Europe." Below is the program description from the Roma Inclusion NOFO and the Israel NOFO. See the difference. One is talking about inclusion of a minority group, the other is talking about collecting documentation to pursue ACCOUNTABILITY, TRUTH and SUPPORT TO SURVIVORS OF ATROCITIES.

DRL Promoting Roma Inclusion in Central Europe

DRL's goal is to increase civic and political participation of Roma, as well as other ethnic minorities, in Central Europe. DRL requests proposals that seek to increase the capacity of Roma and other ethnic minority leaders to advocate for and effectuate their inclusion and to increase their representation in political parties. Activities could include: training Roma and other minority civic leaders and civil society organizations (CSOs) to effectively engage in political advocacy, and to participate in decision-making and political processes; providing opportunities for participants to network with other minority leaders both within their own countries and through regional civil society networks; and targeting training for civic leaders and CSOs on advocacy skills, political engagement, legal rights and enforcement, organizational management, community organizing, and communication skills. Countries that are eligible for participation include Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Romania, and Slovakia. Proposals must include a minimum of three countries.

DRL Strengthening Human Rights and Accountability in Israel and the West Bank and Gaza Program activities should focus on enabling independent civil society in Israel and the West Bank and Gaza to: collect, archive, and maintain human rights documentation to support justice and accountability and civil society-led advocacy efforts, which may include documentation of legal or security sector violations and housing, land, and property rights; understand and access the forums and processes available to take meaningful action in pursuing truth, accountability, and memorialization; and/or provide psychosocial support to survivors of atrocities.

The issue isn't that DRL funds programs in European countries or other countries we are allied with – the issue is that DRL is funding a program to collect evidence of human rights abuses and atrocities in a country that is our ally. And the NOFO specifically says it may include documentation of violations of land and property rights! (I mean, come on!) Who wrote this N SUCCEPT FRANCE AND A SECOND thing??

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