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# The Open Society Policy Center Summary of Lobbying Activities

APRIL 1–JUNE 30, 2018 (Q2)

## **The Open Society Policy Center supports transparency and is proud of the causes and groups it supports.**

The Open Society Policy Center (OSPC) is registered under the Lobbying Disclosure Act (LDA) and regularly reports on its activities as required by the Act. However, very few OSPC staff members meet the legal threshold for reporting their lobbying. Consequently, OSPC has chosen to voluntarily post on a quarterly basis the “lobbying activities” as defined by the LDA of its Washington staff regardless of whether they meet the LDA’s reporting threshold. In other words, the lobbying activities listed below go well beyond the requirements of the LDA by including all the OSPC activities that would have been reported under the LDA if all of the OSPC Washington advocates were “registered lobbyists.”

In addition, OSPC reports on an annual basis all of its grants on IRS Form 990 as required by law. However, there is a substantial lag time before Form 990 information becomes available to the public. Accordingly, OSPC also voluntarily makes this information easily and publicly available below on a quarterly basis.

## **Domestic Policy**

### **Immigration (IMM)**

Legislation on Immigration, including deferred action for childhood arrivals, legal immigration, enforcement policies and temporary protected status

*Entities Lobbied: Senate, House of Representatives*

### **Law Enforcement/Crime/Criminal Justice (LAW)**

Legislation on criminal justice reform, including S.1917, Sentencing Reform and Corrections Act of 2017, pertaining to mandatory minimum sentences and recidivism reduction

*Entity Lobbied: Senate*

S. 1593, Pretrial Integrity and Safety Act, pertaining to the replacement of money bail as a condition of pretrial release

*Entity Lobbied: Senate*

S.1524, Dignity for Incarcerated Women Act, pertaining to unjust conditions for incarcerated women

*Entity Lobbied: Senate*

S. 1610, Walter Scott Act, pertaining to data collection and training for law enforcement

*Entity Lobbied: Senate*

H.R. 5682, First Step Act

*Entity Lobbied: House of Representatives*

H.R. 3356, Prison Reform and Redemption Act

*Entity Lobbied: House of Representatives*

H.R. 5698: Protect and Serve Act of 2018

*Entity Lobbied: House of Representatives*

S. 3195: Law Enforcement and Trust and Integrity Act

*Entities Lobbied: Senate, House of Representatives*

H.R. 5785: Jobs and Justice Act of 2018

*Entity Lobbied: House of Representatives*

Legislation related to police week activities and policing legislation

*Entities Lobbied: Senate, House of Representatives*

### **Budget/Appropriations (BUD)**

Issues pertaining to Puerto Rico disaster relief

*Entities Lobbied: Senate, House of Representatives*

## **Foreign Policy**

### **Foreign Relations (FOR)**

Nominations of Mike Pompeo, Gina Haspel, Ronald Mortensen and David Cornstein

*Entity lobbied: Senate*

S.J. Res. 59, Authorization for Use of Military Force of 2018

*Entity Lobbied: Senate*

Bills on Foreign Funded Organizations in Hungary

*Entities Lobbied: Department of State, Senate, House of Representatives,*

S. 2482, Foreign Agents Registration Amendments Act

*Entity Lobbied: Senate*

S. 625/H.R. 2811, Foreign Agents Registration Modernization and Enforcement Act

*Entities Lobbied: Senate, House of Representatives*

S. 2039/H.R. 4170, Disclosing Foreign Influence Act

*Entities Lobbied: Senate, House of Representatives*

S. 1679, Foreign Agent Lobbying Transparency Enforcement Act

*Entity Lobbied: Senate*

S. 2583/H.R. 5336, Foreign Influence Transparency Act

*Entities Lobbied: Senate, House of Representatives*

H.R. 5354, Countering Foreign Propaganda Act

*Entity Lobbied: House of Representatives*

S. 924, National Security Diversity and Inclusion Workforce Act of 2017

*Entities Lobbied: Senate, House of Representatives*

Georgian Strategic Partnership Dialogue

*Entity Lobbied: Department of State*

Assistance for Government Transition in Armenia

*Entities Lobbied: Millennium Challenge Corporation, Department of State, Senate, House of Representatives*

Issues related to U.S. Strategy for Europe

*Entities Lobbied: Senate, House of Representatives*

Issues related to Brussels NATO Summit Communiqué

*Entities Lobbied: Senate, House of Representatives*

Issues related to recognition of World Press Freedom Day

*Entities Lobbied: Senate, House of Representatives*

Issues related to European Union accession for Macedonia, Albania, Serbia, Montenegro, and Bosnia & Herzegovina

*Entities Lobbied: Department of State, Senate, House of Representatives*

Issues related to NATO accession for Macedonia

*Entities Lobbied: Department of State, Senate, House of Representatives*

H.R. 2200, Frederick Douglass Trafficking Victims Prevention and Protection Reauthorization Act of 2017, provisions on child soldiers

*Entity Lobbied: House of Representatives*

S.1862, Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2017, provisions on child soldiers

*Entity Lobbied: Senate*

H.R. 4837/S. 2019, No Unconstitutional Strike Against North Korea Act, regarding withholding funds for any U.S. military action against North Korea unless authorized by Congress

*Entity Lobbied: House of Representatives*

H.R. 5273, Global Fragility and Violence Reduction Act of 2018

*Entity Lobbied: House of Representatives*

H.R. 6012, North Korea Nuclear Baseline Act

*Entity Lobbied: House of Representatives*

S. 3142, North Korea Policy Oversight Act of 2018

*Entity lobbied: Senate*

S. 2047, Preventing Preemptive War in North Korea Act of 2017, provision regarding withholding funds for any U.S. military action against North Korea unless authorized by Congress

*Entity Lobbied: Senate*

U.S. foreign policy concerning human rights and governance issues in DRC and Zimbabwe

*Entities Lobbied: House of Representatives, Senate, State Department*

Unnumbered, draft resolutions of disapproval of the sale by U.S. government of precision guided munitions to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates

*Entity Lobbied: Senate***Budget/Appropriations (BUD)**

S. 2987/H.R. 5515, National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2019, provisions regarding security sector assistance, "Leahy Law" and civilian casualties and use of force policy

*Entities Lobbied: Senate, House of Representatives*

H.R. 5592, State Department Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, provisions regarding security sector assistance and "Leahy Law"

*Entity Lobbied: House of Representatives***Government Issues (GOV)**

Senate consideration of executive branch nominations

*Entity Lobbied: Senate*

Open Society Policy Center

**Open Society Policy Center Grants****Period: April 1–June 30, 2018 (Q2)**

| <b>Grantee Name</b>   | <b>Purpose</b>   | <b>Amount</b> | <b>Period</b> |
|---|--|---------------|---------------|
| <b>American Jewish World Service, Inc.</b>                  | to support foreign policy advocacy   | \$300,000     | 2 years       |
| <b>Amnesty International USA</b>                            | to support foreign policy advocacy   | \$250,000     | 1 year        |
| <b>Care in Action, Inc.</b>                                 | to support policy advocacy on immigration                                  | \$500,000     | 6 mos.        |
| <b>Center for American Progress Action Fund (CAP AF)</b>    | to support policy advocacy on North Korea                                  | \$50,000      | 1 year        |
| <b>Center for International Policy</b>                      | to support Win Without War, a project of the grantee                       | \$50,000      | 1.5 mos.      |
| <b>Friends Committee on National Legislation (FCNL)</b>     | to support foreign policy advocacy   | \$100,000     | 2 years       |
| <b>Friends Committee on National Legislation (FCNL)</b>     | to support advocacy on executive nominations                               | \$50,000      | 1 mo.         |
| <b>Global Witness</b>                                       | to support policy advocacy on transparency in the natural resources sector | \$250,000     | 1 year        |
| <b>Human Rights First</b>                                   | to support advocacy on executive nominations                               | \$24,228      | 1.5 mos.      |
| <b>Latino Victory Project</b>                               | to support policy advocacy on Puerto Rico issues                           | \$670,000     | 34 mos.       |
| <b>Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights Inc.</b> | to provide organizational support  | \$1,500,000   | 22 mos.       |

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| <b>Legacies of War</b>   | to support policy advocacy on Laos                              | \$150,000   | 2 years |
| <b>MoveOn.org Civic Action</b>   | to support advocacy on executive nominations                    | \$50,000    | 1 month |
| <b>Muslim Advocates</b>  | to support advocacy on executive nominations                    | \$50,000    | 2 mos.  |
| <b>National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE)</b> | to support policy advocacy on police reform                     | \$119,000   | 10 mos. |
| <b>National Religious Campaign Against Torture Action Fund</b>           | to support policy advocacy on torture                           | \$63,000    | 4 mos.  |
| <b>National Security Action</b>  | to support foreign policy advocacy                              | \$200,000   | 1 year  |
| <b>Project on Government Oversight, Inc.</b>                             | to support policy advocacy on government transparency           | \$100,000   | 2 years |
| <b>Proteus Action League</b>   | to support advocacy on judicial selection processes             | \$25,000    | 2 years |
| <b>Resource Impact</b>   | to support policy advocacy on Puerto Rican refugee rights       | \$500,000   | 1 year  |
| <b>Sister District Action Network</b>                                    | to support the grantee's work on civic engagement               | \$100,000   | 1 year  |
| <b>Sixteen Thirty Fund</b>   | to provide support for Demand Justice, a project of the grantee | \$2,500,000 | 21 mos. |
| <b>Sixteen Thirty Fund</b>   | to support advocacy on executive nominations                    | \$50,000    | 2 mos.  |
| <b>Sixteen Thirty Fund</b>   | to support policy advocacy on social safety net programs        | \$1,000,000 | 1 year  |
| <b>Sixteen Thirty Fund</b>   | to support cross-sector policy advocacy and planning            | \$250,000   | 2 years |



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| <b>Vet Voice Foundation</b>              | to support policy advocacy on North Korea           | \$25,000  | 3 mos. |
| <b>Working Texans for Paid Sick Time</b> | to support policy advocacy on earned paid sick days | \$750,000 | 8 mos. |

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