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Mr. Richard C. Visek
Deputy Legal Adviser and Designated Agency Ethics Official
Office of the Legal Adviser
U.S. Department of State
Washington, DC 20520

Re: Ethics Undertakings

Dear Mr. Visek:

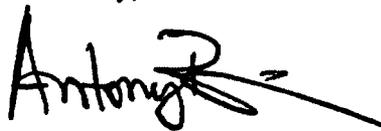
I am committed to the highest standards of ethical conduct for government officials. If confirmed as the Deputy Secretary of State, as required by 18 U.S.C. § 208(a), I will not participate personally and substantially in any particular matter in which I know that I have a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, or in which I know that a person whose interests are imputed to me has a financial interest directly and predictably affected by the matter, unless I first obtain a written waiver, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1), or qualify for a regulatory exemption, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(2). I understand that the interests of the following persons are imputed to me: any spouse or minor child of mine; any general partner of a partnership in which I am a limited or general partner; any organization in which I serve as officer, director, trustee, general partner or employee; and any person or organization with which I am negotiating or have an arrangement concerning prospective employment.

I will recuse myself from participation on a case-by-case basis in any particular matter involving specific parties in which I determine that a reasonable person with knowledge of the relevant facts would question my impartiality in that matter, unless I am first authorized to participate, pursuant to 5 C.F.R. Part 2635, Subpart E.

I understand that as an appointee I must continue to abide by the Ethics Pledge (Exec. Order No. 13490) that I previously signed and that I will be bound by the requirements and restrictions therein in addition to the commitments I have made in this and any other ethics agreement.

I have been advised that this ethics agreement will be posted publicly, consistent with 5 U.S.C. §552, on the website of the U.S. Office of Government Ethics with other ethics agreements of Presidential nominees who file public financial disclosure reports.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Antony J. Blinken", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Antony J. Blinken

Executive Branch Personnel Public Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 278e)

Filer's Information

OGE RECEIVED: AUG 5, 2016

Blinken, Antony J.

Deputy Secury Of State, ECA, State

Report Year: 2016

Other Federal Government Positions Held During the Preceding 12 Months: None

Electronic Signature - I certify that the statements I have made in this form are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

eSigned in FDM by:

Antony J. Blinken

User ID: DA6E1492F6ED5BFF

06/28/2016

Agency Ethics Official's Opinion - On the basis of information contained in this report. I conclude that the filer is in compliance with applicable laws and regulations(Subject to any comments below).

eSigned in FDM by:

Marguerite C. Walter

User ID: 93BB4E6FE6D8BE64

07/28/2016

Other review conducted by

Reviewer:

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U.S. Office of Government Ethics Certification

1. Filer Positions Held outside United States Government

This report has no reported **Positions Held outside United States Government**

2. Filer's Employment Assets and Income

This report has no reported **Assets**

3. Filer Employment Agreements and Arrangements

This report has no reported **Agreements and Arrangements**

4. Filer's Sources of Compensation Exceeding \$5,000 in a Year

This report has no reported **Compensation Exceeding \$5,000**

5. Spouse's Employment Assets and Income

This report has no reported **Assets**

6. Other Assets and Income

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
1	FMC Select Fund Advisors Inner Circle (FMSLX)	Yes	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$100,001 - \$1,000,000
2	FMC Strategic Value Fund Adv Inner Circle (FMSVX)	Yes	\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$5,001 - \$15,000
3	First Manhattan Co Cash Balance [REDACTED]	No	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
4	DELAWARE CNTY PA AUT 5.375 NOV 15 23	No	\$50,001 - \$100,000	Interest	\$2,501 - \$5,000
5	DETROIT MICH SEW DIS 5.250 JUL 01 28	No	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Interest	\$1,001 - \$2,500
6	DETROIT MICH SEW DIS 5.500 JUL 01 36	No	\$50,001 - \$100,000	Interest	\$2,501 - \$5,000
7	DETROIT MICH WTR SUP 4.750 JUL 01 34	No	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Interest	\$1,001 - \$2,500
8	ESCAMBIA CNTY FLA HE 5.750 AUG 15 29	No	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Interest	\$2,501 - \$5,000
9	JOHNSTON MEM HOSP AU 5.250 OCT 01 24	No	\$50,001 - \$100,000	Interest	\$2,501 - \$5,000
10	MAINE HEALTH & HIGHE 4.750 JUL 01 25	No	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Interest	\$1,001 - \$2,500
11	NEW HAMPSHIRE HEALTH 6.000 APR 01 27	No	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Interest	\$2,501 - \$5,000
12	SALT LAKE CNTY UTAH 5.125 FEB 15 33	No	None (or less than \$1,001)	Interest	\$201 - \$1,000
13	Premier Bank	No	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
14	Suntrust Bank	No	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
15	Citibank [Checking]	No	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)

7. Transactions

#	DESCRIPTION	TYPE	DATE	AMOUNT
1	Escambia CNTY FLA HE 5.750 AUG 15 29	sale	07/28/2015	\$15,001 - \$50,000
2	FMC SELECT FUND ADVISORS INNER CIRCLE (FMSLX)	sale	Multiple	\$250,001 - \$500,000
3	FMC STRATEGIC VALUE FUND ADV INNER CIRCLE (FMSVX)	sale	Multiple	\$15,001 - \$50,000
4	New Hampshire Health 6.000 APR 01 27	sale	11/02/2015	\$15,001 - \$50,000
5	Salt Lake Cnty Utah 5.125 FEB 15 33	sale	04/24/2015	\$15,001 - \$50,000

8. Liabilities

This report has no reported **Liabilities**

9. Gifts and Travel Reimbursements

This report has no reported **Gifts and Reimbursements**

Summary of Contents

1. Filer's Positions Held Outside the United States Government

Part 1 discloses positions that the filer held at any time during the reporting period (excluding positions with the United States Government). Positions are reportable even if the filer did not receive compensation. This section does not include the following: (1) positions with religious, social, fraternal, or political organizations; (2) positions solely of an honorary nature; (3) positions held as part of the filer's official duties with the United States Government; (4) mere membership in an organization; and (5) passive investment interests as a limited partner or non-managing member of a limited liability company.

2. Filer's Employment Assets and Income

Part 2 discloses the following:

- Sources of earned and other non-investment income of the filer totaling more than \$200 during the reporting period (e.g., salary, fees, partnership share, honoraria, scholarships, and prizes)
- Assets related to the filer's business, employment, or other income-generating activities that (1) ended the reporting period with a value greater than \$1,000 or (2) produced more than \$200 in income during the reporting period (e.g., equity in business or partnership, stock options, retirement plans/accounts and their underlying holdings as appropriate, deferred compensation, and intellectual property, such as book deals and patents)

This section does not include assets or income from United States Government employment or assets that were acquired separately from the filer's business, employment, or other income-generating activities (e.g., assets purchased through a brokerage account). Note: The type of income is not required if the amount of income is \$0 - \$200 or if the asset qualifies as an excepted investment fund (EIF).

3. Filer's Employment Agreements and Arrangements

Part 3 discloses agreements or arrangements that the filer had during the reporting period with an employer or former employer (except the United States Government), such as the following:

- Future employment
- Leave of absence
- Continuing payments from an employer, including severance and payments not yet received for previous work (excluding ordinary salary from a current employer)
- Continuing participation in an employee welfare, retirement, or other benefit plan, such as pensions or a deferred compensation plan
- Retention or disposition of employer-awarded equity, sharing in profits or carried interests (e.g., vested and unvested stock options, restricted stock, future share of a company's profits, etc.)

4. Filer's Sources of Compensation Exceeding \$5,000 in a Year

Part 4 discloses sources (except the United States Government) that paid more than \$5,000 in a calendar year for the filer's services during any year of the reporting period. The filer discloses payments both from employers and from any clients to whom the filer personally provided services. The filer discloses a source even if the source made its payment to the filer's employer and not to the filer. The filer does not disclose a client's payment to the filer's employer if the filer did not provide the services for which the client is paying.

5. Spouse's Employment Assets and Income

Part 5 discloses the following:

- Sources of earned income (excluding honoraria) for the filer's spouse totaling more than \$1,000 during the reporting period (e.g., salary, consulting fees, and partnership share)
- Sources of honoraria for the filer's spouse greater than \$200 during the reporting period
- Assets related to the filer's spouse's employment, business activities, other income-generating activities that (1) ended the reporting period with a value greater than \$1,000 or (2) produced more than \$200 in income during the reporting period (e.g., equity in business or partnership, stock options, retirement plans/accounts and their underlying holdings as appropriate, deferred compensation, and intellectual property, such as book deals and patents)

This section does not include assets or income from United States Government employment or assets that were acquired separately from the filer's spouse's business, employment, or other income-generating activities (e.g., assets purchased through a brokerage account). Note: The type of income is not required if the amount of income is \$0 - \$200 or if the asset qualifies as an excepted investment fund (EIF). Amounts of income are not required for a spouse's earned income (excluding honoraria).

6. Other Assets and Income

Part 6 discloses each asset, not already reported, that (1) ended the reporting period with a value greater than \$1,000 or (2) produced more than \$200 in investment income during the reporting period. For purposes of the value and income thresholds, the filer aggregates the filer's interests with those of the filer's spouse and dependent children. This section does not include the following types of assets: (1) a personal residence (unless it was rented out during the reporting period); (2) income or retirement benefits associated with United States Government employment (e.g., Thrift Savings Plan); and (3) cash accounts (e.g., checking, savings, money market accounts) at a single financial institution with a value of \$5,000 or less (unless more than \$200 of income was produced). Additional exceptions apply. Note: The type of income is not required if the amount of income is \$0 - \$200 or if the asset qualifies as an excepted investment fund (EIF).

7. Transactions

Part 7 discloses purchases, sales, or exchanges of real property or securities in excess of \$1,000 made on behalf of the filer, the filer's spouse or dependent child during reporting period. This section does not include transactions that concern the following: (1) a personal residence, unless rented out; (2) cash accounts (e.g., checking, savings, CDs, money market accounts) and money market mutual funds; (3) Treasury bills, bonds, and notes; and (4) holdings within a federal Thrift Savings Plan account. Additional exceptions apply.

8. Liabilities

Part 8 discloses liabilities over \$10,000 that the filer, the filer's spouse or dependent child owed at any time during the reporting period. This section does not include the following types of liabilities: (1) mortgages on a personal residence, unless rented out (limitations apply for PAS filers); (2) loans secured by a personal motor vehicle, household furniture, or appliances, unless the loan exceeds the item's purchase price; and (3) revolving charge accounts, such as credit card balances, if the outstanding liability did not exceed \$10,000 at the end of the reporting period. Additional exceptions apply.

9. Gifts and Travel Reimbursements

This section discloses:

- Gifts totaling more than \$375 that the filer, the filer's spouse, and dependent children received from any one source during the reporting period.
- Travel reimbursements totaling more than \$375 that the filer, the filer's spouse, and dependent children received from any one source during the reporting period.

For purposes of this section, the filer need not aggregate any gift or travel reimbursement with a value of \$150 or less. Regardless of the value, this section does not include the following items: (1) anything received from relatives; (2) anything received from the United States Government or from the District of Columbia, state, or local governments; (3) bequests and other forms of inheritance; (4) gifts and travel reimbursements given to the filer's agency in connection with the filer's official travel; (5) gifts of hospitality (food, lodging, entertainment) at the donor's residence or personal premises; and (6) anything received by the filer's spouse or dependent children totally independent of their relationship to the filer. Additional exceptions apply.

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