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### **NOTICE TO FARA REGISTRANTS**

Dear FARA Registrant:

The Department of Justice is pleased to announce the launch of a new and enhanced process for filing documents pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq.* ("FARA"). This upgraded filing system ("eFile") will allow registrants to submit data through a self-guided, web-based questionnaire, rather than uploading PDFs. Currently, this new eFile system is available for initial FARA registration filings only; all other FARA filings will continue to be submitted to the FARA Unit using the existing eFile system. In the coming months, we will update you when the next phase is complete and all FARA filings will be submitted on the new platform.

The new eFile system will streamline the registration process and improve overall search functionality of FARA filings. The new process is self-guided, provides helpful instructions and definitions, and automatically pre-populates submitted data for future filings. Importantly, eFile will help ensure all required fields are completed and responses are standardized, which will promote transparency and efficiency. This information can be provided within the application or by using offline templates that registrants can prepare in advance and upload with their FARA filings. Additional details regarding this feature, including the templates, are posted on the FARA website (<https://www.justice.gov/nsd-fara>).

In addition, we encourage you to visit our website to experience our enhanced search features. These features expand the public's ability to search FARA's more than 100,000 filings, such as enabling full-text search of filings and downloads of results in bulk format (e.g. CSV, XML) or via machine-readable API endpoints (e.g. CSV, XML, JSON).

We look forward to the launch of the enhanced eFile system as part of the Department's ongoing efforts to promote transparency and facilitate FARA compliance. If you have any questions, please contact us at [fara.public@usdoj.gov](mailto:fara.public@usdoj.gov) or (202) 233-0777.

Sincerely,

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