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INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:	EXPENSE relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:
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Date 04/19/2012

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LOBBYING ACTIVITY. Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Add additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code Foreign Relations (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Circulated a letter that was signed by 35 religious and human rights organizations and leaders of varying faiths, including the client, which was addressed and sent to the President and members of Congress. And on behalf of these signers, made contacts with the White House and congressional offices to urge them to appoint new Commissioners to the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF) who will view freedom of religion, thought, conscience and belief as far more than

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies Check if None

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S. SENATE, State - Dept of (DOS), White House Office, U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

First Name	Last Name	Suffix	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
GREG	MITCHELL			<input type="checkbox"/>
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19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above Check if None

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a church-state issue, a social challenge or a security concern that simply needs to be reported on and managed. It is a multidisciplinary issue that cuts across human rights, economics, security, counter-terrorism, media, academia, business, and other sectors. USCIRF, and its Commissioners, should reflect this broad and interrelated awareness. Further, a USCIRF Commissioner should be an advocate for freedom of religion, thought, conscience and belief, and for the practice and contribution of all faiths (or none).

Circulated a letter that was signed by 30 religious and human rights organizations and leaders of varying faiths, including the client, which was addressed and sent to the Secretary of State and members of Congress. And on behalf of these signers, made contacts with congressional offices to express our deep concern about rising restrictions on religion in Russia, which are contributing to an atmosphere of intolerance and discrimination against religious communities and their individual members. In particular, we are most concerned about the increasing misuse of the 2002 Extremism Law to censor religious scriptures and disrupt religious organizations. In June 2011, the Russian Supreme Court made clear that cases under "extremism"-related Articles of the Criminal Code must be very carefully and narrowly framed. However, the federal government continues to allow the use of an expansive definition that ignores the Supreme Court and contravenes the narrow construction of the term to "violence" or "violent encroachment" articulated in the Shanghai Convention on Combating Terrorism, Separatism and Extremism, which Russia has signed and ratified. So we urged them to press Russian authorities on this matter. A good place to start would be to ask the Russian government to narrow its definition of "extremism." We also urged the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom to write about these restrictions in its 2012 annual report.

Worked with the client to sign a letter that was signed by 20 human rights and religious organizations, which was addressed and sent to the Secretary of State to express our deep concern about the continuing religiously motivated violence in Nigeria. The letter urged the Secretary of State to conduct a thorough assessment of the underlying issues behind the escalating violence and update the perceptions and understanding of the U.S. Department of State regarding this issue, paying particular attention to the religious elements which must be recognized in order to make effective policy decisions.

Organized an International Religious Freedom event on Capitol Hill, and served as one of 19 co-sponsors of the event, including the client, American Islamic Congress, Baptist World Alliance, Christian Solidarity Worldwide - United Kingdom, First Freedom Center, Freedom House, Human Rights Law Foundation, International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON), International Uyghur Human Rights and Democracy Foundation (IUHRDF), Institute for Global Engagement (IGE), Law and Liberty Trust, The Mitchell Firm, the Seventh-day Adventist Church, the General Board of Church and Society of the United Methodist Church, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, Uyghur-American Association (UAA), and World Relief. This nonpartisan event featured leaders of government and civil society. The event was designed to increase the engagement of faith-based communities, religious freedom advocates, and NGOs with government, and to better equip them to effectively address religious freedom issues worldwide.

On behalf of 23 religious and human rights leaders of varying faiths, including the client, that previously signed a letter to members of Congress to express deep concern about the new religion law in Hungary, made follow up contacts with congressional offices to keep them updated on the implementation of the new law, and to urge them to continue to press the Hungarian government on this issue. This law represents a serious setback for religious freedom in Hungary as it contravenes standards of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, the European Union, the Council of Europe, the European Court of Human Rights and the United Nations by discriminating against minority religious groups.

Worked with several human rights and religious leaders of varying faiths, including the client, to urge the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom to write about rising restrictions on religion in Kazakhstan in its 2012 annual report.