

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

2006

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

A For the 2006 calendar year, or tax year beginning, 2006, and ending, 20

- B Check if applicable
Address change
Name change
Initial return
Final return
Amended return
Application pending

C Name of organization: MIDDLE EAST RESEARCH & INFO PROJECT
D Employer identification number: 04-2552770
E Telephone number: (202) 223-3677
F Accounting method: Accrual
City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4: WASHINGTON DC 20005

Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

H and I are not applicable to section 527 organizations

- H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? No
H(b) If "Yes," enter number of affiliates
H(c) Are all affiliates included?
H(d) Is this a separate return filed by an organization covered by a group ruling? No

G Website:

J Organization type (check only one) 501(c)(3)

K Check here If the organization is not a 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000

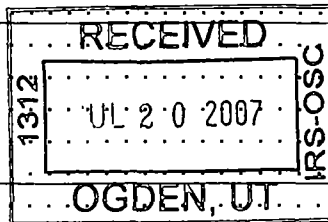
L Gross receipts Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12 189,128

I Group Exemption Number
M Check if the organization is not required to attach Sch B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions)

Table with 21 rows for revenue and expenses. Includes sub-rows for contributions, program service revenue, membership dues, interest, dividends, gross rents, investment income, special events, and total revenue/expenses. Total revenue is 186,461.

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Part II Statement of Functional Expenses All organizations must complete column (A) Columns (B), (C), and (D) are required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts but optional for others (See the instructions)

Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I		(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
22 a	Grants paid from donor advised funds (attach schedule) (cash \$ _____ noncash \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	22a			
22 b	Other grants and allocations (attach schedule) (cash \$ _____ noncash \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	22b			
23	Specific assistance to individuals (attach schedule)	23			
24	Benefits paid to or for members (attach schedule)	24			
25 a	Compensation of current officers, directors, key employees, etc listed in Part V-A (attach schedule)	25a	38,522	26,966	9,630
b	Compensation of former officers, directors, key employees, etc listed in Part V-B (attach schedule)	25b			
c	Compensation and other distributions, not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) (attach schedule)	25c			
26	Salaries and wages of employees not included on lines 25a, b, and c	26	38,762	31,010	5,814
27	Pension plan contributions not included on lines 25a, b, and c	27	1,292		1,292
28	Employee benefits not included on lines 25a - 27	28	10,810	8,108	2,702
29	Payroll taxes	29	6,452	4,839	1,613
30	Professional fundraising fees	30			
31	Accounting fees	31	32,661	6,000	26,661
32	Legal fees	32			
33	Supplies	33	1,556	1,245	311
34	Telephone	34	6,284	5,027	1,257
35	Postage and shipping	35	9,724	4,542	486
36	Occupancy	36	17,417	15,675	1,742
37	Equipment rental and maintenance	37	695		695
38	Printing and publications	38	2,434	2,434	
39	Travel	39	1,639		1,639
40	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	40			
41	Interest	41			
42	Depreciation, depletion, etc (attach schedule)	42	3,243		3,243
43	Other expenses not covered above (itemize)				
a	MISCELLANEOUS	43a	6,244	500	5,744
b	OTHER PROG, WEBSITE	43b	7,832	7,049	783
c	MESA, INTERN EXPENSE	43c	4,899	4,407	492
d	MAFAZINE	43d	63,693	63,693	
e		43e			
f		43f			
g		43g			
44	Total functional expenses. Add lines 22a through 43g (Organizations completing columns (B)-(D), carry these totals to lines 13-15)	44	254,159	181,495	64,104

Joint Costs. Check if you are following SOP 98-2
 Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services? Yes No
 If "Yes," enter (i) the aggregate amount of these joint costs \$ _____, (ii) the amount allocated to Program services \$ _____,
 (iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$ _____, and (iv) the amount allocated to Fundraising \$ _____

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions)

Form 990 is available for public inspection and, for some people, serves as the primary or sole source of information about a particular organization. How the public perceives an organization in such cases may be determined by the information presented on its return. Therefore, please make sure the return is complete and accurate and fully describes, in Part III, the organization's programs and accomplishments.

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? ► <u>PROMOTE HUMAN RIGHTS VALUES</u> All organizations must describe their exempt purpose achievements in a clear and concise manner. State the number of clients served, publications issued, etc. Discuss achievements that are not measurable. (Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must also enter the amount of grants and allocations to others.)	Program Service Expenses (Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) orgs, and 4947(a)(1) trusts, but optional for others)
a <u>See SERVICES</u> 	
(Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>	181,495
b 	
(Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>	
c 	
(Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>	
d 	
(Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>	
e Other program services (attach schedule) (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>	
f Total of Program Service Expenses (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services) ►	181,495

Part IV Balance Sheets (See the instructions)

Note: Where required, attached schedules and amounts within the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only

		(A)		(B)
		Beginning of year		End of year
A s s e t s	45 Cash - non-interest-bearing	67,152	45	25,347
	46 Savings and temporary cash investments	25,654	46	297
	47 a Accounts receivable	47a		
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts	47b	47c	
	48 a Pledges receivable	48a		
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts	48b	48c	
	49 Grants receivable		49	
	50 a Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		50a	
	b Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) (attach schedule)		50b	
	51 a Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule)	51a		
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts	51b	51c	
	52 Inventories for sale or use	1,047	52	1,047
	53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		53	
	54 a Investments - publicly-traded securities	<input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> FMV	54a	
	b Investments - other securities (attach schedule)	<input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> FMV	54b	
	55 a Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis	55a		
	b Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)	55b	55c	
	56 Investments - other (attach schedule)		56	
	57 a Land, buildings, and equipment basis	57a		
b Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)	57b	57c		
58 Other assets, including program-related investments (describe ▶ _____)		58		
59 Total assets (must equal line 74). Add lines 45 through 58	93,853	59	26,691	
L i a b i l i t i e s	60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,053	60	95
	61 Grants payable		61	
	62 Deferred revenue		62	
	63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		63	
	64 a Tax-exempt bond liabilities (attach schedule)		64a	
	b Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)		64b	
	65 Other liabilities (describe ▶ _____)		65	
66 Total liabilities. Add lines 60 through 65	1,053	66	95	
N e t A s s e t B a l a n c e s	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74			
	67 Unrestricted	93,237	67	26,596
	68 Temporarily restricted	0	68	0
	69 Permanently restricted	0	69	0
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 70 through 74			
	70 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds		70	
	71 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund		71	
	72 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		72	
73 Total net assets or fund balances. Add lines 67 through 69 or lines 70 through 72 (Column (A) must equal line 19 and column (B) must equal line 21)	93,237	73	26,596	
74 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances. Add lines 66 and 73	94,290	74	26,691	

Part VI Other Information (continued)

82 a Did the organization receive donated services or the use of materials, equipment, or facilities at no charge or at substantially less than fair rental value? 82a Yes No X
b If "Yes," you may indicate the value of these items here Do not include this amount as revenue in Part I or as an expense in Part II (See instructions in Part III.) 82b
83 a Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exemption applications? 83a X
b Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to quid pro quo contributions? 83b X
84 a Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible? 84a X
b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible? 84b N/A
85 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations a Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members? 85a
b Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less? 85b
If "Yes" was answered to either 85a or 85b, do not complete 85c through 85h below unless the organization received a waiver for proxy tax owed for the prior year
c Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members 85c
d Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures 85d
e Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices 85e
f Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e) 85f
g Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f? 85g
h If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount on line 85f to its reasonable estimate of dues allocable to nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures for the following tax year? 85h
86 501(c)(7) orgs Enter a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 12 86a
b Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities 86b
87 501(c)(12) orgs Enter a Gross income from members or shareholders 87a
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them) 87b
88 a At any time during the year, did the organization own a 50% or greater interest in a taxable corporation or partnership, or an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Part IX 88a X
b At any time during the year, did the organization, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Part XI 88b X
89 a 501(c)(3) organizations Enter Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911, section 4912, section 4955 89a
b 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) orgs Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," attach a statement explaining each transaction 89b X
c Enter Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 89c
d Enter Amount of tax on line 89c, above, reimbursed by the organization 89d
e All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? 89e X
f All organizations Did the organization acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract? 89f X
g For supporting organizations and sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year? 89g X
90 a List the states with which a copy of this return is filed 90a
b Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2006 (See instructions) 90b
91 a The books are in care of THE CORPORATION Telephone no 202-223-3677
Located at ZIP + 4
b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? 91b Yes No X
If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts

Part VI Other Information (continued)

Yes No

c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the United States? **91c** Yes No

If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____

92 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here

and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ **92** |

Part VII Analysis of Income-Producing Activities (See the instructions)

Note: Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(E) Related or exempt function income
	(A) Business code	(B) Amount	(C) Exclusion code	(D) Amount	
93 Program service revenue					
a MAGAZINE/LITERATURE			03	110,510	
b SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT			03	2,806	
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
f Medicare/Medicaid payments					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
94 Membership dues and assessments . . .					
95 Interest on savings & temporary cash investments			14	752	
96 Dividends and interest from securities . .					
97 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:					
a debt-financed property					
b not debt-financed property.					
98 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
99 Other investment income			14	795	
100 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					
101 Net income or (loss) from special events			03	3,268	
102 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory . .					
103 Other revenue a _____					
b _____					
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))				118,131	
105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E)) ▶					118,131

Note: Line 105 plus line 1e, Part I, should equal the amount on line 12, Part I

Part VIII Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes (See the instructions)

Line No.	Explain how each activity for which income is reported in column (E) of Part VII contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the organization's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes)
93A	PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL AND INFO
93A	ON MIDDLE EAST ISSUES AND EVENTS. THE FEES RECEIVED ARE OFFSET
93A	AGAINST THE MAGAZINE COST.
93B	DISCUSS MIDDLE EAST ISSUES ADN EVENTS

Part IX Information Regarding Taxable Subsidiaries and Disregarded Entities (See the instructions)

(A) Name, address, and EIN of corporation, partnership, or disregarded entity	(B) Percentage of ownership interest	(C) Nature of activities	(D) Total income	(E) End-of-year assets
	%			
	%			
	%			
	%			

Part X Information Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts (See the instructions)

- (a) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? Yes No
- (b) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? Yes No

Note: If "Yes" to (b), file Form 8870 and Form 4720 (see instructions)

Part XI Information Regarding Transfers To and From Controlled Entities. Complete only if the organization is a controlling organization as defined in section 512(b)(13)

106 Did the reporting organization **make** any transfers to a controlled entity as defined in section 512(b)(13) of the Code? If "Yes," complete the schedule below for each controlled entity

Yes	No

	(A) Name, address, of each controlled entity	(B) Employer Identification Number	(C) Description of transfer	(D) Amount of transfer
a				
b				
c				
Totals				

107 Did the reporting organization **receive** any transfers from a controlled entity as defined in section 512(b)(13) of the Code? If "Yes," complete the schedule below for each controlled entity

Yes	No

	(A) Name, address, of each controlled entity	(B) Employer Identification Number	(C) Description of transfer	(D) Amount of transfer
a				
b				
c				
Totals				

108 Did the organization have a binding written contract in effect on August 17, 2006, covering the interest, rents, royalties, and annuities described in question 107 above?

Yes	No

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Please Sign Here

Signature of officer: *Christopher Toensing* Date: 07-17-2007

Type or print name and title: CHRISTOPHER TOENSING, EXEC DIRECTOR

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature: *Eric Bolin* Date: 07-06-2007 Check if self-employed:

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed) address, and ZIP + 4: ERIC BOLIN CPA PC EIN:

6110 Executive Blvd #232 Phone no: 301-816-9446

Rockville, MD 20852

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Organization Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)

(Except Private Foundation) and Section 501(e), 501(f), 501(k), 501(n),
or 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust

OMB No 1545-0047

2006

Supplementary Information -- (See separate instructions.)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ **MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ**

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

MIDDLE EAST RESEARCH & INFO PROJECT

04-2552770

Part I Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees

(See page 2 of the instructions List each one If there are none, enter "None ")

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
NONE		0	0	0

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 ▶

Part II-A Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services

(See page 2 of the instructions List each one (whether individuals or firms) If there are none, enter "None ")

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services ▶

Part II-B Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Other Services

(List each contractor who performed services other than professional services, whether individuals or firms If there are none, enter "None " See page 2 of the instructions)

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

Total number of other contractors receiving over \$50,000 for other services ▶

Part III Statements About Activities (See page 2 of the instructions)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1. During the year, has the organization attempted to influence national, state, or local legislation... 2. During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts... 3a. Did the organization make grants for scholarships... 3b. Did the organization have a section 403(b) annuity plan... 3c. Did the organization receive or hold an easement for conservation purposes... 3d. Did the organization provide credit counseling... 4a. Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds... 4b. Did the organization make any taxable distributions... 4c. Did the organization make a distribution to a donor... d. Enter the total number of donor advised funds... e. Enter the aggregate value of assets... f. Enter the total number of separate funds... g. Enter the aggregate value of assets...

Part IV Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status (See pages 4 through 7 of the instructions)

I certify that the organization is not a private foundation because it is (Please check only **ONE** applicable box)

- 5 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)
- 6 A school Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii) (Also complete Part V)
- 7 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)
- 8 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)
- 9 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii) **Enter the hospital's name, city, and state** ▶ _____
- 10 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 11a An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A)
- 11b A community trust Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A)
- 12 An organization that normally receives (1) **more than 33 1/3%** of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its charitable, etc , functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) **no more than 33 1/3%** of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See section 509(a)(2) (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A)
- 13 An organization that is not controlled by any disqualified persons (other than foundation managers) and otherwise meets the requirements of section 509(a)(3). Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization
 Type I Type II Type III-Functionally Integrated Type III-Other

Provide the following information about the supported organizations. (See page 7 of the instructions)

(a) Name(s) of supported organization(s)	(b) Employer identification number (EIN)	(c) Type of organization (described in lines 5 through 12 above or IRC section)	(d) Is the supported organization listed in the supporting organization's governing documents?		(e) Amount of support
			Yes	No	
Total					

- 14 An organization organized and operated to test for public safety Section 509(a)(4) (See page 7 of the instructions)

Part IV-A Support Schedule (Complete only if you checked a box on line 10, 11, or 12) Use cash method of accounting.

Note: You may use the worksheet in the instructions for converting from the accrual to the cash method of accounting

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2004	(c) 2003	(d) 2002	(e) Total
15 Gifts, grants, and contributions received (Do not include unusual grants See line 28)	99,539	84,960	122,980	135,282	442,761
16 Membership fees received					0
17 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to the organization's charitable, etc., purpose	187,581	192,870	172,460	243,606	796,517
18 Gross income from interest, dividends, amounts received from payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), rents, royalties, and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975	752	7,076	945	2,025	10,798
19 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18					0
20 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf					0
21 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge					0
22 Other income Attach a schedule Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of capital assets					0
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	287,872	284,906	296,385	380,913	1,250,076
24 Line 23 minus line 17	100,291	92,036	123,925	137,307	453,559
25 Enter 1% of line 23	2,879	2,849	2,964	3,809	

26 Organizations described on lines 10 or 11: a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24	26a	0
b Prepare a list for your records to show the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 2002 through 2005 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a Do not file this list with your return. Enter the total of all these excess amounts	26b	
c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test Enter line 24, column (e)	26c	
d Add Amounts from column (e) for lines 18 _____ 19 _____ 22 _____ 26b _____	26d	
e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)	26e	
f Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator))	26f	%

27 Organizations described on line 12: a For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a "disqualified person," prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each "disqualified person" Do not file this list with your return. Enter the sum of such amounts for each year

(2005) _____ (2004) _____ (2003) _____ (2002) _____

b For any amount included in line 17 that was received from each person (other than "disqualified persons"), prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and amount received for each year, that was more than the larger of (1) the amount on line 25 for the year or (2) \$5,000 (Include in the list organizations described in lines 5 through 11b, as well as individuals.) Do not file this list with your return. After computing the difference between the amount received and the larger amount described in (1) or (2), enter the sum of these differences (the excess amounts) for each year

(2005) _____ (2004) _____ (2003) _____ (2002) _____

c Add Amounts from column (e) for lines 15 <u>442,761</u> 16 _____ 17 <u>796,517</u> 20 _____ 21 _____	27c	1,239,278
d Add Line 27a total _____ and line 27b total _____	27d	
e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)	27e	1,239,278
f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test Enter amount from line 23, column (e)	27f	1,250,076
g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))	27g	99.14%
h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))	27h	0.86%

28 Unusual Grants: For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 2002 through 2005, prepare a list for your records to show, for each year, the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant Do not file this list with your return. Do not include these grants in line 15

Part V Private School Questionnaire (See page 9 of the instructions)

(To be completed ONLY by schools that checked the box on line 6 in Part IV)

	Yes	No
29 Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?	29	
30 Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	30	
31 Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If "Yes," please describe; if "No," please explain (If you need more space, attach a separate statement)	31	
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32 Does the organization maintain the following		
a Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?	32a	
b Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?	32b	
c Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?.	32c	
d Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions?	32d	
If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain (If you need more space, attach a separate statement)		
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33 Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to:		
a Students' rights or privileges?	33a	
b Admissions policies?	33b	
c Employment of faculty or administrative staff?	33c	
d Scholarships or other financial assistance?.	33d	
e Educational policies?	33e	
f Use of facilities?	33f	
g Athletic programs?	33g	
h Other extracurricular activities?	33h	
If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain (If you need more space, attach a separate statement)		
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34a Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?	34a	
b Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended?	34b	
If you answered "Yes" to either 34a or b, please explain using an attached statement		
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35 Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4 01 through 4 05 of Rev Proc 75-50, 1975-2 C B 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," attach an explanation	35	

Part VI-A Lobbying Expenditures by Electing Public Charities (See page 10 of the instructions)

(To be completed ONLY by an eligible organization that filed Form 5768)

Check a if the organization belongs to an affiliated group Check b if you checked "a" and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures

(The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred)

Table with columns for line numbers (36-44), descriptions of lobbying expenditures, and columns for affiliated group totals and completion requirements.

Caution: If there is an amount on either line 43 or line 44, you must file Form 4720

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)

(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below See the instructions for lines 45 through 50 on page 13 of the instructions)

Table for 4-Year Averaging Period with columns for years 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003, and Total, and rows for various lobbying amounts.

Part VI-B Lobbying Activity by Nonelecting Public Charities

(For reporting only by organizations that did not complete Part VI-A) (See page 13 of the instructions)

Table for reporting lobbying activity with columns for Yes, No, and Amount, and rows for various activity types (a-i).

If "Yes" to any of the above, also attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities

Depreciation and Amortization

(Including Information on Listed Property)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ See separate instructions.

▶ Attach to your tax return.

2006
Attachment
Sequence No **67**

Name(s) shown on return MIDDLE EAST RESEARCH & INFO PROJ	Business or activity to which this form relates MANAGEMENT/GENERAL - 1	Identifying number 04-2552770
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Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179

Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.

1	Maximum amount See the instructions for a higher limit for certain businesses	1	
2	Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3	Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation	3	
4	Reduction in limitation Subtract line 3 from line 2 If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5	Dollar limitation for tax year Subtract line 4 from line 1 If zero or less, enter -0- If married filing separately, see instructions	5	
(a) Description of property (b) Cost (business use only) (c) Elected cost			
6			
7	Listed property. Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8	Total elected cost of section 179 property Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	
9	Tentative deduction Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8	9	
10	Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2005 Form 4562	10	
11	Business income limitation Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instructions)	11	
12	Section 179 expense deduction Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12	
13	Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2007 Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12	▶ 13	

Note: Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property Instead, use Part V

Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property) (See instructions)

14	Special allowance for qualified New York Liberty or Gulf Opportunity Zone property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	
15	Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16	Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	3,243

Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property) (See instructions)

Section A

17	MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2006	17	
18	If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Section B - Assets Placed in Service During 2006 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only-see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19a 3-year property						
b 5-year property						
c 7-year property						
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs		S/L	
h Residential rental property			27 5 yrs	MM	S/L	
			27 5 yrs	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property			39 yrs	MM	S/L	
				MM	S/L	

Section C - Assets Placed in Service During 2006 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System

20a	Class life				S/L	
b	12-year		12 yrs		S/L	
c	40-year		40 yrs	MM	S/L	

Part IV Summary (see instructions)

21	Listed property Enter amount from line 28	21	
22	Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21 Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return Partnerships and S corporations - see instr	22	3,243
23	For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

2006 01

Name(s) as shown on return

Your Social Security Number

MIDDLE EAST RESEARCH & INFO PROJECT

04-2552770

FORM 990, PART III (a)

Grants and Allocations \$0
Program Service Expenses \$181495
Includes Foreign Grants NO

Explanation

TO SUPPORT RESEARCH, PUBLICATION, & DISTRIBUTION OF MAGAZINES AIMED AT PROMOTING THE CULTURAL LEGITIMACY OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE ARAB WORLD (PUB. & DITRIB.)

Federal Supporting Statements

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FORM 990, PART I, LINE 7
OTHER INVESTMENT INCOME SCHEDULE

Statement #98

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
UNREALIZED GAIN ON ASSETS	<u>795</u>
TOTAL	<u><u>795</u></u>

Federal Supporting Statements

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Statement #101

FORM 990, PART I, LINE 9 SPECIAL EVENTS SCHEDULE

Event	Gross Receipts	Contributions	Gross Revenue	Direct Expenses	Net Income
DINNER EVENT	5,935	—	5,935	2,667	3,268
TOTAL	<u>5,935</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>5,935</u>	<u>2,667</u>	<u>3,268</u>

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OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

Description	Amount
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT	\$ 1,058
Total:	\$ 1,058

Application for Extension of Time to File an Exempt Organization Return

▶ File a separate application for each return

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** and check this box
- If you are filing for an **Additional (not automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** (on page 2 of this form)

Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time - Only submit original (no copies needed)

Section 501(c)(3) corporations required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension - check this box and complete Part I only.

All other corporations (including Form 11200-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns

Electronic Filing (e-file). Generally, you can electronically file Form 8868 if you want a 3-month automatic extension of time to file one of the returns noted below (6 months for section 501(c)(3) corporations required to file Form 990-T) However, you cannot file Form 8868 electronically if (1) you want the additional (not automatic) 3-month extension or (2) you file Forms 990-BL, 6069, or 8870, group returns, or a composite or consolidated Form 990-T Instead, you must submit the fully completed and signed page 2 (Part II) of Form 8868 For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile and click on e-file for Charities & Nonprofits

Type or print File by the due date for filing your return See Instructions	Name of Exempt Organization MIDDLE EAST RESEARCH & INFO PROJECT	Employer identification number 04-2552770
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P O box, see instructions 1500 MASS. AVE, NW, STE.119	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code For a foreign address, see instructions WASHINGTON DC 20005	

Check type of return to be filed (file a separate application for each return)

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|--|--|------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (corporation) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 4720 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-BL | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (sec 401(a) or 408(a) trust) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 5227 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-EZ | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (trust other than above) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 6069 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-PF | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 1041-A | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8870 |

• The books are in the care of ▶ THE CORPORATION

Telephone No ▶ 202-223-3677 FAX No ▶ _____

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____ If this is for the whole group, check this box If it is for part of the group, check this box and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension will cover

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6-months for a section 501(c)(3) corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until 08-15, 2007, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for

- ▶ calendar year 2006 or
- ▶ tax year beginning _____, 20____, and ending _____, 20____

2 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits See instructions	3a	\$
b If this application is for Form 990-PF or 990-T, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit	3b	\$
c Balance Due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System) See instructions	3c	\$

Caution: If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions