

# Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-0047

Form **990**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

**2023**

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**A For the 2023 calendar year, or tax year beginning and ending**

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization <b>THE MIDDLE EAST INSTITUTE</b>		<b>D</b> Employer identification number <b>53-0204608</b>
	Doing business as		<b>E</b> Telephone number <b>202-785-1141</b>
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	
	<b>1761-1763 N STREET NW</b>		<b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ <b>6,892,599.</b>
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <b>WASHINGTON, DC 20036</b>		
<b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer: <b>PAUL SALEM</b> <b>SAME AS C ABOVE</b>		<b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. See instructions <b>H(c)</b> Group exemption number	

**I** Tax-exempt status:  501(c)(3)  501(c) ( ) (insert no.)  4947(a)(1) or  527

**J** Website: **WWW.MEI.EDU**

**K** Form of organization:  Corporation  Trust  Association  Other

**L** Year of formation: **1946** **M** State of legal domicile: **DC**

Part I Summary		Prior Year	Current Year
Activities & Governance	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <b>TO INCREASE KNOWLEDGE OF THE MIDDLE EAST AMONG CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES AND TO PROMOTE A</b>		
	<b>2</b> Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	<b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	<b>3</b>	<b>37</b>
	<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	<b>4</b>	<b>36</b>
	<b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2023 (Part V, line 2a)	<b>5</b>	<b>36</b>
	<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	<b>6</b>	<b>48</b>
	<b>7a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	<b>7a</b>	<b>2,500.</b>
<b>b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	<b>7b</b>	<b>0.</b>	
Revenue	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	<b>5,056,004.</b>	<b>5,507,714.</b>
	<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	<b>467,674.</b>	<b>347,998.</b>
	<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	<b>1,992,768.</b>	<b>926,079.</b>
	<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	<b>20,849.</b>	<b>-114,665.</b>
	<b>12</b> Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>7,537,295.</b>	<b>6,667,126.</b>
	Expenses	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	<b>0.</b>
<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		<b>0.</b>	<b>0.</b>
<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)		<b>4,256,189.</b>	<b>4,572,278.</b>
<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		<b>142,167.</b>	<b>55,000.</b>
<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)		<b>869,868.</b>	
<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)		<b>3,171,875.</b>	<b>3,761,949.</b>
<b>18</b> Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)		<b>7,570,231.</b>	<b>8,389,227.</b>
<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	<b>-32,936.</b>	<b>-1,722,101.</b>	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16)	<b>Beginning of Current Year</b> <b>32,481,084.</b>	<b>End of Year</b> <b>33,393,990.</b>
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	<b>4,740,046.</b>	<b>5,725,970.</b>
	<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	<b>27,741,038.</b>	<b>27,668,020.</b>

**Part II Signature Block**

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.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer	Date			
	<b>BAINDU CONTE-HARVEY, VP OF FINANCE</b> Type or print name and title				
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name <b>TINA PEACHER</b>	Preparer's signature <i>Tina Peacher</i>	Date <b>11/15/2024</b>	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	PTIN <b>P01608826</b>
	Firm's name <b>JM&amp;M</b>	Firm's EIN <b>52-1853933</b>	Firm's address <b>10500 LITTLE PATUXENT PARKWAY, SUITE 770 COLUMBIA, MD 21044</b>	Phone no. <b>410-884-0220</b>	

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions  Yes  No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III [X]

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission: TO INCREASE KNOWLEDGE OF THE MIDDLE EAST AMONG CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES AND TO PROMOTE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF THESE TWO AREAS.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? [ ] Yes [X] No

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? [ ] Yes [X] No

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 4,325,980. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ ) CENTER FOR POLICY STUDIES: MEI EXPERTS RESEARCH AND EXPLORE FOREIGN POLICY ISSUES RELATED TO THE CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN THE MIDDLE EAST. THEY PUBLISH AND COMMUNICATE THEIR FINDINGS THROUGH MEI'S COMMUNICATION CHANNELS AND THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MEDIA. THEY REGULARLY BRIEF POLICYMAKERS, US AND FOREIGN DIPLOMATS, AND THE INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS COMMUNITY ON ISSUES IMPACTING THE MIDDLE EAST, AND HAVE ADVISED THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT INCLUDING CABINET SECRETARIES AND THE WHITE HOUSE. MEI'S POLICY PROGRAM HAS GROWN ALONG WITH ITS OVERALL FORWARD TRAJECTORY. IN RECENT YEARS, MEI HAS ADDED TRACK II DIPLOMACY, COUNTER TERRORISM, AND OTHER SPECIAL FOCUS AREAS THAT MONITOR ONGOING DEVELOPMENTS IN CRITICAL AREAS. MEI'S TELEVISION STUDIO ENABLES SCHOLARS TO JOIN BROADCAST PROGRAMS FASTER AND MORE

4b (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 705,821. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ ) CENTER FOR ARTS AND CULTURE: SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN 2014, MEI'S ARTS AND CULTURE PROGRAM IN WASHINGTON, D.C. HAS BECOME A DESTINATION FOR AUDIENCES INTERESTED IN THE MIDDLE EAST'S DYNAMIC ARTS SCENE. MEI PROMOTES THE WORK OF ARTISTS, WRITERS AND FILMMAKERS FROM THE REGION, CONNECTING DC AUDIENCES WITH THE MIDDLE EAST'S VIBRANT ARTS AND CULTURE SECTOR.

4c (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 656,512. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ 238,404.) CENTER FOR EDUCATION: MEI PROVIDES ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO CURRENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS OF MIDDLE EAST ANALYSTS AND ENTHUSIASTS. MEI'S LANGUAGE PROGRAM PROVIDES INSTRUCTION IN ARABIC, TURKISH, HEBREW, FARSI, AND OTHER LANGUAGES, AND ITS REGIONAL STUDIES PROGRAM PROVIDES AN IN-DEPTH EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE TO THOSE SEEKING A GREATER UNDERSTANDING OF THE MIDDLE EAST. MEI'S LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PROVIDES HANDS-ON TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SEMINARS TO TOP UNIVERSITY STUDENTS AND RECENT GRADUATES WHO WORK ALONGSIDE MEI'S STAFF AND SCHOLARS ON RESEARCH PROJECTS, PUBLIC PROGRAMS, DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES, AND EVENTS.

4d Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.) (Expenses \$ 432,107. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ 107,094.)

4e Total program service expenses 6,120,420.

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i> .....	<b>1</b> X	
<b>2</b> Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> ? See instructions .....	<b>2</b> X	
<b>3</b> Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i> .....	<b>3</b>	X
<b>4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i> .....	<b>4</b>	X
<b>5</b> Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Rev. Proc. 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i> .....	<b>5</b>	X
<b>6</b> Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i> .....	<b>6</b>	X
<b>7</b> Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i> .....	<b>7</b>	X
<b>8</b> Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i> .....	<b>8</b> X	
<b>9</b> Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i> .....	<b>9</b>	X
<b>10</b> Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i> .....	<b>10</b> X	
<b>11</b> If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X, as applicable.		
<b>a</b> Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i> .....	<b>11a</b> X	
<b>b</b> Did the organization report an amount for investments - other securities in Part X, line 12, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i> .....	<b>11b</b>	X
<b>c</b> Did the organization report an amount for investments - program related in Part X, line 13, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i> .....	<b>11c</b>	X
<b>d</b> Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i> .....	<b>11d</b>	X
<b>e</b> Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> .....	<b>11e</b> X	
<b>f</b> Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> .....	<b>11f</b>	X
<b>12a</b> Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i> .....	<b>12a</b>	X
<b>b</b> Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i> .....	<b>12b</b>	X
<b>13</b> Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i> .....	<b>13</b>	X
<b>14a</b> Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States? .....	<b>14a</b>	X
<b>b</b> Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i> .....	<b>14b</b>	X
<b>15</b> Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i> .....	<b>15</b>	X
<b>16</b> Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i> .....	<b>16</b>	X
<b>17</b> Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I.</i> See instructions .....	<b>17</b> X	
<b>18</b> Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i> .....	<b>18</b> X	
<b>19</b> Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i> .....	<b>19</b>	X
<b>20a</b> Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i> .....	<b>20a</b>	X
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return? .....	<b>20b</b>	
<b>21</b> Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i> .....	<b>21</b>	X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question number, Yes, No. Rows 22-38. Includes questions about grants, compensation, tax-exempt bonds, excess benefit transactions, and noncash contributions.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V [ ]

Table with 3 columns: Question number, Yes, No. Rows 1a-1c. Includes questions about Form 1096, Forms W-2G, and backup withholding rules.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No columns. Includes rows for employee counts (2a), tax returns (2b), unrelated business income (3a), foreign accounts (4a), prohibited transactions (5a-5c), charitable solicitations (6a-6b), deductible contributions (7a-7h), donor advised funds (8-9), 501(c)(7) organizations (10), 501(c)(12) organizations (11), 4947(a)(1) trusts (12a-12b), 501(c)(29) health insurers (13a-13c), tanning services (14a-14b), parachute payments (15), excise tax (16), and 501(c)(21) organizations (17).

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure. For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes on Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a (37), 1b (36), 2 (X), 3 (X), 4 (X), 5 (X), 6 (X), 7a (X), 7b (X), 8a (X), 8b (X), 9 (X).

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a (X), 10b, 11a (X), 11b, 12a (X), 12b (X), 12c (X), 13 (X), 14 (X), 15a (X), 15b (X), 16a (X), 16b.

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed DC
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, if applicable), 990, and 990-T (section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply. [X] Own website [ ] Another's website [X] Upon request [ ] Other (explain on Schedule O)
19 Describe on Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records
BAINDU CONTE-HARVEY - 202-785-1141
1761-1763 N STREET NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20036

**Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

**1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
  - List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See the instructions for definition of "key employee."
  - List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (box 5 of Form W-2, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
  - List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
  - List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- See the instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) PAUL ERNEST SALEM PRESIDENT AND CEO	40.00	X		X				296,117.	0.	50,631.
(2) COURTNEY LOBEL CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER	40.00			X				239,080.	0.	8,711.
(3) KATE SEELYE SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	40.00			X				228,000.	0.	13,291.
(4) BILAL SAAB PROGRAM DIRECTOR	40.00				X			189,203.	0.	16,972.
(5) BRIAN KATULIS VICE PRESIDENT, POLICY CENTER	40.00				X			196,650.	0.	6,018.
(6) MIRETTE F. MABROUK PROGRAM DIRECTOR	40.00				X			158,830.	0.	22,435.
(7) CHARLES LISTER SENIOR FELLOW/PROGRAM DIRECTOR	40.00				X			142,785.	0.	30,889.
(8) GONUL TOL SENIOR FELLOW/PROGRAM DIRECTOR	40.00				X			144,808.	0.	9,525.
(9) BAINDU CONTE-HARVEY VP OF FINANCE	40.00			X				102,820.	0.	12,166.
(10) THOMAS HALVORSEN SECRETARY	40.00			X				67,344.	0.	3,672.
(11) TAMARA KALANDIYA CFO/COO	40.00			X				36,943.	0.	9,746.
(12) JOHN ABIZAID CHAIRMAN	3.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(13) MARJORIE ADAMS VICE-CHAIRMAN	1.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(14) BRIAN HENDERSON VICE-CHAIRMAN	1.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(15) ROBERT JORDAN VICE-CHAIRMAN	1.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(16) HUDA ALKHAMIS-KANOO DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(17) PATRICK BARRY DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.

**Part VII** Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(18) THOMAS CAMPBELL DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(19) GAIL DADY DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(20) PAULA DOBRIANSKY DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(21) ROBERT FARDI DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(22) NIJAD FARES DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(23) SAMIA FAROUKI DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(24) JEFFREY FELTMAN DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(25) FADI GHANDOUR DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(26) GEORGE HOGUET DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
<b>1b Subtotal</b>								1,802,580.	0.	184,056.
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b>								0.	0.	0.
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>								1,802,580.	0.	184,056.

**2** Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization 14

	Yes	No
<b>3</b> Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director, trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		X
<b>4</b> For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	X	
<b>5</b> Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		X

**Section B. Independent Contractors**

**1** Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
FIRAS MAKSAD DBA NEW POLICY ADVISORS, INC. 1937 N EMERSON ST, ARLINGTON, VA 22207	CONSULTING	219,900.

**2** Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization 1

SEE PART VII, SECTION A CONTINUATION SHEETS



**Part VII** Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(27) JAMES HOLMAN DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(28) KARL HOPKINS DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(29) LOUIS HUGHES DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(30) HUNTER HUNT DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(31) ROBERT KAPLA DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(32) ANNE KEISER DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(33) DEBORAH LEHR DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(34) MICHAEL LEVY DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(35) WALEED AL MUHAIRI DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(36) JOHN PEARSON DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(37) JAMES QUIGLEY DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(38) GEORGE SALEM DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(39) MAGNUS SCHOLDTZ DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(40) TONI VERSTANDIG DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(41) DAVID WELCH DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(42) ROCHDI YOUNSI DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(43) SUSAN ZIADEH DIRECTOR UNTIL 04/2023	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(44) JOHN K. HURLEY DIRECTOR AS OF 10/2023	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(45) KEVIN TAWEEL DIRECTOR AS OF 10/2023	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(46) NADA HAMADEH DIRECTOR AS OF 10/2023	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
Total to Part VII, Section A, line 1c .....										

**Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees** (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(47) JOE GEAGEA DIRECTOR AS OF 10/2023	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(48) JOUMANA R. AL RASHID DIRECTOR AS OF 10/2023	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
Total to Part VII, Section A, line 1c .....										

**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

				(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	
				Total revenue	Related or exempt function revenue	Unrelated business revenue	Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514	
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1 a</b> Federated campaigns	<b>1a</b>						
	<b>b</b> Membership dues	<b>1b</b>						
	<b>c</b> Fundraising events	<b>1c</b>	522,505.					
	<b>d</b> Related organizations	<b>1d</b>						
	<b>e</b> Government grants (contributions)	<b>1e</b>						
	<b>f</b> All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	<b>1f</b>	4,985,209.					
	<b>g</b> Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	<b>1g</b>	\$ 15,545.					
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f			5,507,714.				
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	<b>2 a</b> CENTER FOR EDUCATION	<b>Business Code</b>	611600	238,404.	238,404.			
	<b>b</b> MIDDLE EAST JOURNAL AN		541800	67,906.	65,406.	2,500.		
	<b>c</b> MEMBERSHIP DUES		900099	39,870.	39,870.			
	<b>d</b> PROGRAMS BOOK SALES		900099	1,818.	1,818.			
	<b>e</b>							
	<b>f</b> All other program service revenue							
	<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f			347,998.				
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)			571,471.			571,471.	
	<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds							
	<b>5</b> Royalties							
	<b>6 a</b> Gross rents	<b>6a</b>	(i) Real	49,372.				
			(ii) Personal					
	<b>b</b> Less: rental expenses	<b>6b</b>		0.				
	<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss)	<b>6c</b>		49,372.				
	<b>d</b> Net rental income or (loss)			49,372.			49,372.	
	<b>7 a</b> Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	<b>7a</b>	(i) Securities	354,608.				
			(ii) Other					
	<b>b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	<b>7b</b>		0.				
	<b>c</b> Gain or (loss)	<b>7c</b>		354,608.				
<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss)			354,608.			354,608.		
<b>8 a</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 522,505. of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	<b>8a</b>		50,000.					
			225,473.					
<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses	<b>8b</b>							
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events			-175,473.			-175,473.		
<b>9 a</b> Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	<b>9a</b>							
<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses	<b>9b</b>							
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities								
<b>10 a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	<b>10a</b>							
<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold	<b>10b</b>							
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory								
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>	<b>11 a</b> MISCELLANEOUS SALES	<b>Business Code</b>	900099	11,436.			11,436.	
	<b>b</b>							
	<b>c</b>							
	<b>d</b> All other revenue							
	<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d			11,436.				
<b>12 Total revenue.</b> See instructions			6,667,126.	345,498.	2,500.	811,414.		

**Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX  X

<i>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</i>	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	1,068,522.	838,113.	129,379.	101,030.
6 Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	2,896,069.	2,171,427.	406,897.	317,745.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	143,984.	109,192.	19,536.	15,256.
9 Other employee benefits	179,060.	132,853.	25,946.	20,261.
10 Payroll taxes	284,643.	215,863.	38,621.	30,159.
11 Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a Management				
b Legal	90,485.	68,621.	12,277.	9,587.
c Accounting	70,696.	53,613.	9,592.	7,491.
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	55,000.			55,000.
f Investment management fees	42,599.		42,599.	
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)	1,560,316.	1,183,288.	211,707.	165,321.
12 Advertising and promotion	35,186.	26,684.	4,774.	3,728.
13 Office expenses	365,108.	231,150.	101,663.	32,295.
14 Information technology	51,823.	39,301.	7,031.	5,491.
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	198,247.	150,343.	26,899.	21,005.
17 Travel	278,164.	210,949.	37,742.	29,473.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	288,024.	288,024.		
20 Interest	160,803.		160,803.	
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	406,314.	308,133.	55,130.	43,051.
23 Insurance	88,376.		88,376.	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a <b>DUES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS</b>	122,456.	92,866.	16,615.	12,975.
b <b>BAD DEBT EXPENSE</b>	3,352.		3,352.	
c				
d				
e All other expenses				
25 <b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e	8,389,227.	6,120,420.	1,398,939.	869,868.
26 <b>Joint costs.</b> Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

**Part X Balance Sheet**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash - non-interest-bearing .....	956,382.	<b>1</b>	1,129,254.
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments .....		<b>2</b>	
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net .....	1,485,160.	<b>3</b>	843,924.
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net .....	96,393.	<b>4</b>	88,296.
	<b>5</b> Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons .....		<b>5</b>	
	<b>6</b> Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) .....		<b>6</b>	
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net .....		<b>7</b>	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use .....		<b>8</b>	
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges .....	75,706.	<b>9</b>	70,285.
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D .....	<b>10a</b> 17,792,774.		
	<b>b</b> Less: accumulated depreciation .....	<b>10b</b> 4,097,611.	<b>10c</b>	13,695,163.
	<b>11</b> Investments - publicly traded securities .....	14,567,207.	<b>11</b>	16,202,182.
	<b>12</b> Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11 .....		<b>12</b>	
	<b>13</b> Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11 .....		<b>13</b>	
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets .....		<b>14</b>	
	<b>15</b> Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 .....	1,243,587.	<b>15</b>	1,364,886.
<b>16 Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33) .....	32,481,084.	<b>16</b>	33,393,990.	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses .....	317,720.	<b>17</b>	503,646.
	<b>18</b> Grants payable .....		<b>18</b>	
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue .....	785,874.	<b>19</b>	544,612.
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities .....		<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D .....		<b>21</b>	
	<b>22</b> Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons .....		<b>22</b>	
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties .....	3,636,452.	<b>23</b>	4,507,828.
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties .....		<b>24</b>	
	<b>25</b> Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D .....	0.	<b>25</b>	169,884.
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 .....	4,740,046.	<b>26</b>	5,725,970.
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.</b>			
	<b>27</b> Net assets without donor restrictions .....	22,562,811.	<b>27</b>	21,729,991.
	<b>28</b> Net assets with donor restrictions .....	5,178,227.	<b>28</b>	5,938,029.
	<b>Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 29 through 33.</b>			
	<b>29</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds .....		<b>29</b>	
	<b>30</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund .....		<b>30</b>	
	<b>31</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds .....		<b>31</b>	
	<b>32</b> Total net assets or fund balances .....	27,741,038.	<b>32</b>	27,668,020.
<b>33</b> Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances .....	32,481,084.	<b>33</b>	33,393,990.	

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	6,667,126.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	8,389,227.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-1,722,101.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	27,741,038.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	1,649,083.
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)	9	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	10	27,668,020.

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain on Schedule O.			
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		X
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis			
2b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?		X
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis			
2c	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?		
If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Schedule O.			
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F?		X
3b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

Form 990 (2023)

**SCHEDULE A**  
**(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**  
Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.  
Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.  
Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.

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**2023**

Open to Public Inspection

<b>Name of the organization</b> <p align="center">THE MIDDLE EAST INSTITUTE</p>	<b>Employer identification number</b> <p align="center">53-0204608</p>
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**Part I Reason for Public Charity Status.** (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

- 1  A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2  A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E (Form 990).)
- 3  A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: \_\_\_\_\_
- 5  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
- 6  A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 8  A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 9  An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university: \_\_\_\_\_
- 10  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 exempt 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).** (Complete Part III.)
- 11  An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 12  An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2).** See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box on lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
  - a  **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
  - b  **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
  - c  **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
  - d  **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
  - e  Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
  - f Enter the number of supported organizations .....
  - g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
<b>Total</b>						

**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) 2023	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") .....	3108532.	4561226.	4948643.	5056004.	5507714.	23182119.
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf .....						
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge .....						
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3 .....	3108532.	4561226.	4948643.	5056004.	5507714.	23182119.
<b>5</b> The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f) .....						1590662.
<b>6 Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4.						21591457.

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) 2023	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4 .....	3108532.	4561226.	4948643.	5056004.	5507714.	23182119.
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources .....	531,723.	361,380.	482,426.	476,092.	620,843.	2472464.
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on .....						
<b>10</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) .....	4,901.				11,436.	16,337.
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						25670920.
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) .....					12	3,035,731.
<b>13 First 5 years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and <b>stop here</b> .....						<input type="checkbox"/>

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2023 (line 6, column (f), divided by line 11, column (f)) .....	<b>14</b>	84.11 %
<b>15</b> Public support percentage from 2022 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 .....	<b>15</b>	80.44 %
<b>16a 33 1/3% support test - 2023.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 33 1/3% support test - 2022.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2023.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2022.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>18 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions .....		<input type="checkbox"/>



**Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) 2023	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") .....						
<b>2</b> Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose .....						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 .....						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf .....						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge .....						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5 .....						
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons .....						
<b>b</b> Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year .....						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b .....						
<b>8 Public support.</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) 2023	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6 .....						
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources .....						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 .....						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b .....						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on .....						
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) .....						
<b>13 Total support.</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

**14 First 5 years.** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here**

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2023 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) .....	<b>15</b>	%
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2022 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 .....	<b>16</b>	%

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for 2023 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) .....	<b>17</b>	%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2022 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 .....	<b>18</b>	%

**19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2023.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

**b 33 1/3% support tests - 2022.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

**20 Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions

**Part IV Supporting Organizations**

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 12 of Part I. If you checked box 12a, Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked box 12b, Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked box 12c, Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked box 12d, Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

**Section A. All Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.</i>		
<b>2</b> Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
<b>3a</b> Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 3b and 3c below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
<b>4a</b> Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.</i>		
<b>5a</b> Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 5b and 5c below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).</i>		
<b>b Type I or Type II only.</b> Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
<b>c Substitutions only.</b> Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
<b>6</b> Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>7</b> Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (as defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).</i>		
<b>8</b> Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described on line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).</i>		
<b>9a</b> Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons, as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined on line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did a disqualified person (as defined on line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>10a</b> Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer line 10b below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 11: Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons? a A person who directly or indirectly controls... b A family member... c A 35% controlled entity...

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 1: Did the governing body, members of the governing body, officers acting in their official capacity... Row 2: Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s)...

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 1: Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)?

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 1: Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year... Row 2: Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body... Row 3: By reason of the relationship described on line 2, above, did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice...

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 1: Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year... a The organization satisfied the Activities Test... b The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations... c The organization supported a governmental entity... Row 2: Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below. a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes... b Did the activities described on line 2a, above, constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement... Row 3: Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a and 3b below. a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees... b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations?

**Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations**

1  Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970 (explain in Part VI). See instructions.  
 All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3.	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	<b>Adjusted Net Income</b> (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8	

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):		
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	<b>Discount</b> claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by 0.035.	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	<b>Minimum Asset Amount</b> (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)	1	
2	Enter 0.85 of line 1.	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	<b>Distributable Amount.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).		

**Part V** Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D - Distributions		Current Year
<b>1</b>	Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required - provide details in Part VI)	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Total annual distributions.</b> Add lines 1 through 6.	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b>	Distributable amount for 2023 from Section C, line 6	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount	<b>10</b>

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2023	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2023
<b>1</b> Distributable amount for 2023 from Section C, line 6			
<b>2</b> Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2023 (reasonable cause required - explain in Part VI). See instructions.			
<b>3</b> Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2023			
<b>a</b> From 2018			
<b>b</b> From 2019			
<b>c</b> From 2020			
<b>d</b> From 2021			
<b>e</b> From 2022			
<b>f</b> Total of lines 3a through 3e			
<b>g</b> Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
<b>h</b> Applied to 2023 distributable amount			
<b>i</b> Carryover from 2018 not applied (see instructions)			
<b>j</b> Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.			
<b>4</b> Distributions for 2023 from Section D, line 7: \$			
<b>a</b> Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
<b>b</b> Applied to 2023 distributable amount			
<b>c</b> Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.			
<b>5</b> Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2023, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.			
<b>6</b> Remaining underdistributions for 2023. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.			
<b>7</b> Excess distributions carryover to 2024. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
<b>8</b> Breakdown of line 7:			
<b>a</b> Excess from 2019			
<b>b</b> Excess from 2020			
<b>c</b> Excess from 2021			
<b>d</b> Excess from 2022			
<b>e</b> Excess from 2023			

**Part VI** **Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a, and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information.  
 (See instructions.)

SCHEDULE A, PART II, LINE 10, EXPLANATION FOR OTHER INCOME:

REFUNDS & REBATES

2019 AMOUNT: \$ 4,901.

MISCELLANEOUS SALES

2023 AMOUNT: \$ 11,436.

**Schedule B**  
**(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Schedule of Contributors**

Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.  
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**2023**

Name of the organization

THE MIDDLE EAST INSTITUTE

Employer identification number

53-0204608

Organization type (check one):

**Filers of:**

**Section:**

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)( 3 ) (enter number) organization

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

**Note:** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

**General Rule**

For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

**Special Rules**

For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of **(1)** \$5,000; or **(2)** 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h; or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I (entering "N/A" in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), II, and III.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Caution:** An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990).

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Schedule B (Form 990) (2023)

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**Part I Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>375,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
2	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>1,775,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
3	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>350,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
4	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>226,138.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
5	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>117,430.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
6	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>150,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)



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**Part I Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 393,382.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
8	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 833,455.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
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**Part II Noncash Property** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
	_____	\$ _____	_____
	_____	\$ _____	_____
	_____	\$ _____	_____
	_____	\$ _____	_____
	_____	\$ _____	_____
	_____	\$ _____	_____
	_____	\$ _____	_____
	_____	\$ _____	_____

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**Part III** Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of **\$1,000 or less** for the year. (Enter this info. once.) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
<b>(e) Transfer of gift</b>			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
<b>(e) Transfer of gift</b>			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
<b>(e) Transfer of gift</b>			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
<b>(e) Transfer of gift</b>			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. Attach to Form 990.

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2023

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 3 columns: Question, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include total number at end of year, aggregate value of contributions, grants, and end of year, and two yes/no questions about donor property and grant fund usage.

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

Table with 3 columns: Question, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include purpose of easements, total number and acreage, number of easements on historic structures, and monitoring expenses.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

Table with 3 columns: Question, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include reporting requirements for art and historical treasures, and amounts required to be reported.

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**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets** (continued)

- 3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that make significant use of its collection items (check all that apply).
- a  Public exhibition
  - b  Scholarly research
  - c  Preservation for future generations
  - d  Loan or exchange program
  - e  Other \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.
- 5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?  Yes  No

**Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian, or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?  Yes  No
- b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
- |                                 | Amount |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| c Beginning balance             | 1c     |
| d Additions during the year     | 1d     |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e     |
| f Ending balance                | 1f     |
- 2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?  Yes  No
- b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

**Part V Endowment Funds** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	5,178,227.	6,178,009.	5,651,754.	5,083,623.	4,333,856.
b Contributions				70,779.	
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	781,117.	-957,152.	586,433.	612,280.	795,470.
d Grants or scholarships					45,703.
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs	21,315.	42,630.	60,178.	114,928.	
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	5,938,029.	5,178,227.	6,178,009.	5,651,754.	5,083,623.

- 2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a Board designated or quasi-endowment \_\_\_\_\_%
  - b Permanent endowment 77.0000 %
  - c Term endowment 23.0000 %
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.
- 3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- |  | Yes                      | No                                  |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| (i) Unrelated organizations?   |                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| (ii) Related organizations?  |                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
- 4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

**Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		334,115.		334,115.
b Buildings		16,584,080.	3,262,056.	13,322,024.
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		469,996.	468,771.	1,225.
e Other		404,583.	366,784.	37,799.
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 10c, column (B))				13,695,163.

**Part VII Investments - Other Securities**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives .....		
(2) Closely held equity interests .....		
(3) Other .....		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 12, col. (B))		

**Part VIII Investments - Program Related.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 13, col. (B))		

**Part IX Other Assets**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 15, col. (B))	

**Part X Other Liabilities**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2) <b>PAYROLL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>169,884.</b>
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 25, col. (B))	<b>169,884.</b>

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FASB ASC 740. Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII...

**Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

<b>1</b>	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
<b>a</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>2a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Recoveries of prior year grants	<b>2c</b>	
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>2d</b>	
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b>		<b>2e</b>
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	<b>4a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>4b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b>		<b>4c</b>
<b>5</b>	Total revenue. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)		<b>5</b>

**Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

<b>1</b>	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
<b>a</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>2a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Prior year adjustments	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Other losses	<b>2c</b>	
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>2d</b>	
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b>		<b>2e</b>
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	<b>4a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>4b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b>		<b>4c</b>
<b>5</b>	Total expenses. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)		<b>5</b>

**Part XIII Supplemental Information**

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

**PART III, LINE 1A:**

THE ORGANIZATION MAINTAINS A COLLECTION OF BOOKS FOR THE PURPOSE OF RESEARCH.

**PART III, LINE 4:**

MEI PUTS ON SEVERAL ART SHOWS TO EDUCATE THE GENERAL AMERICAN PUBLIC ON THE RICH CULTURE OF THE MIDDLE EAST.

**PART V, LINE 4:**

MEI MAKES DISTRIBUTIONS FROM INCOME EARNED ON THE ENDOWMENT FUNDS FOR THE ANNUAL AWARD "ISSAM M. FARES AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE", A KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT THE MEI ANNUAL CONFERENCE BANQUET AND AWARD CEREMONY, BANQUET EXPENSES AND

**Part XIII** Supplemental Information *(continued)*

LOGISTICAL SUPPORT TO BRING AWARDEES TO WASHINGTON D.C. IN ADDITION TO  
PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR MEI LIBRARY.

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**SCHEDULE G  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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Name of the organization: **THE MIDDLE EAST INSTITUTE**  
Employer identification number: **53-0204608**

**Part I Fundraising Activities.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

- 1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.
  - a  Mail solicitations
  - b  Internet and email solicitations
  - c  Phone solicitations
  - d  In-person solicitations
  - e  Solicitation of non-government grants
  - f  Solicitation of government grants
  - g  Special fundraising events
- 2 a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services?  Yes  No
- b If "Yes," list the 10 highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col. (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
ELIASSON SCHAMIS CONSULTING GROUP LLC - 4506 DALTON ROAD,	FUNDRAISING SUPPORT, COUNSEL AND OUTREACH		X	0.	55,000.	-55,000.
<b>Total</b>					55,000.	-55,000.

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing.

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**Part II Fundraising Events.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events (add col. (a) through col. (c))
		ANNUAL BANQUET (event type)	(event type)	NONE (total number)	
Revenue	1	Gross receipts	572,505.		572,505.
	2	Less: Contributions	522,505.		522,505.
	3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	50,000.		50,000.
Direct Expenses	4	Cash prizes			
	5	Noncash prizes			
	6	Rent/facility costs			
	7	Food and beverages			
	8	Entertainment			
	9	Other direct expenses	225,473.		225,473.
	10	Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)			225,473.
	11	Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d)			-175,473.

**Part III Gaming.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col. (a) through col. (c))
Revenue	1	Gross revenue			
	2	Cash prizes			
Direct Expenses	3	Noncash prizes			
	4	Rent/facility costs			
	5	Other direct expenses			
	6	Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No
	7	Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)			
	8	Net gaming income summary. Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d)			

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
 a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states?  Yes  No  
 b If "No," explain: \_\_\_\_\_

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended, or terminated during the tax year?  Yes  No  
 b If "Yes," explain: \_\_\_\_\_

- 11 Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers?  Yes  No
- 12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust, or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming?  Yes  No
- 13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in:
 

a The organization's facility	13a	%
b An outside facility	13b	%
- 14 Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

- 15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue?  Yes  No
- b If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- c If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

16 Gaming manager information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Gaming manager compensation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Description of services provided \_\_\_\_\_

- Director/officer
- Employee
- Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions:

- a Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license?  Yes  No
- b Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Part IV Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information. See instructions.

**SCHEDULE G, PART I, LINE 2B, LIST OF TEN HIGHEST PAID FUNDRAISERS:**

(I) NAME OF FUNDRAISER: ELIASSON SCHAMIS CONSULTING GROUP LLC

(I) ADDRESS OF FUNDRAISER: 4506 DALTON ROAD, CHEVY CHASE, MD 20815



**SCHEDULE J  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Compensation Information**

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest  
Compensated Employees  
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.  
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**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

	Yes	No
<b>1a</b> Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items. <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (such as maid, chauffeur, chef)		
<b>b</b> If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain .....	<b>1b</b>	
<b>2</b> Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a? .....	<b>2</b>	X
<b>3</b> Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III. <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee		
<b>4</b> During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization: <b>a</b> Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment? .....	<b>4a</b>	X
<b>b</b> Participate in or receive payment from a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? .....	<b>4b</b>	X
<b>c</b> Participate in or receive payment from an equity-based compensation arrangement? .....	<b>4c</b>	X
If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.		
<b>Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.</b>		
<b>5</b> For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of: <b>a</b> The organization? .....	<b>5a</b>	X
<b>b</b> Any related organization? .....	<b>5b</b>	X
If "Yes" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.		
<b>6</b> For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of: <b>a</b> The organization? .....	<b>6a</b>	X
<b>b</b> Any related organization? .....	<b>6b</b>	X
If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.		
<b>7</b> For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III .....	<b>7</b>	X
<b>8</b> Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III .....	<b>8</b>	X
<b>9</b> If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)? .....	<b>9</b>	

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990.

Schedule J (Form 990) 2023

**Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

**Note:** The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC and/or 1099-NEC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) PAUL ERNEST SALEM PRESIDENT AND CEO	(i)	296,117.	0.	0.	17,643.	32,988.	346,748.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(2) COURTNEY LOBEL CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER	(i)	229,080.	10,000.	0.	0.	8,711.	247,791.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(3) KATE SEELYE SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	(i)	228,000.	0.	0.	12,855.	436.	241,291.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(4) BILAL SAAB PROGRAM DIRECTOR	(i)	189,203.	0.	0.	10,954.	6,018.	206,175.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(5) BRIAN KATULIS VICE PRESIDENT, POLICY CENTER	(i)	196,650.	0.	0.	6,018.	0.	202,668.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(6) MIRETTE F. MABROUK PROGRAM DIRECTOR	(i)	158,830.	0.	0.	9,629.	12,806.	181,265.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(7) CHARLES LISTER SENIOR FELLOW/PROGRAM DIRECTOR	(i)	142,785.	0.	0.	8,567.	22,322.	173,674.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(8) GONUL TOL SENIOR FELLOW/PROGRAM DIRECTOR	(i)	144,808.	0.	0.	9,182.	343.	154,333.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
	(i)							
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**Part III** Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

PART I, LINE 7:

THE CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER RECEIVED A BONUS OF \$10,000 IN RECOGNITION OF  
HER WORK RAISING FUNDS FOR THE GALA.

**SCHEDULE O  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on  
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.  
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FORM 990, PART I, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

BETTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF THESE TWO AREAS.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A, PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

FREQUENTLY, ALLOWING MEI TO PROVIDE REAL-TIME COMMENTARY ON BREAKING  
NEWS, AND TO ENSURE THAT MEI'S BALANCED ANALYSIS REACHES POLICYMAKERS  
AND THE PUBLIC.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4D, OTHER PROGRAM SERVICES:

COMMUNICATIONS: THE COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT MANAGES MEI'S MEDIA  
RELATIONS, WEBSITE CONTENT, SOCIAL MEDIA AND E-MAIL OUTREACH PLATFORMS,  
AND INSTITUTIONAL BRANDING. IT IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR MULTIMEDIA  
PRODUCTION, INCLUDING A WEEKLY PODCAST, SHORT INFORMATIONAL VIDEOS, AND  
PROMOTIONAL ADS, RECORDING AND LIVE-STREAMING PUBLIC EVENTS, AND  
MANAGING THE IN-HOUSE BROADCASTING STUDIO. IT PROVIDES SERVICES AND  
TECHNICAL SUPPORT ACROSS ALL OTHER CENTERS AND DEPARTMENTS.  
EXPENSES \$ 432,107. INCLUDING GRANTS OF \$ 0. REVENUE \$ 107,094.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 2:

BOARD MEMBERS TOM CAMPBELL AND GAIL DADY HAVE A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B:

THE FORM 990 FOR MIDDLE EAST INSTITUTE IS REVIEWED BY THE ORGANIZATION'S  
PRESIDENT, CHAIRMAN OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE, AND THE VP OF FINANCE BEFORE IT  
IS SIGNED BY THE ORGANIZATION'S VP OF FINANCE AND FILED WITH THE IRS.



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## FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES ARE REQUIRED TO FILL OUT AND SIGN A CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM ANNUALLY TO DISCLOSE ANY ACTIVITIES OR INTERESTS THAT COULD GIVE RISE TO A CONFLICT. A MEMBER OF THE OPERATIONS TEAM MONITORS COMPLIANCE WITH THIS POLICY.

## FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:

THE ORGANIZATION MAKES ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, AND MOST RECENT TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATION DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST BY GENERAL PUBLIC, DONORS, GRANTORS, AND ANY INTERESTED PARTY. THE FORM 990 AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE.

## FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, OTHER FEES:

## EDUCATIONAL CONSULTANTS:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	120,847.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	21,621.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	16,884.
TOTAL EXPENSES	159,352.

## COMMISSIONED WRITERS:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	73,460.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	13,143.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	10,263.
TOTAL EXPENSES	96,866.

## TEMPORARY HELP:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	39,869.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	7,133.

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<b>FUNDRAISING EXPENSES</b>	<b>5,570.</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>52,572.</b>

**FELLOWS AND INTERNS:**

<b>PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES</b>	<b>629,021.</b>
<b>MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>112,541.</b>
<b>FUNDRAISING EXPENSES</b>	<b>87,883.</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>829,445.</b>

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES:**

<b>PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES</b>	<b>320,091.</b>
<b>MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>57,269.</b>
<b>FUNDRAISING EXPENSES</b>	<b>44,721.</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>422,081.</b>
<b>TOTAL OTHER FEES ON FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, COL A</b>	<b>1,560,316.</b>

**FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C:**

**THE ORGANIZATION DID NOT CHANGE ITS PROCESSES DURING THE YEAR.**

Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return (and proxy tax under section 6033(e))

2023

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

For calendar year 2023 or other tax year beginning , and ending

Go to www.irs.gov/Form990T for instructions and the latest information.

Do not enter SSN numbers on this form as it may be made public if your organization is a 501(c)(3).

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Form header section containing organization details: Name (THE MIDDLE EAST INSTITUTE), Address (1761-1763 N STREET NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20036), EIN (53-0204608), and Book value of assets (33,393,990).

Form header section containing filing information: Organization type (501(c) corporation), filing status (filing only to claim), and books in care of (BAINDU CONTE-HARVEY).

Table for Part I: Total Unrelated Business Taxable Income. Rows include Total of unrelated business taxable income (0), Charitable contributions (0), Total deductions (1,000), and Unrelated business taxable income (0).

Table for Part II: Tax Computation. Rows include Organizations taxable as corporations (0), Trusts taxable at trust rates, Proxy tax, and Total tax (0).

Table for Part III: Tax and Payments. Rows include Foreign tax credit, Total credits (0), Amounts due from various forms (3a-3e), and Total tax (0).

<b>Part III Tax and Payments</b> <i>(continued)</i>			
6 a	Payments: Preceding year's overpayment credited to the current year .....	<b>6a</b>	
b	Current year's estimated tax payments. Check if section 643(g) election applies <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>6b</b>	
c	Tax deposited with Form 8868 .....	<b>6c</b>	
d	Foreign organizations: Tax paid or withheld at source (see instructions) .....	<b>6d</b>	
e	Backup withholding (see instructions) .....	<b>6e</b>	
f	Credit for small employer health insurance premiums (attach Form 8941) .....	<b>6f</b>	
g	Elective payment election amount from Form 3800 .....	<b>6g</b>	
h	Payment from Form 2439 .....	<b>6h</b>	
i	Credit from Form 4136 .....	<b>6i</b>	
j	Other (see instructions) .....	<b>6j</b>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Total payments.</b> Add lines 6a through 6j .....	<b>7</b>	
<b>8</b>	Estimated tax penalty (see instructions). Check if Form 2220 is attached <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>8</b>	
<b>9</b>	<b>Tax due.</b> If line 7 is smaller than the total of lines 4, 5, and 8, enter amount owed .....	<b>9</b>	
<b>10</b>	<b>Overpayment.</b> If line 7 is larger than the total of lines 4, 5, and 8, enter amount overpaid .....	<b>10</b>	
<b>11</b>	Enter the amount of line 10 you want: <b>Credited to 2024 estimated tax</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Refunded</b></span>	<b>11</b>	

<b>Part IV Statements Regarding Certain Activities and Other Information</b> (see instructions)			
<b>1</b>	At any time during the 2023 calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account (bank, securities, or other) in a foreign country? If "Yes," the organization may have to file FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country here _____		<b>Yes</b> <b>No</b>
<b>2</b>	During the tax year, did the organization receive a distribution from, or was it the grantor of, or transferor to, a foreign trust? .....		<b>X</b>
<b>3</b>	Enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ..... \$ _____		
<b>4</b>	Enter available pre-2018 NOL carryovers here \$ _____ Do not include any post-2017 NOL carryover shown on Schedule A (Form 990-T). Don't reduce the NOL carryover shown here by any deduction reported on Part I, line 6.		
<b>5</b>	Post-2017 NOL carryovers. Enter the Business Activity Code and available post-2017 NOL carryovers. Don't reduce the amounts shown below by any NOL claimed on any Schedule A, Part II, line 17 for the tax year. See instructions.		
	Business Activity Code	Available post-2017 NOL carryover	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
<b>6 a</b>	Reserved for future use .....		
<b>b</b>	Reserved for future use .....		

**Part V Supplemental Information**

Provide any additional information. See instructions.

<b>Sign Here</b>	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 taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.			
	Signature of officer _____	Date _____	VP OF FINANCE	May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below (see instructions)? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed PTIN
	TINA PEACHER			P01608826
	Firm's name JM&M	Firm's address 10500 LITTLE PATUXENT PARKWAY, SUITE COLUMBIA, MD 21044		Firm's EIN 52-1853933
			Phone no. 410-884-0220	

**SCHEDULE A  
(Form 990-T)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Unrelated Business Taxable Income  
From an Unrelated Trade or Business**

Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990T](http://www.irs.gov/Form990T) for instructions and the latest information.

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**2023**

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<b>A</b> Name of the organization <b>THE MIDDLE EAST INSTITUTE</b>	<b>B</b> Employer identification number <b>53-0204608</b>
<b>C</b> Unrelated business activity code (see instructions) <b>541800</b>	<b>D</b> Sequence: <b>1</b> of <b>1</b>

**E** Describe the unrelated trade or business **ADVERTISING**

<b>Part I</b> Unrelated Trade or Business Income	(A) Income	(B) Expenses	(C) Net
<b>1 a</b> Gross receipts or sales			
<b>b</b> Less returns and allowances <b>c</b> Balance	<b>1c</b>		
<b>2</b> Cost of goods sold (Part III, line 8)	<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b> Gross profit. Subtract line 2 from line 1c	<b>3</b>		
<b>4 a</b> Capital gain net income (attach Schedule D (Form 1041 or Form 1120)). See instructions	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b> Net gain (loss) (Form 4797) (attach Form 4797). See instructions	<b>4b</b>		
<b>c</b> Capital loss deduction for trusts	<b>4c</b>		
<b>5</b> Income (loss) from a partnership or an S corporation (attach statement)	<b>5</b>		
<b>6</b> Rent income (Part IV)	<b>6</b>		
<b>7</b> Unrelated debt-financed income (Part V)	<b>7</b>		
<b>8</b> Interest, annuities, royalties, and rents from a controlled organization (Part VI)	<b>8</b>		
<b>9</b> Investment income of section 501(c)(7), (9), or (17) organizations (Part VII)	<b>9</b>		
<b>10</b> Exploited exempt activity income (Part VIII)	<b>10</b>		
<b>11</b> Advertising income (Part IX)	<b>11</b> 2,500.	<b>4,046.</b>	<b>-1,546.</b>
<b>12</b> Other income (see instructions; attach statement)	<b>12</b>		
<b>13 Total.</b> Combine lines 3 through 12	<b>13</b> 2,500.	<b>4,046.</b>	<b>-1,546.</b>

**Part II Deductions Not Taken Elsewhere.** See instructions for limitations on deductions. Deductions must be directly connected with the unrelated business income

<b>1</b> Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees (Part X)	<b>1</b>		
<b>2</b> Salaries and wages	<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b> Repairs and maintenance	<b>3</b>		
<b>4</b> Bad debts	<b>4</b>		
<b>5</b> Interest (attach statement). See instructions	<b>5</b>		
<b>6</b> Taxes and licenses	<b>6</b>		
<b>7</b> Depreciation (attach Form 4562). See instructions	<b>7</b>		
<b>8</b> Less depreciation claimed in Part III and elsewhere on return	<b>8a</b>		<b>8b</b>
<b>9</b> Depletion	<b>9</b>		
<b>10</b> Contributions to deferred compensation plans	<b>10</b>		
<b>11</b> Employee benefit programs	<b>11</b>		
<b>12</b> Excess exempt expenses (Part VIII)	<b>12</b>		
<b>13</b> Excess readership costs (Part IX)	<b>13</b>		
<b>14</b> Other deductions (attach statement) <b>SEE STATEMENT 1</b>	<b>14</b>		<b>750.</b>
<b>15 Total deductions.</b> Add lines 1 through 14	<b>15</b>		<b>750.</b>
<b>16</b> Unrelated business income before net operating loss deduction. Subtract line 15 from Part I, line 13, column (C)	<b>16</b>		<b>-2,296.</b>
<b>17</b> Deduction for net operating loss. See instructions	<b>17</b>		<b>0.</b>
<b>18 Unrelated business taxable income.</b> Subtract line 17 from line 16	<b>18</b>		<b>-2,296.</b>

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see instructions.

Schedule A (Form 990-T) 2023

**Part III Cost of Goods Sold** Enter method of inventory valuation

1	Inventory at beginning of year .....	1	
2	Purchases .....	2	
3	Cost of labor .....	3	
4	Additional section 263A costs (attach statement) .....	4	
5	Other costs (attach statement) .....	5	
6	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5 .....	6	
7	Inventory at end of year .....	7	
8	<b>Cost of goods sold.</b> Subtract line 7 from line 6. Enter here and in Part I, line 2 .....	8	
9	Do the rules of section 263A (with respect to property produced or acquired for resale) apply to the organization? .....		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

**Part IV Rent Income (From Real Property and Personal Property Leased With Real Property)**

1 Description of property (property street address, city, state, ZIP code). Check if a dual-use. See instructions.

A  \_\_\_\_\_

B  \_\_\_\_\_

C  \_\_\_\_\_

D  \_\_\_\_\_

	A	B	C	D
2 Rent received or accrued				
a From personal property (if the percentage of rent for personal property is more than 10% but not more than 50%) .....				
b From real and personal property (if the percentage of rent for personal property exceeds 50% or if the rent is based on profit or income) .....				
c Total rents received or accrued by property. Add lines 2a and 2b, columns A through D .....				
3 Total rents received or accrued. Add line 2c, columns A through D. Enter here and on Part I, line 6, column (A) .....				0.
4 Deductions directly connected with the income in lines 2a and 2b (attach statement) .....				
5 <b>Total deductions.</b> Add line 4, columns A through D. Enter here and on Part I, line 6, column (B) .....				0.

**Part V Unrelated Debt-Financed Income** (see instructions)

1 Description of debt-financed property (street address, city, state, ZIP code). Check if a dual-use. See instructions.

A  \_\_\_\_\_

B  \_\_\_\_\_

C  \_\_\_\_\_

D  \_\_\_\_\_

	A	B	C	D
2 Gross income from or allocable to debt-financed property .....				
3 Deductions directly connected with or allocable to debt-financed property				
a Straight line depreciation (attach statement) .....				
b Other deductions (attach statement) .....				
c Total deductions (add lines 3a and 3b, columns A through D) .....				
4 Amount of average acquisition debt on or allocable to debt-financed property (attach statement) .....				
5 Average adjusted basis of or allocable to debt-financed property (attach statement) .....				
6 Divide line 4 by line 5 .....	%	%	%	%
7 Gross income reportable. Multiply line 2 by line 6 .....				
8 <b>Total gross income</b> (add line 7, columns A through D). Enter here and on Part I, line 7, column (A) .....				0.
9 Allocable deductions. Multiply line 3c by line 6 .....				
10 <b>Total allocable deductions.</b> Add line 9, columns A through D. Enter here and on Part I, line 7, column (B) .....				0.
11 <b>Total dividends-received deductions</b> included in line 10 .....				0.

**Part VI Interest, Annuities, Royalties, and Rents From Controlled Organizations** (see instructions)

		Exempt Controlled Organizations			
1. Name of controlled organization	2. Employer identification number	3. Net unrelated income (loss) (see instructions)	4. Total of specified payments made	5. Part of column 4 that is included in the controlling organization's gross income	6. Deductions directly connected with income in column 5
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
Nonexempt Controlled Organizations					
7. Taxable Income	8. Net unrelated income (loss) (see instructions)	9. Total of specified payments made	10. Part of column 9 that is included in the controlling organization's gross income	11. Deductions directly connected with income in column 10	
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
			Add columns 5 and 10. Enter here and on Part I, line 8, column (A).	Add columns 6 and 11. Enter here and on Part I, line 8, column (B).	
<b>Totals</b>			0.	0.	

**Part VII Investment Income of a Section 501(c)(7), (9), or (17) Organization** (see instructions)

1. Description of income	2. Amount of income	3. Deductions directly connected (attach statement)	4. Set-asides (attach statement)	5. Total deductions and set-asides (add cols 3 and 4)
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
		Add amounts in column 2. Enter here and on Part I, line 9, column (A).		Add amounts in column 5. Enter here and on Part I, line 9, column (B).
<b>Totals</b>		0.		0.

**Part VIII Exploited Exempt Activity Income, Other Than Advertising Income** (see instructions)

1	Description of exploited activity: _____		
2	Gross unrelated business income from trade or business. Enter here and on Part I, line 10, column (A) .....	2	
3	Expenses directly connected with production of unrelated business income. Enter here and on Part I, line 10, column (B) .....	3	
4	Net income (loss) from unrelated trade or business. Subtract line 3 from line 2. If a gain, complete lines 5 through 7 .....	4	
5	Gross income from activity that is not unrelated business income .....	5	
6	Expenses attributable to income entered on line 5 .....	6	
7	Excess exempt expenses. Subtract line 5 from line 6, but do not enter more than the amount on line 4. Enter here and on Part II, line 12 .....	7	

**Part IX Advertising Income**

1 Name(s) of periodical(s). Check box if reporting two or more periodicals on a consolidated basis.

- A  **THE MIDDLE EAST JOURNAL**
- B
- C
- D

Enter amounts for each periodical listed above in the corresponding column.

	A	B	C	D
2 Gross advertising income	2,500.			
Add columns A through D. Enter here and on Part I, line 11, column (A)				2,500.

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3 Direct advertising costs by periodical	4,046.			
a Add columns A through D. Enter here and on Part I, line 11, column (B)				4,046.

4 Advertising gain (loss). Subtract line 3 from line 2. For any column in line 4 showing a gain, complete lines 5 through 8. For any column in line 4 showing a loss or zero, do not complete lines 5 through 7, and enter -0- on line 8	-1,546.			
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5 Readership costs				
6 Circulation income				
7 Excess readership costs. If line 6 is less than line 5, subtract line 6 from line 5. If line 5 is less than line 6, enter -0-				

8 Excess readership costs allowed as a deduction. For each column showing a gain on line 4, enter the lesser of line 4 or line 7				
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a Add line 8, columns A through D. Enter the greater of the line 8a columns total or -0- here and on Part II, line 13 0.

**Part X Compensation of Officers, Directors, and Trustees** (see instructions)

1. Name	2. Title	3. Percentage of time devoted to business	4. Compensation attributable to unrelated business
(1)		%	
(2)		%	
(3)		%	
(4)		%	

**Total.** Enter here and on Part II, line 1 0.

**Part XI Supplemental Information** (see instructions)

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FORM 990-T (A)	OTHER DEDUCTIONS	STATEMENT	1
DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT	
TAX PREP FEES		750.	
TOTAL TO SCHEDULE A, PART II, LINE 14		750.	

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