

(Unofficial English Translation. This law is also known as the “Foreign Government Funding Law”. Translated by JNews)

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## **Duty of disclosure for recipients of support from a foreign political entity - 2011**

### **1. Definitions:**

In this law –

- “Foreign company”; “charitable corporation”; “Registrar of Bequests” – as defined in the Law of Corporations (1999)
- ” Law of Associations” – Law of Associations 1980
- “Foreign Political Entity” and “donation” – as defined by Section 36a (a) of the Law of Associations
- “Recipient of Support” – an association or charitable corporation that receives a contribution from a foreign political entity;
- “Registrar” – Registrar of Associations, or Registrar of Bequests, as relevant.

### **2. Duty of quarterly reporting**

A recipient of a contribution from a foreign political entity must within a week of the end of that quarter in which the contribution was received submit to the Registrar an online report as determined by the Minister of Justice (hereinafter: quarterly report) detailing:

- (1) The identity of the provider of the contribution
- (2) The sum of the contribution
- (3) The purpose or designation of the contribution
- (4) The provisions of the contribution, including undertakings made by the recipient of support to the foreign political entity, orally or in writing, directly or indirectly, if such were made.

### **3. Existing obligations**

Submission of a quarterly report shall not derogate from reporting obligations applicable to the recipient under any other law.

### **4. Publication by the registrar**

The registrar shall publish the list of recipients of support who submitted quarterly reports on the Ministry of Justice website; moreover the registrar shall publish the information received under Section 2 on the Ministry of Justice website and in any other form he deems fit.

### **5. Publication by the recipient of support**

- (1) If the recipient of support or entity acting on its behalf has a website, the recipient

of support must prominently publicize the information in the quarterly report submitted;

(2) If the recipient of support receives a contribution from a foreign political entity for purposes of funding a specific publicity campaign, the recipient of support shall publicize receipt of this support as a part of the campaign.

#### **6. Obligation to ascertain sources of funding**

Associations or charitable corporations shall to the best of their ability ascertain whether contributions received by them are from a foreign political entity.

#### **7. National institutions**

The provisions of this law shall not apply to the World Zionist Organisation, the Jewish Agency for Israel, Keren Hayesod–United Israel Appeal or the Jewish National Fund, or to their subsidiary corporations.

#### **8. Implementation and Regulations**

The Minister of Justice is appointed to implement this law, and he is authorized to enact regulations for its implementation.

#### **9. Amendment No. 13 to the Law of Associations**

In the Law of Associations (1980)

(1) In Section 36a

a. In subsection (a), in the definition “foreign political entity”, after para (3), insert:

“(14) a foreign company whose turnover in the last fiscal year it was obliged to submit a financial report for, was mostly from bodies detailed in paras (1) to (3);”;

b. In subsection (b)(2)(d), after “the provisions for the contribution”, insert:

“including undertakings given by the association regarding the contribution, orally or in writing, directly or indirectly;”;

(2) In Section 64a(1), after “in accordance with this law” insert: “or in accordance with the duty of disclosure for recipients of support from a foreign political entity – 2011.”

#### **10.**

In the Law of Corporations (1999), in Section 354(b1) –

(1) In para (1), after subpara (d) insert:

“(e) violation of this duty as detailed in Section 2 of the duty of disclosure for recipients of support from a foreign political entity – 2011.”;

(2) In para (5) in the first part after “as detailed in paras (1)(a)”, insert: “or (e)”.

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