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Chairman
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Ranking Minority Member
Subcommittee on General Oversight
and Investigations
Committee on Banking and Financial Services
House of Representatives

The Honorable Maxine Waters
House of Representatives

Subject: International Travel of FinCEN Staff During the Period May 1994
Through April 1998

At an April 1, 1998, hearing held by the Subcommittee, we provided information on the various roles of the Treasury Department's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN).¹ After the hearing, the Chairman asked that we obtain statistics covering the international travel of all FinCEN staff in recent years. This letter presents these summary statistics and discusses the scope and methodology of our work in obtaining the travel data.

SUMMARY STATISTICS

In summary, the international travel data provided by FinCEN show that during the period May 1994 through April 1998, FinCEN staff took a total of 362 international trips, covering a total of 2,435 days in travel status, accounting for a total of 3,146 staff travel days, and costing about \$1.2 million. The number of FinCEN staff taking these international trips varied from one to as many as six. Tables 1 and 2 in the enclosure provide further details. According to FinCEN, over 80 percent of FinCEN's international travel is conducted by the 28-member staff of the Office of International Programs, whose functions include coordinating and providing training and technical assistance to partner nations seeking to develop effective anti-money laundering systems.

¹Money Laundering: FinCEN's Law Enforcement Support, Regulatory, and International Roles (GAO/T-GGD-98-83, Apr. 1, 1998).

SCOPE AND METHODOLOGY

On April 3, 1998, through the Assistant Director of FinCEN's Office of International Programs, we requested information on the international travel of all FinCEN staff during the period June 1994 through March 1998. Specifically, for each international trip taken during this time period, we requested information showing the (1) dates of travel, (2) purpose, (3) destination(s), (4) cost, and (5) number of FinCEN staff traveling.

On June 19, 1998, FinCEN provided us data on the international travel of its staff during the period May 1994 through April 1998. FinCEN reported that (1) it took a number of steps to verify the data and (2) the costs represent the best information available. We did not independently verify the reported data, nor did we evaluate the justification for or outcomes of the trips.

We performed our work principally in Washington, D.C., and Dallas, TX, from April through June 1998 in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards.

AGENCY COMMENTS

We provided a draft of this letter to Treasury and FinCEN officials for their comment. Neither Treasury nor FinCEN had any comments on the letter. FinCEN provided some technical comments and clarifications, which have been incorporated where appropriate.

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We are sending copies of this letter to the Assistant Secretary (Enforcement), Department of the Treasury, and the Acting Director, FinCEN. Copies also will be made available to others on request.

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Enclosure

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL OF FINCEN STAFF DURING THE PERIOD
MAY 1994 THROUGH APRIL 1998

Table 1: Data on Number of Trips, Trip Duration, Total Staff Travel Days, and Costs of International Travel for FinCEN Staff During the Period May 1994 through April 1998

Group visited/purpose of travel	Number of trips	Trip duration in days	Total staff travel days ^a	Total costs ^b
Asia Pacific Group	10	88	103	\$66,462
Caribbean Financial Action Task Force	35	255	342	104,859
Financial Action Task Force	67	464	656	230,215
Financial Action Task Force/ Financial Intelligence Units	9	54	85	32,791
Financial Intelligence Units	48	301	425	153,149
International Criminal Police Organization (Interpol)	37	303	406	155,416
Management and interagency coordination	36	186	265	89,551
Regulatory meetings and conferences	66	419	450	166,402
Summit of the Americas	9	56	84	29,166
Training and technical assistance	45	309	330	132,359
Total	362	2,435	3,146	\$1,160,370

Note: We did not independently verify the travel data provided by FinCEN.

^aTotal staff travel days do not equal trip duration because, as shown in table 2, more than one staff traveled on some trips.

^bAll costs have been rounded to the nearest whole dollar. In an unspecified number of trips, the costs reflect only the transportation expense because the host country paid all other costs.

Source: FinCEN data.

Table 2: Data on the Dates, Destinations, Trip Duration, Number of FinCEN Staff, Total Staff Travel Days, Total Costs, and Categories of International Travel for FinCEN Staff During the Period May 1994 Through April 1998

Dates of travel	Destination(s)	Trip duration in days	Number of FinCEN staff	Total staff travel days	Total costs ^a
Asia Pacific Group - 10 trips					
12/8/95-12/14/95	Tokyo, Japan	7	1	7	\$6,353
12/9/95-12/15/95	Tokyo, Japan	7	1	7	6,461
12/9/95-12/16/95	Tokyo, Japan	8	1	8	5,939
10/25/96-11/8/96	Hong Kong; Beijing, China; and Tokyo, Japan	15	1	15	8,683
2/22/97-2/28/97	Tokyo, Japan, and Bangkok, Thailand	7	1	7	5,168
2/22/97-3/1/97	Tokyo, Japan, and Bangkok, Thailand	8	1	8	5,062
2/22/97-3/2/97	Tokyo, Japan, and Bangkok, Thailand	9	2	18	10,431
7/4/97-7/11/97	Beijing, China	8	1	8	5,447
3/8/98-3/20/98	Tokyo, Japan	13	1	13	4,642
3/8/98-3/13/98	Tokyo, Japan	6	2	12	8,276
Caribbean Financial Action Task Force - 35 trips					
11/14/94-11/17/94	Port of Spain, Trinidad	4	2	8	\$2,933
5/23/95-5/26/95	Antigua and Port of Spain, Trinidad	4	1	4	1,142
5/23/95-5/25/95	Port of Spain, Trinidad	3	1	3	1,291
5/23/95-5/26/95	Port of Spain, Trinidad	4	2	8	2,421
10/8/95-10/15/95	Port of Spain, Trinidad	8	1	8	2,516
10/29/95-11/3/95	San Jose, Costa Rica	6	1	6	1,122
3/17/96-3/22/96	Port of Spain, Trinidad	6	3	18	5,267
5/13/96-5/18/96	Barbados	6	1	6	1,922
5/13/96-5/27/96	Barbados	15	1	15	1,848

Dates of travel	Destination(s)	Trip duration in days	Number of FinCEN staff	Total staff travel days	Total costs ^a
10/8/96-10/11/96	San Jose, Costa Rica	4	3	12	3,346
10/8/96-10/19/96	San Jose, Costa Rica, and Buenos Aires, Argentina	12	1	12	4,530
1/8/97-1/12/97	Grand Cayman	5	2	10	2,247
2/15/97-3/1/97	Port of Spain, Trinidad	15	1	15	3,657
2/23/97-3/1/97	Port of Spain, Trinidad	7	1	7	2,312
2/23/97-3/1/97	Caracas, Venezuela, and Port of Spain, Trinidad	7	1	7	1,818
2/23/97-2/26/97	Mexico City, Mexico	4	1	4	1,676
2/24/97-3/1/97	Port of Spain, Trinidad	6	1	6	2,074
2/25/97-3/6/97	Port of Spain, Trinidad, and Antigua	10	1	10	4,587
6/10/97-6/12/97	Aruba	3	3	9	2,952
7/7/97-8/4/97	Port of Spain, Trinidad, and Aruba	29	1	29	4,872
7/13/97-7/18/97	Aruba	6	3	18	6,282
7/13/97-7/19/97	Aruba	7	1	7	2,197
7/14/97-7/18/97	Aruba	5	6	30	11,399
7/15/97-7/18/97	Aruba	4	1	4	1,832
9/22/97-9/25/97	Barbados	4	1	4	1,552
10/5/97-10/9/97	Barbados	5	1	5	1,842
10/5/97-10/16/97	Barbados and Port of Spain, Trinidad	12	1	12	3,206
10/6/97-10/9/97	Barbados	4	1	4	1,981
10/6/97-10/10/97	Barbados	5	1	5	1,885
10/20/97-10/22/97	Barbados	3	2	6	3,128
12/7/97-12/10/97	Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic	4	1	4	1,133
3/14/98-3/27/98	London, England, and Port of Spain, Trinidad	14	1	14	5,165

Dates of travel	Destination(s)	Trip duration in days	Number of FinCEN staff	Total staff travel days	Total costs ^a
3/18/98-3/28/98	Port of Spain, Trinidad	11	1	11	2,209
4/4/98-4/8/98	Barbados	5	1	5	1,139
4/5/98-4/8/98	Barbados	4	4	16	5,376
Financial Action Task Force - 67trips					
6/10/94-6/19/94	Paris, France	10	1	10	\$2,758
9/10/94-9/15/94	Paris, France, and Frankfurt, Germany	6	1	6	5,112
11/14/94-11/18/94	Paris, France	5	1	5	1,589
11/14/94-11/23/94	Paris, France	10	1	10	2,995
1/7/95-1/12/95	Paris, France	6	1	6	1,989
1/7/95-1/13/95	Paris, France	7	1	7	2,283
1/8/95-1/12/95	Paris, France	5	1	5	2,049
1/8/95-1/13/95	Paris, France	6	1	6	1,897
5/27/95-6/11/95	Helsinki, Finland, and Amsterdam, the Netherlands	16	1	16	4,514
6/18/95-6/23/95	Paris, France	6	1	6	1,861
9/9/95-9/14/95	London, England	6	1	6	1,851
9/9/95-9/17/95	London, England	9	1	9	1,704
9/9/95-9/14/95	London, England, and Paris, France	6	1	6	4,304
9/11/95-9/14/95	London, England	4	1	4	1,630
9/13/95-9/22/95	Paris, France	10	1	10	3,273
9/16/95-9/22/95	Paris, France	7	2	14	4,701
9/17/95-9/22/95	Paris, France	6	1	6	2,190
11/25/95-12/3/95	Paris, France, and Buenos Aires, Argentina	9	1	9	6,742
11/26/95-12/1/95	Paris, France	6	1	6	2,162
11/26/95-12/7/95	Paris, France, and Warsaw, Poland	12	1	12	3,999

Dates of travel	Destination(s)	Trip duration in days	Number of FinCEN staff	Total staff travel days	Total costs ^a
1/25/96-2/4/96	Paris, France	11	1	11	3,065
1/25/96-2/3/96	Paris, France, and Buenos Aires, Argentina	10	1	10	2,600
1/26/96-2/4/96	Paris, France	10	1	10	1,998
1/27/96-1/31/96	Paris, France	5	1	5	1,658
1/27/96-2/1/96	Paris, France	6	1	6	1,931
1/27/96-2/3/96	Paris, France	8	3	24	7,104
3/16/96-3/21/96	Paris, France	6	1	6	2,090
3/26/96-3/29/96	Paris, France	4	2	8	2,727
3/26/96-3/30/96	Paris, France	5	2	10	2,026
3/27/96-3/29/96	Paris, France	3	1	3	1,250
5/3/96-5/12/96	Canberra and Sydney, Australia	10	1	10	8,388
5/28/96-6/1/96	Paris, France	5	1	5	2,238
9/7/96-9/16/96	London, England	10	2	20	6,443
9/10/96-9/15/96	London, England	6	1	6	1,427
9/14/96-9/25/96	Paris, France	12	1	12	4,310
9/15/96-9/20/96	Paris, France	6	1	6	2,021
10/23/96-11/2/96	Frankfurt, Germany; Istanbul and Antalya, Turkey	11	1	11	7,228
11/16/96-11/21/96	Paris, France	6	2	12	3,742
11/16/96-11/24/96	Paris, France, and Rome, Italy	9	2	18	7,321
2/1/97-2/7/97	Paris, France	7	1	7	2,294
2/1/97-2/8/97	Paris, France	8	2	16	4,201
2/2/97-2/7/97	Paris, France	6	3	18	5,440
2/23/97-2/26/97	Brussels, Belgium	4	2	8	2,659
2/23/97-3/1/97	Brussels, Belgium	7	2	14	4,887
2/24/97-2/27/97	Brussels, Belgium	4	1	4	1,721

Dates of travel	Destination(s)	Trip duration in days	Number of FinCEN staff	Total staff travel days	Total costs ^a
3/11/97-3/14/97	Paris, France	4	1	4	1,180
5/10/97-5/14/97	Paris, France	5	1	5	1,511
6/14/97-6/22/97	Rome, Italy	9	2	18	5,023
6/14/97-6/21/97	Rome, Italy	8	1	8	796
6/15/97-6/21/97	Rome, Italy	7	1	7	1,829
6/15/97-6/22/97	Rome, Italy	8	1	8	2,416
6/21/97-6/25/97	Madrid, Spain	5	5	25	8,167
8/30/97-9/3/97	Frankfurt, Germany, and Larnaca, Cyprus	5	1	5	5,461
9/3/97-9/5/97	Mexico City, Mexico	3	1	3	987
9/21/97-9/27/97	Paris, France	7	5	35	10,613
9/23/97-9/26/97	Paris, France	4	1	4	1,282
10/4/97-10/10/97	Frankfurt and Berlin, Germany	7	1	7	3,277
10/19/97-10/25/97	Rome, Italy	7	1	7	1,988
10/25/97-10/29/97	Frankfurt, Germany	5	1	5	2,126
10/25/97-10/31/97	Frankfurt, Germany, and Ljubljana, Slovenia	7	1	7	3,052
10/26/97-10/29/97	Frankfurt, Germany	4	1	4	1,932
11/10/97-11/14/97	Paris, France	5	2	10	3,666
11/10/97-11/15/97	Paris, France	6	2	12	4,269
11/12/97-11/15/97	Paris, France	4	1	4	1,593
12/13/97-12/18/97	Rome, Italy	6	3	18	5,750
2/7/98-2/14/98	Paris, France	8	4	32	10,489
2/7/98-2/15/98	Paris, France	9	1	9	2,436
Financial Action Task Force/Financial Intelligence Units - 9 trips					
6/3/95-6/11/95	Amsterdam, the Netherlands	9	1	9	\$3,473
6/4/95-6/9/95	Amsterdam, the Netherlands	6	1	6	897
6/6/95-6/9/95	Amsterdam, the Netherlands	4	1	4	1,860

Dates of travel	Destination(s)	Trip duration in days	Number of FinCEN staff	Total staff travel days	Total costs ^a
6/5/95-6/11/95	Brussels, Belgium	7	1	7	2,841
6/6/95-6/10/95	Brussels, Belgium	5	1	5	2,184
6/7/95-6/11/95	Brussels, Belgium	5	5	25	11,100
6/7/95-6/12/95	Brussels, Belgium	6	2	12	4,223
6/7/95-6/13/95	Brussels, Belgium	7	1	7	2,729
11/27/95-12/1/95	Paris, France	5	2	10	3,484
Financial Intelligence Units - 48 trips					
5/17/94-5/27/94	Lyon, France	11	1	11	\$3,004
5/17/94-5/20/94	Paris, France	4	1	4	1,657
5/17/94-5/21/94	Paris, France	5	1	5	1,562
5/17/94-5/23/94	Paris, France	7	1	7	2,128
10/4/94-10/8/94	Frankfurt, Germany, and Warsaw, Poland	5	1	5	2,142
10/13/94-10/15/94	Panama City, Panama	3	1	3	1,045
11/16/94-11/23/94	Frankfurt, Germany, and Warsaw, Poland	8	1	8	2,454
1/29/95-2/3/95	Brussels, Belgium	6	1	6	2,479
2/23/95-3/3/95	Frankfurt, Germany; Warsaw, Poland; and Vienna, Austria	9	1	9	3,162
2/23/95-3/4/95	Frankfurt, Germany; Warsaw, Poland; and Vienna, Austria	10	1	10	2,724
5/18/95-5/27/95	Paris, France; Zurich, Switzerland; and Warsaw, Poland	10	1	10	5,652
5/20/95-5/31/95	Frankfurt, Germany, and Warsaw, Poland	12	1	12	3,995
5/29/95-5/31/95	Brussels, Belgium	3	1	3	1,752
9/25/95-9/28/95	Brussels, Belgium	4	3	12	5,066
11/27/95-12/1/95	Brussels, Belgium	5	1	5	1,771

Dates of travel	Destination(s)	Trip duration in days	Number of FinCEN staff	Total staff travel days	Total costs ^a
11/28/95-12/1/95	Paris, France	4	1	4	1,709
2/2/96-2/8/96	Paris, France	7	1	7	2,198
3/10/96-3/13/96	Frankfurt, Germany	4	1	4	1,699
6/2/96-6/5/96	Mexico City, Mexico	4	4	16	4,688
6/16/96-6/22/96	Paris, France	7	2	14	4,011
6/22/96-6/26/96	Brussels, Belgium	5	1	5	1,630
8/12/96-8/16/96	Panama City, Panama	5	2	10	2,626
9/22/96-9/25/96	Brussels, Belgium	4	1	4	1,848
10/9/96-10/12/96	Brussels, Belgium	4	4	16	7,320
11/17/96-11/24/96	Paris, France	8	1	8	3,135
11/19/96-11/23/96	Rome, Italy	5	2	10	3,885
11/19/96-11/25/96	Rome, Italy	7	2	14	4,163
11/20/96-11/23/96	Rome, Italy	4	1	4	1,880
11/20/96-11/24/96	Rome, Italy	5	1	5	1,952
11/24/96-11/27/96	Mexico City, Mexico	4	2	8	2,270
1/12/97-1/18/97	Port of Spain, Trinidad	7	1	7	1,714
1/28/97-1/30/97	Paris, France	3	1	3	1,056
5/10/97-5/17/97	Madrid, Spain; Zurich, Switzerland; and Stockholm, Sweden	8	2	16	8,186
5/21/97-5/24/97	London, England	4	2	8	1,941
5/21/97-5/25/97	London, England	5	1	5	1,415
8/2/97-8/11/97	Prague, Czech Republic, and Frankfurt, Germany	10	1	10	2,027
8/2/97-8/9/97	Prague, Czech Republic, and Vienna, Austria	8	1	8	2,172
10/25/97-10/31/97	Santiago, Chile	7	2	14	5,222
10/25/97-11/6/97	Santiago, Chile	13	1	13	3,983
10/25/97-11/8/97	Santiago, Chile	15	1	15	4,626

Dates of travel	Destination(s)	Trip duration in days	Number of FinCEN staff	Total staff travel days	Total costs ^a
11/30/97-12/4/97	Caracas, Venezuela	5	1	5	1,211
11/30/97-12/6/97	Caracas, Venezuela	7	3	21	6,179
12/2/97-12/5/97	Caracas, Venezuela	4	1	4	872
12/4/97-12/6/97	Jamaica	3	1	3	1,081
1/24/98-1/31/98	Frankfurt, Germany; Istanbul and Ankara, Turkey	8	3	24	16,663
3/7/98-3/12/98	Amsterdam, the Netherlands	6	1	6	1,718
3/10/98-3/14/98	Amsterdam, the Netherlands	5	4	20	5,747
3/23/98-3/26/98	Brussels, Belgium	4	1	4	1,729
International Criminal Police Organization (Interpol) - 37 Trips					
5/21/94-5/29/94	Lyon, France	9	1	9	\$2,184
5/21/94-6/1/94	Lyon, France	12	1	12	1,759
5/22/94-5/27/94	Lyon, France	6	2	12	4,084
9/25/94-10/1/94	Rome, Italy	7	1	7	3,225
9/26/94-10/6/94	Rome, Italy	11	1	11	5,444
10/23/94-10/26/94	Paris, France	4	1	4	1,476
10/23/94-10/28/94	Paris and Lyon, France, and London, England	6	1	6	2,159
10/24/94-10/27/94	Tokyo, Japan, and London, England	4	1	4	6,189
12/11/94-12/15/94	Paris, France	5	2	10	3,242
2/16/95-2/21/95	Rome and Catania, Italy	6	1	6	1,536
2/25/95-3/3/95	Paris, France	7	1	7	1,987
2/25/95-3/4/95	Paris, France	8	1	8	1,912
2/26/95-3/1/95	London, England, and Warsaw, Poland	4	1	4	2,886
2/26/95-3/3/95	London, England, and Lyon and Paris, France	6	1	6	1,899
2/26/95-3/2/95	Paris, France	5	1	5	951

Dates of travel	Destination(s)	Trip duration in days	Number of FinCEN staff	Total staff travel days	Total costs ^a
2/26/95-3/3/95	Paris, France	6	1	6	1,781
5/8/95-5/18/95	Amsterdam, the Netherlands; Paris, France; and London, England	11	2	22	7,672
5/13/95-5/18/95	Paris, France	6	2	12	3,668
6/27/95-8/3/95	London, England; Frankfurt, Germany; and Paris, France	38	1	38	11,810
7/14/95-7/20/95	Paris, France	7	1	7	1,854
9/2/95-9/13/95	Amsterdam, the Netherlands, and Moscow, Russia	12	1	12	2,628
9/30/95-10/10/95	Tokyo, Japan, and Beijing, China	11	1	11	7,016
10/02/95-10/10/95	Tokyo, Japan, and Beijing, China	9	1	9	5,357
10/14/95-10/25/95	Hong Kong	12	1	12	5,826
6/14/96-6/23/96	Frankfurt, Germany; Minsk, Belarus; and Kiev, Ukraine	10	1	10	3,312
9/28/96-9/30/96	Vienna, Austria, and Prague, Czech Republic	3	2	6	4,625
10/6/96-10/14/96	Paris, France	9	1	9	2,029
12/7/96-12/15/96	Brussels, Belgium	9	1	9	5,303
1/18/97-1/26/97	Frankfurt, Germany, and Sofia, Bulgaria	9	1	9	2,677
2/3/97-2/7/97	Buenos Aires, Argentina	5	3	15	6,546
3/22/97-3/29/97	Frankfurt, Germany, and Ljubljana, Slovenia	8	1	8	2,695
4/11/97-4/16/97	Buenos Aires, Argentina	6	1	6	3,732
4/11/97-4/18/97	Buenos Aires, Argentina	8	3	24	9,189
4/12/97-4/17/97	Buenos Aires, Argentina	6	1	6	2,454
4/12/97-4/18/97	Buenos Aires, Argentina	7	6	42	16,911
4/13/97-4/18/97	Buenos Aires, Argentina	6	2	12	4,989

Dates of travel	Destination(s)	Trip duration in days	Number of FinCEN staff	Total staff travel days	Total costs ^a
8/24/97-8/28/97	Paris, France	5	2	10	2,409
Management and interagency coordination - 36 trips					
5/8/94-5/10/94	Mexico City, Mexico	3	1	3	\$1,079
5/9/94-5/12/94	Montreal, Canada	4	1	4	878
6/27/94-7/6/94	Europe (seven cities)	10	1	10	2,441
8/8/94-8/10/94	Mexico City, Mexico	3	1	3	484
11/8/94-11/11/94	Bogota, Colombia	4	1	4	1,501
11/8/94-11/10/94	Vancouver, Canada	3	1	3	1,241
3/12/95-3/24/95	Frankfurt, Germany, and Vienna, Austria	13	1	13	3,450
6/12/95-6/16/95	Montreal, Canada	5	1	5	960
6/12/95-6/17/95	Montreal, Canada	6	1	6	1,517
6/23/95-6/28/95	Tokyo, Japan	6	1	6	5,366
8/19/95-8/25/95	Montreal, Canada	7	2	14	4,795
8/20/95-8/23/95	Montreal, Canada	4	2	8	2,347
10/2/95-10/5/95	Toronto, Canada	4	3	12	2,656
10/24/95-10/26/95	London, England	3	1	3	1,246
2/9/96-2/16/96	Bangkok, Thailand	8	1	8	1,327
4/15/96-4/17/96	Paris, France	3	1	3	2,019
4/20/96-4/27/96	Moscow, Russia, and Istanbul, Turkey	8	1	8	3,183
6/12/96-6/15/96	London, England	4	1	4	1,459
10/7/96-10/9/96	Panama City, Panama	3	1	3	1,023
10/16/96-10/18/96	Ottawa, Canada	3	4	12	3,446
11/3/96-11/10/96	Buenos Aires, Argentina	8	2	16	5,701
11/17/96-11/22/96	Caracas, Venezuela, and Aruba	6	1	6	1,723
12/10/96-12/13/96	Switzerland	4	1	4	2,280

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1/31/97-2/9/97	Frankfurt, Germany, and Damascus, Syria	10	1	10	3,204
2/23/97-2/26/97	Mexico City, Mexico	4	1	4	1,461
6/30/97-7/3/97	London, England	4	1	4	1,374
9/14/97-9/18/97	London, England	5	2	10	3,281
10/5/97-10/10/97	Vienna, Austria	6	1	6	3,200
12/9/97-12/11/97	Bogota, Colombia	3	1	3	1,307
1/17/98-1/24/98	Bogota, Colombia	8	5	40	10,967
2/12/98-2/17/98	London, England	6	1	6	2,423
2/14/98-2/17/98	London, England	4	1	4	1,933
3/2/98-3/4/98	Panama City, Panama	3	3	9	3,772
3/8/98-3/10/98	Mexico City, Mexico	3	1	3	1,185
3/14/98-3/17/98	Vienna, Austria	4	1	4	1,920
4/5/98-4/8/98	Mexico City, Mexico	4	1	4	1,402
Regulatory meetings and conferences - 66 trips					
7/25/94-7/28/94	Panama	4	1	4	\$1,160
9/10/94-9/18/94	London, England	9	1	9	1,217
9/24/94-10/2/94	Buenos Aires, Argentina, and Ecuador	9	1	9	3,418
9/25/94-10/2/94	Buenos Aires, Argentina, and Ecuador	8	1	8	4,724
9/26/94-10/2/94	Tokyo, Japan	7	1	7	2,642
10/1/94-10/6/94	Amsterdam, the Netherlands, and Oslo, Norway	6	1	6	2,591
10/1/94-10/3/94	Montreal, Canada	3	1	3	722
10/2/94-10/8/94	Montreal, Canada, and Amsterdam, the Netherlands	7	1	7	3,313
11/6/94-11/12/94	Amsterdam, the Netherlands, and Prague, Czech Republic	7	1	7	3,395

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11/26/94-12/2/94	Tokyo, Japan, and London, England	7	1	7	6,838
3/6/95-3/10/95	Panama City, Panama	5	1	5	1,234
4/9/95-4/14/95	Zurich, Switzerland, and Ljubljana, Slovenia	6	1	6	1,787
5/9/95-5/12/95	Zurich, Switzerland, and Athens, Greece	4	1	4	3,023
6/26/95-7/4/95	Switzerland	9	1	9	5,920
6/26/95-6/27/95	Ottawa, Canada	2	1	2	319
7/19/95-7/20/95	Toronto, Canada	2	1	2	774
7/19/95-7/21/95	Toronto, Canada	3	1	3	954
10/6/95-10/9/95	San Juan, Puerto Rico	4	1	4	441
10/21/95-11/1/95	Paris, France	12	1	12	4,163
10/23/95-11/1/95	Paris, France, and Amsterdam, the Netherlands	10	1	10	3,732
3/11/96-3/14/96	Mexico City, Mexico	4	1	4	1,238
4/14/96-4/20/96	Frankfurt, Germany, and Budapest, Hungary	7	1	7	2,464
4/14/96-4/26/96	Vienna, Austria	13	1	13	3,497
5/1/96-5/2/96	Windsor, Canada	2	1	2	877
6/25/96-6/28/96	Ottawa, Canada	4	1	4	1,016
6/26/96-6/27/96	Ottawa, Canada	2	1	2	943
6/26/96-6/28/96	Ottawa, Canada	3	2	6	1,989
6/29/96-7/9/96	London, England	11	1	11	1,514
7/6/96-7/11/96	Asuncion, Paraguay, and Sao Paulo, Brazil	6	1	6	2,303
7/15/96-7/19/96	Mexico City, Mexico	5	1	5	1,315
9/28/96-9/30/96	Johannesburg, South Africa	3	1	3	3,435
10/21/96-10/22/96	Berlin, Germany	2	1	2	676

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10/22/96-10/30/96	Frankfurt, Germany; Istanbul and Antalya, Turkey	9	1	9	6,127
10/23/96-10/26/96	Berlin, Germany	4	1	4	1,651
11/11/96-11/17/96	Hong Kong	7	1	7	6,259
11/11/96-11/18/96	Hong Kong	8	1	8	6,386
11/16/96-11/23/96	London, England	8	1	8	2,118
11/24/96-11/27/96	Paris, France, and Brussels, Belgium	4	1	4	1,729
2/26/97-3/22/97	London, England, and Delhi, India	25	1	25	5,943
3/16/97-3/28/97	Frankfurt, Germany, and Vienna, Austria	13	1	13	3,472
5/5/97-5/8/97	Curacao, Netherlands Antilles	4	1	4	2,564
5/29/97-6/6/97	Lisbon, Portugal	9	1	9	1,794
6/2/97-6/3/97	Montreal, Canada	2	1	2	744
6/7/97-6/14/97	Moscow, Russia	8	1	8	3,147
6/8/97-6/12/97	Panama City, Panama	5	1	5	1,321
6/8/97-6/13/97	Panama City, Panama	6	1	6	1,406
6/22/97-6/25/97	San Jose, Costa Rica	4	1	4	1,068
7/19/97-7/24/97	Brussels, Belgium; Dakar, Senegal; and Paris, France	6	1	6	4,213
7/31/97-8/8/97	Panama City, Panama	9	1	9	2,445
8/3/97-8/9/97	Panama City, Panama	7	1	7	1,496
8/3/97-8/10/97	Panama City, Panama	8	1	8	1,754
8/5/97-8/8/97	Panama City, Panama	4	2	8	2,570
8/6/97-8/9/97	Panama City, Panama	4	1	4	1,237
8/6/97-8/10/97	Panama City, Panama	5	1	5	1,273
9/22/97-9/27/97	Amsterdam, the Netherlands	6	2	12	4,292
10/3/97-10/12/97	Hong Kong	10	1	10	5,037

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10/7/97-10/15/97	Brussels, Belgium	9	1	9	3,004
11/12/97-11/15/97	San Salvador, El Salvador	4	2	8	2,000
11/13/97-11/22/97	London, England	10	1	10	4,329
1/24/98-1/29/98	Amsterdam, the Netherlands	6	1	6	1,715
2/10/98-2/14/98	London, England	5	2	10	3,740
2/23/98-2/27/98	Lima, Peru	5	2	10	3,644
3/14/98-3/17/98	London, England	4	2	8	1,489
3/16/98-3/19/98	Cartagena, Colombia	4	1	4	942
3/16/98-3/18/98	Cartagena and Bogota, Colombia	3	1	3	942
4/4/98-4/11/98	Paris, France	8	1	8	917
Summit of the Americas - 9 trips					
8/14/95-8/19/95	Sao Paulo, Brazil	6	2	12	\$4,513
8/14/95-8/25/95	Sao Paulo, Brazil; Quito, Ecuador; and Bogota, Colombia	12	1	12	3,673
10/22/95-10/27/95	Buenos Aires, Argentina	6	1	6	1,848
10/23/95-10/26/95	Buenos Aires, Argentina	4	2	8	3,491
11/27/95-12/5/95	Buenos Aires, Argentina	9	3	27	8,076
11/28/95-12/3/95	Buenos Aires, Argentina	6	1	6	2,257
11/28/95-12/6/95	Buenos Aires, Argentina	9	1	9	2,783
12/2/95-12/3/95	Buenos Aires, Argentina	2	1	2	1,684
5/14/96-5/15/96	Jamaica	2	1	2	841
Training and technical assistance - 45 trips					
8/21/94-8/27/94	Caracas, Venezuela	7	3	21	\$4,500
11/27/94-12/2/94	London, England, and Strasbourg, France	6	1	6	2,146
2/12/95-2/15/95	Mexico City, Mexico	4	1	4	1,089
2/13/95-2/15/95	Mexico City, Mexico	3	1	3	1,108

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2/26/95-3/2/95	Amsterdam, the Netherlands, and Warsaw, Poland	5	1	5	4,518
5/20/95-5/27/95	London, England	8	1	8	2,294
5/20/95-6/3/95	London, England, and Helsinki, Finland	15	1	15	3,882
7/30/95-8/2/95	Panama City, Panama	4	2	8	2,476
7/30/95-8/4/95	Panama City, Panama, and Caracas, Venezuela	6	1	6	2,161
8/21/95-8/26/95	Paris, France, and Lagos, Nigeria	6	1	6	4,251
9/8/95-9/19/95	Frankfurt, Germany, and Warsaw, Poland	12	1	12	2,848
10/20/95-10/29/95	Bucharest, Romania	10	1	10	2,514
10/21/95-10/23/95	Aruba	3	1	3	1,305
10/22/95-10/26/95	Brasilia, Brazil	5	1	5	2,079
10/22/95-10/27/95	Brasilia, Brazil	6	1	6	2,893
10/25/95-10/25/95	Aruba	1	1	1	1,497
10/30/95-11/3/95	Fort de France, Martinique	5	1	5	1,534
11/4/95-11/8/95	London, England, and Jersey	5	1	5	2,526
3/3/96-3/6/96	Panama City, Panama	4	1	4	1,250
3/3/96-3/7/96	Panama City, Panama	5	1	5	1,360
3/10/96-3/15/96	Caracas, Venezuela	6	1	6	1,700
5/24/96-5/29/96	Frankfurt, Germany, and Johannesburg, South Africa	6	1	6	6,429
6/8/96-6/11/96	Stockholm, Sweden	4	1	4	2,013
6/14/96-6/23/96	Frankfurt, Germany, and Minsk, Belarus	10	1	10	3,398
9/29/96-9/30/96	Johannesburg, South Africa, and Frankfurt, Germany	2	1	2	6,540
10/1/96-10/4/96	Johannesburg, South Africa	4	1	4	2,888

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10/1/96-10/5/96	Johannesburg, South Africa	5	1	5	2,736
10/16/96-10/17/96	Nassau, Bahamas	2	1	2	1,355
12/4/96-12/6/96	Panama City, Panama	3	2	6	2,185
12/8/96-12/12/96	Santiago, Chile	5	1	5	1,999
4/14/97-4/19/97	Montevideo, Uruguay, and Santiago, Chile	6	1	6	2,226
4/14/97-4/23/97	Montevideo, Uruguay, and Santiago, Chile	10	1	10	3,463
4/29/97-5/1/97	Mexico City, Mexico	3	1	3	992
4/29/97-5/3/97	Mexico City, Mexico	5	1	5	1,331
4/30/97-5/3/97	Grand Cayman	4	1	4	2,350
6/12/97-6/21/97	Moscow, Russia	10	1	10	3,193
7/7/97-7/11/97	Lima, Peru	5	1	5	2,195
7/13/97-7/15/97	Mexico City, Mexico	3	1	3	1,030
10/18/97-10/30/97	Frankfurt, Germany, and Bucharest, Romania	13	1	13	4,396
10/20/97-12/6/97	London, England; Delhi and Madras, India	48	1	48	17,704
10/28/97-10/31/97	London, England	4	1	4	1,373
11/2/97-11/4/97	Nassau, Bahamas	3	1	3	1,698
12/16/97-12/19/97	London, England	4	1	4	1,014
1/30/98-2/8/98	Frankfurt, Germany, and Islamabad, Pakistan	10	1	10	4,727
3/28/98-4/10/98	Johannesburg, South Africa	14	1	14	5,193

Note: We did not independently verify the travel data provided by FinCEN.

^aAll costs have been rounded to the nearest dollar. In an unspecified number of trips, the costs reflect only the transportation expense because the host country paid all other costs.

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