

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, DC 20530

**Exhibit A to Registration Statement****Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended**

**INSTRUCTIONS.** Furnish this exhibit for EACH foreign principal listed in an initial statement and for EACH additional foreign principal acquired subsequently. The filing of this document requires the payment of a filing fee as set forth in Rule (d)(1), 28 C.F.R. § 5.5(d)(1). Compliance is accomplished by filing an electronic Exhibit A form at <https://www.fara.gov>.

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## 1. Name and Address of Registrant

Vanguard Africa

## 2. Registration No.

6411

## 3. Name of Foreign Principal

Ibrahim Yacouba

## 4. Principal Address of Foreign Principal

MPN Kiishin Kassa  
 Complexe, opposite Niamey Great Mosque  
 PO BOX 13899 - Niamey, Republic of Niger

## 5. Indicate whether your foreign principal is one of the following:

- Government of a foreign country<sup>1</sup>
- Foreign political party
- Foreign or domestic organization: If either, check one of the following:
- Partnership  Committee
- Corporation  Voluntary group
- Association  Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- Individual-State nationality

## 6. If the foreign principal is a foreign government, state:

- a) Branch or agency represented by the registrant

N/A

- b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals

N/A

## 7. If the foreign principal is a foreign political party, state:

- a) Principal address

N/A

- b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals N/A

- c) Principal aim N/A

<sup>1</sup> "Government of a foreign country," as defined in Section 1(e) of the Act, includes any person or group of persons exercising sovereign de facto or de jure political jurisdiction over any country, other than the United States, or over any part of such country, and includes any subdivision of any such group and any group or agency to which such sovereign de facto or de jure authority or functions are directly or indirectly delegated. Such term shall include any faction or body of insurgents within a country assuming to exercise governmental authority whether such faction or body of insurgents has or has not been recognized by the United States.

8. If the foreign principal is not a foreign government or a foreign political party:

a) State the nature of the business or activity of this foreign principal.

Mr. Ibrahim Yacouba is a former Foreign Minister from Niger and now pro-reform opposition leader who serves as president of the National Patriotic Movement.

b) Is this foreign principal:

Supervised by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Owned by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Directed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Financed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Subsidized in part by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

9. Explain fully all items answered "Yes" in Item 8(b). (If additional space is needed, a full insert page must be used.)

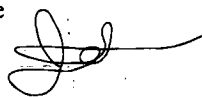
N/A

10. If the foreign principal is an organization and is not owned or controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party or other foreign principal, state who owns and controls it.

N/A

**EXECUTION**

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swears or affirms under penalty of perjury that he/she has read the information set forth in this Exhibit A to the registration statement and that he/she is familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

Date of Exhibit A	Name and Title	Signature
08/09/2018	Jeffrey Smith Executive Director, Vanguard Africa	

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**Exhibit B to Registration Statement****Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended**

**INSTRUCTIONS.** A registrant must furnish as an Exhibit B copies of each written agreement and the terms and conditions of each oral agreement with his foreign principal, including all modifications of such agreements, or, where no contract exists, a full statement of all the circumstances by reason of which the registrant is acting as an agent of a foreign principal. Compliance is accomplished by filing an electronic Exhibit B form at <https://www.fara.gov>.

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1. Name of Registrant

Vanguard Africa

2. Registration No.

0411

3. Name of Foreign Principal

Ibrahim Yacouba

Check Appropriate Box:

4.  The agreement between the registrant and the above-named foreign principal is a formal written contract. If this box is checked, attach a copy of the contract to this exhibit.
5.  There is no formal written contract between the registrant and the foreign principal. The agreement with the above-named foreign principal has resulted from an exchange of correspondence. If this box is checked, attach a copy of all pertinent correspondence, including a copy of any initial proposal which has been adopted by reference in such correspondence.
6.  The agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal is the result of neither a formal written contract nor an exchange of correspondence between the parties. If this box is checked, give a complete description below of the terms and conditions of the oral agreement or understanding, its duration, the fees and expenses, if any, to be received.
7. Describe fully the nature and method of performance of the above indicated agreement or understanding.

Vanguard Africa has partnered with Mr. Ibrahim Yacouba to undertake public advocacy and build awareness around the upcoming elections in Niger, and his pro-reform candidacy in particular.

8. Describe fully the activities the registrant engages in or proposes to engage in on behalf of the above foreign principal.

Vanguard Africa has partnered with Mr. Ibrahim Yacouba to highlight the the importance of the upcoming elections, as well as to advance his well-established pro-reform credentials and the urgent need for human rights and democratic reforms in the country.

9. Will the activities on behalf of the above foreign principal include political activities as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act and in the footnote below? Yes  No

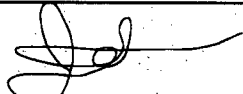
If yes, describe all such political activities indicating, among other things, the relations, interests or policies to be influenced together with the means to be employed to achieve this purpose.

Vanguard has agreed to work with Mr. Ibrahim Yacouba in order to:

- Build the international profile of the client and the upcoming election in Niger, focusing on the need to support a free and fair election process
- Lead on outreach to and relationship building with relevant journalists to secure media opportunities for the client and campaign, as well as op-ed and commentary support
- Organize and facilitate the client's meeting schedule, and attend all meetings in-person, should the client and/or its representatives travel to Washington, DC, which is encouraged
- Counsel on best practices on campaign and political party organization and resource mobilization

### EXECUTION

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swears or affirms under penalty of perjury that he/she has read the information set forth in this Exhibit B to the registration statement and that he/she is familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

Date of Exhibit B	Name and Title	Signature
	Jeffrey Smith Executive Director Vanguard Africa	

Footnote: "Political activity," as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act, means any activity which the person engaging in believes will, or that the person intends to, in any way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting, or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to the political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.



**13 July 2018**

**M. Ibrahim Yacoubou  
President, Nigerien Patriotic Movement**

**Agreement of Cooperation between Vanguard Africa and M. Ibrahim Yacoubou**

Vanguard Africa is honored to support the campaign of M. Ibrahim Yacoubou ("the client") and efforts to highlight the need for free and fair elections in Niger, in both 2019 and 2020. Vanguard Africa's scope of work will be to promote a free and fair election movement in Niger, one that is based on the principles of justice, equality and the rule of law. Key elements of this partnership will also feature the client's efforts to bring principled, ethical and democratic leadership to the country.

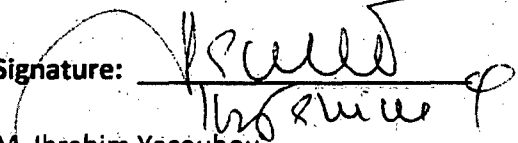
As part of this long-term agreement through January 2021, Vanguard Africa will help strengthen the client's relationships with media professionals, U.S. government officials and relevant nongovernmental organizations, pro-democracy leaders and think tanks; and provide senior level advice and outreach counsel to global leaders in government and the business community.

The contract between Vanguard Africa and the client will begin on 1 August 2018 and take the form of a monthly retainer in the amount of \$3,000 (three thousand) USD. Specific terms of the long-term agreement will be finalized in a follow-on memorandum of understanding. We are looking forward to a long and productive relationship with M. Ibrahim Yacoubou as he seeks to advance democracy and ethical leadership in Niger.

Sincerely,

Bruce Fryer, President of Vanguard Africa

*I have read the above letter and agree and accept the terms and the conditions set forth therein.*

Signature:   
M. Ibrahim Yacoubou

Date: 23 July 2018