

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, DC 20530

**Registration Statement****Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of  
1938, as amended****I--REGISTRANT****1. Name of Registrant**

Telegraph Avenue LLC

**2. Registration Number (To be assigned by the FARA Unit)**

7265

**3. Primary Business Address**

406 Third Street, SE, Washington, DC 20003

**4. If the registrant is an individual, furnish the following information:**

(a) Residence address(es)

(b) Nationality

(c) Year of birth

(d) Present citizenship

(e) If present citizenship not acquired by birth, state when, where and how acquired

(f) Occupation

**5. If the registrant is not an individual, furnish the following information:**(a) Type of organization: Committee ☐ Association ☐ Partnership ☐ Voluntary group ☐  
Corporation ☒ Other (*specify*) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Date and place of organization 07/06/2010, Washington, DC

(c) Name of responsible individual Robert Harmala  
(e.g., officer, director or partner)(d) Other business address(es), if any, including  
locations of branch or local offices

(e) If a membership organization, provide number of members

(f) List all partners, officers, directors or persons performing the functions of an officer or director of the registrant.

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position
Mr. Robert Harmala	406 Third Street, SE Washington, DC 20003	UNITED STATES	Director

(g) Which of the above named persons renders services directly in furtherance of the interests of any of the foreign principals?

Name	Foreign Principal(s)	Services
See Appendix for Response		

(h) Describe the nature of the registrant's regular business or activity.

Government relations, lobbying

(i) Give a complete description of the ownership and control structure of the registrant.

Telegraph Avenue LLC is 100% owned and controlled by Robert Harmala

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6. List all individuals, other than those listed in Item 5(g), who render services or will render services to the registrant directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal(s) in other than a clerical, secretarial, or in a related or similar capacity.

Name	Residence Address	Foreign Principal(s)	Services
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**II--FOREIGN PRINCIPAL**7. List every foreign principal<sup>1</sup> for whom the registrant is acting or has agreed to act.

## Foreign Principal

Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party

## Foreign Principal Address

Ulica Francesca Tenchinija 6  
Zagreb  
CROATIA 10000

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**III--ACTIVITIES**

8. In addition to the activities described in any Exhibit B to this statement, will the registrant engage or is the registrant engaging now in activity or rendering services on its own behalf which benefits any or all of its foreign principals?

Yes ☐No ☒

If yes, describe fully.

## Foreign Principal

## Activities/Services

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**IV--FINANCIAL INFORMATION**9. (a) **RECEIPTS-MONIES**During the period beginning 60 days prior to the date of the registrant's obligation to register<sup>2</sup> under FARA, has the registrant received from any foreign principal named in Item 7 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal, any contributions, income, or money either as compensation, or for disbursement or otherwise?Yes ☐No ☒If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each such foreign principal an account of such monies.<sup>3</sup>

Foreign Principal	Date Received	From Whom	Purpose	Amount	Subtotal
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<sup>1</sup> The term "foreign principal," as defined in Section 1(b) of the Act, includes a foreign government, foreign political party, foreign organization, foreign individual and, for the purpose of registration, an organization or an individual any of whose activities are directly or indirectly supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or subsidized in whole or in major part by a foreign government, foreign political party, foreign organization or foreign individual.

<sup>2</sup> An agent must register within 10 days of becoming an agent, and before acting as such.

<sup>3</sup> A registrant is required to file an Exhibit D if he collects or receives contributions, loans, monies, or other things of value for a foreign principal, as part of a fundraising campaign. There is no printed form for this exhibit. (See Rule 201(e), 28 C.F.R. § 5.201(e)).

**(b) RECEIPTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During the period beginning 60 days prior to the date of the registrant's obligation to register<sup>4</sup> under FARA, has the registrant received anything of value<sup>5</sup> other than money, from any foreign principal named in Item 7 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal?

Yes ☐No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal	Date Received	From Whom	Purpose	Thing of Value
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**10. (a) DISBURSEMENTS-MONIES**

During the period beginning 60 days prior to the date of the registrant's obligation to register<sup>6</sup> under FARA, has the registrant disbursed or expended monies in connection with activity on behalf of any foreign principal named in Item 7 of this statement or transmitted monies to any such foreign principal?

Yes ☐No ☒

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each such foreign principal named including monies transmitted, if any, to each foreign principal.

Foreign Principal	Date	Recipient	Purpose	Amount	Subtotal
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**(b) DISBURSEMENTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During the period beginning 60 days prior to the date of the registrant's obligation to register<sup>7</sup> under FARA, has the registrant disposed of any thing of value<sup>8</sup> other than money in furtherance of or in connection with its activities on behalf of any foreign principal named in Item 7 of this statement? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal	Date	Recipient	Purpose	Thing of Value
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**(c) DISBURSEMENTS-POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

During the period beginning 60 days prior to the date of the registrant's obligation to register<sup>9</sup> under FARA, has the registrant (or any short form registrant) made any contribution of money or other thing of value from its own funds and on its own behalf in connection with an election to any political office or in connection with any primary election, convention, or caucus held to select candidates for any political office? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Donor	Political Organization/Candidate	Method	Amount/Thing of Value
02/22/2023	Telegraph Avenue LLC	Tester for Senate	Online contribution, ACTBlue	\$ 6,600.00

4, 6, 7 and 9 See Footnote 2, on page 3.

5 and 8 Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest-free loans, expense-free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks", and the like.

**V--INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS<sup>10</sup>**

11. Prior to the time of filing this statement,<sup>11</sup> has the registrant prepared, disseminated, or caused to be disseminated, any informational materials on behalf of any foreign principal listed in Item 7 of this statement?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, identify each foreign principal and file the informational materials.

Foreign Principal

Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party

Type of Informational Materials

Email; Other (One page background description of the Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party and current Croatian political situation.)

12. (a) Will the activities of the registrant on behalf of any foreign principal include the preparation or dissemination of informational materials?

Yes ☒ No ☐

- (b) If yes, identify each foreign principal and respond to the remaining items in this section.

Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party

13. Has a budget been established or specified sum of money allocated to finance the registrant's activities in preparing or disseminating informational materials? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each foreign principal, and specify the period of time and the amount.

Foreign Principal

Period of Time

Amount

14. Will any individuals or organizations, including public relations firms or publicity agents, participate in the preparation or dissemination of such informational materials?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the names and addresses of such individuals or organizations.

Name

Address

Foreign Principal(s)

15. Activities in preparing or disseminating informational materials will include the use of the following:

- ☐ Magazine or newspaper ☐ Advertising campaigns ☐ Press releases ☐ Pamphlets or other publications  
☐ Lectures or speeches ☐ Radio or TV broadcasts ☐ Motion picture films ☐ Letters or telegrams  
☐ Email  
☐ Website URL(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Social Media website URL(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ Other (*specify*) Oral in person communication with US government officials

<sup>10</sup> The term informational materials includes any oral, visual, graphic, written, or pictorial information or matter of any kind, including that published by means of advertising, books, periodicals, newspapers, lectures, broadcasts, motion pictures, electronic communications, or any means or instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce or otherwise. Informational materials disseminated by an agent of a foreign principal as part of an activity in itself exempt from registration, or an activity which by itself would not require registration, need not be filed pursuant to Section 4(b) of the Act.

<sup>11</sup> See Footnote 2, on page 3.

16. Informational materials will be disseminated among the following groups:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public officials    | <input type="checkbox"/> Civic groups or associations   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Legislators         | <input type="checkbox"/> Libraries                      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government agencies | <input type="checkbox"/> Educational groups             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newspapers                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Nationality groups             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Editors                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Other ( <i>specify</i> ) _____ |

17. Indicate the language to be used in the informational materials:

- ☒ English ☐ Other (*specify*) \_\_\_\_\_

## VI--EXHIBITS AND ATTACHMENTS

18. (a) The following described exhibits shall be filed with a Registration Statement:

*Exhibit A-* This exhibit, which is filed on Form NSD-3, sets forth the information required to be disclosed concerning each foreign principal named in Item 6.

*Exhibit B-* This exhibit, which is filed on Form NSD-4, sets forth the information concerning the agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal.

(b) An Exhibit C shall be filed when applicable. This exhibit, for which no printed form is provided, consists of a true copy of the charter, articles of incorporation, association, constitution, and bylaws of a registrant that is an organization. A waiver of the requirement to file an Exhibit C may be obtained for good cause shown upon written application to the Assistant Attorney General, National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530. (See Rule 201(c) and (d)).

(c) An Exhibit D shall be filed when applicable. This exhibit, for which no printed form is provided, sets forth an account of money collected or received as a result of a fundraising campaign and transmitted for a foreign principal. (See Rule 201 (e)).

## VII--EXECUTION

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, and subject to the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 22 U.S.C. § 618, the undersigned swears or affirms under penalty of perjury that he/she has read the information set forth in this statement filed pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq.*, 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	Printed Name	Signature <sup>12</sup>
05/01/2023	Robert Harmala	/s/Robert Harmala
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

<sup>12</sup> This statement shall be signed by the individual agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar functions, if the registrant is an organization, except that the organization can, by power of attorney, authorize one or more individuals to execute this statement on its behalf.

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Date

Printed Name

Signature

5/1/2023Robert HARMALARobert H

**Appendix**  
**Response to Item 5(g)**

**Item 5(g): If the registrant is not an individual, furnish the following information: Which of the above named persons renders services directly in furtherance of the interests of any of the foreign principals?**

Person	Foreign Principal(s)	Services
Mr. Robert Harmala	Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party	Robert Harmala will provide advice on written and oral communications by the foreign principal to US Congress and Executive Branch. Harmala will schedule meetings with US officials on behalf of the party. Harmala will advise the foreign principal on US foreign policy affecting Croatia and the Balkans region.



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Washington, DC 20530

## Short Form Registration Statement

## Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended

INSTRUCTIONS. Each partner, officer, director, associate, employee, and agent of a registrant is required to file a short form registration statement unless he engages in no activities in furtherance of the interests of the registrant's foreign principal or unless the services he renders to the registrant are in a secretarial, clerical, or in a related or similar capacity. Compliance is accomplished by filing an electronic short form registration statement at <https://www.fara.gov>.

Privacy Act Statement. The filing of this document is required for the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq.*, for the purposes of registration under the Act and public disclosure. Provision of the information requested is mandatory, and failure to provide the information is subject to the penalty and enforcement provisions established in Section 8 of the Act. Every registration statement, short form registration statement, supplemental statement, exhibit, amendment, copy of informational materials or other document or information filed with the Attorney General under this Act is a public record open to public examination, inspection and copying during the posted business hours of the FARA Unit in Washington, DC. Statements are also available online at the FARA Unit's webpage: <https://www.fara.gov>. One copy of every such document, other than informational materials, is automatically provided to the Secretary of State pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act, and copies of any and all documents are routinely made available to other agencies, departments and Congress pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Act. The Attorney General also transmits a semi-annual report to Congress on the administration of the Act which lists the names of all agents registered under the Act and the foreign principals they represent. This report is available to the public and online at: <https://www.fara.gov>.

Public Reporting Burden. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .23 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to Chief, FARA Unit, Counterintelligence and Export Control Section, National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530; and to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

1. Name Mr. Robert Harmala	2. Registration Number 7265
3. Residence Address 406 Third Street, SE Washington, DC 20003	4. Primary Business Address 406 Third Street, SE Washington, DC 20003
5. Year of Birth 1969  Nationality UNITED STATES  Present Citizenship UNITED STATES	6. If present citizenship was not acquired by birth, indicate when, and how acquired.
7. Occupation Attorney/Lobbyist	
8. What is the name and address of the primary registrant? Name Telegraph Avenue LLC Address 406 Third Street, SE, Washington, DC 20003	
9. (a) Indicate your connection with the primary registrant: <input type="checkbox"/> partner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> director <input type="checkbox"/> employee <input type="checkbox"/> consultant <input type="checkbox"/> officer <input type="checkbox"/> associate <input type="checkbox"/> agent <input type="checkbox"/> subcontractor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) Owner single member LLC	
(b) Specify your position/title: Director	
10. List the foreign principal to whom you will render services in support of the primary registrant. Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party	

11. Describe in detail all services which you will render to the foreign principal listed in Item 10 either directly, or through the primary registrant listed in Item 8.

Robert Harmala will provide advice on written and oral communications by the foreign principal to US Congress and Executive Branch. Harmala will schedule meetings with US officials on behalf of the party. Harmala will advise the foreign principal on US foreign policy affecting Croatia and the Balkans region.

12. Do any of the above described services include political activity as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act<sup>1</sup>

Yes ☒

No ☐

If yes, describe separately and in detail such political activity. The response must include, but not be limited to, activities involving lobbying, promotion, perception management, public relations, economic development, and preparation or dissemination of informational materials.

See Appendix for Response

13. The services described in Items 11 and 12 are to be rendered on a

☒ full time basis

☐ part time basis

☐ special basis

14. What compensation or thing of value have you received to date or will you receive for the above services?

☐ Salary: Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Commission at \_\_\_\_\_ % of \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Salary: Not based solely on services rendered to the foreign principal(s).

☐ Fee: Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Other thing of value \_\_\_\_\_

15. During the period beginning 60 days prior to the date of your obligation to register under FARA, have you, from your own funds and on your own behalf either directly or through any other person, made any contributions of money or other things of value in connection with an election to political office or in connection with any primary election, convention, or caucus held to select candidates for any political office?

Yes ☐

No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Donor	Political Organization/Candidate	Method	Amount/Thing of Value
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## EXECUTION

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05/01/2023

Robert Harmala

/s/ Robert Harmala

Date

Printed Name

Signature

<sup>1</sup> "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.

**EXECUTION**

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Date

Printed Name

Signature

5/1/2023Robert HARMALARobert H

## **Appendix**

### **Response to Item 12**

**Item 12: Do any of the above described services include political activity as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act? If yes, describe separately and in detail such political activity. The response must include, but not be limited to, activities involving lobbying, promotion, perception management, public relations, economic development, and preparation or dissemination of informational materials.**

Schedule meetings with US officials in Congress and Executive Branch on behalf of the foreign principal. Advocate for US assistance to Croatia in combatting corruption and strengthening NATO ties. Provide advice to foreign principal on US interests in Croatia and the Balkans region. Advocate for the foreign principal's interest before US policy makers directly and by providing written briefings.



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**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>.

Privacy Act Statement. The filing of this document is required by the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq.*, for the purposes of registration under the Act and public disclosure. Provision of the information requested is mandatory, and failure to provide this information is subject to the penalty and enforcement provisions established in Section 8 of the Act. Every registration statement, short form registration statement, supplemental statement, exhibit, amendment, copy of informational materials or other document or information filed with the Attorney General under this Act is a public record open to public examination, inspection and copying during the posted business hours of the FARA Unit in Washington, DC. Statements are also available online at the FARA Unit's webpage: <https://www.fara.gov>. One copy of every such document, other than informational materials, is automatically provided to the Secretary of State pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act, and copies of any and all documents are routinely made available to other agencies, departments and Congress pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Act. The Attorney General also transmits a semi-annual report to Congress on the administration of the Act which lists the names of all agents registered under the Act and the foreign principals they represent. This report is available to the public in print and online at: <https://www.fara.gov>.

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## 1. Name of Registrant

Telegraph Avenue LLC

## 2. Registration Number

## 3. Primary Address of Registrant

406 Third Street, SE, Washington, DC 20003

## 4. Name of Foreign Principal

Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party

## 5. Address of Foreign Principal

Ulica Francesca Tenchinija 6  
Zagreb  
CROATIA 10000

## 6. Country/Region Represented

CROATIA

## 7. Indicate whether the 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

a) Branch or agency represented by the registrant

b) Name and title of official with whom registrant engages

<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.

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

a) Name and title of official with whom registrant engages

Ivica Pancic, Member of the Social Democrat Party

b) Aim, mission or objective of foreign political party

Strengthen relationship of Croatia with the United States and NATO

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10. 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.

b) Is this foreign principal:

Supervised by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal

Yes ☐ No ☐

Owned by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal

Yes ☐ No ☐

Directed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal

Yes ☐ No ☐

Controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal

Yes ☐ No ☐

Financed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal

Yes ☐ No ☐

Subsidized in part by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal

Yes ☐ No ☐

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11. Explain fully all items answered "Yes" in Item 10(b).

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12. 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.

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Date

Printed Name

Signature

05/01/2023

Robert Harmala

/s/Robert Harmala

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Date

Printed Name

Signature

5/1/2023

Robert HARMALA

Robert H



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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  
Telegraph Avenue LLC

2. Registration Number  
7265

3. Name of Foreign Principal  
Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party

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. What is the date of the contract or agreement with the foreign principal? 04/27/2023
8. Describe fully the nature and method of performance of the above indicated agreement or understanding.

See Appendix for Response

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

Provide advice to the party on written and oral presentations to US policy makers  
 Provide introductions of party officials to US policy makers  
 Provide information to US government officials regarding the party's position on issues of mutual interest to the US and Croatia

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10. Will the activities on behalf of the above foreign principal include political activities as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act<sup>1</sup>.

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. The response must include, but not be limited to, activities involving lobbying, promotion, perception management, public relations, economic development, and preparation and dissemination of informational materials.

Direct lobbying of Congress and the Executive Branch to strengthen the Croatian governments relationship with the United States on matters of common interest such as support for NATO, investigation of corruption and the countering of hostile third country involvement in Croatian internal politics.

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11. Prior to the date of registration<sup>2</sup> for this foreign principal has the registrant engaged in any registrable activities, such as political activities, for this foreign principal?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, describe in full detail all such activities. The response should include, among other things, the relations, interests, and policies sought to be influenced and the means employed to achieve this purpose. If the registrant arranged, sponsored, or delivered speeches, lectures, social media, internet postings, or media broadcasts, give details as to dates, places of delivery, names of speakers, and subject matter. The response must also include, but not be limited to, activities involving lobbying, promotion, perception management, public relations, economic development, and preparation and dissemination of informational materials.

Set forth below a general description of the registrant's activities, including political activities.

Registrant emailed four relevant Congressional offices to determine if any there was any willingness to meet with the Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party officials during a US visit by the party.

Set forth below in the required detail the registrant's political activities.

Date	Contact	Method	Purpose
04/20/2023	Rep. Ken Calvert	email	Schedule meeting
04/21/2023	Sen. Jon Tester	email	Schedule meeting
04/24/2023	Rep. Betty McCollum	email	Schedule meeting
04/24/2023	Rep. Jim Costa	email	Schedule meeting

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12. During the period beginning 60 days prior to the obligation to register<sup>3</sup> for this foreign principal, has the registrant received from the foreign principal, or from any other source, for or in the interests of the foreign principal, any contributions, income, money, or thing of value either as compensation, or for disbursement, or otherwise?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, set forth below in the required detail an account of such monies or things of value.

Date Received	From Whom	Purpose	Amount/Thing of Value
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13. During the period beginning 60 days prior to the obligation to register<sup>4</sup> for this foreign principal, has the registrant disbursed or expended monies, or disposed of anything of value other than money, in connection with activity on behalf of the foreign principal or transmitted monies to any such foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, set forth below in the required detail an account of such monies or things of value.

Date	Recipient	Purpose	Amount/Thing of Value
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<sup>1</sup> "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.

<sup>2,3,4</sup> Pursuant to Section 2(a) of the Act, an agent must register within ten days of becoming an agent, and before acting as such.

**EXECUTION**

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, and subject to the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 22 U.S.C. § 618, the undersigned swears or affirms under penalty of perjury that he/she has read the information set forth in this statement filed pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq.*, 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

Printed Name

Signature

05/01/2023

Robert Harmala

/s/Robert Harmala

**EXECUTION**

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Date

Printed Name

Signature

5/1/2023Robert HARMALARobert H

## **Appendix**

### **Response to Item 8**

**Item 8: Describe fully the nature and method of performance of the above indicated agreement or understanding.**

Telegraph Avenue LLC will provide advice at its sole discretion to the Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party regarding United States foreign policy and will assist them in providing information to US elected officials about Croatia in areas of defense cooperation, corruption and outside influence on Croatian politics. Performance will include advice on written materials, help schedule meetings with US elected officials and policy makers in the Executive Branch, Departments of State, Defense and Veterans Affairs, Federal Law enforcement and intelligence agencies.

The agreement is of indefinite duration (terminable by either party) and Telegraph Avenue will receive no fees or reimbursement of expenses for its efforts on behalf of the Socijaldemokrati.



U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, DC 20530

**Supplemental Statement****Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended**For 6 Month Period Ending 11/30/2023  
(Insert date)**I - REGISTRANT**

1. (a) Name of Registrant  
Telegraph Avenue LLC
- (b) Registration Number  
7265
- (c) Primary Business Address  
406 Third Street, SE, Washington, DC 20003

## 2. Has there been a change in the information previously furnished in connection with the following?

## (a) If an individual:

- |                           |                              |                             |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| (1) Residence address(es) | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (2) Citizenship           | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (3) Occupation            | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |

## (b) If an organization:

- |                          |                              |  |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| (1) Name                 | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| (2) Ownership or control | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| (3) Branch offices       | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

## (c) Explain fully all changes, if any, indicated in Items (a) and (b) above.

**IF THE REGISTRANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, OMIT RESPONSES TO ITEMS 3, 4, 5, AND 6.**3. If the registrant previously filed an Exhibit C<sup>1</sup>, state whether any changes therein have occurred during this 6 month reporting period. Yes ☐ No ☒If yes, has the registrant filed an updated Exhibit C? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please file the updated Exhibit C.

<sup>1</sup> The Exhibit C, for which no printed form is provided, consists of a true copy of the charter, articles of incorporation, association, and by laws of a registrant that is an organization. (A waiver of the requirement to file an Exhibit C may be obtained for good cause upon written application to the Assistant Attorney General, National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530.)

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4. (a) Have any persons become partners, officers, directors or similar officials during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
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(b) Have any persons ceased acting as partners, officers, directors or similar officials of the registrant during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position	Date Ceased
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5. (a) Has any person named in Item 4(a) rendered services directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such person and describe the service rendered.

Name	Foreign Principal(s) Represented	Services
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(b) During this 6-month reporting period, did any employee or individual working in any capacity, other than in a clerical or secretarial capacity or in a related or similar capacity, begin rendering services to the registrant directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal(s)? Yes ☐ No ☒

Name	Foreign Principal	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
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(c) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their employment or connection with the registrant during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or Connection	Date Terminated
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(d) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their connection with any foreign principal during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or Connection	Foreign Principal	Date Terminated
Mr. Robert Harmala	Director	Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party	10/09/2023

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6. Have short form registration statements been previously filed by all of the persons named in Items 5(a) and 5(b) of the supplemental statement or submitted with this filing? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, list names of persons who have not previously filed the required statement or are not submitting a short form with this filing.



**II - FOREIGN PRINCIPAL**

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7. Has the registrant's connection with any foreign principal(s) ended during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☒No ☐

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal

Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party

Date of Termination

10/08/2023

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8. Has the registrant registered for any new foreign principal(s)<sup>2</sup> during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☒No ☐

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal

Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party

Date Registered

05/08/2023

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9. In addition to those named in Items 7 and 8, if any, list the foreign principal(s) whom the registrant continued to represent during this 6 month reporting period.

None

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10. During this 6 month reporting period, has the registrant filed an amendment for changes to Exhibits A<sup>3</sup> and/or B<sup>4</sup> previously filed for any foreign principal(s)? Yes ☐ No ☒

If no, and there is a change to any Exhibit A and/or B, please file an amendment if it is required.

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal

Date Amended

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<sup>2</sup> The term "foreign principal" includes, in addition to those defined in Section 1(b) of the Act, an individual organization any of whose activities are directly or indirectly supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or subsidized in whole or in major part by a foreign government, foreign political party, foreign organization or foreign individual. (See Rule 100(a) (9)). A registrant who represents more than one foreign principal is required to list in the statements he files under the Act only those principals for whom he is not entitled to claim exemption under Section 3 of the Act. (See Rule 208.)

<sup>3</sup> The Exhibit A, which is filed on Form NSD-3, sets forth the information required to be disclosed concerning each foreign principal.

<sup>4</sup> The Exhibit B, which is filed on Form NSD-4, sets forth the information concerning the agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal.

**III - ACTIVITIES**

11. During this 6 month reporting period, has the registrant engaged in any activities for or rendered any services to any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, identify each foreign principal and describe in full detail all activities and services:

Foreign Principal	Activities/Services
Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party	Organized requests for meetings with Members of House and Senate for Social Democratic Party official.

12. During this 6 month reporting period, has the registrant, on behalf of any foreign principal, engaged in political activity<sup>5</sup> as defined below? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, identify each foreign principal and describe in full detail all such political activity, indicating, among other things, the relations, interests and policies sought to be influenced and the means employed to achieve this purpose. If the registrant arranged, sponsored or delivered speeches, lectures, social media, internet postings, or media broadcasts, give details as to dates, places of delivery, names of speakers and subject matter. The response must include, but not be limited to, activities involving lobbying, promotion, perception management, public relations, economic development, and preparation and dissemination of informational materials.

Set forth below a general description of the registrant's political activities.

Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party: Contacted Members of the House and Senate regarding political positions with respect to US/Croatia relations of the Croatia Social Democratic Party

Set forth below in the required detail the registrant's political activities.

Foreign Principal	Date	Contact	Method	Purpose
See Appendix for Response				

13. In addition to the above described activities, if any, has the registrant engaged in activity or rendered any services on its own behalf which benefits the registrant's foreign principal(s)? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe fully.

Foreign Principal	Activities/Services

<sup>5</sup> "Political activity," as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act, means any activity that 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 political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

**IV - FINANCIAL INFORMATION****14. (a) RECEIPTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, has the registrant received from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal, any contributions, income or money either as compensation or otherwise? Yes ☐ No ☒

If no, please explain why no monies were received.

Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party: I am an American of Croatian heritage and arranged the meetings as a courtesy to acquaintances in Croatia and out of personal interest in good relations between the US and Croatia.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies.<sup>6</sup>

Foreign Principal	Date Received	From Whom	Purpose	Amount	Subtotal
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Total

**(b) RECEIPTS - FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN**

During this 6 month reporting period, has the registrant received, as part of a fundraising campaign<sup>7</sup>, any money on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, has the registrant previously filed an Exhibit D<sup>8</sup> to its registration? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, indicate the date the Exhibit D was filed. Date \_\_\_\_\_

If no, please file the required Exhibit D.

**(c) RECEIPTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During this 6 month reporting period, has the registrant received any thing of value<sup>9</sup> other than money from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal	Date Received	From Whom	Purpose	Thing of Value
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6, 7 A registrant is required to file an Exhibit D if he/she collects or receives contributions, loans, moneys, or other things of value for a foreign principal, as part of a fundraising campaign. (See Rule 201(e)).

8 An Exhibit D, for which no printed form is provided, sets forth an account of money collected or received as a result of a fundraising campaign and transmitted for a foreign principal.

9 Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

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**15. (a) DISBURSEMENTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, has the registrant disbursed or expended monies in connection with activity on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement or transmitted monies to any such foreign principal? Yes ☐ No ☒

If no, explain why no disbursements were made.

Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party: There was no activity that would require disbursements.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies, including monies transmitted, if any, to each foreign principal.

Foreign Principal	Date	Recipient	Purpose	Amount	Subtotal
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Total

**(b) DISBURSEMENTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During this 6 month reporting period, has the registrant disposed of anything of value<sup>10</sup> other than money in furtherance of or in connection with activities on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement?

Yes ☐No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal	Date	Recipient	Purpose	Thing of Value
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**(c) DISBURSEMENTS-POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

During this 6 month reporting period, has the registrant (or any short form registrant) from its own funds and on its own behalf either directly or through any other person, made any contributions of money or other things of value<sup>11</sup> in connection with an election to any political office, or in connection with any primary election, convention, or caucus held to select candidates for political office?

Yes ☒No ☐

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Donor	Political Organization/Candidate	Method	Amount/Thing of Value
07/17/2023	Robert Harmala	Rep. Sydney Kamlager Dove	Online	\$ 3,300.00
07/27/2023	Robert Harmala	Rep. Gregory Meeks	Online	\$ 3,300.00

10, 11 Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

**V - INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS**

16. (a) During this 6 month reporting period, has the registrant prepared, disseminated or caused to be disseminated any informational materials?<sup>12</sup> Yes ☐ No ☒

(b) If yes, identify each such foreign principal for which informational materials were disseminated and respond to the remaining items in this section.

17. During this 6 month reporting period, has a budget been established or specified sum of money allocated to finance the registrant's activities in preparing or disseminating informational materials? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, identify each such foreign principal, and specify the period of time and the amount.

Foreign Principal	Period of Time	Amount
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Total

18. During this 6 month reporting period, has the registrant's activities in preparing, disseminating or causing the dissemination of informational materials included the use of any of the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Magazine or newspaper               | <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising campaigns  | <input type="checkbox"/> Press releases       | <input type="checkbox"/> Pamphlets or other publications |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lectures or speeches                | <input type="checkbox"/> Radio or TV broadcasts | <input type="checkbox"/> Motion picture films | <input type="checkbox"/> Letters or telegrams            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Email                               |   |   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Website URL(s): _____               |   |   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social media websites URL(s): _____ |   |   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other ( <i>specify</i> ) _____      |   |   |  |

19. During this 6 month reporting period, has the registrant prepared, disseminated, or caused to be disseminated informational materials among any of the following groups:

- |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public officials               | <input type="checkbox"/> Newspapers                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Libraries                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legislators                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Editors                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Educational institutions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government agencies            | <input type="checkbox"/> Civic groups or associations | <input type="checkbox"/> Nationality groups       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other ( <i>specify</i> ) _____ |   |   |

20. Indicate the language used in the informational materials:

- |                                  |   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> English | <input type="checkbox"/> Other ( <i>specify</i> ) _____ |
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21. Has the registrant filed with the FARA Unit, U.S. Department of Justice a copy of each item of such informational materials prepared, disseminated or caused to be disseminated during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please file the required informational materials.

22. Has the registrant labeled each item of such informational materials with the statement required by Section 4(b) of the Act?

Yes ☐ No ☐

12 The term informational materials includes any oral, visual, graphic, written, or pictorial information or matter of any kind, including that published by means of advertising, books, periodicals, newspapers, lectures, broadcasts, motion pictures, or any means or instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce or otherwise. Informational materials disseminated by an agent of a foreign principal as part of an activity in itself exempt from registration, or an activity which by itself would not require registration, need not be filed pursuant to Section 4(b) of the Act.

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**VI - EXECUTION**

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, and subject to the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 22 U.S.C. § 618, the undersigned swears or affirms under penalty of perjury that he/she has read the information set forth in this statement filed pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq.*, 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

Printed Name

Signature<sup>13</sup>11/09/2023Robert Harmala/s/Robert Harmala

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<sup>13</sup> This statement shall be signed by the individual agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar functions, if the registrant is an organization, except that the organization can, by power of attorney, authorize one or more individuals to execute this statement on its behalf.

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Date

Printed Name

Signature

11/09/2023Robert HARMALARobert Harmala



## Appendix

### Response to Item 12-Detail

<b>Foreign Principal(s)</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party	05/08/2023	Office of Senator John Tester	Telephone	Arrange potential meeting with party official
Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party	05/08/2023	Office of Congressman Jim Costa	Telephone	Arrange potential meeting with party official
Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party	05/08/2023	Office of Congressman Ken Calvert	Telephone	Arrange potential meeting with party official
Socijaldemokrati Social Democrat Party	05/08/2023	Office of Congresswoman Betty McCollum	Telephone	Arrange potential meeting with party official

## CROATIAN SOCIAL DEMOCRATS

The party "Social Democrats" was created in 2022 by the split of the Social Democratic Party of Croatia. 18 deputies out of a total of 30 left the SDP and formed their own parliamentary club and then the "Social Democrats" party. One of the main reasons for the split was the support of the party leadership for the President of the State, Zoran Milanović, who is best known, even in European circles, for supporting the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Milanović was the president of the SDP from 2007 to 2016 and managed the party with authoritarian methods, which is why a huge number of members left the SDP earlier. His destructive political activities affected the entire left. In addition to the SDP, which became an authoritarian pro-communist legacy party, the protest party "Možemo" was also created on the left, even more radical in its views and actions. "Mozemo" is a combination of green activists and far left groups.

The party "Social Democrats" represents classic social democratic values and stands for a democratic and legal state, protection of human rights and freedoms, market economy, care for the socially vulnerable, fight against corruption, etc. The party's president is 66-year-old Davorko Vidović, former Minister of Labor and Social Welfare in the Government 2000-2003, mayor of Sisak and long-time member of parliament. However, the key difference between the "Social Democrats" and other parties of the left: SDP and "Možemo" and the ruling HDZ is that the Social Democrats, compared to the aforementioned parties, are sincere advocates of Euro-Atlantic integration, meaning continued meaningful cooperation and membership in the EU and NATO.

Russian aggression against Ukraine will show how Croatian political actors understand their obligations towards NATO. Although the majority of the public supports Ukraine in its struggle, a significant number of political entities, for various reasons, support Putin and Russia. In February of this year, during the vote on the Government's proposal to organize training for Ukrainian soldiers in Croatia (within the EUMAM mission), which required a two-thirds majority of votes, the "Social Democrats" were the only opposition party to support the government's proposal. The other two parties of the left (SDP and Mozemo) and the opposition parties of the right, followed the position of President Milanović and voted against the proposal, which was therefore not adopted.

In the coming year, three elections await Croatia: in the spring there are elections for the European Parliament, then in the summer (if not earlier) elections for the Croatian Parliament and in December the elections for the President of the country. In the coming period the "Social Democrats" will join the gathering of other responsible political parties and the formation of a pro-Western left-center coalition is planned.