

PARSA Foundation document obtained during the defamation lawsuit brought by NIAC against Hassan Dai

Vahid Alaghband's donation to PARSA

November 9, 2009

Vahid Alaghband
23 Heath Drive
London, NW3 7SB
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Dear Mr. Alaghband,

Thank you for your generous gift of \$49,973 to PARSA Community Foundation's Inaugural Gala which will help us fulfill our mission of becoming the leading Persian philanthropic institution practicing strategic philanthropy and promoting social entrepreneurship around the world.

In exchange for your gift, you received admission for 10 individuals to PARSA Community Foundation's Inaugural Gala, which has a combined fair market value of \$1,250. Federal law limits your charitable income tax deduction to the excess of your contribution over the value of goods and services received; therefore the tax deductible portion of your contribution is \$48,723.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via email at mariam@parsacf.org or by phone at 650-367-9105. Once again, please accept PARSA's deepest gratitude for your support.

Warm regards,

Mariam Hosseini
Donor Services Coordinator and Grants Manager
PARSA Community Foundation

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My dear Vahid:

PARSA Community Foundation's inaugural gala was a great success. We welcomed 400 guests from around the world and raised \$485,000!

Your participation helped us achieve our goals of creating cultural understanding, increasing volunteerism, and doubling the amount of funds that we are able to give in grants next year.

Thank you for your contribution of \$50,000. You should have already received official acknowledgement of this donation from PARSA CF's donor services.

I am so grateful for your generosity and friendship.

Yours,

Vahid Alaghband and PARSA discuss how donate his money to Brookings through PARSA Foundation

VAHID ALAGHBAND wrote:

Dear Anouk,

Thank you for your explanation. I'm surprised you cannot change the law for me! I thought Noosheen's undertaking was to deliver the impossible!! Seriously, I was not making objections to the Parsa process. The question was aimed at understanding the underlying logic of the rule.

I have indeed signed a personal pledge with Brookings for a three year contribution of \$ 900,000 (\$ 300,000 per annum). The contributions will be going out in April of each year, so we have time. What I understand from your email is that I will have to unwind at the very least the 2007

element of my contribution, make an unrestricted donation of \$ 300,000 to Parsa, and submit a recommendation to Parsa for a similar grant to Brookings. Parsa would then proceed to consider my request, make an independent assessment of the the merits, render a decision and, should the decision be positive, will proceed with a one-off \$ 300,000 contribution under a Parsa-Brookings contract. A reference to my recommendation will be made in the Parsa transfer. Is this a correct understanding of the process?

I am in the office all day today. Please feel free to call me when you are at your desk.

Best regards,

Vahid

Vahid Alagband's \$900.000 donation to Brookings through PARSA Foundation

From: Anouk Lim <anouk@parsacf.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 29, 2007 1:17 PM
To: VAHID ALAGHBAND <vahida@BALLI.co.uk>
Cc: Noosheen Hashemi <nh@thehandfoundation.org>; Mariam Hosseini <mariam@parsacf.org>; Anouk Lim <anouk@parsacf.org>
Subject: Re: Brookings - PARSA

Dear Vahid,

I just spoke to Nikki, who said you will be tied up for the next few hours, so am responding via email. And yes, we are indeed working on trying to break the IRS down and get them to relax some of their DAF rules! :o)

You summarized the situation perfectly. In order to make a donation from your DAF, you would indeed need to rescind your pledge with Brookings and get a written acknowledgement from them that your pledge has been rescinded. Then you could make a donation to PARSA to open your DAF. Since we know about your recommendation, we have done preliminary due diligence and don't anticipate any issues with being able to disburse the grant asap.

If the plan is to make an immediate \$300k donation to Brookings, you would have to transfer at least \$302,500 (so the balance in the fund would still meet the \$2,500 requirement post disbursement). You could make your 2nd and 3rd contributions from PARSA in exactly the same way. And of course, should there be any other US-based 501(c)3 public charities that you wish to make a grant to, you would be able to do that via your DAF.

We are at your disposal, so please be so kind as to advise how you would like to proceed.

Best regards,
Anouk