

Journalist Reporting Tours in Northeast Asia FY18 (SFOP0003668) Inquiries I

The below questions were received January 31, 2018 from a prospective applicant. They are provided here with the Department's responses.

- Will this reporting tour be conducted in partnership with the U.S. Department of State Foreign Press Center?
 - Applicants are not required to incorporate the Foreign Press Center into their applications. The Department encourages applicants to submit proposals that seek to leverage available resources – Department resources and others – to permit the reporting to have the greatest impact possible.
- The notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) indicates that each of the six tours should include travel to countries in Northeast Asia and the United States. Are there specific countries, or a specific number of countries, that we should include?
 - No.
- Will each of the six reporting tours include participants from all of the six geographic regions or will each tour be composed of journalists from one region?
 - Each of the six tours will be composed of journalists from one region.
- The NOFO states that the U.S. Department of State does not expect to be substantially involved during the implementation. Does this mean that a Department officer likely will not travel with the group?
 - Proposals need not include or assume Department officer travel to accompany the journalist tours.