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Many Prominent Americans Represent the Interests of Foreigners

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Americans who represent or have been linked to serving the interests of foreign governments and businesses in the United States are almost a who's who of names in the news.

The wife of Senator Jacob Javits, Marion Javits, who is receiving \$67,000 to promote Iran National Airlines, is but one of hundreds of Americans who are registered as foreign agents or whose law firms and public relations companies are.

The interests of Iran and its governmental airline are loosely linked with many other prominent names here because of the long fight to allow landing rights to the British-French supersonic transport, the Concorde. The Iranian airline has ordered two of the planes.

Arrayed in favor of the Concorde is a battery of legal talent that includes well-known names.

Lawyers For Air France

Air France, which is seeking to bring Concorde service to both New York and Washington, is being represented by Rogers & Wells, one of whose senior partners is William P. Rogers, who was Secretary of State in the Nixon Administration.

British Airways, which also is seeking landing rights, is represented by Covington & Burling, a Washington law firm whose partners included the late Dean Acheson, Secretary of State in the Truman Administration.

The interests of the British Government in the Concorde controversy are represented by the law firm Ruckelshaus, Beviridge, Fairbanks & Diamond, which has as a senior partner William D. Ruckelshaus, who was the first administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and a deputy attorney general in the Nixon Administration.

Billions at Stake

The French Government's interests in the protracted dispute are being handled by the law firm of Hydenman, Mason & Goodell. A partner in this firm is Charles E. Goodell, a former Republican senator from New York.

The amount of legal talent underscores the amount of money that is at stake in the case. Should the plane be banned from landing in the United States it could lead to the end of the \$3 billion Concorde development program.

such protest groups as the Environmental Defense Fund, litigation that the Concorde's proponents might seek to challenge.

Mr. Ruckelshaus's firm also does legal work for Greece, while Mr. Rogers's firm represents the Shah of Iran's Pallevi Foundation, which has invested in real estate in the United States.

John B. Connally, former member of both the Kennedy and Nixon cabinets, is a member of a law firm in Houston that has represented the First Arabian Corporation, an Arab-owned private investment bank in Beirut.

Richard G. Kleindienst, who served as Attorney General in the Nixon Administration, has on file at the Justice Department a \$120,000 contract with Algeria's Ministry of Industry and Energy. The contract calls for him to provide "legal counsel for business circles, congressional relations, and rela-

According to the Justice Department in 1974, the firm represented the legal interests of a score of businesses in 10 foreign countries.

Kenneth Roosevelt, a former State Department and Central Intelligence Agency official who is a grandson of Theodore Roosevelt, is associated with a business consulting firm here, Downs & Roosevelt. The firm has represented Portuguese and Arab interests.

Special Tax Audits Urged

SALEM, Ore. (UPI)—Young taxpayers and those in unskilled occupations should undergo special audits to help curb tax evasion by nearly one-fourth of their number, Oregon State University's Survey Research Center has recommended. The center found that the most common evasions listed in the survey of 800 taxpayers in that group were failing to report income.

tions with various official government bodies in Washington and the rest of the United States."

Clark M. Clifford, former Secretary of Defense in the Johnson Administration, is senior partner in Clifford, Warnke, Glass, McIlwain & Finney, a law firm with offices here. The firm is recorded as having had a contract for services to the Algerian Government at a fee of \$150,000 a year.

J. William Fulbright, the former Arkansas senator who was chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, now is associated with a Washington law firm, Hogan & Hartson, which represents interests of Japan at the United Arab Emirates. Mr. Fulbright has visited both areas lately.

John J. McCloy, who has held a series of important federal posts such as High Commissioner for Germany, is a partner in Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy in New York.