Return Reference Explanation Part I Line 1a Charter travel was used on occasions when travel logistics precluded other available options. Travel was properly excluded from taxable compensation Certain compensation elements were grossed up. All tax gross ups were properly included in taxable compensation. Clubs were only used for business purposes Clubs were properly excluded from taxable compensation

Part I Line 4b

is employee funded, not employer funded. The NRA also has a nongualified 457f supplemental income retirement plan for the benefit of certain executives. The NRA decides the benefit amount and timeframe for vesting of each participant. Service costs included in deferred compensation are actuarially determined under FASB ASC 715. The 457f plan is designed to supplement the current tax qualified defined benefit pension plan where current limitations. on benefits and employer contributions may be inadequate, and an employer-sponsored supplemental income plan can best provide these select employees with the appropriate amount of income continuation in the specific desired circumstances. During 2015, Chris W. Cox vested in 457f plan participation after reaching a scheduled milestone and received a taxable payout of 585,298 Mr. Coxs payment was his first payment from the 457f deferred compensation plan, and it occurred after 20 years of continuous service to the organization. During 2015, the chief executive Wayne LaPierre vested in 457f plan participation after reaching a scheduled milestone and received a taxable payout of 3,767,345 Mr LaPierres one-time payment was

his first and will be his only payout from the 457f deferred compensation plan, and it occurred after 36 years of continuous service to the organization, which has included 25 years as the NRAs top executive. The taxable 457f payouts have been properly included as taxable compensation and reported in Schedule J, Part II, Column Biii, and in Form 990, Part VII, Column D Column Biji Other reportable compensation in taxable wages includes 457b, fringe auto, group life insurance benefits, and 457f payout if applicable Part II

plan, and 457f plan if applicable The NRA takes a full transparency posture for executive compensation

Column C represents benefits that will not be paid until the future and includes the employer paid portions of the NRA defined benefit pension plan, 401k

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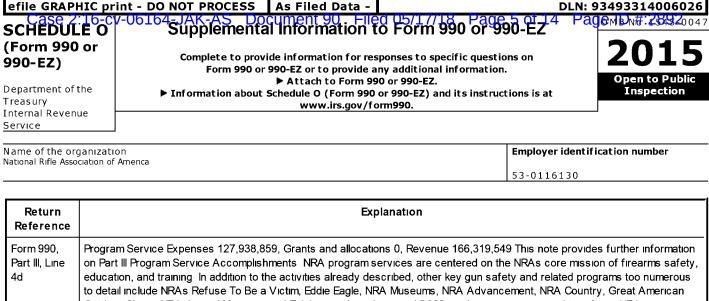
The NRA takes a full transparency posture for executive compensation. This comment provides context for the 457b and 457f plans and explains the two 457f payouts that occurred during 2015 The NRA has an executive 457b deferred compensation retirement plan for the benefit of certain employees. It

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1 Wayne LaPierre CEO and Executive Vice President	(1)		150,000	3,810,734	19,605	40,131	5,110,985	465,734
1Chns W Cox Executive Director, NRAILA	(1)		85,000	607,306	52,165	53,270	1,450,842	178,548
2 Robert K Weaver Executive Director, General Operations	(1)		90,000	3,918	19,605	44,008	598,655	
3Wilson H Phillips JrTreasurer	(1)		94,265	31,956	19,610	22,328	591,207	-
4 John C Frazer Secretary and General Counsel	(1)			7,697	15,208	40,662	328,446	-
5 Douglas Hamlin Executive Director, Publications	(1)		75,000	24,708	15,900	45,325	633,948	-
6 Mıchael Marcellın Managıng Director, Affinity and Licensing	(1)		384,033	3 22,572	19,610	32,163	607,969	-
7 Tyler Schropp Executive Director, Advancement	(1)		125,000	3,878	15,892	45,230	580,302	
8 David Lehman Deputy Executive Director, NRAILA	(1)		50,000	11,570	19,610	3,411	424,191	
9 James Baker Director, NRAILA Federal	(1)			4,673		14,459	313,074	-
10Marion P HammerDirector	(1)						172,000	

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Outdoor Show, NRA Annual Meetings and Exhibits, and much more All 990 readers are encouraged to refer to NRA org. NRApublications org, NRAILA org, NRAnew's com, and NRAgive comfor appealing and inspirational opportunities to continue to engage with the NRA on the core mission of gun safety NRA members and other lawful gun owners proudly preserve the Second Amendment as Americas first freedom

Reference	
Form 990,	The NRA is a 501c4 membership association with four 501c3 public charities and a Section 527 political action committee, which
Part I, Line 1	is a separate segregated fund. The four charities affiliated with the NRA are NRA Civil Rights Defense Fund, NRA Foundation
	Inc. NPA Freedom Action Foundation, and NPA Special Contribution Fund DBA NPA Whitington Center. The political action

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Inc, NRA Freedom Action Foundation, and NRA Special Contribution Fund DBA NRA Whittington Center. The political action committee is the NRA Political Victory Fund. See Schedule R, Part II. During 2015, NRA annual membership dues were 35 with promotional discounts to 25. In late 2015, the NRA announced a dues increase from 35 to 40 which would take effect in early 2016, representing the first NRA dues increase in more than twenty years. Individuals who would like to reduce the volume of solicitations they receive from the NRA can contact NRA Member Services and request to be placed on the Do Not Promote list. This simple step will significantly reduce the amount of contact received from the NRA without affecting magazine service, Board of Directors ballot, membership renewal, or other vital mail.

Reference	
Form 990,	This informational note regards the NRAs unrelated business income. Form 990 page 1 shows gross unrelated business
Part I, Line 7	revenue on line 7a and net unrelated business taxable income on line 7b. The NRA did not owle unrelated business income tax
	for the year 2015 due to the application of net operating loss carryforwards, as allowed by law. The main sources of the NRAs
	unrelated business income as shown on 990 Part VIII. Column C, are certain merchandise sales from the e-commerce platforms

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unrelated business income, as shown on 990 Part VIII, Column C, are certain merchandise sales from the e-commerce platforms advertising, and other activities not related to the NRAs tax exempt purposes within the NRA Official Journals, NRA digital online channels, and NRA television programs. Additional informational notes regarding the NRAs taxes are shared on Schedule C regarding proxy taxes and Schedule D regarding state and local taxes. The NRA chooses to share all of this extra information about the NRAs total taxes, above and beyond 990 instructions and regulatory requirements, in order to demonstrate in good faith that the organization is a taxpayer in good standing

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	This informational note regards the NRAs contribution revenue. The vast majority of contributions to the NRA comes from

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I, Line 8 millions of small individual donors. Gifts from companies and executives in the firearms, hunting, and shooting sports industries typically comprise less than 5 of the NRAs contribution revenue every year, as applied to contribution revenue reported on

Form 990. Part VIII. line 1

Form 990, Part VI,

The National Rifle Association is a membership association that represents only individual citizens. Membership dues

are properly reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 2 pursuant to the instructions for such reporting

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Form 990, Part VI,	NRA members elect	all 76 members of the I	NRA Board of Directors	75 directors are elected	d for staggered three year

terms, and the 76th director is elected for a one year term on the occasion of each NRA Annual Meeting of Members

Section A, Line 7a

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Form 990, Part VI, Section A,	Certain Boar	d of Directors decision	ns are subject to membership approval per NRA	Bylaws and New York not

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Form 990, Part VI, Section	Form 990 is revie	w ed by the external a	uditing firm, presented to	the NRA Board of Direct	ctors Audit Committee, and

made available to the full NRA Board of Directors, before it is filed with the IRS

B, Line 11b

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Form 990, Part VI, The organization takes conflicts of interest very seriously and utilizes a statement of corporate ethics. To monitor and

Section B, Line 12c enforce corporate filings, annual filings must be provided to the Office of the Secretary and General Counsel and reviewed regularly and consistently

Reference

Form 990, Part VI, Section B. Line

Compensation of the NRAs top management officials is established by methods including independent compensation consultants, compensation surveys and studies, and comparability data. In addition, under the NRA Bylaws, compensation

recommendations by the compensation committee All decisions are properly documented

of certain elected officers including the Executive Vice President must be approved by the Board of Directors, based on

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