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**LOBBYING ACTIVITY REPORTED BY INSURANCE COMPANIES &
ESTABLISHMENT JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS
OPPOSED TO H.R. 1746 - "Holocaust Insurance Accountability Act"
January 1 – September 30, 2008**

Lobbying Expenditures Devoted Exclusively to Oppose H.R. 1746

\$90,000

American Insurance Association

AIA hired **Mara Rudman**, the former Chief Operating Officer of the International Commission on Holocaust-Era Insurance Claims (ICHEIC) to represent its interests.

\$320,000

Assicurazioni Generali

Italy's largest insurer is represented by the Denver-based law firm of Brownstein Hyatt Farber & Schreck.

\$390,000

Association of Dutch Insurers

The Association, which is headquartered in The Netherlands, has hired the services of the DC law firm Dewey & LeBoeuf, as well as Frank Mankiewicz of the public relations firm Hill & Knowlton.

\$130,000

Swiss Reinsurance

The world's largest reinsurer, based in Zurich

\$120,000

AXA

France's leading insurer, operates important subsidiaries in Germany

\$1,060,000 Total expenditures reported to date to defeat HR 1746

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Other Expenditures

At least five other leading European-based insurers and two U.S.-based insurance trade associations reported activity opposing H.R. 1746 as part of their larger Congressional lobbying programs, spending a combined **\$11.5 million** during the first three quarters of 2008 on a host of insurance issues.

Allianz (Germany)
Zurich (Switzerland)
ING (Netherlands)
AEGON (Netherlands)
Swiss Re American Holding Corp.
American Council of Life Insurers
American Insurance Association

The following Jewish organizations are registered lobbyists in Congress, and reported activity in opposition to H.R. 1746:

American Jewish Committee
World Jewish Congress
Anti-Defamation League

The combined lobbying expenditures of these three agencies on all issues, including H.R. 1746, exceeded **\$160,000** during the first half of 2008.

Source: Lobbying disclosure reports filed under provisions of the Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007 and available at <http://lobbyingdisclosure.house.gov>