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Return of Private Foundation or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as Private Foundation

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For calendar year 2015 or tax year beginning

, 2015, and ending

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Name of foundation ESPERANTIC STUDIES FOUNDATION		A Employer identification number 52-0885287
Number and street (or P.O. box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 1015 15TH STREET, NW	Room/suite 1000	B Telephone number (see instructions) 208-863-4952
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code WASHINGTON, D.C. 20005-2621		C If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/>
G Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return of a former public charity <input type="checkbox"/> Final return <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change		D 1. Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <input type="checkbox"/>
H Check type of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation <input type="checkbox"/> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other taxable private foundation		E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/>
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) ► \$ 3,136,327	J Accounting method: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____	F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>

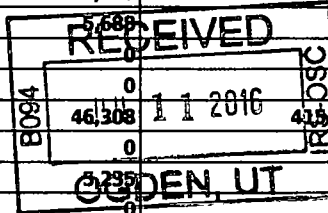
Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions).)		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)	178,414			
	2 Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments				
	4 Dividends and interest from securities	118,198	118,198	118,198	
	5a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss)				
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10				
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		0		
	8 Net short-term capital gain				
	9 Income modifications				
	10a Gross sales less returns and allowances				
b Less: Cost of goods sold					
c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)					
11 Other income (attach schedule)	55,552		55,552		
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	352,164	118,198	173,750		
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.	0			
	14 Other employee salaries and wages	18,275		10,965	7,310
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits	5,689		3,413	2,275
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule)	0			
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule)	0			
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)	46,308		46,308	33,612
	17 Interest	0			
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)	5,235		5,235	
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion	0			
	20 Occupancy	324		195	130
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings	8,728		8,728	4,030
	22 Printing and publications	0			
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule)	51,281		50,521	2,976
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	135,839	415	125,365	50,333
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	28,864			28,864
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	164,703	415	125,365	79,197	
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:					
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	187,461				
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		117,783			
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			48,385		

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Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only. (See instructions.)		
		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	31,035	40,399	40,399
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	57,804	76,422	76,422
	3 Accounts receivable ▶			
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶	6,115	5,976	5,976
	4 Pledges receivable ▶			
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	5 Grants receivable			
	6 Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see instructions)			
	7 Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶			
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	8 Inventories for sale or use			
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10a Investments—U.S. and state government obligations (attach schedule)			
	b Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)	3,212,188	3,013,530	3,013,530
	c Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule)			
	11 Investments—land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶			
Liabilities	Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
	12 Investments—mortgage loans			
	13 Investments—other (attach schedule)			
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶			
	Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
	15 Other assets (describe ▶)			
	16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I)	3,307,142	3,136,327	3,136,327
	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		500	
	18 Grants payable			
	19 Deferred revenue			
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)			
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶)			
	23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)		500	
	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
	and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.			
	24 Unrestricted	2,553,435	2,413,129	
	25 Temporarily restricted	253,707	222,698	
	26 Permanently restricted	500,000	500,000	
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>			
Net Assets or Fund Balances	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds			
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund			
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds			
	30 Total net assets or fund balances (see instructions)	3,307,142	3,135,827	
	31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions)	3,307,142	3,136,327	

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1 Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year—Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	3,307,142
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	187,461
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ PRIOR-PERIOD ADJUSTMENT	3	250
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	3,494,853
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ UNREALIZED LOSSES ON INVESTMENTS	5	358,776
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30	6	3,136,327

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse; or common stock, 200 shs. MLC Co.)		(b) How acquired P—Purchase D—Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo., day, yr.)	(d) Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
1a				
b NONE				
c				
d				
e				
(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)	
a				
b				
c				
d				
e				
Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69				
(i) F.M.V. as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col. (i) over col. (j), if any	(l) Gains (Col. (h) gain minus col. (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col. (h))	
a				
b				
c				
d				
e				
2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss) { If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 }		2		
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6): If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions). If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8		3		

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income.)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank.

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e). Do not complete this part.

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year; see the instructions before making any entries.			
(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col. (b) divided by col. (c))
2014	80,982	3,203,976	0.025275
2013	89,472	2,555,528	0.035011
2012	394,101	2,253,501	0.174884
2011	165,735	2,312,533	0.071668
2010	205,003	2,321,805	0.088294
2 Total of line 1, column (d)		2	0.395132
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period—divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years		3	0.079026
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2015 from Part X, line 5		4	3,195,407
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3		5	252,520
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)		6	1178
7 Add lines 5 and 6		7	253,698
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4		8	79,197

If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate. See the Part VI instructions.

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948—see instructions)

1a	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter "N/A" on line 1. Date of ruling or determination letter: _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary—see instructions)			
b	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	1		2356
c	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col. (b).			
2	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	2		0
3	Add lines 1 and 2	3		2356
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	4		0
5	Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	5		2356
6	Credits/Payments:			
a	2015 estimated tax payments and 2014 overpayment credited to 2015	6a		3200
b	Exempt foreign organizations—tax withheld at source	6b		
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c		
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d		
7	Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	7		3200
8	Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if Form 2220 is attached	8		
9	Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9		
10	Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10		844
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be: Credited to 2016 estimated tax 844 Refunded	11		

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1a During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?		✓
b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for the definition)? <i>If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities.</i>		✓
c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?		✓
d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation. ▶ \$ _____ (2) On foundation managers. ▶ \$ _____		
e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers. ▶ \$ _____		
2 Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? <i>If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities.</i>		✓
3 Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? <i>If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes</i>		✓
4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	✓	
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	✓	
5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T.</i>		✓
6 Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either: • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	✓	
7 Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Part II, col. (c), and Part XV</i>	✓	
8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) ▶		
b If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by <i>General Instruction G</i> ? <i>If "No," attach explanation</i>	✓	
9 Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2015 or the taxable year beginning in 2015 (see instructions for Part XIV)? <i>If "Yes," complete Part XIV</i>	✓	
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses</i>		✓

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

	Yes	No
11 At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12 Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Website address ▶ <u>www.esperantic.org</u>		
14 The books are in care of ▶ <u>Joel Amis</u> Telephone no. ▶ <u>514-766-8023</u>		
Located at ▶ <u>277 rue Regina, Montreal, QC, Canada</u> ZIP+4 ▶ <u>H4G-2G6</u>		
15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041—Check here.		<input type="checkbox"/>
and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	▶ <u>15</u>	
16 At any time during calendar year 2015, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ <u>CANADA, NETHERLANDS</u>		

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

	Yes	No
1a During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly):		
(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)?	1b	
Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2015?	1c	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)):		
a At the end of tax year 2015, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2015?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
If "Yes," list the years ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____		
b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement—see instructions.)	2b	
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here. ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____		
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2015 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969; (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest; or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2015.)	3b	
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2015?	4b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)**5a** During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to:(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))? ☐ Yes ☒ No(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955); or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive? ☐ Yes ☒ No(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes? ☒ Yes ☐ No(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? (see instructions) ☒ Yes ☐ No(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals? ☐ Yes ☒ No**b** If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)–(5), did **any** of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? ☐ Yes ☒ NoOrganizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ☐ ☒**c** If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945–5(d).

6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No**b** Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.

7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? ☐ Yes ☒ No**b** If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction? ☐ Yes ☒ No**Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors****1** List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
SEE SCHEDULE				

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1—see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE				

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 ☐

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors (continued)**3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services** (see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services ►		

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.		Expenses
1	SEE SCHEDULE	18,494
2		94,879
3		
4		

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2.		Amount
1	NONE	
2		
All other program-related investments See instructions.		
3		
Total. Add lines 1 through 3 ►		

Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes:		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1a	3,164,073
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	79,995
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions)	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	3,244,068
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	3,244,068
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1½% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	48,661
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	3,195,407
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	159,770

Part XI Distributable Amount (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here ☐ and do not complete this part.)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	1	
2a	Tax on investment income for 2015 from Part VI, line 5	2a	
b	Income tax for 2015. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes:		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc.—total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	79,197
b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B	1b	0
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	0
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the:		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	0
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	0
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	79,197
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions)	5	
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	79,197

Note. The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years.

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2014	(c) 2014	(d) 2015
1 Distributable amount for 2015 from Part XI, line 7				0
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2015:				
a Enter amount for 2014 only			0	
b Total for prior years: 20____, 20____, 20____		0		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015:				
a From 2010				
b From 2011				
c From 2012				
d From 2013				
e From 2014				
f Total of lines 3a through e	0			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2015 from Part XII, line 4: ► \$ <u>79,197</u>				
a Applied to 2014, but not more than line 2a			0	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions)		0		
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions)	0			
d Applied to 2015 distributable amount				0
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	0			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2015 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)	0			0
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus. Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e. Subtract line 5	0			
b Prior years' undistributed income. Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed		0		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount—see instructions		0		
e Undistributed income for 2014. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount—see instructions			0	
f Undistributed income for 2015. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2016				0
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required—see instructions)	0			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2010 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions)	0			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	0			
10 Analysis of line 9:				
a Excess from 2011				
b Excess from 2012				
c Excess from 2013				
d Excess from 2014				
e Excess from 2015				

Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

- 1a** If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2015, enter the date of the ruling ▶
- b** Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section ☐ 4942(j)(3) or ☐ 4942(j)(5)

	Tax year				(e) Total
	(a) 2015	(b) 2014	(c) 2013	(d) 2012	
2a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed	48,655	45,069	75,254	100,163	269,141
b 85% of line 2a	41,357	38,309	63,966	85,139	228,771
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed	79,197	80,982	90,471	397,027	647,677
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities	0	0	0	0	0
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities. Subtract line 2d from line 2c	79,197	80,982	90,471	397,027	647,677
3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon:					
a "Assets" alternative test—enter:					
(1) Value of all assets					
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)					
b "Endowment" alternative test—enter $\frac{2}{3}$ of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed	106,513	106,799	85,184	75,117	373,613
c "Support" alternative test—enter:					
(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)					
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii)					
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					
(4) Gross investment income					

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year—see instructions.)**1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:**

- a** List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000). (See section 507(d)(2).)

NONE

- b** List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest.

NONE

2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:

Check here ☐ if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc. (see instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d.

- a** The name, address, and telephone number or e-mail address of the person to whom applications should be addressed:

SEE SCHEDULE

- b** The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include:

- c** Any submission deadlines:

- d** Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors:

Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.

Schedule of Income-Producing Activities					
Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.					
	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income (See instructions.)
	(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclusion code	(d) Amount	
1 Program service revenue:					
a ADVERTISING	541800	4775			
b TUITION INCOME					50,777
c					
d					
e					
f					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
2 Membership dues and assessments					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments					
4 Dividends and interest from securities			14	118,198	
5 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:					
a Debt-financed property					
b Not debt-financed property					
6 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
7 Other investment income					
8 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					
9 Net income or (loss) from special events					
10 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
11 Other revenue: a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
12 Subtotal. Add columns (b), (d), and (e)		4775		118,198	50,777
13 Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e)			13		173,750

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions to verify calculations.)

Part XVI-B Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

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Part XVII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations

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|--|--|-----|----|
| <p>1 Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?</p> <p>a Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of:</p> <p>(1) Cash</p> <p>(2) Other assets</p> <p>b Other transactions:</p> <p>(1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization</p> <p>(2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization</p> <p>(3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets</p> <p>(4) Reimbursement arrangements</p> <p>(5) Loans or loan guarantees</p> <p>(6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations</p> <p>c Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees</p> <p>d If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation. If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received.</p> | | Yes | No |
| | | | |
| 1a(1) | | | ✓ |
| 1a(2) | | | ✓ |
| | | | |
| 1b(1) | | | ✓ |
| 1b(2) | | | ✓ |
| 1b(3) | | | ✓ |
| 1b(4) | | | ✓ |
| 1b(5) | | | ✓ |
| 1b(6) | | | ✓ |
| 1c | | | ✓ |

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- 2a** Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b** If "Yes," complete the following schedule.

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship

**Sign
Here**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Ana M Bennett
Signature of officer or trustee

6/30/16
Date

TREASURER
Title

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below (see instructions)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

**Paid
Preparer
Use Only**

Print/Type preparer's name

Preparer's signature

Date _____

Check ☐ if self-employed

PTIN

Firm's name ▶

Firm's EIN ►

Firm's address ►

Phone no

Schedule B(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Schedule of Contributors**

OMB No 1545-0047

2015

▶ Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF.

▶ Information about Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Name of the organization

ESPERANTIC STUDIES FOUNDATION

Employer identification number

52-0885287

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

☐ 501(c)() (enter number) organization☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation☐ 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

☒ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundationCheck if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.**Note.** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.**General Rule**

- ☒ For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ▶ \$

Caution. An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Name of organization

Employer identification number

ESPERANTIC STUDIES FOUNDATION

52-0885287

Part I Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	ESTATE OF BRIAN KANEEN, DEC FINAL DISTRIBUTION	\$ 160,985	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
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		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

Part I, Line 1 Contributions	(a) Revenue per Books
Miscellaneous Donations	\$21,572
Balance of One-Time Bequest	160,985
Total to Part I, Line 1	\$178,414

Part I, Line 11 Other Income	(a) Revenue per Books	(b) Net Investment Income	(c) Adjusted Net Income	(d) Disb
NASK Tuition	\$50,777		\$50,777	
Advertising (Google Ads)	4,775		4,775	
Totals to Part I, Line 11	\$55,552	-0-	\$55,552	

Part I, Line 16c Other Professional Fees				
Academic Coordinator Fees	\$5,863		\$5,863	\$5,863
Esperanto (NASK) Admin Fees	6,300		6,300	6,300
Teaching honorariums	4,781		4,781	
Edukado.net Administrative Fees	21,449		21,449	21,449
Investment Advice Fees	415	415	415	
Fundraising Fees	7,500		7,500	
Totals to Part I, Line 16c	\$46,308	\$415	\$46,308	\$33,612

Part I, Line 18 Taxes		
2014/15 Form 990-PF and 2013 refund	\$5,235	\$5,235
Form 990-T	0	0
Totals to Part I, Line 18	\$5,235	\$5,235

Part I, Line 23 Other Expenses			
Dissemination of Project Outcomes	\$2,216	\$2,216	\$2,216
Expenses related to NASK classes	39,871	39,871	
Office Expenses	1,900	1,140	760
Bank/PayPal Charges	950	950	
Registration Fees	284	284	
Currency Exchange	2,752	2,752	
Development Expenses	333	333	
Miscellaneous	2,975	2,975	
Totals to Part I, Line 23	\$51,281	\$50,521	\$2,976

Part II, Line 10b Investments—Corporate stock at Year-End Market Value (also Book Value)

18,189 Ishares Select Div Index Fund—DVY	\$1,366,903
3880 Ishares MSCI EAFE Index Fund—EFA	227,834
6900 Ishares US Pfd Stock PFF	268,065
1264 Ishares Global Healthcare—IXJ	129,712
1294 Ishares Cohen & Steers REIT ETF—ICF	128,417
1078 Ishares US Utilities ETF—IDU	116,338
23118 Ishares Int Pfd Stock ETF—IPFF	371,647
12500 Ishares MSCI Canada ETF—EWC	268,750
1948 Ishares Global Infrastr ETF—IGF	70,001
1224 Wisdom Tr Eur Hedg Eq Fd—HEDJ	65,863
Total Corporate Stocks Part II, Line 10b	\$3,013,530

Part VIII List of Officers, Directors, Trustees and Foundation Managers

<u>Name and Address</u>	<u>Title and Av. Hrs/Wk</u>	<u>Compensation</u>	<u>Empl Benefit Plan Contrib</u>	<u>Expense Account</u>
Grant Goodall Univ. of CA, San Diego 9500 Gilman Drive, #0108, La Lolla, CA 92093	President 4	-0-	-0-	-0-
Humphrey Tonkin Mortensen Library, Univ of Hartford West Hartford, CT 06117	Director at Large/ President 4	-0-	-0-	-0-
Derek Roff 22 Dutch Rd. Santa Fe, NM 87508	Secretary 4	-0-	-0-	-0-
Anna Bennett 277 rue Regina Montreal, QC H4G 2G6	Treasurer 8	-0-	-0-	-0-
Mark Fettes Simon Fraser Univ., 8888 University Drive, Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada V8A 1P8	Director at Large 2	-0-	-0-	-0-
Wallace G. du Temple 765 Braemar Ave., North Saanich British Columbia, Canada V8L 5G5	Invest. Portfolio Supervis Portfolio Inc. Dispers. 4	-0-	-0-	-0-
Geoffrey Greatrex Dept. of Classics & Religious Studies University of Ottawa Desmarais Building, 10th floor 55 Laurier Ave. East Ottawa, ON, CANADA K1N 6N5	Director at Large 2	-0-	-0-	-0-
Chuck Mays 16 Dixie Trail Raleigh, NC 27607	Director at Large 2	-0-	-0-	-0-

Part IX-A, Line 1 Summary of Direct Charitable Activities – Activity One

The Foundation supports original research on interlingual topics such as cultural aspects of Esperanto and development of an interactive Word Wide Web language learning environment as well as the dissemination of research and pedagogy. It also supports the development of a multilingual network of indigenous people's organizations, including documentation, communication and pedagogy.

Total to Part IX-A, Line 2 – Expenses **\$18,494**

Part IX-A, Line 1 Summary of Direct Charitable Activities – Activity Two

The Foundation supports interlingual courses / workshops including administration, delivery and student participation. It also supports educational conferences and seminars related to interlingual topics such as cultural aspects of Esperanto.

Total to Part IX-A, Line 1 – Expenses **\$94,879**

Part XV, Lines 2a through 2d

a. Name and Address of Person to Whom Applications Should be Submitted

Joel Amis or any director listed in Part VIII
COP STE Catherine CP 60502
Montreal QC H1V 3T8
Canada (Kanado)

Telephone Number: 514-766-8023 (Canada)

b. Form and Content of Applications: Include a letter of inquiry (to be followed by formal proposal with budget and timeline).

c. Submission Deadlines: None (considered for current year if funds remain in budget; submissions received later in the year can be considered in following year's budget discussions).

d. Restrictions and Limitations on Awards:

Awards will be granted in the areas of research, teaching, or publications dealing with interlinguistics. Applications should show a clear pertinence to ESF's core goals, mission, and values. ESF only commits to funding projects with a definite beginning and end with a defined timeline.

Part XV, Line 3a Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Relationship to foundation manager or substantial contributor: NONE in all cases)

Adam Mickiewicz Univ. Interlinguistics Program al. Niepodleglosci 4 PL 61-874 Poznan Poland	NC	Scholarship grant to the University Interlinguistics Program (scholarships are granted to students at program administrator's discretion, not directly by ESF)	\$9,151
Macaulay Honors Program 35 W 67 St. New York, NY 10023	PC	Esperanto course scholarships and expenses	\$11,300
Esperanto Internacia Mexico DF, Mexico	I	Support for Esperanto course in Nicaragua	\$2,028
Gutierrez, Maritza Avellaneda 212 e/Gertrudis y Josefina 10500 Havana, Cuba	I	Grant for participation (lodging/travel) in the International Conference of Americanists	\$813
Galor, Zbigniew Poznan, Poland	I	Grant for book publication	\$1,524
Astori, Davide Parma, Italy	I	Grant for participation in World Congress on Language Rights	\$643
Gazzola/Wickstrom Spandauer Str. 1 DE- 10178 Berlin, Germany	I	Symposium: "Economics, Linguistic Justice and Language Policy"	\$1,000
Gazzola, Michele Berlin, Germany	I	Grant for participation in World Congress on Language Rights	\$995
Europa Esperanto-Unio Wapenplein 17-8 BE-8400 Ostend, Belgium	NC	Grant in support of the Krynica Economic Forum	\$1,160
CALICO Coordinator 601 University Dr San Marcos, TX 78666	I	Award granted for a CALICO member's innovative language learning website	\$250
Total Amount Awarded in 2015			\$28,864

Part XV, Line 3b Grants and Contributions Approved for Future Payments (Relationship to foundation manager or substantial contributor: NONE)

Korjhenkov, Aleksandr ab. Ja 1205 236039 Kaliningrad, Russia	I	Grant for book publication	\$1,524
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