

Special Report

Niroomand on the Move . . . in Miles

An Investigative Series on CoB Travel

Farhang Niroomand's travel exploits continue to reverberate throughout the halls of USM's College of Business. That he amassed \$75,000 in travel expenses over the 59 months from Aug-01 through June-06, a subject covered in a previous *Special Report* entitled [Niroomand on the Move](#), was just recently mentioned in [Part 1 of the new series](#) about George Carter's political war against new CoB dean Lance Nail. This *Special Report* revisits the earlier one on Niroomand's travel largesse. In doing so, reporters at USMNEWS.net have calculated the total miles traveled by Niroomand during that same 59-month period from 2001-06. These figures are reported in the table below, along with a reminder of where Niroomand went, for what purpose he went there and how much money he spent along the way.

59 Months of Niroomand's Travel, August 2001–June 2006

Date	Place	Purpose	"Spent"	Round Trip Miles
August 2001	Tokyo, and Hong Kong	"Academic Visit"	\$5,158.00	17,062
September 2001	Raymond, MS	Hinds CC	\$ 103.90	186
October 2001	Tampa, FL	Attend USDE Business and and International Educators Directors Conference	\$1,316.42	944
October 2001	Gulfport, MS	AUBER Conference	\$ 195.47	134
November 2001	Sydney, Aus.	Academy of International Bus- iness Annual Meeting	\$4,992.00	17,924
November 2001	Raymond, MS	Small Business Development International Trade Center Reg- ional Briefing	\$ 77.28	186
November 2001	Gulfport, MS	Port Symposium Trade in Western Hemisphere	\$ 140.20	134
December 2001	San Antonio	AACSB meeting	\$1,803.91	1,130
January 2002	Raymond, MS	Hinds CC	\$ 103.31	186
Feb/Mar 2002	Jackson, MS	Int. Trade Club meeting	\$ 190.30	170
April 2002	Raymond, MS	Conduct workshops on Inter- national curriculum, Hinds CC	\$ 122.71	186
April 2002	San Francisco	Attend NASBITE meeting	\$2,063.30	3,860
June 2002	Memphis, TN	"Globalization Seminar" at the University of Memphis -- CIBER	\$ 451.46	534
July 2002	Iran	Central Bank of Iran "invitation" to present research paper	\$3,755.47	14,334
Aug/Oct 2002	Biloxi, MS	Project Outreach	\$ 161.02	136
November 2002	Biloxi, MS	Travel to MSGCC to visit with Faculty	\$ 84.20	136
November 2002	Rio de Janeiro	Project Outreach	\$5,399.05	9,636
January 2003	Biloxi, MS	MGCC	\$ 146.00	136
	Raymond, MS	Hinds CC		186
January 2003	Wash, D.C.	American Economic Association Meeting	\$1,183.58	1,734

January 2003	Atlanta, GA	“Academic Visit”	\$ 719.03	662
Jan/Feb 2003	Atlanta, GA	“Academic Visit”	\$ 718.19	662
February 2003	Biloxi MS	MGCCC	\$ 144.00	136
	Raymond, MS			186
February 2003	Biloxi, MS	MGCCC Final Report	\$ 144.00	136
March 2003	Seattle, WA	“Academic Visit”	\$2,372.96	4,140
March 2003	Raymond, MS	Hinds CC	\$ 221.50	186
	Biloxi, MS	MSGCC		136
April 2003	Biloxi, MS	Attend BAC Spring Meeting	\$ 144.00	136
	Raymond, MS	MSGCC		186
April 2003	San Antonio	NASBITE meeting	\$1,710.98	1,030
May 2003	Jackson, MS	Int. Trade Club meeting	\$ 93.40	170
May 2003	Atlanta, GA	“Academic Visit”	\$ 989.56	662
August 2004	Baton Rouge	“Academic Visit”	\$ 259.75	252
August 2004	W. Lafayette	“Academic Visit” Purdue	\$ 758.00	1,282
September 2004	Denver	AACSB	\$1,799.64	2,110
November 2004	Cancun, Mex.	Assoc. for Global Business	\$1,812.15	1,432
December 2004	Dallas	AACSB “World Class Practices”	\$1,391.10	904
December 2004	Wash DC	USDE Meeting	\$ 796.40	1,734
December 2004	Gulfport	Trade Club	\$ 193.75	134
January 2005	Philadelphia	Amer. Econ. Association	\$1,196.37	1,982
January 2005	Palm Spr, CA	AACSB Stg. Mgt. Seminar	\$1,227.47	3,190
February 2005	New York	Assoc. for Global Business	\$1,389.37	2,142
March 2005	New Orleans	NASBITE	\$ 427.00	212
March 2005	Gulfport	MGCC/Max Kreinin	\$ 187.92	134
April 2005	San Francisco	AACSB meeting	\$1,339.70	3,860
April 2005	Gulfport/Jack.	BAC/ITC	\$ 414.71	304
May 2005	Iran	Central Bank of Iran “Invite”	\$3,615.07	14,334
June 2005	Gulfport/LB	ITC/Ethics Forum	\$ 317.70	139
June 2005	Atlanta, GA	“Academic Visit”	\$ 697.29	662
July 2005	Quebec, CAN	BIE Dirs./AIB Ann Meeting	\$2,957.01	2,870
July 2005	Wash DC	USDE Workshop Meeting	\$1,004.45	1,734
August 2005	Biloxi/Jackson	MGCCC	\$ 523.54	306
August 2005	Choctaw, MS	Trade Certification Program	\$ 266.73	356
September 2005	Irvine, CA	“Academic Visit”/CEFPI Conf.	\$1,590.14	3,338
November 2005	Jackson	World Trade Center	\$ 146.70	170
November 2005	Jackson	World Trade Center Meetings	\$ 174.60	170
November 2005	Miami	Assoc for Global Business	\$1,650.94	1,344
December 2005	Jackson	World Trade Center	\$ 149.40	170
December 2005	Atlanta	AACSB Assoc. Dean Conf.	\$1,668.86	662
December 2005	Jackson	World Trade Center	\$ 192.32	170
December 2005	Jackson	World Trade Center	\$ 106.70	170
January 2006	Boston	ASSA Meeting	\$ 968.88	1,520
February 2006	Jackson	World Trade Center	\$ 279.13	170
March 2006	Berlin	IAE Conference	\$3,548.01	10,060
April 2006	Paris	AACSB/EFMD Inter. Conf.	\$4,149.53	9,408
April 2006	San Antonio	SWSSA Meeting	\$1,152.54	1,130
April 2006	Gulfport	Int. Business Cert. Program	\$ 193.13	134
May 2006	Gulfport/Jack	World Trade Center/MDA	\$ 222.50	304
June 2006	Las Vegas	Int. Hospitality Convention	\$1,715.98	3,040
			\$75,189.38	149,395

Note: Employee Travel Voucher numbers for the travel above are 999, 2124, 2133, 2739, 2769, 3066, 3343, 3396, 4848, 6800, 6842, 7042, 8278, 9495, 10927, 12422/12778, 12813, 13498, 13755, 13860, 14155, 14415, 15104, 15746(?), 16364(?), 16650, 16580, 17606, 17690, 29396, 29397, 30239, 31788, 32278, 32405, 32739, 32783, 33067, 33437, 35757, 35837, 36119, 37011, 37012, 37939, 37940, 38165, 38914, 38946, 40023, 40041, 40293, 41319, 42615, 44624, 45456, 46204, 47138, 47599.

As the data above show, not only did Niroomand spend more than \$75,000 traveling the globe over the 59-month period from 2001-06, he actually traveled an **astonishing 149,395 miles** doing so. On a per-month basis, that total comes to **2,532 miles per month** during the period, which is approximately one trip per month to Quebec, Canada (see table above).

What's left to say?