

You should have checked the "No" box in line 1a, Bona Fide Residence Test, and the "Yes" box in line 2, Physical Presence Test. You should have entered a qualifying period of 01/01/2008 through 12/31/2008.

Here are the correct answers for each line:

# Foreign Earned Income Exclusion

▶ See separate instructions. ▶ Attach to Form 1040.

Name shown on Form 1040

Your social security number

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### You May Use This Form If You:

- Are a U.S. citizen or a resident alien.
- Earned wages/salaries in a foreign country.
- Had total foreign earned income of \$87,600 or less.
- Are filing a calendar year return that covers a 12-month period.

### And You:

- Do not have self-employment income.
- Do not have business/moving expenses.
- Do not claim the foreign housing exclusion or deduction.

## Part I Tests To See If You Can Take the Foreign Earned Income Exclusion

### 1 Bona Fide Residence Test

a Were you a bona fide resident of a foreign country or countries for a period that includes an entire tax year (see page 2 of the instructions)?  Yes  No

- If you answered "Yes," you meet this test. Fill in line 1b and then go to line 3.
- If you answered "No," you **do not** meet this test. Go to line 2 to see if you meet the Physical Presence Test.

b Enter the date your bona fide residence began ▶ \_\_\_\_\_, and ended (see instructions) ▶ \_\_\_\_\_.

### 2 Physical Presence Test

a Were you physically present in a foreign country or countries for at least 330 full days during—  
{ 2008 or any other period of 12 months in a row starting or ending in 2008? }  Yes  No

- If you answered "Yes," you meet this test. Fill in line 2b and then go to line 3.
- If you answered "No," you **do not** meet this test. You **cannot** take the exclusion unless you meet the Bona Fide Residence Test above.

b The physical presence test is based on the 12-month period from ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ through ▶ \_\_\_\_\_.

3 **Tax Home Test.** Was your tax home in a foreign country or countries throughout your period of bona fide residence or physical presence, whichever applies?  Yes  No

- If you answered "Yes," you can take the exclusion. Complete Part II below and then go to page 2.
- If you answered "No," you **cannot** take the exclusion. **Do not** file this form.

## Part II General Information

4 Your foreign address (including country)

5 Your occupation

6 Employer's name

7 Employer's U.S. address (including ZIP code)

8 Employer's foreign address

9 Employer is (check any that apply):

- a A U.S. business
- b A foreign business
- c Other (specify) ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

10a If you filed Form 2555 or 2555-EZ after 1981, enter the last year you filed the form. ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

b If you did not file Form 2555 or 2555-EZ after 1981, check here  and go to line 11a now.

c Have you ever revoked the foreign earned income exclusion?  Yes  No

d If you answered "Yes," enter the tax year for which the revocation was effective. ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

11a List your tax home(s) during 2008 and date(s) established. ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

b Of what country are you a citizen/national? ▶ \_\_\_\_\_