

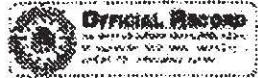
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Date of entry 05/12/2017

(U) ~~(S)~~ On 5/10/2017, SA [redacted] and SGA [redacted] interviewed BRUCE OHR, [redacted] currently the Associate Deputy Attorney General and Director of the Department of Justice's Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) at FBI Washington Field Office, 101 4th Street, Washington, DC. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview, OHR provided the following information:

(U) ~~(S)~~ STEELE sent OHR a text message in [redacted] some time around Tuesday and they set up a call [redacted] for Wednesday 2:00 PM EDT.

(U) ~~(S)~~ Over the course of their telephone call, STEELE informed OHR that he had received a letter from the Senate Intelligence Committee (SIC). The letter requested answers to the following questions:

1. Had STEELE provided information to the US Government?
2. What was the scope of STEELE's investigation?
3. Did STEELE have any additional information to provide?

(U) ~~(S)~~ STEELE mentioned that SIC was considering sending staffers to the UK.

(U) ~~(S)~~ SGA [redacted] requested that OHR ask STEELE if he would be willing to have a conversation with FBI agents in the UK. OHR agreed to pass along the message. b6 -1, per FBI
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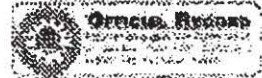
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Date of entry 05/15/2017

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(U) ~~(S)~~ On 5/15/2017, SA [redacted] and SSA [redacted] interviewed BRUCE ONR, [redacted] [redacted] by the Associate Deputy Attorney General and Director of the Department of Justice's Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) at FBI Washington Field Office, 551 4th Street, Washington, DC. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview, ONR provided the following information:

(U) ~~(S)~~ CHRISTOPHER STEELE sent ONR a text message in [redacted] on or around Friday, 5/12/2017. The text had up a call [redacted] for Saturday at 9:00 AM EST.

(U) ~~(S)~~ Per FBI's previous request, ONR asked STEELE if he would be willing to meet with FBI agents. STEELE responded that the answer was an immediate yes but that he would need to check with [redacted] b6 -3, per FBI
[redacted] ONR was clear that this would be nothing more b7C -3, per FBI
than a conversation with the FBI and STEELE said that would be alright.

(U) ~~(S)~~ STEELE informed ONR that he had information regarding a conversation between [redacted]

(U) ~~(S)~~ STEELE contacted ONR [redacted] at 9:45 AM on Monday, 5/15/2017. STEELE said that [redacted] were b6 -1, 3, per FBI
with him talking to the FBI. b7C -1, 3, per FBI

(U) ~~(S)~~ SSA [redacted] told ONR that he would communicate with headquarters regarding FBI agents meeting with STEELE and let him know when he received a response.

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Sent: Tuesday, September 18, 2018 5:54 PM
To: Gauhar, Tashina; Weinsheimer, Gerard B.
Subject: FW: Declass directive
Attachments: UPDATED-- [REDACTED] June 2017 White House Declassificat....pdf;
UPDATED-- OHR_302_Read Through Version For White House Declassificationzip;
UPDATED--Gang_of_Eight_Production_for_White_House_Declassification_CD-Re....pdf

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To: [REDACTED] (b)(3), (b)(6) [REDACTED] FBI USA GOV; Boente Dana FBI USA GOV [REDACTED]; Priestap E FBI USA GOV [REDACTED] >
Cc: Jason Klitenic-DNI- [REDACTED] (b)(3), (b)(6) [REDACTED]
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All,

Please find attached the UPDATED redacted versions of all the relevant documents for the White House Declassification directive.

Why we made additional redactions from those provided last night?

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[REDACTED]
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From: [REDACTED] (b)(3), (b)(6)
Sent: Tuesday, September 18, 2018 2:14 PM
To: [REDACTED] (CD) (FBI); [REDACTED]
(CD) (FBI); BOENTE, DANA J. (OGC) (FBI)
[REDACTED]; PRIESTAP, E. W. (CD) (FBI)
Cc: Jason Klitenic-DNI-[REDACTED] (b)(3), (b)(6)
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Looping in [REDACTED] (b)(3), (b)(6). If there are any further changes to the documents, please circulate to this entire group.

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[REDACTED]; Boente Dana FBI USA GOV [REDACTED];
Priestap E FBI USA GOV [REDACTED]
Cc: Jason Klitenic-DNI-[REDACTED] (b)(3), (b)(6)
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Here's the full documentation with CD's redactions.

If you need anything further or have questions just get in touch. I'll be in a meeting for the next 30-60mins, but [REDACTED] should be in shortly.

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[REDACTED] PRIESTAP, E. W. (CD) (FBI) [REDACTED]
Cc: Jason Klitenic-DNI-[REDACTED] (b)(3), (b)(6)
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GOV [redacted]; Boente Dana FBI USA GOV [redacted];
Priestap E FBI USA GOV [redacted]
Cc: Jason Klitenic-DNI- <[redacted] (b)(3), (b)(6) >
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To: [redacted] (CD) (FBI)
[redacted] BOENTE, DANA J. (OGC) (FBI)
[redacted] PRIESTAP, E. W. (CD) (FBI)
Cc: Jason Klitenic-DNI- [redacted] (b)(3), (b)(6)
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GOV [redacted]; Boente Dana FBI USA GOV [redacted]

Priestap E FBI USA GOV [redacted]

Cc: Jason Klitenic-DNI-[redacted] (b)(3), (b)(6)

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SCO will likely be providing you its own hack on all those documents. So combined with our redactions and theirs we might find a good middle ground for the DNI to follow.

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To: [REDACTED] (CD) (FBI) BOENTE, DANA J.
(OGC) (FBI) [REDACTED] PRIESTAP, E. W. (CD) (FBI)
[REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED] (CD) (FBI) Jason Klitenic-DNI-
[REDACTED] (b)(3), (b)(6)
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All --

First, thank you for all the extraordinary work on this. Second, a few quick questions:

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Thanks
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From: [REDACTED] FBI USA GOV

Sent: Monday, September 17, 2018 10:57 PM

To: Boente Dana FBI USA GOV [REDACTED]; Priestap E FBI USA GOV

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Cc: [REDACTED] FBI USA GOV [REDACTED]

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Sirs,

Attached to this email are FBI Counterintelligence Division's proposed redactions responsive to today's White House declassification directive. If any additional follow up is required, please reach out to me or [REDACTED] (CCed on this email and reachable at [REDACTED]).

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Intelligence Analyst

Counterintelligence Division, FBI HQ

DESK: [REDACTED]

VOIP: [REDACTED]

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Not only do foreign powers engage in spying in the United States to obtain information, they also engage in activities which are intended to harm the Nation's security by affecting the course of our Government, the course of public opinion, or the activities of individuals. Such activities may include political action (recruiting, bribery or influencing of public officials to act in favor of the foreign power), disguised propaganda (including the planting of false or misleading articles or stories), and harassment, intimidation, or even assassination of individuals who oppose the foreign power. Such activity can undermine our democratic institutions as well as directly threaten the peace and safety of our citizens.

H.R. Rep. No. 95-1283, pt. 1, at 41 (1978).

B. ~~(S//NF)~~ **The Russian Government's Coordinated Efforts to Influence the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election.**

~~(S//NF)~~ In or about March 2016, George Papadopoulos³ and Carter Page (the target of this application) were publicly identified by Candidate #1 as part of his/her foreign policy team. [REDACTED]

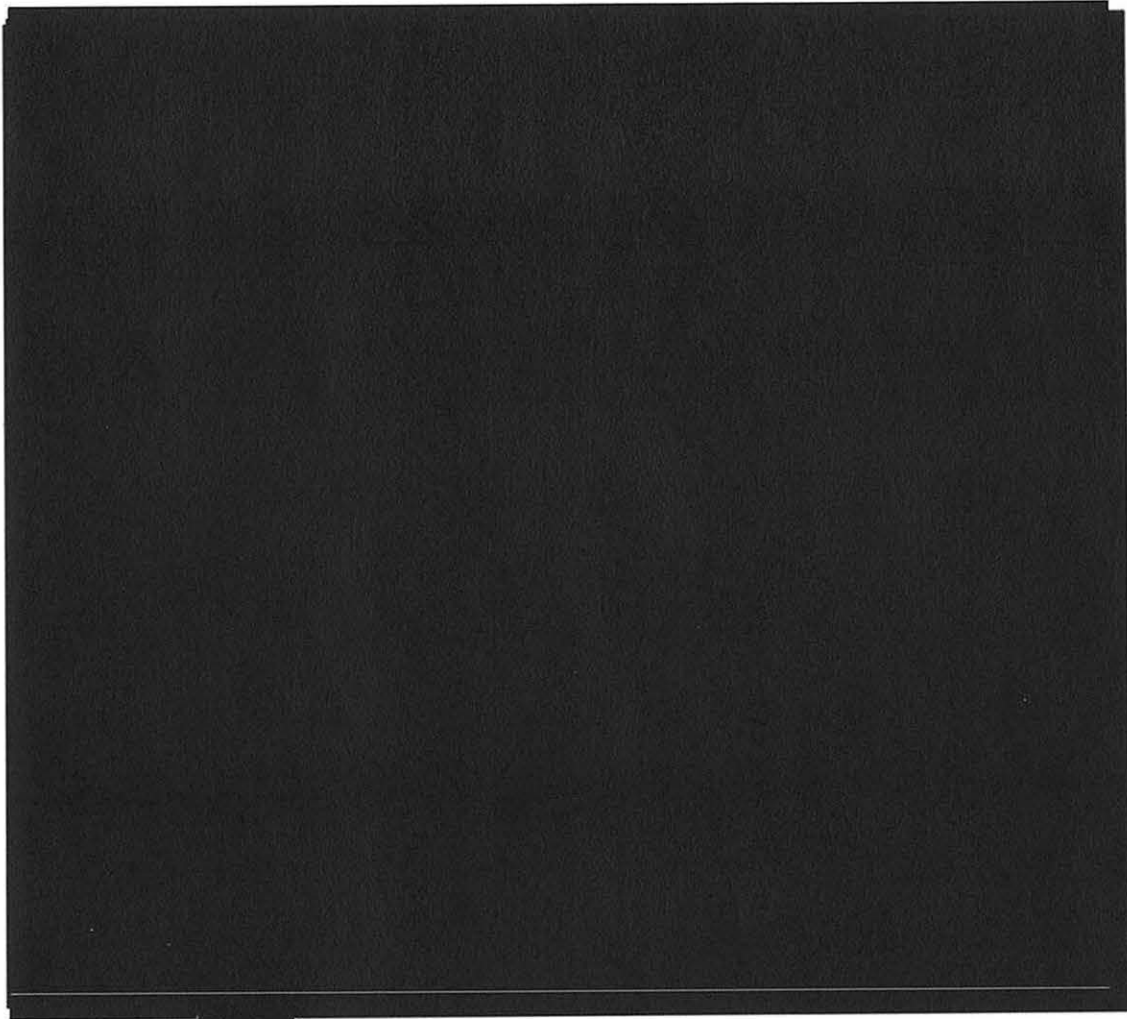
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[REDACTED] the FBI believes that the Russian Government's efforts to influence the 2016 U.S. Presidential election were being coordinated with Page and perhaps other individuals associated with Candidate #1's campaign. [REDACTED]

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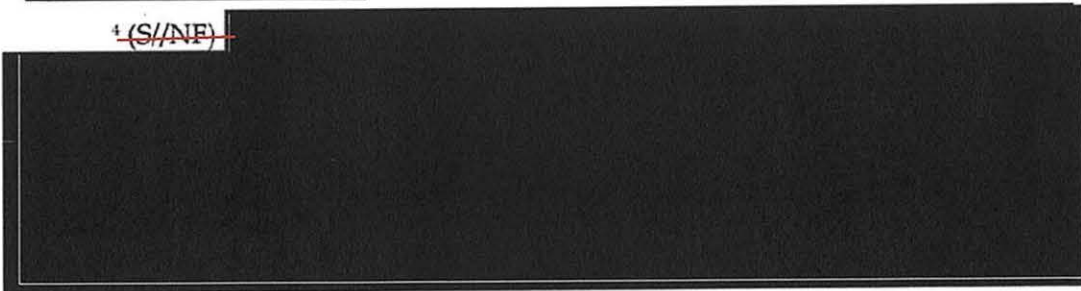
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As discussed below, Page has established relationships with

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Russian Government officials, including Russian intelligence officers [REDACTED]

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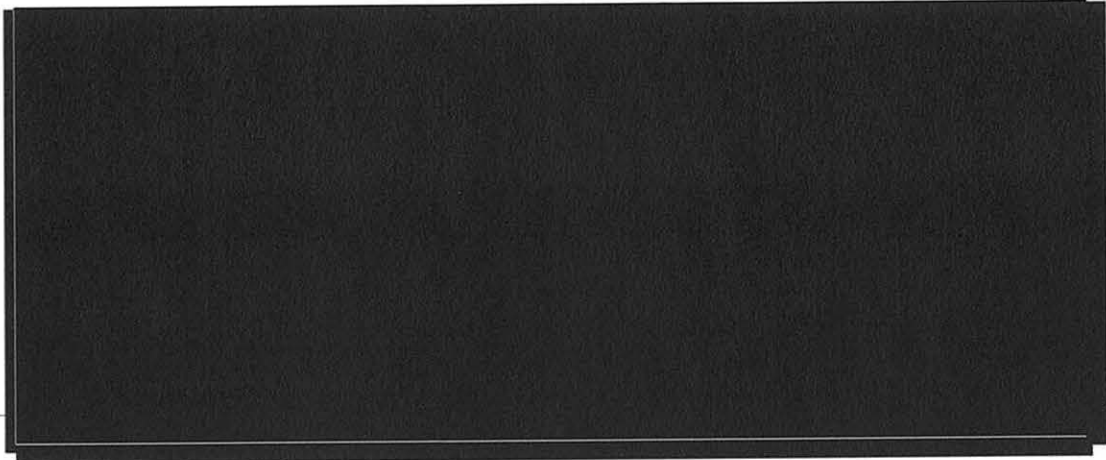
III. ~~(S)~~ Carter Page.

A. ~~(S)~~ Page's Connections to Russia and the RIS.

~~(S//NF)~~ Page, a U.S. citizen, is the founder and managing partner of Global Energy Capital LLC (GEC), an investment management and advisory firm that focuses on the energy sector primarily in emerging markets. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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B. ~~(S//NF)~~ Page's Coordination with Russian Government Officials on 2016 U.S. Presidential Election Influence Activities.

~~(S//NF)~~ According to open source information, in July 2016, Page traveled to Russia and delivered the commencement address at the New Economic School.⁹ In addition to giving this address, the FBI learned that Page met with at least two Russian officials during this trip. First, according to information provided by an FBI confidential human source (Source #1), [redacted] reported that Page had a

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⁹ ~~(S//NF)~~ [redacted]

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¹⁰ ~~(TS//NF)~~ Source #1 [redacted] and was opened as an FBI source [redacted]. Source #1 has been compensated [redacted] by the FBI. As

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discussed below in footnote 22, in or about October 2016, the FBI suspended its relationship with Source #1 due to Source #1's unauthorized disclosure of information to the press. Subsequently, the FBI closed Source #1 as an FBI source. Nevertheless, the FBI assesses Source #1 to be reliable as previous reporting from Source #1 has been corroborated and used in criminal proceedings. Moreover, the

FBI notes that the incident that led the FBI to terminate its relationship with Source #1 occurred after Source #1 provided the reporting that is described herein.

~~(TS//NF)~~ Source #1, who now owns a foreign business/financial intelligence firm, was approached by an identified U.S. person, who indicated to Source #1 that a U.S.-based law firm had hired the identified U.S. person to conduct research regarding Candidate #1's ties to Russia (the identified U.S. person and Source #1 have a long-standing business relationship). The identified U.S. person hired Source #1 to conduct this research. The identified U.S. person never advised Source #1 as to the motivation behind the research into Candidate #1's ties to Russia. The FBI speculates that the identified U.S. person was likely looking for information that could be used to discredit Candidate #1's campaign.

~~(TS//NF)~~ Source #1 tasked his sub-source(s) to collect the requisite information. After Source #1 received information from the sub-source(s) described herein, Source #1 provided the information to the identified U.S. person who had hired Source #1 and to the FBI. [REDACTED]

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~~(TS//NF)~~ Notwithstanding Source #1's reason for conducting the research into Candidate #1's ties to Russia, based on Source #1's previous reporting history with the FBI, whereby Source #1 provided reliable information to the FBI, the FBI believes Source #1's reporting herein to be credible. [REDACTED]

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secret meeting with Igor Sechin, who is the President of Rosneft [a Russian energy company] and a close associate to Russian President Putin.¹² [REDACTED] reported

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¹¹ ~~(TS//NF)~~ [REDACTED]

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¹² ~~(S//NF)~~ In or about April 2014, the U.S. Department of the Treasury (USDOT) announced sanctions that would be taken against Russian Government officials and entities as a result of Russian efforts to destabilize Ukraine. Sechin was identified as an official of the Russian Government, and further identified as the President and Chairman of the Management Board for Rosneft, a position he continues to hold. The USDOT announcement also stated Sechin was formerly the Deputy Prime Minister of the Russian Federation from 2008 until 2012, and from 2004 until 2008, Sechin was the Deputy Chief of Staff for Russian President Putin. The USDOT sanctions announcement identified Sechin as someone who has "shown utter loyalty to Vladimir Putin - a key component to his current standing."

that, during the meeting, Page and Sechin discussed future bilateral energy cooperation and the prospects for an associated move to lift Ukraine-related Western sanctions against Russia.

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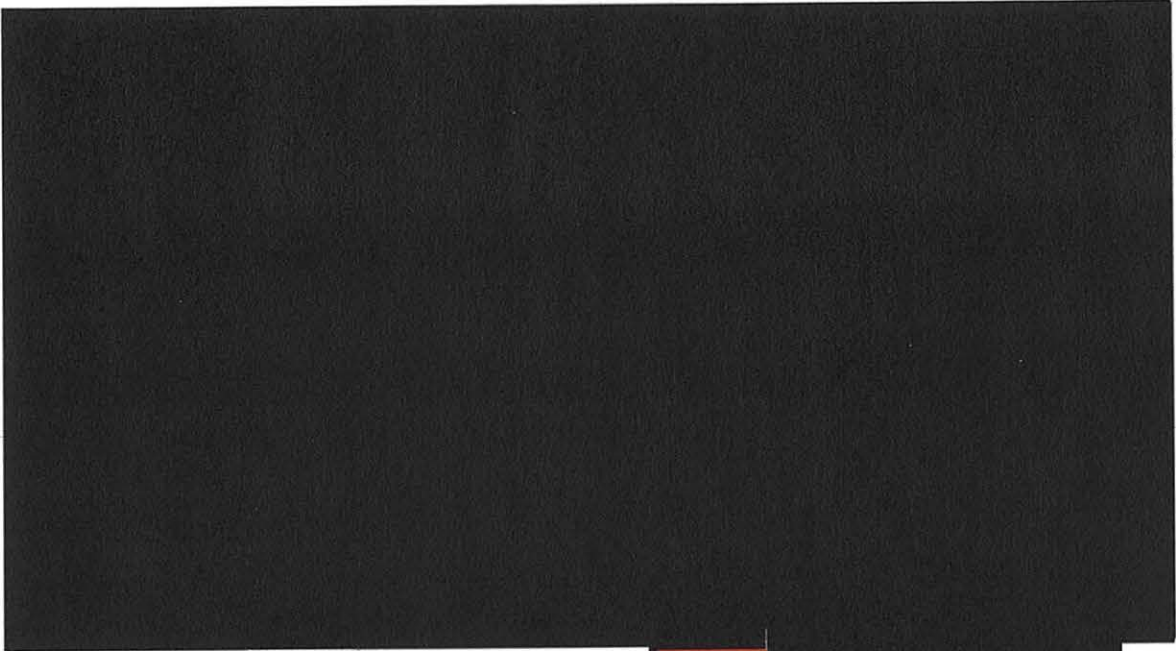
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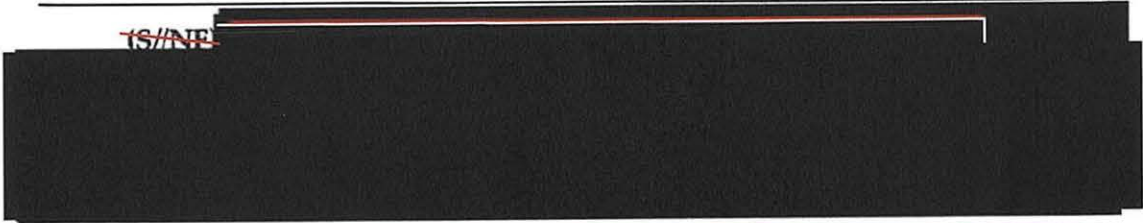
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~~(TS//NF)~~ [redacted] according to Source #1.

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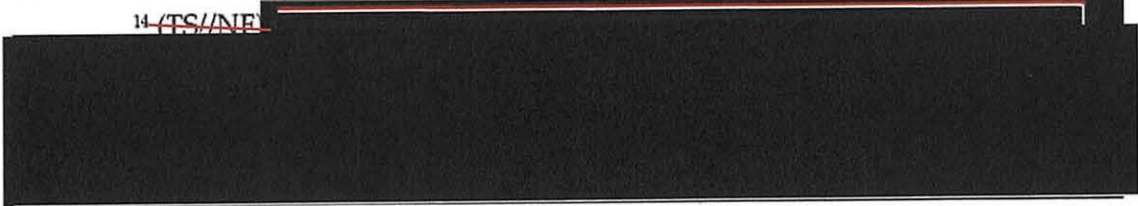


[redacted] Divyekin [who is assessed to be Igor Nikolayevich Divyekin], [redacted]



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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] had met secretly with Page

and that their agenda for the meeting included Divyekin raising a dossier or

"kompromat"¹⁵ that the Kremlin possessed on Candidate #2 and the possibility of it

being released to Candidate #1's campaign.¹⁶

[REDACTED]

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¹⁵ ~~(S)~~ Kompromat is a Russian term for compromising material about a politician or political figure, which is typically used to create negative publicity or blackmail.

¹⁶ ~~(S//NF)~~ [REDACTED]

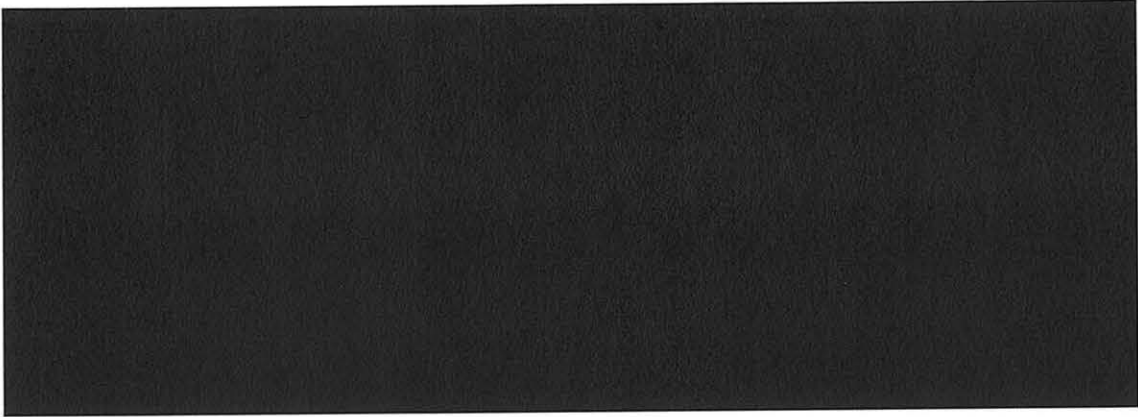
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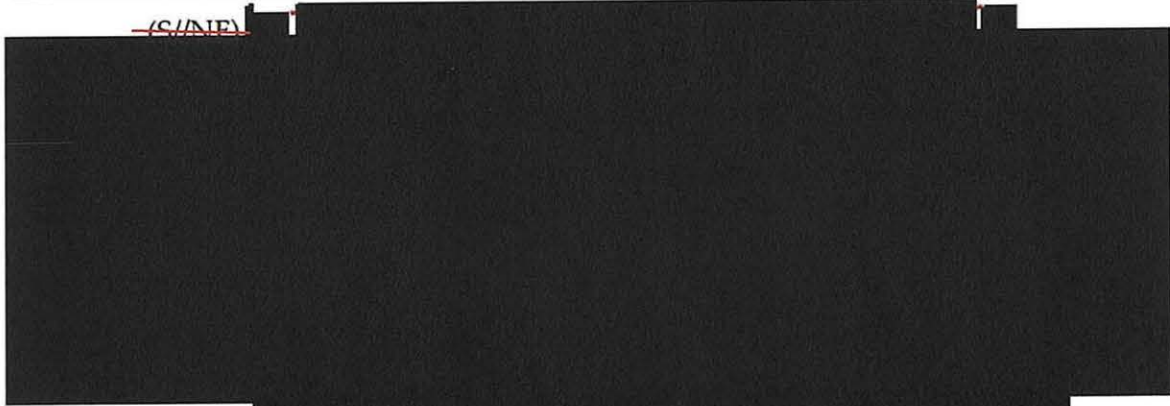
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[REDACTED] a July 2016 article in an identified news organization reported that

Candidate #1's campaign worked behind the scenes to make sure Political Party #1's platform would not call for giving weapons to Ukraine to fight Russian and rebel forces, contradicting the view of almost all Political Party #1's foreign policy leaders in Washington. The article stated that Candidate #1's campaign sought "to make sure that [Political Party #1] would not pledge to give Ukraine the weapons it has been asking for from the United States." Further, an August 2016 article published by an identified news organization, which characterized Candidate #1 as sounding like a supporter of Ukraine's territorial integrity in September [2015], noted that Candidate #1 had recently adopted a "milder" tone regarding Russia's annexation of Crimea. The August 2016 article further reported that Candidate #1 said Candidate #1 might recognize Crimea as Russian territory and lift punitive U.S. sanctions against Russia. The article opined that while the reason for Candidate #1's shift was not clear, Candidate #1's more conciliatory words, which contradict Political Party #1's official platform, follow Candidate #1's recent association with several people

sympathetic to Russian influence in Ukraine, including foreign policy advisor Carter

Page.

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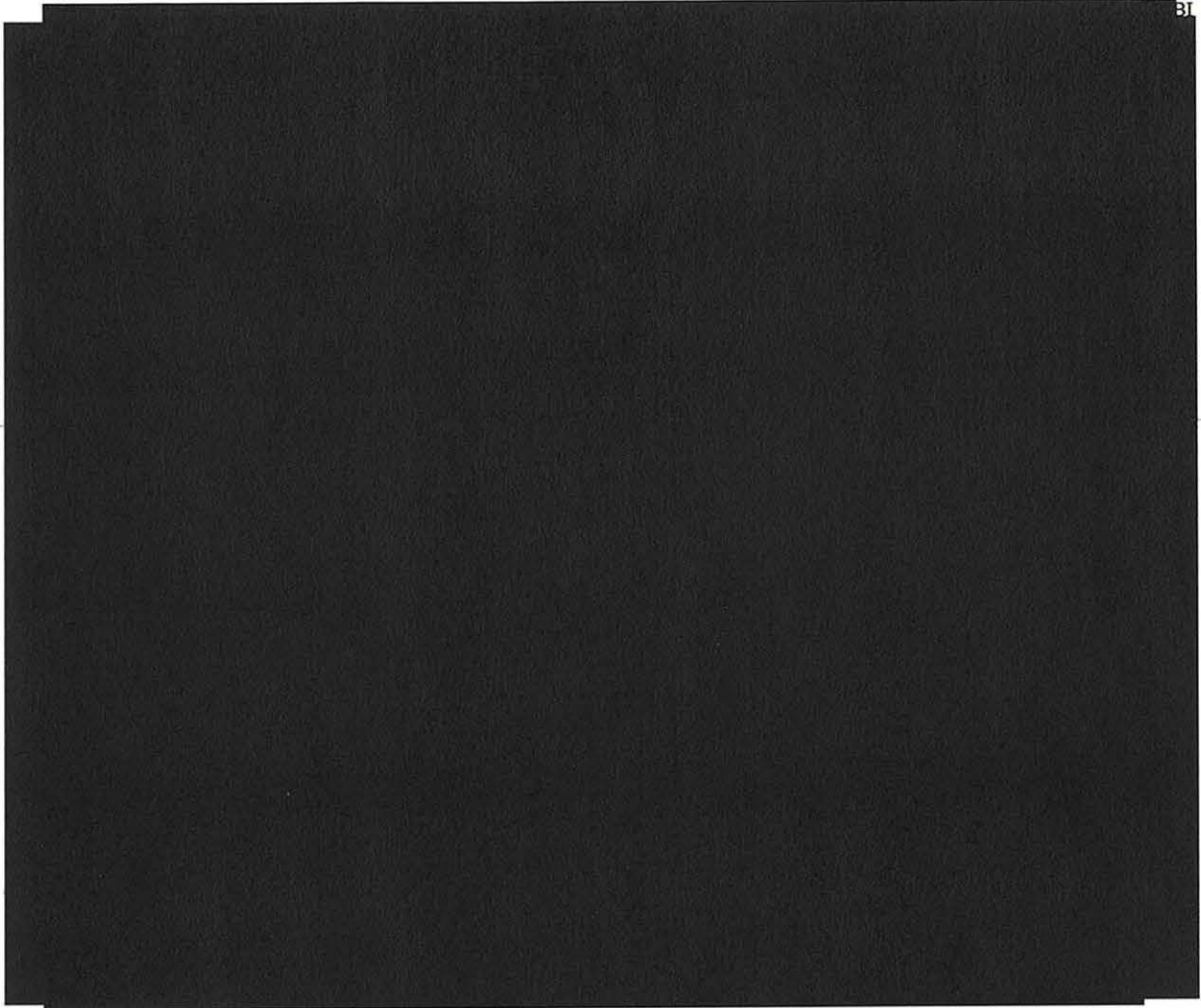
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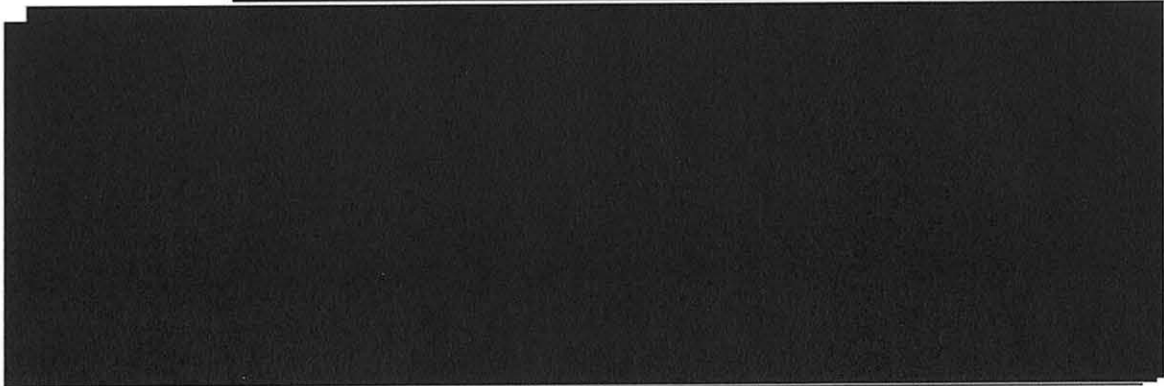
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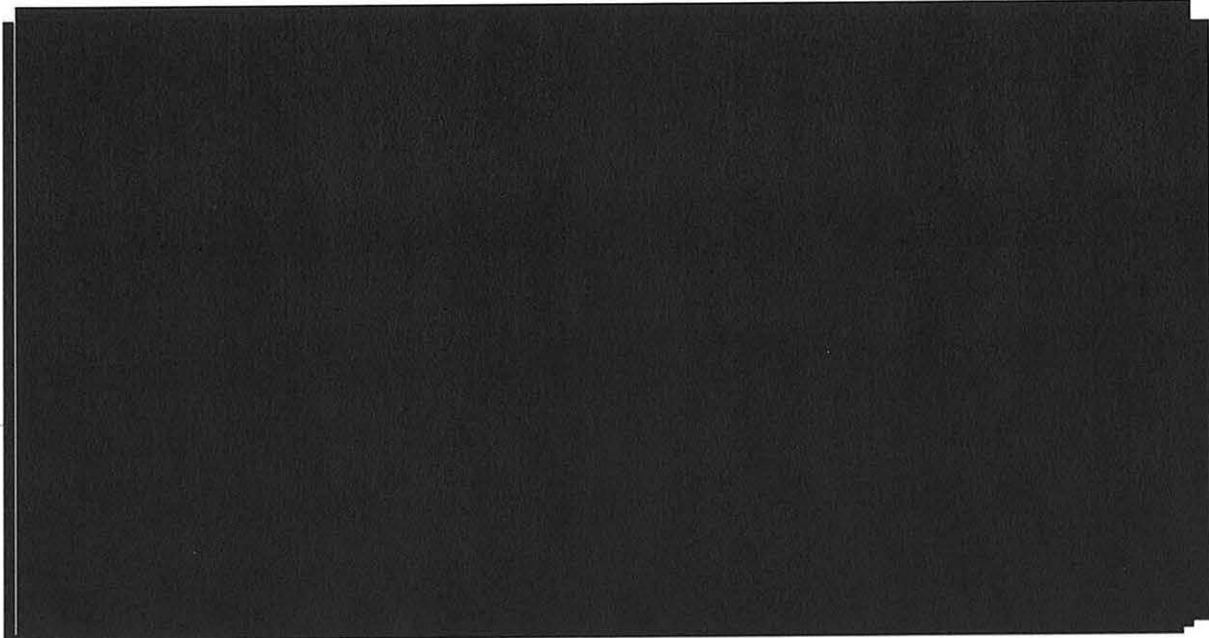
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IV. ~~(S//NF)~~ Page's Denial of Cooperation with the Russian Government to Influence the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election.

~~(S//NF)~~ On or about September 23, 2016, an identified news organization published an article (September 23rd News Article), which was written by the news organization's Chief Investigative Correspondent, alleging that U.S. intelligence officials are investigating Page with respect to suspected efforts by the Russian Government to influence the U.S. Presidential election. According to the September 23rd News Article, U.S. officials received intelligence reports that when Page was in Moscow in July 2016 to deliver the above-noted commencement address at the New Economic School, he met with two senior Russian officials. The September 23rd News Article stated that a "well-placed Western intelligence source" told the news organization that Page met with Igor Sechin, a longtime Putin associate and former

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Russian deputy minister who is now the executive chairman of Rosneft. At their alleged meeting, Sechin raised the issue of the lifting of sanctions with Page.

According to the September 23rd News Article, the Western intelligence source also reported that U.S. intelligence agencies received reports that Page met with another top Putin aide - Igor Divyekin, a former Russian security official who now serves as deputy chief for internal policy and is believed by U.S. officials to have responsibility for intelligence collected by Russian agencies about the U.S. election.²²

²² ~~(S)~~ As discussed above, Source #1 was hired by a business associate to conduct research into Candidate #1's ties to Russia. Source #1 provided the results of his research to the business associate, and the FBI assesses that the business associate likely provided this information to the law firm that hired the business associate in the first place. Source #1 told the FBI that he/she only provided this information to the business associate and the FBI. [REDACTED]

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b7E-3,-4, per FBI

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The FBI does not believe that Source #1 directly provided this information to the identified news organization that published the September 23rd News Article.

~~(TS//NF)~~ In or about late October 2016, however, after the FBI Director sent a letter to the U.S. Congress, which stated that the FBI had learned of new information that might be pertinent to an investigation that the FBI was conducting of Candidate #2, Source #1 told the FBI that he/she was frustrated with this action and believed it would likely influence the 2016 U.S. Presidential election. In response to Source #1's concerns, Source #1 independently, and against the prior admonishment from the FBI to speak only with the FBI on this matter, released the reporting discussed

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~~(S//NF)~~ According to the September 23rd News Article, certain members of Congress were "taken aback" after being briefed on the alleged meetings between Page and Russian officials and viewed the meetings as a possible back channel to the Russians that could undercut U.S. foreign policy. The September 23rd News Article also stated that, following the briefing, the Senate Minority Leader wrote to the FBI Director, and citing the reports of meetings between an advisor to Candidate #1 [the advisor was unnamed in the letter, but the article indicated that the advisor is Page] and "high ranking sanctioned individuals" [in context, likely a reference to Sechin] in Moscow over the summer as evidence of "significant and disturbing ties" between Candidate #1's campaign and the Kremlin that needed to be investigated by the FBI.

~~(S//NF)~~ Based on statements in the September 23rd News Article, as well as in other articles published by identified news organizations, Candidate #1's campaign repeatedly made public statements in an attempt to distance Candidate #1's campaign from Page. For example, the September 23rd News Article noted that Page's precise role in Candidate #1's campaign is unclear. According to the article, a spokesperson for Candidate #1's campaign called Page an "informal foreign

herein to an identified news organization. Although the FBI continues to assess Source #1's reporting is reliable, as noted above, the FBI closed Source #1 as an active source.

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advisor" who "does not speak for [Candidate #1] or the campaign." In addition, another spokesperson for Candidate #1's campaign said that Page "has no role" and added "[w]e are not aware of any of his activities, past or present." However, the article stated that the campaign spokesperson did not respond when asked why Candidate #1 had previously described Page as an advisor. In addition, on or about September 25, 2016, an identified news organization published an article that was based primarily on an interview with Candidate #1's then campaign manager. During the interview, the campaign manager stated, "[Page is] not part of the campaign I'm running." The campaign manager added that Page has not been part of Candidate #1's national security or foreign policy briefings since he/she became campaign manager. In response to a question from the interviewer regarding reports that Page was meeting with Russian officials to essentially attempt to conduct diplomatic negotiations with the Russian Government, the campaign manager responded, "If [Page is] doing that, he's certainly not doing it with the permission or knowledge of the campaign . . ."

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~~(S//NF)~~ On or about September 25, 2016, Page sent a letter to the FBI Director.

In this letter, Page made reference to the accusations in the September 23rd News Article and denied them. Page stated that the source of the accusations was nothing more than completely false media reports and that he did not meet with any sanctioned official in Russia. Page also stated that he would be willing to discuss any "final" questions the FBI may have.²³

~~(S//NF)~~ Additionally, on or about September 26, 2016, an identified news organization published an article that was based on an interview with Page (September 26th News Article). In the September 26th News Article, Page stated that all of the accusations were complete "garbage" and that he did not meet with Sechin or Divyekin. Page also stated that he was taking a leave of absence from his work with Candidate #1's campaign because the accusations were a "distraction."

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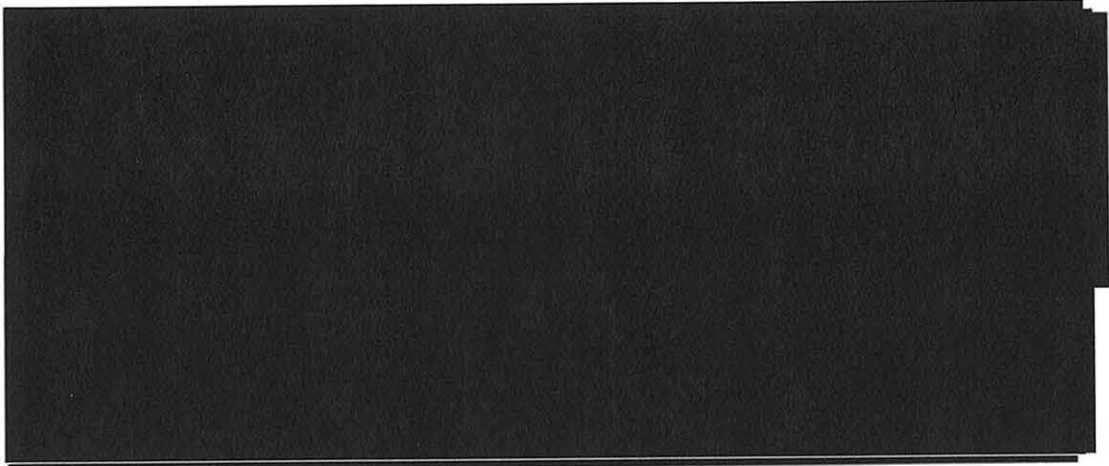
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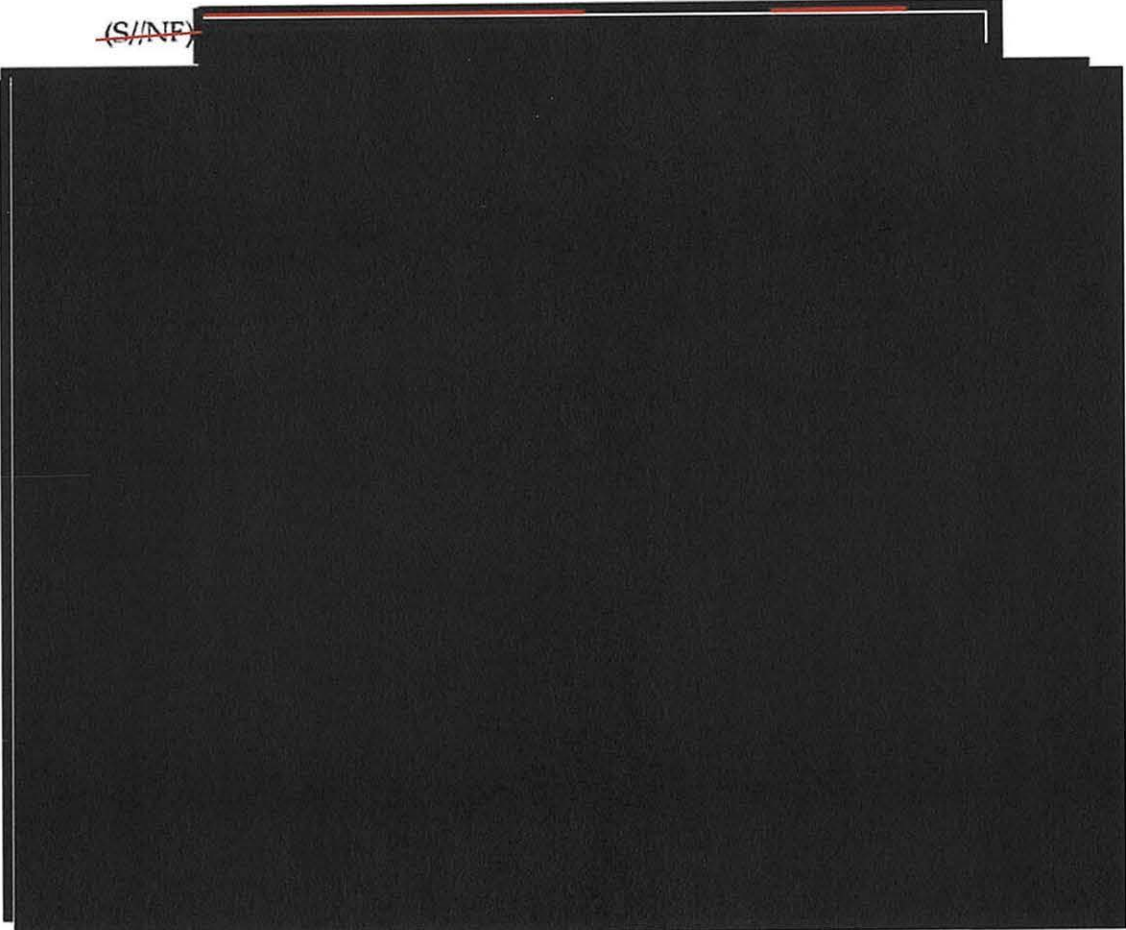
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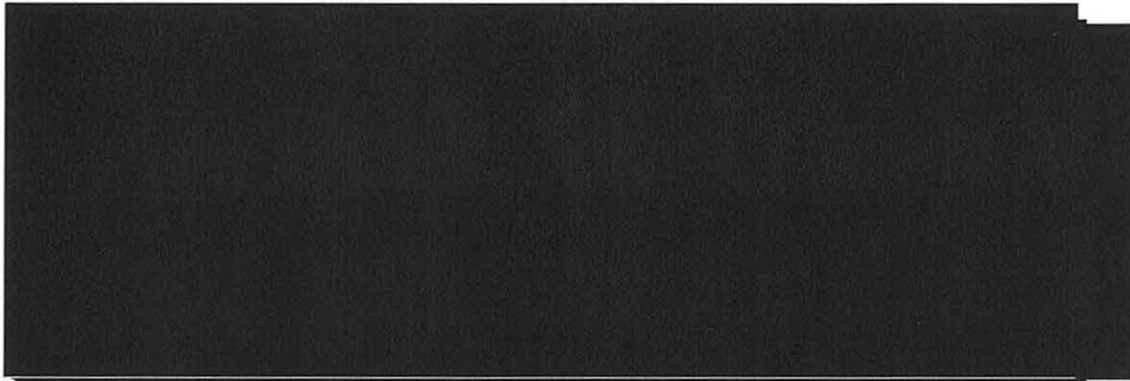


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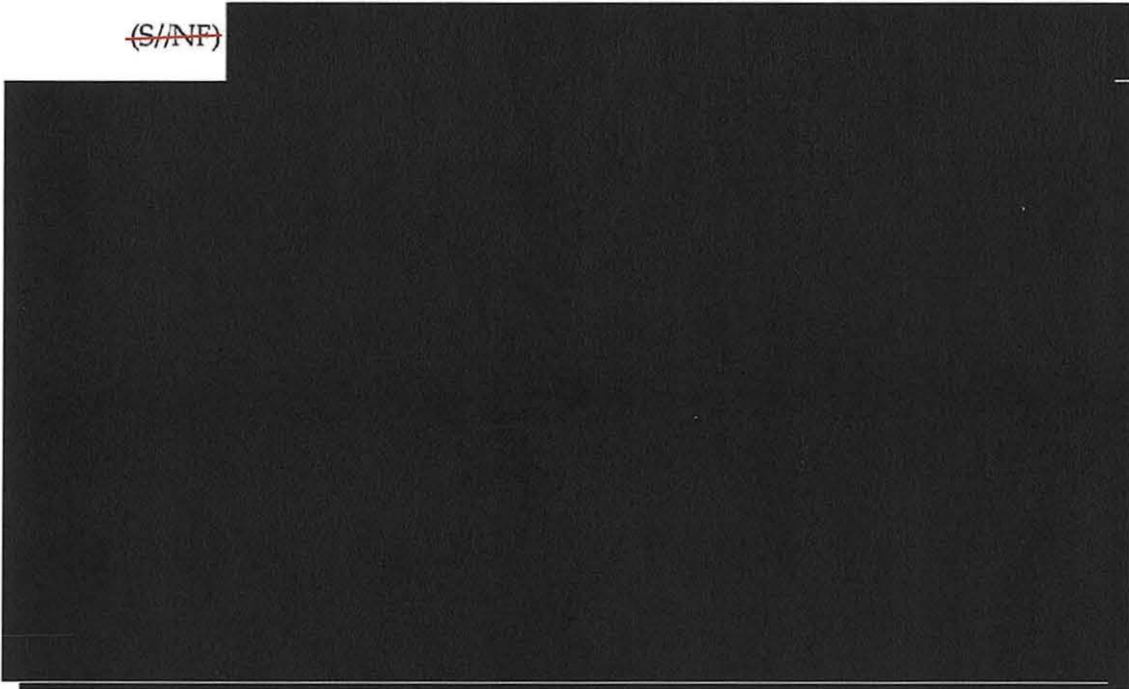
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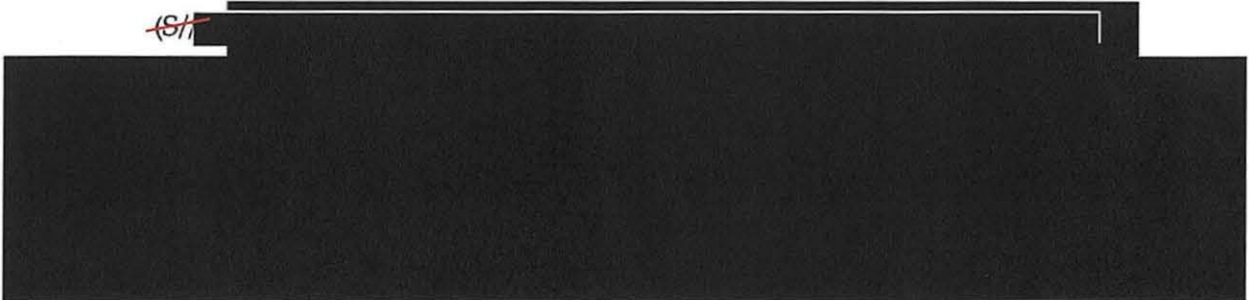
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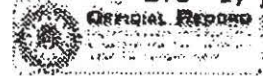
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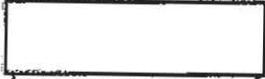
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Electronic Communication

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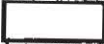
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From: COUNTERINTELLIGENCE



Contact: STRZOK PETER P II, [redacted]

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Approved By: STRZOK PETER P II

Drafted By: STRZOK PETER P II

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(U) Synopsis: ~~SECRET//ORCON//NOFORN~~ Opens and assigns investigation

~~Reason: 1.4(b)~~

~~Derived From: FBI~~

~~NSISC-20030619~~

~~Declassify On: 20411231~~

Full Investigation Initiated: 07/31/2016

Details:

(U) ~~SECRET//ORCON//NOFORN~~ An investigation is being opened based on information received from Legat [redacted] on 07/29/2016. The text of that email follows:

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(U) Title: ~~S//FOUO~~ CROSSFIRE HURRICANE
Re: [redacted] 07/31/2016

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b7E -2, per FBI

BEGIN EMAIL.

~~(U//FOUO)~~ Legat [redacted] information from [redacted]
[redacted]

b7D -3, per FBI
b7E -7, per FBI

Synopsis:
~~(U//FOUO)~~ Legat [redacted] received information from the [redacted]
[redacted] related to the hacking of the Democratic
National Committee's website(s).

b7D -3, per FBI
b7E -7, per FBI

Details:

b6 -1, per FBI
b7C -1, per FBI

(U) ~~(U//FOUO)~~ [redacted] On Wednesday, July 27, 2016, Legat Attache (Legat) [redacted]
[redacted] was summoned to the Office of the [redacted] who
will be leaving [redacted] post Saturday, July 30, 2016 and set to soon
thereafter retire from government service. advised [redacted] was called by
[redacted] about an urgent matter requiring an in person
meeting with the U.S. Ambassador. (Note: [redacted]
[redacted] The [redacted]
[redacted] was scheduled to be away from post until mid-August,
therefore [redacted] attended the meeting.

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b7E -7, per FBI

b7D -3, per FBI
b7E -7, per FBI

(U) ~~(U//FOUO)~~ [redacted] advised that [redacted] government
had been seeking prominent members of the Donald Trump campaign in
which to engage to prepare for potential post-election relations should
Trump be elected U.S. President. One of the people identified was
George Papadopoulos (although public media sources provide a spelling
of Papadopoulos), who was believed to be one of Donald Trump's foreign
policy advisers. Mr. Papadopoulos was located in [redacted] so the
[redacted] met with him on several occasions,
with [redacted] attending at least one of the meetings.

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b7E -7, per FBI

(U) ~~(U//FOUO)~~ [redacted] recalled [redacted]
of the meetings between Mr. Papadopoulos and the [redacted]
concerning statements Mr. Papadopoulos made about suggestions from the
Russians that they (the Russians) could assist the Trump campaign with
the anonymous release of information during the campaign that would be

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b7E -2, per FBI

(U) Title: ~~SECRET~~ CROSSFIRE HURRICANE
Re: [redacted] 07/31/2016

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b7D -3, per FBI

damaging to Hillary Clinton. [redacted] provided a copy of the reporting that was provided to [redacted] from [redacted] to Legat [redacted]. The text is exactly as follows:

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[Begin Text]

(U) ~~SECRET~~ [redacted] S. Mr Pappasopoulos [redacted]

[redacted] He also suggested the Trump team had received some kind of suggestion from Russia that it could assist this process with the anonymous release of information during the campaign that would be damaging to Mrs Clinton (and President Obama). It was unclear whether he or the Russians were referring to material acquired publicly or through other means. It was also unclear how Mr Trump's team reacted to the offer. We note the Trump team's reaction could, in the end, have little bearing of what Russia decides to do, with or without Mr Trump's cooperation.

[End Text]

(U) ~~SECRET~~ [redacted]

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(U) ~~SECRET~~ Legat requests that further action on this information should consider the sensitivity that this information was provided through informal diplomatic channels from the [redacted] to the U.S.

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b7D -3, per FBI
b7E -7, per FBI

[redacted] It was clear from the conversation Legat [redacted] had [redacted] that [redacted] knew follow-up by the U.S. government would be necessary, but extraordinary efforts should be made to protect the source of this information until such a time that a request from our organization can be made to [redacted] to obtain this information through formal channels.

END EMAIL

(U) ~~SECRET~~ Based on the information provided by Legat [redacted] this investigation is being opened to determine whether individual(s)

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(U) Title: ~~(S//NF)~~ CROSSFIRE HURRICANE
Re: [REDACTED] 07/31/2016

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associated with the Trump campaign are sitting of and/or coordinating activities with the Government of Russia.

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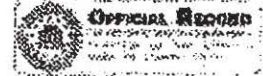
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(U) Title: ~~SECRET//ORCON//NOFORN~~ Meeting with OHS to discuss
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Contact: [redacted]

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(U) ~~SECRET//ORCON//NOFORN~~ [redacted]
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RUSSIA;

SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER

(U) ~~SECRET//ORCON//NOFORN~~ [redacted]
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SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER

(U) ~~SECRET//ORCON//NOFORN~~ [redacted]
FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT-RUSSIA;
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(U) Synopsis: ~~SECRET//ORCON//NOFORN~~ Meeting with OHS [redacted] to discuss
CROSSFIRE HURRICANE.

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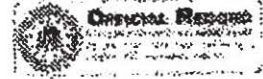
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Electronic Communication

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(U) Title: ~~SECRET~~ CHS Meeting [redacted]

Date: 06/15/2016

From: [redacted]

Contact: [redacted]

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Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

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FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT -
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(U) ~~SECRET~~ [redacted]
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RUSSIA;
SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER

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SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER

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(U) ~~SECRET~~ [redacted]
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SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER

(U) Synopsis: ~~SECRET~~ CHS meeting [redacted] regarding captioned
subjects.

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Security Information SCG
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b7D -1, 4, per FBI

Details:

(U) ~~SECRET~~ [redacted] OR [redacted] SA [redacted] SOS [redacted]
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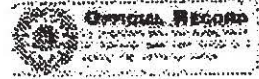
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Electronic Communication

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Date: 08/24/2016

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Contact: [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]
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