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FOIPA Request No.: 1433273-000 Civil Action No.: 19-cv-01626

Subject: All 302's of individuals who were

questioned/interviewed by FBI Agents working for the

Office of Special Counsel Robert Mueller

Dear Ms. Polantz:

The enclosed documents were reviewed under the Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA), Title 5, United States Code, Section 552/552a. Below you will find checked boxes under applicable statutes for the exemptions asserted to protect information exempt from disclosure. The appropriate exemptions are noted on the processed pages next to redacted information. In addition, a deleted page information sheet was inserted to indicate where pages were withheld entirely pursuant to applicable exemptions. An Explanation of Exemptions is enclosed to further explain justification for withheld information.

Section 552		Section 552a			
▽ (b)(1)	▽ (b)(7)(A)	(d)(5)			
(b)(2)	(b)(7)(B)	(j)(2)			
▽ (b)(3)	▽ (b)(7)(C)	(k)(1)			
Federal Rules of	▽ (b)(7)(D)	(k)(2)			
Criminal Procedure 6(e)	▽ (b)(7)(E)	☐ (k)(3)			
_50 U.S.C § 3024(i)(1)	(b)(7)(F)	(k)(4)			
(b)(4)	(b)(8)	(k)(5)			
☑ (b)(5)	(b)(9)	(k)(6)			
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 300 pages were reviewed and 211 pages are being released. Deletions were made by the Department of Justice/Office of Information Policy. To appeal those denials, please write directly to that agency. 					
Please see the paragraphs below for FOIPA Addendum for standard responses app		your request and the enclosed FBI			
Document(s) were located which originated with, or contained information concerning, other Government Agency (ies) [OGA].					
 ☐ This information has been referred to the OGA(s) for review and direct response to you. ✓ We are consulting with another agency. The FBI will correspond with you regarding this information when the consultation is completed. 					
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additional standard responses that apply to all requests for records on individuals. "Part 3" includes general information about FBI records that you may find useful. Also enclosed is our Explanation of Exemptions.

Although your request is in litigation, we are required by law to provide you the following information:

If you are not satisfied with the Federal Bureau of Investigation's determination in response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, 441 G Street, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20530, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA STAR portal by creating an account following the instructions on OIP's website: https://www.justice.gov/oip/submit-and-track-request-or-appeal. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

You may seek dispute resolution services by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769. Alternatively, you may contact the FBI's FOIA Public Liaison by emailing foipaquestions@fbi.gov. If you submit your dispute resolution correspondence by email, the subject heading should clearly state "Dispute Resolution Services." Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

Please direct any further inquiries about this case to the Attorney representing the Government in this matter. Please use the FOIPA Request Number and/or Civil Action Number in all correspondence or inquiries concerning your request.

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See additional information which follows.

Sincerely,

David M. Hardy
Section Chief
Record/Information
Dissemination Section
Information Management Division

Enclosures

Additional Information:

Please be advised that the Records Information/Dissemination Section (RIDS) is operating at reduced staffing levels amidst the ongoing COVID-19 national emergency. The enclosed FOIPA release represents a work product that could be generated for you under these unprecedented circumstances. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to release as much information, to as many requesters as possible, as this emergency continues.

In response to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request, enclosed is a processed copy of Bates Stamped documents, FBI (19-cv-1278)-2964 through FBI (19-cv-1278)-3263. The enclosed documents represent the seventh interim release of information responsive to your request.

FBI FOIPA Addendum

As referenced in our letter responding to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request, the FBI FOIPA Addendum includes information applicable to your request. Part 1 of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. Part 2 includes additional standard responses that apply to all requests for records on individuals. Part 3 includes general information about FBI records. For questions regarding Parts 1, 2, or 3, visit the www.fbi.gov/foia website under "Contact Us." Previously mentioned appeal and dispute resolution services are also available at the web address.

Part 1: The standard responses below apply to all requests:

- (i) **5 U.S.C. § 552(c).** Congress excluded three categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA [5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010)]. FBI responses are limited to those records subject to the requirements of the FOIA. Additional information about the FBI and the FOIPA can be found on the www.fbi.gov/foia website.
- (ii) National Security/Intelligence Records. The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of national security and foreign intelligence records pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(1), (b)(3), and PA exemption (j)(2) as applicable to requests for records about individuals [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(1), (b)(3), and (j)(2); 50 U.S.C. § 3024(i)(1)]. The mere acknowledgment of the existence or nonexistence of such records is itself a classified fact protected by FOIA exemption (b)(1) and/or would reveal intelligence sources, methods, or activities protected by exemption (b)(3) [50 USC.§ 3024(i)(1)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that national security or foreign intelligence records do or do not exist.

Part 2: The standard responses below apply to all requests for records on individuals:

- (i) Requests for Records about any Individual—Watch Lists. The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of any individual's name on a watch list pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(7)(E) and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(7)(E), (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that watch list records do or do not exist.
- (ii) Requests for Records for Incarcerated Individuals. The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records which could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any incarcerated individual pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(7)(E), (b)(7)(F), and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(7)(E), (b)(7)(F), and (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that such records do or do not exist.

Part 3: General Information:

- (i) Record Searches. The Record/Information Dissemination Section (RIDS) searches for reasonably described records by searching those systems or locations where responsive records would reasonably be found. A reasonable search normally consists of a search for main files in the Central Records System (CRS), an extensive system of records consisting of applicant, investigative, intelligence, personnel, administrative, and general files compiled and maintained by the FBI in the course of fulfilling law enforcement, intelligence, and administrative functions. The CRS spans the entire FBI organization and encompasses the records of FBI Headquarters (FBIHQ), FBI Field Offices, and FBI Legal Attaché Offices (Legats) worldwide and includes Electronic Surveillance (ELSUR) records. For additional information about our record searches visit www.fbi.gov/services/information-management/foipa/requesting-fbi-records.
- (ii) **FBI Records.** Founded in 1908, the FBI carries out a dual law enforcement and national security mission. As part of this dual mission, the FBI creates and maintains records on various subjects; however, the FBI does not maintain records on every person, subject, or entity.
- (iii) Requests for Criminal History Records or Rap Sheets. The Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division provides Identity History Summary Checks often referred to as a criminal history record or rap sheets. These criminal history records are not the same as material in an investigative "FBI file." An Identity History Summary Check is a listing of information taken from fingerprint cards and documents submitted to the FBI in connection with arrests, federal employment, naturalization, or military service. For a fee, individuals can request a copy of their Identity History Summary Check. Forms and directions can be accessed at www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks. Additionally, requests can be submitted electronically at www.edo.cjis.gov. For additional information, please contact CJIS directly at (304) 625-5590.
- (iv) The National Name Check Program (NNCP). The mission of NNCP is to analyze and report information in response to name check requests received from federal agencies, for the purpose of protecting the United States from foreign and domestic threats to national security. Please be advised that this is a service provided to other federal agencies. Private citizens cannot request a name check.

EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigations information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual:
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

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searching online, she located an administrative assistant position at the CENTER FOR THE NATIONAL INTEREST (CNI) and submitted an application.	
(U//FOUO) BROWN interviewed for the position with PAUL SAUNDERS, the deputy director at CNI, and had a second interview with DMITRI SIMES, though BROWN described this interview as "more just him talking" about himself and CNI. BROWN was hired as	
(U//FOUO) BROWN stated that her primary roles at CNI included completing dictation on behalf of SIMES, for e-mails and other correspondence, and performing editing tasks for grammar and spelling, etc. BROWN explained that though English was not SIMES' first language, SIMES had "excellent vocabulary" and thought that her review of his writing was "not 100" necessary."	
(U//FOUO) BROWN stated that the job was "pretty easy," and that she was able to work full-time while in school part-time. BROWN also answered SIMES' phone and had access to both her own CNI e-mail and SIMES' e-mail. BROWN also regularly brought SIMES his lunch, which usually consisted of Chinese food and two (2) Sam Adams beers.	
(U// FOUO) MAYFLOWER MEETING	
(U//FOUC) When BROWN began at CNI, the Center was busy planning a "foreign policy speech" for DONALD TRUMP at the MAYFLOWER HOTEL in	
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with that of CNI. BROWN explained that SIMES would make certain comments

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to her, such as "Isn't it crazy that people call SESSIONS a racist?" Such statements made BROWN uncomfortable, and she stated she believed this affected the trust SIMES had in her. (U//TOUG) BROWN stated that while she was at CNI, SIMES was planning a trip to Russia; she stated that normally she handled all of SIMES travel, though with this trip she was tasked with "zippo" and was "way less involved" than she had normally been. BROWN stated that SIMES had hired someone else was hired above BROWN and had a "pretty big title," but BROWN could not remember what it was; in any event, was just below SAUNDERS, who in turn was beneath SIMES. BROWN stated the staff consisted of about 10 people, in addition to fellows and interns. (U//TOUG) BROWN stated that most staff were American, but that accounts were predominantly handled BROWN believed that BROWN believed that BROWN also stated an employee named fluently spoke Russian and also worked at CNI. (U//TOUG) BROWN reported daily to SAUNDERS, though she also had daily interaction with SIMES. SAUNDERS was fairly adamant about being notified of things before SIMES found out about them. BROWN stated that she was hired to eventually replace who handled accounting among other things for CNI and left shortly after BROWN started there. BROWN stated that told her about one incident in which SIMES "grabbed her arm" while was in his office attempting to answer a ringing phone; SIMES later apologized to for the incident.		(U// FOUO) Interview of BROWN On 10/13/2017 Page 3 of 6
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(U//FOUC) BROWN recalled having set up a meeting between SIMES and KISLYAK and stated that SIMES was always "really specific" about how he wanted things done; he was "very particular." BROWN stated that SIMES was seeking to have lunch or dinner with KISLYAK, and BROWN contacted the Russian Embassy directly. BROWN explained on the phone to the Embassy operator that she was calling on behalf of SIMES; the operator immediately transferred her directly to KISLYAK. BROWN stated that KISLYAK appeared "annoyed" that BROWN was able to get directly through to him and instructed her to call his staff instead. BROWN spoke to KISYLAK's

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assistant and provided some dates suggested by SIMES, which the Embassy added to KISLYAK's calendar.

(U//FOUC) BROWN recalled a "bigger" event that she invited KISLYAK to on behalf of CNI; she recalled that there were two (2) separate invitations for two (2) separate events, and that the Embassy was confused and contacted SIMES. SIMES was not happy about the confusion. BROWN stated that SIMES and KISLYAK had a direct relationship and shared a "world view" as echoed by the policies of CNI.

(U//FOUC) BROWN stated that she corresponded frequently with CATHERINE VARGAS, executive assistant to KUSHNER at KUSHNER COMPANIES in New York. BROWN provided a screenshot of an August 16, 2016 e-mail between herself and VARGAS referring to a 10:00 AM meeting on August 18, 2016 to be scheduled between SIMES and KUSHNER, held at 666 5th Avenue, 15th Floor, New York, NY. BROWN stated that this meeting did occur as she booked travel for SIMES. BROWN explained that PAUL MANAFORT was supposed to attend the meeting, but did not; he was represented by RICK GATES instead, who also attended the meeting. BROWN does not know the substance or purpose of the meeting.

(U// FOUO) BROWN also showed a scr	eenshot of an e-mail dated November
17, 2016, from VARGAS to BROWN; the	e-mail was blank with the subject
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called	BROWN immediately after sending the e-
mail and asked BROWN if KISLYAK was	"the right guy to talk to." BROWN
stated that both she and VARGAS were	confused as KUSHNER did not provide
VARGAS with specific clarity on the	question; BROWN stated that she would
ask SIMES directly. BROWN stated th	nat VARGAS "thought it was strange" and
stated that KUSHNER was "keeping it	kind of hush hush," though BROWN
explained VARGAS may have used a dif	ferent expression.

(U//FOUC) BROWN represented the question directly to SIMES via e-mail, which she also showed to agents, but received no response; BROWN stated that SIMES "handled it from there" and she never received follow-up from either SIMES or VARGAS.

(U/FOUO) BROWN stated that she recalled reading about KUSHNER's "testimony to Congress" and stated that he could not remember KISLYAK's name; BROWN stated she thought this was inaccurate as it "didn't match" the conversation she had with VARGAS regarding KISYLAK.

(U//FOUC) BROWN stated that of all the CNI board members, CNI staff told her that if MAURICE "HANK" GREENBERG called, "you better answer." GREENBERG was apparently a very influential board member. BROWN

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stated that though she never met him, she remembered having seen a check from GREENBERG's companies, the STARR COMPANIES, payable to SIMES for "consulting fees." BROWN does not remember the exact amount but stated that it was "surprisingly large."

(U//FOUC) BROWN showed agents several other e-mails dated August 2, 2016 between SIMES and GREENBERG that she observed. The e-mails seemed to describe GREENBERG's desire to engage SIMES in getting assistance from KISYLAK and VLADIMIR PUTIN with regard to the "ITB situation;" GREENBERG appeared distraught and wanted to rectify the situation immediately. SIMES suggested going through PUTIN's economic adviser.

(U//FOUO) TERMINATION FROM CNI

 $(U/\overline{\text{FOUO}})$ Over time, BROWN explained, SIMES and SAUNDERS began giving her "less and less to do," which she interpreted as a "trust issue." SAUNDERS sat BROWN down on or around Friday, March 3, 2017, and began a rambling explanation as to why BROWN may not be a good fit for CNI. BROWN was fired at the end of the day.

(U//FOUC) BROWN stated that SIMES was not present when she was fired by SAUNDERS. BROWN believed that her firing was in part due to confusion she had generated with KISYLAK and the Russian Embassy as described above, but also due to a recent "phishing" e-mail she received from an apparent board member at CNI, which she opened. Immediately afterward BROWN called CNI's IT department, and then told SAUNDERS; SAUNDERS told BROWN she should have called him first. SIMES was reportedly "upset" at the incident as he had to then change all of his e-mail passwords.

(U//FOUO) BROWN stated that though fired on March 3, she had e-mail access to both her and SIMES' e-mails for several weeks afterwards. BROWN took screenshots of several e-mails using her iPhone on or around March 4, 2017, after she was fired.

$(U//\overline{\text{FOUO}})$ BROWN stated that she has had no contact with SIMES since she
was fired from CNI. BROWN spoke with SAUNDERS about unemployment benefits
shortly after her termination. BROWN also remains in periodic contact
with several current and former CNI employees

(U// $\overline{\text{FOUO}}$) BROWN stated that she was contacted by a journalist on her cell phone the "same day" she was let go from CNI while she was at school. The journalist apparently knew she had been fired, leading BROWN

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03/23/2018 Date of entry Richard William Gates III was interviewed by Superviosry Special Agent Special Agent Supervisory Special Agent b6 b7C and Special Counsel Attorneys Andrew Weissmann and Greg Gates' attorney, of Sidley Austin LLP, was Andres. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents and the nature of the interview, Gates provided the following information: ID Watchdog The initial investment in ID Watchdog was from funds held in a Cypriot bank account in the name Global Sites. The funds were wire transferred from Global Sites to an account in the name of Jupiter and then wire transferred to ID Watchdog. Gates subsequently bought warrants in ID To pay for these warrants, Watchdog from **b6** b7C Gates took out a loan (Gates signed a promissory note) and subsequently paid back the loan. McCain Campaign **b6** During the John McCain presidential campaign, a 501c b7C (4) called Americans for Patriotism to support the McCain campaign. Gates stated he heard that a Paul Manafort controlled Cypriot account, LOAV, contributed money to the 501c(4), and the funds in the LOAV account were from Oleg Deripaska, a Russian oligarch. Manafort and Rick Davis also set up a company, 3EDC, to provide social media/digital advertising support to the McCain campaign, and 3EDC received a percentage of the ad payments. LOAV fronted the money for 3EDC. Gates stated that LOAV was funded by Deripaska but Gates did not know if the money sent from LOAV to 3EDC was actually funds provided by Deripaska. Submarine Deal worked with Manafort on 56 b7C the sale of two nuclear submarines from France to Pakistan. was alleged to receive kickbacks from this deal and Manafort was paid between **b6** 02/28/2018 at Washington, District Of Columbia, United States (In Person) Investigation on b7C 03/06/2018 b7A File# Date drafted

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who worked at Energy Today and Gates where they discussed opportunities	k E
for Gates to conduct lobbying and PR work for the company. Specifically, Gates' role was to formulate a strategy to work with state government	h
regulators to obtain oil drilling licenses and conduct PR/GR	
lobbying.	
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The owner of Energy Today hired Gates and paid them	
approximately approximately 1.7 million shares of Energy Today	
stock. Gates stated that he hever actually performed any	
significant work for Energy Today. They developed a PR/GR strategy but	
they never actually reached out to any state government regulators to	
execute on their strategy. The plan was to initiate a pilot project utilizing the proprietary technology and then issue press releases about	
the pilot project to generate hype. However, they were never able to	
initiate any actual deals or projects.	7
Gates also attempted to secure investors from Ukraine to invest in	
Energy Today and obtain oil licenses to drill in Ukraine. However, Gates	
never obtained any new investors or licenses in Ukraine. Gates stated	
that the cost of the licenses in Ukraine was cost prohibitive.	
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know the answers to KWC's questions, so he w	
provided the answers. Every year there was	
conference call, with Manafort, Gates, and k	
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accountants.	
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they both knew what they told was not	
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Gates stated that Manafort asked Gates if he	e was "taking care of it", a
reference to the taxes, and Gates interprete	ed that to mean Manafort was
insuring that Gates was not claiming this as	
from Manafort's Cypriot accounts and could r	reveal Manafort's control over
the accounts. Gates explained that he and M	
specific conversation about this because the	ey both knew what they were
doing and understood that it was illegal.	

Generally, Manafort would direct Gates to do something on his behalf and Gates would do it without question. For example, Manafort would task Gates to provide false information to the banks and Gates would follow his orders.

Generally, Manafort spent November through March at his home in Florida; March through May at is condominium in Virginia; and May through September at his home in the Hamptons.

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( S	Richard GATES, was interviewed at the 395 E Street SW, Washington, D.  Also present in the interview were Senior Assistant Special Counsel  SASC) Zainab Ahmad, SASC Andrew Weissmann, ASAC William McCausland, and  GATES was interview as part of the terms of his plea  greement. GATES provided the following information:
T c a n s	GATES joined the Donald J. TRUMP Presidential Campaign in March 2016. The financial health of the campaign was not good at the time because RUMP was self-funding the expenses. TRUMP made a pledge to his supporters on this point which he wanted to uphold. GATES did not think there were my fundraising opportunities at the time. The campaign had apathy towards not doing anything else and the RNC [Republican National Committee] support was not yet there. Eventually the TRUMP Campaign started to build fundraising mechanism.
d p - c t	[Steven] MNUCHIN joined the campaign and became the finance chair round May of 2016. Other people on the campaign had a problem with the lecision to bring MNUCHIN on because he had never raised a fundraising tenny in his life. TRUMP realized the magnitude of self-funding a campaign it could not be done. Paul MANAFORT did not have much of a role in the sampaign in March or April. MANAFORT became more involved after TRUMP won the primary. MANAFORT and Jared [KUSHNER] spoke often about how much it would be to fundraise. After the primary they were able to lean on the RNC to assist with fundraising.
	There were many fundraising events.
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The campaign could never buy the advertising time they wanted because the financial expense was not in the ballpark of what they could afford to spend. The [James] COMEY email scenario helped - the last ten days before the election were good from a fundraising perspective. The money never	
really flowed. People contributed to big PACs due to the fact there were competitive House and Senate races.	ъ6 ъ70
MANAFORT and knew each other for a long time. was hired on to the campaign. The campaign wanted to move to New York which was something he did not want to do.	ь6 ь7 <b>а</b> ь7с
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On Thursday, July 5, 2018, Richard Gates appeared at the Office Special Counsel in preparation for possible testimony at the transfort (Manafort) in July 2018. Also present were Senior Assistance Special Counsel Greg D. Andres. The following information was fully the senior of the	ial of Paul stant
Since his last meeting with the Office of the Special Counsel or 2018, Gates has been in contact with	n June 27,
Gates was shown a photo that recently appeared in various news a (copy attached). Gates stated the photo was taken prior to his tenure with Paul Manafort and Davis Manafort Partners. Gates identification of the photo as Davis Manafort's office in Kiev, UI	Jkraine entified
Gates was able to identify the following from the photo:	
Standing - Left to Right: UNSUB and	
Sitting - Left to Right: Konstantine Kilimnik, UNSUB, possibly  UNSUB (new articles identified this individual as however, Gates said this was not Paul Manafort and Prior to his plea agreement with the Government, Gates stated Matold him that he was going to get help from SL (Sergei Lyovochkipeople.	
Gates brought his laptop and while in the presence of Senior Fir	nancial
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	$(\mathrm{U}//\mathrm{FOUO})$ KILIMNIK was smart and very good at what he did. He spoke good
	English and knew the region very well. Additionally, he had great contacts.
l	(X) [Due to indeterminate classification of the information provided, this
	paragraph is being marked SECRET pending further review.]
	(U// <del>FOUO)</del> In 2005, IRI fired KILIMNIK. STEVEN NIX, the US-based Eurasian
	director for IRI, was both KILIMNIK's and LENZI's boss.
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nitially.	In 2008, PATTEN had gone to work in Georgia where he worked for the Georgian government and subsequently for the opposition. cribed PATTEN's clients at this time as sketchy.
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stated he  described to Trump that but  remained in touch - including some in person contact - after this meeting.	
Beginning instarted appearing on television as a campaign surrogatestated this representation was directed and offered by Trump and/or Lewandowski.	
Appointment in formal campaign role	
Around June 20, 2016, when Lewandowski was fired from his role in the Trump campaign, Jared Kushner called The two discussed taking on a larger role in the campaign, with Kushner asking when he could come to New York to meet in person. Later that same week, traveled to New York and met Kushner at his offices at 666 5th Avenue where Kushner asked what he would like to do for the campaign stated that he, in his prior interactions with the campaign, had assessed the operational aspects to have been a mess, chaotic, and in need of process. At the time of these observations, he hadn't wanted to overstep his informal role, but since Kushner had called and invited him to New York, he pitched a potential type role assessment was that Kushner was the defacto campaign manager and appeared to make hiring/firing decisions came to this conclusion after Lewandowski was fired, but thought that Lewandowski may not have had full authority as campaign manager.	
After this discussion at Kushner's offices, Kushner and walked to a small conference room in Trump Tower for a meeting. In the room were described him as	
and Rick Gates.	
During this portion of the meeting stated he acted as an observer, but the reason for his presence became clear at the end	

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does not recall when Gates left the meeting, but recalled him be there for the bulk of it.	eing
was focused on his new role and	
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Activities during the campaign	
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Gates was to be fired	felt that Trump made it clear that advised
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encountered a competing budget version	on maintained by Steve Mnuchin.
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Discussions of contributions from Trump started at the management level without Trump's involvement. Mnuchin would often take the outcome of those discussions and have direct interactions with Trump. Parscale was responsible for project digital fund raising. Parscale drove a lot of the campaign expenditures - and would detail the amount he needed for Giles-Parscale's (G-P) efforts. G-P would submit daily invoices and were paid daily. The daily invoices included details of payments to or invoices from sub-contractors, but stated the purpose of the sub-contractor was not always apparent. described a desire to audit the G-P invoices, but stated it was not done as the campaign did not have the manpower or bandwidth to undertake the effort. Parscale reported to Kushner who	ъ6 ъ7с
approved his requirements. was not involved in that approval.  was not aware of money coming to the campaign from foreign sources and stated that everyone knows you cannot accepts such funds. He did recall a screw up where a fundraising email blast, organized by Parscale, went to at least one overseas official, possibly located in the United Kingdom. Parscale had been buying email lists - through an organization called Conservative Connections - and believed the foreign address came from them. did not recall the specific timing of this issue or how he learned about it but believed it could have been in July or August. He did not recall how Parscale resolved the issue but knew Parscale handled the response.	b6 b7С
did not recall any foreign contributions being made to the campaign. However, he stated if an attempt to send foreign funds to the campaign had occurred it would have been handled by	b6 b7С
Candidate financial contributions	
was aware that Trump's loans to the campaign were converted to contributions but does not recall being part of the discussion. He believes that the decision was made because of the potential negative	b6 b7С

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optics with it being a loan to Trump stated that the campaign could have had trouble raising funds if the possibility existed they would be used to pay back Trump's loans was shown the forgiveness letter filed with the FEC. He again stated he did not recall being involved in the decision process and may have heard about the conversion from either or Don McGahn speculated that a decision this big - given the amount of money involved - would have been made with all Trump's children and not just Kushner. There were standing meetings on Monday mornings with Trump and his children also thought, based on the timing of the conversion, that Manafort had possibly been involved in the process.	ъ6 ъ7с
recalled always feeling that the campaign was broke and that every time money would come in there would be multiple people competing for the same dollar. stated the end of the campaign was especially a time of financial pressure. His personal opinion was that Mnuchin and Parscale's projections - for traditional and online donors respectively - had been lofty, the campaign had spent based on their projections, and ultimately the money did not come in at the expected level.	b6 b70
was asked about his awareness of Trump's multiple contributions of \$2,000,000 and single \$10,000,000 contribution after the loan conversion decision. He recalled Mnuchin and Kushner would have been involved in discussing those decisions and possibly Parscale and Bannon as well - especially with the later contributions. With regards specifically to the \$10,000,000 contribution, he recalled a shared belief held by himself, Mnuchin, Kushner and Parscale that if Trump wanted to win, the campaign needed \$10,000,000 to come from the candidate. The urgency was driven by the thought that some swing states were polling within the margin of error and a last minute push might make the difference believed the funds would have been used for ad buys but he did not specifically recall how the expenditures were split. He assumed a majority went to G-P for digital ad buys and possibly Jamestown Associates for traditional media.	ъ6 ъ7с
Reaction to DNC Hack	
was asked about the response within the campaign to the news of the Democratic National Committee hack. He recalled the primary response of the campaign was to evaluate their own systems for ways to make them more secure. He also recalled unspecified speculation that if collusion with Russians had occurred, it most likely would have been done by the Clinton campaign. identified the <i>Clinton Cash</i> book and information regarding the Uranium One deal playing into these discussions.	ъ6 ъ70
After relaying the above information, there was a break in the interview.  When it resumed SASC Andrew A Weissmann and Supervisory Special Agent	

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stated he heard that "the kids", referring to Donald Trump's kids, brought Manafort on to the campaign. Kushner was Manafort's biggest advocate but did not know why. advised that he did not have a relationship with Trump's kids.	b6 Ъ7С
stated that Kushner always protected Gates but he did not know why and did not understand why. stated that Parscale was one of Gate's biggest supporters. After Manafort was fired from the campaign, Parscale would bring Gates into the campaign office and Gates would sit next to Parscale. Parscale often would have high level conversations while Gates was close to him and shortly thereafter the information would leak to the press.	b6 b7С
was shown an email chain dated 09/30/2016 with the subject "Outstanding Payments." stated that he felt the email implied to Steve Bannon that was not doing his job. used the term "not legit" in the email to represent that Gate's assertions were not accurate regarding Mike Caputo's claim because Lewandowski told that Caputo was a volunteer on the campaign and should not be paid. stated he had a telephone conversation with Bannon the same day the email was sent but he could not recall the specifics of the conversation. forwarded the email to to check to see whether the payments enumerated in numbers 1 and 3 in the email were paid.	ь6 b7С
Manafort and Gates were brought on to the campaign as volunteers.  stated the campaign required employees to sign an NDA; either a volunteer NDA or a paid employee NDA. Manafort and Gates signed the volunteer NDA.  does not recall Manafort being paid for his expenses. had never heard of Manafort getting paid one million dollars by the campaign and if would have seen or heard about such a request he would have objected. Conversely, Gates was paid for expenses and thought that his expenses were inflated. Gates originally requested a certain amount for his expenses and when the campaign agreed to pay those expenses, Gates increased the expenses to approximately refused to pay Gates' expenses and told Don McGahn that if he wanted Gates to be paid then he should do it himself.	b6 b7C
suspected that Manafort and Gates profited monetarily in different ways than being paid directly by the campaign for their services. stated that after Trump secured the nomination, Manafort and Gates pitched an idea to pay a firm 5 to 10 million dollars for add buys. stated this made no sense because Trump already secured the nomination. could not recall the name of the firm but the person who ran the firm was a friend of Manafort. went to and made sure the deal was not executed. viewed Manafort and Gates as	b6 Ъ7С

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was shown an email chain dated 11/05/2016 between himself and Hope Hicks. Hicks was part of the "original five" who were with the campaign from the beginning. stated he and Hicks had a good relationship and they both did not like Gates did not know if Hicks would know how or why Gates was not fired from the campaign. Hicks knew that was constantly trying to get Gates removed from the campaign and she tried to help him by forwarding negative articles about Manafort and Gates to give him ammunition to show that they were involved in questionable acts. stated that he created the term to describe Gates. made it known to many people at the campaign that Gates needed to be removed. stated that you would not want Gates to participate in a local council election let alone a presidential election based on his questionable past.	0
was shown chain dated 08/31/2016 which referenced a New York Post article regarding Gates' association with a company named Eyelock. stated he had never heard of Eyelock prior to receiving the email. Hicks sent this article to so he would have more ammunition to try to get Gates removed from the campaign discussed this negative article Kushner and Parscale in an effort to get Gates removed. Kushner told not to worry about it and that Gates was a good guy continued to advocate to Kushner that Gates needed to be removed. Eventually, was put in his place by Kushner and was told that Gates was staying and that needed to deal with it.	
also complained to Kushner about Manafort and told him about questionable people Manafort represented in the past such as as well as allegations that Manafort received two suitcases full of cash to provide to the Regan campaign which never reached the campaign told Kushner that if you simply google Manafort or Gates there were lots of articles which revealed that they were involved in a lot of questionable activity. However, Kushner did not seem to care and ignored	
In light of Gates' questionable history with money, was shocked whe he was appointed to be the person in charge of the money for the inauguration committee stated Kushner made this decision with significant support from Parscale.	n
was shown an email dated 08/31/2016 which included a service agreement contract with Cambridge Analytica stated that he reviewe a draft of this service agreement and made changes to it because he did not like some of the language in the agreement. Cambridge was hired by Bannon stated the people who owned Breitbart also owned Cambridge and that is how Bannon was familiar with Cambridge. Cambridge was hired by	

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was not aware of Manafort playing a role in the campaign or being consulted by people on the campaign or administration after he was fired.	b6 b7С
did not become aware of the June 2016 meeting at Trump Tower with Natalia Vesenlnitskaya, Manafort, Kushner, and Donald Trump Jr. until it was reported in the news this summer.	b6 b7С
The last time recalled seeing Gates was on 06/17/2017 at the White House. Gates was with	b6 b7C
thinks he has heard the name but he cannot recall why.	ь7 <b>д</b> ь6 ь7с

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date of birth social security account number ending in was interviewed by FBI Special Agent and Special Counsel Prosecutor Greg Andres. Present during the interview was A/ASAC and attorney for Richard Gates, After being advised of the identities of the interviewing parties and the nature of the interview, provided the following information:	ь6 ь7с
met Richard Gates in the 1980's during the Ronald Reagan  Presidential Campaign. At the time, produced  fundraising events for Reagan which included artists such as Wayne Newton,  Dean Martin and Frank Sinatra. Gates and both worked on the  campaign and through that work, they had contact with multiple  times. After the campaign, kept in touch with Gates and	ь6 ь7с
Since the 1980's, Gates and have "crossed paths" numerous times. The most recent contact was approximately 10 days ago and was prompted by the process of	ь6 ь7с
Prior to 10 days ago contacted Gates to find out location. Burkhardt knew Gates and worked together.	b6 b7С
estimated he had contact with Gates and around 5-10 times per year. Gates has invited to produce events at times and they have some professional and social overlap. For example, was involved in the Trump Presidential Campaign as was Gates. The last project and Gates did together was approximately one year before the campaign began.	ь6 ь7с
Gates and are not close friends. The majority of and Gates' contact has been related to a specific event.	b6 b7С
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has never been arrested.	Б6 b70
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files in the drive on occasion, but not regularly. Within the DCCC, the network infrastructure was mostly hosted on Microsoft Windows. All team members were given Dell laptops to perform work on.	
The Digital Department ran the website and was one of several who had access to the Wordpress sites.  The team saved passwords to shared documents. had no reason to believe that the accounts listed on those shared documents had been victimized. used a Google Drive shared to her personal account, the shared password document	1
was not in this Google Drive.  During the Summer of 2016, mostly worked from the DCCC office in DC.  When she worked from home using her WiFi, she could get to the social media and websites without going through the VPN. The software developers would VPN into the network, but most of the team had no need to do this.	
During 2016 work email address was and her personal email was She did not recall if she shared her password with anyone at the time or how often she changed her passwords, but recalled that she never shared personal passwords with people at work. did use the same password in multiple accounts and she believed it was likely that she did have the same password in two places at once.	b6 b7C
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DCCC account username was She used this to VPN into the DCCC a few times, she recalled following the "how-to" document on connecting that referenced an IP address to connect had access to the Democratic National Committee's (DNC) Vertica database server through software written by but did not have a personal account that would be able to connect. She leveraged this software to query the Vertica server.	
DCCC's donation processing website, which was hosted by ActBlue.com. ActBlue.com was a place where Democratic campaigns and non-profits could process contribution payments. Groups could create fundraising projects and process the gifts. The site did not store credit card information, but did store encrypted details related to the credit card. ActBlue.com was not a DCCC entity, but all DCCC small dollar gifts were processed using this website for the 2016 campaign	

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recognized the second email, dated April 6th 2016, and also noticed that it had been opened. However, this email was not forwarded to the COO of DCCC. also recognized the third email dated August 6th 2016, and stated that when she retrieved it that she noticed it had not been opened. found these spear phishing emails convincing, and noted that they appeared legit. stated that she was willing to pull additional metadata regarding the spears if needed.	b6 b7C
had no memory of changing her passwords during this time frame, or allowing others to use her personal accounts. She never authorized others to use her credentials.	ь6 ь7с
During 2016, did not recall seeing any warning messages or banners on her Google account warning her of malicious activity. She also did not notice any denial of service, such as not being able to log onto one of her accounts was unfamiliar with archival compressing tools such as WinZip, WinRAR, and 7zip recognized the name of but did not use his computer only used Microsoft Windows computers, but believed that may have used a Unix computer.	b6 b7C
During April and May of 2016, recalled her average working day being from during the work week. On the weekends, she would log on sporadically from home.	ь6 b7С
originally learned of the DCCC compromise through an all staff meeting. was concerned with the possible compromise of her personal emails and the potential of the emails being released publicly. She described the threat of releasing personal emails as terrifying because she used it for all aspects of her life. The hack of the DCCC's computer network and DCCC website caused no huge personal expense.	b6 b7C
recalled that many people at the DCCC had their personal income taxes filed falsely in their name in 2017. The DCCC invested in credit monitoring for employees. stated that she received no alerts for suspicious credit activity.	

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Date of entry	
On or around 6/12/2018, SA and Special Counsel Prosecutors (SCP) Andrew Weissmann, Greg Andres, and Brian Richardson spoke to attorneys for After being advised of the people on the call, counsel proffered the following information:	b6 b70
At the time of MANAFORT's call to on 2/24/2018, was in the car was driving. was confident that MANAFORT had called him on his usually saw the caller's number when he received calls but MANAFORT's number did not display on phone. did not use speakerphone for this telephone call.	ь6 ь7
had developed an intuitive sense of what 30, 60, and 90 seconds feel like. was confident that the call lasted approximately 30 seconds.  MANAFORT said, "This is Paul - Paul Manafort. I need to give you a headsup."	ь6 b7
responded, "Hello Paul."	b6
MANAFORT said, "I need to give you a heads up about Hapsburg." At this point, turned down the radio so he could hear the call more clearly. MANAFORT continued, "Have you seen any articles about Hapsburg? It's important that we talk. I have an update about Hapsburg."	b7 b6 b7
responded, "I can't talk right now."	b6
MANAFORT continued, "I need to give you a heads up about Hapsburg"	ъ7
At this point, hung up the phone while MANAFORT was still talking. wanted to get off the phone quickly.	ь6 ь7
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#### Loan Process

When a potential loan comes to a Relationship Manager, it is referred to the Portfolio Management Group. ______ assigns the loan to a Portfolio Manager and Credit Analyst for underwriting. A needs list is sent to the borrower via the Relationship Manager and relevant documentation such as: personal financial statement (PFS), loan application (1003), schedule of real estate owned (REO), tax returns and other income documentation is obtained.

A cash flow analysis is conducted by the underwriting team. If the borrower is a commercial entity or the collateral is an income generating property, the cash flow analysis is different than if the borrower is an individual or non-income generating entity. The underwriting team looks for the global cash flow of the borrower and the source of repayment of the loan. In order to determine global cash flow, underwriters look at tax returns, income statements, PFS and other income documents.

If the loan meets BOC's guidelines, the underwriters will prepare a
Credit Approval Memorandum (CAM), which is an internal document describing
the borrower, the loan terms, the financial analysis of the borrower and
the sources of repayment. The CAM is reviewed by the underwriting team
lead and then If approved, it is sent to for approval.
Loans exceeding \$5 million must be approved
by the Chief Credit Officer.

#### Debt Service Coverage

Debt Service Coverage (DSC) is a ratio calculated to assess whether the borrower can afford to repay the loan as well as all of their other debt obligations. DSC is an important factor because BOC does not want to rely on converting assets, liquidating brokerage accounts or selling property, as a source of repayment. BOC requires unsecured loans to have a DSC of at least 1.25% the loan amount. The debt for the unsecured loan is included in the global debt calculation and is amortized with principle and interest over a five year period.

When determining cash flow, underwriters review tax returns, PFS, interim financial statements such as profit loss statements (P&Ls), W2s, K-1s, REO schedule, investment income portfolios and bank account statements. BOC does not require P&Ls to be audited by CPAs, but requires the information in the P&Ls to be accurate.

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b6 b7C When determining debt, underwriters review the PFS, credit report and REO schedule. All debt obligations including mortgages, car loans, commercial lines of credit and any other loan are required to be reported on the PFS. Underwriters have visibility into much of the borrower's debt through their credit report, but not all loans are reported to the credit bureaus and therefore BOC relies on the borrower to provide an accurate and complete picture of their global debt obligations.

The PFS is signed by the borrower to attest to the accuracy of the the information contained therein.

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	At the end of January 2016, Denis KATSYV called and asked if
	he would be interested in a jobasked if the job was in I.T.,
	and KATSYV responded that he would provide more info if attended
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	The meeting was already in progress when he arrived and they were
	discussing creating HRAGIF, although they hadn't settled on a name yet.
	The meeting participants were discussing adoption issues. Present for the
	meeting was KATSYV, Natalia VESELNITSKAYA, Rinat AKHMETSHIN, Ed LIEBERMAN,
	and a couple of other people that did not know and
	did not see again. Anatoli SAMOCHORNOV was not at the meeting. There was a translator present at the meeting for and VESELNITSKAYA.
	could only remember his first name of only prior
	knowledge of the Magnitsky Act came from the media, and
	described it as general information listened to the information
	being presented in the meeting to try understand what kind of job he would
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	At the end of the meeting was offered a job.
	described his position as His duties included
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	more important then it was. was also asked
	was not a decision maker and did not
	direct anyone. AKHMETSHIN was the decision maker and told who to
	meetdid not work with VESELNITSKAYA but she was involved in
	HRAGIF working on the Russian side. VESELNITSKAYA was involved in working
	with Russia on adoption issues. Back then did not know that
	VESELNITSKAYA was a lawyer or that she was a lawyer for KATSYV. It made
	sense tonow, looking back, based upon how VESELNITSKAYA was
	acting never met anyone who put money in except for KATSYV.
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	VESELNITSKAYA were doing that.

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know what KATSYV's interest was in starting HRAGIF, but assumed they	be b7
wanted to change the name of the Global Magnitsky Act to the Global Human	
Violations Law, or something similar. knew they wanted to take	
the name Magnitsky off. During the meeting did not	
come upwas just listening with the goal of finding out what	
his role was and if he could do it.	
KATSYV offered the job at	
the meeting. In February 2016 HRAGIF was established as a 501(c)(4) in	
Delaware, but was not involved in the incorporation which was	
conducted by the Baker and Hostetler Law Firm and LIEBERMAN. In	
received his first paycheck. believed he officially	
started in had no involvement in HRAGIF	
between and there was no work.	
officially started working at HRAGIF	
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was paid approximately a year while working at	bd
HRAGIF for helping to remove the name Magnitsky and help restart	þ,
adoptions believed that removing the name Magnitsky would allow	
the Russians to lift the adoptions ban. There wasn't an indication that	
this was linked to a Russian government effort, but they believed that if	
they could remove the name Magnitsky they could then go to the Russian government which would lift the adoption ban in a quid pro quo scenario.	
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first met KATSYV, in	b
he was travelling through	b
On his way back through attended a social event	
where he first met KATSYV introduced him to KATSYV.	
knew KATSYV through business ties.	
did not work for KATSYV, and did not know how long they had known each other. The second time saw KATSYV, he was again	
travelling through and he went to a	
restaurant with KATSYV came later to the same restaurant and	
ran in to	
In KATSYV called and asked about	ь
KATSYV wanted to know what was doing, knew that	b'
was in the U.S., and KATSYV was interested in getting	

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	everyone else did. never saw VESELNITSKAYA	before that
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phone cal	lls and emails, but didn't remember texting with her.	
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	first met Anatoli SAMOCHORNOV at the end of Marc	
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	NITSKAYA as a translator on other things. For HRAGIF	
	slation and interpretation. AKHMETSHIN and LIEBERMAN for HRAGIF. Consultants included	worked as
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these ind	dividuals/firms received checks for services.	had no
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and remembers the	has
been closed for a couple of year	rs, and did not know where the
owner was located. pro	vided a number of as the last
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the number provided by	and left a message.

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contacted by the undersigned investigating agent at  After being advised of the official identity of the undersigned,  provided the following information:	
is presently He stated that he is willing to answer any and all questions pertaining to his time at Bayrock and joint business deals with the Trump Organization.	
estimated that Bayrock was created in approximately 2001 or 2002. Prior to that time,  Bayrock ceased to exist, he believed, sometime between 2006 and 2008. The world financial crisis led, stated, to the halting of any potential or ongoing projects Bayrock was undertaking.	
recalled two projects Bayrock undertook with the Trump Organization. One project, based in Miami, was left unfinished. The second, Trump SoHo, did proceed. In 2006, began pulling out of the project as the crisis started. He eventually concluded his involvement with Trump SoHo by 2007.	
discussed certain individuals that worked for Bayrock.  was Bayrock's and a "good guy." was largely responsible for Felix Sater was in charge of identifying potential real estate deals.	
In either 2005 or 2006, met with and told him that Sater had criminal convictions in his past consulted with his attorney who told him that Sater had to take a lower profile role in the business. Sater eventually left Bayrock shortly thereafter (in possibly 2005 or 2006) saw Sater in Florida a few years later at a social function.	
In the course of Bayrock's dealings with the Trump Organization, stated that "attorneys dealt with attorneys, financial officers dealt with financial officers." Sater, he stated, would know all the specifics of who	
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and Special Counsel Prosecutor Kyle Freeney. Present during the interview	
was counsel for After being	
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Due to the change of password and the hidden files, notified Alexandria Sheriff's Department	b6 b7С

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JAMES JAY CARAFANO, date of birth (DOB) social security account number (SSAN) was interviewed at THE HERITAGE FOUNDATION, 214 Massachusetts Avenue Northeast, Washington, D.C. 20002. Present during the interview with CARAFANO was from the HERITAGE FOUNDATION Office of General Counsel. CARAFANO was advised the nature of the interview was to discuss a foreign policy meeting held by the DONALD J. TRUMF campaign on March 31, 2016 at the TRUMF INTERNATIONAL HOTEL in Washington, D.C CARAFANO was further advised intentionally providing false statements to the interviewing Agents would be a violation of federal law. After being advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents and the nature of the interview, CARAFANO provided the following information:  CARAFANO confirmed he was in attendance at the March 31st meeting. CARAFANO attended the meeting as a representative of the HERITAGE FOUNDATION. The HERITAGE FOUNDATION is a think tank organization which provides educational briefings to presidential candidates but does not advise or provide direction to the candidates. In addition to providing briefings to TRUMP, CARAFANO provided similar briefings to the past 17 republican candidates and many other individuals. Prior to working at the HERITAGE FOUNDATION, CARAFANO was a speech writer at the Pentagon.  CARAFANO was invited to the meeting by Senator JEFF SESSIONS. He first met SESSIONS through his work at the HERITAGE FOUNDATION, approximately fifteen years ago. SESSIONS told CARAFANO to invite others to the meeting so CARAFANO invited CARAFANO remembered the attendees as being himself, but with the second considered inviting but ultimately did not do so.  The focus of the meeting was national security. To the best of his recollection, CARAFANO remembered the attendees as being himself, sessions, TRUMP, shook hands with all the attendance.  At the beginning of the meeting, TRUMP shook hands with all the attendance. Such attendee was then afforded a couple minutes to speak about a national security topic. spoke abou	Date of entry11/09/2017	}
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weapons and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). CARAFANO provided a brief from a HERITAGE FOUNDATION document titled, "The Index of U.S. Military Strength." CARAFANO left a copy of his briefing materials with TRUMP and stated the interviewing Agents could find a copy of the same documents on the HERITAGE FOUNDATION website. Writer identified a copy of the 2016 Index of Military Strength document on the HERITAGE FOUNDATION website. A copy the document is enclosed for the file as a digital 1A attachment to this FD-302.

CARAFANO could not remember if there was a specific agenda for the meeting or if anyone had taken notes during it. CARAFANO remembered the topic of Russia was brought up by a young man with dark hair, who spoke about energy issues and stated he had connections who could get TRUMP, or TRUMP's people, in contact with Russian president, VLADIMIR PUTIN. CARAFANO did not know the young man and never saw him again.

When asked what the response was to the proposal of arranging a meeting with TRUMP and PUTIN, CARAFANO stated he believed the SESSIONS had voiced his concerns about such a meeting and how it could be a violation of the Logan Act. CARAFANO recalled the topic of Russia may have been brought up as a result of discussions related to the Ukraine and not as a result of any discussions about nuclear matters related to Russia.

CARAFANO then explained that each individual had brought their own topic to the discussion and TRUMP seemed to be the most intrigued by presentation on the nuclear triad and NATO. CARAFANO specifically remembered had apologized to TRUMP for taking up too much time during his brief. CARAFANO did not remember any further discussions about Russia.

CARAFANO attended the Republican National Convention (RNC) in Cleveland, Ohio in July 2016. During the RNC, the HERITAGE FOUNDATION partnered with the U.S. State Department to host an educational event which was widely attended by approximately 800 to 900 people. The attendees included a variety of foreign ambassadors from all around the world, who were invited by the U.S. State Department. CARAFANO introduced SESSIONS when he spoke on a panel during the RNC, along with HERITAGE FOUNDATION representative, _______ That panel focused on topics related to Russia, China, and Europe.

When asked whether or not CARAFANO was present when SESSIONS met with the Russian Ambassador at the RNC, CARAFANO stated he was. CARAFANO remembered a line had formed to meet with SESSIONS and the Russian ambassador had stood in that line with many others to meet with him. CARAFANO recalled SESSIONS met with the Ukrainian ambassador immediately following and stated the meeting with the Russian ambassador was a very

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impromptu engagement. CARAFANO remembered seeing CARTER PAGE in the hospitality area at the reception event for the ambassadors but did not observe him speaking with the Russian ambassador during that event.

CARAFANO provided another candidate brief to TRUMP after the RNC, at the TRUMP TOWER in New York. The meeting was chaired by RUDY GIUILIANI. SESSIONS and MICHAEL FLYNN were also there. CARAFANO recalled the topic of the meeting had focused on homeland security and the border and did not involve any discussions about Russia.

CARAFANO was part of the presidential transition team, the State Department transition team and the Department of Homeland Security transition team. During his time on those teams, CARAFANO never had any substantive discussions about policy related to Russia nor did he observe any activity which he would consider to be evidence of collusion with the Russian government.

Enclosed for the file as a physical 1A item is a copy of a photograph of the March 31st meeting and a corresponding seating chart. Both items were shown to CARAFANO during this interview. A copy of the items are enclosed for the file as a digital 1A attachment to this FD-302.

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DAN CASSERLY, Vice President and United States (U.S.) Country Head of Government Affaris at NOVARTIS CORPORATION (NOVARTIS), was interviewed by Special Agent (SA) Forensic Accountant at Patriots Plaza I, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20546. CASSERLY was accompanied by NOVARTIS coutside counsel from Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing officials and the nature of the interview, CASSERLY provided the following information:	
CASSERLY was not part of any one commercial business at NOVARTIS. As part of CASSERLY's role at NOVARTIS, CASSERLY maintained a functional relationship with at NOVARTIS' global entity, NOVARTIS AG. Within the U.S., CASSERLY reported to CASSERLY had approximately 20 to 25 employees that worked for him.	
CASSERLY was responsible for external advocacy for NOVARTIS. As part of CASSERLY's role, CASSERLY interfaced with the U.S. Congress, the U.S. Presidential administration, and pharmaceutical trade associations.	
CASSERLY knew the name MICHAEL COHEN from headlines in the newspapers. In early 2017, JOE JIMENEZ reached out to CASSERLY via email about entering into a contractual relationship with COHEN. JIMENEZ asked that CASSERLY meet with COHEN to discuss using COHEN as a consultant. Prior to meeting with COHEN in New York City, CASSERLY performed some GOOGLE searches on COHEN.	
CASSERLY was shown an email Bates stamped NVS_00000235 through NVS_00000236. CASSERLY did not receive any sort of notification from JIMENEZ prior to receiving this email. CASSERLY's relationship with JIMENEZ revolved around CASSERLY's dealings with U.S. government affairs.	1
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DONALD TRUMP was an unknown candidate. After TRUMP won the 2016 U.S.	
Presidential election, everyone in Washington, DC suggested they knew	
TRUMP and that companies should hire them as a consultant. COHEN was	
similar in that regard. When JIMENEZ said he wanted to hire COHEN as a	<b>b6</b>
consultant for NOVARTIS, CASSERLY  At that time, the only thing CASSERLY knew about COHEN was from	b7C
the news.	
CASSERLY did not recall any discussions with JIMENEZ prior to meeting	
with COHEN in New York. In preparation for the meeting with COHEN,	
CASSERLY had discussions with KENDRIS.	
Referring to the email Bates stamped NVS 00000235 through NVS 00000236,	
CASSERLY noted that When	b6
JIMENEZ said "Confidentially," in his email to CASSERLY, CASSERLY	b7C
understood JIMENEZ to mean that he did not want CASSERLY discussing the	
COHEN relationship with others. FELIX EHRAT brought KENDRIS in the loop on	
the COHEN relationship. CASSERLY believed the only people at NOVARTIS that	
knew about COHEN being hired as a consultant for NOVARTIS were CASSERLY,	
EHRAT, KENDRIS, and JIMENEZ.	
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recalled sending this email to JIMENEZ. CASSERLY sent an email like this to all NOVARTIS executives every year. This email was not drafted and sent to JIMENEZ because of COHEN. However, CASSERLY offered it JIMENEZ that he (CASSERLY) discuss the "stakeholder targets" with COHEN when CASSERLY was scheduled to meet with COHEN on March 1, 2017. CASSERLY did this because JIMENEZ wanted to know if COHEN could provide access to the TRUMP administration.

Lobbying was something that could be interpreted as advocacy. Consulting was someone assisting with strategy and providing advice. In the past, NOVARTIS hired former members of Congress as consultants. CASSERLY had no predetermined judgment of what COHEN would be doing for NOVARTIS. CASSERLY was not sure how JIMENEZ intended to use COHEN.

On March 1, 2017, CASSERLY attended an in-person meeting with COHEN, KENDRIS, and EHRAT at NOVARTIS' New York office. This was the first time CASSERLY spoke to COHEN. COHEN was wearing a suit and a large watch. COHEN said he was EHRAT was based in CASSERLY was not sure if EHRAT flew in just to attend the meeting with COHEN.

Just before the meeting with COHEN, CASSERLY, KENDRIS, and EHRAT met to discuss how NOVARTIS could use COHEN. CASSERLY, KENDRIS, and EHRAT

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discussed what they thought COHEN knew, whether or not he knew anyone in the TRUMP administration, and the types of issues they considered engaging him on.

During the meeting with COHEN, COHEN was asked what he knew about NOVARTIS. Disappointingly, COHEN did not know a lot. COHEN did no due diligence in advance of the meeting. COHEN asked if NOVARTIS had a presence in the U.S. EHRAT provided COHEN with an overview of NOVARTIS, but COHEN was quick to cut EHRAT off. COHEN talked a lot about his relationship with the TRUMP administration. COHEN had his cellphone out and checked it constantly during the meeting. CASSERLY had the impression that COHEN was trying to demonstrate how close he was to the TRUMP administration. In the middle of the meeting, COHEN answered an incoming call. COHEN said it was a celebrity or someone from TMZ. COHEN put his phone on speaker, but did not tell the person on the phone that they were on speaker. CASSERLY described the incident as awkward and uncomfortable. CASSERLY believed COHEN was

At one point during the meeting with COHEN, CASSERLY provided COHEN with a stakeholder map. As CASSERLY went down the list of individuals on the stakeholder map, CASSERLY asked COHEN about his relationship with each person. There was a focus on _______ and some discussion of lowering drug prices for veterans. COHEN said NOVARTIS did not need any of the individuals on the stakeholder map because NOVARTIS could just go through COHEN for access to the TRUMP administration.

One idea COHEN had during the meeting was for NOVARTIS to build a manufacturing facility in Indiana as a way of bringing manufacturing jobs back to the U.S. COHEN said doing so would look good for TRUMP and could build favor with TRUMP. COHEN may have used this as an example of what he could do for NOVARTIS, but CASSERLY thought COHEN was also serious about NOVARTIS building a manufacturing facility in Indiana. At this point in the meeting, issues important to NOVARTIS were no longer being discussed. CASSERLY felt as if the tables were turning and NOVARTIS was working for COHEN.

CASSERLY brought pen and paper to the meeting with COHEN. However, CASSERLY did not write anything down because nothing in the meeting was noteworthy.

CASSERLY did not know how much COHEN was being paid by NOVARTIS, but heard it was a lot of money.

After the meeting with COHEN on March 1, 2017 concluded, CASSERLY questioned how such a contract with COHEN happened. CASSERLY, KENDRIS, and EHRAT agreed to ask JIMENEZ. At a later time, JIMENEZ told CASSERLY that a

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CASSERLY had no telephone calls with COHEN after meeting with COHEN on March 1, 2017. CASSERLY received no insights about the TRUMP

when EHRAT spoke with JIMENEZ.

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administration from COHEN. CASSERLY did not think there was much interaction between JIMENEZ and COHEN either.	
CASSERLY could not recall when, but after retaining COHEN, JIMENEZ traveled to DC to attend a PHRMA Board meeting. JIMENEZ wanted to use COHEN to set up meetings with individuals in the TRUMP administration while in DC. CASSERLY did not ask COHEN to set up any meetings. CASSERLY did not know if JIMENEZ asked COHEN to set up meetings. If someone did ask COHEN to set up a meeting, COHEN was unsuccessful in doing so. COHEN would have set up meetings for JIMENEZ that COHEN thought JIMENEZ should attend rather than meetings JIMENEZ requested COHEN set up. COHEN needed to be managed.	
Regarding CASSERLY, KENDRIS, and EHRAT's collective view of COHEN,  CASSERLY had the impression that JIMENEZ	b6 b7C
CASSERLY would be surprised if TRUMP knew about COHEN's relationship with NOVARTIS.	
CASSERLY was shown an email Bates stamped NVS_00000247. CASSERLY's comment in this email about	b6 b7с
Consultants CASSERLY worked with at NOVARTIS typically ranged between per month on the low-end to per month on the high-end. Former Congressmen NOVARTIS hired as consultants ranged on the high-end of per month. Within the political sphere, higher dollar contracts were not unusual. One of NOVARTIS' consultants that CASSERLY used during the OBAMA administration,	ь6 ь7с
CASSERLY was shown an email Bates stamped NVS_00000922. was CASSERLY included the bullet point "Michael Cohen engagement" in this email to JIMENEZ because CASSERLY had not spoken with JIMENEZ about COHEN since CASSERLY met COHEN on March 1, 2017. CASSERLY used this one-on-one discussion with JIMENEZ as an opportunity to speak with JIMENEZ directly about his (CASSERLY's) impressions of COHEN. CASSERLY also wanted JIMENEZ's perspective on how to use COHEN. It was during this one-on-one that JIMENEZ told CASSERLY that he (JIMENEZ)	ъ6 ъ7с
JIMENEZ did not pressure CASSERLY to use COHEN, nor did JIMENEZ tell CASSERLY how he should use COHEN. In fact, CASSERLY felt like JIMENEZ implied that	

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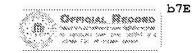
CASSERLY should not use COHEN. CASSERLY knew after the March 1, 2017 meeting with COHEN that he did not want to use COHEN as a consultant. CASSERLY was aware that COHEN's contract was for one year.

CASSERLY did not know all the reasons why NOVARTIS continued to pay COHEN when the company was not using him. CASSERLY noted that it could have been fear of reputational harm if the contract was terminated. COHEN did have some access to what was a very volatile TRUMP administration. NOVARTIS may have been trying to determine if there was value in having COHEN on retainer.

CASSERLY would have preferred to have the in-person meeting with COHEN before hiring him. After meeting COHEN, CASSERLY would not have hired COHEN for what CASSERLY did for NOVARTIS. However, CASSERLY did not know if that would have been the determining factor for whether or not COHEN was hired by NOVARTIS. If COHEN was able to set up meetings with individuals from, for example, Health and Human Services (HHS) or the Vice President, then COHEN may have been valuable. However, CASSERLY

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Agents details for the event on his phone and advised President Donald
Trump (Trump) would be in attendance.
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	was provided with a proffer agreement for this interview. He and
ie att	corneys reviewed the agreement and signed it. was
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(U) On or about 06/15/2017 utilized phone number and called SA regarding an answering machine message that SA left on 06/13/2017. In the message, SA identified himself and requested to interview After being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and the nature of the interview, provided the following information:	ь6 ь70
(U) advised that it took him a few days to return the call because SA called his answering machine at his home and not his cellphone. provided the cellphone number was calling from	b6 b70
(U) was a and previously knew Carter Page (Page) who worked at Merrill Lynch. Later, Page worked for the 2008 Senator John McCain Presidential Campaign It was typical for people who wanted to help in a presidential campaign to want to become delegates for the candidates.	b6 b70
(U) Page called or possibly saw him at a party, and asked specifically if could put Page in touch with the Donald J. Trump Presidential Campaign (Campaign) main contact at the Campaign was Corey Lewandowski introduced Page to Lewandowski via email. (AGENT COMMENT: later provided that email to SA which is attached as a 1A).	b6 b70
(U) When asked about further contact, said that Page emailed and asked to call on 05/11/2016, did not elaborate further. Additionally, Page recently sent an email warning that his name would be in the press as having introduced Page to the campaign felt that it was nice of Page to warn him. After the warning, has been contacted by reporters who asked the same questions as SA Other than these occasions he has had no contact with Page.	b6 b70

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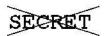
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Washington, D.C. Also present for the interview was Senior Assistant	b7C
Special Counsel ZAINAB AHMAD. After being advised of the identity of the	
interviewing Agents and the nature of the interview, provided the	
following information:	
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lived in	
while working on the Trump campaign. Her cell phone number is	
She was previously issued a government cell phone but does not	
recall the phone number currently uses the email account	
She has used other email addresses from the Trump	
presidential transition team and from the National Security Council (NSC).	
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moved to New	
York City in to work on the Trump campaign. Later she	
transferred back to Washington, D.C. to work on the Trump presidential	
transition team. She later went to work at the National Security Council	
For electronic communication platforms, has used Viber and WhatsApp	pe
to communicate with people overseas and while traveling overseas. She	b7C
does not use Twitter direct messaging, Wicker, Cyber Dust, Signal, or	
Facebook to communicate. has used Viber to communicate with WALID	
PHARES. She no longer uses Viber or WhatsApp and has deleted those	
applications from her cell phone.	
got involved in the Trump campaign because she wanted to support	b6
Presidential candidate DONALD TRUMP. She knew PHARES was already involved	b7C
in the campaign. PHARES got a job interview with RICK DEARBORN, a	
senior policy aide for the campaign. DEARBORN brought on board as a	

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She originally thought she would be working with PHARES but PHARES ended up not working on the campaign. Instead, worked for J.D. GORDON on	
went to the Republican National Convention in July, 2016. She worked as She was not involved in anything related to the Republican Party Platform or with policy related to Ukraine. After the convention, was assigned to the New York office of the campaign. sat in the "war room" located on the 14th floor of Trump Tower. The "war room" was an open office setting with a series of conference tables. Only the senior campaign officials had offices. and many others aides brought their own computers to the office every day. worked mostly on She was paid per month for living expenses	
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Other than PHARES, there was no one from the future Trump campaign on this trip.	
In 2016, was aware that PHARES planned to make a trip to Egypt. wanted to go on the trip but was never asked. was not involved in the planning of the trip and did not know specifics related to the trip.	
received several emails from PHARES while he was on the 2016 trip to Egypt identified the attached email dated September 9, 2016, from PHARES to The email indicated PHARES was trying to coordinate a meeting between President EL-SISI of Egypt and Presidential candidate TRUMP. A second email, also dated September 9, 2016, was sent from PHARES to and also discusses a request for a meeting between President EL-SISI and Presidential candidate TRUMP believes the meeting was eventually coordinated through officials from the Egyptian Embassy and the Trump campaign. In communications using Viber with around the time the emails were sent, PHARES emphasized the importance of the email messages to the campaign printed off copies of both emails and placed them on the chair of campaign chief executive STEVE BANNON as instructed by PHARES did not follow up with PHARES on the specifics of the trip.	
helped write notes for a statement the campaign would release related to the meeting between TRUMP and Egyptian President EL-	



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believes that PHARES may have traveled to the United Arab Emirates around the same time he went to Egypt.	ъ6 ъ7с
After the presidential election, joined the presidential transition team. She had expressed her interest in joining the team to retired general KEITH KELLOGG while he oversaw the national security team was leading the NSC transition team and contacted offering her a position continued to be paid per month living expenses and moved back to Washington, D.C.	ь6 ь7с
The presidential transition team was responsible for coordinating visits with foreign leaders. The team would receive requests from foreign governments, review them, and coordinate meetings. The meetings all took place in New York City and frequently involved foreign ministers kept track of the meetings in a spreadsheet. The data was stored on the presidential transition team computer in an open shared drive.	ь6 ь7С
was aware of the December 2016 United Nations vote against the Israeli settlements from television coverage but does not remember any specific conversations about it while serving on the presidential transition team.	ь6 ь7С
does not recall any specific discussions	b1 (\$) b3 b6 b7c
about how the presidential transition team should respond to the article.  does not know about a call between TRUMP and Russian President VLADIMIR PUTIN.	ь6 ь7С
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has traveled to Egypt times. She has contacts with many Egyptian officials. She was asked about her interactions with the following Egyptian nationals:	b6 b70



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knew a person named but was unsure of the last name.	ъ6 ъ7с
She has spoken to him on the phone and seen him in person once or twice. She does not talk with him anymore.  does not know this individual.	ь6 ь7с
has seen him at events but has no communication with him.	b6 b7С
She stayed in touch with him for awhile. She last saw him at  She has not had further contact with him.	b6 b7C

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After leaving the firm,	
For financial information, would have reached out to	
did not recall the FARA unit visiting BMS's offices to review files.	
would address the firm's FARA-related questions to if she did not know the answer.	
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MANAFORT worked substantially from the BMS offices.	
MANAFORT during tenure	
did not recall any specific interactions with MANAFORT about FARA filings.	
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did not recall this document.	
EX CD11	
did not recall this document but explained that it would have been brought to her.	
did not recall filing for the project.	
EX CD12	
This document did not look familiar. FARA forms were legal size and this document was letter-sized.	
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EX CD13	
This document seemed familiar based on the content of the filing.	

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recalled that he had interactions with the Department of Justice in connection with a review of Black, Manafort & Stone's (BMS) FARA filings.  FARA investigators came to the office to review documents. did not recall how BMS produced records for the review. understood this review to be a routine review for the purpose of compliance. understood that the cure for BMS's issues would likely have been to file amendments.	
did not recall seeing news at the time of the investigation about PAUL MANAFORT's dual role as an appointed OPIC director and a foreign lobbyist likewise did not recall conversations with the Department of Justice regarding MANAFORT.	
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did not recall this document.	
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did not recall this document. Because the document referenced criminal matters, believed that may have been involved.	
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did not recall a discussion about a criminal investigation of MANAFORT.	
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EHRAT did not recall the specifics of his conversation with JIMENEZ regarding how COHEN could help NOVARTIS. However, in looking back at his emails, EHRAT noted that the agenda he had put together in advance of a March 1, 2017 meeting with COHEN included items such as pricing issues,

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border tax, and legal matters. As such, EHRAT believed his conversation with JIMENEZ about what COHEN could do for NOVARTIS was along the same lines.

From EHRAT's conversation with JIMENEZ, there was two reasons why JIMENEZ hired COHEN. COHEN knew the individuals in the TRUMP administration and how they thought. Additionally, COHEN could facilitate access to those individuals, if necessary.

EHRAT's concerns about COHEN were regarding who COHEN was, what risk was involved in hiring COHEN, and whether or not there was a clear and proper contractual relationship in place. The risk with COHEN was no different than any other consultant. EHRAT wanted to know COHEN's track record and professional reputation. After JIMENEZ told EHRAT about COHEN, EHRAT performed a GOOGLE search on COHEN. COHEN was very much in the public debate. There was a fair share of negative press about COHEN. EHRAT did not take everything in the news at face value, given NOVARTIS was in the news every day.

COHEN's proximity to TRUMP made EHRAT more careful in figuring out what issues existed with having COHEN on retainer. EHRAT ensured there was a proper contractual relationship in place. Additionally, EHRAT wanted to get to know COHEN personally. Regarding bribery, EHRAT did not have any specific concerns about COHEN. EHRAT brought up bribery issues with COHEN in the abstract, but EHRAT was not specifically concerned about bribery issues with COHEN.

Prior to meeting COHEN, COHEN did not say anything about his access or ability to influence TRUMP. Had COHEN said something to that effect, EHRAT would not have met with COHEN. From EHRAT's perspective, that was a quid pro quo. EHRAT had two safeguards in place to ensure that did not happen; a proper contract and a face-to-face meeting with COHEN.

was involved in the contract with COHEN because
was a NOVARTIS U.S. lawyer and the contract was a U.S. contract.

Confidentiality of consulting relationships was something EHRAT practiced in the normal course of business. EHRAT

Given the environment at the time, there was a heightened sense of confidentiality regarding COHEN. However, EHRAT stressed maintaining confidentiality was typical for all confidential matters.

Regarding the statement of work NOVARTIS prepared for its relationship with COHEN, EHRAT was okay with the final agreed-upon statement of work. In order to make it more broad, COHEN edited down the statement of work

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from what NOVARTIS originally provided COHEN. While COHEN's scope of work needed some sort of framework, NOVARTIS wanted to keep it open because they did not know what was going to happen in the TRUMP administration. For that reason, NOVARTIS wanted to have an open relationship with COHEN that would develop over time. As a result, EHRAT was not concerned with COHEN editing down the statement of work and making it more broad.

The first email EHRAT received from JIMENEZ referenced COHEN's statement of work.

When EHRAT first reviewed the contract between NOVARTIS and COHEN, it was clear to EHRAT that the relationship with COHEN was

The contract included

EHRAT did not like it, so that language was removed.

EHRAT was not involved in the negotiations regarding COHEN's compensation of \$100,000 per month, nor did EHRAT know if there were any negotiations. JIMENEZ told EHRAT that he would be paying COHEN \$100,000 per month, but JIMENEZ did not tell EHRAT how he came to that number. EHRAT could not compare COHEN's compensation to other consultants NOVARTIS hired. It was a unique situation. EHRAT was aware that \$1.2 million per year was a lot of money. However, EHRAT noted that NOVARTIS paid hundreds of millions of dollars for outside legal advice.

On March 1, 2017, EHRAT had an in-person meeting with COHEN at NOVARTIS' New York office. Also present was TOM KENDRIS and DAN CASSERLY. The relationship with COHEN was important to EHRAT's boss, JIMENEZ, so EHRAT attached the same level of importance to the relationship. Additionally, the relationship with COHEN was going to be at least one year. EHRAT also noted that the political environment in February 2017 was interesting. For these reasons, EHRAT believed it was important he attend the meeting in person. EHRAT wanted to get a personal impression of COHEN.

Prior to the meeting, EHRAT received an email from COHEN that made EHRAT uncomfortable. As the participants were arranging for a meeting time, COHEN said

The March 1, 2017 meeting with COHEN began with small talk about the TRUMP administration, but EHRAT could not recall specifically what was said. The meeting turned into a series of name dropping by COHEN. EHRAT believed COHEN wanted to show he was influential.

During the March 1, 2017 meeting, COHEN received and answered several phone calls. There may have been some calls COHEN received that he did not take. However, one of the call the OHEN to the meeting was put on

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speaker. EHRAT did not recall who the person was on the other line, but COHEN did not tell the person he/she was on speaker. EHRAT did not recall what the conversation between COHEN and the individual on speakerphone was about. The fact that COHEN was answering his phone during the meeting was hugely unprofessional.

As previously noted, in advance of the March 1, 2017 meeting with COHEN, EHRAT had put together an agenda of items to discuss with COHEN, such as pricing issues, border tax, and legal matters. EHRAT emailed the agenda of items to KENDRIS. One of the legal matters EHRAT was interested in discussing with COHEN was a case NOVARTIS had in the Southern District of New York (SDNY). EHRAT was interested because

Regarding the other agenda items, COHEN speculated about whether or not the issues would happen soon. NOVARTIS was interested in obtaining access to individuals in the TRUMP administration. EHRAT was under the assumption that COHEN could bring NOVARTIS together with certain individuals in the TRUMP administration regarding these issues.

When EHRAT met with COHEN on March 1, 2017, EHRAT asked COHEN about his relationship with individuals in the TRUMP administration. EHRAT was trying to figure out who was calling the shots. EHRAT was concerned about policy declarations made by the administration becoming law, new regulations, and/or new guidance.

NOVARTIS, as one of the leaders in its industry, had access to individuals in any administration. However, part of the potential relationship with COHEN was to facilitate meetings and relationships with the TRUMP administration.

During the March 1, 2017 meeting with COHEN, EHRAT had the impression that COHEN did not really know what he was talking about. There was a lot of superficiality involved. Whenever EHRAT dug a little further into the technicalities of NOVARTIS' business, it was clear COHEN was not into the granularity.

During the March 1, 2017 meeting with COHEN, COHEN suggested NOVARTIS build a manufacturing site in the U.S. COHEN said doing so would be good for NOVARTIS' standing in the country and with the TRUMP administration. EHRAT noted that the suggestion of building a manufacturing site was something EHRAT heard in almost every country visit he did. COHEN suggested building it in Indiana, as well as other places. EHRAT could not remember why COHEN suggested Indiana, but EHRAT assumed someone influential in the TRUMP administration was from Indiana. EHRAT was not entirely surprised by COHEN's suggestion.

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EHRAT's impression of COHEN during the March 1, 2017 meeting was based on COHEN's body language and how he said things. EHRAT had a sense that there was not a level of high professionalism there. After the meeting with COHEN ended, EHRAT had a download of the meeting with KENDRIS and CASSERLY. KENDRIS and CASSERLY's assessment of COHEN was very similar to EHRAT's. EHRAT, KENDRIS, and CASSERLY agreed NOVARTIS hiring COHEN was not a very good decision.

When EHRAT was first informed by JIMENEZ of COHEN's hiring, EHRAT saw some merits to JIMENEZ's decision. However, EHRAT wanted confirmation. After meeting with COHEN, EHRAT determined the merits were not very good.

After the meeting with COHEN, EHRAT provided JIMENEZ a download of the meeting and EHRAT's impressions from the meeting. EHRAT told JIMENEZ that he wanted to let the relationship with COHEN go silent for the time being. EHRAT suggested JIMENEZ was disappointed. EHRAT thought JIMENEZ was surprised by how poorly the meeting with COHEN went. EHRAT speculated that JIMENEZ

JIMENEZ did not share the substance of his conversations with COHEN with EHRAT. On a couple of occasions, JIMENEZ told EHRAT that COHEN reached out to him (JIMENEZ), but JIMENEZ did not share the substance of those conversations with EHRAT.

EHRAT had no interactions with COHEN after the March 1, 2017 meeting. From an operational level, KENDRIS and/or CASSERLY would have dealt with COHEN. As such, there was no reason for EHRAT to have additional interactions with COHEN.

In the context of NOVARTIS' relationship with COHEN, EHRAT had no recollection of

Subsequent to the March 1, 2017 meeting, the next time EHRAT had a specific recollection of COHEN's name coming up was in September 2017. JIMENEZ sent EHRAT an email about

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EHRAT did not want to	with COHEN. From EHRAT's
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potentially save. Additionally, t	the likely outcome was one in which
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From that point	of view, it was a business decision to
	EHRAT also did not want to alienate
COHEN. There was no upside to tal	king on the risk of making someone like
COHEN unhappy. EHRAT would apply	the same logic to any partnership
NOVARTIS entered into. COHEN's ac	ccess to the TRUMP administration was not
really a concern. At the time of	this email, September 12, 2017, EHRAT did
not even know what COHEN's access	s to the TRUMP administration looked like.

During the March 1, 2017 meeting with COHEN, COHEN said he had been very close to TRUMP, and continued to be. EHRAT was not entirely convinced of COHEN's representation about his closeness to TRUMP. EHRAT could not recall if COHEN mentioned others in the administration that he was close to, such as JARED KUSHNER.

EHRAT did not recall COHEN representing that he traveled with TRUMP. EHRAT recalled COHEN saying he had access to the White House, which EHRAT took to mean TRUMP. EHRAT did not remember COHEN mentioning Mar-a-Lago. COHEN conveyed to EHRAT, KENDRIS, and CASSERLY that he did not not want to go through intermediaries to facilitate access. COHEN represented that he had direct access to TRUMP.

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE: All emails shown to EHRAT are included in the attached 1A envelope.

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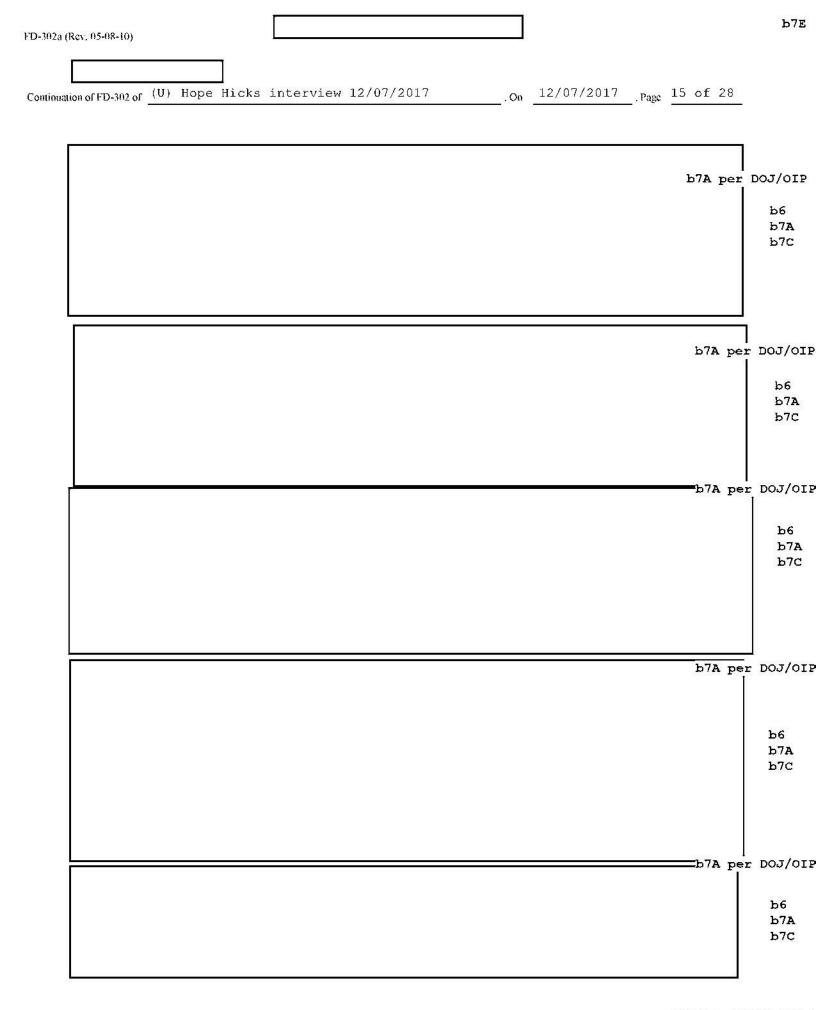
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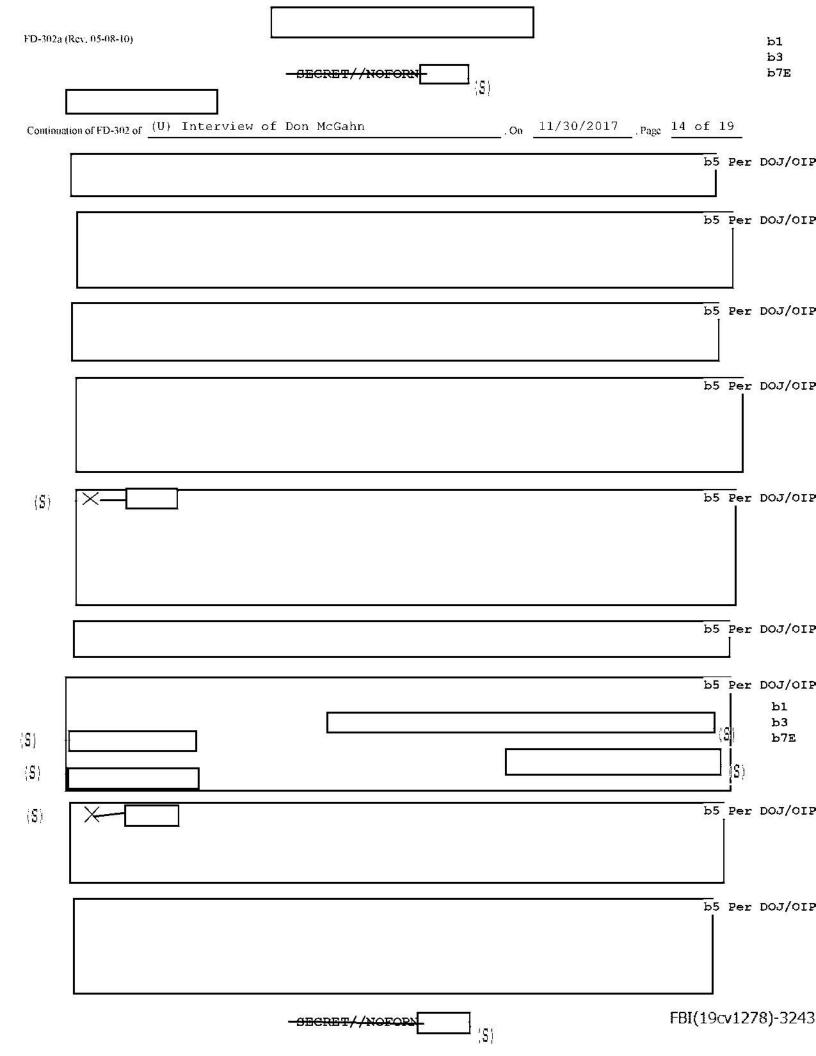
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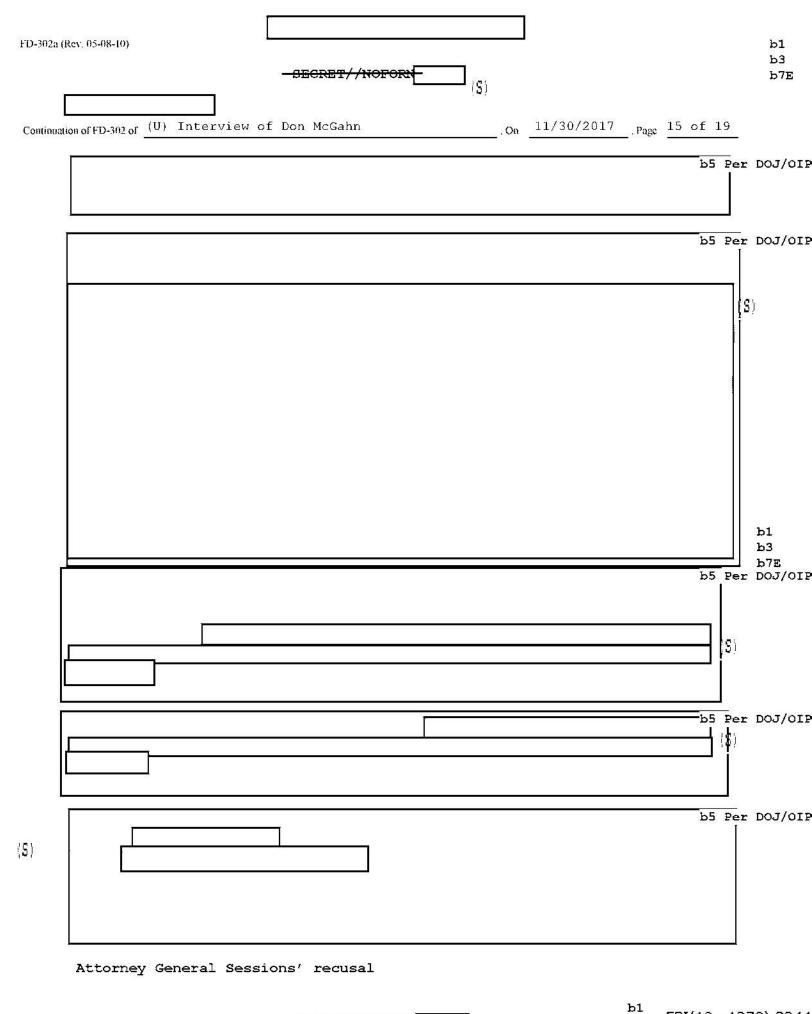
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(U) McGahn believed Trump called him on the morning of March 2, 2017.  Trump  wanted him to get in touch with Sessions to tell him not to recuse himself from the Russia investigation.	OJ/OIP
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(U) Trump did not wan	t Sessions to recuse		b5 Per DOJ/OIP
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McGahn told Priebus not to do it  Priebus he wanted to consult his personal attorney and recommended do the same. McGahn thought he told Priebus if Trump ordered him to Sessions he would resign.  McGahn said the bottom line was if Trump wanted to fire Sessions, and neither would do it, they may have to quit.	o fire	
He did recall "some sembland		c DOJ/OIE
discussion regarding the fact that the Special Counsel would report directly to a non-recused Attorney General. If Sessions left and a was in place, Mueller and his team would report to the new AG.  McGahn offered the opinion things may not much if a new AG was in place.	t new AG	
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