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VIA MAIL AND EMAIL [REDACTED]

Carter Page, Ph.D.
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Dear Dr. Page:

While serving as a foreign policy adviser to the Trump presidential campaign, you traveled to Moscow after having first suggested that candidate Trump make the trip instead,¹ and had several interactions with Russian government officials that you reported back to the campaign. In light of this, we believe that you have information that would assist the Committee in its investigation into Russian interference in the 2016 election and are writing to request documents related to these topics.

Before traveling to Moscow in July 2016, you notified Trump campaign officials (including then-Senator Sessions and then-campaign chairman Corey Lewandowski) about your trip and sought input from the campaign on how to “focus” remarks you planned to deliver at a university event.² During your trip, you reported to Trump campaign officials that wanted to share “some incredible insights and outreach I’ve received from a few Russian legislators and senior members of the Presidential administration [in Russia].”³ You also claimed that you had a “private conversation” with Russia’s deputy prime minister, who “expressed strong support for Mr. Trump.”⁴

¹ Testimony of Carter Page before the U.S. House of Representatives, Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Nov. 2, 2017, Tr. at 170 (“Page Tr.”).

² Manu Raju and Jeremy Herb, “Carter Page reveals new contacts with Trump campaign, Russians,” CNN, Nov. 8, 2017.

³ Page Tr. at 40.

⁴ *Id.* at 38.

During your interview with the House Intelligence Committee, you testified that you also met with a high-ranking Rosneft official (Adrey Baranov) and that he “may have mentioned” the sale of part of Rosneft and that “sanctions may have come up” as well.⁵ While you denied having met with Rosneft CEO Igor Sechin, the topics that you admit may have come up in your meeting with his associate (US sanctions and the sale of Rosneft shares) were identified by Christopher Steele in memos that he compiled in summer and fall 2016.⁶ Following the election, 19.5 percent of Rosneft shares were transferred to shell companies – the beneficial owners of which have not been disclosed publicly⁷ – just one day before you returned to Russia in December 2016 for unidentified business purposes, including meeting with Mr. Baranov again.⁸

You met with Russian Ambassador Sergey Kislyak at the Republican National Convention after having congratulated colleagues on the Trump campaign about last-minute changes to the GOP platform, praising what you described as “excellent work” to soften language regarding the party’s support for Ukraine.⁹

The Intelligence Community has concluded that Russia interfered in the 2016 election, with the goal of undermining faith in our democratic processes and harming Secretary Clinton’s candidacy. As explained in the January 6, 2017 Intelligence Community assessment: “We further assess Putin and the Russian Government developed a clear preference for President-elect Trump.”¹⁰ In light of your contacts with Russian officials and role on the campaign, we believe that you have information that would assist the Committee.

I therefore request that you provide the following documents, covering the time period from January 1, 2015 to the present:

1. All documents concerning your trip to Russia in July 2016 and appearance at the New Economic School;
2. All documents concerning your trip to Russia in December 2016;

⁵ *Id.* at 140.

⁶ Company Intelligence Report 2016/94 (19 July 2016); Company Intelligence Report 2016/134 (18 October 2016).

⁷ Ktya Golubkova, Dmitry Zhdannikov, and Stephen Jewkes, “How Russia sold its oil jewel without saying who bought it,” Reuters, Jan. 24, 2017.

⁸ Page Tr. at 117-118, 138.

⁹ Page Tr. at 195.

¹⁰ Office of the Director of National Intelligence, “Assessing Russian Activities and Intentions in Recent US Elections,” ICA 2017-01D, January 6, 2017.

3. All communications to, from or copied to you with JD Gordon, Walid Phares, Sam Clovis, George Papadopoulos, Tera Dahl, Lt. General Michael Flynn, Charles Kubic, Brent Mizusawa, Joe Schmitz, Keith Kellogg, Gary Harrell, or other Trump campaign advisors;
4. All documents concerning efforts to revise the Republican National Party Platform with regards to Russia and Ukraine;
5. All communications to, from, or copied to you with Sergey Kislyak, Sergey Lavrov, Igor Divyekin or any other Russian government officials, associates, or representatives, or any individuals who purported to act or whom you believed to be acting on behalf of Russian government officials, associates, or representatives; and
6. All communications to, from, or copied to you with or concerning Viktor Yanukovich, Igor Sechin, Rosneft, Gazprom, Sergey Yatsenko, Randi Levinas, Bernie Sucher, Sergey Karaganov, Alfa Group, or their associates or representatives.

I appreciate your cooperation and prompt attention to this important matter and ask that you provide the requested material as soon as possible, but no later than December 12, 2017. Please contact Brian Privor on my staff at (202) 224-7703 to discuss arrangements for production.

Sincerely,



Dianne Feinstein
United States Senator

cc: The Honorable Charles E. Grassley