U.S. House Committee on THE JUDICIARY CHAIRMAN JERROLD NADLER

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RANKING MEMBER NADLER STATEMENT FOLLOWING INDICTMENTS AGAINST RUSSIAN OPERATIVES BY SPECIAL COUNSEL MUELLER

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Today, House Judiciary Committee Ranking Member Jerrold Nadler (D-NY) released the following statement after Special Counsel Robert Mueller issued new indictments against 13 Russian nationals and three Russian groups accused of interfering with the 2016 U.S. elections:

"Given the facts alleged in this indictment, not even President Trump should doubt that the Russian government's effort to subvert our last election was real, that the conspiracy was aimed at helping the Trump campaign and damaging Hillary Clinton, and that Russian operatives were both present in the United States and aided by co-conspirators on the ground.

"That last point should be repeated: these thirteen defendants worked 'with others known and unknown to the Grand Jury' to defraud the United States. The indictment does not identify these co-conspirators. I suspect their names will be known to us soon.

"Today's indictments should lay to rest any assertions by President Trump that the Special Counsel's investigation is a 'hoax' or a 'witch hunt.' At this point, any step President Trump may take to interfere with the Special Counsel's investigation including removing Deputy Attorney General Rosenstein, or threatening to remove Special Counsel Mueller directly—will have to be seen as a direct attempt to aid the Russian government in attacking American democracy."

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