United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

January 10, 2020

Case No: F-2020-00309

American Oversight
Daniel McGrath
1030 15th Street NW, B255
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. McGrath:

This is in response to your request under the Freedom of Information Act (the "FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552, referenced above, dated August 23, 2019. In conjunction with FOIA case number F-2019-09097, the Department reviewed over 300 potentially responsive pages. The Department identified 41 pages responsive to your request and has determined that 3 pages may be released in full, and 38 pages may be released in part.

An enclosure explains the FOIA exemptions and other grounds for withholding material. Where we have made redactions, the applicable FOIA exemptions are marked on each document. In some cases, two or more exemptions may apply to the same document. All non-exempt material that is reasonably segregable from exempt material has been released in the enclosed pages.

The processing of your request remains ongoing. If you have any questions, your attorney may contact Trial Attorney, Josh Abbuhl at (202) 616-8366 or at Joshua.Abbuhl@usdoj.gov. Please refer to civil action number 19-cv-3058, and FOIA case number F-2020-00309 in all correspondence regarding this case.

Sincerely,

Susan C. Weetman

Susan C. Weetman
Deputy Director
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures: As stated.

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The Freedom of Information Act (5 USC 552)

FOIA Exemptions

(b)(1) Information specifically authorized by an executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy. Executive Order 13526 includes the following classification categories:

- 1.4(a) Military plans, systems, or operations
- 1.4(b) Foreign government information
- 1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
- 1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US, including confidential sources
- 1.4(e) Scientific, technological, or economic matters relating to national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(f) U.S. Government programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
- 1.4(g) Vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installations, infrastructures, projects, plans, or protection services relating to US national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(h) Weapons of mass destruction

(b)(2) Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency

(b)(3) Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 USC 552), for example:

ARMSEXP	Arms Export Control Act, 50a USC 2411(c)
CIA PERS/ORG	Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 USC 403(g)
EXPORT CONTROL	Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 USC App. Sec. 2411(c)
FS ACT	Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 USC 4004
INA	Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1202(f), Sec. 222(f)
IRAN	Iran Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 99-99, Sec. 505

(b)(4) Trade secrets and confidential commercial or financial information

(b)(5) Interagency or intra-agency communications forming part of the deliberative process, attorney-client privilege, or attorney work product

(b)(6) Personal privacy information

(b)(7) Law enforcement information whose disclosure would:

- (A) interfere with enforcement proceedings
- (B) deprive a person of a fair trial
- (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
- (D) disclose confidential sources
- (E) disclose investigation techniques
- (F) endanger life or physical safety of an individual

(b)(8) Prepared by or for a government agency regulating or supervising financial institutions

(b)(9) Geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells

Other Grounds for Withholding

NR Material not responsive to a FOIA request excised with the agreement of the requester

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Subject: REMINDER: Staffers' St. Patrick's Day Party and Welcome Party for
Location: Staffers' Office, 6223A

Start: Wed 3/13/2019 12:00 PM
End: Wed 3/13/2019 2:00 PM
Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

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Organizer: EUR-StaffAssistants
Required Attendees: EUR-Deskofficers-DL; EUR-Directors-DL; EUR-FO-DL
Optional Attendees:



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WHAT: Staffers' St. Patrick's Day Party, and also to welcome Kim and Patty as our new staffers!
WHEN: Wednesday, March 13, 12-2pm
WHERE: Staffers' Office, 6223A
WHAT TO BRING: We'll have drinks, food, dessert, but feel free to bring something to share

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March 13, 2019
Wednesday

8:00 AM - 8:30 AM

DAS Meeting -- A/S Office
Dear all,

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Please be advised that today's meeting will shift to 08:00 am.

Regards,

(b)(6)

Executive Assistant to EUR/DAS Michael J. Murphy

U.S. Department of State| HST Room 6227

(b)(6)

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

REMINDER: Staffers' St. Patrick's Day Party and Welcome Party for (b)(6) **- Staffers' Office, 6223A**

WHAT: Staffers' St. Patrick's Day Party, and also to welcome (b)(6) (b)(6) as our new staffers!

WHEN: Wednesday, March 13, 12-2pm

WHERE: Staffers' Office, 6223A

WHAT TO BRING: We'll have drinks, food, dessert, but feel free to bring something to share

March 14, 2019
Thursday

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

EUR/SCE Annual St. Patrick's Day Party! -- HST 5219
Happening Now!!

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March 14, 2019 Continued
Thursday

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Dear Colleagues,

Please join us for EUR/SCE's annual St. Patrick's Day party! We will be celebrating on **Thursday, March 14** from 3:00 to 5:00 in our suite, 5219.

We will be serving theme-appropriate (food and) drink, and the music will be sure to inspire some dancing of the jig.


St. Partick's Day Invitation.p...

Of course, Wearing of the Green i encouraged.

We are looking forward to celebrating with you all, and please feel free to pass along this invitation.

Sláinte!

March 28, 2019
Thursday

11:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Meeting with Nick Schifrin, Ambassador Kurt Volker and Mr Christopher Anderson -- Le Pain Quotidien | 800 17th St NW, Washington, DC 20006 | Phone: (202) 688-0341

From: Nick Schifrin <(b)(6)>
Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 4:24 PM
To: (b)(6); Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>; Volker, Kurt D <(b)(6)>; Anderson, Christopher J <(b)(6)>
Cc: Kurt Volker (b)(6)
Subject: RE: catching up

Sounds good. Thank you.

From: (b)(6)
Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 4:18 PM

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Thursday

To: Nick Schifrin <(b)(6)>; Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>; Volker, Kurt D <(b)(6)>
Anderson, Christopher J <(b)(6)>
Cc: Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>
Subject: RE: catching up

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Great. How about meeting at Le Pain Quotidien at 800 17th St NW, Washington, DC 20006?

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From: Nick Schifrin <(b)(6)>
Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 4:15 PM
To: (b)(6)>; Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>; Volker, Kurt D <(b)(6)>
Anderson, Christopher J <(b)(6)>
Cc: Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>
Subject: RE: catching up

I can't do 4-5. How about we grab 11-1130? Thanks very much.

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March 28, 2019 Continued
Thursday

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Nick Schifrin

Foreign Affairs and Defense Correspondent, PBS NewsHour

Office: (b)(6)

Mobile/WhatsApp/Signal: (b)(6)

(b)(6)

@nickschifrin

From: (b)(6)
Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 3:12 PM
To: Nick Schifrin <(b)(6)>; Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>; Volker, Kurt D <(b)(6)>; Anderson, Christopher J <(b)(6)>
Cc: Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>
Subject: RE: catching up

Ambassador Volker will be on a call until 11:00am. Would 4-5 be better?

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Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 2:31 PM
To: (b)(6)>; Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>; Volker, Kurt D (b)(6)
Anderson, Christopher J <(b)(6)>
Cc: Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>
Subject: RE: catching up

Actually, I now have to be back in the office at 12p.

Could we meet from 1030-1130 instead?

Thanks very much.

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Nick Schifrin

Foreign Affairs and Defense Correspondent, PBS NewsHour

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Mobile/WhatsApp/Signal: (b)(6)

(b)(6)

@nickschifrin

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Thursday

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From: Nick Schifrin
Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 1:55 PM
To: (b)(6) >; Kurt Volker <(b)(6) >; Volker, Kurt D <(b)(6)
Anderson, Christopher J <(b)(6)
Cc: Kurt Volker <(b)(6) >
Subject: RE: catching up

Hi (b)(6)

Sorry for my delayed reply. Yes, I can come tomorrow at 11a. Thanks very much.

Best,

Nick

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Nick Schifrin

Foreign Affairs and Defense Correspondent, PBS NewsHour

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Mobile/WhatsApp/Signal: (b)(6)

(b)(6)

@nickschifrin

From: (b)(6) >
Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 10:07 AM

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Thursday

To: Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>; Nick Schifrin <(b)(6)>; Volker, Kurt D <(b)(6)>; Anderson, Christopher J <(b)(6)>
Cc: Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>
Subject: RE: catching up

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Dear Nick,

I hope this note finds you well. I wanted to follow up on my previous note. Ambassador Volker is still available to meet on Thursday, March 28 (tomorrow) either at 11:00am-12:00pm or 4:00pm-5:00pm. Please let me know which you decide. Thank you.

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From: (b)(6)
Sent: Monday, March 25, 2019 9:00 PM
To: 'Kurt Volker' <(b)(6)>; Nick Schifrin <(b)(6)>; Volker, Kurt D <(b)(6)>; Anderson, Christopher J <(b)(6)>

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March 28, 2019 Continued
Thursday

Cc: Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>
Subject: RE: catching up

Hi Nick –

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Hope this note finds you well. Would like to offer up to you some possible times for Ambassador Volker's availability on Thursday 3/28:

11:00am-12:00pm

4:00pm-5:00pm

Please let me know what works. Will be glad to schedule you.

All the best,

(b)(6)

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From: Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>
Sent: Monday, March 25, 2019 3:56 PM
To: Nick Schifrin <(b)(6)>; Volker, Kurt D
(b)(6)
(b)(6)
>; Anderson, Christopher J
Cc: Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>
Subject: Re: catching up

Hi Nick -- yes -- happy to -- maybe Thursday this week? Or next week - kurt

Amb. Kurt Volker
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On Mon, Mar 25, 2019 at 1:30 PM Nick Schifrin <(b)(6)> wrote:

Hi Ambassador,

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Thursday

This is Nick Schifrin from PBS NewsHour. How are you? I hope all is well.

We are setting up some Ukraine coverage for the next few weeks, and I'm wondering if you have any time to meet for a coffee?

Thanks very much.

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Best,

Nick

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Nick Schifrin

Foreign Affairs and Defense Correspondent, PBS NewsHour

Office: (b)(6)

Mobile/WhatsApp/Signal: (b)(6)

(b)(6)

@nickschifrin

April 30, 2019
Tuesday

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM

S Trip Planning Mtg - Russia -- PCR (HST-7516)

Dear Colleagues,

(SBU) Please join me for our first trip planning meeting for the Secretary's upcoming travel to Russia. The meeting will take place in the PCR (HST-7516) on Tuesday, April 30 at 0830 EDT.

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April 30, 2019 Continued
Tuesday

Participants at post are kindly requested to invite others as necessary.

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Those joining from outside should dial in to **202-647-0817** up to 15 minutes before the scheduled start time and use access code

I look forward to seeing and hearing from all of you!

Best,

Chris Klein

Deputy Executive Secretary

U.S. Department of State

(b)(6)

May 1, 2019
Wednesday

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Meeting with S -- Main State
From: Anderson, Christopher J (b)(6)
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 11:53 AM
To: (b)(6)
(b)(6) Kurt Volker (b)(6)
Cc: (b)(6) Volker, Kurt D
(b)(6)
Subject: Re: FW: S approved memo 201913724, Call with SRUN Kurt Volker

They're just realized that they'll both be in the building so the meeting will be in person.

Christopher J. Anderson

Special Advisor for Ukraine Negotiations

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Wednesday

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From: (b)(6)
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:13:38 AM
To: Anderson, Christopher J; (b)(6) Kurt Volker
Cc: (b)(6) Volker, Kurt D
Subject: RE: FW: S approved memo 201913724, Call with SRUN Kurt Volker

Got it. Thanks.

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From: Anderson, Christopher J (b)(6)
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:12 AM

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To: (b)(6) (b)(6) Kurt Volker <(b)(6)
Cc: (b)(6); Volker, Kurt D (b)(6)
Subject: Re: FW: S approved memo 201913724, Call with SRUN Kurt Volker

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Yes - his office. Thanks.

Christopher J. Anderson

Special Advisor for Ukraine Negotiations

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From: (b)(6)
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:09:51 AM
To (b)(6) Kurt Volker
Cc: Anderson, Christopher J; (b)(6) Volker, Kurt D
Subject: RE: FW: S approved memo 201913724, Call with SRUN Kurt Volker

Main State?

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Executive Assistant to Ambassador Kurt Volker

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From: (b)(6)
Sent: Monday, April 22, 2019 7:11 PM
To: Kurt Volker <(b)(6)
<(b)(6)>
Cc: Anderson, Christopher J <(b)(6)
(b)(6) Volker, Kurt D (b)(6)
Subject: RE: FW: S approved memo 201913724, Call with SRUN Kurt Volker

Great, confirmed.

From: Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>
Sent: Monday, April 22, 2019 6:55 PM
To: (b)(6)
(b)(6)
Cc: Anderson, Christopher J <(b)(6)
(b)(6) Volker, Kurt D (b)(6)
Subject: Re: FW: S approved memo 201913724, Call with SRUN Kurt Volker

Yes - please do - thanks!

On Mon, Apr 22, 2019 at 5:16 PM (b)(6)
(b)(6) wrote:

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May 1, 2019 Continued
Wednesday

Ambassador, S staff would like to confirm Wednesday, May 1st at 10am for a secure call. Shall I confirm? --

(b)(6)

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From: Kurt Volker (b)(6)
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2019 2:07 PM
To: (b)(6)
Subject: Re: FW: S approved memo 201913724, Call with SRUN Kurt Volker

April 29, May 1, May 7-8-9.

On Fri, Apr 19, 2019 at 1:51 PM (b)(6) (b)(6) wrote:

S staff is now saying they want to wait until you're back in DC and able to do a secure call. Any dates I can propose?

From: Kurt Volker (b)(6)
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2019 1:32 PM
To: (b)(6)
Subject: Re: FW: S approved memo 201913724, Call with SRUN Kurt Volker

Yes — afraid that's the only option. Thanks - Kurt

On Fri, Apr 19, 2019 at 1:28 PM (b)(6) (b)(6) wrote:

Will do. I'll also confirm that you'll do the call unsecure since you'll be calling from Arizona.

From: Kurt Volker (b)(6)
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2019 1:26 PM
To: (b)(6)
Subject: Re: FW: S approved memo 201913724, Call with SRUN Kurt Volker

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Thanks -a I'll be in Arizona on May 2. So that is 7:3a local — perfect - so do confirm. Thanks - Kurt

On Fri, Apr 19, 2019 at 1:15 PM (b)(6) (b)(6) wrote:

Ambassador, S staff would like to reschedule your call with the Secretary to Thursday, May 2 at 9:30am EDT/3:3pm Budapest time. Would you like us to confirm this time with S staff and arrange for you to do the secure call from Embassy Budapest on Thursday?

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From: (b)(6)
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2019 1:11 PM
To: (b)(6) Anderson, Christopher J (b)(6) EUR-EE-DL <EUR-EE-DL@state.gov>
Cc: S_Scheduling <S_Scheduling@state.gov>
Subject: RE: S approved memo 201913724, Call with SRUN Kurt Volker

Team,

Due to scheduling conflicts, we now need to pull down this call for Wednesday. Is 9:30am on Thursday, May 2 a possibility for rescheduling this call?

Thanks,

(b)(6)

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Office of the Secretary

U.S. Department of State

(b)(6)

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From: (b)(6)
Sent: Thursday, April 18, 2019 12:22 PM
To: (b)(6) Anderson, Christopher J (b)(6) EUR-EE-DL <EUR-EE-DL@state.gov>
Cc: S_Scheduling <S_Scheduling@state.gov>
Subject: RE: S approved memo 201913724, Call with SRUN Kurt Volker

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Wednesday

(b)(6) Ambassador Volker has confirmed the secure call for Wednesday 4/24 at 3pm. He will be calling from Embassy Budapest.

Thanks,

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From: (b)(6)
Sent: Thursday, April 18, 2019 10:39 AM
To (b)(6) Anderson, Christopher J (b)(6) EUR-EE-DL <EUR-EE-DL@state.gov>
Cc: S_Scheduling <S_Scheduling@state.gov>
Subject: RE: S approved memo 201913724, Call with SRUN Kurt Volker

(b)(6) Thank you for this. We'll revert back to you ASAP with an answer.

(b)(6)

Ukraine Desk Officer (Political)

HST 4427

(b)(6)

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From: (b)(6)
Sent: Thursday, April 18, 2019 10:32 AM
To: Anderson, Christopher J (b)(6); EUR-EE-DL <EUR-EE-DL@state.gov>

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Cc: S_Scheduling <S_Scheduling@state.gov>
Subject: S approved memo 201913724, Call with SRUN Kurt Volker

Hello,

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S approved memo 201913724, Call with SRUN Kurt Volker.

Please confirm **3:00pm on Wednesday, April 24** for a secure call with S. Let us know if a secure call is not possible.

Let us know when we can confirm.

Best,
(b)(6)

(b)(6)

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May 8, 2019
Wednesday

8:45 AM - 9:45 AM

S Trip Planning Mtg - Russia -- PCR (HST-7516)

Dear Colleagues,

(SBU) Please join me for our next trip planning meeting for the Secretary's upcoming travel to Russia. The meeting will take place in the PCR (HST-7516) on Wednesday, May 8 at 0845 EDT.

Participants at post are kindly requested to invite others as necessary.

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Wednesday

I look forward to seeing and hearing from all of you!

Best,

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Chris Klein

Deputy Executive Secretary

U.S. Department of State

(b)(6)

May 15, 2019
Wednesday

10:15 AM - 11:15 AM **S Trip Planning Mtg - Berlin, Switzerland, Naples, Hague, London -- PCR (HST-7516)**

Dear Colleagues,

Please join us for a trip planning meeting for S travel May 30 - Jun 5 to Berlin, Switzerland, Naples, Hague, and London in the PCR (HST-7516) on Wednesday, May 15 at 1015 EDT. Please share with anyone we may have forgotten.

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Karen Enstrom and Eva Weigold Schultz

Deputy Executive Secretaries

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May 15, 2019 Continued
Wednesday

May 22, 2019
Wednesday

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

S Trip Planning Mtg - Berlin, Switzerland, The Hague, London -- PCR (HST-7516)
NOTE TIME CHANGE: From 0900 to 1030 EDT

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Dear Colleagues,

Please join us for the next trip planning meeting for S travel May 30 - Jun 5 to Berlin, Switzerland, The Hague, and London in the PCR (HST-7516) on Wednesday, May 22 at **1030 EDT**. Please share with anyone we may have forgotten.

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Karen Enstrom and Eva Weigold Schultz

Deputy Executive Secretaries

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May 23, 2019
Thursday

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

Meeting with President Trump -- The White House
From: Anderson, Christopher J <(b)(6)
Sent: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 1:40 PM
To: Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>; Volker, Kurt D
(b)(6)
Cc: (b)(6)
(b)(6)
Subject: FW: May 22/23 Briefing by Ukraine Pres Delegation

FYI – meeting with President Trump on Thursday, May 23 at 3:30 pm.

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From:
Sent: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 1:38 PM
To: Doyle, Emma (b)(6)
(b)(6)
Cc: (b)(6)
(b)(6) (U) Vindman, Alexander S (Kyiv | EOP)
(b)(6) Anderson, Christopher J
(b)(6) brian.mccormack (b)(6)
(b)(6) ; Haidet, Michael B. EOP/WHO
(b)(6) ; Almstead, Deidre
(b)(6) Buchan, Samuel
jessica.szymanski (b)(6)
(b)(6)
Subject: Re: May 22/23 Briefing by Ukraine Pres Delegation

Works for Amb Sondland. Thanks so much! Adding a couple others from del-lead Secretary Perry's Staff to confirm his availability.

Regards,

(b)(6)

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From: Doyle, Emma (b)(6)
Sent: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 7:32:33 PM
To:
Cc: (b)(6) Vindman, Alexander S (Kyiv | EOP); Anderson, Christopher J; brian.mccormack (b)(6)
(b)(6) Haidet, Michael B. EOP/WHO; Almstead, Deidre
Subject: RE: May 22/23 Briefing by Ukraine Pres Delegation

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May 23, 2019 Continued
Thursday

Adding in Michael Haidet, who is coordinating scheduling.

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Would **Thursday, May 23, 2019 at 3:30 PM (30 minutes)** work?

Best,

Emma

Emma Doyle

Principal Deputy Chief of Staff

The White House

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From: (b)(6)
Sent: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 1:31 PM
To: (b)(6) Doyle, Emma <(b)(6)>
Cc: (b)(6) <(b)(6) Vindman, Alexander S. EOP/NSC <(b)(6)>; Anderson, Christopher J <(b)(6) brian.mccormack (b)(6) (b)(6)>
Subject: RE: May 22/23 Briefing by Ukraine Pres Delegation

Hi Emma,

Many thanks in advance for any updates. If you need me, my phone is (b)(6) and my cell is (b)(6)

Sincerely,

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From: (b)(6)
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To: Emma.K.Doyle(b)(6)
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(U) Vindman, Alexander S (Kyiv | EOP)
<(b)(6) >; Anderson, Christopher J
(b)(6) brian.mccormack(b)(6)
(b)(6)
Subject: May 22/23 Briefing by Ukraine Pres Delegation

Emma,

Adding in Ambassador Sondland's control officer (b)(6) from the State Department who can coordinate the final timing for the Presidential Delegation's (Secretary Perry, Amb Volker, Amb Sondland, Senator Johnson) briefing of the President about the Ukrainian inauguration [redacted] Wednesday May 22 in late afternoon or Thursday May 23 in the morning works best for the delegation members.

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Thanks for your help in advance to set this up!

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Regards,

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11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Meeting with Douglas Rediker, Ambassador Kurt Volker and Christopher J Anderson -- Le Pain Quotidien | 800 17th St NW, Washington, DC 20006 | Phone: (202) 688-0341
From: Douglas Rediker <(b)(6)
Sent: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 3:15 PM
To: (b)(6)
Cc: Kurt Volker <(b)(6)>; Ambassador Kurt Volker (b)(6) | Anderson, Christopher J (b)(6)
Subject: Re: Chat?

Friday at 11?

Douglas Rediker

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On May 21, 2019, at 13:39, (b)(6) (b)(6) wrote:

Dear Doug,

Thanks for the note. I have included the Ambassador's availability on Friday May 24:

10:30am-12:00pm

2:00pm-5:00pm

Please let me know which you decide, and I'll be happy to schedule you accordingly.

Thanks and all the best,

(b)(6)

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From: Douglas Rediker <(b)(6)
Sent: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 9:07 AM
To: Kurt Volker <(b)(6)
Cc: Ambassador Kurt Volker (b)(6) Anderson, Christopher J (b)(6)
<(b)(6)
Subject: Re: Chat?

Kurt,

Safe travels!

I am around all day Friday this week (other than 9-10), so let me know if anytime that day works.

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And definitely want to also arrange sometime more social. Let's find a way.

Doug

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On May 21, 2019, at 09:00, Kurt Volker <(b)(6) > wrote:

Hi Doug -- on my way back from Kiev now -- get into DC late tonight. Maybe we can have coffee on Friday, or next week? And we really need to do a proper get together socially at some point, but it seems like we are in motion all the time these days...

Best - Kurt

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On Mon, May 20, 2019 at 7:48 PM Douglas Rediker <(b)(6) > wrote:

Kurt,

Hope you are well. Please let me know if you have time to chat. Am anxious to hear your views on Zelensky, etc.

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May 28, 2019
Tuesday

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

S Trip Planning Mtg - Berlin, Switzerland, The Hague, and London -- PCR (HST-7516)
Dear Colleagues,

Please join us for the last trip planning meeting for S travel May 30 - Jun 5 to Berlin, Switzerland, The Hague, and London in the PCR (HST-7516) on Tuesday, May 28 at 0900 EDT. Please share with anyone we may have forgotten.

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Participants outside DC can dial in to 202-647-0817 up to fifteen minutes before the scheduled start time and use access code [redacted] Please note the initial caller will not hear anything until additional participants join the call. If you need any further assistance, or if the details of the call change, please contact the Operations Center at 202-647-1512.

Karen Enstrom and Eva Weigold Schultz

Deputy Executive Secretaries

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June 13, 2019
Thursday

2:00 PM - 2:45 PM

Canceled: Ambassador Kurt Volker, Special Representative for Ukraine Negotiations -- Office
JWICS PROPOSAL: Feinberg 6/7 at 8:48AM

JWICS CONFIRMATION: Vindman 6/7 at 12:33PM

TOPIC: U.S.-Ukraine bilateral relations

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NSC PARTICIPANTS: Fiona Hill, Alex Vindman

EXTERNAL PARTICIPANTS: SA Anderson

INTERPRETATION: NO

PHOTO: YES

TWEET: YES

WAVES: Action with #EUR

PARKING: NONE

ESCORT: Alex Vindman

COFFEE CART: NO

ADDITIONAL:

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June 26, 2019
Wednesday

12:30 PM - 2:00 PM **REMINDER! EUR Staff Assistants Farewell Bash -- 6223**
Join us at 12:30!

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July 9, 2019
Tuesday

3:50 PM - 4:45 PM **Surprise Send-Off for Chris Anderson -- HST 6227**
Please join us for a **surprise** send off for Chris Anderson, who is finishing his last week as Special Advisor for Ukraine Negotiations. We'll gather in SBO Murphy's suite (HST 6227) at **3:50pm tomorrow (Tuesday)** for a 4pm toast. Please feel free to pass along this invitation to other colleagues who might be interested in attending!

July 23, 2019
Tuesday

2:15 PM - 2:45 PM **CANCELLED Meeting w Tim Morrison -- EEOB 393**
Croft will join

July 26, 2019
Friday

12:30 PM - 2:00 PM **Celebrating** (b)(6) **- 6223**
The time has come for us to say farewell to [redacted] who has served for more than 30 years. Please join us at HST in room 6223 on July 26 from 12:30-2 to wish her well.

Please let us know if you'll attend by this Friday and also, if you wish to contribute to her gift, please stop by 6223 and see [redacted] or [redacted] by Friday, July 19.

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July 30, 2019
Tuesday

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM

0830 Call to Amb Huntsman -- 6517
KV to initiate.

August 19, 2019
Monday

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM

HOLD: Ambassador Volker -- Office

JWICS PROPOSAL: Feinberg 8/16 at 10:57AM

JWICS CONFIRMATION:

TOPIC: Ukraine

NSC PARTICIPANTS: Tim Morrison, Alex Vindman

EXTERNAL PARTICIPANTS:

INTERPRETATION:

PHOTO:

TWEET:

WAVES:

PARKING:

ESCORT:

COFFEE CART:

ADDITIONAL:

August 30, 2019
Friday

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Front Office Happy Hour -- happy hour
Note the updated time, per PDAS request.

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On this Labor Day weekend eve, please join the EUR Front Office to toast our status as the flagship bureau, and celebrate promotions.

Our generous PDAS will provide a selection of cold beverages—read: wine--and snacks.

Thanks,

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Special Assistant, Office of the Assistant Secretary
Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs

(b)(6)

September 5, 2019
Thursday

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Interagency Tandberg on for Sep 5 -- Amb Cormack's office
Colleagues,

The Interagency SVTC will take place at the regularly scheduled time of 0930, September 5. Inshallah we will overcome connection challenges.

- APDAS Cormack will open the meeting, and the Tandberg will take place in her office. AMB Reeker will join after he finishes addressing our U.S. ambassadors in EUR.

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- Tim Morrison has confirmed his attendance, along with representatives from OSD/RUE and OSD/EUR/NATO.

- DASes: Your presence is welcome and not mandatory. It is likely that the 0830 EUR COMS call will run over the 60 minute mark.

Thanks to those of you whose teams have provided points. A proposed agenda is below:

1. (b)(5) Deliberative Process
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Thanks,

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Special Assistant, Office of the Assistant Secretary
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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

January 10, 2020

Case No. F-2019-09097

American Oversight
Daniel McGrath
1030 15th Street NW, B255
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. McGrath:

In the course of searching for records responsive to your above-referenced Freedom of Information Act request, the Department located the enclosed documents. We have reviewed the documents and have been unable to determine whether these documents are in fact responsive to your request. Given this uncertainty and the circumstances of this case, the Department has decided to produce the enclosed documents to you today in addition to our production of documents that we have determined to be responsive. Most of the enclosed documents are already in the public domain.

The Department notes that any sharing of the enclosed documents to third parties, including posting them to the internet, should include a copy of this letter making clear that we have been unable to determine whether the documents are in fact responsive to your request. Without such a clarification, there is an unavoidable risk that the public would be misinformed, and could be misled into believing that the Department has determined these documents to be responsive to your request.

If you have any questions, your attorney may contact Trial Attorney, Josh Abbuhl at (202) 616-8366 or at Joshua.Abbuhl@usdoj.gov. Please refer to civil action number 19-cv-3058, and FOIA case number F-2019-09097 in all correspondence regarding this case.

Sincerely,

Susan C. Weetman
Deputy Director
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures: As stated.

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The Freedom of Information Act (5 USC 552)

FOIA Exemptions

(b)(1) Information specifically authorized by an executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy. Executive Order 13526 includes the following classification categories:

- 1.4(a) Military plans, systems, or operations
- 1.4(b) Foreign government information
- 1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
- 1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US, including confidential sources
- 1.4(e) Scientific, technological, or economic matters relating to national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(f) U.S. Government programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
- 1.4(g) Vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installations, infrastructures, projects, plans, or protection services relating to US national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(h) Weapons of mass destruction

(b)(2) Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency

(b)(3) Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 USC 552), for example:

ARMSEXP	Arms Export Control Act, 50a USC 2411(c)
CIA PERS/ORG	Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 USC 403(g)
EXPORT CONTROL	Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 USC App. Sec. 2411(c)
FS ACT	Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 USC 4004
INA	Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1202(f), Sec. 222(f)
IRAN	Iran Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 99-99, Sec. 505

(b)(4) Trade secrets and confidential commercial or financial information

(b)(5) Interagency or intra-agency communications forming part of the deliberative process, attorney-client privilege, or attorney work product

(b)(6) Personal privacy information

(b)(7) Law enforcement information whose disclosure would:

- (A) interfere with enforcement proceedings
- (B) deprive a person of a fair trial
- (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
- (D) disclose confidential sources
- (E) disclose investigation techniques
- (F) endanger life or physical safety of an individual

(b)(8) Prepared by or for a government agency regulating or supervising financial institutions

(b)(9) Geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells

Other Grounds for Withholding

NR Material not responsive to a FOIA request excised with the agreement of the requester

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[7/12/19, 10:08:23 PM] NSC: â€ŽMessages to this group are now secured with end-to-end encryption.
[7/12/19, 10:08:23 PM] â€ŽChris Anderson created group â€œNSCâ€
[7/12/19, 10:08:24 PM] â€ŽChris Anderson added you
[7/12/19, 10:10:47 PM] Chris Anderson: FYI - Alex told us that request for phone call went up to Bolton. [redacted]

[redacted]

[7/12/19, 10:10:57 PM] Chris Anderson: Catherine will hopefully have more later.

[redacted]

[7/12/19, 10:14:52 PM] Chris Anderson: [redacted] - Catherine can chime in after she finishes up at the White House.
â€Ž[7/12/19, 11:03:19 PM] Chris Anderson: â€Ž<attached: 00000008-PHOTO-2019-07-12-23-03-19.jpg>

[redacted]

[redacted] but AV is happy to get your input on what to suggest back.
[7/12/19, 11:07:19 PM] Kurt Volker: Ok - will do
[7/12/19, 11:09:15 PM] Chris Anderson: Here is the letter itself.
â€Ž[7/12/19, 11:09:23 PM] Chris Anderson: â€Ž<attached: 00000013-PHOTO-2019-07-12-23-09-23.jpg>

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I think that is one on one. If not, feel free to join — I'll ask Danylyuk

But probably not chaliy I think

Got it. One on one would be good.

Are you also seeing Yermak?

Also - Hecker has no time on Wednesday - he could maybe do a meeting at 2:45 on Thursday assuming his meeting with C doesn't run long.

Ok — I think I'll miss him then

Yes on Yermak — Wednesday am coffee

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So you need me to cancel the Thursday Hecker meeting? What about doing 30 minutes?

And Yermak is joining the Danilyuk Bolton meeting.

7/8/19, 10:57 PM

Hi -- I can do Hecker up until 10:45am on Thursday, but then need to head to the airport. Can he do morning? even breakfast? I have a 9am phone call for 20 min, but other than that clear...

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7/9/19, 7:59 AM

We are at the table in the restaurant

Great - just park és

Parked

7/9/19, 11:13 AM

Hecker can do 8-830 st Fairmont

7/9/19, 3:32 PM

Does 8-830 on Thursday work for Hecker? Seeing Germans now...

Yes — that's great — I can do that

7/11/19, 11:35 AM

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I just spoke w Bill. [redacted]

[redacted]

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[redacted]

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7/12/19, 9:07 AM

Ok

Read 7/12/19

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[9/8/19, 11:20:08 AM] â€ŽGordon Sondland created group â€œUkraineâ€
[9/8/19, 11:20:09 AM] â€ŽGordon Sondland added you
[9/8/19, 11:20:32 AM] Gordon Sondland: Guys, multiple convos with Ze, Potus. Lets talk
[9/8/19, 11:21:41 AM] Bill Taylor: Now is fine with me
[9/8/19, 11:26:13 AM] Kurt Volker: Try again â€" could not hear
[9/8/19, 11:40:11 AM] Bill Taylor: Gordon and I just spoke. I can brief you if you and Gordon don't connect
[9/8/19, 12:37:28 PM] Bill Taylor: The nightmare is they give the interview and don't get the security assistance. The Russians love it. (And I quit.)
[9/8/19, 5:04:16 PM] Kurt Volker: Iâ€™m not in the loop. Talk Monday?
[9/9/19, 12:16:42 AM] Gordon Sondland: Call at your convenience or let me know a good time. I am in Brussels
[9/9/19, 12:20:32 AM] Kurt Volker: Will do - just getting started here in Georgia â€" will step out and call in an hour or so a thanks!
[9/9/19, 12:31:06 AM] Bill Taylor: The message to the Ukrainians (and Russians) we send with the decision on security assistance is key. With the hold, we have already shaken their faith in us. Thus my nightmare scenario.
[9/9/19, 12:34:44 AM] Bill Taylor: Counting on you to be right about this interview, Gordon.
[9/9/19, 12:37:16 AM] Gordon Sondland: Bill, I never said I was â€œrightâ€ . I said we are where we are and believe we have identified the best pathway forward. Lets hope it works.
[9/9/19, 12:47:11 AM] Bill Taylor: As I said on the phone, I think it's crazy to withhold security assistance for help with a political campaign.
[9/9/19, 5:19:35 AM] Gordon Sondland: Bill, I believe you are incorrect about President Trumpâ€™s intentions. The President has been crystal clear: no quid pro quoâ€™s of any kind. The President is trying to evaluate whether Ukraine is truly going to adopt the transparency and reforms that President Zelensky promised during his campaign. I suggest we stop the back and forth by text. If you still have concerns, I recommend you give Lisa Kenna or S a call to discuss them directly. Thanks.
[9/9/19, 5:47:09 AM] Bill Taylor: I agree

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[9/1/19, 12:08:57 PM] Bill Taylor: Are we now saying that security assistance and WH meeting are conditioned on investigations?
[9/1/19, 12:42:29 PM] Gordon Sondland: Call me
[9/3/19, 11:49:46 AM] Bill Taylor: Defense Minister Zagorodnyuk is calling you both about security assistance. I think Kurt talked with him last night.
[9/4/19, 9:55:18 AM] Kurt Volker: Yes â€" we had a good talk â€" Bill â€" Iâ€™ll call you later today
[9/4/19, 11:08:05 AM] Bill Taylor: Sounds good. Am heading to the airport to pick up Senators Johnson and Murphy. Messages for them?
[9/4/19, 12:42:20 PM] Kurt Volker: Thank you for the letter!! And push for WH visit...
[9/4/19, 12:42:44 PM] Kurt Volker: Being denied visas for Russia is a badge of honor
[9/4/19, 12:44:03 PM] Kurt Volker: Even more convinced of our assessment after inaugurationâ€" zelenskyy is the real deal and he needs our support
[9/4/19, 3:22:02 PM] Bill Taylor: Made those points. They are in exactly the right place.
[9/12/19, 12:08:40 AM] Kurt Volker: Hi â€" got an email overnight from SASC â€" says hold is lifted. Letâ€™s verify...
[9/12/19, 12:10:19 AM] Bill Taylor: Got the same message. Checking with NSC
[9/12/19, 12:10:49 AM] Kurt Volker: Great - thanks! Let me know what you hear!

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[8/13/19, 9:20:21 AM] Kurt Volker: You free?
[8/13/19, 10:26:44 AM] Kurt Volker: Special attention should be paid to the problem of interference in the political processes of the United States, especially with the alleged involvement of some Ukrainian politicians. I want to declare that this is unacceptable. We intend to initiate and complete a transparent and unbiased investigation of all available facts and episodes, including those involving Burisma and the 2016 U.S. elections, which in turn will prevent the recurrence of this problem in the future.
[8/13/19, 10:27:20 AM] Gordon Sondland: Perfect. Lets send to Andrey after our call
[8/13/19, 10:27:53 AM] Kurt Volker: Yes
[8/13/19, 10:38:57 AM] Gordon Sondland: â€ŽMissed voice call
[8/13/19, 10:39:27 AM] Gordon Sondland: â€ŽMissed group voice call
[8/13/19, 10:42:20 AM] Gordon Sondland: â€ŽMissed voice call
[8/13/19, 10:49:20 AM] Gordon Sondland: â€ŽMissed voice call
[8/13/19, 2:44:59 PM] Gordon Sondland: U going to call Andrey first tomorrow?
[8/15/19, 7:26:36 AM] Gordon Sondland: Hi, did you connect with Andrey?
[8/15/19, 7:34:14 AM] Kurt Volker: Not yet - will talk w bill and then call him later today. Want to know our status on asking them to investigate
[8/15/19, 7:51:49 AM] Gordon Sondland: Good thought
[8/17/19, 2:48:40 PM] Gordon Sondland: Yermak just tapped on me about dates. Havent responded. Any updates?
[8/17/19, 3:02:55 PM] Kurt Volker: Hi â€" Iâ€™ve got nothing. Bill had no info on requesting an investigation â€" calling a friend at DOJ (Bruce Schwartz)
[8/17/19, 3:06:19 PM] Gordon Sondland: Do we still want Ze to give us an unequivocal draft with 2016 and Boresma?
[8/17/19, 4:34:21 PM] Kurt Volker: Thatâ€™s the clear message so far ...
[8/17/19, 4:34:39 PM] Kurt Volker: Iâ€™m hoping we can put something out there that causes him to respond with that
[8/17/19, 4:41:09 PM] Gordon Sondland: Unless you think otherwise I will return Andreys call tomorrow and suggest they send us a clean draft.
[8/17/19, 6:57:11 PM] Kurt Volker: Letâ€™s talk tomorrow my morning so you have all latest. We spoke for about 30 min today
[8/17/19, 6:58:05 PM] Gordon Sondland: Deal
[8/18/19, 7:13:04 AM] Gordon Sondland: Call when up
[8/18/19, 10:11:00 AM] Kurt Volker: Hi Gordon â€" am free anytime - Kurt
[8/19/19, 8:56:25 AM] Gordon Sondland: Drove the â€œlarger issueâ€ home with Yermak. Not about just a meeting but the relationship per se. please convey to John. Also Yermak raised the Bolton visit and said he would appreciate us both joining the meetings. Kindly convey. Thx
[8/19/19, 7:27:50 PM] Gordon Sondland: â€ŽMissed voice call
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[8/23/19, 10:49:20 AM] Gordon Sondland: â€ŽMissed voice call

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[7/7/19, 3:08:45 PM] Bill Taylor: My question is about Danyliuk-Prystaiko -- have you been working with both on the phone call? Did Prystaiko and Ze get it when you laid out what needs to happen on the call? Should I follow up with Prystaiko?
[7/7/19, 3:09:30 PM] Bill Taylor: Or with Bohdan?
[7/7/19, 4:30:24 PM] Kurt Volker: Hi bill â€" sorry â€" just saw this â€" I can talk now or first thing tomorrow if you can - best Kurt
[7/7/19, 4:32:31 PM] Kurt Volker: Spoke w Zelensky, bogdan and Prystaiko in Toronto. Have spoke w Danylyuk by phone and will see him in DC Tuesday. There does seem to be some disconnect on their side â€" in addition to our side! Best - Kurt
[7/7/19, 11:21:12 PM] Bill Taylor: Yup. Can I tell the three of them -- Prystaiko, Danyliuk and Bohdan -- that we can schedule the phone call if Ze is ready to say that he is not interfering, one way or another, in any investigations? I would like to talk about it -- what's a good time for you today?
[7/8/19, 9:12:25 AM] Bill Taylor: Let's talk today. I will be asking to see Bohdan (probably with Vadym) to try to nail down this end of the phone call. They didn't say that they were on board for the call when you talked to them in Toronto?
[7/8/19, 9:12:30 AM] Kurt Volker: Hi bill - I can call around 9:30/9:40 dc time of ok?
[7/8/19, 9:14:05 AM] Kurt Volker: Zelensky was on board - bogdan was skeptical. Worried that a call substitutes for a visit. I pulled the two of them aside at the end and explained the Giuliani factor...
[7/8/19, 9:16:50 AM] Bill Taylor: Live interview here 4:30 here, 9:30 there. How about 6 here, 11 there? Or pick a later time today.
[7/8/19, 9:31:17 AM] Kurt Volker: Great â€" I can do 1:30pm here / 8:30 for you â€" does that work?
[7/8/19, 10:01:37 AM] Bill Taylor: Perfectly
[7/8/19, 1:29:42 PM] Bill Taylor: Calling shortly

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[8/9/19, 10:36:23 AM] Kurt Volker: Got a minute? Best - Kurt
[8/9/19, 10:56:31 AM] Gordon Sondland: â€ŽMissed voice call
[8/9/19, 5:35:53 PM] Gordon Sondland: Morrison ready to get dates as soon as Yermak confirms.
[8/9/19, 5:46:21 PM] Kurt Volker: Excellent!! How did you sway him? :)
[8/9/19, 5:47:34 PM] Gordon Sondland: Not sure i did. I think potus really wants the deliverable
[8/9/19, 5:48:00 PM] Kurt Volker: But does he know that?
[8/9/19, 5:48:09 PM] Gordon Sondland: Yep
[8/9/19, 5:48:37 PM] Gordon Sondland: Clearly lots of convos going on
[8/9/19, 5:48:38 PM] Kurt Volker: Ok â€" then thatâ€™s good itâ€™s coming from two separate sources
[8/9/19, 5:51:18 PM] Gordon Sondland: To avoid misundestandings, might be helpful to ask Andrey for a draft statememt (embargoed) so that we can see exactly what they propose to cover. Even though Ze does a live presser they can still summarize in a brief statement. Thoughts?
[8/9/19, 5:51:42 PM] Kurt Volker: Agree!
[8/10/19, 11:58:56 AM] Gordon Sondland: Anything from Andrey?
[8/10/19, 1:22:51 PM] Kurt Volker: Not yet â€" will give him some time
[8/10/19, 1:23:24 PM] Gordon Sondland: I briefed Ulrich. All good
[8/10/19, 5:12:44 PM] Kurt Volker: This came in from Andrey â€" I suggested we talk at my 10am / his 5pm tomorrow...
[8/10/19, 5:12:49 PM] Kurt Volker: Hi Kurt. Please let me know when you can talk. I think itâ€™s possible to make this declaration and mention all these things. Which we discussed yesterday. But it will be logic to do after we receive a confirmation of date. We inform about date of visit and about our expectations and our guarantees for future visit. Let discuss it
[8/10/19, 5:14:08 PM] Gordon Sondland: If thatâ€™s 10am Eastern, I can join you if you wish.
[8/10/19, 5:14:31 PM] Kurt Volker: Yes â€" hoping you can!
[8/10/19, 5:14:51 PM] Gordon Sondland: Great. You want to call State ops or shall I?
[8/10/19, 5:15:05 PM] Kurt Volker: No â€" Iâ€™ll just do via whatâ€™s App
[8/10/19, 5:15:28 PM] Gordon Sondland: Perfect. Talk tomorrow.
[8/11/19, 9:48:53 AM] Kurt Volker: Hi Gordon â€" ready in 10 min?
[8/11/19, 9:49:08 AM] Gordon Sondland: Yes

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[5/27/19, 4:25:18 PM] Christopher J. Anderson: Ah... the hub call is in a studio across the street. Would probably need 10 minutes to be safe. Should we postpone or start early? And want to reiterate that you can't do it?
[5/27/19, 4:25:39 PM] Ambassador Kurt Volker: We could start at 8:45am
[5/27/19, 4:26:12 PM] Ambassador Kurt Volker: Yes — have told that to bill and to reeker. And talking to reeker this evening
[5/27/19, 10:15:26 PM] Christopher J. Anderson: All set for an 845 start. I'll let you know where to meet in the morning.
[5/27/19, 11:27:46 PM] Ambassador Kurt Volker: Great - thanks!
[5/28/19, 6:53:58 AM] Christopher J. Anderson: Matthew will meet is at 830 at the C street lobby to take us over and get you prepared.
[5/28/19, 7:42:41 AM] Ambassador Kurt Volker: Ok - thanks!

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[5/28/19, 12:05:09 PM] Ambassador Kurt Volker: Yes — that is a good reason / good point. Let me discuss w Prystaiko and danyliuk.

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[5/29/19, 5:07:44 PM] Ambassador Kurt Volker: Ok... but let's try to get a visit date still....
[5/29/19, 5:08:34 PM] Christopher J. Anderson: Yup. And will also flag the SVTC with French/Germans. Want to see if Fiona is free before or after?
[5/29/19, 5:08:49 PM] Ambassador Kurt Volker: Sure — that would be good. Thx - kv

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[5/30/19, 12:44:32 PM] Christopher J. Anderson: I'll bring a copy to the meeting today. It's on the high side.

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[6/21/19, 9:16:21 AM] Ambassador Kurt Volker: Yes — 10 min?
[6/21/19, 9:16:36 AM] Christopher J. Anderson: Perfect.
[6/21/19, 1:04:04 PM] Christopher J. Anderson: Prystaiko's office said S-L is preferred option.
[6/21/19, 1:04:12 PM] Ambassador Kurt Volker: Ok
[6/21/19, 1:04:34 PM] Christopher J. Anderson: Might be good to touch base over weekend if you have time. I'll let Taylor know...
[6/21/19, 1:11:41 PM] Ambassador Kurt Volker: Just texted Vadym. Happy to talk w bill this weekend
[6/21/19, 1:11:45 PM] Ambassador Kurt Volker: And Vadym
[6/21/19, 1:12:37 PM] Christopher J. Anderson: Sorry - I meant you should touch base with Vadym and that I'll let Taylor know what's going on.
[6/21/19, 1:13:05 PM] Ambassador Kurt Volker: Ok — good. I'll let you know what he says

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

January 10, 2020

Case No: F-2019-09097

American Oversight
Daniel McGrath
1030 15th Street NW, B255
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. McGrath:

This is in response to your request under the Freedom of Information Act (the "FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552, referenced above, dated September 11, 2019. In conjunction with FOIA case number F-2020-00309, the Department reviewed over 300 potentially responsive pages. The Department identified 19 pages responsive to your request and has determined that 12 pages may be released in full, and 7 pages may be released in part.

An enclosure explains the FOIA exemptions and other grounds for withholding material. Where we have made redactions, the applicable FOIA exemptions are marked on each document. In some cases, two or more exemptions may apply to the same document. All non-exempt material that is reasonably segregable from exempt material has been released in the enclosed pages.

The processing of your request remains ongoing. If you have any questions, your attorney may contact Trial Attorney, Josh Abbuhl at (202) 616-8366 or at Joshua.Abbuhl@usdoj.gov. Please refer to civil action number 19-cv-3058, and FOIA case number F-2019-09097 in all correspondence regarding this case.

Sincerely,

Susan C. Weetman

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Deputy Director
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures: As stated.

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The Freedom of Information Act (5 USC 552)

FOIA Exemptions

(b)(1) Information specifically authorized by an executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy. Executive Order 13526 includes the following classification categories:

- 1.4(a) Military plans, systems, or operations
- 1.4(b) Foreign government information
- 1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
- 1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US, including confidential sources
- 1.4(e) Scientific, technological, or economic matters relating to national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(f) U.S. Government programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
- 1.4(g) Vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installations, infrastructures, projects, plans, or protection services relating to US national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(h) Weapons of mass destruction

(b)(2) Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency

(b)(3) Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 USC 552), for example:

ARMSEXP	Arms Export Control Act, 50a USC 2411(c)
CIA PERS/ORG	Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 USC 403(g)
EXPORT CONTROL	Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 USC App. Sec. 2411(c)
FS ACT	Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 USC 4004
INA	Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1202(f), Sec. 222(f)
IRAN	Iran Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 99-99, Sec. 505

(b)(4) Trade secrets and confidential commercial or financial information

(b)(5) Interagency or intra-agency communications forming part of the deliberative process, attorney-client privilege, or attorney work product

(b)(6) Personal privacy information

(b)(7) Law enforcement information whose disclosure would:

- (A) interfere with enforcement proceedings
- (B) deprive a person of a fair trial
- (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
- (D) disclose confidential sources
- (E) disclose investigation techniques
- (F) endanger life or physical safety of an individual

(b)(8) Prepared by or for a government agency regulating or supervising financial institutions

(b)(9) Geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells

Other Grounds for Withholding

NR Material not responsive to a FOIA request excised with the agreement of the requester

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[8/9/19, 2:24:21 PM] â€ŽYou created group â€œAndrey/Gordon/Kurtâ€
[8/9/19, 2:24:21 PM] Andrey/Gordon/Kurt: â€ŽMessages to this group are now secured with end-to-end encryption.
[8/9/19, 2:24:57 PM] Kurt Volker: Hi Andreyâ€" we have all consulted here, including with Rudy. Can you do a call later today or tomorrow your afternoon time? Kurt
[8/9/19, 2:25:40 PM] Gordon Sondland: I have a call sched at 3pm Eastern for the three of us. Ops will call
[8/13/19, 10:11:50 AM] Kurt Volker: Hi Andrey â€" we spoke with Rudy. When is good to call you?
[8/13/19, 10:19:20 AM] Andrey Yermak: Hi Kurt
[8/13/19, 10:19:50 AM] Gordon Sondland: I can talk now
[8/13/19, 10:20:54 AM] Andrey Yermak: Iâ€™m in Israel
[8/13/19, 10:21:20 AM] Gordon Sondland: Important. Do you have 5 mins
[8/13/19, 10:21:21 AM] Andrey Yermak: I can speak in 10-15 min
[8/13/19, 10:22:55 AM] Gordon Sondland: Ok I will have our operator dial us in at 4:35 Brussels time
[8/13/19, 10:23:14 AM] Kurt Volker: Can we do this one on whatâ€™s App?
[8/13/19, 10:23:31 AM] Gordon Sondland: Ok, fine. Can you initiate?
[8/13/19, 10:23:41 AM] Kurt Volker: Yes - will do
[8/13/19, 10:24:17 AM] Andrey Yermak: Ok
[8/13/19, 12:11:15 PM] Kurt Volker: Hi Andrey â€" good talking â€" following is text with insert at the end for the 2 key items. We will work on official request
[8/13/19, 12:11:19 PM] Kurt Volker: Special attention should be paid to the problem of interference in the political processes of the United States, especially with the alleged involvement of some Ukrainian politicians. I want to declare that this is unacceptable. We intend to initiate and complete a transparent and unbiased investigation of all available facts and episodes, including those involving Burisma and the 2016 U.S. elections, which in turn will prevent the recurrence of this problem in the future.

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[7/10/19, 7:57:58 AM] Kurt Volker: Good grief. Please tell Vadym to let the official USG representatives speak for the U.S. Iutsenko has his own self-Interest here...
[7/10/19, 7:58:37 AM] Bill Taylor: Exactly what I told them.
[7/10/19, 7:59:41 AM] Bill Taylor: And I said that RG is a private citizen.
[7/10/19, 11:43:41 AM] Bill Taylor: I briefed Ulrich this afternoon on this.
[7/10/19, 2:26:06 PM] Bill Taylor: Eager to hear if your meeting with Danyliuk and Bolton resulted in a decision on a call.
[7/10/19, 10:26:13 PM] Bill Taylor: How did the meeting go?
[7/10/19, 10:29:44 PM] Kurt Volker: Not good â€" letâ€™s talk â€" kv
[7/10/19, 10:31:20 PM] Bill Taylor: Just called. You are on the phone.
[7/14/19, 10:07:27 AM] Gordon Sondland: Everyone is now focused on making the Potus ZE call happen prior to 7/21
[7/14/19, 10:09:33 AM] Kurt Volker: Anything new you have heard?
[7/14/19, 10:12:57 AM] Gordon Sondland: Tim Morrison is also tracking now. Good sign
[7/14/19, 10:16:46 AM] Bill Taylor: They will make it happen whenever, but they want him in an office, ideally his, so the connection and interpretation are clear. Any indication of timing most welcome
[7/15/19, 10:10:22 AM] Bill Taylor: We keep getting readouts of the Danyliuk-Bolton meeting that predict no phone call or meeting any time soon. This can't be my message to Ze. How to proceed?
[7/15/19, 10:31:05 AM] Gordon Sondland: Talking to NSC tomorrow at 8:30 eastern
[7/16/19, 12:47:13 PM] Bill Taylor: Make any progress?
[7/17/19, 10:46:23 AM] Bill Taylor: Danyliuk just asked if there was any news from the WH. Any update?
[7/17/19, 10:47:01 AM] Gordon Sondland: I put in a call to Potus and am waiting for a return
[7/17/19, 10:47:44 AM] Bill Taylor: Excellent -- thanks, Gordon
[7/18/19, 10:19:54 AM] Bill Taylor: OMB on a SVTS just now said that all security assistance to Ukraine is frozen, per a conversation with Mulvaney and POTUS. Over to you.
[7/18/19, 11:07:08 AM] Gordon Sondland: All over it
[7/19/19, 10:19:10 AM] Bill Taylor: Can we marshal our forces to get a congratulatory phone call from POTUS to Ze mid to late next week, assuming the election goes well and Servant of the People does well?
[7/19/19, 11:31:03 AM] Gordon Sondland: Talked to WH. This is moving but post election
[7/19/19, 11:49:51 AM] Bill Taylor: If we can get a congratulatory call post election, that could begin to establish the relationship?
[7/19/19, 4:49:42 PM] Kurt Volker: Can we three do a call tomorrow â€" say noon WASHINGTON?
[7/19/19, 6:50:29 PM] Gordon Sondland: Looks like Potus call tomorrow. I spike directly to Zelensky and gave him a full briefing. Heâ€™s got it.
[7/19/19, 6:52:57 PM] Gordon Sondland: Sure!
[7/19/19, 7:01:22 PM] Kurt Volker: Good. Had breakfast with Rudy this morning â€" teeing up call w Yermak Monday. Must have helped.

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Most impt is for Zelensky to say that he will help investigation â€" and address any specific personnel issues â€" if there are any
[7/19/19, 11:53:55 PM] Bill Taylor: Good idea for us to check in at noon Washington time. I just heard that the POTUS call that had been scheduled for 1500 Kyiv time today has been put on hold pending the outcome of the election tomorrow. Is that what you hear?
[7/20/19, 4:52:58 AM] Bill Taylor: If possible, I'd like to at least know when these are scheduled. I can at least reinforce what you are doing.
[7/20/19, 4:53:15 AM] Gordon Sondland: Call me Bill thx
[7/20/19, 10:41:01 AM] Bill Taylor: Do we need to talk at noon Washington time?
[7/20/19, 10:45:50 AM] Kurt Volker: Yes - Iâ€™m available. Not sure if Gordon can or not but letâ€™s plan on it, and weâ€™ll loop Gordon in if we can
[7/20/19, 11:33:00 AM] Bill Taylor: Kupperman (sp?) wants to talk to Danyliuk secure so I am meeting taking him to my office. Can we reschedule?
[7/20/19, 11:37:11 AM] Kurt Volker: Absolutely
[7/20/19, 11:37:19 AM] Kurt Volker: Anytime today will work for me
[7/20/19, 11:46:20 AM] Bill Taylor: Maybe after the Kupperman-Danyliuk call? Around 9 my time tonight?
[7/20/19, 12:29:14 PM] Kurt Volker: Ok
[7/20/19, 1:48:41 PM] Bill Taylor: Just finished with Danyliuk. Will be in the car in 10 minutes. Call then?
[7/20/19, 1:49:03 PM] Kurt Volker: Yes - good
[7/20/19, 2:27:04 PM] Bill Taylor: Call now?
[7/21/19, 1:45:54 AM] Bill Taylor: Gordon, one thing Kurt and I talked about yesterday was Sasha Danyliuk's point that President Zelenskyy is sensitive about Ukraine being taken seriously, not merely as an instrument in Washington domestic, reelection politics.
[7/21/19, 4:45:44 AM] Gordon Sondland: Absolutely, but we need to get the conversation started and the relationship built, irrespective of the pretext. I am worried about the alternative.
[7/21/19, 5:21:47 AM] Bill Taylor: So, the call tomorrow can be a positive step.
[7/22/19, 12:15:55 AM] Bill Taylor: Good, pretty long meeting -- both one-on-one and with Bohdan, Sasha, Yermak, Razumkov -- with the president at his campaign headquarters last night. Interested in both the call and meeting. I couldn't be specific.
[7/22/19, 12:17:16 AM] Bill Taylor: Sounds like Washington is thinking about a congratulatory call in the next couple of days --

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[7/22/19, 12:20:59 AM] Bill Taylor: Very good election result for Zelenskyy and us. Likely a young, Western-oriented prime minister. Ze likely in coalition with Vakarchuk (with whom I have met one-on-one twice in the last three days).
[7/22/19, 12:22:01 AM] Gordon Sondland: So Monday call was just rumor?
[7/22/19, 12:28:22 AM] Bill Taylor: Doesn't sound like from either side that it was actually scheduled.
[7/22/19, 8:38:05 AM] Kurt Volker: Yermak thinks Call is at 6pm Kiev today. Bill â€" any idea? Should I call sitroom?
[7/22/19, 8:40:38 AM] Gordon Sondland: Good idea

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[7/10/19, 3:53:48 PM] Gordon Sondland: â€ŽMissed voice call
[7/10/19, 9:57:14 PM] Kurt Volker: Hi Gordon â€" sorry I missed you earlier. Can talk tomorrow early morning? Kurt
[7/10/19, 10:24:41 PM] Gordon Sondland: Will call
[7/10/19, 10:30:45 PM] Gordon Sondland: â€ŽMissed voice call
[7/22/19, 4:27:55 PM] Kurt Volker: Orchestrated a great phone call w Rudy and Yermak. They are going to get together when Rudy goes to Madrid in a couple of weeks.
[7/22/19, 4:28:08 PM] Kurt Volker: In the meantime, Rudy is now advocating for phone call
[7/22/19, 4:28:26 PM] Kurt Volker: I have call into Fionaâ€™s replacement and will call Bolton if needed.
[7/22/19, 4:28:48 PM] Kurt Volker: But I can tell Bolton and you can tell Mick that Rudy agrees on a call, if that helps
[7/22/19, 4:30:10 PM] Gordon Sondland: I talked to Tim Morrison. (Fionaâ€™s replacement). He is pushing but feel free as well.

We still meeting in Kyiv Fri?
[7/22/19, 4:30:35 PM] Kurt Volker: Yes â€" Morrison. Weâ€™re talking in 5
[7/22/19, 4:31:05 PM] Kurt Volker: And yes â€" do come to kyiv! Iâ€™ll go east on Thursday (welcome there too) and go to kyiv on Friday.
[7/22/19, 4:32:00 PM] Gordon Sondland: Tim is a good guy. Tell him we are in touch and synced. I wont make East but will be in Kyiv Thu night/all day Fri
[7/22/19, 4:33:52 PM] Kurt Volker: Great!

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[9/20/19, 11:53:38 PM] Gordon Sondland: Just saw this. Call at convenience. In BRU. NY on Sun
[9/22/19, 12:03:58 PM] Kurt Volker: Landed yet? Will call
[9/22/19, 12:04:38 PM] Gordon Sondland: Yes, can u meet with S this afternoon?
[9/22/19, 12:05:02 PM] Kurt Volker: Iâ€™m in DC â€" but would be happy to join by phone
[9/22/19, 3:54:32 PM] Gordon Sondland: U dialing in?
[9/22/19, 3:54:44 PM] Gordon Sondland: At 5:45
[9/22/19, 3:58:51 PM] Kurt Volker: Yes â€" secure from state via ops
[9/22/19, 7:21:09 PM] Kurt Volker: Spoke w Rudy per guidance from S. He said he will use the statement and talk w John Solomon. Urged me to do so as well. Will stick with what we discussed. If you are with S - please pass along. Thanks!

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[7/23/19, 1:16:05 PM] Andrey Yermak: We have breakfast and lunch with Gordon Friday?
[7/23/19, 1:16:54 PM] Andrey Yermak: And phone call between Presidents Thursday?
[7/23/19, 1:18:52 PM] Kurt Volker: I am pretty sure the phone call is going forward for Thursday â€" will keep monitoring.
[7/23/19, 1:19:38 PM] Kurt Volker: For Friday â€" I could do 7:30am at the Hyatt. Alternatively, are you free Saturday morning?
[7/23/19, 1:20:01 PM] Kurt Volker: I think yes on Friday lunch â€" will check schedule on that
[7/23/19, 2:27:33 PM] Andrey Yermak: Up to you, Iâ€™m with pleasure and Friday and Saturday. Phone call still not confirm
[7/23/19, 2:31:49 PM] Andrey Yermak: When you can, let me know, I need 2 min by phone
[7/23/19, 2:33:05 PM] Kurt Volker: Ok â€" in about an hour?
[7/23/19, 2:33:14 PM] Kurt Volker: And call now being set for Friday I think
[7/23/19, 2:33:22 PM] Andrey Yermak: Super
[7/23/19, 2:33:36 PM] Kurt Volker: And Iâ€™m told president Z now available Thursday to meet w me, so I will rearrange schedule
[7/23/19, 2:33:54 PM] Andrey Yermak: Yes
[7/23/19, 2:34:51 PM] Andrey Yermak: Letâ€™s discuss in hour
[7/23/19, 2:35:10 PM] Kurt Volker: Ok
[7/25/19, 8:36:45 AM] Kurt Volker: Good lunch - thanks. Heard from White House â€" assuming President Z convinces trump he will investigate / â€œget to the bottom of what happenedâ€ in 2016, we will nail down date for visit to Washington. Good luck! See you tomorrow - kurt
[7/25/19, 10:15:06 AM] Andrey Yermak: Phone call went well. President Trump proposed to choose any convenient dates. President Zelenskiy chose 20,21,22 September for the White House visit. Thank you again for your help! Please remind Mr. Mayor to share the Madridâ€™s dates
[7/25/19, 10:16:42 AM] Kurt Volker: Great â€" thanks and will do! â€Ž[7/26/19, 6:22:26 AM] Kurt Volker: 180730 Deployment Timeline â€¢ â€Ž2 pages â€Ž<attached: 00000075-180730 Deployment Timeline.pdf>

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[7/26/19, 6:25:23 AM] Kurt Volker: Hi Andrey â€" good meeting! Here is the paper we did last year â€" intended to be an annex to a UN Security Council RÃ©solution about a peacekeeping force.
[7/26/19, 6:26:00 AM] Kurt Volker: Also â€" Rudy Giuliani says he arrives in Madrid on August 1 and departs August 5.
[7/27/19, 3:01:16 AM] Andrey Yermak: Good morning
[7/27/19, 3:01:42 AM] Andrey Yermak: I will be in Hyatt in 7 min
[8/1/19, 2:23:52 PM] Kurt Volker: Hi Andreyâ€" just checking in â€" how is everything? On track for Madrid? Visit to DC? Kurt
[8/1/19, 3:36:03 PM] Andrey Yermak: Hi Kurt. Now in plane from Zurich to Madrid. Will call you after landing
[8/2/19, 1:27:31 PM] Andrey Yermak: â€ŽMissed voice call
[8/2/19, 1:27:42 PM] Andrey Yermak: Hi Kurt
[8/2/19, 1:28:19 PM] Andrey Yermak: My meeting with Mr.Mayor was very good
[8/2/19, 1:30:36 PM] Andrey Yermak: We asked for White House meeting during week start 16 Sept. Waiting for confirmation. May be you know the date?
[8/2/19, 1:30:46 PM] Andrey Yermak: When we can talk?
[8/2/19, 1:31:04 PM] Andrey Yermak: Will be 1,5 hours in plane
[8/2/19, 1:38:44 PM] Kurt Volker: Hi Andrey â€" sorry I missed you. Will be free when you land
[8/4/19, 12:39:54 PM] Andrey Yermak: Hi Kurt, how are you? Do you have any news?
[8/4/19, 1:16:37 PM] Kurt Volker: Hi Andrey â€" speaking w Rudy in about 2 hours â€" call you after?
[8/4/19, 1:17:17 PM] Andrey Yermak: Yes, of course
[8/4/19, 4:20:55 PM] Kurt Volker: Have still not heard back â€" other than a text saying â€œgreat meetingâ€
[8/4/19, 4:21:11 PM] Kurt Volker: I think it is late in Spain now so will try again first thing in the morning
[8/5/19, 1:19:18 PM] Kurt Volker: Hi Andrey â€" had a good long talk w Rudy â€" call anytime - Kurt
[8/7/19, 1:32:10 PM] Andrey Yermak: Hi Kurt. How are you? Do you have some news about White House meeting date?
[8/7/19, 1:34:35 PM] Kurt Volker: Hi Andrey! Not yet â€" I texted Rudy earlier to make sure he weighs in following your meeting. Gordon should be speaking with the president on Friday. We are pressing this...
[8/7/19, 1:35:09 PM] Andrey Yermak: Thank you!
[8/7/19, 1:36:07 PM] Kurt Volker: Also â€" I expect to see pompeo next week as well, but not yet confirmed. Will ask him to help also.
[8/8/19, 3:46:10 PM] Andrey Yermak: Hi Kurt. Can you talk? I have some news
[8/8/19, 4:51:58 PM] Kurt Volker: Hi Andreyâ€" yes â€" Now is good â€" or tomorrow if too late for you now
[8/10/19, 4:46:29 PM] Andrey Yermak: â€ŽMissed voice call
[8/10/19, 4:53:15 PM] Andrey Yermak: â€ŽThis message was deleted.
[8/10/19, 4:56:15 PM] Andrey Yermak: Hi Kurt. Please let me know when you can talk. I think itâ€™s possible to make this declaration and mention all these things. Which we discussed yesterday. But it will be logic to do after we receive a confirmation of date. We

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inform about date of visit and about our expectations and our guarantees for future visit. Let discuss it
[8/10/19, 5:01:32 PM] Kurt Volker: Ok! Itâ€™s late for you â€" why donâ€™t we talk in my morning, your afternoon tomorrow? Say 10am/5pm?
[8/10/19, 5:02:18 PM] Kurt Volker: I agree with your approach. Letâ€™s iron out statement and use that to get date and then PreZ can go forward with it?
[8/10/19, 5:26:17 PM] Andrey Yermak: Ok
[8/10/19, 5:38:43 PM] Kurt Volker: Great. Gordon is available to join as well
[8/10/19, 5:41:45 PM] Andrey Yermak: Excellent
[8/10/19, 5:42:10 PM] Andrey Yermak: Once we have a date, will call for a press briefing, announcing upcoming visit and outlining vision for the reboot of US-UKRAINE relationship, including among other things Burisma and election meddling in investigations
[8/10/19, 5:42:30 PM] Kurt Volker: Sounds great!

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[4/29/19, 5:01:59 PM] Bill Taylor: What did you volunteer me for?
[4/29/19, 5:02:31 PM] Kurt Volker: I canâ€™t rememberâ€" context?
[4/29/19, 5:14:18 PM] Bill Taylor: George has asked me to go to Kyiv for a while.
[4/29/19, 5:16:52 PM] Kurt Volker: Ah.... good!!!
[4/29/19, 5:16:56 PM] Kurt Volker: You should!
[4/29/19, 5:17:39 PM] Bill Taylor: George described two snake pits, one in Kyiv and one in Washington.
[4/29/19, 5:19:15 PM] Kurt Volker: :) so whatâ€™s new?
[4/29/19, 5:23:05 PM] Bill Taylor: Yes, but he described much more than I knew. Very ugly
â€Ž[5/25/19, 10:07:55 AM] Kurt Volker: Anti-Trust Reform â€¢ â€Ž2 pages â€Ž<attached: 00000072-Anti-Trust Reform.docx>
[5/25/19, 10:21:15 AM] Bill Taylor: I like this a lot.
[5/25/19, 10:22:50 AM] Kurt Volker: Thanks! Will need more expert advice, but wanted to kick this off
[5/25/19, 10:23:22 AM] Bill Taylor: I look forward to pushing it in Kyiv.
[5/26/19, 2:14:39 PM] Bill Taylor: I am still struggling with the decision whether to go. Can anyone hope to succeed with the Guliani-Biden issue swirling for the next 18 months? Can S offer any reassurance on this issue?
[5/26/19, 6:25:42 PM] Bill Taylor: You mentioned that several people have asked you to go out as CDA. I think that is the answer. It

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wouldn't be that long. No one knows the issues better. People will ask, why isn't Kurt going out -- we already have a special envoy.
[5/26/19, 11:23:10 PM] Kurt Volker: Letâ€™s see how it looks on Tuesday ... I donâ€™t know if there is much to do about the Giuliani thing, but I do think the key thing is to do what we can right now since the future of the country is in play right now
[5/27/19, 6:47:44 AM] Bill Taylor: It is, and that's why it's encouraging that you would consider being chargÃ© during this critical time. I, for one, fully support you -- as would Steve in any way we can.
[5/27/19, 2:33:31 PM] Kurt Volker: But as we discussed â€" I canâ€™t do it for a variety of reasons, and I am more useful being here anyway. We need someone on the ground there.
[5/27/19, 3:20:12 PM] Bill Taylor: How about for a short period of time?
[5/27/19, 4:22:43 PM] Kurt Volker: I can visit for a day or two, but not longer. Still have all the other commitments here

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[7/1/19, 2:43:27 PM] Kurt Volker: Hi Vadym. At the airport heading up to Toronto. Please tell the president I was unhappy to see the media link my comments about sakharovaâ€™s claims on sailors with Klimkinâ€™s behavior. I was responding directly to Russian MFA claims before Klimkin had said anything, and of course I did not know that Klimkin would do so in a way that undercuts Zelensky. If I can help to reframe this in any way to help Zelensky, let me know. See you later â€" best â€" Kurt
[7/1/19, 11:31:14 PM] Vadym Prystaiko: Hi, Kurt, I knew you are a good friend with Pavlo!
[7/2/19, 6:12:48 AM] Kurt Volker: Very funny â€" thanks â€" see you in a bit
[7/2/19, 6:42:54 AM] Vadym Prystaiko: yiu still have you sense of humor with you - good sign. see you in a bit
[7/4/19, 8:22:14 AM] Kurt Volker: Thanks for everything. What is your take on our meeting, and the visit overall?
[7/4/19, 1:33:54 PM] Vadym Prystaiko: thank you. it was important contact. I must admit, I felt that you sugarcoated a message on a visit. Or the message I got earlier was not correct. the visit went well - he is fast learner and adapts constantly. Frankly, this one was expectedly easy and friendly. Will introduce him to a tougher ones gradually. What was your reading?
[7/4/19, 1:52:44 PM] Kurt Volker: I wanted to make sure he knew we are supporting him and his stated commitment to reforms â€" and that there are still concerns at the highest level he needs to address proactively â€" about Kolo and whether he will really pursue reforms he says. I talked to him privately about Giuliani and impact on president T
[7/4/19, 1:53:51 PM] Kurt Volker: My impression is that he is sincere in wanting to press forward on everything, but doesnâ€™t have a full team yet, doesnâ€™t quite know how to do it, and and knows there will be tough opposition
[7/4/19, 1:54:36 PM] Kurt Volker: But he made a good impression in Toronto and am sure he will do the same in Washington
[7/5/19, 10:13:31 AM] Vadym Prystaiko: Got it. Thank you. will you advise us on time for telephone call?
[7/5/19, 10:14:12 AM] Kurt Volker: Yes â€" am hoping we can nail that down on Monday or Tuesday
[7/5/19, 3:52:12 PM] Vadym Prystaiko: Thank you

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iMessage
7/19/19, 4:48 PM

Mr Mayor — really enjoyed breakfast this morning. As discussed, connecting you here with Andrey Yermak, who is very close to President Zelensky. I suggest we schedule a call together on Monday — maybe 10am or 11am Washington time? Kurt

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Monday 10 to 11

(b)(6)

Ok, thank you

I will set up call — 10am — thanks - Kurt

(b)(6)



7/22/19, 8:29 AM

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Hello

Good morning — and congratulations! Looking forward to talking — in 90 min

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Thank you very much! And I'm waiting

(b)(6)

Call at 10 correct?

Yes

(b)(6)

Yes

7/22/19, 10:50 AM

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Thank you, Mr. Mayor for honest and productive conversation. I'm sure things will move quickly from today onwards and we will be able to take this relationship to a new level. If I may have your

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schedule, I will plan a trip to meet in person ASAP.

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I will leave today 3 pm

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iMessage
8/1/19, 9:55 AM

Hi Mr Mayor — hope all is well, and that things are on track to see Yermak in Madrid.

Am copying Gordon Sondland, a friend of POTUS who is our Ambassador to the EU. He is also helping on Ukraine and would love to catch up with you at some point.

As always, let me know if I can be helpful on anything - Kurt

(b)(6)

Thanks Kurt. Hi Mayor. Working on a number of time sensitive EU issues. Would welcome your take? I'm in Brussels but in DC and NY regularly. Gordon

8/1/19, 11:08 AM

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Seeing Yermak in Madrid tomorrow. Would like to meet with Gordon also.

I will be near Madrid over weekend

(b)(6)

Rudy, great. We met a while back in NY at one of Doug Ducey's events. Had a good talk. Roy Bailey was on the menu 😊. I will be in DC on the 12. Will you be there or in NY? Have a number of things for you to think about. Gordon

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I will probably be in NYC

(b)(6)

Bkfst @ Peninsula first thing on 8/12? Have to be in DC mid day.

(b)(6)

If I'm here will let you know as soon as I can

8/9/19, 11:27 AM

Hi Mr Mayor! Had a good chat with Yermak last night. He was pleased with your phone call. Mentioned Z making a statement. Can we all get on the phone to make sure I advise Z correctly as to what he should be saying? Want to make sure we

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get this done right. Thanks!

(b)(6)

Good idea Kurt. I am on Pacific time.

(b)(6)

Yes can you call now going to Fundraiser at 12:30

(b)(6)

I will have state ops build a call.

State is calling now

8/11/19, 10:28 AM

Hi Rudy — we have heard bCk from Andrey again — they are writing the statement now and will send to us. Can you talk for 5 min before noon today?

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Yes just call

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5/11/19, 10:04 AM

Hi Mr Mayor - Kurt Volker here. Good speaking w you yesterday. Call anytime up to about 4pm today if you want to follow up. Would like to brief you more about Zelensky discussion and also Russia-Ukraine dynamic.

This number is good for text and cell phone

7/10/19, 8:01 AM

Mr Mayor — could we meet for coffee or lunch in the next week or so? I'd like to update you on my conversations about Ukraine. I think we have an opportunity to get you what you need. Best - Kurt V

Yes I am so n way to Albania. I'll text some suggestions a little later

Great - thank you!

7/15/19, 2:53 PM

Dear Mr. Mayor -- are you back stateside? Let's talk or get together... Best - Kurt Volker

7/17/19, 12:00 PM

Checking in — are you stateside? Kurt V

7/17/19, 1:06 PM

Will be in DC this Friday

Great -- let's meet for breakfast or coffee?

Ok will let you know ASAP

7/18/19, 5:11 PM

Hi Mr Mayor — can I buy you breakfast tomorrow?

Suggest trump hotel - 7:30am or 8:00am?

8:00am is fine

Great — see you there — thanks - Kurt

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Good morning! Am in the restaurant on the mezzanine. Kurt

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7/26/19, 5:55 AM

Hi Mr Mayor — you may have heard— the President has a great phone call with the Ukrainian President yesterday. Exactly the right messages as we discussed.

Please send dates when you will be in Madrid. I am seeing Yermak tomorrow morning. He will come to you in Madrid.

Thanks for your help! Kurt

I will arrive on Aug 1 and until 5

Thank you

Great —I will tell Yermak and he'll visit with you there. Thanks!

8/4/19, 12:55 PM

Mr Mayor — how was your meeting with Andrey — do you have time for a call? Best - Kurt

It was excellent I can call a little later.

Great to hear. Maybe 3pm DC time?

8/4/19, 4:10 PM

Is now a good time to call?

8/7/19, 12:52 PM

Hi Rudy —hope you made it back safely. Let's meet if you are coming to DC. And would be good if you could convey results of your meeting in Madrid to the boss so we get a firm date for a visit. Best - Kurt

8/13/19, 9:57 AM

Mr mayor — trying to set up call in 5 min via state Dept. If now is not convenient, is there a time later today?

9/22/19, 8:35 AM

Kurt,
Thanks for the support. All I need is for you to tell the truth. You called me about Yermak and I reported back to you and Sondland, eg., a

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conference call on Aug. 11. Three others before. Really this is not hard just fair to affirm truth. Rudy

Also Secretary seems not to know you put us together. Straighten him out.

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I certainly will let him know

Please send dates when you will be in Madrid. I am seeing Yermak tomorrow morning. He will come to you in Madrid.

Thanks for your help! Kurt

Kurt will you please get out a statement that State connected me to Yermak and I reported back to State on my conversations. Yermak has talked about this to Press so it's now public information. All I'm asking is to tell the truth. I can send you text chain if you need to check your recollection.

Also have Sondland inform Pompeo he can say State connected me with Ukraine official and was aware of it.

9/22/19, 6:40 PM

Hi Rudy — sorry for delay — just spoke w Secretary Pompeo — wanted to be sure we are coordinated. We have a statement from Aug 22 that makes clear it was coordinated — indeed, that i made the connection between you and Yermak.

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Was tweeted by NYTimes Ken Vogel at the time

STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESPERSON STATEMENT
AUGUST 22, 2019

• The United States strongly supports Ukraine as it deepens its democracy, fights corruption, pursues economic reform, and improves its ability to defend itself against Russia's ongoing aggression.

• President Trump has invited President Zelenskyy to visit him at the White House, and both sides are working on the scheduling of such a meeting.

• We understand that the Ukrainian government taking shape under President Zelenskyy is committed to fighting corruption and other illegal activities and that investigations into such matters would be consistent within that overall approach.

• Ambassador Volker has confirmed that, at Presidential Advisor Andriy Yermak's request, Volker put Yermak in direct contact with Mr. Giuliani.

• Mr. Giuliani is a private citizen and acts in a personal capacity as a lawyer for President

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Trump. He does not speak on behalf of the U.S. Government. We would refer you to Mr. Giuliani for information about the content of Mr. Giuliani's conversations with Ukrainian officials.

@StenyHoyer JUST IN: The @StateDept, which facilitated @RudyGiuliani's communications with the Ukrainian gov't (during which he urged an investigation of @JoeBiden), says Giuliani "acts in a personal capacity as a lawyer for President TRUMP. He does not speak on behalf of the US Government."

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