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CHS CONTACT REPORT**HEADER**

Source ID: HALPER
Date: 02/27/2017
Case Agent Name: Non SES
Field Office/Division: New York
Squad: CD 8
Classified By: [REDACTED]
Derived From: [REDACTED]
Declassify On: [REDACTED]

CONTACT REPORT

Date of Contact: 02/01/2017

List all present including yourself (do not include the CHS):
SSA [REDACTED] Non SES

Type of Contact: In Person
Country: UNITED STATES
Address Line 1: [REDACTED]
Address Line 2:
City: [REDACTED]
State: Virginia
ZIP/Postal Code:

Anomalies:

None

Life Changes:

None

FBI investigative techniques/information revealed to source for operational purposes:

None

Other:

None

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Field Office/Division: New York
Squad: CD 8
Classified By: [REDACTED]
Derived From: [REDACTED]
Declassify On: [REDACTED]

CONTACT REPORT

Date of Contact: 01/25/2017

List all present including yourself (do not include the CHS):

SSA Non SES
SA Stephen M. Somma

Type of Contact: In Person
Country: UNITED STATES
Address Line 1: [REDACTED]
Address Line 2: [REDACTED]
City: [REDACTED]
State: District of Columbia
ZIP/Postal Code:

Anomalies:

None

Life Changes:

None

FBI investigative techniques/information revealed to source for operational purposes:

CHS was provided with an Eagle to wear during meeting with target.

Other:

None

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Date: 03/01/2017
Case Agent Name: Non SES
Field Office/Division: New York
Squad: CD 8
Classified By: [REDACTED]
Derived From: [REDACTED]
Declassify On: [REDACTED]

CONTACT REPORT

Date of Contact: 03/01/2017

List all present including yourself (do not include the CHS):
SA Stephen M. Somma

Type of Contact: In Person
Country: UNITED STATES
Address Line 1: [REDACTED]
Address Line 2:
City: [REDACTED]
State: Virginia
ZIP/Postal Code:

Anomalies:

None

Life Changes:

None

FBI investigative techniques/information revealed to source for operational purposes:

None

Other:

None

PROGRAM(S) ADDRESSED IN THIS REPORT

HQ Division: Counterintelligence Division
Program: COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM
Subprogram: COUNTERINTELLIGENCE

[REDACTED]
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Source ID: **HALPER**
Date: **04/04/2017**
Case Agent Name: **Non SES**
Field Office/Division: **New York**
Squad: **CD 10**
Classified By: **[REDACTED]**
Derived From: **[REDACTED]**
Declassify On: **[REDACTED]**

PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REPORT

From: **12/01/2016**
To: **03/01/2017**

OPENING/REOPENING

Have checks of NCIC, ELSUR, Sentinel, and confidential indices been conducted with results attached? **No**

Has the SSI, including the CPS and Special Criteria sections, been reviewed or updated? **Yes**

Have all appropriate instructions been given to the CHS, witnessed, and documented prior to utilization and no later than 90 days after the opening? **Yes**

Initial Admonishment Date: **02/01/2012**

Have agent assignments been reviewed and deemed appropriate for the operation of this source? (And have co-case agents from outside agencies been advised of relevant FBI policies?) **Yes**

SPECIAL APPROVAL CATEGORIES

Is the CHS in a special approval category (Senior Leadership, High-Level Union Officials, High-Level Government Officials, Attorneys, Physicians, Clergy, Employees of the Media, or Long-Term)? **No**

SENSITIVE CATEGORIES

Is the CHS in a sensitive CHS category? **No**

SECTION I CERTIFICATION

I certify that all information contained in Section I has been reviewed and is accurate as of **03/01/2017** **Yes**

Explain any updates to Section I since the previous QSSR:

OPERATIONAL MATTERS

Date of Last Reporting: **02/27/2017**

Has the CHS been involved in Otherwise Illegal Activity (OIA) during this review period? **No**

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OIA Authorizations (serialized during the QSSR period)**OIA Revocations (serialized during the QSSR period)**

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| Has the CHS been involved in consensual monitoring during this review period? | Yes |
| Has the CHS agreed to testify and that agreement was documented in the CHS file? | No |
| Was SAC approval obtained? | No |
| In a criminal matter where there were no sensitive circumstances, was approval from a DOJ attorney (i.e., the AUSA) obtained? | N/A |
| In an investigation conducted pursuant to the NSIG, where there were no sensitive circumstances, was approval from the CDC or FBIHQ OGC obtained? | No |
| If sensitive circumstances existed, was approval from DOJ/OEO obtained through a field office lead to the FBIHQ substantive unit? | No |
| If exigent circumstances existed, was approval obtained from the SAC or ASAC and the appropriate FBIHQ substantive unit notified? | N/A |
| Is all required documentation (e.g., FD-472, 473, 473a, FD-1071) for consensual monitoring in the CHS file? | Yes |
| Has the CHS been involved in operational travel during this review period? | No |
| Has the CHS been involved in personal international travel during this review period? | Yes |
| Has the CHS Travel Authorization form been completed and have the appropriate LEGAT(s) been notified? | No |
| Has the CHS been approved for participation in a Group 1 UCO during this review period? | No |
| Has the CHS been approved for participation in a Group 2 UCO during this review period? | No |
| Have the CHS and Case Agent/Co-Case Agent communicated via email and/or text during this review period? | No |
| Has the CHS participated in any UDP during this review period? | No |

SECTION II CERTIFICATION

I certify that all information contained in Section II has been reviewed and is accurate as of 03/01/2017 Yes

Explain any updates to Section II since the previous QSSR:

CHS was involved in a sensitive investigation. As part of the investigation, the CHS was consensually monitored by the FBI. The DAD overseeing the investigation was aware of the consensually monitored conversations.

PAYMENT MATTERS**Payments (Payment Date during the QSSR period)**

| Payment Date | Total Services | Expenses | Case Number | Request Serial |
|--------------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------------|
| 02/01/2017 | 25000.0000 | 0.0000 | 97F-NY-2067747 | HALPER CE-065 |

Payments Requests (Serialized during the QSSR period)

| Serialized Date | Total | Case Number | Serial |
|-----------------|------------|----------------|---------------|
| 01/11/2017 | 25000.0000 | 97F-NY-2067747 | HALPER CE-065 |

AUSA Coordination Letter - CHS Payments

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|-------------------|--------|
| Serialized Date | Serial |
| No data provided. | |

If an FPO attorney was involved in the conduct of the investigation, was his or her concurrence with the payment(s) obtained and documented in the CHS main file? N/A

Have expenses, vendor receipts, copies, or the CHS's explanation of their absence been obtained and retained in the CHS file? N/A

Have all payments been witnessed, and receipts signed, by an FBI special agent and another FBI special agent or government official? N/A

Did the CHS signed or initialed, in true or payment name, and dated the receipt for payment, which is maintained in the CHS's file? N/A

Have all payments been reconciled? Yes

SECTION III CERTIFICATION

I certify that all information contained in Section III has been reviewed and is accurate as of 03/01/2017 Yes

Explain any updates to Section III since the previous QSSR:

ADMINISTRATION

Was SAC authorization obtained for any disclosure of the CHS's identity to non-DOJ personnel and documented in the CHS file? N/A

Did the CHS engage in unauthorized criminal activity (does not include minor traffic offenses)? No

Is the CHS currently or expected to become a subject of investigation or prosecution by an FPO or state or local prosecutor's office? No

Has the CHS previously testified? No

Is the CHS expected to testify? No

Is the CHS involved in certain federal judicial proceedings? No

Will the CHS potentially obtain or provide privileged or exculpatory information? No

Has the CHS been or is expected to be named in an Electronic Surveillance Application? No

Has the CHS provided information to support probable cause in a FISA application? No

Were annual queries conducted of FBI universal and confidential indices and criminal history and ELSUR? N/A

Was the CHS provided all applicable instructions, which were witnessed by an Agent and a government official, and documented in the CHS's file? Yes

Last Admonishments 08/19/2017
Date:

Was the FOASR prepared, approved, and submitted by the ASAC? Yes

If the CHS was operated for more than five consecutive years, qualifying as a Long-Term CHS, has this been noted in the FOASR so that FBIHQ can make the appropriate notification to DOJ? Yes

Is the SSI, including the CPS and Special Criteria sections, current? Yes

SECTION IV CERTIFICATION

I certify that all information contained in Section IV has been reviewed and is accurate as of 03/01/2017 Yes

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Explain any updates to Section IV since the previous QSSR:

CHS UTILITY VALUE SYSTEM

| Stat Type | Total Count |
|--|-------------|
| <i>No statistical accomplishments have been claimed for this period.</i> | |

Did the CHS provide actionable intelligence which was memorialized in a Source Reporting Document (Actionable intelligence is defined as intelligence which generates investigative activity and/or responds to national or local collection requirements)? Yes

Does the CHS have value due to his/her unique or potential access to FBI priority targets or intelligence responsive to FBI national and/or local collection requirements? Yes

Productivity Value:

Access:



Access Value:



CHS Utility Value:



CHS PRIORITIZATION SYSTEM

Score:



COMMENTS

Comments/Instructions:

CHS was an integral part of a close hold National Security investigation. CHS has been transferred to a new Case Agent and the CHS's focus will shift to other matters.

Workflow History

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Case Agent Name: Non SES
Field Office/Division: New York
Squad: CD 10
Classified By: [REDACTED]
Derived From: [REDACTED]
Declassify On: [REDACTED]

ADMINISTRATIVE

Legacy Case File Number:

Legacy Symbol Number:

Co-Case Agent(s): Non SES
From: 03/27/2016
To: 03/26/2017

Date of Last FOASR:

Gender: [REDACTED]
SSN: [REDACTED]
Alias SSN(s):
DOB: [REDACTED]
Alias DOB(s):

Country(ies) of Citizenship: UNITED STATES, UNITED STATES

Does the CHS live in, or is he/she operated in the United States?

Race: [REDACTED]

Language(s) Spoken:

Primary language used during debriefing, if a translator was used, and frequency of use:
English

Prior operational periods of the CHS by the FBI (start with the most recent).

Opened: 03/24/2011, 12/18/2008
Closed: 01/25/2011

Programs to which the CHS has contributed during the review period.

Has any of the CHS's information been provided to an AUSA or DOJ attorney during the review period, for use in furtherance of a prosecution or in a court document?

No

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CHS PRIORITIZATION SYSTEM

Highly paid – review period (> \$100,000 in the review period). No

Amount paid includes payments from CHS funds, case funds, other agencies (if known, etc.)

Amount Paid During \$70,000.00
Review Period:

Amount Paid During \$0.00
Review Period (non-FBI money):

Highly paid – cumulative (>= \$250,000 over entire CHS operation). Yes

Amount paid includes payments from CHS funds, case funds, other agencies (if known, etc.).

Cumulative Amount \$596,906.60
Paid:

Cumulative Amount \$0.00
Paid (non-FBI money):

If funds other than those calculated above were used, please provide details.

Defector. No

Recruitment-in-Place or Double Agent. No

Are there reasonable grounds to believe the CHS engaged in Unauthorized Illegal Activity (UIA), other than minor traffic offenses per CHSPG, within the review period? No

CHS who resides outside the United States. Yes

Please provide details (city, state/region, country, etc):

CHS resides in the UK for several months during the year as part of the CHS' position. Cambridge, United Kingdom.

Any international travel during the review period? Yes

| Travel Start Date | Travel End Date | Countries | Travel Type |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------|-------------|
| No data provided. | | | |

Please provide any additional details, including type and frequency of travel:

Please see attached travel history Excel file. A review of the CHS' travel history was consistent with prior travel. CHS travels frequently for personal and professional reasons.

Former or current subject of FBI investigation(s). No

CHS subjected to polygraph with inconclusive and/or deceptive results at any time. No

CHS who was ever Closed for Cause by the FBI or any other agency. (Note: Other agencies may not refer to this closure as such; however, if another agency closed the CHS for one of the below reasons, it would be considered as closing for Cause.) Yes

Indicate Reason(s) (per CHSPG):

Violated Instructions

Please provide details:

Since the reopening, the CHS has complied with all instructions given to him by the FBI.

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CHS who has ever received immigration benefits from the FBI and/or the USIC for him/her and/or his/her family.

No

Score:

SPECIAL CRITERIA

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|---|-----|
| Long-Term CHS (5+ consecutive years). | Yes |
| Is the CHS a Criminal and/or National Security CHS? | Yes |
| Select all that apply: National Security CHS | |
| Has the CHS been operated by the same Case Agent for 5+ years? | No |
| Please provide details: CHS was an integral part of a close hold National Security investigation. CHS was recently transferred to a new Case Agent and the CHS's focus will shift to other matters. | |
| Senior Leadership CHS – CHS who is in a position to exercise significant decision-making authority over, or to otherwise manage and direct the unlawful activities of the participants in a group or organization involved with unlawful activities that are nationwide or international in scope or deemed to be of high significance to the FBI's criminal investigative priorities, even if the unlawful activities are local or regional in scope. | No |
| High-Level Government or Union CHS– CHS is either (a) the chief executive, the office next in succession to the chief executive, or a member of the legislature of the federal or a state government, or (b) a president, secretary-treasurer, or vice-president of an international labor union or the principal officer or officers of a subordinate regional entity of an international or national labor union. | No |
| Privileged (Attorney, Physician, or Clergy) and/or Media CHS. | No |
| CHS involved in Group I and/or Group II Undercover Operation (UCO) and/or Asset Business Enterprise during the review period. | No |
| CHS participated in Tier I and/or Tier II Otherwise Illegal Activity (OIA) within the review period. Do not check if OIA is solely for consensual monitoring in two-party states. | No |
| Within the review period, was the CHS involved in an operation using sophisticated techniques, other than Tier I/II OIA, Group I/II UCO, or Asset Business Enterprise activities? | No |
| Opened three or more times. | No |
| CHS subjected to Level 1 and/or Level 2 Operational Test at any time. | Yes |
| Please select the type of test(s): Level 2 | |
| Please provide details (and/or Delta Serial Number): CHS passed Level 2 Ops test. | |
| Have ANY intelligence products (IIR, SIR, IA, IB, etc) been generated as a result of the CHS's reporting? | No |
| CHS with 3+ intelligence products (IIR, SIR, IA, IB, etc) and/or 2+ intelligence products which led to investigative action or contained singular information (within review period) | No |
| CHS responsible for recruitment of another CHS. | No |

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Please provide S number(s) of CHS(s) recruited and S number(s) of any other CHSs affiliated with the CHS. Please describe the nature of the relationship(s) between the CHS and the CHS(s) recruited CHS(s) with whom the CHS is affiliated:

Is the CHS a former or current jointly operated CHS? No

Has the CHS ever met with, been debriefed by, or been operated by another agency on separate matters? No

Has the CHS ever been affiliated with a foreign intelligence service, known terrorist group, or criminal organization? No

How did the CHS come to the attention of the FBI?

Other

Please specify:

previously utilized by FBI, circa 2008

If the CHS was brought to the FBI by a non-DBI member, name the agency that brought the CHS.

Is the CHS being utilized jointly with another FBI Field Office/Field Division? No

Has the CHS or his/her associates (e.g., relatives, former employees, etc.) ever had any other affiliations with another agency? No

Has the CHS been the subject of U.S. and/or foreign legal proceedings (e.g. arrested, cited, or detained for any reason)? No

Source of Income, Amount and Frequency (e.g. Monthly)

No data provided.

Asset and Value

No data provided.

Debt and Amount

No data provided.

HISTORY OF ASSOCIATION WITH THE FBI

| Name | Role | Field Office/Division | Date Assigned | Date Removed |
|--------------------|---------------|-----------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Case Agent | New York | 03/26/2014 | 03/26/2014 |
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Co-Case Agent | New York | 03/08/2017 | |
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Case Agent | New York | 11/09/2016 | 03/08/2017 |
| SOMMA, STEPHEN M. | Case Agent | New York | 03/26/2014 | 10/21/2015 |
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Case Agent | New York | 10/21/2013 | 10/21/2013 |
| SOMMA, STEPHEN M. | Case Agent | New York | 10/21/2013 | |
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Case Agent | New York | 03/08/2017 | |
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Co-Case Agent | New York | 03/10/2014 | 03/25/2014 |

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|--------------------|--|----------|------------|------------|
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Case Agent | New York | 10/21/2015 | 11/09/2016 |
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Co-Case Agent | New York | 10/21/2015 | 11/09/2016 |
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Co-Case Agent | New York | 08/21/2013 | 03/10/2014 |
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Co-Case Agent | New York | 10/21/2015 | |
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Co-Case Agent | New York | 03/25/2014 | 10/21/2015 |
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Co-Case Agent | New York | 05/18/2012 | 08/21/2013 |
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Co-Case Agent | New York | 03/10/2014 | |
| SOMMA, STEPHEN M. | Co-Case Agent | New York | 10/28/2015 | 03/08/2017 |
| SOMMA, STEPHEN M. | Case Agent | New York | 03/26/2014 | |
| SOMMA, STEPHEN M. | Case Agent | New York | 09/20/2012 | |
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Case Agent | New York | 05/18/2012 | 09/20/2012 |
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Co-Case Agent | New York | 10/21/2015 | 10/21/2015 |
| Non SES [REDACTED] | Case Agent | New York | 09/20/2012 | 09/20/2012 |

Explain reason for change in primary handlers, if within review period, and if known:

Problems encountered during review period either meeting or handling the CHS:

No problems have been encountered.

MOTIVATION

Describe the CHS's motivations for providing information to the FBI and how this was determined:
Monetary compensation, patriotism/ideology

Have the CHS's motivations changed during the review period?

No

PAYMENTS

Total Payments for Reporting Period

By FBI: \$70,000.00

By Other Agencies: \$0.00

Lifetime Aggregate Payments

By FBI: \$596,906.60

By Other Agencies: \$0.00

During the review period, was the CHS ever paid without another FBI special agent or government official present?

No

Was SAC authorization obtained and documented?

Identify any benefits the CHS received during the period other than money not already covered by question III-A (e.g., sentencing benefits or immigration benefits)

None

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Describe any instance in which the CHS requested special favors, consideration, or treatment, including, but not limited to

1. Assistance for the CHS's family members
2. Intervention by the FBI in business, employment, or civil matters

None

REPORTING

Substantive Case File

Number:

97F-HQ-2067748,
[REDACTED]
97F-HQ-2063661, [REDACTED], 97F-NY-2067747,

Below are stats claimed during the review period relevant to validation:

| Stat | Reporting Document |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>No data provided.</i> | |

TIMELINESS OF INFORMATION

Describe whether the CHS's information was provided promptly and consistently with the CHS's access; whether the CHS reporting was delayed; or whether the information was historical in nature.

All information was provided promptly and consistently.

ACCESS

The CHS's access is: Direct

Describe the CHS's access to information:

Is the information obtained through a sub-source?

No

Describe any significant changes during the review period of the CHS's targets or the CHS's access to information:

None

CORROBORATION

Discuss instances in which the CHS's reporting was verified by circumstances or other intelligence:

None

Discuss instances in which the CHS's reporting was not consistent with the facts and the impact of each reporting instance:

Has not happened

RELIABILITY EVALUATION

Discuss any reason to doubt this CHS's identity:

None

Cite Case Agent observations of the CHS's behavior:

CHS behavior has been excellent. The CHS has agreed to assist the case agent in the goals of the investigation. The CHS has devoted significant time and energy to assisting the FBI in its goals.

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Discuss any handling problems including any instances in which the CHS objected to any operational tasking:

CHS has not objected to any operational taskings.

Describe any information not previously provided that could reasonably be construed as derogatory. This should include information from other CHS reporting, substantive case documents, other agency reporting, and statements made by the CHS. Ensure that all available information that might materially alter a prior validation assessment, including information pertaining to unauthorized illegal activity by the CHS is included.

None

Describe any of the CHS's character traits, habits, or weaknesses that may impact the CHS's reporting
No known character traits, habits or weaknesses are known.

Describe any indications of undisclosed control by an entity or individual other than the FBI (e.g., counterintelligence concerns, criminal organization interests, etc).

There are no concerns.

Is the CHS reasonably believed to be the subject or target of a pending criminal investigation, is under arrest, or has been charged in a pending prosecution?

No

Are current criminal history checks contained in the CHS's file?

Yes

Date of Record Checks

04/19/2017

Were any new references obtained from FBI database checks during this review period?

No

CHS UTILITY VALUE SYSTEM

| QSSR Period 1 | QSSR Period 2 | QSSR Period 3 | QSSR Period 4 |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| 03/03/2016 - 06/01/2016 | 06/02/2016 - 08/31/2016 | 09/01/2016 - 11/30/2016 | 12/01/2016 - 03/01/2017 |

Average CHS Utility Value = [REDACTED]

COMMENTS

Author's Comments:

CHS has provided the FBI with unique access to targets who are very difficult to gain access to. The CHS has been more than willing to do whatever she/he could do in order to assist the FBI in its mission. Since re-opening, the CHS has complied with all requests by the FBI and has offered to assist in other investigations, which he has, most notably in another important National Security Investigation.

SIGNATURE

| | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Submitted By | Non SES | Mon, 24 Apr 2017 13:42:47 -0400 |
| First Level Approved By | SMSOMMA (STEPHEN SOMMA) | Mon, 24 Apr 2017 16:36:42 -0400 |
| Second Level Approved By | Non SES | Tue, 2 May 2017 08:57:11 -0400 |

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Source ID: **HALPER**
Date: 06/20/2017
Case Agent Name: Non SES
Field Office/Division: New York
Squad: CD 10
Classified By:
Derived From:
Declassify On:

PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REPORT

From: 03/02/2017
To: 05/31/2017

OPENING/REOPENING

Have checks of NCIC, ELSUR, Sentinel, and confidential indices been conducted with results attached? No

Has the SSI, including the CPS and Special Criteria sections, been reviewed or updated? Yes

Have all appropriate instructions been given to the CHS, witnessed, and documented prior to utilization and no later than 90 days after the opening? Yes

Initial Admonishment Date: 02/01/2012

Have agent assignments been reviewed and deemed appropriate for the operation of this source? (And have co-case agents from outside agencies been advised of relevant FBI policies?) Yes

SPECIAL APPROVAL CATEGORIES

Is the CHS in a special approval category (Senior Leadership, High-Level Union Officials, High-Level Government Officials, Attorneys, Physicians, Clergy, Employees of the Media, or Long-Term)? No

SENSITIVE CATEGORIES

Is the CHS in a sensitive CHS category? No

SECTION I CERTIFICATION

I certify that all information contained in Section I has been reviewed and is accurate as of 05/31/2017 Yes

Explain any updates to Section I since the previous QSSR:

OPERATIONAL MATTERS

Date of Last Reporting:

Has the CHS been involved in Otherwise Illegal Activity (OIA) during this review period? No

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- Has the CHS been involved in consensual monitoring during this review period? No
Has the CHS been involved in operational travel during this review period? No
Has the CHS been involved in personal international travel during this review period? No
Has the CHS been approved for participation in a Group 1 UCO during this review period? No
Has the CHS been approved for participation in a Group 2 UCO during this review period? No
Have the CHS and Case Agent/Co-Case Agent communicated via email and/or text during this review period? No
Has the CHS participated in any UDP during this review period? No

SECTION II CERTIFICATION

I certify that all information contained in Section II has been reviewed and is accurate as of Yes
05/31/2017

Explain any updates to Section II since the previous QSSR:

PAYMENT MATTERS**Payments (Payment Date during the QSSR period)**

| Payment Date | Total Services | Expenses | Case Number | Request Serial |
|--------------------------|----------------|----------|-------------|----------------|
| <i>No data provided.</i> | | | | |

Payments Requests (Serialized during the QSSR period)

| Serialized Date | Total | Case Number | Serial |
|--------------------------|-------|-------------|--------|
| <i>No data provided.</i> | | | |

AUSA Coordination Letter - CHS Payments

| Serialized Date | Serial |
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| <i>No data provided.</i> | |

If an FPO attorney was involved in the conduct of the investigation, was his or her concurrence N/A with the payment(s) obtained and documented in the CHS main file?

Have expenses, vendor receipts, copies, or the CHS's explanation of their absence been obtained N/A and retained in the CHS file?

Have all payments been witnessed, and receipts signed, by an FBI special agent and another FBI N/A special agent or government official?

Did the CHS signed or initialed, in true or payment name, and dated the receipt for payment, N/A which is maintained in the CHS's file.

Have all payments been reconciled? Yes

SECTION III CERTIFICATION

I certify that all information contained in Section III has been reviewed and is accurate as of Yes
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Explain any updates to Section III since the previous QSSR:

| ADMINISTRATION | |
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| Was SAC authorization obtained for any disclosure of the CHS's identity to non-DOJ personnel and documented in the CHS file? | N/A |
| Did the CHS engage in unauthorized criminal activity (does not include minor traffic offenses)? | No |
| Is the CHS currently or expected to become a subject of investigation or prosecution by an FPO or state or local prosecutor's office? | No |
| Has the CHS previously testified? | No |
| Is the CHS expected to testify? | No |
| Is the CHS involved in certain federal judicial proceedings? | No |
| Will the CHS potentially obtain or provide privileged or exculpatory information? | No |
| Has the CHS been or is expected to be named in an Electronic Surveillance Application? | No |
| Has the CHS provided information to support probable cause in a FISA application? | No |
| Were annual queries conducted of FBI universal and confidential indices and criminal history and ELSUR? | N/A |
| Was the CHS provided all applicable instructions, which were witnessed by an Agent and a government official, and documented in the CHS's file? | Yes |
| Last Admonishments 05/11/2015 Date: | |
| Was the FOASR prepared, approved, and submitted by the ASAC? | Yes |
| If the CHS was operated for more than five consecutive years, qualifying as a Long-Term CHS, has this been noted in the FOASR so that FBIHQ can make the appropriate notification to DOJ? | Yes |
| Is the SSI, including the CPS and Special Criteria sections, current? | Yes |

SECTION IV CERTIFICATION

I certify that all information contained in Section IV has been reviewed and is accurate as of 05/31/2017 Yes

Explain any updates to Section IV since the previous QSSR:

| CHS UTILITY VALUE SYSTEM | |
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| Is there justification for no contact with CHS during review period? | Yes |
| Justification: CHS unavailable | |
| Productivity Value: | |
| Access: | |
| Access Value: | |
| CHS Utility Value: | |

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No statistical accomplishments have been claimed for this period.

CHS Utility Value = CHS NOT EVALUATED

CHS PRIORITIZATION SYSTEM

Score:

COMMENTS

Comments/Instructions:

CHS has been valuable on a variety of cases. CHS will be providing assistance to CD-10 on [redacted] related matters going forward. Continue to operate as needed

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HEADER

Source ID: HALPER
Date: 10/20/2020
Case Agent Name: Non SES
Field Office/Division: New York
Squad: CD 10

PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REPORT

From: 05/28/2020
To: 08/26/2020

OPENING/REOPENING

Have checks of NCIC, ELSUR, Sentinel, and confidential indices been conducted with results attached? No

Has the SSI, including the CPS and Special Criteria sections, been reviewed or updated? No
The SSI is required to be reviewed or updated every 90 days.

Have all appropriate instructions been given to the CHS, witnessed, and documented prior to utilization and no later than 90 days after the opening? Yes

Initial Admonishment Date: 02/01/2012

Have agent assignments been reviewed and deemed appropriate for the operation of this source? (And have co-case agents from outside agencies been advised of relevant FBI policies?) Yes

SPECIAL APPROVAL CATEGORIES

Is the CHS in a special approval category (Senior Leadership, High-Level Union Officials, High-Level Government Officials, Attorneys, Physicians, Clergy, Employees of the Media, or Long-Term)? Yes

Is the CHS reporting on Criminal Matters? No

SENSITIVE CATEGORIES

Is the CHS in a sensitive CHS category? No

SECTION I CERTIFICATION

I certify that all information contained in Section I has been reviewed and is accurate as of 08/26/2020 Yes

Explain any updates to Section I since the previous QSSR:

OPERATIONAL MATTERS

Date of Last Reporting:

Has the CHS been involved in Otherwise Illegal Activity (OIA) during this review period? No

OIA Authorizations (serialized during the QSSR period)

OIA Revocations (serialized during the QSSR period)

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| Has the CHS been involved in consensual monitoring during this review period? | No |
| Has the CHS been involved in operational travel during this review period? | No |
| Has the CHS been involved in personal international travel during this review period? | No |
| Has the CHS been approved for participation in a Group 1 UCO during this review period? | No |
| Has the CHS been approved for participation in a Group 2 UCO during this review period? | No |
| Have the CHS and Case Agent/Co-Case Agent communicated via email and/or text during this review period? | No |
| Has the CHS participated in any UDP during this review period? | No |

SECTION II CERTIFICATION

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| I certify that all information contained in Section II has been reviewed and is accurate as of 08/26/2020 | Yes |
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Explain any updates to Section II since the previous QSSR:

PAYMENT MATTERS

Payments (Payment Date during the QSSR period)

| Payment Date | Total Services | Expenses | Case Number | Request Serial |
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| <i>No data provided.</i> | | | | |

Payments Requests (Serialized during the QSSR period)

| Serialized Date | Total | Case Number | Serial |
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| <i>No data provided.</i> | | | |

AUSA Coordination Letter - CHS Payments

| Serialized Date | Serial |
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| <i>No data provided.</i> | |

If an FPO attorney was involved in the conduct of the investigation, was his or her concurrence N/A with the payment(s) obtained and documented in the CHS main file?

Have expenses, vendor receipts, copies, or the CHS's explanation of their absence been obtained Yes and retained in the CHS file?

Have all payments been witnessed, and receipts signed, by an FBI special agent and another FBI Yes special agent or government official?

Did the CHS signed or initialed, in true or payment name, and dated the receipt for payment, Yes which is maintained in the CHS's file.

Have all payments been reconciled? Yes

SECTION III CERTIFICATION

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| I certify that all information contained in Section III has been reviewed and is accurate as of 08/26/2020 | Yes |
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Explain any updates to Section III since the previous QSSR:

ADMINISTRATION

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Was SAC authorization obtained for any disclosure of the CHS's identity to non-DOJ personnel and documented in the CHS file? N/A

Did the CHS engage in unauthorized criminal activity (does not include minor traffic offenses)? No

Is the CHS currently or expected to become a subject of investigation or prosecution by an FPO or state or local prosecutor's office? No

Has the CHS previously testified? No

Is the CHS expected to testify? No

Is the CHS involved in certain federal judicial proceedings? No

Will the CHS potentially obtain or provide privileged or exculpatory information? No

Has the CHS been or is expected to be named in an Electronic Surveillance Application? No

Has the CHS provided information to support probable cause in a FISA application? No

Were annual queries conducted of FBI universal and confidential indices and criminal history and ELSUR? No

Was the CHS provided all applicable instructions, which were witnessed by an Agent and a government official, and documented in the CHS's file? Yes

Last Admonishments 09/22/2017
Date:

Was the FOASR prepared, approved, and submitted by the ASAC? Yes

If the CHS was operated for more than five consecutive years, qualifying as a Long-Term CHS, has this been noted in the FOASR so that FBIHQ can make the appropriate notification to DOJ? Yes

Is the SSI, including the CPS and Special Criteria sections, current? No

The SSI is required to be reviewed or updated every 90 days.

SECTION IV CERTIFICATION

I certify that all information contained in Section IV has been reviewed and is accurate as of 08/26/2020 Yes

Explain any updates to Section IV since the previous QSSR:

CHS UTILITY VALUE SYSTEM

Is there justification for no contact with CHS during review period? Yes

Justification:
Case Agent TDY or otherwise unavailable

Productivity Value:

Access:

Access Value:

CHS Utility Value:

No statistical accomplishments have been claimed for this period.

CHS Utility Value = CHS NOT EVALUATED

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CHS PRIORITIZATION SYSTEM

Score:



COMMENTS

Comments/Instructions:

CHS is being closed at the direction of FBI HQ-Counterintelligence Division.

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CHS REPORTING DOCUMENT**OFFICIAL RECORD**
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certified FBI information system.**HEADER**

Source ID: HALPER
Date: 08/11/2016
Case Agent Name: Non SES
Field Office/Division: New York
Squad: CD 8
Classified By: [REDACTED]
Derived From: [REDACTED]
Declassify On: [REDACTED]

SOURCE REPORTING

Date of Contact: 08/11/2016

List all present including yourself (do not include the CHS):

SA Benjamin E. Gessford
SOS Non SES
SA Stephen M. Somma

Type of Contact: In Person

Country: UNITED STATES
City: [REDACTED]
State: Virginia

Date of Report: 08/11/2016

Substantive Case File Number

97F-HQ-2063661

Check here if additional reporting is in Echo

No

Source Reporting:

[REDACTED] SA Benjamin E. Gessford, SOS Non SES and SA Stephen M. Somma met with the CHS regarding CROSSFIRE HURRICANE targets. Due to the sensitivities of the investigation, a debriefing document will be written under separate cover and filed in the CROSSFIRE HURRICANE file.

SIGNATURE

Submitted By SMSOMMA (STEPHEN SOMMA)

Thu, 11 Aug 2016 17:14:33 -0400

First Level Approved By Non SES [REDACTED]

Fri, 12 Aug 2016 08:56:35 -0400

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Source ID: **HALPER**
Date: 08/17/2016
Case Agent Name: [REDACTED]
Field Office/Division: New York
Squad: CD 8
Classified By: [REDACTED]
Derived From: [REDACTED]
Declassify On: [REDACTED]

SOURCE REPORTING

Date of Contact: 08/16/2016

List all present including yourself (do not include the CHS):

SA Benjamin Gessford
SA Stephen M. Somma

Type of Contact: In Person

Country: UNITED STATES
City: [REDACTED]
State: Virginia

Date of Report: 08/16/2016

Substantive Case File Number

97F-HQ-2063661

Check here if additional reporting is in Echo

No

Source Reporting:

[REDACTED] CHS was prepped for an operation regarding the CROSSFIRE HURRICANE investigation, a close hold investigation.

SIGNATURE

Submitted By

SMSOMMA (STEPHEN SOMMA)

Wed, 17 Aug 2016 16:37:55 -0400

First Level Approved By

Thu, 18 Aug 2016 09:16:24 -0400

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Source ID: HALPER
Date: 09/05/2016
Case Agent Name: [REDACTED]
Field Office/Division: New York
Squad: CD 8
Classified By: [REDACTED]
Derived From: [REDACTED]
Declassify On: [REDACTED]

SOURCE REPORTING

Date of Contact: 09/01/2016

List all present including yourself (do not include the CHS):

SA Benjamin E. Gessford
SA Stephen M. Somma
SOS [REDACTED]

Type of Contact: In Person

Country: UNITED STATES
City: [REDACTED]
State: Virginia

Date of Report: 09/05/2016

Substantive Case File Number

97F-HQ-2063661

Check here if additional reporting is in Echo

No

Source Reporting:

[REDACTED] Due to the sensitivity of the investigation, the writeup is in the CROSSFIRE HURRICANE FILE.

SIGNATURE

Submitted By

SMSOMMA (STEPHEN SOMMA)

Mon, 5 Sep 2016 18:05:10 -0400

First Level Approved By

Tue, 6 Sep 2016 15:29:51 -0400

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Source ID: **HALPER**
Date: **02/27/2017**
Case Agent Name: **Non SES**
Field Office/Division: **New York**
Squad: **CD 8**
Classified By: **[REDACTED]**
Derived From: **[REDACTED]**
Declassify On: **[REDACTED]**

SOURCE REPORTING

Date of Contact: **02/01/2017**

List all present including yourself (do not include the CHS):
SSA **Non SES**

Type of Contact: **In Person**

Country: **UNITED STATES**
City: **[REDACTED]**
State: **Virginia**

Date of Report: **02/27/2017**

Substantive Case File Number

97F-NY-2067747

Check here if additional reporting is in Echo
 No

Source Reporting:
 CHS discussed potential operations against the subject of the investigation.

SA Somma also presented the CHS with \$25,000 for CHS services, the signed receipt is attached.

SIGNATURE

Submitted By **SMSOMMA (STEPHEN SOMMA)**

Mon, 27 Feb 2017 14:24:51 -0500

First Level Approved By **Non SES**

Mon, 27 Feb 2017 14:25:17 -0500

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Source ID: **HALPER**
Date: 02/27/2017
Case Agent Name: Non SES
Field Office/Division: New York
Squad: CD 8
Classified By:
Derived From:
Declassify On:

SOURCE REPORTING

Date of Contact: 01/25/2017

List all present including yourself (do not include the CHS):

SSA Non SES
SA Stephen M. Somma

Type of Contact: In Person

Country: UNITED STATES
City:
State: District of Columbia

Date of Report: 02/27/2017

Substantive Case File Number

97F-NY-2067747

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No

Source Reporting:

Non SES CHS was met by writer and SSA Non SES at the Sofitel Hotel. CHS was meeting with the subject of the investigation. CHS met with writer and SSA Non SES prior to a meeting with the subject and was recovered by the same team approximately 2 hours later. Due to the sensitivity of the investigation, a write-up of the meeting will be placed in the case file.

SIGNATURE

Submitted By

SMSOMMA (STEPHEN SOMMA)

Mon, 27 Feb 2017 14:35:38 -0500

First Level Approved By

Non SES

Mon, 27 Feb 2017 14:51:43 -0500

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Source ID: **HALPER**
Date: **03/01/2017**
Case Agent Name: **Non SES**
Field Office/Division: **New York**
Squad: **CD 8**
Classified By: **[REDACTED]**
Derived From: **[REDACTED]**
Declassify On: **[REDACTED]**

SOURCE REPORTING

Date of Contact: **03/01/2017**

List all present including yourself (do not include the CHS):
SA Stephen M. Somma

Type of Contact: **In Person**

Country: **UNITED STATES**
City: **[REDACTED]**
State: **Virginia**

Date of Report: **03/01/2017**

Substantive Case File Number**Substantive Case File Number**

97F-NY-2067747

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No

Source Reporting:

[REDACTED] CHS informed SA Somma that he had been contacted by a reporter from the Wall Street Journal regarding Russian Influence at the CHS' university. The reporter was following-up on an article written earlier in the year about the same subject.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Other topics were discussed regarding a sensitive investigation, which will be written in the case file.

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Submitted By **SMSOMMA (STEPHEN SOMMA)**

Wed, 1 Mar 2017 11:29:13 -0500

First Level Approved By **Non SES**

Wed, 1 Mar 2017 13:16:16 -0500

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
PAYMENT REQUEST****HEADER****Source ID:** HALPER**Date:** 08/15/2016**Case Agent Name:** Non SES**Field Office/Division:** New York**Squad:** CD 8**Classified By:****Derived From:****Declassify On:****PAYMENT REQUEST****Payment Request Form Type:** General**Official Bureau Name:** SOMMA, STEPHEN**UEID:****Phone Number:****Payee Name:** SOMMA, STEPHEN**UEID:****Payment Name:** MITCH**Enclosures:****Include if payment is for reimbursement of case-related expenditures made by the CHS.****Enclosed are receipts for expenses incurred by the Confidential Human Source (CHS) at the behest of the FBI, which are being reimbursed as expenses. (or) Enclosed is a statement documenting the amount spent by the CHS, the date(s) and the reason(s) why a receipt could not be obtained.****CHS was opened/re-opened on:** 03/24/2011**Aggregate Total Paid:** \$526,906.60**Total Paid since re-open (if needed):** \$181,643.51**Total Paid in Current FY:** \$0.00**Is this payment for medical expenses?**

No

Is the CHS expected to testify?

No

Financial Justification

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Agents should utilize this block to document the operational necessity for expenditures (i.e. costs associated with a CHS debrief; utilization of Undercover Credit Card for CHS expenses; agent exceeding per diem allowance; alcohol consumption by agent) which normally would require separate SAC/ASAC approval. See Confidential Funding Guide for other expenditures. Specific operational details should not be entered here.

██████████ CHS has been integral in the CROSSFIRE HURRICANE investigation. Due to the fact the case is close hold, please contact SA Somma with any questions. Current payment is for CHS' time in assisting with the CH investigation.

The Attorney General's Guidelines dated 12/13/2006 require that the payment of any FBI funds to a CHS be made by an FBI Agent and another government official. However, in extraordinary circumstances, the SAC is authorized to approve an exemption to this requirement. This allows the FBI Agent to be the payer and only witness.

Is SAC approval for an exemption to the second witness requirement requested for this payment? No

Period covered for this payment:

Begin: 08/11/2016

End: 08/19/2016

| Payment Request Amount | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Substantive Case File Number | Financial Program | Financial Subprogram |
| 97F-HQ-2063661 | ██████████ | ██████████ |
| Payment Description | Expense Incurred By | Payment Amount |
| CHS Services | CHS Service | \$5,000.00 |

Operational Payment justification narrative:

██████████ During the time period covered for the payment, the CHS has been integral in the CROSSFIRE HURRICANE (CH) investigation. The CHS is being paid for her/his services.

Total CHS Services: \$5,000.00

Total CHS Expenses: \$0.00

Total Agent Expenses: \$0.00

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Submitted By | SMSOMMA (STEPHEN SOMMA) | Mon, 15 Aug 2016 15:29:45 -0400 |
| First Level Approved By | Non SES | Mon, 15 Aug 2016 15:57:12 -0400 |
| Second Level Approved By | Non SES | Mon, 15 Aug 2016 16:33:19 -0400 |

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PAYMENT REQUEST**

DRAFT TYPE

Request Type: General Payment Type: Confidential Forfeiture or Drug Related: No

INFORMATION ABOUT THE REQUESTING EMPLOYEE

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|----------------------|------------|------------------|
| Official Bureau Name | UEID | Date of Request |
| SOMMA, STEPHEN | [REDACTED] | 08/15/2016 |
| Field Office | Squad | User Dimension 4 |
| New York | CD 8 | Telephone Number |

INFORMATION ABOUT THE REQUESTED PAYEE

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|----------------|------------|
| Payee Name | UEID |
| SOMMA, STEPHEN | [REDACTED] |

Is this a one-time non-symbol source payment? No

| Source Number | Serial Number | Payment Name | Date of Approved Waiver Request | Period Covered From | Period Covered To |
|-------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| HALPER [REDACTED] | CE-060 | MITCH | 08/11/2016 | 08/19/2016 | |

Financial Justification: [REDACTED] CHS has been integral in the CROSSFIRE HURRICANE investigation. Due to the fact the case is close hold, please contact SA Somma with any questions. Current payment is for CHS' time in assisting with the CH investigation.

DETAILS ABOUT THE REQUESTED DRAFT

| Attributable to Agent or CHS | Catalog | File No. | Financial Program/Subprogram | Amount |
|------------------------------|---------|----------------|------------------------------|------------|
| | | 97F-HQ-2063661 | [REDACTED] | |
| CHS Service | | Description: | CHS Services | \$5,000.00 |
| | | | Total For 97F-HQ-2063661 | \$5,000.00 |
| | | | Total | \$5,000.00 |

ACCOUNTING DETAILS

| Org Level 2 | Fund | SOC | Sub SOC | BBFY | EBFY | Partition | User Dimension 5 |
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FINANCE OFFICE ONLY - SETTLEMENT OF ADVANCE

| Document No.: | Creator Date | Creator Initials | FOS Approver Date | FOS Approver Initials |
|---------------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
|---------------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|

Commitment: _____

Obligation: _____

Advance: _____

Expense: _____

Cash Receipt: _____

Cash Receipt –
OTCnet (CRO): _____OTCnet Deposit
Ticket #: _____Debit/Draft/EFT
No.:

Prior Month Advance Balance: _____

This Advance: _____

Less Receipts: _____

Funds Returned and/or Cash on Hand: _____

Amount to be Reimbursed: _____

APPROVAL

| | Name | Date/Time |
|-------------------------|---------|----------------------|
| Approved By SSA: | Non SES | 8/15/2016 3:57:18 PM |
| Certified by ASAC: | Non SES | 8/15/2016 4:33:30 PM |
| Draft Approval Officer: | | |

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PAYMENT REQUEST****HEADER**

Source ID: HALPER
Date: 08/30/2016
Case Agent Name: Non SES
Field Office/Division: New York
Squad: CD 8
Classified By: [REDACTED]
Derived From: [REDACTED]
Declassify On: [REDACTED]

PAYMENT REQUEST

Payment Request Form Type: General
Official Bureau Name: SOMMA, STEPHEN
UEID: [REDACTED]
Phone Number: [REDACTED]
Payee Name: SOMMA, STEPHEN
UEID: [REDACTED]
Payment Name: MITCH

Enclosures:

Include if payment is for reimbursement of case-related expenditures made by the CHS.

Enclosed are receipts for expenses incurred by the Confidential Human Source (CHS) at the behest of the FBI, which are being reimbursed as expenses. (or) Enclosed is a statement documenting the amount spent by the CHS, the date(s) and the reason(s) why a receipt could not be obtained.

CHS was opened/re-opened on: 03/24/2011
Aggregate Total Paid: \$526,906.60
Total Paid since re-open (if needed): \$181,643.51
Total Paid in Current FY: \$0.00

Is this payment for medical expenses?

No

Is the CHS expected to testify?

No

Financial Justification

Agents should utilize this block to document the operational necessity for expenditures (i.e. costs associated with a CHS debrief; utilization of Undercover Credit Card for CHS expenses; agent exceeding per diem allowance; alcohol consumption by agent) which normally would require separate SAC/ASAC approval. See Confidential Funding Guide for other expenditures. Specific operational details should not be entered here.

CHS was operational in a sensitive investigation.

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The Attorney General's Guidelines dated 12/13/2006 require that the payment of any FBI funds to a CHS be made by an FBI Agent and another government official. However, in extraordinary circumstances, the SAC is authorized to approve an exemption to this requirement. This allows the FBI Agent to be the payer and only witness.

Is SAC approval for an exemption to the second witness requirement requested for this payment? No

Period covered for this payment:

Begin: 08/20/2016 **End:** 09/03/2016

| Payment Request Amount | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Substantive Case File Number | Financial Program | Financial Subprogram |
| 97F-HQ-2063661 | █ | █ |
| Payment Description | Expense Incurred By | Payment Amount |
| CHS Services | CHS Service | \$15,000.00 |

Operational Payment justification narrative:

CHS was integral in an operation against the subject of a sensitive investigation.

Total CHS Services: \$15,000.00

Total CHS Expenses: \$0.00

Total Agent Expenses: \$0.00

SIGNATURE

| | | |
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| Submitted By | SMSOMMA (STEPHEN SOMMA) | Tue, 30 Aug 2016 13:55:45 -0400 |
| First Level Approved By | Non SES | Tue, 30 Aug 2016 14:29:58 -0400 |
| Second Level Approved By | Non SES | Thu, 1 Sep 2016 12:32:31 -0400 |

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PAYMENT REQUEST**

DRAFT TYPE

Request Type: General Payment Type: Confidential Forfeiture or Drug Related: No

INFORMATION ABOUT THE REQUESTING EMPLOYEE

| | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------------|
| Official Bureau Name | UEID | Date of Request |
| SOMMA, STEPHEN | [REDACTED] | 08/30/2016 |
| Field Office | Squad | User Dimension 4 |
| New York | CD 8 | [REDACTED] |

INFORMATION ABOUT THE REQUESTED PAYEE

| | |
|----------------|------------|
| Payee Name | UEID |
| SOMMA, STEPHEN | [REDACTED] |

Is this a one-time non-symbol source payment? No

| Source Number | Serial Number | Payment Name | Date of Approved Waiver Request | Period Covered From | Period Covered To |
|-------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| HALPER [REDACTED] | CE-061 | MITCH | 08/20/2016 | 09/03/2016 | |

Financial Justification: CHS was operational in a sensitive investigation.

DETAILS ABOUT THE REQUESTED DRAFT

| Attributable to Agent or CHS | Catalog | File No. | Financial Program/Subprogram | Amount |
|------------------------------|---------|----------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| | | 97F-HQ-2063661 | [REDACTED] | |
| CHS Service | | Description: | CHS Services | \$15,000.00 |
| | | | Total For 97F-HQ-2063661 | \$15,000.00 |
| | | | Total | \$15,000.00 |

ACCOUNTING DETAILS

| Org Level 2 | Fund | SOC | Sub SOC | BBFY | EBFY | Partition | User Dimension 5 |
|-------------|------|-----|---------|------|------|-----------|------------------|
| | | | | | | FBI | |

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PAYMENT REQUEST

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Commitment: _____

Obligation: _____

Advance: _____

Expense: _____

Cash Receipt: _____

Cash Receipt –
OTCnet (CRO): _____OTCnet Deposit
Ticket #: _____Debit/Draft/EFT
No.:

Prior Month Advance Balance: _____

This Advance: _____

Less Receipts: _____

Funds Returned and/or Cash on Hand: _____

Amount to be Reimbursed: _____

APPROVAL

| | Name | Date/Time |
|-------------------------|---------|----------------------|
| Approved By SSA: | Non SES | 8/30/2016 2:30:15 PM |
| Certified by ASAC: | Non SES | 9/1/2016 12:32:40 PM |
| Draft Approval Officer: | | |

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
PAYMENT REQUEST****HEADER****Source ID:** HALPER**Date:** 09/06/2016**Case Agent Name:** Non SES**Field Office/Division:** New York**Squad:** CD 8**Classified By:****Derived From:****Declassify On:****PAYMENT REQUEST****Payment Request Form Type:** General**Official Bureau Name:** SOMMA, STEPHEN**UEID:****Phone Number:****Payee Name:** SOMMA, STEPHEN**UEID:****Payment Name:** MITCH**Enclosures:****Include if payment is for reimbursement of case-related expenditures made by the CHS.****Enclosed are receipts for expenses incurred by the Confidential Human Source (CHS) at the behest of the FBI, which are being reimbursed as expenses. (or) Enclosed is a statement documenting the amount spent by the CHS, the date(s) and the reason(s) why a receipt could not be obtained.****CHS was opened/re-opened on:** 03/24/2011**Aggregate Total Paid:** \$526,906.60**Total Paid since re-open (if needed):** \$181,643.51**Total Paid in Current FY:** \$0.00**Is this payment for medical expenses?**

No

Is the CHS expected to testify?

No

Financial Justification

Agents should utilize this block to document the operational necessity for expenditures (i.e. costs associated with a CHS debrief; utilization of Undercover Credit Card for CHS expenses; agent exceeding per diem allowance; alcohol consumption by agent) which normally would require separate SAC/ASAC approval. See Confidential Funding Guide for other expenditures. Specific operational details should not be entered here.

Payment to CHS for services.

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PAYMENT REQUEST

The Attorney General's Guidelines dated 12/13/2006 require that the payment of any FBI funds to a CHS be made by an FBI Agent and another government official. However, in extraordinary circumstances, the SAC is authorized to approve an exemption to this requirement. This allows the FBI Agent to be the payer and only witness.

Is SAC approval for an exemption to the second witness requirement requested for this payment?

No

Period covered for this payment:

Begin: 09/02/2016

End: 09/07/2016

| Payment Request Amount | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Substantive Case File Number | Financial Program | Financial Subprogram |
| 97F-HQ-2067748 | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Payment Description | Expense Incurred By | Payment Amount |
| CHS Services | CHS Service | \$25,000.00 |

Operational Payment justification narrative:

Payment for CHS for services performed on the CROSSFIRE HURRICANE/TYPHOON investigations.

Total CHS Services: \$25,000.00

Total CHS Expenses: \$0.00

Total Agent Expenses: \$0.00

SIGNATURE

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Submitted By | SMSOMMA (STEPHEN SOMMA) | Tue, 6 Sep 2016 10:21:12 -0400 |
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PAYMENT REQUEST**

DRAFT TYPE

Request Type: General Payment Type: Confidential Forfeiture or Drug Related: No

INFORMATION ABOUT THE REQUESTING EMPLOYEE

| | | |
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| Official Bureau Name | UEID | Date of Request |
| SOMMA, STEPHEN | [REDACTED] | 09/06/2016 |
| Field Office | Squad | User Dimension 4 |
| New York | CD 8 | Telephone Number |

INFORMATION ABOUT THE REQUESTED PAYEE

| | |
|----------------|------------|
| Payee Name | UEID |
| SOMMA, STEPHEN | [REDACTED] |

Is this a one-time non-symbol source payment? No

| Source Number | Serial Number | Payment Name | Date of Approved Waiver Request | Period Covered From | Period Covered To |
|-------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| HALPER [REDACTED] | CE-062 | MITCH | | 09/02/2016 | 09/07/2016 |

Financial Justification: Payment to CHS for services.

DETAILS ABOUT THE REQUESTED DRAFT

| Attributable to Agent or CHS | Catalog | File No. | Financial Program/Subprogram | Amount |
|------------------------------|---------|----------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| | | 97F-HQ-2067748 | [REDACTED] | |
| CHS Service | | Description: | CHS Services | \$25,000.00 |
| | | | Total For 97F-HQ-2067748 | \$25,000.00 |
| | | | Total | \$25,000.00 |

ACCOUNTING DETAILS

| Org Level 2 | Fund | SOC | Sub SOC | BBFY | EBFY | Partition | User Dimension 5 |
|-------------|------|-----|---------|------|------|-----------|------------------|
| | | | | | | FBI | |

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Obligation: _____

Advance: _____

Expense: _____

Cash Receipt: _____

Cash Receipt –
OTCnet (CRO): _____OTCnet Deposit
Ticket #: _____Debit/Draft/EFT
No.:

Prior Month Advance Balance: _____

This Advance: _____

Less Receipts: _____

Funds Returned and/or Cash on Hand: _____

Amount to be Reimbursed: _____

APPROVAL

| | Name | Date/Time |
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| Certified by ASAC: | Non SES | 9/6/2016 11:59:09 AM |
| Draft Approval Officer: | | |

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PAYMENT RECEIPT

Somma, Stephen M.
Received from Non SES [REDACTED] the total amount of \$15,000.00 representing \$15,000.00 for services rendered and/or \$0.00 for expenses for the period 08/20/2016 from to 09/03/2016.

SM Paying official advised that monies paid for services are considered taxable income and must be reported to the appropriate tax authorities.
 (CHS's Payment Name initials)

WIL 8 Sept 2016
CHS Payment Name (Signature) Date CHS Payment Name (Printed)
 Mitch 8 Sept. 2016
Paying Agent (Signature) Date Stephen M. Somma
Paying Agent (Printed)
 ██████████ 9/8/16 B.E. GESSFOR D
Date Witness (Printed)

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Payment Name: MITCH

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
PAYMENT RECEIPT

Somme, Stephen M
Received from Non SES [REDACTED] the total amount of **\$25,000.00** representing **\$25,000.00** for services rendered and/or **\$0.00** for expenses for the period **09/02/2016** from to **09/07/2016**.

M Paying official advised that monies paid for services are considered taxable income and must be reported to the appropriate tax authorities.

(CHS's Payment Name Initials)

Mitch 28 Sept. 2016 *Mitch*
CHS Payment Name (Signature) Date CHS Payment Name (Printed)
[REDACTED] 9/29/16 *Stephen M. Somme*
Paying Agent (Signature) Date Paying Agent (Printed)
[REDACTED] 9/29/16 *B.E. GESSFORD*
Witness (Signature) Date Witness (Printed)

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Payment Name: MITCH

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HEADER

Source ID: HALPER
Date: 01/05/2017
Case Agent Name: Non SES
Field Office/Division: New York
Squad: CD 8
Classified By:
Derived From:
Declassify On:

PAYMENT REQUEST

Payment Request Form Type: General
Official Bureau Name: SOMMA, STEPHEN
UEID:
Phone Number:
Payee Name: SOMMA, STEPHEN
UEID:
Payment Name: MITCH

Enclosures:

Include if payment is for reimbursement of case-related expenditures made by the CHS.

Enclosed are receipts for expenses incurred by the Confidential Human Source (CHS) at the behest of the FBI, which are being reimbursed as expenses. (or) Enclosed is a statement documenting the amount spent by the CHS, the date(s) and the reason(s) why a receipt could not be obtained.

CHS was opened/re-opened on: 03/24/2011
Aggregate Total Paid: \$571,906.60
Total Paid since re-open (if needed): \$226,643.51
Total Paid in Current FY: \$0.00

Is this payment for medical expenses? No

Is the CHS expected to testify? No

Financial Justification

Agents should utilize this block to document the operational necessity for expenditures (i.e. costs associated with a CHS debrief; utilization of Undercover Credit Card for CHS expenses; agent exceeding per diem allowance; alcohol consumption by agent) which normally would require separate SAC/ASAC approval. See Confidential Funding Guide for other expenditures. Specific operational details should not be entered here.

For Services from 11/1/2016-1/5/2017.

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PAYMENT REQUEST

The Attorney General's Guidelines dated 12/13/2006 require that the payment of any FBI funds to a CHS be made by an FBI Agent and another government official. However, in extraordinary circumstances, the SAC is authorized to approve an exemption to this requirement. This allows the FBI Agent to be the payer and only witness.

Is SAC approval for an exemption to the second witness requirement requested for this payment?

No

Period covered for this payment:

Begin: 11/01/2016

End: 01/05/2017

| Payment Request Amount | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Substantive Case File Number | Financial Program | Financial Subprogram |
| Payment Description | Expense Incurred By | Payment Amount |
| 97F-NY-2067747 | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| CHS Services | CHS Service | \$25,000.00 |

Operational Payment justification narrative:

[REDACTED] Payment for services provided by the CHS during the course of the captioned investigation.

Total CHS Services: \$25,000.00

Total CHS Expenses: \$0.00

Total Agent Expenses: \$0.00

SIGNATURE

Submitted By SMSOMMA (STEPHEN SOMMA)

Wed, 11 Jan 2017 12:14:20 -0500

First Level Approved By Non SES [REDACTED]

Wed, 11 Jan 2017 12:27:54 -0500

Second Level Approved By Non SES [REDACTED]

Wed, 11 Jan 2017 13:55:37 -0500

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PAYMENT REQUEST**

DRAFT TYPE

Request Type: General Payment Type: Confidential Forfeiture or Drug Related: No

INFORMATION ABOUT THE REQUESTING EMPLOYEE

| | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------------|
| Official Bureau Name | UEID | Date of Request |
| SOMMA, STEPHEN | [REDACTED] | 01/05/2017 |
| Field Office | Squad | User Dimension 4 |
| New York | CD 8 | [REDACTED] |

INFORMATION ABOUT THE REQUESTED PAYEE

| | |
|----------------|------------|
| Payee Name | UEID |
| SOMMA, STEPHEN | [REDACTED] |

Is this a one-time non-symbol source payment? No

| Source Number | Serial Number | Payment Name | Date of Approved Waiver Request | Period Covered From | Period Covered To |
|-------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| HALPER [REDACTED] | CE-065 | MITCH | | 11/01/2016 | 01/05/2017 |

Financial Justification: For Services from 11/1/2016-1/5/2017.

DETAILS ABOUT THE REQUESTED DRAFT

| Attributable to Agent or CHS | Catalog | File No. | Financial Program/Subprogram | Amount |
|------------------------------|---------|----------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| | | 97F-NY-2067747 | [REDACTED] | |
| CHS Service | | Description: | CHS Services | \$25,000.00 |
| | | | Total For 97F-NY-2067747 | \$25,000.00 |
| | | | Total | \$25,000.00 |

ACCOUNTING DETAILS

| Org Level 2 | Fund | SOC | Sub SOC | BBFY | EBFY | Partition | User Dimension 5 |
|-------------|------|-----|---------|------|------|-----------|------------------|
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Commitment: _____

Obligation: _____

Advance: _____

Expense: _____

Cash Receipt: _____

Cash Receipt –
OTCnet (CRO): _____OTCnet Deposit
Ticket #: _____Debit/Draft/EFT
No.:

Prior Month Advance Balance: _____

This Advance: _____

Less Receipts: _____

Funds Returned and/or Cash on Hand: _____

Amount to be Reimbursed: _____

APPROVAL

| | Name | Date/Time |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------------------|
| Approved By SSA: | Non SES | 1/11/2017 12:28:01 PM |
| Certified by ASAC: | Non SES | 1/11/2017 1:55:44 PM |
| Draft Approval Officer: | | |

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Payroll Payment

Somma, Stephen M.

Received from **Non SES** the total amount of \$3,517.00 plus a retainer of \$25,000.00 for services rendered and/or \$0.00 for expenses for the period of 01/01/2017 through 01/05/2017.

M

Paying official advised that the amount of payment is a non-considered taxable income and must be reported to the appropriate tax authorities.

(CHS's Payment
Name initials)

Mitch

1 Feb 2017

Mitch

CHS Payment Name (Signature)

CHS Payment Name (Printed)

[REDACTED] Paying Agent (Signature)

21/17

Stephen M. Somma

Paying Agent (Printed)

Non SES

[REDACTED] Witness (Signature)

Non SES

[REDACTED] Witness (Printed)

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Payment Name: MITCH

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Somma Stephen M

Received from Non SES [REDACTED] the total amount of \$5,000.00 representing \$5,000.00 for services rendered and/or \$0.00 for expenses for the period 08/11/2016 from to 08/19/2016.

M

Paying official advised that monies paid for services are considered taxable income and must be reported to the appropriate tax authorities.

(CHS's Payment Name initials)

mitch

CHS Payment Name (Signature)

8/19/16

Date

mitch

CHS Payment Name (Printed)

8/19/16

Date

Stephen M. Somma

Paying Agent (Printed)

8/19/16

Date

Benjamin S. Gessford

Witness (Printed)

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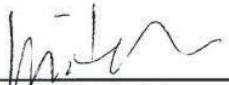
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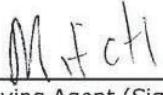
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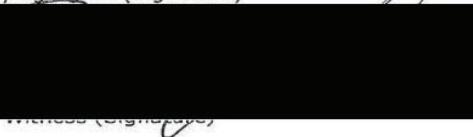
Somma, Stephen M.

Received from [REDACTED] the total amount of **\$15,000.00** representing **\$15,000.00** for services rendered and/or **\$0.00** for expenses for the period **08/20/2016** from to **09/03/2016**.

 Paying official advised that monies paid for services are considered taxable income and must be reported to the appropriate tax authorities.
(CHS's Payment Name initials)

 8 Sept 2016
CHS Payment Name (Signature) Date CHS Payment Name (Printed)

 8 Sept 2016
Paying Agent (Signature) Date Paying Agent (Printed)

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Witness (Signature) Date Witness (Printed)

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Somme, Stephen M

Received from [REDACTED] the total amount of **\$25,000.00** representing **\$25,000.00** for services rendered and/or **\$0.00** for expenses for the period **09/02/2016** from to **09/07/2016**.

M Paying official advised that monies paid for services are considered taxable income and must be reported to the appropriate tax authorities.

(CHS's Payment Name initials)

Mitch 28 Sept. 2016 Mitch

CHS Payment Name (Signature)

Date

CHS Payment Name (Printed)

[REDACTED] 9/29/16 Stephen M. Somme

[REDACTED] (Signature)

Date

Paying Agent (Printed)

[REDACTED] 9/29/16 B.E. GESSFORD

[REDACTED] Witness (Signature)

Date

Witness (Printed)

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY:

Payment Name: MITCH



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Human Source Validation Report

HUMINT Operations Section, Validation Management Unit

Classified by: [REDACTED]

Derived from: [REDACTED]

Declassify on: [REDACTED]

(U) Human Source Validation Report: **HALPER**

OGA

[REDACTED] Some of the information contained in this document is derived from an exclusive product of the Validation Operational Testing Unit (VOTU) and contains sensitive reporting, which, if disseminated without prior authorization, could negatively impact future activities of the VOTU. Authority for release of information contained in this document may be obtained through Directorate of Intelligence-Validation Section senior management.

(U) Summary

[REDACTED] Validation Management Unit (VMU) recommends FBI New York (NY) continue to operate **HALPER**. VMU assesses it is likely^a **HALPER** will continue to contribute to the FBI's Counterintelligence Program. VMU makes this assessment with medium confidence,^b based on the fact that **HALPER**'s access and placement is commensurate with his or her reporting; the reporting has not been corroborated; and on the absence of minimal handling issues noted in the Delta file. While there have been serious handling issues noted in previous HSVRs, VMU did not locate similar issues during this period of review. VMU assesses **HALPER** has provided valuable information for FBI NY based on his or her unique access.

UNCLASSIFIED [REDACTED]

(U) Administrative

(U) Validation is a multi-layered process that may begin before meeting a potential CHS and may not end until sometime after the CHS relationship is terminated. As such, the collection of complete and current biographical data is critical to the accurate validation of the CHS. The Quarterly SSA Source Report (QSSR) ensures the CHS is properly managed; the Field Office Annual Source Report (FOASR) is designed to be the annual review of the CHS by the Special Agent and the Field Office. The FBIHQ VMU CHS validation reviews are prioritized using high-risk characteristics outlined in the Confidential Human Source Policy Guide (CHSPG) and the [REDACTED]

^a (U) See Appendix A (Expressions of Likelihood).

^b (U) See Appendix B (Confidence in Assessments and Judgments Based on a Body of Information).

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(U) Details

This Human Source Validation Report (HSVR) conveys VMU's validation review and assessment of **HALPER** for the period of 07 May 2013 to 10 March 2017.

(Previously closed for cause, resides outside the US, extraterritorial traveler, highly paid [cumulative])

Purpose of Review: Special Request

Primary Reporting Program: Counterintelligence Program

Secondary Reporting Program: Russia

Field Office: New York

Confidential Human Source Coordinator (CHSC): Non SES

Handling Agent: SA Non SES

Date CHS was Opened/Closed: 23 March 2011

(U) Background

HALPER is a US citizen employed at a [REDACTED] **HALPER** codename MITCH, is being utilized to provide information on two initiatives both dealing with Russia. MITCH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. He or she has also provided information pertaining to the US election involving Donald Trump's close associates and their potential ties to the Russian government. MITCH has a residence in both the US and the United Kingdom (UK). This is the third HSVR completed on MITCH. This HSVR is consistent with the second HSVR and includes recommendations.

- [REDACTED] The first HSVR was completed on 28 February 2011 with a finding to close for cause.
- [REDACTED] The second HSVR was completed on 07 May 2013 with a finding to continue to operate.

(U) Suitability

VMU assesses it is likely **HALPER** is suitable for continued operation, based on his or her authenticity, reliability, and control.

(U) Authenticity

- [REDACTED] According to information contained in the Delta file, there are no reasons to doubt his or her identity. FBI NY has sufficiently verified **HALPER**'s identity through background investigations and updated criminal history checks.

^c (U) This validation review includes a check of the following databases: Delta, Sentinel, **OGA**, Automated Case Support (ACS), **OGA**, Data Warehouse System (DWS), **OGA**, Counterintelligence and Human Intelligence Requirements Reporting and Operations Management Environment (CHROME), and Data Integration and Visualization System (DIVS). VMU conducted database checks on 02 March 2017

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- [REDACTED] located biographical information not previously located in previous HSVRs pertaining to MITCH's [REDACTED] ^{DGA} FBI NY has addressed VMU's concerns by e-mail correspondence dated 06 March 2017.
- [REDACTED] While the two entries contained MITCH's correct name, date of birth, and usual travel patterns, the picture provided in the results do not match with MITCH's identity. VMU assesses this to be a one-time error, but recommends FBI NY to verify future travel and ensure no other individual is using MITCH's identity to travel overseas.
- [REDACTED] According to the FOASR, MITCH has direct access to the information provided. MITCH **OGA** [REDACTED]. As a result, VMU ascertains MITCH to still maintain access to pertinent information.
- [REDACTED] VMU found no issues regarding MITCH's access.
- [REDACTED] According to the FOASR, MITCH is motivated by monetary compensation and patriotism/ideology. During the period of review, MITCH has been paid \$48.99 in expenses and \$156,000.00 in payments. VMU notes to include the last HSVR, FBI NY has paid MITCH \$1,181,064.44 dating back to 1991 to include both expenses and payments. VMU concurs with the FOASR's assessment of MITCH being motivated by monetary compensation.

(U) Reliability

- [REDACTED] MITCH was instructed to send an e-mail to a target to arrange a meeting. The results indicated no derogatory information.
- [REDACTED] During the period of review, VMU found no derogatory issues regarding MITCH's reliability.

(U) Control

- [REDACTED] VMU conducted a **OGA** search on 01 March 2017 and found numerous occasions of unreported travel. VMU has provided FBI NY a list of departure and arrival locations with the dates of unreported international travel. FBI NY is requested to provide the appropriate concurrence for future international travel.

(U) Production Review/Investigative Support

[REDACTED] VMU assesses it is likely MITCH will continue to inform the FBI Counterintelligence Program. VMU makes this assessment with medium confidence, based on collection requirements addressed, investigations supported, and no corroborated reporting.

- [REDACTED] VMU notes due to the singular nature of MITCH's access, there is no corroboration in the Delta file. However, VMU notes MITCH has been productive in providing valuable insight and access to targets of interest for FBI NY.

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(U) Corroboration

- [REDACTED] According to the 15 April 2016 FOASR, VMU notes there is no corroboration provided concerning MITCH's reporting. Due to the singular nature of his or her access, VMU was unable to locate corroboration regarding MITCH's reporting. As a result, FBI NY is requested to provide any future corroboration of MITCH's reporting to the Delta file.

[REDACTED] *Collection Requirements*

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

(U) Threat Issues

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

(U) Key Intelligence Questions:

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

(U) Compliance Issues

[REDACTED] VMU notes MITCH has not been admonished regarding the Attorney General Guidelines (AGGs) since 11 May 2015. The [REDACTED] requires Confidential Human Sources be admonished at opening and at least annually thereafter.

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████████ Per Section ██████████, "SSA approval is required for all interaction with a CHS via Internet-based or electronic communication, including, but not limited to, e-mail, text, facsimile, social networks, forums, cloud computing, and app-based connections. This approval must be properly documented in the CHS file."

(U) Caveat

(U//████) There are no caveats regarding **HALPER**

(U) Analyst Comments

████████ Following a discussion with FBI NY and VMU on 06 March 2017, FBI NY has addressed VMU's concerns. These concerns included uploading annual admonishments, advanced documentation of any future international travel, issues concerning debriefs at MITCH's residence, utilizing MITCH's spouse for communication with FBI NY, uploading proper concurrence for e-mail communication with MITCH, and non-agent FBI employees meeting with **HALPER**

(U) Recommendations

████████ VMU discourages the use of e-mail to pass sensitive information. VMU recommends FBI NY to consult ██████████ for more information on policy requirements regarding CHSs and the use of e-mail. VMU also recommends the CHS make copies of all e-mails received and pass them to FBI NY for scanning and upload into Delta.

████████ FBI NY should have CART mirror MITCH's laptop in order to further vet and corroborate the information and to ensure no malware has been placed on these devices. FBI NY should consider MITCH for the FBIHQ Cyber Division's Technical Operations Unit (TOU) - Traveler Initiative.

████████ Based on the information found in previous HSVRs concerning MITCH's behavior and frequent international travel, VMU recommends FBI NY conduct additional operational tests and upload the results to the Delta file.

████████ VMU recommends uploading the Management and Program Analysts (MAPAs) and Staff Operations Specialists (SOSs) supervisor's approval to the Delta file prior to debriefings with MITCH. Furthermore, VMU recommends FBI NY refrain from having a non-agent employee meet with MITCH without an agent present.

████████ VMU recommends FBI NY provide any additional corroboration of MITCH's reporting to the Delta file.

(U) Outlook

████████ Overall, VMU assesses MITCH has been productive throughout the period of review. While there have been handling issues noted in the previous HSVRs, VMU did not locate any

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major handling issues during the period of review. Due to MITCH's unique access to the information provided, VMU assesses MITCH will continue to provide valuable information to FBI NY. VMU has provided recommendations for FBI NY's benefit and assesses MITCH will continue to provide information.

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CHSC Non SES
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(U) **From:** VMU

(U) **Drafted by:** IA [REDACTED] Non SES [REDACTED]

(U) **Case ID #:** [REDACTED]

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(U) Appendix A: Expressions of Likelihood (or Probability)

(U) Phrases such as “the FBI judges” and “the FBI assesses,” and terms such as “likely” and “probably” convey analytical judgments and assessments. The chart approximates how expressions of likelihood and probability correlate with percentages of chance.

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| <i>Terms of Likelihood</i> | Almost No Chance | Very Unlikely | Unlikely | Roughly Even Chance | Likely | Very Likely | Almost Certain(ly) |
|-----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| <i>Terms of Probability</i> | Remote | Highly Improbable | Improbable (Improbably) | Roughly Even Odds | Probable (Probably) | Highly Probable | Nearly Certain |
| | 1-5% | 5-20% | 20-45% | 45-55% | 55-80% | 80-95% | 95-99% |

(U) Unless otherwise stated, the FBI does not derive judgments via statistical analysis.

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(U) Appendix B: Confidence in Assessments and Judgments Based on a Body of Information

(U) Confidence levels reflect the quality and quantity of the source information supporting judgment. Consequently, the FBI ascribes high, medium, or low levels of confidence to assessments, as follows:

(U) **High confidence** generally indicates the FBI's judgments are based on high quality information, from multiple sources. High confidence in a judgment does not imply the assessment is a fact or a certainty; such judgments might be wrong. While additional reporting and information sources may change analytical judgments, such changes are most likely to be refinements and not substantial in nature.

(U) **Medium confidence** generally means the information is credibly sourced and plausible but not of sufficient quality or corroborated sufficiently to warrant a higher level of confidence. Additional reporting or information sources have the potential to increase the FBI's confidence levels or substantively change analytical judgments.

(U) **Low confidence** generally means the information's credibility or plausibility is uncertain, the information is too fragmented or poorly corroborated to make solid analytic inferences, or the reliability of the sources is questionable. Absent additional reporting or information sources, analytical judgments should be considered preliminary in nature.

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HALPER Payments

08/01/2016 to 03/01/2017

| Date | Amount | Payment Type | Period of Performance |
|-----------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| 8/19/2016 | \$ 5,000.00 | Services | 08/11/2016-08/19/2016 |
| 9/8/2016 | \$ 15,000.00 | Services | 08/20/2016-09/03/2016 |
| 9/29/2016 | \$ 25,000.00 | Services | 09/02/2016-09/07/2016 |
| 2/1/2017 | \$ 25,000.00 | Services | 11/01/2016-01/05/2017 |

| | |
|--------------|---------------------|
| Total | \$ 70,000.00 |
|--------------|---------------------|



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Electronic Communication

Title: [REDACTED] Meeting with CHS to discuss
CROSSFIRE HURRICANE

Date: 08/15/2016

From: NEW YORK
NY-CD1

Contact: SOMMA STEPHEN M, [REDACTED]

Approved By: Joe Pientka III

Drafted By: SOMMA STEPHEN M

Case ID #: 97F-HQ-2063661

[REDACTED] CROSSFIRE HURRICANE;
FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT -
RUSSIA;
SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER
[REDACTED] CROSSFIRE DRAGON
FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT -
RUSSIA;
SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER
[REDACTED] CROSSFIRE TYPHOON
FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT-RUSSIA;
SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER
[REDACTED] CROSSFIRE FURY
FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT-RUSSIA;
SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER

Synopsis: [REDACTED] Meeting with CHS on 8/11/2016 to discuss
CROSSFIRE H

Reason: [REDACTED]

Derived From: [REDACTED]

Declassify On: [REDACTED]

Full Investigation Initiated: 07/31/2016

Details:

[REDACTED] On 08/11/2016, SA Benjamin E. Gessford, SOS [REDACTED]

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and SA Stephen M. Somma met with [REDACTED] HALPER (CHS) to discuss CROSSFIRE HURRICANE. The meeting took place at the CHS' home and lasted approximately 1 1/2 hours. After introduction of SA Gessford to the CHS the following discussion took place:

[REDACTED] **CROSSFIRE TYPHOON**

[REDACTED] The CHS was informed by the interview team that they were currently assigned to a project looking at the role of the Russian Federation in the current U.S. Presidential campaign. As such, there were some individuals associated with the Trump Campaign that were of particular interest to the team. The team asked the CHS if s/he had heard of CROSSFIRE TYPHOON (CT), the CHS stated that s/he did not but asked for some background information on CT, which the team provided. The CHS, upon hearing of CT's pedigree information, stated that s/he was unaware of CT.

[REDACTED] The team inquired if the CHS would be able and/or willing to invite CT to his/her university in the UK to speak. The team explained that it would allow the FBI to obtain assessment information on CT as well as possibly conduct an operation against CT. The CHS stated that s/he would be willing to help, however, prior to the invitation, the CHS would want to meet CT first, as without knowing CT, CT could be "thrown to the wolves" at the university. The team agreed with the CHS and agreed to work with the CHS to obtain an initial meeting.

[REDACTED] **CROSSFIRE DRAGON**

[REDACTED] The CHS asked the team if they would be interested in CROSSFIRE DRAGON (CD). The CHS stated that CD had been invited to speak, earlier in July, at a presentation put together by the CHS' doctoral student, who had asked CD to attend. The CHS said that former Secretary of State Madeline Albright was also at the presentation. CD, was described by the CHS, as being "very guarded" during the presentation and stating that his/her views were his/her own and not of the Trump campaign.

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[REDACTED] The CHS explained to the team that s/he had a private meeting with CD on or about 7/18/2016 when CD was at the CHS' university in the UK. [Writer's note: it's believed that the meeting occurred on 7/13/2016, which was the date CD left London and flew to the U.S. as per FBI records checks] The CHS told the team that the purpose of the meeting was to ask the CHS if the s/he would want to join the Trump campaign as a foreign policy adviser. The CHS stated that s/he was non-committal to CD about joining the campaign. The CHS told the interviewing team that he had no intention of joining the campaign.

[REDACTED] The CHS met with CD in the CHS' office and the meeting lasted approximately 2 hours. During the course of the meeting CD discussed his/her relationship with Gazprom, CD's views on Putin, the current U.S. Presidential campaign and that CD "retold Russia's view on the Ukraine."

[REDACTED] The CHS also related that when CD had heard that the CHS had recently been in Dubai, CD mentioned that s/he was in Abu Dhabi around the same time as the CHS. CD told the CHS that s/he was in Abu Dhabi representing Gazprom. When asked by the team what s/he thought CD was advising Gazprom on, the CHS opined that it was most likely about American policy as CD does not have a background in geology and Gazprom "certainly doesn't need any more advisers" on energy.

[REDACTED] As stated previously the CHS stated that s/he had no intention of joining the campaign, but the CHS had not conveyed that to anyone related to the Trump campaign. The CHS was willing to assist with the ongoing investigation and to not notify the Trump campaign about the CHS' decision not to join.

CROSSFIRE FURY

[REDACTED] In discussions with the interviewing team about the investigation, the CHS stated the s/he has known CROSSFIRE FURY (CF) for over 30 years. The CHS worked with CF on several political

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campaigns. The CHS described CF as a savvy political operator. The CHS offered to reach out to CF, but stated, given the timing of the campaign, the CHS doubted CF would have time to respond or meet with the CHS.

CROSSFIRE RAZOR

[REDACTED] The CHS relayed an incident s/he witnessed when CROSSFIRE RAZOR (CR) spoke at the CHS' university. The CHS was unsure of the date, but noted that CR was still in his/her position within the USIC. [Writer's note: per open source, CR spoke at the university on 02/28/2014.] The CHS told the team that after CR spoke and socialized with members of the university at dinner and over drinks, members of the university got CR a cab to take CR to the train station to bring him/her to London. The CHS stated that a woman, SVETLANA LOKHOVA, surprised everyone and got into CR's cab and joined CR on the train ride to London. The CHS recalled that LOKHOVA "latched" onto CR when he was at the university. The CHS stated that s/he is somewhat suspicious of LOKHOVA, as she has been affiliated with several prominent members of his university. The CHS believes taht LOKHOVA's father may be a Russian Oligarch living in London. The CHS could not provide further information on CR and LOKHOVA's trip.

Other

[REDACTED] The CHS expects to hear from Sam Clovis soon about joining the Trump campaign. The CHS described Clovis as the "type of guy who could make a campaign work."

[REDACTED] The CHS advised that a friend, Peter Navaro, who is a professor at a university in California, is one of the Trump Campaign's senior policy adviser related to Trade.

[REDACTED] The CHS provided atmospherics about the current situation at his university and at his/her new company.

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Electronic Communication

Title: [REDACTED] CHS Meeting 08/12/2016

Date: 08/15/2016

From: NEW YORK
NY-CD1

Contact: SOMMA STEPHEN M, [REDACTED]

Approved By: Joe Pientka III

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Case ID #: 97F-HQ-2063661

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[REDACTED] CROSSFIRE TYPHOON
FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT-RUSSIA;
SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER
[REDACTED] CROSSFIRE FURY
FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT-RUSSIA;
SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER

Synopsis: [REDACTED] CHS meeting 08/12/2016 regarding captioned subjects.

Reason: [REDACTED]

Derived From: [REDACTED]

Declassify On: [REDACTED]

Full Investigation Initiated: 07/31/2016

Details:

[REDACTED] On 08/12/2016, SA Benjamin E. Gessford, SOS [REDACTED]
and SA Stephen M. Somma met with HALPER (CHS) to discuss CROSSFIRE
[REDACTED]

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HURRICANE. The meeting took place at the CHS' home and lasted approximately 2 hours.

[REDACTED] **CROSSFIRE DRAGON**

[REDACTED] The interviewing team informed the CHS that CROSSFIRE DRAGON (CD), whom they had spoken about the prior day, was of interest to them. The team explained that due to CD's ties back to the Russian Federation (RF), CD would be the logical conduit for the RF to message to the Trump Campaign. The team asked if the CHS would be willing to contact CD, based off of their previous discussions in the UK in July, and invite CD to a private meeting. The CHS agreed to contact CD and offered her/his home for the meeting or at a private club in the Washington, DC area. The team suggested that the CHS' home would be preferable, as it would allow for a more private atmosphere, but would work with wherever the CHS and CD agree to meet.

[REDACTED] The team and the CHS discussed, that given the Trump Campaign's desire to hire the CHS as an adviser, the CHS is in a prefect position to ask CD direct questions about the Trump campaign's alleged ties to the RF. The team provided the CHS with several open source articles about the Trump Campaign.

[REDACTED] The team asked the CHS if s/he recalled when CD said he was in Abu Dhabi for Gazprom (discussed with the CHS the previous day). The CHS said that s/he beleives that it was approximately 3 months ago. The team asked if it was unusual for a senior foreign policy adviser to a presidential campaign to still be advising a company like Gazprom, the CHS thought it was. The CHS stated that s/he was under the impression that CD was connected to the Russian Government either through Gazprom or through other connections.

[REDACTED] The CHS was going to contact her/his doctoral student to obtain CD's e-mail address so that the CHS could recontact CD. The team told the CHS that if the student is unable to provide one, they could give the CHS the e-mail address they have. The team told the CHS that they would like to have the CHS contact CD as soon as possible.

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[REDACTED] **CROSSFIRE RAZOR**

[REDACTED] The CHS was asked to recall the incident that s/he spoke about the previous day regarding CR. The team asked if the CHS recalled how CR was invited to speak at his university in the UK. The CHS believed that the invite was most likely sent out by another member of the committee who shared responsibility of inviting speakers to their university. The CHS stated that s/he could contact someone on the committee and inquire how CR was invited.

[REDACTED] The CHS was asked if s/he recalled if CR was alone during the presentation at the university, or if CR was joined by a staff officer. The CHS did not remember another officer with CR, but said that there was a representative from CR's organization there from a local military base. The CHS did clarify to the team that SVETLANA LAKHOVA got into the cab with CR at the university and then joined CR on the train to London.

[REDACTED] The team thought, that given that the Trump Campaign was interested in the CHS joining, the CHS may be able to meet with CR as part of the CHS' due diligence of the campaign. During a meeting with CR, the team thought it would be another opportunity for the CHS to address the RF ties to the Trump campaign.

[REDACTED] **CROSSFIRE TYHPOON**

[REDACTED] The team asked the CHS if s/he thought an invitation to CT for CT to speak at the CHS' university would be better if extended via the CHS' doctoral student. The venue would be a small setting for CT to speak with current students and then travel to London. The CHS stated that s/he thought of an institute/think tank in London where CT might be able to speak as well, thereby allowing the FBI or others to have access to CT. The CHS opined that the university would be open around the first or second week of October. The team asked if there was an opportunity to have CT to the UK sooner, the CHS said s/he would look into it.

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[REDACTED] The team provided the CHS with CT's e-mail address.

SENATOR SESSIONS

[REDACTED] The CHS was asked about Senator Sessions role as a senior foreign policy adviser on the Trump Campaign. The CHS does not know Sessions, but opined that Sessions is a conservative who would not be friendly to Russia.

OTHER

[REDACTED] The CHS told the team that s/he was thinking of contacting Peter Navaro to inquire about the Trump campaign. The CHS mentioned that Navaro had approached her/him about joining the campaign in the past and that the CHS would be able to ask Navaro direct questions as well, since they are personal friends.

[REDACTED] The team inquired what the role of a foreign policy adviser consists of. The CHS explained that the main job is to put together position papers for the candidate. As the campaign progresses, the advisers help prepare the candidate for debates, playing the role of reporters in the rehearsals. After the debates are over, the CHS stated that the main role is to "put out fires" for the candidate.

[REDACTED] The CHS signed, under her/his codename, a FD-472 allowing the FBI to consensually monitor any conversations related to the CROSSFIRE HURRICANE investigation.

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Electronic Communication

Title: [REDACTED] CROSSFIRE DRAGON Operational Plan

Date: 08/24/2016

CC: MOYER SALLY ANNE

From: NEW YORK
NY-CD1

Contact: SOMMA STEPHEN M, [REDACTED]

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Drafted By: SOMMA STEPHEN M

Case ID #: 97F-HQ-2067747

[REDACTED] CROSSFIRE DRAGON
FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT -
RUSSIA;
SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER

Synopsis: [REDACTED] Operational plan for a CHS to meet with CROSSFIRE DRAGON on 08/20/2016

Reason: [REDACTED]

Derived From: [REDACTED]

Declassify On: [REDACTED]

Full Investigation Initiated: 08/10/2016

Enclosure(s): Enclosed are the following items:

1. [REDACTED] FD-472
2. [REDACTED] FD-759

Details:

BACKGROUND

Title: [REDACTED] CROSSFIRE DRAGON Operational Plan
Re: 97F-HQ-2067747, 08/24/2016

[REDACTED] The CROSSFIRE HURRICANE (CH) investigative team is attempting to determine if anyone in the Trump Campaign is in a position to have received information either directly or indirectly from the Russian Federation (RF) regarding the anonymous release of information during the campaign that would be damaging to Hillary Clinton. CROSSFIRE DRAGON (CD) is one of the main subjects in the investigative effort. CD has extensive ties to the various state-owned entities of the RF, most notably, Gazprom. Additionally, CD has, in the past, been in direct contact with SVR officers and continued his contact after FBI defensive briefings.

[REDACTED] In July 2016, CD spoke at a conference in Moscow, Russia, whereby CD stated he went to Moscow as a "private person" and was not representing the Trump Campaign. After his speech in Moscow, CD flew to the United Kingdom (UK). While in the UK, CD took part in a presentation at Cambridge University with Madeleine Albright. A FBI CHS was present at the presentation and described CD as "guarded" during the presentation and as being "careful" while speaking with Albright.

[REDACTED] The following operational plan is being proposed in furtherance of the CROSSFIRE DRAGON and CROSSFIRE HURRICANE investigative efforts.

CD/FBI CHS RELATIONSHIP

[REDACTED] By way of background, the FBI-NY CHS (S-00010788), is a lifetime fellow at a prestigious overseas university. The CHS has also been involved in several U.S. presidential campaigns and is a published author of several position papers and books. The CHS has been asked to join recent U.S. presidential campaigns, but has declined.

[REDACTED] When in Cambridge, CD met privately with the FBI-NY CHS (CHS) for approximately 2 hours. During the meeting, CD asked if the CHS would be interested in joining the Trump Campaign as a foreign policy adviser. While the CHS has no intention of joining the campaign, the CHS was non-committal and agreed to continue a dialogue with CD for the benefit of the FBI.

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Initial Contact

[REDACTED] The CHS received an e-mail from CD on 08/14/2016, CD stated that he and another individual, would like to meet with the CHS to discuss the CHS potentially joining the Trump Campaign. The CHS responded to the e-mail on 08/15/2016 to set up a meeting with CD. The CHS invited CD to meet with the CHS privately at the CHS' home in Virginia, since it offers a relaxed, yet intimate setting on 8/20/2016. The CHS and CD have had several e-mail exchanges regarding the date and time. CD, in these exchanges, has indicated that he will be meeting with the CHS without the previously mentioned individual. On 08/18/2016, the CHS received an e-mail from CD confirming a meeting at the CHS' home on 08/20/2016 between 3 and 4 p.m.

[REDACTED] The main goal of the operation is to have CD admit that he has direct knowledge of and is either helping coordinate or assisting the RF conduct an active measure campaign with the "Trump Team." The CHS will press CD on the Trump Campaigns alleged ties to the RF. The FBI believes the CHS is in a unique position to ask direct questions about the ties, as the CHS would be conducting proper due diligence prior to possibly joining the campaign. The FBI assesses CD is an opportune target for the CHS to question given their prior relationship and since CD is not a professional political operator. The FBI believes the CHS may be able to elicit information from CD due to CD's inexperience and CD's ego.

[REDACTED] Depending on how much information CD provides to the CHS during their meeting and how CD reacts to the CHS' questions the writer believes that there are two possible scenarios.

SCENARIO 1

[REDACTED] CD provides direct knowledge of RF involvement in the campaign and admits to being the conduit of information from the RF to the Trump Campaign. If this occurs, the CH Team will meet with FBIHQ and make a determination as to next steps to take with CD. The CH Team

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will direct the CHS to continue to meet with CD, while a decision is made by FBIHQ.

SCENARIO 2

[REDACTED] If CD does not provide tangible information during the meeting, or if CD explicitly states he does not know of any RF involvement in the campaign the FBI will focus on a second target of the investigation.

POSSIBLE COMPLICATIONS

[REDACTED] CD may recognize this meeting as a way to collect information about the Trump Campaign that he is not willing to share. The conversation may be relayed to others in the Trump Campaign and create a possible issue for the CHS. However, because CD reached out to the CHS and given the CHS' ties to several senior members of the Trump Campaign the FBI assesses this to be a low risk operation.

OPERATIONS

[REDACTED] The CHS has signed a FD-472 allowing for consensually monitored conversations between the CHS and CD. The CHS has offered for the FBI to install recording devices in his home. The operation will be conducted in Virginia, which is a one party consent state, and applicable FD-759s for CCTV and audio are attached.

[REDACTED] The CH team had met with WFO [REDACTED] who will install audio and video recording devices in the CHS' home in order to record the meetings. Redundant systems will be utilized and the CHS will be wearing recording devices on his person. The CH team will be present on the CHS' property in order to live monitor the conversations between the CHS and CD. The CH team will minimize any conversations when the CHS is not present.

[REDACTED] SSG assets from WFO will cover CD during CD's time in Washington, D.C. CD has indicated to the CHS that he will be in the

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D.C. area until 08/23/2016.

OUTCOMES

[REDACTED] The FBI sees various possible outcomes from the meeting. CD could refuse to meet with the CHS or be uncooperative during the initial meeting, which would end the operation. The team would then change its posture and move forward with an operation against CROSSFIRE TYPHOON. However, CD could either fully divulge RF connections or provide an ambiguous answer, the CHS has been tasked to press CD with a direct question if CD is evasive. If, even after being directly questioned, CD is still evasive, a determination would be made if the information obtained would be worth continuing the operation or ending it.

[REDACTED] If the meeting is successful, the FBI could obtain information from CD about the RF, which would allow for additional investigative techniques.

SPECIAL NOTE

[REDACTED] The CHS will not be joining the Trump Campaign at the behest of the FBI. The CH Team will continue to encourage the CHS to make contact with individuals in furtherance of the CH investigation.

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Electronic Communication

Title: [REDACTED] Meeting with CHS discussing Sam Clovis **Date:** 09/06/2016

From: NEW YORK
NY-CD1

Contact: SOMMA STEPHEN M, [REDACTED]

Approved By: Joe Pientka III

Drafted By: SOMMA STEPHEN M

Case ID #: 97F-HQ-2063661

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[REDACTED] CROSSFIRE DRAGON
FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT -
RUSSIA;
SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER

Synopsis: [REDACTED] Meeting with CHS and FBI discussing Sam Clovis

Reason: [REDACTED]

D [REDACTED]

Declassify On: [REDACTED]

Full Investigation Initiated: 07/31/2016

Details:

[REDACTED] On 08/28/2016, SAs Benjamin E. Gessford and Stephen M. Somma as well as SOS [REDACTED] met with FBI-NY CHS HALPER at the CHS' home. During the course of the meeting the CHS informed the interviewing team that s/he had heard from CROSSFIRE DRAGON (CD) on 08/25/2016. During the call, CD informed the CHS that Sam Clovis will be in the Washington, D.C. area the following week and asked if the CHS would like to meet with him. The CHS told CD that he would like to,

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however, during the course of the conversation it seemed as though CD wasn't sure if the meeting might actually take place.

[REDACTED] The interviewing team gave the CHS an e-mail for Sam Clovis, which it had obtained via open source. The team instructed the CHS to reach out directly to Clovis in the hope of setting up a meeting. The CHS stated that s/he would send an e-mail to Clovis the following day.

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Electronic Communication

Title: [REDACTED] Observation of CROSSFIRE DRAGON
using a Smartphone

Date: 10/05/2016

From: NEW YORK
NY-CD1

Contact: SOMMA STEPHEN M, [REDACTED]

Approved By: Joe Pientka III

Drafted By: SOMMA STEPHEN M

Case ID #: 97F-HQ-2063661

[REDACTED] CROSSFIRE HURRICANE;
FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT -
RUSSIA;
SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER

Synopsis: [REDACTED] Observation of CROSSFIRE DRAGON utilizing a smartphone during a meeting with a CHS.

Reason: [REDACTED]

Derived From: [REDACTED]

Declassify On: [REDACTED]

Full Investigation Initiated: 07/31/2016

Details:

[REDACTED] During the course of a meeting between a CHS and CROSSFIRE DRAGON (CD) on 08/20/2016, CD was observed by the FBI utilizing a smartphone to show the CHS articles written about CD.

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Date: 10/19/2016

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FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT -
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Synopsis: [REDACTED] Observation of CROSSFIRE DRAGON utilizing a smartphone during a meeting with a CHS.

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[REDACTED] CROSSFIRE DRAGON
FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT -
RUSSIA;
SENSITIVE INVESTIGATIVE MATTER

Synopsis: [REDACTED] Operational plan for a CHS to meet with CROSSFIRE DRAGON on 10/17/2016

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Full Investigation Initiated: 08/10/2016

Details:

BACKGROUND

[REDACTED] The CROSSFIRE HURRICANE (CH) investigative team is attempting to determine if anyone in the Trump Campaign is in a position to have received information either directly or indirectly from the Russian Federation (RF) regarding the anonymous release of information during the campaign that would be damaging to Hillary Clinton. CROSSFIRE DRAGON (CD) is one of the main subjects in the

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investigative effort. CD has extensive ties to the various state-owned entities of the RF, most notably, Gazprom. Additionally, CD has, in the past, been in direct contact with SVR officers and continued his contact after FBI defensive briefings.

[REDACTED] In July 2016, CD spoke at a conference in Moscow, Russia, whereby CD stated he went to Moscow as a "private person" and was not representing the Trump Campaign. After his speech in Moscow, CD flew to the United Kingdom (UK). While in the UK, CD took part in a presentation at Cambridge University with Madeleine Albright. A FBI CHS was present at the presentation and described CD as "guarded" during the presentation and as being "careful" while speaking with Albright.

[REDACTED] The following operational plan is being proposed in furtherance of the CROSSFIRE DRAGON and CROSSFIRE HURRICANE investigative efforts.

CD/FBI CHS RELATIONSHIP

[REDACTED] By way of background, the FBI-NY CHS **HELPER**, is a lifetime fellow at a prestigious overseas university. The CHS has also been involved in several U.S. presidential campaigns and is a published author of several position papers and books. The CHS has been asked to join recent U.S. presidential campaigns, but has declined.

[REDACTED] When in Cambridge, CD met privately with the FBI-NY CHS (CHS) for approximately 2 hours. During the meeting, CD asked if the CHS would be interested in joining the Trump Campaign as a foreign policy adviser. While the CHS has no intention of joining the campaign, the CHS was non-committal and agreed to continue a dialogue with CD for the benefit of the FBI.

[REDACTED] On 08/20/2016, the CHS and CD met for approximately 3 hours at the CHS' home. During the time at the CHS' home, the CH team was able to obtain valuable assessment information on CD. CD viewed the CHS as a potential mentor. As a result of the meeting, the CH team

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was able to conduct several operations utilizing the CHS against other targets of the CH investigation.

[REDACTED] **OPERATIONS**

[REDACTED] The CHS, at the FBI's request, sent an e-mail to CD on or about 10/5/2016, after several news articles came out about CD and CD's alleged ties to the Russian Federation. As a result of the articles, the Trump campaign distanced themselves from CD. Additionally, CD wrote a letter to the FBI asking to be interviewed by the FBI. The CHS' e-mail was to check in on CD as a welfare check. As a result of the e-mail, the CHS and CD set-up a lunch at the CHS' home in Northern Virginia on 10/17/2016.

[REDACTED] The time of the meeting is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. on 10/17. The CH team anticipates the meeting lasting no longer than 3 hours. During the course of the meeting the FBI will task the CHS to ask CD specific questions related to the CH investigation.

[REDACTED] The CHS has signed a FD-472 allowing for consensually monitored conversations between the CHS and CD. The CHS has offered for the FBI to install recording devices in his home. The operation will be conducted in Virginia, which is a one party consent state, and applicable FD-759s for CCTV and audio are attached.

[REDACTED] The CH team will have WFO [REDACTED] install audio and video recording devices in the CHS' home in order to record the meetings. Redundant systems will be utilized and the CHS will be wearing recording devices on his person. The CH team will be present on the CHS' property in order to live monitor the conversations between the CHS and CD. The CH team will minimize any conversations when the CHS is not present.

[REDACTED] SSG assets from WFO will cover CD during CD's time in Washington, D.C. CD has indicated to the CHS that he will be in the D.C. area until 10/18/2016.

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SPECIAL NOTE

[REDACTED] The CHS will not be joining the Trump Campaign at the behest of the FBI. The CH Team will continue to encourage the CHS to make contact with individuals in furtherance of the CH investigation.

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Title: [REDACTED] CD Meeting with FBI CHS on
10/17/2016

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Synopsis: [REDACTED] CD Meeting with FBI CHS on 10/17/2016.

Reason: [REDACTED]

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Full Investigation Initiated: 08/10/2016

Enclosure(s): Enclosed are the following items:

1. [REDACTED] CD Mitch Meet 10/17/2016

Details:

[REDACTED] On 10/17/2016, CROSSFIRE DRAGON (CD) visited a FBI CHS
HALPER at the CHS' home in Great Falls, VA. The CHS had set-up the
meeting with CD at the FBI's request via e-mail. The two had
previously met at the CHS' home in August 2016 and in the United
Kingdom in July 2016. During the course of the August meeting, the FBI
was able to obtain assessment information about CD. The meeting was
consensually recorded by the FBI.

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[REDACTED] The FBI had recently learned that CD was traveling to London, U.K. and Johannesburg, South Africa. The goal of the meeting was to have the CHS determine the reason for CD's overseas travel, this was CD's first international trip since being dismissed from the Trump campaign. The FBI had recently received information from another CHS that CD may have a "handling agent" in London, U.K., the FBI's goal was to determine if CD was meeting with anyone that would be of interest in furtherance of the CD investigation.

[REDACTED] CD arrived at the CHS' home via bicycle, as CD had done in the past, and was greeted by the CHS and the CHS' wife. The CHS had been instructed to have a private meeting with CD in the CHS' sitting room. The FBI hoped the intimate nature of the private meeting may relax CD and CD may elicit information about CD's recent interactions with the campaign and possibly any connections with the Russian Federation.

[REDACTED] When asked about CD's trips, CD mentioned that he was staying in Bromley, a suburb of London and that he has stayed in an area of Johannesburg called Sandton in the past. CD informed the CHS that he was going to be on a television show on Channel 4 on Monday 10/24/2016 with John Snow, discussing the U.S. election.

[REDACTED] During lunch with the CHS and the CHS' wife, CD referenced George Kennan, the author of containing the Soviet Union during the Cold War. CD stated he wanted to start a think tank. When asked by the CHS, CD said "...I don't want to say there'd [SIC] be an open checkbook, but the Russians would definitely..." The CHS said "They would fund it-yeah you could do alright there." and CD responded "Yeah, but that has its pros and cons, right?" The exact language is attached. CD intimated that he may be visiting with potential backers of his proposed think tank when he was overseas, however, there was no further information.

[REDACTED] CD departed the CHS' home shortly after lunch and promised to be in touch with the CHS.

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[REDACTED] Specific excerpts of the meeting is attached.

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(1) PLANS TO DEVELOP RESEARCH INSTITUTE

11:30:02 – There's a guy George Kennan... there's an interesting overlap between his predicament and the things he's dealt with and today... and well I'm the Kennan equivalent. Again, cause he kind of put out the idea of containment or a perceived idea of containment... and he spent 50 years arguing against this...

11:31:19 – So here's my kind of thought on... you know, like I've always said... in terms of personal ambitions... I think this beltway... this is one of the dirtiest places in the world and I've never had any ambitions to go into government regardless of who won... the analogy I always make is like... Biden when he's not doing political stuff, his big ambition is to fight cancer... I'm the same thing, fighting the cancerous foreign policy that's leading to so many deaths, so this is kind of my mission if you will. So I'm sort of thinking about if Kennan found his Institute of Advanced Study, I'd love to you... [analyst note: create something similar]

11:48:25 – There's a lot of similarities between what – although I've been much more in the public light than he ever was back in those years, cause you know there was the old school diplomacy of working discreetly backstage, but you know, here's a guy who... he came out with these concepts related to containment and et cetera... and people built up on these containment ideas and became much more hawkish and aggressive in a lot of ways against the Russians. And he spent the next fifty years of his life fighting against this... but what we're talking about... it's being a rare voice that talks against this consensus, this hawkish... it's also getting out some ideas and working on some research that will kind of state this in a more you know, instead of these sound bites on CNN

12:28:54 (Russians will fund his development of a research institute akin to Kennan Institute and some of his work in London may be related to this)

CHS: So you're in London for a couple of days...

DRAGON: I really appreciate that, that was a great idea I need to think about that though... I like the entrepreneurial approach. The only big question obviously like most things, is the funding for it, but I need to...

CHS: I imagine you could probably find funds because people are distressed with U.S. foreign policy

DRAGON: Well I know... the interesting thing – and I've got a growing... [break in conversation]... well the only interesting question, on your point, is I don't want to say there'd be an open checkbook, but the Russians would definitely [laughs]...

CHS: They would fund it – yeah you could do alright there

DRAGON: Yeah but that has its pros and cons right?

CHS: Well, nobody needs to know exactly where it's from

DRAGON: Yeah that was my letter to Comey right? Everyone is so interested that I owned a couple of American depository receipts of Gazprom.

(2) OTHER RUSSIAN CONNECTIONS

11:08:20 – Look, when I first moved to Moscow, people say to me, "the key is to develop relationships... this place is all about relationships". And you know, you're never going to be in a situation where everyone likes you. You gotta' find a couple of companies, executives that really trust you. You know, it's a typical banker term: *trusted relationship*. It's all about trusted relationships.

11:37:08 – this is extremely off the record, I've been talking to – I forwarded you that Sputnik news article, they were – some of the journalists I've been talking to there, which is the Russian state media organization...

[REDACTED]

12:00:19 – The same thing in Russia, so just as he [Bill Clinton] received more work from Monica [Lewinsky]... you know she's more attractive than Hillary... but you know so, the exact same thing with me and Russia. The Russians really, you know CHS and I were talking about relationships, I have a longstanding constructive relationship with the Russians going back throughout my life. This is so annoying to them, that you know...

12:01:06 – She [Hillary Clinton] doesn't care about lacking love and respect from her husband, but Russia is a strategically important country and, you know, love/hate, Bill/Hillary, who cares about that? But Russia is really important, and that goes back to my point of the op-ed I wrote last week

(3) IDEOLOGY/DEFENSE OF WIKILEAKS

10:48:33 – I think there's been this vicious downward circle of relations where each side – particularly in the west – antagonizes the other and then they're surprised when people, you know reciprocate the bad-will. You know, there's zero good will left. And a lot of it actually... I was talking with someone from one of the think tanks in town here and they were saying particularly in Eastern Europe, with the NATO commitment mutual defense, it's a lot of risk for our military as well if some of these border countries – the Baltics et cetera – start antagonizing, and also not only antagonizing, but also false information. There's so much false information... you know, referring to something that happens that might be an overstatement.

10:55:26 (DRAGON's views on WIKILEAKS' release of the DNC emails and discussion of what happened to the GOP platform at the RNC)

CHS: I guess what they're trying to do is work out the link between the Russians and Wikileaks, what do we know about that?

DRAGON: You know, I-I-I've made clear in a lot of you know, subsequent discussions/interviews that I've been part of... I know nothing about that – on a personal level, you know no one's ever said one word to me. But it's interesting, you know, off the record between us – if the only source of transparency and the truth is an external source, you know, c'est la vie right? I mean, that's Podesta's and Clinton's main argument right? This is tainted information because it came from the Russians, it's sort of that downward cycle and that's you know, when we were in Cambridge in mid-July there was starting to be these conspiracy theories and started to spin up – but then it wasn't until Cleveland and things percolated a little... the following week is when it really got out of control cause of Philadelphia – Debbie Wasserman Schultz... Let's distract from all the bad information – the damning information that's in these documents – and talk about the source, or the purported source.

CHS: You mentioned Cleveland – you stopped by in Cleveland didn't you? So what about the platform committee? Did you chat with them at all?

DRAGON: [laughs] I stayed clear of that – there was a lot of conspiracy theories that I was one of them, yeah.

CHS: Cause I would've thought the platform committee would be a place where there'd be an opportunity to clarify our relationship with the Russians or others, and you could've been very helpful.

DRAGON: Well again, totally off the record, but I – members of our team were working on that, and you know, again, in retrospect it's way better off that I, you know remained at arms length. But again, our team was working on that.

10:59:13 (DRAGON mentions a relationship with the PM of a NATO ally country and shows his disdain for current policies regarding Russia/sanctions)

CHS: Your point is well taken, you can provoke the hell out of the Russians and you can get a reaction, and that then is very costly



DRAGON: But there's more to it... here's my fear – it's less of a fear for myself – a NATO ally, Prime Minister of a NATO ally said to me – and you know, they've been hurt by sanctions... that's the interesting thing for the Americans, it doesn't have any impact on us. We can kind of put all of these restrictions. But for Europeans it's hard, it's a hardship on both sides. So – and his economy has been significantly negative impact given the whole sanctions thing – but then he says to me when all these lies started coming out on me over the summer: 'Well what do you think? Do you fear for your life?'
CHS: What? What country is this?
DRAGON: W-w-well [laughs] we're very off the record already but...
CHS: Why would he be thinking such a thing?!
DRAGON: But it's true! And what I told him is I don't fear for my life, I fear for the lives of service members and other people in government who if these ridiculous approaches and these failed policies continue next January, you know... we're on the brink of war.

11:40:39 – Let me tell you something, we could talk for the next 5 hours about all these sneaky little approaches that the USG has been taking against Russia – going back you know a couple decades. Perfect example is this Victoria Nuland... her infamous thing is – we talk about Russia interfering in our elections – you compare her level of interference in Ukraine, the democratic processes in Ukraine, to some WikiLeaks – which is essentially on par with listening in on Merkel's phone calls. So she's recorded – she had this leaked [laughs] phone call where she's talking to the U.S. Ambassador to Kiev deciding who the next government leader should be.

(4) DEFENSE OF MEDIA ACCUSATIONS (SECHIN/DIVEYKIN & LAWYERS)

10:51:32 – it's beyond rumor though, a lie is a lie.

10:51:49 – (In discussing the Yahoo! News claim about meetings with Sechin and Diveykin in Moscow July 2016, DRAGON referenced advice from lawyers)

CHS: What's the core argument they're making?
DRAGON: Well the core argument – one of the core lies – and this is also the irony of it right? The core lie is that I met with these sanctioned Russian officials, several of which I've never even met in my entire life, but they said that I met them in July, right?
CHS: This is uh.. S.s.s...
DRAGON: Sechin is the main guy, the head of Rosneft... there's another guy I had never even heard of, you know he's like, in the inner circle...
CHS: What's his name again?
DRAGON: I can't even remember, it's just so outrageous
CHS: He's in the inner circle; he works in the Kremlin or something
DRAGON: But he's you know not someone again, I was asking, I wanted to double check, because I did meet, you know, I wanted to make sure, that at the graduation, I called up people that were, you know when I was a commencement speaker, did I happen to shake hands? This guy, this is just completely...they didn't even know of him, I know it's like, for example a senior director on the NSC, right they're not household names.
CHS: They're hardly known and they may have never met the president
DRAGON: They're hardly known and they may not...it's just so outrageous, it defies any logic whatsoever.
CHS: But so they said that you met with these people?
DRAGON: But you know this is the irony of it, there's no law against meeting with sanctioned officials...
DRAGON: ...And I have lawyers, you know I talk to lawyers about... the lawyer said as long as you don't take gifts or have any sort of business dealings

CHS: No tangible exchange...
DRAGON: The tangible exchange – the lawyer quote was “don’t even take a pen”, you know don’t even take a gift of a pen, you know just to kind of keep everything completely clean and so...

10:55:03 (DRAGON denied meeting with Sechin/Diveykin and referenced legal advice again)

CHS: So they’re claiming you met with these two guys – and you’re saying it’s perfectly legal to do
DRAGON: Even if I had – which I didn’t do by the way – but you know, so...
CHS: And that is supposed to prove what?
DRAGON: Well you know, I’m in bed with the Russians. And everyone hates the Russians, right, you know.

11:15:20 (In discussing whether he could help facilitate invitations to Sechin and Diveykin to speak at a seminar in Cambridge, DRAGON immediately responded with advice from his lawyers, but did not deny knowing them)

CHS: It may be that the two people you mentioned – you mentioned the Rosneft guy...
DRAGON: Yeah, Sechin
CHS: And the other one who I can’t remember, he was part of the administration, it would be very interesting to have them at Cambridge and to have – if you wish – for you to come, and I could invite them, and...
DRAGON: [laughs]
CHS: ...it would be a very productive conversation. They’d enjoy it.
DRAGON: [laughs] My lawyers would probably advise me to... [laughs]
CHS: Not to come?
DRAGON: To well, again, Harry Reid’s letter to Director Comey – ‘please look into Carter Page’s connections to these people!’ [laughs and conversation topic changes]

11:18:10 (CHS asked him again – DRAGON brought up lawyer again; said he didn’t have contact info, but never denied knowing them)

CHS: It occurred to me when I was thinking about all of this, what a wonderful event that would be, cause it would be an opportunity for a Moscow-based senior person to present the argument for reduction of tensions and sort of clean slate type idea, and it could be done so that there were Brits or even Americans - I hadn’t thought of any in particular – Brits who might enter that conversation with a measure of skepticism but could be neutralized
DRAGON: [laughs] my, you know...here’s...
CHS: Your lawyers?
DRAGON: Again, I’m thinking, you know lawyers are always cautious... and you know I think this would be setting off such big alarm bells [laughs] just for my personal – you know – it might be a great idea... here let me just kind of...
CHS: Maybe you could put me in touch with them?
DRAGON: Again, I don’t have their contact details
CHS: Oh okay – well I could find them
DRAGON: Yeah, it’s better, you know [laughs], again... there’s this great quote... [switches topic to Politico article]

(5) SOUTH AFRICA TRIP

10:43:56 (CHS asks DRAGON about travel plans and he omits his travel plans to South Africa)

CHS: Where are you off to? You said you were going someplace?

DRAGON: Yeah, I'm uh, I actually have a couple days in Chicago at the tail end of this week and then I fly straight to Heathrow over the weekend and spend some time there in London and then uh... I was going to ask you about this guy...

11:46:02 (DRAGON is asked about travel plans by UF and changes topic immediately)

UF: I think you need a nice long vacation, do you have travel plans?

DRAGON: Well, we were talking, so this is a strategy question, so...

UF: Yeah I think a nice warm...

DRAGON: Well, no, but here's my thing... [changes topic back to PM/fear discussion]

UF: ...but are you going to take a little break? Someplace warm?

DRAGON: Well, uh, well this is uh strategy sessions, again, as agreed with, we are completely off the record... [switches topic and brings up George Kennan then mentions his trip to London]

11:52:39 (DRAGON changes topic again when asked about travel plans)

UF: That's why I say that you must need a vacation, like I would say someplace warm that's very far away from...

DRAGON: Well I-I-I go back to my Chris Stevens quote, I'm not concerned about protecting my own skin, I'm more concerned about trying to come out with some more ideas that help counter these crazy arguments

12:14:25 (DRAGON appears to get uncomfortable answering questions about South Africa – there is a clear difference in his tone compared to other discussion topics)

UF: ...stay in London for a while – are you going to come back after your interview?

DRAGON: I got a, well, I got a what do you call it, I'm going to Johannesburg for a couple of days

UF: Oh! Well there's your vacation! You were hiding the best place!

DRAGON: Ah, well, it's alright. Cape Town is a vacation...

CHS: ...where are you staying down in Jo-burg?

DRAGON: I haven't pick-...I-I.....I'm like... this is like... you know I was telling him uh... I can't remember if I mentioned to you, breaking my iPhone, I mean I've been running one thing after the other, I haven't even... uh, figured it out yet. I usually stay at Sandton – it's called the richest mile in Africa, it's like a little business community, and they've got some nice hotels. There's a Marriot I typically stay at.

12:34:34 (DRAGON appears to get uncomfortable answering questions about South Africa – there is a clear difference in his tone compared to other discussion topics)

CHS: So I just want to ask you, are you going to be in South Africa for a while?

DRAGON: Maybe five days, but I uh...

CHS: So maybe you could get over to Durban then?

DRAGON: I'm not gonna... I've got... there's a couple of companies I'm doing some work with, so

CHS: Are you making some investments there?

DRAGON: Uh we're looking at – we're thinking... no uh, we're looking at some possibilities, nothing imminent so, you know, anyway, to be continued though

(6) CLINTON INVESTIGATORS IN LONDON

10:50:29 – And then they [Clinton campaign] put out a press release – oh, Yahoo! News reveals that Carter Page did X, Y, Z, and look, the other journalists – the ones that are closer to me – will say specifically that they were told this by the Clinton team in Brooklyn.

[REDACTED]

11:56:34 – This is also, you know I've never discussed this with anyone, and this is very deep off the record, but they've hired investigators to come after me, including some in London.

12:02:20 – They hired investigators to look into these women [Hillary Clinton re: Bill Clinton's accusers of sexual assault], so it's the same, it's the very same concept... it's well documented according to unofficial sources that the US government [holding that against me?]... but also the Clinton campaign, at somewhat arms length, they're careful about having this too well-documented. I have very good sources, I know the names of the investigators as well.

(7) CONTINUING TO ACT AS SURROGATE FOR TRUMP CAMPAIGN

11:51:22 – Here's the question list [for an upcoming interview he's giving in London on 10/24]... topics covered will be your views in Russian involvement in Syria, how a Trump presidency would change U.S. involvement in Syria and what the U.S. relationship with Russia would be like, and your thoughts of British criticism of Putin



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Details:

[REDACTED] On 12/14/2016 CD contacted NY FBI CHS **HALPER** about meeting in Washington, D.C on 12/15/2016. After consulting with the case agent, the CHS set-up a meeting for 12/15/2016 at the Cosmos Club in Washington, D.C.

[REDACTED] The CHS recorded the conversation, without being asked by the case agent. The CHS provided a recording of the meeting to the case agent. A more detailed write-up of the meeting will follow.

[REDACTED] During the course of the meeting, the CHS questioned CD about CD's comment in October 2016, where CD stated that he would have an

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Re: 97F-NY-2067747, 01/09/2017

"Open Checkbook" from the Russians, in establishing a think tank.

[REDACTED] During the discussion, the CHS brought up CD's think tank, which was discussed in October 2016. The CHS suggested an individual with whom CD may be able to speak with (the CHS did not mention the individual's name as per the instructions of the Case Agent). The CHS explained that the individual who has moderate views on Russia and has may have an "easy relationship" with perhaps the Russian government, individuals or think tanks. CD asked several detailed questions on the background on the individual, the CHS stated that he would be able to get CD his contact information for CD if CD wanted. CD told the CHS that he wanted to update the CHS on the think tank. CD said that he was in Moscow and brought the idea of the think tank up to individuals at the New Economic School (NES) and that "they were quite positive" about the think tank. CD said NES mentioned maybe doing something either there (in Russia) or jointly. CD then stated that they have a lot of "support internally." The CHS asked CD: "support from faculty or government?" to which CD responded: "government...higher up." The CHS stated "I guess the government is always involved in stuff" CD did not answer directly, but tried to draw a parallel with the Council of Foreign relations." CD changed the conversation to individuals who may be considered for positions in the new Presidential administration.

[REDACTED] After some further discussion, the CHS asked CD where he is with the think tank. CD stated that he's "making some progress on it" and brought up the NES. The CHS asked CD directly, if the NES would finance it (the think tank), CD responded with "possibly" and that they're "enthusiastic about it." The CHS stated "you said last time we met that, you thought you had the funding lined up, you said the Russians will give you a blank check." CD responded saying "I don't know if I went that far, I thought there was some support, certainly this trip proved it...having an institutional base, they actually like the sort of blank slate, open questions, come back to us with a proposal, very high level people, who are quite supportive, not just at the university, but in general." CD said that some people have warned him about not having too much of a "Russian Connection."

Title: [REDACTED] [REDACTED] CHS Meeting with CD
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[REDACTED] The CHS and CD continued the conversation.

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Statements from 09/15/2016 Meeting Between Source and George Papadopoulos:

During the meeting, Source asked Papadopolous about Russian/Wikileaks involvement in the release of Democratic National Committee emails.

Source: "...and given Hillary's weakness and your strengths, help from a third party like Wikileaks or some other third party like the Russians could be incredibly helpful. I mean it might make all the difference."

Papadopolous: "As again, of course we don't advocate for this type of activity, cause at the end of the day it's illegal. First and foremost, it compromises US national security and third it sets a very bad precedent so the campaign does not advocate for this, it does not support what is happening, if the indirect consequences are out of our hands, that's how, that's the best way I can. For example, our campaign is not engaged or reaching out to Wikileaks or to whoever it is to tell them please work with us collaboratively because we don't. No one does that. Unless there is something going on I don't know, which I doubt as I don't think anybody would risk their life or potentially going to prison over doing something like that because at the end of the day it's an illegal, illegal activity. Espionage is treason. This is a form of treason."

Source: "You know, well, particularly involvement with American elections."

Papadopolous: "Especially is somebody is collaborating with X group that no one yet knows who they are. I mean that's why it became a very big issue when Mr. Trump said 'Russia if you are listening.' Do you remember?"

Source: "Yeah, I remember that moment."

Papadopolous: "We had to retract it. Of course he didn't, he doesn't mean for them to hack or engaging in espionage, but the media took it and ran with it."

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Source ID: STEELE
Date: 11/17/2016
Case Agent Name: Gaeta, Michael J
Field Office/Division: International Operations
Squad: Legat Rome

DETAILS

CHS is being closed. After serializing this Source Closing Communication, only the Confidential File Room personnel may access or grant access to this Source Site.

Was the source closed for cause? No

Note: Cause is defined as any grievous action by, or set of previously unknown facts/circumstances, that deem the individual not suitable for use as a CHS.

Closing for Cause is based on the facts and circumstances as determined on a case-by-case basis. Closing for Cause is a decision based on the seriousness of the violation. The following are possible reasons which may justify Closing for Cause: Unauthorized Criminal Activity, Serious control problems, Unreliable, and Violated instructions.

General Reason for Closing: Confidentiality revealed

Provide additional details:

CHS confirmed to an outside third party that CHS has a confidential relationship with the FBI. CHS was used as a source for an online article. In the article, CHS revealed CHS' relationship with the FBI as well as information that CHS obtained and provided to FBI. On November 1, 2016, CHS confirmed all of this to the handling agent. At that time, handling agent advised CHS that the nature of the relationship between the FBI and CHS would change completely and that it was unlikely that the FBI would continue a relationship with the CHS. Additionally, handling agent advised that CHS was not to operate to obtain any intelligence whatsoever on behalf of the FBI. Thereafter, handling agent was advised by FBI CI/CD and FBI IOD EM not to contact the CHS.

For note, the aggregate amount listed is incorrect. As noted in the file, the CHS has been paid \$95,000 to date since opening.

Would you recommend the CHS for reopening? Yes

On: 11/01/2016
the CHS: was notified of deactivation.
FBI SA: Mike Gaeta
Other Government Witness: NA
CHS Response: acknowledged receipt and understanding of the notice to close.

Is an FPO attorney participating in the conduct of an investigation utilizing this CHS or is the FPO working with this CHS in connection with the prosecution of a case? No

Has the case agent or co-case agent determined that there is sufficient reason to close a CHS, however, immediate notification to the CHS would jeopardize an ongoing investigation, prosecution, or cause a flight from prosecution? No

Note: Absent exceptional circumstances that are approved by an SSA, in advance if possible, an FBI Agent shall not initiate contact with, or respond to contacts from, a former CHS who has been closed for cause. Such approval must be documented in the CHS's main file. Further, if approved, such contact must be coordinated, in advance if possible, with any FPO participating in the conduct of an investigation that will utilize that CHS or in which that CHS will be expected to testify.

Was the captioned individual authorized to engage in OIA? No

Is the CHS an undocumented alien? No

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Have all CHS payment issues been addressed and completed? Yes

Total Paid Amount: \$74,000.00

Was the individual ever publicly acknowledged by the FBI? No

Was the individual aware of his/her status as a CHS? Yes

Ensure that all other necessary forms on this source site have been serialized before serializing this Source Closing Communication. After serializing this form, only the CHSC and CFR personnel may access or grant access to this Source Site.

SIGNATURE

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| Submitted By | mjgta (Michael Gaeta) | Thu, 17 Nov 2016 17:19:38 +0100 |
| First Level Approved By | [REDACTED] | Thu, 17 Nov 2016 17:37:24 +0100 |

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SOURCE CLOSING COMMUNICATION

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Source ID: HALPER
Date: 10/13/2020
Case Agent Name: Non SES
Field Office/Division: New York
Squad: CD 10

DETAILS

CHS is being closed. After serializing this Source Closing Communication, only the Confidential File Room personnel may access or grant access to this Source Site.

Was the source closed for cause? No

Note: Cause is defined as any grievous action by, or set of previously unknown facts/circumstances, that deem the individual not suitable for use as a CHS.

Closing for Cause is based on the facts and circumstances as determined on a case-by-case basis. Closing for Cause is a decision based on the seriousness of the violation. The following are possible reasons which may justify Closing for Cause: Unauthorized Criminal Activity, Serious control problems, Unreliable, and Violated instructions.

General Reason for Closing: Other (specify)

Provide additional details:

At the direction of FBIHQ Counterintelligence Division, this source is being closed.

Would you recommend the CHS for reopening? No

Please explain:

Confidentiality of the source has been revealed.

On: 10/13/2020

the CHS: was not notified for other reasons.

Is an FPO attorney participating in the conduct of an investigation utilizing this CHS or is the FPO working with this CHS in connection with the prosecution of a case? Yes

Has the case agent or co-case agent coordinated with the FPO attorney regarding any of the decisions to close this CHS? No

The case agent or co-case agent shall coordinate with the FPO attorney, in advance if possible, regarding any decisions to close this CHS.

Has the case agent or co-case agent determined that there is sufficient reason to close a CHS, however, immediate notification to the CHS would jeopardize an ongoing investigation, prosecution, or cause a flight from prosecution? No

Note: Absent exceptional circumstances that are approved by an SSA, in advance if possible, an FBI Agent shall not initiate contact with, or respond to contacts from, a former CHS who has been closed for cause. Such approval must be documented in the CHS's main file. Further, if approved, such contact must be coordinated, in advance if possible, with any FPO participating in the conduct of an investigation that will utilize that CHS or in which that CHS will be expected to testify.

Was the captioned individual authorized to engage in OIA? No

Is the CHS an undocumented alien? No

Have all CHS payment issues been addressed and completed? Yes

Total Paid Amount: \$602,342.00

Was the individual ever publicly acknowledged by the FBI? No

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