

lead out from FBI. wed. 1/25/17.

of meeting w/ F

Investigation:

① → influence ; unsub investigation

looked at numerous, F. being 1. opened P.I.
started last summer.

as summer progressed -

- had not seen things to point to initial issue
- Nov. → looking to close F. as agent 1st warned
• then received calls.
- NOV-DEC. → calls.
- Requests to foreign partners
info came back → indicate.
- Media leaks - re intercepts
investigation on the open → changed the
need to resolve. Completed non-alerting investigative steps.

* Decision to Interview →

- 12:30 outreach - asked to Interview - w/ couple of agents
to talk about news. * said to DD -
you have the calls.
- (2:30) Just F. Did not ask for any parameters.
(per Balor - if want someone else, just let us know)

* F. said spoke to D.D.

told them to talk about coms prior to inaug.

He said
should
w/ history

- DIA - interaction w/ GRU
- Discussion of paid speech through Speaker Bureau.
- went through various calls
 - Discussion of what had been in news
 - meeting; experience; calls re condolences,
 - maintain + establish relationships
 - + Need Dialogue.

* 4+1 → if can take on off the table, he wants to.

* Key - fight radical Islam

scripted his ~~drill~~ conversations.

Q: Gameplan going in?

A: Goal → use to determine if clandestine or agency relationships to inform that understanding.

- ASK + see what he would say about them

- Decided NOT to show the cuts.

- objective appearance that not leaning in either direction

- try to "jog" his memory -

- Get a sense → being forthright

- clear rebuttal

Q: Intro?

A: No false start or intro that under investigation.

Ready to do so if needed, but didn't

started w/ thanks for voluntarily meeting + know busy.

Didn't ask about investigation.

Q: Timing - why yesterday?

A: B/c what was in the press.

Discussion by administration.

- ~~thanksgiving~~ time frame - travel

- Post - Russian Sanctions

} did not tell either of these.

- [REDACTED]
- Said doing exercise to reach out to other countries.
Called 30 or more countries w/ multiple individuals.
Said only E. w/ Russia.
FBI → says checked + is consistent w/ tech info.

• FBI asked of 2

1) Do you recall convo about UN vote re resolution
re Israel.

- Yes, thank you for reminding me.
recalled + calling.

- Did you ask any country to do anything?

Ⓐ NO

- Did you ask for delay?

Ⓐ NO. ~~He said~~ referenced Egypt.

- Did Ask for vote outcome?

Ⓐ NO.

↳ then decided to move on.

• FBI assessed - yes false + inaccurate
but believe that F. Beltrone
that what he said was true.

2) Recall call about Expulsion of + chopping [REDACTED]

Ⓐ NO.

Recall call about escalation + fit for test (his words)

Ⓐ NO - b/c didn't know about it +
saw on the news.

Recall where you got a call where they are moderate

Ⓐ NO.

↳ then third time, is possible but don't
remember + wouldn't have done that.

- Concluded with housekeeping.

- Asked # of calls
- Didn't remember the #

→ Did not ask about stmts made on the press.
Decision to keep about F's comm w/K.

[1st stmts 13th + 15th]

FBI - largely telling truth as believed it
even though contradictory?

- know how wts
- have set up immediately
- didn't have anyone w/him.
- So affirmative in answer
↳ so focused on Radical Islam.

FBI - CI Defensive Briefings

- CI → Do not think Agent, but need to verify
- CRM → not willing to say at this point now.
- Compromise → Defensive Briefing

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11³⁰: Mary, George, Stu, Scott, Schools, Fresh, 513.

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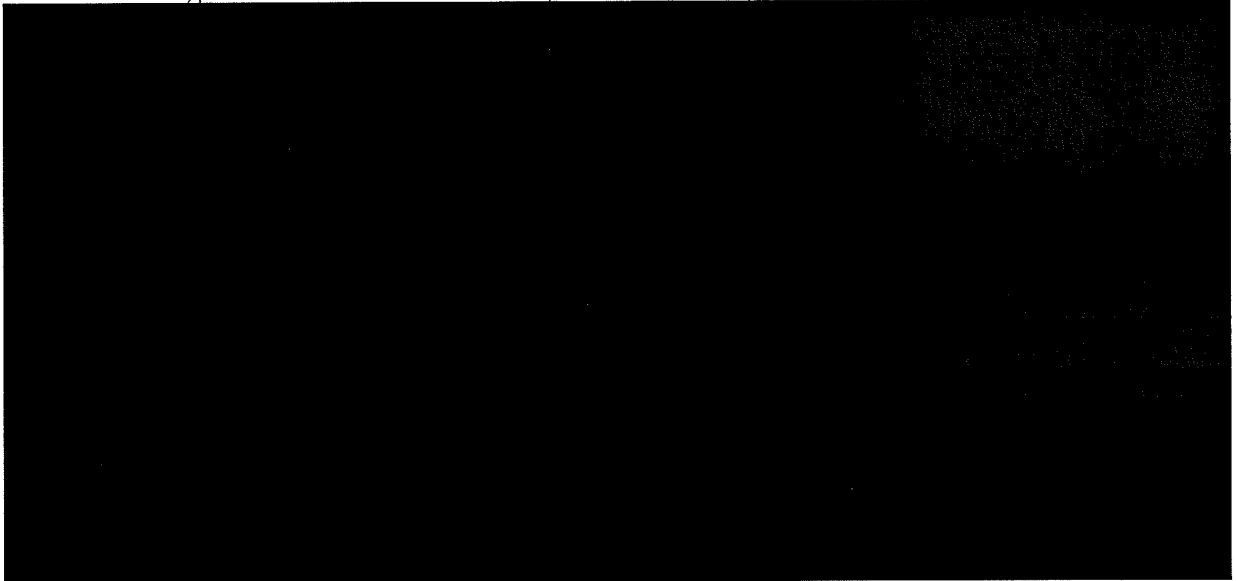
George: who appropriate to tell WH to stop making
false statements

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This redacted version only

Is his recollection accurate since we didn't
confirm/correct it

George is reasonable pros who began to



[REDACTED]

Draft-work product

January 30, 2017

[REDACTED]

TPs: Summary and Timeline regarding General Flynn Contacts/Discussions with Russian
Officials

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

4. After additional articles came out and Secretary Spicer gave his press conference on January 23, FBI decided to interview General Flynn on January 24th. During this interview the FBI asked General Flynn about his contacts with the Ambassador. General Flynn recalled a conversation about Israel after prompting by the FBI, but denied having conversations about sanctions. FBI advised that based on this interview, they did not believe General Flynn was acting as an agent of Russia. FBI also advised that although they recognized the statements were inconsistent with the FISA collection, they believed that Flynn believed what he was telling them. FBI did not confront Flynn with the communications during the interview.
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

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- Wednesday, January 25, 2017: FBI briefs NSD and ODAG staff on their interview. FBI advised that the purpose of the interview was to determine if General Flynn was acting as an agent of Russia. FBI advised that General Flynn was very open and forthcoming. When asked about his contacts with the Ambassador, General Flynn responds with the same four topics described by Press Secretary Spicer. FBI asks General Flynn if he has had any conversations regarding the Israeli vote. He thanks the FBI for reminding him and states that the calls around that time were done in "table-top exercise" fashion to ensure that they had the correct contacts and that Russia was one of many calls. FBI then asked General Flynn if he had any conversations about the sanctions. Flynn denied having the conversation and stated he would not have that type of a conversation. FBI prompted Flynn with language used during the call and he still denies having the conversation. FBI advised that they believed Flynn believed what he was saying was true. FBI recognized the discrepancy between the statements and the actual calls, but determined that Flynn was not acting as an agent of Russia. FBI advised that the decision was made by FBI leadership not to confront Flynn with the actual tech cuts.

[REDACTED]

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Acting AG Yates advises FBI that she will advise WHCO and sets up a meeting for the next day.
FBI does not object to the notification and agrees it needs to be done,

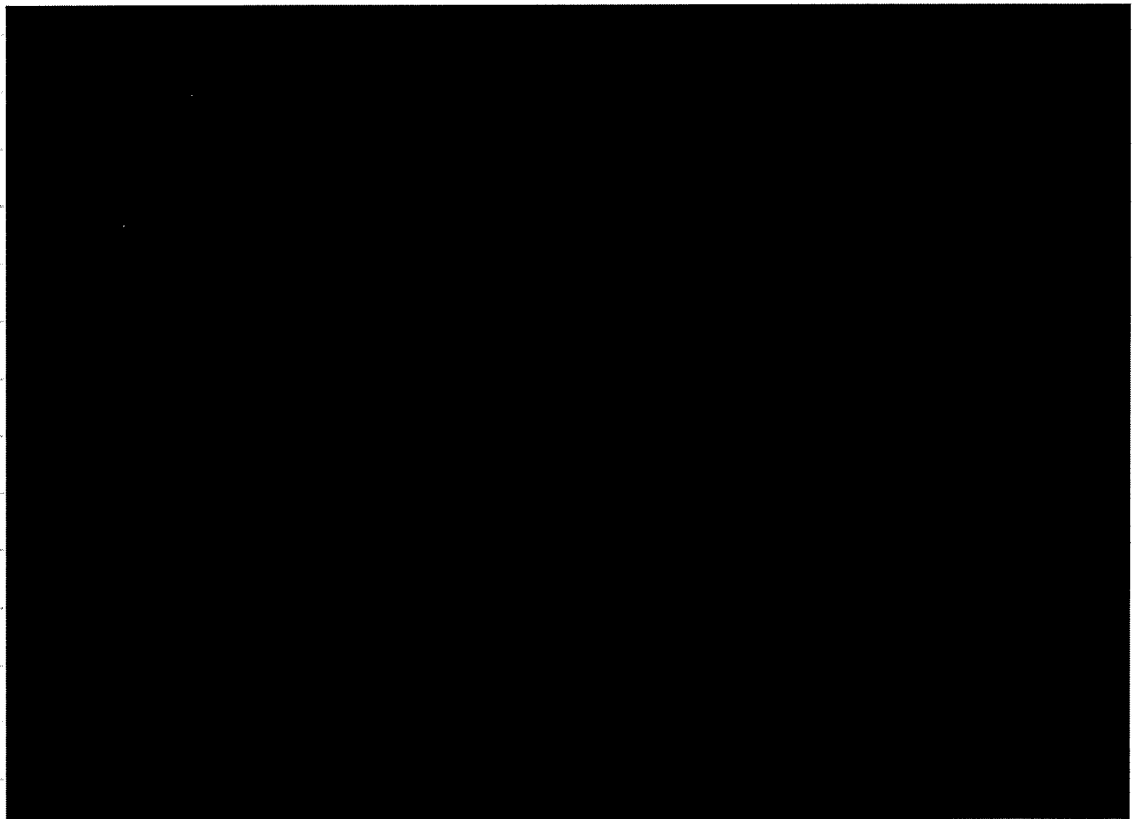
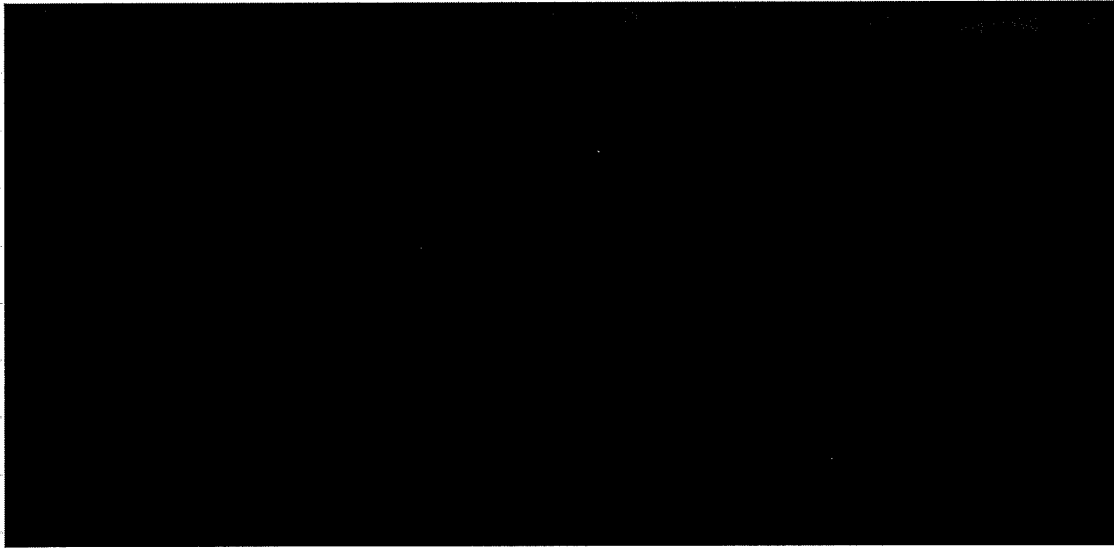
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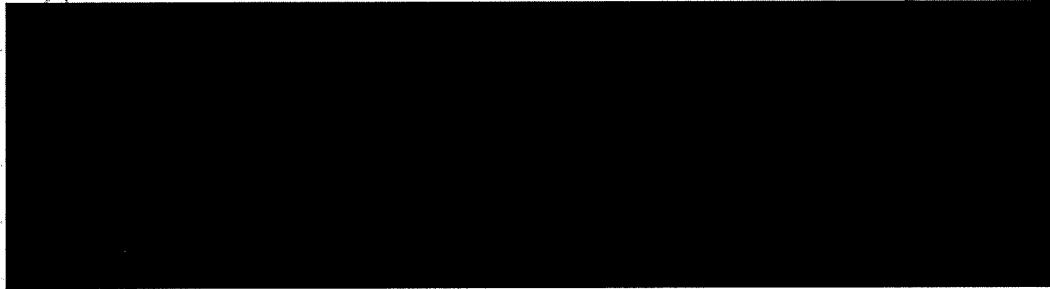
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DSD/CEZ Russia/ March 30, 2017







Michael Flynn

- couple of

- pulling SF-86.

- presented equip. to US Marine.

- do not view as source

of Colleson.

- Logan Act

- FARA.

