

# **RICK GATES' INTERVIEWS**

**July 2, 2014**

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DMP International

Manafort strategist Gates structure

Party of Regions region

Cyprus

b7A

Someone he met with (Kluyev)

Lyovochkin

Business deal (Pericles?)

Kilimnik

**January 29, 2018**

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Weissmann and Andres

## **Gates taxes**

Oligarchs as paymasters

DMP pay directly

## **Manafort taxes**

Gates aware Manafort not claiming everything

## **Corey Lewandowski**

Tension rises after Cruz drops out

Claims that CL spent an exorbitant amount on bling

Gates doesn't know whether firing about overpayments

b7A allegations about Lewandowski

## **Rick Dearborn**

Running DC ops

Gates marginalized during transition bc of Dearborn

Dearborn and platform

## **Manafort's resignation**

Gates liaison to RNC

Gates believed Manafort should have fought media

Projects Manafort had started, data dump, taken over by Bannon (NSC, NEAC, Evangelicals and labor)

## **Flynn and McFarland**

Gates and Flynn traveled together

## **Walid Phares**

Phares brought on by Dearborn

## **Loan Fraud**

Funds from Cyprus

## **Citizens Bank 29**

### **Tab**

Manafort never asked Gates to doctor doc

## **Cypriot accounts**

DMP entities

## **Gates location**

Richmond

Gates had apartment in DC but worked in NY and LA w/Barrack

## **Falsified P&Ls**

Accrual

## **Tabs [emails from trial]**

### **Kilimnik**

Met in 2007, IRI

Worked for Russian intelligence

Worked out of DMP offices

Unfettered access to Yanu

Gates believed KK met Deripaska thru Manafort

Two meetings in 2016

False claim that last time Gates spoke to KK was May 2016

Gates believed last meeting was 2009

### **Trump Campaign**

Outreach to foreign

June 9 meeting, family meeting

Gates didn't know if Deripaska attended UNGA in September 2016 bc no visa

### **b7A**

- Lewandowski
- Yanukovich and KK and Deripaska
- OB
- August meeting (confusion about May and August)

# January 30, 2018

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August 2 meeting

Sources of Oppo research

- Flynn, data consultant in Houston
- Don Jr and Clinton Foundation after June 9 meeting
- Clovis said he had lead on missing emails
- Claimed Stone never spoke about WikiLeaks to Gates, also Guccifer

Campaign Financing

- No foreign contributions
- Trump low dollar donations and self-finance

Inauguration

- Claimed not to know KK went to Inauguration
- Rybolovlev seeking inauguration tickets (b7A)

Redacted (foreign support)

- Financial support
- Cambridge Analytica

Bank Fraud

- 377 Union
- Cyprus and buying real estate in cash

- Private equity people with email accounts

Genesis Capital

- Howard Street
- Sending Citizens false information on Howard Street

B7A

- The true details of the Ukraine offer
- More details about KK and Deripaska
- Rybolovlev seeking inauguration tickets
- Manafort's funding

## January 31, 2018

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Foreign entities

- Actinet trading Limited
- KK facilitate payments
- Bletilla Ventures
- Global Highway
- Lucicle Consultants
  - Gates suspected quid pro quo
  - Gates rarely at meetings with oligarchs
- Marziola Holdings
- Olivenia Trading
- Peranova Holdings
- Sergaon Holdings

- Used to pay management on Pericles
- Pompolo
- St. Vincent and Grenadines
  - Diminishing confirmations
- REdacted

#### Tax returns

- 2010
- 2011
- 2012
- 2013
- 2014
- 2013 amended

#### Communication methods

- Email accounts, anti-crisis project

#### Communication with KK during campaign

- WhatsApp

#### Deleted documents

- Gates claims he didn't delete anything
- Long b7A
- Gates says he may have deleted stuff

#### Project Hapsburg

- Pitch Yanu
- Group of senior Europeans (b7A)

## **b7A**

- KK facilitate payments

- Payments from oligarchs
- Gates at microtargeting meeting with oligarchs
- Seragon used to pay management on Pericles deal
- Confirmations from Manafort on St Vincent accounts
- Communication methods: email accounts, Hushmail
- Threema and Viber from KK
- WhatsApp
- Bat PHones
- Gates deletes documents
- Hapsburg VIPs

## February 1, 2018

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Weissmann and Andres

US Consultants Program Background

EFCMU [lots of newly unsealed pertaining to Podesta and Mercury]

Congressman Dana Rohrabacher

The FARA Unit

DMP FARA Obligation

The Skadden Report

Think Tanks

The Association Agreement

Other

### **b7A**

Azarov and Kluiev

# February 2, 2018

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FARA

- Indirect involvement in Podesta and Mercury triggers FARA

Rohrabacher

Redacted b7A (possibly 2)

The Trump Campaign

- Trying to get hired as early as January
- Getting hired would be good for business, followed by b7A
- April outreach about the campaign, getting whole
- Gates assumes Black Caviar is Akmetov (Manafort says Yanu)

Post Manafort resignation

- b7A, Manafort's efforts to stay in touch
- Manafort in touch with Parscale and Dearborn

2017

- How Manafort stayed in touch
- Gates didn't know any resolution to Deripaska lawsuit

Dates: Where Gates was in early 2016 and October



2016

## **b7A**

- Redacted after Rohrabacher
- Getting hired would be good for business
- Getting whole and Deripaska
- Manafort never told Gates what he was offering Deripaska
- The quid pro quo came up at the May meeting, probably
- Black Caviar
- Post-resignation, how Manafort stayed in touch and what Gates talked to him about
- Whom Manafort reached out through
- Gates not know where Manafort was traveling (besides Cuba)

## **February 7, 2018**

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Weissmann, Andres, Rhee, Zelinsky

April 27 foreign policy speech

- Arose out of convo bt Kushner, Miller, and Manafort
- How the hotel was booked
- Who was backstage
- Whether someone besides campaign was backstage

Speech content

- Miller drafts, Gates reviews
- Simes gets advance copy
- Simes forwarded Russian talking points to Kushner
- Manafort and Simes may have known each other
- Simes floats the Clinton Foundation dirt to Jared

Gates claims to have contemporaneous memory of June 9 meeting

Sam Clovis

Yanukovich

Other

Polling data

- Description of the mix of polls, including CA

## **b7A**

- Why Manafort started leveraging Trump in April

## **February 9, 2018**

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Rohrabacher

Energy Today

Redacting lobbying

Navitas LLC

FARA

Payment with Stock

Redacted

ID Watchdog

# February 12, 2018

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Other Crimes

- Insider trading
- Investment fraud (redacted)
- Bank fraud
- Bribery
- Lack of candor under oath
  - Winding up agreement about how bank accounts in Cyprus held
  - FBI interview 2014
  - Skadden report
- Campaign fraud
  - Vendor payments from campaign (Red Curve)
- Obstruction of Justice
  - Mueller
  - FARA (b7A in context with FARA reports, regarding AP questions)
  - Skadden
- Other

Kilimnik

- August 2
- Clever plan to defeat Hillary

Sam Pataten

Manafort and policy

Barrack and Policy (b7A)

Roger Stone

- How they met in 1995
- Stone's relationship with Trump
- What Stone advised campaign on (including targeting states)

Hacking

- Focus on DCCC files
- Stone tried to hire someone in SC for social media

Redacted (Pericles?) Pericles' relationship to DMP b7A

Foreign money to campaign

Uncoordinated rallies and media campaigns

Other, including Gates' knowledge of Comey and Flynn firing

## **b7A**

- Local officials and bribery in Ukraine
- Coordinating story about FARA
- August 2, when Gates arrived
- August 2, where Gates stayed that night
- Yanukovych X2
- Kilimnik RU intelligence
- Barrack and Policy
- How Gates met Stone
- Pericles' relationship with DMP

## February 22, 2018

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Weissmann

A discussion of post-plea ramifications

b7A: Speaking to someone on February 20, 2018

## February 27, 2018

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Weissmann, Andres, Richardson

Communications accounts

- Email
  - Manafort communicating with [Kilimnik] separately (b7A)
- Telephone
  - Bat phone b7A
- Applications (some b7A)

Pre/Post plea

- Who Gates communicated with in the two weeks prior (b7A)
- Gates' conversations about how Nunes memo and IG Report would help him fight

Konik Madison (where he was working)

Legal Fees (Gates paying his own)

IDW

Akhmetov [redacted]

- Redacted (b7A)
- Akhmetov owned US Coal

United Kingdom

- Several periods when he lived in London, including when he worked on Pericles deal

Foreign Campaign Contributions

- Memo permitting foreign contributions if they went to policy (b7A)

Manafort criminal activity

- Donation to McCain's campaign

Troll farms

## **b7A**

- OpSec, probably tied to Kilimnik, who he communicated with prior to his plea
- Someone's exorbitant legal fees
- Akhmetov
- Pericles and London
- Foreign donations to 501c4
- Donation to McCain from LOAV

## **February 28, 2018**

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ID Watchdog

McCain campaign (LOAV laundering a donation from Deripaska)

Submarine deal

Energy Today

[Redacted] Gates Plea

Cyprus Accounts

FBAR

US Vendors and Real Estate

KWC (Manafort's accountants)

## February 28, 2018

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Weissman and Andres

Bank Contacts

Campaign

- Payments from someone (possibly Russian); formerly b7A
- Who Manafort was still speaking to in December 2016
- Who Gates was speaking to

## b7A

- Who Manafort was speaking to

## March 1, 2018

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August 2016 and Havana Club

- Lying to Ken Vogel
- Whether he had received calls about the meeting (b7A)
- Kilimnik's claims to the WaPo

DNC Hack/Roger Stone

- Gates accompanied Manafort to meeting with Stone
- “Something big is going to happen that we can use”
- Stone told Gates days before the Podesta drop that, “Podesta is going to be taken down”
- Genesis of Seth Rich story (Stone spoke to both Bannon and Cohen)
- Fears of RNC hack

Departure of Manafort

June 9 meeting

- Manafort warned against the June 9 meeting
- Manafort wasn't sure he attended

**b7A**

- Whether he had calls abt the Havana meeting
- KK's claims to WaPo
- Manafort told the campaign something about an RNC hack

**March 12, 2018**

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Andres – recorded as “on or around,” and not entered until July

Personal Background

Gates and Manafort's background



Work in Ukraine

- When he was there
- What they did which years
- How the Lyov money came in

Manafort entities

Pericles (b7A)

- 2014 lawsuit came as a total surprise

Vendor payments

Cyprus

Manafort's accountants

Akhmetov work

Deripaska

- Manafort's effort to get Deripaska a visa
- Deripaska wanting to get in US aluminum business

DMP and Manafort Associates (all redacted, one b7A)

## **b7A**

- 1¶ of personal background
- A description of someone who socialized with Manafort
- How the money from Lyovochkin came in
- Something abt the political accounts in Cyprus

## **March 16, 2018**

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Andres

Overseas travel

- Pericles

Ukraine

- Lyov's business deals

Jared Kushner

- Kushner's relationship with Manafort sours
- Barrack told Gates Kushner had fucked over business partners
- Trump told K Christie would never work in Admin

Deripaska's visa (b7A)

## **b7A**

Deripaska, Pericles, Lyov

## **March 18, 2018**

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Pericles

Ukraine

After November 2016 Election

- Talking points on Manafort and Gates' work in Ukraine
- Broidy

b7A

- Pericles, Ukraine, Intervening for Broidy

## March 20, 2018

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Weissmann and Ahmad

Mostly b7A about fundraising for the campaign

## March 21, 2018

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Rhee, Weissmann

Redacted (b7A)

Redacted (b7A)

Corsi (one b7A about meeting Trump)

Cambridge Analytica (two b7A)

Lewandowski (all b7A)

Flynn (mostly b7A)

Stone projects (b7A)

## March 28, 2018

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Weissmann, Andres

DMP details and doc review

## April 10, 2018

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Andres, Rhee, Weissmann, Zelinsky

Jerome Corsi

- Meeting purportedly something about Hillary's emails (may be redacted in more recent release)

Roger Stone's role in the campaign

- Stone got more involved in April 2016
- Manafort told Gates Stone was on the hunt before June 14
- Stone said he had info directly from Assange
- Stone trying to talk to Kushner abt CrowdStrike report
- b7A
- Convo on or about June 15 where Stone said he had contact with Guccifer 2 (conflicts with earlier comment)
- Family meeting on June 20, Stone did not come up (that's when Lewandowski was fired)
- Manafort and Stone have lunch on June 23 (check schedule for Flynn call that same day)
- Stone told Manafort abt Podesta day before time the barrel comment

Campaign response to hacked emails

- Attributes inside job to Seth Rich
- Interest ratchet up on April May time frame
- Gates describes euphoria in response to June 12 announcement, not July 22

Speak to Hannity often

## **b7A:**

- Stone talking to Kushner about CrowdStrike report

## **April 11, 2018**

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Andrew Weissmann, Greg Andres, Aaron Zelinsky

[Not Rhee]

Roger Stone talking Hillary's emails constantly

- Assange has Hillary emails
- Wait and see approach
- No one took action
- Stone said release would happen imminently and very soon
- Stone and Bannon in contact daily

June 12, 2016 – July 22, 2016

- Trump talking to Stone directly
- Messaging strategy
- Disagreement about where emails had come from

Messaging strategy, speaking to Kilimnik

July 22, 2016

- Whether he had convos about how to use
- "Gates initially stated Stone said there would be additional information coming, however, Gates later

said he did not recall Stone saying there would be more during the conference call.”

Late July – 8/19/16

- Trump’s are you listening ad lib (others say Stone)

August 2, 2016

- Stone talked to Trump about more coming

August 2, 2016 – August 21, 2016

September 2016

October 4, 2016

October 7, 2016

Rest of October 2016

b7A:

- Conversation about what campaign could plan for,
- Trump talking to Stone directly,
- Messaging strategy,
- Whether Manafort asked Kilimnik to reach out, rest of October

**April 11, 2018**

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Weissmann and Andres

Information about the investigation

**b7A**

Contacts (with those being investigated?)

## **April 17, 2018**

[6th release link]

Andres and Zelinsky

Ted Malloch

Oppo doc on Trump (b7A)

## **April 17, 2018**

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Serialized interview 445

## **April 17, 2018**

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Possibly outreach from Manafort

## **April 18, 2018**

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Goldstein and Andres

Gates' contact with Flynn and McFarland

Transition communications with Russia

### **b7A**

- Flynn and McFarland (originally b7B)
- Meetings involving Kislyak (originally b7B)
- Flynn's firing (originally b7B)
- Trump's views on Russian investigation (originally b7B)

## **April 18, 2018**

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Andres

Apparently entire accounting trial prep

## **April 18, 2018**

[link]

Andres

Michael Cohen

- Cohen wanted Lewandowski fired

Redacted

- Entirely b7A

Obama's call to Yanu

## **April 19, 2018**

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Andres

Investing vehicle b7A

Redacted privacy

Roger Stone privacy

## **April 19, 2018**

[6th release link]

Someone who got a meeting directly

Kushner and Greenblatt, Jewish community

b7A

Strategic messaging based on the dumps

Emails were campaign's October surprise



## **April 19, 2018**

[10th series link]

Weissmann

Manafort's Land Rover dealer

## **April 19, 2018**

[10th release link]

Weissmann

Trial prep

## **May 3, 2018**

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Andres

Accounts in St. Vincent (b7A)

Contract with Yanu through Lyov

## **May 3, 2018**

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Andres and Van Grack

Flynn among chief surrogates by spring 2016  
(along with Rudy, Sessions, Kudlow)

No memory of June 30 Flynn meeting with Manafort

No memory of call on 6/23/16, no memory of  
social media discussion

Flynn had influence on Trump's thinking about  
foreign interference, someone else b7A would  
discuss it

Flynn advised Trump to hold off on responding  
about Russian emails

Someone with whom first interaction was during  
transition

Bill paid to Flynn company (Colt)?

## **b7A**

Someone first met in transition

Possibly same person speaking up about foreign interference

## **May 3, 2018**

[link]

Andres

Who DMP was really working for

## **b7A**

Who has equity in DMP (possibly Kilimnik or another of the Ukrainians? Manafort wanted Gates to say the accounts were Manafort's)

Possibly related to Actinet in Cyprus

## **May 3, 2018**

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Trump hates Haley

Trump and McConnell hate each other

Pence has ties to Congress

Mnuchin and others looking for a tax dodge

## **May 3, 2018**

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What contacts he had had, including with Maggie H

Contact with Parscale about DNC lawsuit

## **May 24, 2018**

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Gates stayed at Manafort's house

Someone was on company healthcare

Proshenko

ECFMU

AP report in June/July 2016 (formerly b7A)

## **May 31, 2018**

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Andres

Who did some job

## **June 13, 2018**

[link]

Andres

Whether he knew someone

Something odd about the way he appeared in the office

## **June 20, 2018**

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Andres

Gates didn't destroy ECFMU docs

Manafort warned Gates against Green

## **June 27, 2018**

[link]

Andres

All redacted

## **July 5, 2018**

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ID people in picture

Manafort said they'd get help from Lyov

## July 12, 2018

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Andres

More about interviews with the NYT

## August 18, 2018

[link]

Weissmann and Andres

Response to Gates saying he may have submitted a false expense report to PIC

He did not get along with a woman on PIC

Did not get involved in distribution'

## b7A

Most everything about Gates' claims about PIC

## September 11, 2018

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2 SDNY and 1 NSD AUSA

Skadden Report background

Skadden report media strategy

Emails/Docs shown to Gates

- Project Veritas strategy, Hawker
- Aspirational that project would conclude Tymo was valid
- Van Der Zwaan and. Hawker
- Emails with Craig
- Master Control Grid–Craig to

media

- Mercury
- Whether Craig wanted to talk to NYT

## September 27, 2018

[link]

Andres and Weissman

Black Caviar Email

- It seems DOJ may not have believed Manafort's claim that caviar was a reference to Yanu, and not someone like Akhmetov or Deripaska
- Yanu returning
- Yanu not reaching out after he fled

Polling data

- Reason why he sent polling data to Deripaska b6
- "On multiple occasions GATES and MANAFORT would receive a poll and MANAFORT would tell GATES to send it to KILIMNIK based on the poll's content."

Trump presidential campaign

- Mnuchin handled everything but direct mail
- Middle East and Israel came up
- It would have been unfathomable for Manafort to

travel while on campaign and speed with which he went after surprised Gates.

## **b7A**

- Who gave Manafort caviar (earlier Gates had said it would be Akhmetov)
- Source of largest payments
- Whether Manafort would have traveled
- What Manafort planned to do after election

## **September 27, 2018**

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Andres, 2 AUSAs (from SDNY?) and 1 NSD

Genesis of Manafort lobbying for Party of Regions

- Need at least one EU citizen to be founder
- Goal to counter issues EU had with Ukraine

Lobbying firms

- Manafort's choice, Mercury obvious
- Manafort told the people that the client was GoU
- People always reported to Manafort

Docs

- Podesta originally planning on filing FARA

## **b7A**

redacted

Someone told Gates

One letter

## **October 9, 2018**

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Weissmann

No discussion of using a front for PsyGroup

## **October 10, 2018**

[link]

Weissmann, UASA, and NSD Trial Attorney

Mercury call

Durbin Resolution

Skadden Arps

Docs

Financial backing of ECMFU b7A

## **October 10, 2018**

[link]

James Mann, Nicole Lockhart, Ryan Ellersick

Work in Gabon

Trump Campaign

Inauguration

Post-Campaign

- America First Policies
- Romanian delegation
- Trump and golf

IMDB

Redacted appointment and other appointments

FATA and Gates' trouble

Miscellaneous

- Last spoke to
- Viceroy Hotel
- Encrypted apps
- Something from someone close to Grassley's staff
- References to Demers as puffery
- More on Malaysia
- Putting out headlines on Feinstein

## **October 25, 2018**

[link]

Weissmann, Rhee, Zelinsky

June 12, 2016 to July 22, 2016

- Stone made his comments at least two weeks before June 12
- When emails didn't come, it was an example of Stone saying something that didn't happen (inconsistent with earlier claim that Stone had raised G2)
- Trump frustrated Hillary's emails not found
- Manafort would have Gates check in
- Stone told Gates of drop before 7/22
- Messaging strategy built in



June July

- Clinton trustworthy problems

Post July 22 WikiLeaks releases

- Opportunity for deflection after comments about Ted Cruz's father
- Gates, public indications Russia behind them
- Congratulatory call between Manafort and Stone after 7/22
- Laguardia call
- Gates not sure whether pressure coming from the top
- Around this time Bannon brought on to bolster Manafort
- Defend Manafort by attacking Podesta

October 4

October 7

- Stone had multiple avenues into campaign, including Bannon
- Discussions about content of Podesta after drop

Redacted

Corsi's Podesta docs (Gates doesn't remember)

## **October 25, 2018**

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Weissmann, Mann, Lockart, unnamed, Ellersick

Inauguration

- About half b7A

Other work for Trump (including VTB)

Miscellaneous (including b7A)

## October 25, 2018

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Weissmann

DCI Group

- Grassroots for Bush becomes DCI
- Discussion of Manafort being hired there

Ukraine

Russia

Manafort's work for other countries

Manafort legal fees

Miscellaneous

Bannon set up a war room separate from the White House

### **b7a**

- People associated with DCI
- Ukraine
- Policy on Crimea
- Manafort's work for other countries
- Something that happened in late 2017
- Someone Kushner had asked him to meet

# October 29, 2018

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Weissmann

Manafort's China Efforts

- Telephone project
- b7A
- Tried to get Chinese nationals into inauguration

Ukraine work

- b7A hiring in 2010
- Gates never heard plans abt Eastern Ukraine
- Kilimnik and Deripaska

Boyarkin and Deripaska

- Spoke good English, lots of work for Deripaska

Miscellaneous: Pay to play with Clinton

## **b7A**

- Manafort's China efforts
- DMP hiring in 2010
- After Patten and Kilimnik
- Kilimnik direct line to Deripaska
- Boyarkin

# October 29, 2018

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*Ahmad, Weissmann*

At first no control over budget

Gates convinced Trump he couldn't self-finance

any longer

Red Curve

Mid-June Manafort took over budget expenditures

Gates out of inner circle by the time of \$10 million infusion

No evidence of kickbacks (b7A)

Meeting with Cambridge Analytica in NY

Cruz liked psychographics not the comms

Big donor to the campaign

Gates would review Trump's call logs, but after Conway took over people had to call Melania

## **b7A**

Kickbacks

Cambridge Analytica data

CA claimed to be US-based, Gates figured out it was UK,

## **November 7, 2018**

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Rhee, Weissmann, Andres (Gates' lawyer not present)

Friends and Family list for Inauguration

## **November 7, 2018**

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*Andres and Weissmann*

Lewandowski's PAC (formerly b7A)

Redacted, b7A

Redacted, someone with offices in NY and ties to POR

Campaign's knowledge of Manafort's Ukraine work

- Manafort claimed he told Trump
- Trump needing all details as it broke

Misc, fundraiser

Creation of vehicle to protect Trump's delegates (527, worked on with Stone, pitched to Trump), b7A

Kilimnik in May

- Boy, direct tie with Putin
- b7A

March 30 email b7A

## **b7A**

- 527 to protect Trump's delegates
- Boyko direct to Putin
- May meeting
- March 30 email

## **November 11, 2018**

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*Weissmann*

Money laundering scheme

Viber message about Manafort attending inauguration events

Manafort continued to work through Kushner

## **February 15, 2019**

[link]

Andres, Rhee, Weissmann

Polling data sent to Kilimnik

Meeting with Kilimnik

Gates didn't know if Manafort sent data to  
Deripaska

b7A: WhatsApp sharing, A memo, data on cities

## **February 22, 2019**

[link]

Andres, Weissmann, Green not present

Whether Gates had discussions about the  
reporting on the Kilimnik violation

Claims Green was mistaken for whatever reason he  
set up the meeting