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From: Strzok, Peter P. (CD) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, April 06, 2017 8:12 PM
To: Kortan, Michael P. (DO) (FBI)
Cc: Priestap, E. W. (CD) (FBI); Page, Lisa C. (OGC) (FBI)
Subject: Fwd: C.I.A. Had Evidence of Russian Effort to Help Trump Earlier Than Believed
NYTimes.com

Mike, below is inaccurate, favors the CIA at the expense of the FBI in particular, and is at odds with what Apuzzo and Goldman know. Most importantly, it's at odds with the D's recent public testimony that we've been looking at links (which necessarily imply favoring Trump) since July '16.

"The briefings indicate that intelligence officials had evidence of Russia's intentions to help Mr. Trump much earlier in the presidential campaign than previously thought. The briefings also reveal a critical split last summer between the C.I.A. and counterparts at the F.B.I., where a number of senior officials continued to believe through last fall that Russia's cyberattacks were aimed only at disrupting America's political system, and not at getting Mr. Trump elected, according to interviews."

<https://mobile.nytimes.com/2017/04/06/us/trump-russia-cia-john-brennan.html?smprod=nytcore-iphone&smid=nytcore-iphone-share&r=0&referrer=https://t.co/bAOtdiJvvT?t=1&cn=ZmxleGlibGVfcmVjc18y&refsrc=email&iid=3c5dae46c0b24452ac69a9e89f34e8&uid=1717233499&nid=244+289476615>

C.I.A. Had Evidence of Russian Effort to Help Trump Earlier Than Believed

By ERIC LICHTBLAU April 6, 2017

John O. Brennan in July when he was the C.I.A. director. Mr. Brennan was said to be so concerned about increasing evidence of Russia's election meddling that in late August he began a series of individual briefings for eight top members of Congress.

Al Drago / The New York Times

WASHINGTON — The C.I.A. told senior lawmakers in classified briefings last summer

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that it had information indicating that Russia was working to help elect Donald J. Trump president, a finding that did not emerge publicly until after Mr. Trump's victory months later, former government officials say.

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Page, Lisa C. (OGC) (FBI)

From: Page, Lisa C. (OGC) (FBI)
Sent: Tuesday, June 06, 2017 9:03 PM
To: Strzok, Peter P. (CD) (FBI)
Subject: Re: News Alert: Top intelligence official told associates Trump asked him if he could intervene with Comey to get FBI to back off Flynn

They're already happening.

Original message

From: "Strzok, Peter P. (CD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Date: 6/6/17 8:59 PM (GMT 05:00)
To: "Page, Lisa C. (OGC) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: News Alert: Top intelligence official told associates Trump asked him if he could intervene with Comey to get FBI to back off Flynn

Thanks. Hadn't seen/didn't know. Think there will be a crescendo of leaks/articles leading up to Thurs

Original message

From: "Page, Lisa C. (OGC) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Date: 6/6/17 8:38 PM (GMT 05:00)
To: "Strzok, Peter P. (CD) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Subject: Fwd: News Alert: Top intelligence official told associates Trump asked him if he could intervene with Comey to get FBI to back off Flynn

Original message

From: "Kelly, Stephen D. (DO) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Date: 6/6/17 8:32 PM (GMT 05:00)
To: Aaron Zebley [REDACTED], Jim Quarles [REDACTED]
Cc: "Page, Lisa C. (OGC) (FBI)" [REDACTED]
Subject: Fwd: News Alert: Top intelligence official told associates Trump asked him if he could intervene with Comey to get FBI to back off Flynn

I assume you've seen this; Brad mentioned it might be coming out tonight.

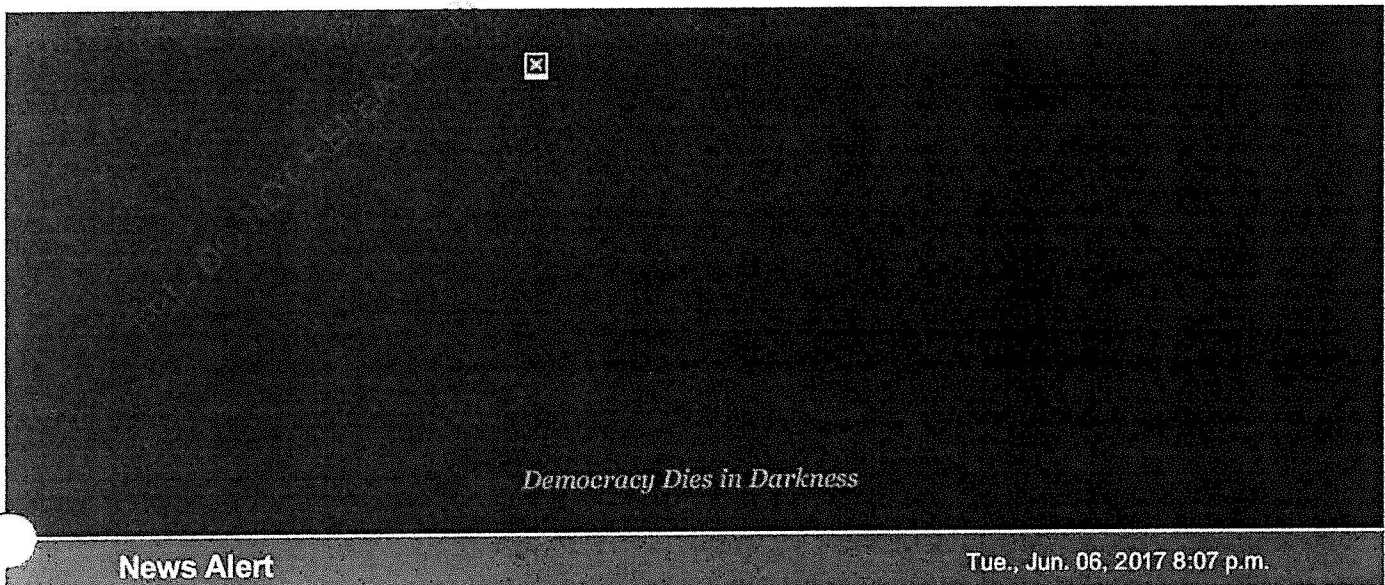
Original message

From: The Washington Post <email@e.washingtonpost.com>
Date: 06/06/2017 8:08 PM (GMT 05:00)
To: "Kelly, Stephen D. (DO) (FBI)" [REDACTED]

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Subject: News Alert: Top intelligence official told associates Trump asked him if he could intervene with
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Director of National Intelligence Daniel Coats told associates in March that President Trump asked him to intervene with then-FBI Director James B. Comey to get the bureau to back off its attention on former national security adviser Michael Flynn in its Russia probe, according to officials.

The events involving Coats show the president went further than just asking intelligence officials to deny publicly the existence of any evidence showing collusion during the 2016 election, as The Washington Post reported in May. The interaction with Coats indicates that Trump tried to enlist top officials to privately pressure Comey to curtail the bureau's probe.

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Date UTC	Type of Message	Body	Type
2016-12-13 20:57:46, Tue	INBOX	Coffee /tea?\n\nStories for you.....	sms
2016-12-13 21:03:21, Tue	INBOX	Let me know when you're done, want to hear about it, obviously	sms
2016-12-13 21:36:50, Tue	INBOX	Need to talk to you before wrap	sms
2016-12-13 22:31:53, Tue	INBOX	Who is [REDACTED]	sms
2016-12-13 22:34:06, Tue	OUTBOX	No idea.	sms
2016-12-13 22:34:33, Tue	INBOX	These texts are quite the....	sms
2016-12-13 22:35:24, Tue	OUTBOX	You're killing me.	sms
2016-12-13 22:36:01, Tue	INBOX	Text from reporter: retrieving my password for skype. I forgot it.\n\nText from reporter an hour and 31 minutes later: thanks man. Awesome as usual	sms
2016-12-13 22:36:26, Tue	OUTBOX	Jesus.	sms
2016-12-13 22:37:23, Tue	INBOX	And Oh. I'm literally on the 5th line of a 2417 line spreadsheet.	sms
2016-12-13 22:42:07, Tue	OUTBOX	I'm calling now.	sms
2016-12-13 22:43:28, Tue	OUTBOX	Wtf, where'd you go?	sms
2016-12-13 22:44:38, Tue	INBOX	In with Bill an dads	sms
2016-12-13 22:45:00, Tue	OUTBOX	Aaarggh.	sms
2016-12-13 22:54:05, Tue	OUTBOX	I'm going to try to leave as soon as I get 5 minutes with andy. The d had wrap.	sms
2016-12-13 22:55:03, Tue	OUTBOX	Jm said that the D asked Dd about the phone records pull today. So I am going to mention it, but no details.	sms
2016-12-13 22:55:12, Tue	INBOX	K. Bill is rambling. I'll let you know when done	sms
2016-12-13 23:17:22, Tue	INBOX	Hi. You in with him?	sms
2016-12-13 23:18:17, Tue	OUTBOX	Still waiting for him to get out. \U0001f621	sms
2016-12-13 23:21:14, Tue	INBOX	Talked with DoJ about HA interview. Told them we had to interview, no immunity. They said they thought that would get counsel to the point of saying she's either taking the 5th in the Gj or you need to give her immunity. I said that's fine, please have discussions to get the decision to that point and I would run up the chain	sms
2016-12-13 23:21:41, Tue	INBOX	[REDACTED] then asked if Toscas should call Mike, as that was his understanding of who his new POC was on this case.	sms
2016-12-13 23:21:50, Tue	OUTBOX	Do I need to bring up to andy at some point?	sms
2016-12-13 23:22:03, Tue	INBOX	I said Bill would be better, but that I needed to run past Bill to see what he says	sms