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him a fair hearing and were in fact trying to
efforts and suggesting that some members of
business in Ukraine

Ukrainian officials accused of improperly
also been pushing investigations into
Mr. Biden's son Hunter worked and the
investigations into the gas company for which
and who had been accused of corruption.
appointed under Mr. Zelensky's predecessors
Ukrainian prosecutors who had been
working to advance the investigations with
reported
Mr. Giuliani was widely criticized after
turn down the temperature around the issue.
Mr. Yermak said he asked Mr. Volker to

Giuliani-Yermak talks.
Mr. Volker declined to comment on the
White House last month with Mr. Yermak,
the United States envoy to settlement talks in
officials on the back-channel communications.
Mr. Giuliani said he briefed State Department

Giuliani's role to the State Department, which
The White House referred questions about Mr.
was not.
Mr. Giuliani said he explicitly stated that he
Trump in their talks.
whether Mr. Giuliani was representing Mr.
Mr. Yermak said it was not clear to him

waiting impatiently."
and set the stage for a Trump-Zelensky
meeting as a symbolic show of support from a
But the Ukrainians covet a White House
meeting in New York or when Mr. Trump
either on the sidelines of the United Nations

arrange a visit by Mr. Zelensky to the White
blamed Mr. Giuliani for complicating efforts to
running afoul of Mr. Trump or his allies, they
situation, said several government officials

for Ukraine. Its army has been fortified by
Relations with the United States are pivotal
Zelensky and his fledgling government.
The situation in Washington poses an early —
Kiev has been shelled hundreds of times, and
killed 13,000 Ukrainians.

campaigning on promises to root out
corruption and to seek a settlement to the war
across its government,

Relations with the United States are pivotal
for its aggression.

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