

From: Mitchell, Nicolas
To: Wright, Andrew M; Bair, James
Cc: Goldman, Daniel; Iheanacho, Nancy C.; Hartman, Barry M.; Kenny, Peter
Subject: RE: Letter from House Chairmen Engel, Schiff and Cummings (to State Dept - George Kent)
Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2019 9:02:00 AM
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Andy:

Consistent with our discussions late last week, and for all the reasons we discussed, the Committees are willing to postpone Mr. Kent's deposition. Are you available on Tuesday, October 15, at 10:00 am?

Thanks,

Nick

From: Wright, Andrew M [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, October 7, 2019 11:46 AM
To: Bair, James [REDACTED]
Cc: Mitchell, Nicolas [REDACTED]; Goldman, Daniel [REDACTED]; Iheanacho, Nancy C. [REDACTED]; Hartman, Barry M. [REDACTED]; Kenny, Peter [REDACTED]
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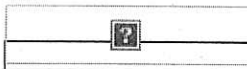
Hi Jamie:

Good morning. You too.

We spoke to the State security officer this morning. She said she has located Barry's and my old clearances, that DOJ holds them, and that she has a case manager following up with DOJ today. If more information is required, she said we would hear by COB today. This morning, we also reiterated the importance of a quick turnaround on clearances to State L.

Many thanks.

Best,
Andy



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From: Bair, James [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, October 7, 2019 11:22 AM
To: Wright, Andrew M [REDACTED]
Cc: Mitchell, Nicolas [REDACTED]; Goldman, Daniel [REDACTED];
[REDACTED]; Iheanacho, Nancy C. [REDACTED];
Hartman, Barry M. [REDACTED]; Kenny, Peter [REDACTED];
Guido, Ashley M. [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Letter from House Chairmen Engel, Schiff and Cummings (to State Dept - George Kent)

Hi Andy,

I hope you and your team all had a pleasant weekend. Could you please let us know this morning the current status of your efforts to receive security clearances from the State Department?

Many thanks,

Jamie

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 2, 2019, at 3:10 PM, Wright, Andrew M [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi Nick: I am available again starting at 5 pm. Does that work?

Best,
Andy

From: Mitchell, Nicolas [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, October 2, 2019 2:28 PM
To: Wright, Andrew M [REDACTED]
Cc: Bair, James [REDACTED]; Goldman, Daniel [REDACTED];
[REDACTED]; Iheanacho, Nancy C. [REDACTED];
[REDACTED]; Hartman, Barry M. [REDACTED];
Kenny, Peter [REDACTED]; Guido, Ashley M. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
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Andy:

Are you available for another call this afternoon to talk about scheduling? Pick a time and we will make it work.

Thanks,

Nick

Nicolas A. Mitchell
Investigation Counsel
House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
Office: (202) 225-[REDACTED]

From: Wright, Andrew M [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, October 2, 2019 12:30 PM
To: Wright, Andrew M [REDACTED]
Cc: Bair, James [REDACTED]; Goldman, Daniel [REDACTED]; Iheanacho, Nancy C. [REDACTED]; Hartman, Barry M. [REDACTED]; Mitchell, Nicolas [REDACTED]; Kenny, Peter [REDACTED]; Guido, Ashley M. [REDACTED]
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Jamie: We are confirmed for 1 pm. Our call-in information:

Ph: 1(800) 270-[REDACTED]
Code: [REDACTED]

Many thanks. Talk to you soon.

Best,
Andy

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On Oct 2, 2019, at 12:14 PM, [andrew.wright@\[REDACTED\]](mailto:andrew.wright@[REDACTED]) wrote:

Jamie: Let us check schedules here ASAP. We will get back to you with

confirmation and call-in info. Thank you.

Best,
Andy

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On Oct 2, 2019, at 12:03 PM, Bair, James
[REDACTED] wrote:

Hi Andy,

Can we plan to speak at 1 today? I'm adding Nick Mitchell from HPSCI and Peter Kenny from COR, who will also be participating. If we could also use your dial-in, that would be appreciated. Just let us know where to call.

Best,

Jamie

James P. Bair
(202) 225-[REDACTED]

From: Wright, Andrew M [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, October 2, 2019 10:56 AM
To: Bair, James [REDACTED]; Goldman, Daniel [REDACTED]
Cc: Iheanacho, Nancy C. [REDACTED]; Hartman, Barry M. [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Letter from House Chairmen Engel, Schiff and Cummings (to State Dept - George Kent)

James & Daniel,

We have been retained by George P. Kent, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for the Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs, in connection with the House impeachment inquiry related to Ukraine. We were retained and are still ascertaining all the relevant facts and details. As such, we would like an opportunity to discuss by phone the notice of deposition and related correspondence. We want to make sure Mr. Kent -- a longtime career foreign service officer -- is able to provide the Committees with relevant information

while adequately protecting his professional obligations and continued public service. What time windows work for a call?

Many thanks.

Best,

Andy Wright

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From: "Kent, George P" [REDACTED]
Date: October 1, 2019 at 9:13:26 PM EDT
To: George [REDACTED]
Subject: Fwd: Letter from House Chairmen
Engel, Schiff and Cummings (to State Dept -
George Kent)

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From: Goldman, Daniel
[REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 8:19:41 PM
To: Kent, George P [REDACTED]
Cc: Carey, Laura
[REDACTED]; Kaguyutan,
Janice [REDACTED];
Bair, James [REDACTED];
Campbell, Doug
[REDACTED]; Steinbaum,

Jason [REDACTED];
Rapallo, Dave [REDACTED];
Grooms, Susanne Sachsman
[REDACTED]; Bitar,
Maher [REDACTED];
Bergreen, Timothy
[REDACTED];
Mitchell, Nicolas
[REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Letter from House Chairmen
Engel, Schiff and Cummings (to State Dept -
George Kent)

Dear Mr. Kent,

I write on behalf of the three House
Committees conducting the
impeachment inquiry with regard to
the Ukraine matter. To date, we have
not received a further reply from either
you or your personal counsel. We ask
that you or your counsel please contact
us no later than **noon tomorrow** to
discuss arrangements for your
deposition and confirm your
cooperation with the Committees. The
Committees are committed to
protecting you, and all witnesses from
harassment and intimidation, including
from the Department or the Secretary.
We look forward to your full
compliance, and expect to see you on
Monday, October 7 for your deposition.

Regards,

Daniel S. Goldman
Sr. Advisor and Dir. of Investigations (Majority)
House Permanent Select Committee on

Intelligence
HVC-304, The Capitol
W: (202) 225-
C: (202) 577-

On Sep 27, 2019, at 11:07 PM, Bair, James

wrote:

Dear Mr. Kent,

Thank you for your response.
Given that the Committees have sent you a notice for a deposition, rather than a transcribed interview, I am removing State's congressional liaison. I have attached a copy of the House Regulations regarding Depositions. Item three of those regulations provides that "[w]itnesses may be accompanied at a deposition by personal, non-governmental counsel to advise them of their rights. Only members, committee staff designated by the chair or ranking minority member, an official reporter, the witness, and the witness's counsel are permitted to attend. Observers or counsel for other persons, including counsel for government agencies, may not attend."

Please have your personal attorney contact us as soon as possible about the deposition and document production. We look forward to your prompt cooperation, and are prepared to finalize all arrangements for your appearance on October 7 at 10 AM with you directly or with your personal attorney.

Best regards,

James Bair

Sr. Counsel for Oversight and
Investigations
Committee on Foreign Affairs
U.S. House of Representatives

From: Kent, George P
[REDACTED]

Sent: Friday, September 27, 2019
8:31 PM

To: Carey, Laura
[REDACTED];

McNerney, Patricia X
[REDACTED]

Cc: Kaguyutan, Janice
[REDACTED];

Bair, James
[REDACTED];

Campbell, Doug
[REDACTED];

Steinbaum, Jason
[REDACTED];

Rapallo, Dave
[REDACTED];

Grooms, Susanne Sachsman
[REDACTED];

Bitar, Maher
[REDACTED];

Goldman, Daniel
[REDACTED];

Bergreen, Timothy
[REDACTED]

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Chairmen Engel, Schiff and
Cummings (to State Dept - George
Kent)

Dear Ms. Carey:

I acknowledge receipt, and am

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Congressional Liaison Patti
McNernery herein. "H" indicates
it will manage the formal
exchanges with the committees as
part of this process.

George Kent
Deputy Assistant Secretary of
State for
Eastern Europe and the Caucasus

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From: Carey, Laura

Sent: Friday, September 27, 2019
6:36 PM

To: Kent, George P

Cc: Kaguyutan, Janice; Bair, James;
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Jason; Rapallo, Dave; Grooms,
Susanne Sachsman; Bitar, Maher;
Goldman, Daniel; Bergreen,
Timothy

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Chairmen Engel, Schiff and
Cummings

Dear Mr. Kent,

Please see the attached letter
from Chairmen Engel, Schiff and
Cummings, which is being
transmitted pursuant to the
impeachment inquiry being
conducted by the House of
Representatives. Please note that
failure to comply shall constitute
evidence of obstruction of the
House's impeachment inquiry.

We look forward to your timely response.

Thank you,

Laura Carey

*Laura Carey
Senior Professional Staff Member
(majority)
State Department Operations and
Oversight
House Committee on Foreign Affairs |
202.225 [REDACTED]*

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