United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

December 27, 2022

Case No. FL-2020-00022

Daniel McGrath
American Oversight
1030 15th Street NW, Suite B255
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. McGrath:

As we noted in our letter dated November 15, 2022, we are processing your request for material under the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552. The Department of State has identified an additional 23 responsive records subject to the FOIA. Upon review, we have determined that 9 records may be released in full and 14 records may be released in part.

An enclosure explains the FOIA exemptions and other grounds for withholding material. Where we have made redactions, the applicable FOIA exemptions are marked on each record. All non-exempt material that is reasonably segregable from the exempt material has been released and is enclosed.

We will keep you informed as your case progresses. If you have any questions, your attorney may contact Trial Attorney Joshua Abbuhl at Joshua.Abbuhl@usdoj.gov or at (202) 616-8366. Please refer to the case number, FL-2020-00022, and the civil action number, 19-cv-03387, in all correspondence about this request.

Sincerely,



Diamonece Hickson
Chief, Litigation and Appeals Branch
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosure: As stated.

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The Freedom of Information Act (5 USC 552)

FOIA Exemptions

(b)(1) Information specifically authorized by an executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy. Executive Order 13526 includes the following classification categories:

- 1.4(a) Military plans, systems, or operations
- 1.4(b) Foreign government information
- 1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
- 1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US, including confidential sources
- 1.4(e) Scientific, technological, or economic matters relating to national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(f) U.S. Government programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
- 1.4(g) Vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installations, infrastructures, projects, plans, or protection services relating to US national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(h) Weapons of mass destruction

(b)(2) Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency

(b)(3) Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 USC 552), for example:

ARMSEXP	Arms Export Control Act, 50a USC 2411(c)
CIA PERS/ORG	Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 USC 403(g)
EXPORT CONTROL	Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 USC App. Sec. 2411(c)
FS ACT	Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 USC 4004
INA	Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1202(f), Sec. 222(f)
IRAN	Iran Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 99-99, Sec. 505

(b)(4) Trade secrets and confidential commercial or financial information

(b)(5) Interagency or intra-agency communications forming part of the deliberative process, attorney-client privilege, or attorney work product

(b)(6) Personal privacy information

(b)(7) Law enforcement information whose disclosure would:

- (A) interfere with enforcement proceedings
- (B) deprive a person of a fair trial
- (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
- (D) disclose confidential sources
- (E) disclose investigation techniques
- (F) endanger life or physical safety of an individual

(b)(8) Prepared by or for a government agency regulating or supervising financial institutions

(b)(9) Geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells

Other Grounds for Withholding

NR Material not responsive to a FOIA request excised with the agreement of the requester

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From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Tue, 22 Jan 2019 07:35:06 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU);Tomlinson, Christina (USEU);Paschall, Robert D (USEU);Linderman, Phillip (USEU);Libby, Mark W (USEU) (b)(6) @state.gov)
Subject: Visa Program

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From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Mon, 29 Oct 2018 07:12:31 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: Phone Call: S

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From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Fri, 26 Jul 2019 13:41:35 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: 1815: Phone Call: Counselor Brechbuhl

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From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Thu, 25 Jul 2019 08:34:54 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: 1100 Meeting with President Zelenskyy (60 Minutes) (TBD)

1100 Meeting with President Zelenskyy *(60 Minutes) (TBD)*

Location: Presidential Office (Bankova St. 11)

USG Participants: Amb Sondland, Amb Volker, CDA Taylor, (b)(6) (notetaker), (b)(6) (b)(6) (interpreter)

External Participants:

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From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Mon, 20 May 2019 10:55:49 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: 1600: Bilat with Zelenskyy at Bankova

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From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Fri, 1 Feb 2019 10:32:24 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: Lunch with Senator Ron Johnson (Ambassador Gidwitz will join) POC: (b)(6) Lawson
Attachments: Itinerary CODEL Johnson 17 Feb_Rev4 Draft.docx

Below is an update on USEU's portion of CODEL Johnson:

- CODEL arrives BXL at 12:05, Feb 17 – met by USNATO Control officer
- CODEL is comprised of two persons – Senator Ron Johnson (R-WI) and his staffer, Lydia Westlake
- **Lunch with Amb Sondland and Amb Gidwitz is confirmed from 13:30- 14:30, Feb 17 at Amb Gidwitz residence**
- Remainder of the CODEL program is with NATO. No further action/requirements from USEU.

The current itinerary, courtesy of the USNATO control officer, is attached.

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As of: 17-Mar-22

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Request for the Visit of

CODEL Johnson

Senator Ron Johnson (R-WI)

17-18 FEB

Rev 4 (Draft)

Control Officer(s):
CAPT (b)(6) (USNATO): [32] (b)(6)
[32]

Lt Col (b)(6) (USNATO): [32]

Protocol Officer:
(b)(6)

Driver:
(b)(6)

US Embassy Operator: [32] (2) 811-4000 (24 hours)
USNATO Switchboard: [32] (2) 724-3111
USNATO Duty Officer [32] (475) 296-926 (24 hours)

Accommodations: The Hotel
38 Boulevard de Waterloo, 1000 Brussels
Phone number: [32] (0)2-504-1111

Sunday 17 Feb

1130 Transportation: Pick-up Michael Brasseur (CO) at NATO HQ Visitor Center, Travel to Airport

1200 Transportation: Pick-up CODEL at airport (**LUFTHANSA LH** Flight Number **2286** Arriving 1205)
Note: DVSE Protocol will meet CODEL at gate and escort them to the waiting van, Travel to Hotel

1315 Tramsportion: Pick-up CODEL from Hotel travel to Amb Gidwitz's Residence

1330 Lunch w/Ambassadors Sondland and Gidwitz

1430 Transportation: Pick-up CODEL from Amb Gidwitz's Residence travel to NATO HQ

1500 Country Team Brief (USNATO)

1545 SME Brief (USNATO)

(b)(5)

1655 Transportation: Pick-up CODEL from NATO HQ travel to DCMR

1745 Transportation: Pick-up CODEL from Hotel travel to DCMR

1800 Dinner w/DCM and PermReps

2030 Transportation: Pick-up CODEL from DCMR travel to Hotel

Monday 18 Feb

0830 Transportation: Pick-up CODEL from Hotel travel to BRU International airport

Tramsportation: Drop-off Control Officer at NATO HQ Vistor Center

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Personnel

- Senator Ron Johnson (R-WI)
- Mrs. Lydia Westlake
- CDR (b)(6)

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From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Tue, 19 Feb 2019 12:48:08 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: Michael Mullens and (b)(6)

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From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Mon, 29 Apr 2019 09:58:30 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: (b)(6) and Mike Mullens

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From: (b)(6) (USEU)
To: (b)(6) (USEU)
Subject: 10:30 Mtg w A/AS Reeker

10:30 Meeting with EUR Acting Assistant Secretary Philip T. Reeker (confirmed)
Location: State Department, HST 6226
POC: (b)(6) Special Assistant (b)(6) (office), (b)(6) @state.gov<mailto (b)(6) @state.gov>;
(b)(6) OMS, (b)(6) (office), (b)(6) state.gov<mailto: (b)(6) @state.gov>

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From: (b)(6) (USEU)
To: (USEU)
Subject: 1730 with Yermak

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From: (b)(6) (USEU)
To: (b)(6) (USEU)
Subject: 1420 Bilateral Meeting with Ukraine

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From: (b)(6) (USEU)
To: (USEU)
Subject: Phone Call: Chip Harter

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From: (b)(6) (USEU)
To: (USEU)
Subject: 1:15 Lunch with Ukrainian Deputy FM

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From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Tue, 12 Mar 2019 08:27:22 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: Phone Call: Chip Harter

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From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Wed, 13 Mar 2019 07:06:35 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: Phone Call: S

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From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Mon, 4 Feb 2019 08:54:02 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: Phone Call

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RIF

From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Fri, 26 Jul 2019 13:47:35 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: 1730 with Yermak

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RIF

From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Sat, 31 Aug 2019 19:51:28 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: 1420 Bilateral Meeting with Ukraine

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From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Mon, 12 Aug 2019 09:18:17 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: 10:30 Mtg w A/AS Reeker

10:30 Meeting with EUR Acting Assistant Secretary Philip T. Reeker (**confirmed**)

Location: State Department, HST 6226

POC: (b)(6) Special Assistant, (b)(6)

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(office) (b)(6) @state.gov

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From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Tue, 13 Aug 2019 06:45:58 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: Coffee w Rep. Nunes
Attachments: RE: Amb S-Nunes Drinks Aug 15, 4pm, CODEL Nunes Schedule v2.0.docx

Control Officer: (b)(6)

I spoke to (b)(6) earlier today and have the Ambassador's contact number if there are issues and we cannot find him.

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CODEL Nunes
Visit to Brussels
August 15-16, 2019

LODGING:
Amigo Hotel
1-3 Rue de L'Amigo, 1000 Brussels, Belgium
+32 2 547 4747

Hotel Confirmation Numbers:
Devin Nunes, # 30095990
George Pappas, # 30095996
Raffaela Wakeman, # 30095997

U.S. MISSION TO NATO:
Address: Léopold III Laan 1110, 1130 Evere
USNATO Duty Officer: (b)(7)(C)
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24-Hr Switchboard: +32 2-811-4000
Post One: (b)(7)(C)

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Name: (b)(6) SACEUR PolAd
Tel: +(b)(6)

DRIVER:
Vehicle: Mercedes V Class(~~black~~)
Tag#:
Driver: (b)(6)
Cell : (b)(6)

(b)(6)

RSO OFFICE:
Email: BRUEMB-RSO@state.gov

NURSE (ON CALL):
Call Switchboard: + 32-2-811-4000

ISC SUPPORT (8:00-17:00, Mon-Fri):
Office: +(b)(6)

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Cell: 011-32-[9 digit number]

Belgium to USA: 00-1-[Area Code]-Phone ###

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(ex. 0-2-811-4000)
Cell: 0-(nine-digit number)
(ex. 0-475-000-000)

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Delegation Members
Congressman Devin Nunes (CA-22), House Intelligence Committee (HPSCI)
George Pappas, HPSCI Republican Senior Advisor
Raffaela Wakeman, HPSCI Democrat PSM

Thursday, August 15, 2019

09:25 CODEL departs VIE ert BRU on Brussels Air 2902 (1h 40m)

11:05 CODEL Arrives BRU
- *VIP Lounge access confirmed for arriving delegation, Michael Newell*

11:30 Ert hotel The Amigo
1-3 Rue de L'Amigo
1000 Brussels, Belgium

11:45-12:15 Check-in, executive time

12:15-12:30 Ert US Embassy to the Kingdom of Belgium
Blvd du Regent 27
1000 Brussels

12:45-14:30 Working Lunch and Oversight Brief
CODEL Participants: Congressman Nunes, Senior Advisor Pappas, PSM Wakeman
US Embassy Participants: (b)(6)

Location: 1st floor conference room, US Bilat

14:30-15:45 USIC and Strategic Issues Roundtable
CODEL Participants: Congressman Nunes, Senior Advisor Pappas, PSM Wakeman
US Mission Participants:
DC/PR (b)(6)
LEGATT Matthew Floyd
DATT Brant Stephenson
CBP Christina Bell
HSI Jeff DaRin
DEA Scott Albrecht
USEU/Pol (b)(6)
USEU/Pol (b)(6)
Control Officer (b)(6)

Location: 1st floor conference room, US Bilat

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15:45 Ert hotel The Amigo (15 minutes)

16:00-17:00 Unofficial Coffee/Drinks with US Ambassador to the EU
CODEL Participants: Congressman Nunes, Senior Advisor Pappas
US Embassy Participans: Ambassador Gordon Sondland

Reservations at 1600 at the Bar A Lounge in The Amigo Hotel

[Note: PSM Wakeman will have a separate program, TBD]

17:00-18:15 Executive Time

18:15 Ert Restaurant TBD (15 minutes)

18:30-2000 No Host Dinner with PR
CODEL Participants: Congressman Nunes, Senior Advisor Pappas, PSM Wakeman
US Embassy Participants: (b)(6)

Location TBD

20:00 Ert hotel (15 minutes)

20:15 RON Hotel The Amigo

Friday, August 16, 2019

07:45-08:15 Ert NATO (30 minutes)

08:30-0930 Meeting with Commander U.S. European Command, General Tod Wolters
CODEL Participants: Congressman Nunes, Senior Advisor Pappas, PSM Wakeman
US Military Participants: COM/EUCOM General Wolters, Executive Officer Colonel Sage, EUCOM legislative affairs, Mr. Peter Cairns

Location: NATO HQS, Office of SACEUR, Long Wing 7, Floor One
USNATO Control Officer = (b)(6)

09:30 Ert Airport MFA departure hall (10 minutes)

11:35 CODEL Departs BRU ert LIS on TAP 647 (2h 50m)

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From: (b)(6) (Brussels)
Sent: Wed, 14 Aug 2019 13:39:16 +0000
To: (b)(6) (USEU); (b)(6) (USEU)
Cc: (b)(6) (USEU)
Subject: RE: Amb S-Nunes Drinks Aug 15, 4pm

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(b)(6)

From: (b)(6) @state.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 3:32 PM
To: (b)(6) @state.gov>; (b)(6) USEU)
(b)(6) @state.gov>
Cc: (b)(6) @state.gov>
Subject: Amb S-Nunes Drinks Aug 15, 4pm

(b)(6)

My understanding is that Amb will meet Nunes at/just before 4pm tomorrow to go for a drink at/near the amigo.

Could you please send confirmation of this plan along w your cell and the best way for us to direct the amb as he will be solo?

Thanks,

(b)(6)

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From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Tue, 5 Mar 2019 07:52:19 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: 1:15 Lunch with Ukrainian Deputy FM

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From: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Sent: Mon, 6 May 2019 10:58:46 +0000
To: Sondland, Gordon D (USEU)
Subject: Ukraine Deputy Foreign Minister Olena Zerkal (POC: (b)(6))

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From: (b)(6) (USEU)
To: (USEU)
Subject: 1815: Phone Call: Counselor Brechbuhl

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