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Mr. Austin Evers
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RE: American Oversight v. DOJ,
19-cv-3540 (DDC-DC)
NSD FOIA # 20-011
NSD FOIA # 20-012

Dear Mr. Evers:

This is the National Security Division's (NSD) response to your Freedom of Information Act dated October 4, 2019 seeking, *"all email communications (including email messages, calendar invitations, and attachments thereto, and including complete email chains) sent by specified DOJ officials containing any of the following key terms:*

Rudy; Rudolph; Giuliani; Giuiliani; Guliani; Guiliani; Toensing; diGenova; Kislin; Hunter; Biden; Parnas; Fruman; Kolomoisky; Klitschko; Burisma; Shokin; Lutsenko; Zelensky; Zelenskyy; Zelenskiy; Yermak; Bakanov; "Ukraine Security Assistance Initiative"; and USAI.

Specified officials:

Principal Associate Deputy Attorney General Ed O'Callaghan; Associate Deputy Attorney General Tashina Gauhar; Assistant Attorney General Brian Benczkowski, and anyone serving as his Chief of Staff or Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General; Assistant Attorney General John Demers, and anyone serving as his Chief of Staff or Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General; U.S. Attorney for the District of Connecticut John Durham, and anyone serving as his Chief of Staff or first assistant."

We assigned your request NSD # 20-012 and sent an acknowledgement letter dated October 21, 2019. This is a final response to NSD #20-012.

We have conducted a search of the records of Assistant Attorney General John Demers, the NSD Chief of Staff, and the NSD Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General for the dates

January 1, 2019 through the date of our search, February 4, 2020, and did not locate any records responsive to your request.

Regarding the other request at issue in this litigation, assigned NSD #20-011, we have completed our searches for records responsive to that request and have begun processing the records identified. These records include the equities of other government agencies, including other components of the Department of Justice. According to standard FOIA practice, review of these equities requires coordination with the other equity holders.

As this matter is in litigation, we are omitting our standard appeal paragraph. If you have any questions, please contact the Federal Programs attorney in charge of this litigation, Andrew Freidah, at 202-305-0879 or andrew.f.freidah@usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

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