

Notes - while reading the "dossier"

wp = Wikipedia "S/he" = She or He

Page 1 - the document - allegedly created by Mr. C. Steele - is written by an "Englishman"

- thus, he speaks and writes - using the British form of the English language.

" COMPROMISING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE KREMLIN " < this is a judgement statement

"Former top Russian intelligence" (no name on source)

FSB? "... is the principal security agency of Russia and the main successor agency to the USSR's Committee of State Security (KGB). ...

In 1998 Yeltsin appointed Vladimir Putin, a KGB veteran who would later succeed Yeltsin as federal president, as director of the FSB.[7] Putin was reluctant to take over the directorship, but once appointed conducted a thorough reorganization, which included the dismissal of most of the FSB's top personnel.[1] Putin appointed Nikolai Patrushev as the head of FSB in 1999. ..." wp

FSB has "dossier" material on Trump and H. Clinton

"... Transatlantic alliance which was viewed as inimical to Russia's interests ... "

hh

Introduction to the Transatlantic Alliance:

https://www.nato.int/nato_static/assets/pdf/pdf_publications/1303-nato_in_focus-en.pdf

"...NATO brings together 28 member countries..." NATO is the " T. alliance"

Page 20: SFOR "...

(SFOR), in December 1996.

Forty-three different countries from NATO and around the world, including Russia, contributed to this force. Thanks in part to SFOR's presence, one million wartime refugees returned to their homes.

Improvements in the security situation led to gradual reductions in troop numbers from the original 60,000 to 7,000. On 2 December 2004, SFOR was brought to a successful end and NATO handed over its peacekeeping responsibilities to a European Union force. This EU operation continues with NATO support. ..."

Page 28: "...NATO's relations with Russia began in the early 1990s, when Russia joined the NACC in 1991 and the Partnership

for Peace in 1994. Russia was also the largest non-NATO troop contributor to the peacekeeping operation in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

In 1997, the bilateral relationship was given a more formal basis with the signing of the NATO-Russia Founding Act, which established the Permanent Joint Council (PJC) to develop dialogue and cooperation. Lingering Cold War stereotypes prevented the PJC from achieving its full potential and differences over NATO's Kosovo air campaign also impacted on the NATO-Russia relationship, although Russia contributed peacekeepers to the Kosovo Force. ..."

Page 30: "... Allied leaders agreed that both Georgia

and Ukraine would one day become members of the Alliance.

In the wake of the country's conflict with Russia a few months later, NATO and Georgia established the NATO-Georgia Commission in September

2008 to oversee NATO's post-conflict assistance to Georgia and to play a central role in helping the country work towards realizing its membership aspirations. At the Chicago Summit in 2012, Allied leaders welcomed Georgia's progress since the Bucharest Summit to meet its EuroAtlantic aspirations through reforms. However, more democratic reforms are required to strengthen the capacity and effectiveness of Georgia's political institutions. ..."

Page 38 "Missile Defense"

Page 39 "combatting terrorism"

hh

Sources A, B, C, D, E (page 3), F, G,

Page 9 - of Dossier "... PUTIN motivated by fear and hatred of Hillary CLINTON. ..."

Page 16:

PA IVANOV

PESKOV

Premier MEDVEDEV's office furious over DNC hacking and associated anti-Russian publicity.

Head of Presidential Administration, Sergei IVANOV

presidential spokesman Dmitry PESKOV

Page 18:

Lyndon LAROUCHE; presidential candidate

Jill STEIN of the Green Party;

Page 20:

"... Kremlin insider reports TRUMP lawyer COHEN's secret meeting/ s with Kremlin officials in August 2016 was/ were held in Prague ..."

"... Pro-PUTIN leading Duma figure, KOSACHEV, ..."

"... identify leading pro-PUTIN Duma figure, Konstantin ..."

" ... former pro-Russian YANUKOVYCH regime in Ukraine and TRUMP foreign policy advisor, Carter PAGE's secret meetings in Moscow with senior regime figures in July 2016. According to the Kremlin advisor, these meeting/ s were originally scheduled for COHEN in Moscow but shifted to what was considered an operationally "soft" EU country when it was judged too compromising for him to travel to the Russian capital. ..."

Page 21:

"... Ex-Ukrainian President YANUKOVYCH ... "

"... still feared the scandal had legs, especially as MANAFORT had been commercially active in Ukraine right up to the time (in March 2016) when he joined TRUMP's campaign team. For them it therefore remained a point of potential ..."

Page 22:

"... players close to TRUMP had wanted MANAFORT out, primarily to loosen his control on strategy and policy formulation. Of particular importance in this regard was MANAFORT's predecessor as campaign manager, Corey LEWANDOWSKI, who hated MANAFORT personally and remained close to TRUMP with whom he discussed the presidential campaign on a regular basis. ..."

Page 23:

"... VAINO selected as his replacement partly because he was not involved in pro-TRUMP, anti-CLINTON operation/s..."

"...in mid-September 2016, ..." "...issue had become incredibly sensitive and that President PUTIN had issued direct orders that Kremlin and government insiders should not discuss it in public or even in private. ..."

"... PUTIN had been receiving conflicting advice on interfering from three separate and expert groups. On one side had been the Russian ambassador to the US, Sergei KISLYAK, and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, together with an independent and informal network run by presidential foreign policy advisor, Yuri USHAKOV ..."

Page 24:

"... (KISLYAK's predecessor in Washington) who had urged caution and the potential negative impact on Russia from the operation/s. On the other side was former PA Head, Sergei IVANOV, backed by Russian Foreign Intelligence (SVR), who had advised PUTIN that the pro-TRUMP, antiCLINTON operation/s would be both effective and plausibly deniable with little blowback. The first group/s had been proven right and this had been the catalyst in PUTIN's decision to sack IVANOV (unexpectedly) as PA Head in August. His successor, Anton VAINO, had been selected for the job partly because he had not been involved in the US presidential election operation/s. ..."

"... It basically comprised of pushing candidate CLINTON away from President OBAMA's policies. The best example of this was that both candidates now openly opposed the draft trade agreements, TPP and TTIP, which were assessed by Moscow as detrimental to Russian interests. Other issues where the Kremlin was looking to shift the US policy consensus were Ukraine and Syria. Overall however, the presidential election was considered still to be too close to call. ..."

"... Mikhail KULAGIN, had been withdrawn ... "

"... so-called veterans' pensions ruse (reported previously), ..."

Page 26:

"... Key intermediary in PUTIN-Alpha relationship identified as Oleg GOVORUN, ..."

"...state of relations between President PUTIN and the Alpha Group of businesses led by oligarchs Mikhail FRIDMAN, Petr AVEN and German KHAN. The ..."

"... GOVORUN was trusted by PUTIN and recently had accompanied him to Uzbekistan to pay respects at the tomb of former president KARIMOV. ..."

Page 27:

"... GOVORUN had been Head of Government Relations at Alpha Group and in reality, the "driver" and "bag carrier"

used by FRIDMAN and AVEN to deliver large amounts of illicit cash to the Russian president, at that time deputy Mayor of St Petersburg. Given that and the continuing sensitivity of the PUTIN-Alpha relationship, and need for plausible deniability, much of the contact between them was now indirect and entrusted to the relatively low profile GOVORUN. ..."

"...The top level Russian government official described the PUTIN-Alpha relationship as both carrot and stick. Alpha held 'kompromat' on PUTIN and his corrupt business activities from the 1990s whilst although not personally overly bothered by Alpha's failure to reinvest the proceeds of its TNK oil company sale into the Russian economy since, the Russian president was able to use pressure on this count from senior Kremlin colleagues as a lever on FRIDMAN and AVEN to make them do his political bidding. ..."

Page 28:

"... Both believe Azeri business associate of TRUMP, Araz AGALAROV will know the details ..."

"... 3. The two St Petersburg figures cited believed an Azeri business figure, Araz AGALAROV (with offices in Baku and London) had been closely involved with TRUMP in Russia and would know most of the details of what the Republican presidential candidate had got up to there. ..."

Page 29:

"..., the MFA official said that Russia needed to upset the liberal international status quo, including on Ukraine-related sanctions, which was seriously disadvantaging the country- ..."

Page 30:

"... . As the TRUMP support operation had gained momentum, control of it had passed from the MFA to the FSB and then into the presidential administration where it remained ..."

MFA? [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ministry_of_Foreign_Affairs_\(Russia\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ministry_of_Foreign_Affairs_(Russia)) "RussiaMinistry Foreign Affairs" wp

Page 31:

"... offer of large stake in Rosneft in return for lifting sanctions on Russia PAGE confirms this is TRUMP" s intention ..."

" ... COHEN's wife is of Russian descent and her father a leading property developer in Moscow ..."

"... in addition to by the Rosneft President himself. ..."

" ... were TRUMP elected US president, then sanctions on Russia would be lifted. ..."

Page 33:

"... COHEN engaged with Russians in trying to cover up scandal of

MANAFORT and exposure of PAGE and meets Kremlin officials secretly in the EU in August in pursuit of this goal ..."

"... 2. According to the Kremlin insider, COHEN now was heavily engaged in a cover up and damage limitation operation in the attempt to prevent the full details of TRUMP's relationship with Russia being exposed. In pursuit of this aim, COHEN had met secretly with several Russian Presidential Administration (PA) Legal Department officials in an EU country in August 2016. The immediate issues had been to contain further scandals involving MANNAFORT's commercial and political role in Russia/Ukraine and to limit the damage arising from exposure of ..."

Page 34:

"... 3. Things had become even "hotter" since August on the TRUMP-Russia track. According to the Kremlin insider, this had meant that direct contact between the TRUMP team and Russia had been farmed out by the Kremlin to trusted agents of influence working in pro-government policy institutes like that of Law and Comparative Jurisprudence. COHEN however continued to lead for the TRUMP team. ..."

"... 4. Referring back to the (surprise) sacking of Sergei IVANOV as Head of PA in August 2016, his replacement by Anton VAINO and the appointment of former Russian premier Sergei KIRIYENKO to another senior position in the PA, the Kremlin insider repeated that this had been directly connected to the TRUMP support operation and the need to cover up now that it was being exposed by the USG and in the western media. ..."

Page 35:

"... We reported previously (2016/135 and / 136) on secret meeting/s held in Prague, Czech Republic in August 2016 between then Republican presidential candidate Donald TRUMP's representative, Michael COHEN and his interlocutors from the Kremlin working under cover of Russian 'NGO' Rossotrudnichestvo. ..."

"... One of their main Russian interlocutors was Oleg SOLODUKHIN operating under Rossotrudnichestvo cover. ..."

"... on how deniable cash payments were to be made to hackers who had worked in Europe under Kremlin direction against the CLINTON campaign and various contingencies for covering up these operations and Moscow's secret Jiaison with the TRUMP team more ..."

Page 36:

"... over the period March-September 2016 and its affiliates had been using botnets and porn traffic to transmit viruses, plant bugs. steal data and conduct "altering operations" a ainst the Democratic Party leadership. Entities linked to one were involved and he and another hacking ex ert, both recruited under

duress by the FSB, were significant players in this operation, In Prague, COHEN agreed contingency plans for various scenarios to protect the operation. ..."

Page 37:

"... In terms of practical measures to be taken, it was agreed by the two sides in Prague to stand down various "Romanian hackers" (presumably based in their homeland or neighbouring eastern Europe) and that other operatives should head for a bolt-hole in Plovdiv, Bulgaria where they should "lay low". ..."

Page 38:

"... On payments, IVANOV's associate said that the operatives involved had been paid by both TRUMP's team and the Kremlin, though their orders and ultimate loyalty lay with IVANOV, as Head of the PA and thus ultimately responsible for the operation, and his designated successor/s after he was dismissed by president PUTIN in connection with the anti-CL[NTON] operation in mid August. 13 December 2016 ..."