

From: [REDACTED]
To: Kent, George P
Cc: Yovanovitch, Marie L; [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Atlantic Council cooperating with Yanukovich associate
Date: Monday, January 23, 2017 1:13:30 AM
Importance: High

George, Further to your earlier email on Burisma and Atlantic Council, AnTAC has picked the issue up. They are engaging [REDACTED] directly (see email exchange below) and asking us to engage him as well. Do you have any background on Atlantic Council's decision to accept Burisma funds? Can I let AnTAC know that we have talked to [REDACTED] on this (if you or someone else has spoken with him)? AnTAC will be here today, coincidentally, to discuss other issues, so I can talk to them about this if you have any guidance on what to say.

Thanks!

[REDACTED]

From: Daria Kaleniuk [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, January 22, 2017 7:07 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Fwd: Atlantic Council cooperating with Yanukovich associate

Dear colleagues,
 I would like to let you know on our attempts to convince [REDACTED] to refrain from cooperation with Zlochevskiy.
 Probable he doesn't realise how he helps now to clean up Burisma business and personally Zlochevskiy.
 I could imagine only in the most scary dreams possibility of Atlantic Council to sign a cooperative agreement with Burisma...
 Just in case [REDACTED] will contact you, please be aware of information below.
 FYI ONLY

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From: Daria Kaleniuk <[REDACTED]>
Date: Sun, Jan 22, 2017 at 6:55 PM
Subject: Re: Atlantic Council cooperating with Yanukovich associate
To: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]
 I do hope that before taking this decision you had a chance to receive information from OPDAT and INL based at US Embassy in Ukraine. They are well aware of how this case was developing since summer 2014, when it was initiated by Serious Fraud Office. They also well aware of how this case was intentionally dumped by Yarema, Shokin and now Lutsenko, whom you personally heavily criticized. I also hope that you're aware that SFO continues investigation against Zlochevskiy and Burisma:

<http://www.dw.com/uk/%D1%83-%D0%B2%D0%B5%D0%BB%D0%B8%D0%BA%D0%BE%D0%B1%D1%80%D0%B8%D1%82%D0%B0%D0%BD%D1%96%D1%97-%D1%82%D1%80%D0%B8%D0%B2%D0%B0%D1%94-%D1%81%D0%BB%D1%96%D0%B4%D1%81%D1%82%D0%B2%D0%BE-%D1%83-%D1%81%D0%BE%D1%80%D0%B0%D0%B2%D1%96-%D1%81%D1%83%D0%BC%D0%BD%D1%96%D0%B2%D0%BD%D0%B8%D1%85-%D0%B3%D1%80%D0%BE%D1%88%D0%B5%D0%B9-%D0%B7%D0%BB%D0%BE%D1%87%D0%B5%D0%B2%D1%81%D1%8C%D0%BA%D0%BE%D0%B3%D0%BE/a-37195171?maca=ukr-rss-ukrnet-ukr-all-3816-xml>

Finally, I hope that you've considered all possible risks associated with being partner with Zlochevskiy - if not please ask MP Sergiy Leshchenko, a former investigative journalist who was writing a lot about Yanukovich gang dirty assets, including Zlochevskiy's. Leshchenko publications frequently appear in Atlantic Council.

Here is coverage in Kyivpost reflecting our astonishment with clearing up Zlochevskiy by Lutsenko:
<https://www.kyivpost.com/ukraine-politics/activists-cry-foul-courts-prosecutors-clear-zlochevsky.html>

The article doesn't reflect though our deep feel of betrayal after Burisma released joint cooperative agreement with the Atlantic Council. Burisma is obviously using this to clear up its reputation. Zlochevskiy invests a lot into legitimizing his business and Atlantic Council with [REDACTED] are part of the deal to clear dirty money. Here is Burisma paying ad for informing everyone about cooperating with you:
https://www.kyivpost.com/business-wire/zlochevskiy-burisma-atlantic-council-sign-cooperative-agreement.html?utm_source=traqli&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=traqli_daily

Should Zlochevskiy have invested any funds to Atlantic Council, it will not help you to reach goals stated in the email - firstly, because Zlochevskiy's Burisma is also linked to businesses in Crimea. I can send you details if you're interested.

[REDACTED], you have to be aware that we are fighting with very few people to bring Zlochevskiy to justice and there is huge money and political influence against us. Zlochevskiy is obviously one of close associates of Yanukovich. He built up his fortune granting licences to extract Ukrainian gas to his companies while in power. Simply by taking away these licenses from Burisma and granting them through competitive procedure to international companies Ukraine could receive huge investments. But this could be done only resulting from non-biased investigation, which unfortunately didn't happen due to corrupt prosecution and courts.

I'd also like you to watch this trailer:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2hcSjBKhtY>

Jointly with VICE news, Global Witness and British journalist [REDACTED] we've prepared a documentary explaining how Zlochevskiy laundered funds from Ukraine and why these funds are so needed for the country. Zlochevskiy hired best UK lawyers which blocked screening of the full documentary the day before its full launch - simply threatening UK NGO with law suit. Because of UK strict libel law our partners in UK were afraid to screen it. However, we are still looking for a reliable partner to do so.

Of course, partnering of Burisma with Atlantic Council will significantly complicate our attempts to get justice. Atlantic Council cooperating with Zlochevskyi is a very painful backblow for us, and I believe, for many other good people in Ukraine who strive for reforms.

Regards
Daria

On Sat, Jan 21, 2017 at 12:29 AM, [REDACTED] > wrote:
Dear Daria,

Thank you for this email. We will take what you have written into account. We received extensive information of all kinds about what happened in London before taking our decision.

You can be sure that the Atlantic Council insists on its intellectual independence when it receives support for its programs. Our Ukraine work remains focused on 1) helping Ukraine defeat Kremlin aggression; 2) promoting reform in Ukraine; 3) persuading Western governments to provide aid to Ukraine to achieve goals one and two; 4) countering Kremlin disinformation; 5) keeping international attention on Crimea.

If you like we could meet and discuss this on my next trip to Kyiv.

Best,



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From: Daria Kaleniuk [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2017 8:06 AM
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Atlantic Council cooperating with Yanukovych associate

Dear [REDACTED],

It came to my attention, that Atlantic Council signed a cooperative agreement with Burisma, a group of companies controlled by Zlochevskyi, a close associate of Yanukovych.

<http://burisma.com/en/news/the-atlantic-council-of-the-united-states-and-burisma-group-sign-cooperative-agreement/>

I would like to put your attention to the joint press-release we issued yesterday with TI:
http://www.transparency.org/news/pressrelease/ukraines_general_prosecutors_office_must_stand_up_to_political_pressure

We've been following very closely since 2014 how Prosecution General office killed the case on Zlochevskyi, which was triggered by Serious Fraud Office in Great Britain.

Below is a chronology of facts, which relies on documents to prove that cases against Zlochevskyi and Burisma were intentionally dumped by corrupt PGO.

<https://antac.org.ua/en/analytics/burisma-group-of-companies-are-still-under-criminal-investigation-in-ukraine-despite-case-against-mykola-zlochevskyi-was-dumped-by-the-general-prosecutor-s-office/>

In fact, Yarema, whom US government and Joe Biden, heavily criticized, resigned from the position of Prosecutor General after he failed to investigate Zlochevskyi case and it became clear and publicly known. Shokin, whom you personally [criticized publicly](#), was partly in charge for this investigation as deputy of Yarema.

In addition, I'd like to point your attention to the fact, that National Anti-corruption Bureau continues investigations regarding Zlochevskyi and Burisma, as well as they investigate how prosecutors abused their power to kill the initial British case. All these facts are supported by documents following the link above.

I do hope that you just didn't have opportunity to dig into who is behind Burisma and cooperation between Atlantic Council and this Zlochevskyi corrupt business empire is just a temporary misunderstanding.

Thank you,
Daria

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