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The Honorable James Mattis
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Dear Mr. President, Secretary Mattis, and Director Comey:

Lt. General Michael Flynn, who served as the President's campaign adviser and National Security Advisor, admitted last July that he was paid to travel to Moscow in December 2015 to speak at a gala hosted by the Kremlin-backed media outlet known as RT (formerly Russia Today), during which he dined with Russian President Vladimir Putin. However, General Flynn refused to disclose the amount or source of his payment.

The Oversight Committee has now obtained new documents showing that RT—which U.S. intelligence agencies have been warning since 2012 is an instrument of the Russian government—paid more than \$45,000 for General Flynn's participation. The documents reveal that General Flynn also received \$11,250 from a Russian charter cargo airline and \$11,250 from a top Russia-based cybersecurity corporation.

On February 13, 2017, the President fired General Flynn for concealing information about his communications with Russian officials. On March 7, 2017, General Flynn's company made a "retroactive" filing with the Department of Justice disclosing that he served as an agent of a foreign government while advising then-candidate Donald Trump. The filing disclosed lobbying work worth \$530,000 from August through November 2016 that "could be construed to have principally benefitted the Republic of Turkey." Although General Flynn's attorneys notified the transition team about his lobbying, both the President and Vice President claimed they knew nothing about his activities.

I cannot recall any time in our nation's history when the President selected as his National Security Advisor someone who violated the Constitution by accepting tens of thousands of dollars from an agent of a global adversary that attacked our democracy. I also cannot recall a time when the President and his top advisers seemed so disinterested in the truth about that individual's work on behalf of foreign nations—whether due to willful ignorance or knowing indifference.

In order to investigate what was known about General Flynn's activities when he entered the White House in January, I am writing to request information about whether General Flynn fully disclosed—as part of the security clearance and vetting process for his return to government—his communications with Russian agents, Turkish agents, and other foreign agents, as well as his payments from foreign sources. I also request that the Defense Department initiate steps to recover all foreign funds accepted by General Flynn in violation of the Emoluments Clause of the Constitution.

General Flynn's Public Statements

During an interview with *Yahoo News* on July 18, 2016, General Flynn admitted for the first time that he was paid for his trip to Moscow, but he dissembled regarding the source of those funds:

- Q: Were you paid for that event?
A: You'd have to ask my—the folks that I went over there to—
Q: Well, I'm asking you. You'd know if you were paid.
A: Yeah, I mean, I went over there as a speaking event. It was a speaking event.
Q: And—
A: What difference does that make? Does somebody go, "Oh, he was paid by the Russians!"?
Q: Well, Donald Trump has made a lot of the fact that Hillary Clinton has taken money from Wall Street—
A: Yeah, I didn't take any money from Russia, if that's what you're asking me.
Q: Well then, who paid you?
A: My speakers' bureau. Ask them.¹

On August 15, 2016, General Flynn continued to refuse to disclose the amount or source of these funds during an interview with the *Washington Post*:

- Q: Tell me about the RT relationship?
A: I was asked by my speaker's bureau, LAI. I do public speaking. It was in Russia. It was a paid speaking opportunity. I get paid so much. The speaker's bureau got paid so much, based on our contract.

¹ *Top Trump Adviser Defends Payment for Russia Speaking Engagement*, Yahoo News (July 18, 2016) (online at www.yahoo.com/news/trump-supporter-defends-payment-russian-175611942.html).

- Q: Can you tell me how much you got for that?
A: No.
Q: No? Because you don't want to get your fees out there?
A: Yeah, I don't.

General Flynn suggested during this interview that RT was no different than CNN or other U.S.-based media outlets:

- Q: Have you appeared on RT regularly?
A: I appear on Al Jazeera, Skye New Arabia, RT. I don't get paid a dime. I have no media contracts. ... [I am interviewed] on CNN, Fox ...
Q: Why would you go on RT, they're state run?
A: Well, what's CNN?
Q: Well, it's not run by the state. You're rolling your eyes.

Finally, he explained that he had no problem sitting next to Russian President Vladimir Putin while being paid to attend the gala:

- Q: Let me ask about sitting next to Putin ... because that's the symbol.
A: Yeah, I know, boring.
Q: But did you think about what the optics would be ...
A: Sure. I didn't have any problem.²

New Documents Obtained by Oversight Committee

The Oversight Committee has now obtained numerous documents confirming that RT was the source of these funds.

Specifically, the Committee has obtained a document labeled "Event Sheet" indicating that RT transferred funds in the amount of \$45,386 to General Flynn's speakers' bureau, Leading Authorities, Inc., which included a \$33,750 payment to General Flynn, \$386 to cover the cost of visas, and a 25% commission of \$11,250 for Leading Authorities.

The Committee has also obtained a copy of a check dated December 2, 2015, for \$33,750 to the Flynn Intel Group LLC from Leading Authorities. The document includes the notation RTTV-12/10/2015 referring to General Flynn's trip to Moscow to speak at the gala hosted by RT in December 2015.

Although some documents list RT TV-America as the "client," other documents demonstrate that the trip was orchestrated by RT TV-Russia, the Moscow-based headquarters of

² *Trump Adviser Michael T. Flynn On His Dinner With Putin and Why Russia Today is Just Like CNN*, Washington Post (Aug. 15, 2016) (online at www.washingtonpost.com/news/checkpoint/wp/2016/08/15/trump-adviser-michael-t-flynn-on-his-dinner-with-putin-and-why-russia-today-is-just-like-cnn/?utm_term=.203df7052c59).

RT's global network.

The Committee has obtained a copy of an email dated November 13, 2015, sent by an official from RT TV-Russia explaining: "We will be covering the payment of General Flynn's fee from our London office."

The Committee also obtained a copy of the transaction sheet for the payment, which confirms that RT transferred the funds from a financial institution in London known as National Westminster Bank PLC.

On November 20, 2015, an official from RT TV-Russia sent an email explaining why General Flynn was invited to this event: "Using your expertise as an intelligence professional, we'd like to talk about the decision-making process in the White House—and the role of the intelligence community in it."

Another email sent by an official from RT TV-Russia on October 14, 2015, explained that the event would be an opportunity for General Flynn to network with "political influencers from Russia and around the world." A follow up email from another RT TV-Russia official on October 19, 2015, noted that "we're ready to cover all the traveling costs."

The documents confirm that RT separately arranged for and provided funds for General Flynn's accommodations for several nights at the Hotel Metropol, which "is in the heart of Moscow next to Red Square," as an RT official explained in an email sent on November 9, 2015.

The documents show that RT also provided funds for General Flynn's business class airline tickets to and from Moscow, as well as for local transportation, meals, and incidentals. The documents do not include the amounts RT paid for these expenses.

According to the documents, RT also provided funds to cover all of the expenses for General Flynn's son, Michael Flynn Jr., to accompany him on the trip, including business class airfare and separate accommodations at the Hotel Metropol. The amount RT paid for his total expenses also was not provided.

Michael Flynn Jr. received an email directly from an RT official on October 19, 2015, inviting his father to the event and offering to cover all expenses: "RT will be delighted to cover all expenses related to travel, transportation and accommodation for the duration of the event." He personally followed up with Leading Authorities on October 23, 2015, asking: "Any update on this event below? Is Steve out in London working this one? This is the event in Russia."

The documents indicate that General Flynn sought more money from RT, but was asked to reduce his price. An RT official sent an email on November 9, 2015, writing that General Flynn's price was "a bit too high" and asking him "to reconsider the fee" and "reduce the price."

In addition to these payments, the documents obtained by the Committee indicate that General Flynn received \$11,250 for services on August 19, 2015, from Volga-Dnepr Airlines,

which is based in Russia and describes itself as “the world leader in the unique, oversized and heavy cargo market, successfully representing the Russian airfreight industry in the international market.”³ In 2007, the airline reportedly flew an ice rink to Guatemala as part of Russia’s successful bid to host the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi.⁴

In 2007, the United Nations suspended Volga-Dnepr from its list of approved vendors following the criminal prosecution of two Russian officials serving at the United Nations who steered lucrative contracts in exchange for hundreds of thousands of dollars in bribes.⁵ Based on an investigation by the U.N. Procurement Task Force, Volga-Dnepr was suspended in light of “alleged inappropriate relationships” with one of the indicted Russian officials.⁶ As of October 2016, Volga-Dnepr was not listed as an approved vendor with the United Nations.⁷

The documents obtained by the Committee also show that General Flynn received an additional \$11,250 for services on October 20, 2015, from Kaspersky Government Security Solutions, Inc., a U.S. subsidiary of Kaspersky Lab, which has been described as the “top Russian cybersecurity company” and “the foremost researcher uncovering Western government spyware for the past several years.”⁸

Eugene Kaspersky, the corporation’s founder and Chief Executive Officer, reportedly “was educated at a KGB-sponsored cryptography institute, then worked for Russian military intelligence.” Over the past several years, the company reportedly has been replacing high-level managers with “people with closer ties to Russia’s military or intelligence services,” although Mr. Kaspersky denies these allegations.⁹

³ *Group Profile*, Volga-Dnepr Group (online at www.volga-dnepr.com/en/about/group_profile/) (accessed Mar. 10, 2017).

⁴ *Volga-Dnepr Delivers Ice-Skating Rink to Guatemala to Support Russia’s Bid for 2014 Winter Olympics*, SKRIN News (July 3, 2007) (LexisNexis 2017).

⁵ *Russian Firm That Paid \$700G to Crooked U.N. Official Still on Approved Vendor List*, Fox News (Mar. 15, 2017) (online at www.foxnews.com/story/2007/03/15/russian-firm-that-paid-700g-to-crooked-un-official-still-on-approved-vendor.html).

⁶ *UN Bans Two Vendors Following Internal Investigation*, UN News Centre (Mar. 16, 2007) (online at www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=21901&Cr=&Cr1=).

⁷ United Nations, Procurement Division, *UN Secretariat Registered Vendors* (Oct. 25, 2016) (online at www.un.org/Depts/ptd/un-secretariat-registered-vendors).

⁸ *Kaspersky Security Shakes Up U.S. Leadership Amid Geopolitical Concerns*, Reuters (Dec. 17, 2015) (online at www.reuters.com/article/us-kaspersky-cybersecurity-usa-idUSKBN0U103B20151218).

⁹ *The Company Security Your Internet Has Close Ties to Russian Spies*, Bloomberg Businessweek (Mar. 19, 2015) (online at www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2015-03-19/cybersecurity-kaspersky-has-close-ties-to-russian-spies). See also *A Practical Guide to Making Up a Sensation*, Eugene Kaspersky—Official Blog (Mar. 20, 2015) (online at

Request for Defense Department to Initiate Action on Emoluments Clause Violation

Based on the documents obtained by the Oversight Committee, it is now clear that General Flynn accepted funds from an instrument of the Russian government. I request that the Department of Defense initiate steps to recover all funds accepted by General Flynn in violation of the Emoluments Clause of the Constitution.

On December 11, 2012—**while General Flynn was serving as the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency**—the Central Intelligence Agency’s Open Source Center issued an analysis warning that RT was engaged in “a Kremlin-directed campaign to undermine faith in the US Government and fuel political protest.”¹⁰

This analysis explained that RT was “created and financed by the Russian Government.” The analysis reported: “The Kremlin spends \$190 million a year on the distribution and dissemination of RT programming.” The analysis also reported: “Russia has more than tripled RT’s financing, from \$120 million in 2008 to \$380 million in 2012.” In addition, the analysis reported that “Putin personally intervened to protect RT from budget cuts planned for 2013.”

In terms of staffing, the analysis reported: “The Kremlin staffs RT and closely supervises RT’s coverage.” The analysis highlighted that Presidential Administration Deputy Chief of Staff Aleksey Gromov “reportedly manages political TV coverage in Russia and is one of the founders of RT.” The analysis also reported RT Editor in Chief Margarita Simonyan as stating: “since RT receives budget from the state, it must complete tasks given by the state.”

The analysis highlighted that RT “has deliberately sought to obscure any legal ties to the Russian Government.” The analysis exposed this effort by explaining:

RT America formally disassociates itself from the Russian Government by using a Moscow-based autonomous nonprofit organization to finance its US operations. According to RT’s leadership, this structure was set up to avoid the Foreign Agents Registration Act and to facilitate licensing abroad.

On January 6, 2017, the Office of the Director of National Intelligence issued a report making the following assessments regarding the 2016 presidential election:

We assess Russian President Vladimir Putin ordered an influence campaign in 2016 aimed at the US presidential election. Russia’s goals were to undermine public faith in the US democratic process, denigrate Secretary Clinton, and harm her electability and

<https://eugene.kaspersky.com/2015/03/20/a-practical-guide-to-making-up-a-sensation/>).

¹⁰ Central Intelligence Agency, Open Source Center, *Russia—Kremlin’s TV Seeks to Influence Politics, Fuel Discontent in US* (Dec. 11, 2012) (online at <https://democrats-oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/ksi.pdf>).

potential presidency. We further assess Putin and the Russian Government developed a clear preference for President-elect Trump.¹¹

This 2017 report confirmed the previous findings in the 2012 analysis regarding RT as an agent of the Russian government, referring to RT as the “Kremlin’s principal international propaganda outlet” and warning that RT “has actively collaborated with WikiLeaks.”

The Emoluments Clause, which is set forth in Article I, Section 9, Clause 8 of the U.S. Constitution, prohibits any person “holding any Office of Profit or Trust” from accepting gifts or payments from any foreign country. The Department of Defense has made clear that this restriction “prohibits receipt of consulting fees, gifts, travel expenses, honoraria, or salary by all retired military personnel, officer and enlisted, Regular and Reserve, from a foreign government.”¹²

For example, in June 2013, the Defense Department highlighted this restriction on retired officers in particular:

Significantly, **retired** regular military officers are also subject to the Emoluments Clause because they are subject to recall, and, therefore, hold an “Office of Profit or Trust” under the Emoluments Clause.¹³

According to the Department of Defense, a “foreign state” includes commercial entities that are owned or controlled by a foreign government or are considered instruments of the foreign government:

A foreign state includes any organization that is owned or operated by a foreign government, including federal, regional and local level governments. ... Thus, foreign governmental entities, such as commercial entities owned or controlled by a foreign government and foreign public universities controlled by a foreign government, can be considered instrumentalities of “foreign states” for purposes of the Emoluments Clause.¹⁴

¹¹ Office of the Director of National Intelligence, National Intelligence Council, *Intelligence Community Assessment: Assessing Russian Activities and Intentions in Recent US Elections* (Jan. 6, 2017) (ICA 2017-01D) (online at www.dni.gov/files/documents/ICA_2017_01.pdf).

¹² Department of Defense, *Summary of Emoluments Clause Restrictions* (online at www.dod.mil/dodgc/defense_ethics/resource_library/summary_emoluments_clause_restrictions.pdf) (accessed on Mar. 15, 2017).

¹³ Department of Defense, *Application of the Emoluments Clause to DoD Civilian Employees and Military Personnel* (Mar. 2013) (online at www.dod.mil/dodgc/defense_ethics/resource_library/emoluments_clause_applications.pdf) (emphasis in original).

¹⁴ *Id.*

The Department of Defense has also warned its retired officers against accepting “indirect” foreign payments, including from pass-through companies in the United States:

There are several types of scenarios in which an employee will be deemed to have received an “emolument” where the payment is indirectly received from a foreign state. Such scenarios include consulting, law, or other partnership distributions, as well as payments (such as salary) from domestic professional corporations. Federal personnel, especially retired military personnel, need to be aware of these potential traps for the unwary.¹⁵

On February 1, 2017, I joined Ranking Members Adam Schiff, Adam Smith, Bennie Thompson, John Conyers, and Eliot Engel in sending a letter to Defense Secretary James Mattis raising concerns about General Flynn’s actions and requesting any documents relating to whether General Flynn requested permission to receive funds from RT or any other source.¹⁶ On February 14, 2017, the Acting Secretary of the Army confirmed after a “thorough records search” that he had “not found any documents” indicating that General Flynn requested permission for his speaking engagement or reported it as required.¹⁷

On February 16, 2017, the Oversight Committee wrote to Leading Authorities requesting documents related to General Flynn’s trip to Moscow and other payments from additional sources.¹⁸ Leading Authorities responded on February 28, 2017, providing the documents described above.¹⁹

¹⁵ *Id.*

¹⁶ Letter from Ranking Member Elijah E. Cummings et al., House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, to Secretary James Mattis, Department of Defense (Feb. 1, 2017) (online at https://democrats-oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/documents/2017-02-01.%20EEC%20Smith%20Conyers%20Thompson%20Schiff%20&%20engel%20to%20Mattis.DOD_re_Flynn_.pdf).

¹⁷ Letter from Acting Secretary Robert M. Speer, Department of the Army, to Ranking Member Elijah E. Cummings, House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, et al. (Feb. 14, 2017) (online at <https://democrats-oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/documents/Army.021417.Response%20to%20EEC%20Smith%20Conyers%20Thompson%20Schiff%20%20re%20Flynn%20Emoluments.pdf>).

¹⁸ Letter from Chairman Jason Chaffetz and Ranking Member Elijah E. Cummings, House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, to Mark D. French, Leading Authorities, Inc. (Feb. 16, 2017) (online at <https://democrats-oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/documents/2017.02.16.Chaffetz%20EEC%20to%20Leading%20Authorities%2C%20Inc%20re.%20Flynn.pdf>).

¹⁹ Letter from Matthew R. Jones, Leading Authorities, Inc., to Chairman Jason Chaffetz and Ranking Member Elijah E. Cummings, House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform (Feb. 28, 2017) (online at <https://democrats-oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/documents/2017.02.28.Jones%20to%20Chaffetz%20and%20Cummings.pdf>).

According to guidance issued by the Defense Department and Comptroller General, any payment received by retired officers in violation of the Emoluments Clause creates a debt in favor of the U.S. Government. This guidance requires that the Department of Army confirm the debt, then send it to the Defense Finance and Accounting Agency, which initiates collection procedures. As the guidance makes clear, ignorance of these requirements is no defense.²⁰

I request that the Defense Department initiate this process and report back to me when it is complete. I also request that you submit, by May 1, 2017, documents confirming that these funds—including the payment General Flynn received and the value of all benefits received during the trip—have been recovered or are in the process of being recovered.

Request for Documents Relating to General Flynn's Security Clearance

In order to obtain access to classified information, government employees must submit Standard Form 86 (SF-86), Questionnaire for National Security Positions. The SF-86 explains: "All questions on this form must be answered completely and truthfully." In addition, it warns applicants: "The U.S. Criminal Code (title 18, section 1001) provides that knowingly falsifying or concealing a material fact is a felony which may result in fines and/or up to five (5) years imprisonment." The questions applicants must answer include the following:

- Section 19—Foreign Contacts: Do you have, or have you had, close and/or continuing contact with a foreign national within the last seven (7) years with whom you, or your spouse, or cohabitant are bound by affection, influence, common interests, and/or obligation?

- Section 20A—Foreign Activities:
 - Section 20A.1: Have you, your spouse, cohabitant, or dependent children EVER had any foreign financial interests (such as stocks, property, investments, bank accounts, ownership of corporate entities, corporate interests or businesses) in which you or they have direct control or direct ownership?

 - Section 20A.2: Have you, your spouse, cohabitant, or dependent children EVER had any foreign financial interests that someone controlled on your behalf?

oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/documents/2017-02-28%20LAI%20Response%20to%20OGR.PDF).

²⁰ Department of Defense, *Application of the Emoluments Clause to DoD Civilian Employees and Military Personnel* (Mar. 2013) (online at www.dod.mil/dodgc/defense_ethics/resource_library/emoluments_clause_applications.pdf).

- Section 20A.3: Have you, your spouse, cohabitant, or dependent children EVER owned, or do you anticipate owning, or plan to purchase real estate in a foreign country?
- Section 20B—Foreign Business, Professional Activities, and Foreign Government Contacts:
 - Section 20B.1: Have you in the past seven (7) years provided advice or support to any individual associated with a foreign business or other foreign organization that you have not previously listed as a former employer?
 - Section 20B.2: Have you, your spouse, cohabitant, or any member of your immediate family in the past seven (7) years been asked to provide advice or serve as a consultant, even informally, by any foreign government official or agency?
 - Section 20B.3: Has any foreign national in the past seven (7) years offered you a job, asked you to work as a consultant, or consider employment with them?
 - Section 20B.4: Have you in the past seven (7) years been involved in any other type of business venture with a foreign national not described above (own, co-own, serve as business consultant, provide financial support, etc.)?
 - Section 20B.5: Have you in the past seven (7) years attended or participated in any conferences, trade shows, seminars, or meetings outside the U.S.?
 - Section 20B.6: Have you or any member of your immediate family in the past seven (7) years had any contact with a foreign government, its establishment (such as embassy, consulate, agency, military service, intelligence or security service, etc.) or its representatives, whether inside or outside the U.S.?
- Section 20C—Foreign Travel: Have you traveled outside the U.S. in the last seven (7) years?

In order to review General Flynn's compliance with security clearance requirements, I request that each of your offices provide by April 7, 2017, all documents in the possession or control of the Executive Office of the President, the National Security Council, the Department of Defense, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation relating to:

1. information provided by General Flynn in response to all questions in Sections 19, 20A, 20B, and 20C in any security clearance applications, certifications, or requests for periodic reinvestigation over the past ten years;
2. all investigative and adjudicative files concerning or relating to Guideline B ("Foreign Influence") or Guideline C ("Foreign Preference") associated with General Flynn's security clearances, certifications, periodic reinvestigations, or any other

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vetting for his positions;

3. all documents relating to General Flynn's contacts with foreign nationals; and
4. all documents relating to General Flynn's receipt of funds from any foreign source.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Elijah E. Cummings
Ranking Member

cc: The Honorable Jason Chaffetz, Chairman

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 2:10 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow
Attachments: RTTV_Flynn_12_10_15 C.pdf

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 21, 2017 2:00 PM
[REDACTED]
Subject: FW: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

[REDACTED]
Direct: [REDACTED]
<https://www.leadingauthorities.com>

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2015 10:08 AM
To: 'Ivanova Nadezhda V.' [REDACTED]@rttv.ru>
Cc: [REDACTED]@lauthorities.com>; Veronica Volokhonovich [REDACTED]@rtamerica.tv>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@rttv.ru>
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Great! Attached is the final copy for your records. It was a pleasure working with you all, I'm so happy we were able to work everything out and get you exactly what you wanted. I'm sure it will be a fantastic event and congratulations on your 10 year anniversary!

My team will be in touch with logistics moving forward.

Thanks again, I hope we can work together soon!

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From: Ivanova Nadezhda V. [REDACTED]@rttv.ru]
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2015 10:00 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]; Veronica Volokhonovich; [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Dear [REDACTED],

I'm sending you attached a scan of the signed contract.

Best regards,
Nadia

From: [REDACTED]@authorities.com]
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2015 5:16 PM
To: Ivanova Nadezhda V.
Cc: [REDACTED]; Veronica Volokhonovich; [REDACTED]
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From: Ivanova Nadezhda V. [REDACTED]@rttv.ru]
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2015 9:14 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]; Veronica Volokhonovich; [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Dear [REDACTED],

Just the address is ok with us, if it's also ok with you.

Thank you !

Best regards,
Nadia

From: [REDACTED]@authorities.com]
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2015 5:11 PM
To: Ivanova Nadezhda V.
Cc: [REDACTED]; Veronica Volokhonovich; [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Would you like all the bank info on the contract as well, or just the address?

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From: Ivanova Nadezhda V. [REDACTED]@rttv.ru]
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2015 8:44 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]; Veronica Volokhonovich; [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Dear [REDACTED],

We will be covering the payment of General Flynn's fee from our London office, therefore could you please change the client's details (below) in the contract and send it back to us?

IBAN № [REDACTED], Nat West Bank,
199 High Street Berkhamsted Herts.HP4 1BH, United Kingdom. Swift: [REDACTED], Sort code: [REDACTED] A/c Name:RUSSIA
TODAY TV UK Ltd. A/c №: [REDACTED]

Thank you very much in advance and have a great weekend!

Best regards,
Nadia

From: [REDACTED]@lauthorities.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 11:32 PM
To: Veronica Volokhonovich; Ivanova Nadezhda V.
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Hi Veronica,

Hopefully this one works! Please sign and send back via fax or email. Thanks!

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From: Veronica Volokhonovich [REDACTED]@rtamerica.tv]
Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 12:43 PM
To: [REDACTED]; 'Ivanova Nadezhda V.'
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Hi [REDACTED],

We did receive it and, now, are closely looking into it with our finance. We will get back to you very soon.
Thanks much,

Veronica

From: [REDACTED]@authorities.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 12:39 PM
To: 'Ivanova Nadezhda V.'
Cc: Veronica Volokhonovich
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

I just want to be sure the contract made it over to you. Thanks!

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Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 10:32 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow
Importance: High

Dear [REDACTED],

I will require a scan of General Flynn's passport for the booking procedure. Could you please forward it to me as well.

Thank you very much in advance!

Best regards,
Nadia

From: [REDACTED]@authorities.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 6:26 PM
To: Ivanova Nadezhda V.
Cc: Veronica Volokhonovich; [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Hi Nadia,

Attached are Michael's promotional materials and I have listed his preferred flights below. My event coordinator, [REDACTED] who's cc'ed here, will follow-up with Michael's visa info and anything else you might need. Immediately following this email, you will receive a contract from me. Please sign and return to us at your earliest convenience so we can get everything else moving.

Thank you!

To Moscow leaving Tuesday evening arriving Wednesday afternoon:

AIR

AIRFRANCE	Flight Number AF0055	Class: Business	From: Washington Dulles, DC	Leaving: Tue 08 Dec 06:40PM	Destination: Paris De Gaulle, France - Aerogare 2 Terminal E	Arriving: Wed 09 Dec 08:05AM	Aircraft Type: B77er	
							Operated By:	
							Flying Time:	7h25m
							Stops:	0
AIR								
AIRFRANCE	Flight Number AF1044	Class: Business	From: Paris De Gaulle, France - Aerogare 2 Terminal E	Leaving: Wed 09 Dec 09:45AM	Destination: Moscow Sheremet, Russia - Terminal E - International	Arriving: Wed 09 Dec 03:25PM	Aircraft Type: Airbus A319	
							Operated By:	
							Flying Time:	3h40m
							Stops:	0

Return to DC leaving Friday morning arriving Friday afternoon:

AIR								
<image002.gif>	Flight Number KL3181	Class: Business	From: Moscow Sheremet, Russia - Terminal F - International	Leaving: Fri 11 Dec 10:25AM	Destination: Amsterdam, Netherlands	Arriving: Fri 11 Dec 12:00PM	Aircraft Type: Airbus A321	
							Operated By:	Aeroflot
							Flying Time:	3h35m
							Stops:	0
AIR								
<image002.gif>	Flight Number KL0651	Class: Business	From: Amsterdam, Netherlands	Leaving: Fri 11 Dec 01:00PM	Destination: Washington Dulles, DC	Arriving: Fri 11 Dec 03:45PM	Aircraft Type: Airbus A330- 200	
							Operated By:	
							Flying Time:	8h45m
							Stops:	0

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From: Ivanova Nadezhda V. [REDACTED]@rttv.ru]
Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 9:43 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you very much for your quick reply. General Flynn will be speaking sometime between 10:00 – 16:00.

Have a lovely day!

Best regards,
Nadia

Nadezhda Ivanova
Manager
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From: [REDACTED]@lauthorities.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 4:52 PM
To: Ivanova Nadezhda V.
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Absolutely. I can get his promotional materials over to you shortly. Our team is getting together his visas and flights, so once that info I'll send it right over. Thanks!

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From: Ivanova Nadezhda V. [REDACTED]@rttv.ru]
Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 3:27 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Dear [REDACTED],

My name is Nadia. I am responsible for all the travel and accommodation arrangements for the event on the 10th of December in Moscow. We will be very honored to have General Flynn as a participant in our conference (I'll send you the full agenda shortly once it's complete).

Meanwhile I would like to proceed with the tickets and hotel booking, for which I will need a scan of his passport and preferred arrival - departure details.

I will also require his high resolution photo and a short biography (about 800-1000 characters), for PR purposes (we suppose that there might be requests for an interview with him, after we announce the conference and that he will be one of our guests).

As soon as I book everything I will send you his electronic ticket, the hotel confirmation and the invitation letter, which he will need to apply for a tourist visa.

Feel free to contact me with any questions or requests that you may have (+7 965 [REDACTED] , [REDACTED]@rttv.ru).

Best regards,
Nadia

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From: Mikhaleva (Savelieva) Alina
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2015 10:46 PM
To: [REDACTED]; Veronica Volokhonovich; Illarionova Katia
Cc: rtmoscow
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Great news! We're very excited to hear that.

Please see attached preliminary program and official invite to the event. The conference program doesn't include General Flynn's appearance, and we don't want him to participate in any panel together with other speakers, we would love to have him separately on stage as a special guest in one on one interview with one of our presenters, as I mentioned in the previous email.

We're offering our guests an accommodation in the Metropol hotel which is in the heart of Moscow next to Red Square. Also the conference will be held in the same hotel, so it's very convenient for our guests. <http://metropol-moscow.ru/en/>

My colleagues will follow up with you regarding the details for the flights and accommodation.

Best,

Alina Mikhaleva
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From: ██████████@lauthorities.com]
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2015 10:00 PM
To: Mikhaleva (Savelieva) Alina; Veronica Volokhonovich; Illarionova Katia
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Great news! He has accepted ☺ If you could send me the event timeline and what hotel you think he'll be staying at, I can get a contract over to you stat!

Thank you!!

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From: Mikhaleva (Savelieva) Alina ██████████@rttv.ru]
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2015 10:26 AM
To: ██████████; Veronica Volokhonovich; Illarionova Katia
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Hi ██████████,

Thank you for your patience. Sorry it took us longer to get back to you, but the problem is that the speaking fee is a bit too high and exceeds our budget at the moment, so we had to negotiate it with the management. Do you think there is any possibility to reduce the price to 45K? all other conditions (accommodation and flights) are fine.

If there is a chance to reconsider the fee, it would be great for us as we would love to welcome General Flynn in Moscow.

As we're planning right now, if General Flynn is coming, we would like him to be front and central at the Moscow conference and to have one on one conversation/interview on stage with one of our presenters (probably Sophico Shevardnadze, host of SophieCo interview program on RT).

Let me know what you think, and we're ready to engage in further discussion of the conditions.

Have a great Monday!

Alina Mikhaleva
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From: [REDACTED]@lauthorities.com]
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2015 6:12 PM
To: Veronica Volokhonovich; Mikhaleva (Savelieva) Alina; Illarionova Katia
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Happy Monday!

Is there anything I can do to be of assistance? General Flynn's team has expressed some concern because the event date is so close and just wants to be sure we can get everything taken care of in time. Please let me know!

Thank you,

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 21, 2017 2:15 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 21, 2017 1:50 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

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From: Veronica Volokhonovich [REDACTED]@rtamerica.tv]
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 3:31 PM
To: [REDACTED]@lauthorities.com>
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

My personal email is

[REDACTED]

From: Veronica Volokhonovich
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 3:21 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

From: Veronica Volokhonovich
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 3:19 PM
To: [REDACTED]@lauthorities.com'
Subject: RE: RT invitation

From: Veronica Volokhonovich
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 9:49 AM
To: Mikhaleva (Savelieva) Alina; Illarionova Katia [REDACTED]@lauthorities.com
Subject: RE: RT invitation

Good Morning [REDACTED],

Great to hear from you. I hope everything is going well for you today.

I just want to make sure that you received the message from Alina below. Sometime, our email system works imperfectly.

Please let me know if you need more details from us.

Warmest regards,
Veronica

----- Original message -----

From: "Mikhaleva (Savelieva) Alina" [REDACTED]@rttv.ru>
Date: 10/19/2015 6:06 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: Illarionova Katia [REDACTED]@rttv.ru> [REDACTED]@lauthorities.com
Cc: Veronica Volokhonovich [REDACTED]@rtamerica.tv>
Subject: HA: RT invitation

Dear [REDACTED],

Just wanted to follow up on our invitation for General Flynn to take part as a speaker in the Conference «Changes In The Global News Media Landscape». We're especially interested to invite General Flynn as a speaker to take part in this session:

Discussion panel with foreign policy experts: "Geopolitics 2015 and Russia's changing role in the world."
The conversation will focus on the causes and consequences of Russia's geopolitical re-emergence over the last decade, how it was received and responded to in different parts of the world, and the outlook for the international community.

We are ready to discuss in details the terms of General Flynn's participation including speaker's fee, and also we're ready to cover all the traveling costs.

Looking forward to discussing further details with you.

Best, Alina

От: Illarionova Katia
Отправлено: 14 октября 2015 г. 21:28
To: [REDACTED]@lauthorities.com
Cc: Mikhaleva (Savelieva) Alina
Тема: RT invitation
Dear [REDACTED],

my name is Katia, I am a producer for RT.
I am helping to organize the RT conference in December.
Emailing you an invitation for General Flynn.

Dear General Flynn,
As one of the world's leading voices on national security issues, your presence would be invaluable to RT's "Changes In The Global News Media Landscape" International Conference. The event will welcome hundreds of journalists, foreign

policy analysts and economics experts from all over the world to discuss the shifts that the international news media space has undergone over the last decade, RT's role in this space, and how wider geopolitical context is affecting and being affected by these changes.

The private, invitation-only conference will take place in Moscow on December 10, 2015, and will be the main event marking RT's 10th Anniversary celebrations. A cocktail reception will follow.

We would be delighted if you would join our celebration and share your insights as part of the following session: "Geopolitics 2015 and Russia's changing role in the world." For more details, please see the attached conference program and official invitation.

RT aired its first broadcast on December 10, 2005. Since then, the global news media landscape has changed dramatically, welcoming new, foreign voices and adapting to rapid-fire digital innovations. These changes also coincided with Russia's shifting role in the world.

RT's ten-year anniversary is the perfect occasion to bring together leading experts to discuss these developments, exchange ideas and address the challenges facing the global information space today. The event also presents exceptional networking opportunities for high-level media and political influencers from Russia and around the world. We would be grateful if you could let us know whether you might accept this invitation by October 27, 2015. RT will be delighted to cover all expenses related to travel, transfers and accommodation for the duration of the event. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me or my colleagues at [REDACTED]@rttv.ru. We look forward to seeing you in Moscow!

Sincerely,

Katia Illarionova
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From: [REDACTED]@authorities.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 3:20 PM
To: Veronica Volokhonovich
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

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From: Veronica Volokhonovich [REDACTED]@rtamerica.tv]
Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 12:29 PM
To: [REDACTED]; Mikhaleva (Savelieva) Alina
Subject: RE: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Hi [REDACTED],

Great to hear from you!

I am cc'ing here my colleague from Moscow, Ms. Alina Savelieva, who is in charge for this conference.

She will be more than happy to provide us with all necessary details.

Could you also keep me in a copy in case of emergency of any misconnections please?

Thank you so much in advance!

Sincerely,

Veronica Volokhonovich
RT Washington Producer

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From: [REDACTED]@lauthorities.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 9:26 AM
To: Veronica Volokhonovich
Subject: General Michael Flynn - RT America Conference in Moscow

Good morning Veronica,

Thank you for your interest in General Flynn. He does look available for December 10th and I'd be happy to answer any other questions you may have! Feel free to give me a call on my direct line, as well. [REDACTED].

Look forward to speaking with you soon,

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 1:59 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: RT TV's invitation for a conference in Moscow

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 21, 2017 1:53 PM
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@lauthorities.com>
Subject: FW: RT TV's invitation for a conference in Moscow

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, October 23, 2015 11:23 AM
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@lauthorities.com>
Subject: FW: RT TV's invitation for a conference in Moscow

You had reached out on this one too, right? Did they get back?

[REDACTED]
O: [REDACTED]
C: [REDACTED]

From: Michael G Flynn [[mailto:\[REDACTED\]](mailto:[REDACTED])]
Sent: Friday, October 23, 2015 10:57 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Fwd: RT TV's invitation for a conference in Moscow

Any update on this event below? Is Steve out in London working this one? This is the event in Russia.

Thanks,

Michael G Flynn
Chief of Staff to Chairman and CEO
Flynn Intel Group Inc

[REDACTED]



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Begin forwarded message:

From: Veronica Volokhonovich [REDACTED]
Date: October 19, 2015 at 5:19:58 PM EDT
To: [REDACTED]@flynnintelgroup.com" <[REDACTED]@flynnintelgroup.com>
Subject: RT TV's invitation for a conference in Moscow

Hello Michael,

While my colleagues are discussing the speaking engagement details with your bureau, I am happy to provide you with more general details of our invitation for your consideration.

We would be delighted if General Flynn would join us and share his insights as part of the RT's "Changes In The Global News Media Landscape" International Conference that will take place in Moscow on December 10, 2015. It will be the main event marking RT's 10th Anniversary celebrations. A cocktail reception will follow.

Here is a brief agenda of the conference:

December 10th, 2015

10am-4pm

Session 1: Presentation by PwC: "Cross-border news consumption and the demand for alternative perspectives on news." Presentation is followed by discussion panel with the senior editors of international news media organizations: "The challenges to the Anglo-Saxon news media monopoly."

Session 2: Discussion panel with foreign policy experts: "Geopolitics 2015 and Russia's changing role in the world."

Session 3: Discussion panel with media experts: "Who started the InfoWar"

7:30pm-10:30pm

Reception

The conference will welcome hundreds of journalists, foreign policy analysts and economics experts from all over the world to discuss the shifts that the international news media space has undergone over the last decade, RT's role in this space, and how wider geopolitical context is affecting and being affected by these changes.

RT will be delighted to cover all expenses related to travel, transportation and accommodation for the duration of the event.

Here is a program of the visit we would suggest:

December 9th (local) – arriving.

December 10th - conference and reception

December 11th –sightseeing incl. Kremlin, Art Museums, RT's Headquarters, Bolshoi Theater (all together or whatever you choose)

December 12th – departure

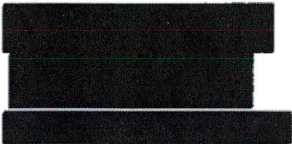
If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me whenever you need.

And looking forward to seeing General Flynn in Moscow!

Sincerely,

Veronica Volokhonovich

RT Washington Producer



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[REDACTED]

From: Ivanova Nadezhda V. <[REDACTED]@rttv.ru>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 8:22 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Michael Flynn/RT TV America- 12/10/15 Logistics
Attachments: Program_Conf_EN.PDF

Dear [REDACTED],

Please find the conference's finalized program attached to this letter.

Also I just wanted to double check that General Flynn's and his son's visa issuing process is going alright.

We look forward to seeing General Flynn and his son in Moscow!

With all the best wishes,
Nadia

From: [REDACTED]@lauthorities.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2015 11:09 PM
To: Ivanova Nadezhda V.
Subject: RE: Michael Flynn/RT TV America- 12/10/15 Logistics

Hi Nadia,

I hope you have been well! After looking over the information provided through the questionnaire, my colleague who is working on General Flynn's itinerary has a few questions. Please see her questions below:

- You provided one hotel confirmation number – please make sure you have reserved TWO rooms (one for General Flynn, one for Michael Flynn) and send us both confirmation numbers.
- We know that the meeting starts at 9:30 and General Flynn goes on at approx. 11:10 – what time do you want to do his AV check/mic him? Right before? When should he arrive by?
- Who will General Flynn and Michael be seated with at dinner?
- We see that you have a cab listed as General Flynn's ride back to the airport – BUT it needs to be a professional car service picking him up from the airport and returning him on 12/11 – can you please arrange this and send us the name of the company and a contact number?

Thank you,
[REDACTED]

From: Ivanova Nadezhda V. [REDACTED]@rttv.ru]
Sent: Friday, November 20, 2015 4:32 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Michael Flynn/RT TV America- 12/10/15 Logistics
Importance: High

Dear [REDACTED],

I am forwarding you the completed by my colleagues questionnaire:

PRE-EVENT QUESTIONNAIRE

CLIENT: RT TV- America
EVENT DATE: 12/10/2015
TALENT: General Michael Flynn

NAME OF EVENT SITE: Metropol Moscow Hotel
Address: 2 TEATRALNIY PROEZD
Moscow, Russia 109012
Phone: +7 499 501 78 00

TECHNICAL A/V CONTACT:

Name: [REDACTED]
Title: [REDACTED]
Office Phone: +7 [REDACTED]
Cellular Phone: +7 [REDACTED]
E-mail Address: [REDACTED]

If the speaker's presentation will be recorded, who should we contact after the event for a copy of the DVD? Nadezhda Ivanova is a contact person (below), she will pass the DVD with a recording to General Michael Flynn

SPEAKER'S CONTACT AT MEETING SITE:

Name: Nadezhda Ivanova
Title: Manager, Content Distribution Service, RT Channel
Office Phone: +7 [REDACTED]
Cellular Phone: +7 [REDACTED]
E-mail Address: [REDACTED]@rttv.ru
On-Site Arrival Date: 12/10/2015

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Moscow, Russia 109012
Phone: +7 499 501 78 00
Hotel Confirmation Number: 1181057

GROUND TRANSPORTATION

Which of the following would you prefer:

- A) The Speaker (or Leading Authorities) provide his/her own transportation- Home City
- B) The Client arrange for a car/driver to pick up the speaker- Event City – Nadezhda will personally meet General Michael Flynn at the airport and deliver him to the hotel with the driver
- C) Other:

TIMETABLE

12/09/2015

15:25 Arrive in Moscow
18:00 Check into the hotel
20:00 Meeting (briefing) with moderator of the session in the hotel's lobby

12/10/2015

- 9:30– 16:30 International Conference: “Changes In The Global News Media Landscape” (Metropol Hotel)
- 19:00–23:00 Gala-dinner celebrating RT’s 10 anniversary on air (Noviy Manezh historic building, Moscow, Georgievskiy lane 3, bld.3)

9:30– 16:30 International Conference: “Changes In The Global News Media Landscape” (Metropol Hotel)

Speaker Arrival Time/Place: The conference is taking place at the conference hall in the same hotel, where General Flynn is staying. The session begins at 11:10 (please note, that 30 minutes shift is possible, we will send the finalized session time next week)

A/V Check Time/Place: Conference hall, Hotel Metropol

Event Begins: Time/Place: 9:30 Hotel Metropol, Onegin hall

Preferred Presentation Format (e.g. prepared remarks vs. Q&A): One on one talk (30 minute interview on stage with 15 min Q&A from the audience)

If there is Q&A, will it be moderated? Yes, it will be, please see moderator’s bio in “WHO WILL INTRODUCE THE SPEAKER” section

Presentation End Time: 12:00 (please note, that 30 minutes shift is possible)

Additional Activities (meals, photo-ops, etc):

9:30– 10:00 Welcome coffee (at the conference site)

12:00 – 12:30 Coffee break (at the conference site)

14:00 – 15:00 Lunch (at the conference site)

SPEAKER'S ATTIRE: Business Casual

AUDIENCE ATTIRE: Casual

WHO WILL INTRODUCE THE SPEAKER? (Please send bio if possible)

Name: Sophie Shevardnadze

Title: TV presenter

Sophie Shevardnadze is a professional journalist and granddaughter of former Georgian President Edward Shevardnadze. Sophie holds an M.A. in Journalism from New York University, and a B.A. in Cinema from Boston University. She also has a diploma from the Conservatoire de Paris, where she studied piano.

Sophie previously worked as a producer with ABC, and a special correspondent for the Georgian broadcast network Imedi. She has hosted her own talk show on RT, SophieCo, since 2005.

Sophie is also a columnist for a number of Russian magazines, and a show host for a Moscow-based radio station. She is fluent in Russian, English, Georgian, French and Italian.

Name of Meeting Room: -

AUDIENCE SIZE AND DESCRIPTION:

We are expecting around 300 attendees including journalists, foreign policy analysts and economics experts from all over the world

Please note that there can be possible approaches from the press presented at the conference

PLEASE CONFIRM THAT THIS IS STILL THE SPEECH TOPIC YOUR SPEAKER SHOULD PRESENT: We are still working on the session name, but the speech topic is as follows:

Seeing how the Middle East security situation isn't getting better at all despite all the global involvement in its affairs, we want to get a broader view of the U.S. policy in the region throughout the last decade. Why are peace and stability so elusive? Using your expertise as an intelligence professional, we'd like to talk about the decision-making process in the White House - and the role of the intelligence community in it. We'll raise the questions of hammering out the right strategy against ISIL - questions of coherence and the intensity of the military aspect of it. Also, among the ways to 'fix' the region, what can be made of the international efforts? Is America ready for cooperation with other countries on the Syrian question and to what extent?

WHO ELSE IS SPEAKING AT THE EVENT? Please see the attached file with the conference draft, please note it's still work in progress. Please keep this file private

IS THERE A THEME/TITLE FOR THIS EVENT?

International Conference: “Changes In The Global News Media Landscape”

IS THERE A HASHTAG OR TWITTER HANDLE FOR THIS EVENT? It will be, we are still working on the name and will send it to you shortly

19:00–23:00 Gala-dinner (invitation only) celebrating RT's 10 anniversary on air (Noviy Manezh historic building, Moscow, Georgievskiy lane 3, bld.3)

Speaker Arrival Time/Place: There will be a guided 15 minutes' walk from the hotel to the Noviy Manezh building (18:45) through the Moscow's historic center

Event Begins: Time/Place: Noviy Manezh building (Moscow, Georgievskiy lane 3, bld.3)

19:00 Welcome cocktail

20:00 Gala dinner (we will send the list of who will be seated with General Flynn at the same table by the 1st of December)

Approx. 23:00 15 minutes' walk from the Noviy Manezh to the hotel

SPEAKER'S ATTIRE: Black Tie

AUDIENCE ATTIRE: Black Tie

AUDIENCE SIZE AND DESCRIPTION:

250 guests including Russian politics leaders, public persons, business Big League, foreign policy analysts and experts (conference speakers)

12/11/2015

07:25 Taxi from the hotel to the airport

10:25 Depart Moscow

Have a great weekend!

Best regards,

Nadia

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