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United States Senate

December 12, 2017

VIA EMAIL

Dr. Monica Crowley
[redacted]

Dear Dr. Crowley:

As an adviser to the Trump transition team who had been nominated to serve on the National Security Council under Lt. General Michael Flynn, we believe that you have information that would assist the Committee in its investigation related to the 2016 presidential election. Accordingly, we are writing to request documents and schedule an interview with you in January 2018.

On December 1, 2017, General Flynn pleaded guilty to lying to the FBI about, among other things, conversations he had with then-Russian Ambassador Sergey Kislyak about U.S. sanctions against Russia while he was on the Trump transition team. On December 29, 2016, General Flynn called a "senior official" on the transition team to discuss what he would say to Ambassador Kislayk.[1] Soon after that discussion, General Flynn called the Russian Ambassador, reporting back to the senior official about that call.[2] The Committee has reason to believe you may have information about these calls.

The Intelligence Community has concluded that Russia interfered in the 2016 election, with the goal of undermining faith in our democratic processes and harming Secretary Clinton's candidacy.[3] As explained in the January 6, 2017 Intelligence Community assessment: "We further assess Putin and the Russian Government developed a clear preference for President-elect Trump."[4]

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[1] Statement of the Offense, *United States v. Michael Flynn*, No. 17-cr-00232-RC (D.D.C., Dec. 1, 2017).
[2] *Id.*
[3] Office of the Director of National Intelligence, "Assessing Russian Activities and Intentions in Recent US Elections," ICA 2017-01D, January 6, 2017, at 2-3.
[4] Office of the Director of National Intelligence, "Assessing Russian Activities and Intentions in Recent US Elections," ICA 2017-01D, January 6, 2017.

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The Committee is investigating these matters, and we ask that you provide the following documents in advance of your interview with the Committee, covering the time period from June 15, 2015 to the present:

1. All documents concerning the selection of Lt. General Michael Flynn as national security advisor, including communications regarding any statements made by the transition team, or the White House about Lt. General Flynn;

2. All documents concerning Lt. General Flynn's conversations or meetings with Ambassador Kislyak or other Russian government officials, associates, or representatives;

3. All communications related to the story written by David Ignatius that appeared in the Washington Post on January 12, 2017, titled "Why did Obama dawdle on Russia's hacking";

4. All communications to, from, copying, or referencing Lt. General Flynn related to US foreign policy on Russia (including sanctions or Russia's relationship with the Ukraine), Turkey or the Turkish government, Fethullah Gulen, Sergey Kislyak, the Foreign Agent Registration Act (FARA), any federal or state inquiries or investigations, or any contacts with foreign governments officials, associates, or representatives, including any individuals who purported to act or whom were believed to be acting on behalf of or in concert with foreign government officials, associates, or representatives;

5. All communications concerning contacts between Donald Trump, members of the Trump campaign or transition team, or associates of the Trump Organization and Russian government officials, associates, or representatives, including any individuals who purported to act or whom were believed to be acting on behalf of or in concert with Russian government officials, associates, or representatives;

6. All communications concerning US foreign policy on Russia (including sanctions against Russia or Russia's relationship with the Ukraine), Sergey Kislyak, or Vladimir Putin;

7. All documents concerning the Republican National Party Platform with regard to Russia, Ukraine, or Turkey;

8. All communications concerning Russian interference in the 2016 election, including all communications regarding emails of the Democratic National Committee, John Podesta, or Hillary Clinton;

9. All documents concerning FBI Director Comey's interactions with President-elect Trump during the transition period.

We appreciate your cooperation and prompt attention to this important matter and ask that you provide the requested material as soon as possible, but no later than December 30, 2017. Please contact Brian Privor on my staff at (202) 224-7703 to schedule your interview and discuss arrangements for document production.

Sincerely,

Dianne Feinstein
United States Senator

cc: The Honorable Charles E. Grassley