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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20223

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Washington, D.C. 20223

Date: NOV 01 2018

The Black Vault
27305 West Live Oak Road, Suite 1203
Castaic, CA 91384
Attention: John Greenewald Jr.

File Number: 20172159

Dear Requester:

This is the final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, originally received by the United States Secret Service (Secret Service) on August 7, 2017, for information pertaining to all documents, emails etc. that pertain to the vacating by the Secret Service, of Trump Tower, in Manhattan, New York.

Enclosed are documents responsive to your request. In an effort to provide you with the greatest degree of access authorized by law, we have considered this material under the FOIA statute, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552. Pursuant to this Act, exemptions have been applied where deemed appropriate. The exemptions cited are marked below.

In addition, approximately 234 page(s) were released, and approximately 0 page(s) were withheld in their entirety. An enclosure to this letter explains the exemptions in more detail.

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Section 552 (FOIA)

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Other:

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If you need any further assistance, or would like to discuss any aspect of your request, please contact FOIA Analyst, Ms. Johnson, or our FOIA Public Liaison Kevin Tyrrell, at (202) 406-6370. Alternatively, you may send an e-mail to foia@usss.dhs.gov.

FOIA/PA File No. 20172159 is assigned to your request. Please refer to this file number in all future communication with this office.

Sincerely,



Kim E. Campbell
Special Agent In Charge
Freedom of Information Act & Privacy Act Officer

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT
SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552**

Provisions of the Freedom of Information Act do not apply to matter that are:

- (b) (1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive Order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified pursuant to such Executive order;
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- (b) (6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b) (7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the information: (A) could reasonable be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings; (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication; (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy; (D) could reasonable be expected to disclose the identity of a confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of a record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source; (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law; (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b) (8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for regulation or supervision of financial institutions;
- (b) (9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

**PRIVACY ACT
SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a**

The provisions of the Privacy Act do not apply to:

- (d) (5) material compiled in reasonable anticipation of civil action or proceeding;
- (j) (2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
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Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 11:15 AM
To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA)
Subject: WAPO Statement - DRAFT 1

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Special Agent/Spokesperson
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Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 11:45 AM
To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
Subject: RE:

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Sent: Friday, March 24, 2017 6:36 PM
To: Leonnig, Carol <Carol.Leonig@washpost.com>
Subject: RE:

Thanks Carol. You too.

Cathy Milhoan
Director of Communications
U.S. Secret Service
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From: Leonnig, Carol
Sent: 3/24/2017 6:26 PM
To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
Subject: RE:

Thanks Catherine.

I take it your off record “No” is that you haven’t heard that...

Have a good weekend!

From: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA) [mailto:CATHERINE.MILHOAN@usss.dhs.gov]
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Hi.

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Off the record - no

On the record - refer you to DHS and WH.

Cathy Milhoan
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From: Leonnig, Carol
Sent: 3/24/2017 6:04 PM
To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
Subject:

Are you hearing what I'm hearing?
next DIR Ray Odierno?

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Staff writer
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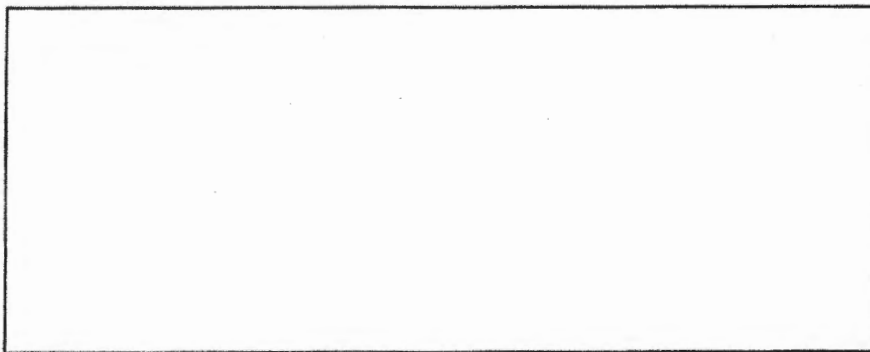
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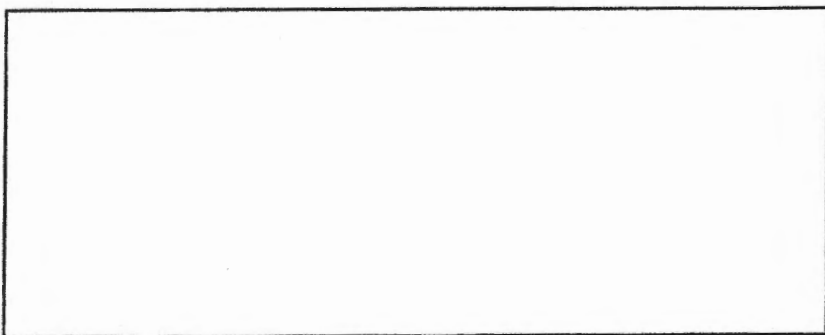
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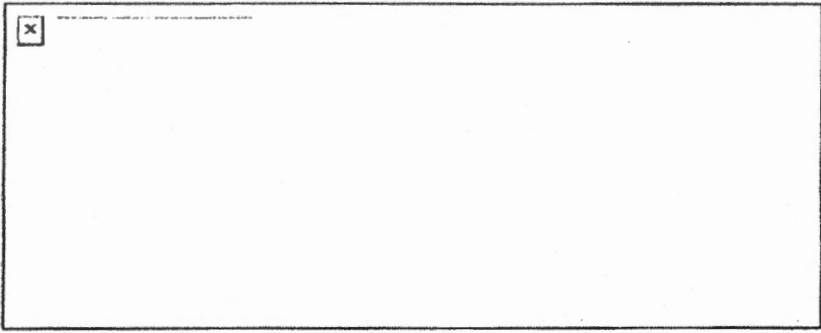
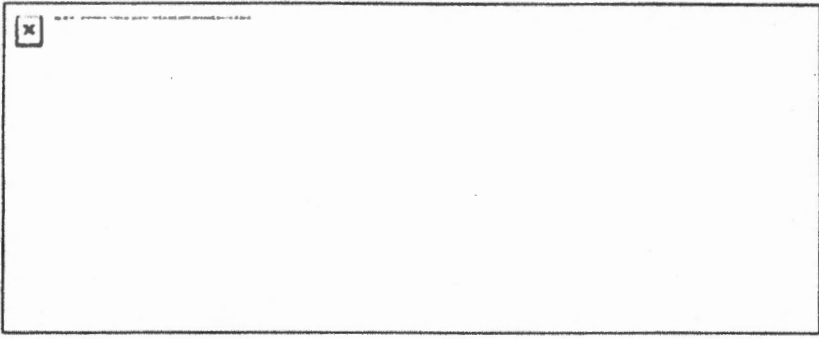
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We have some comment from GSA
I have small follow up. Will call you.

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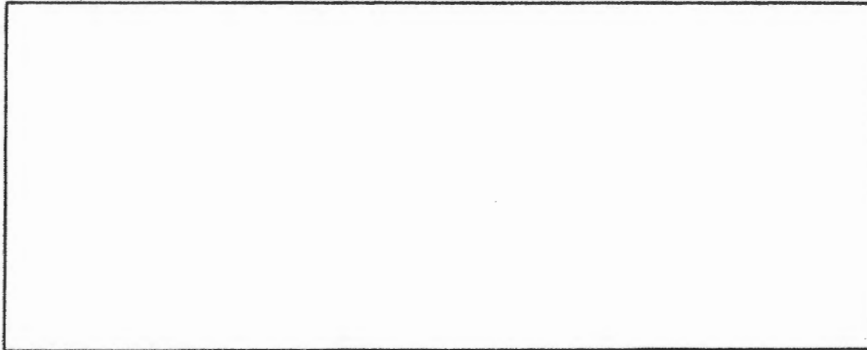
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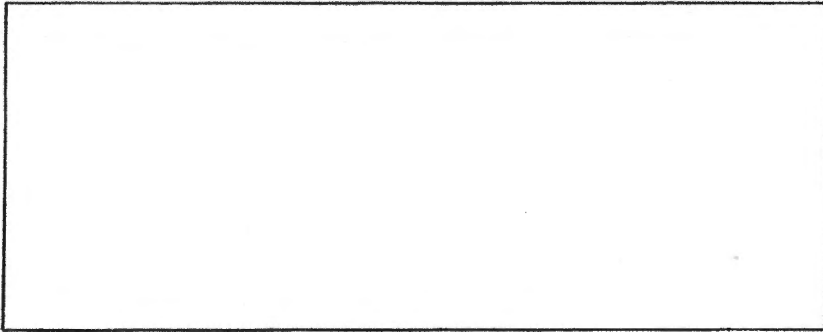
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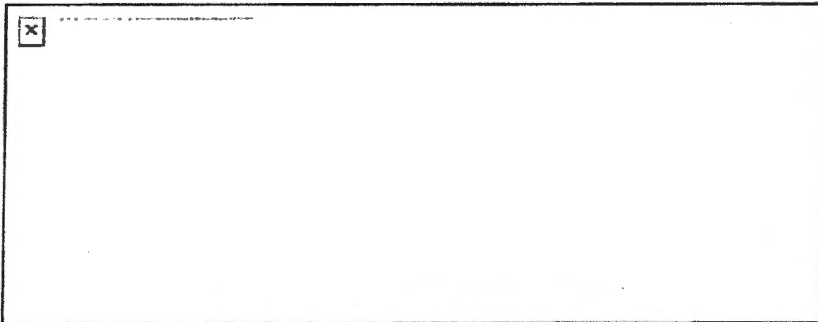
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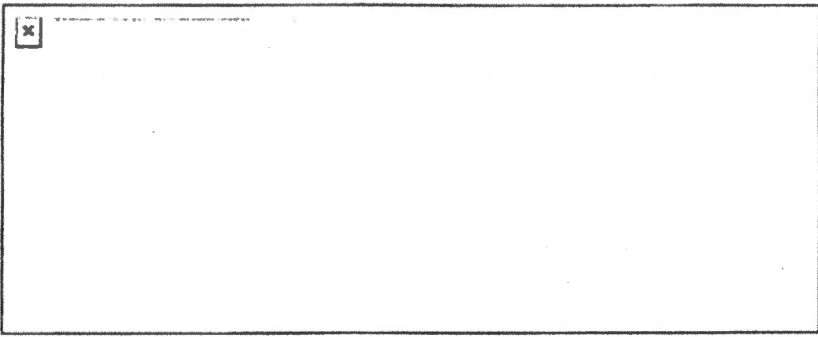
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From: GPA USSS <gpa.uss@ gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 5:46 PM
To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
Subject: WP article

Politics

Secret Service vacates Trump Tower command post in lease dispute with president's company

Police presence inside of Trump Tower on Thursday. (John Taggart/John Taggart for The Washington Post)
By Carol D. Leonnig, David A. Fahrenthold and Jonathan O'Connell By Carol D. Leonnig, David A. Fahrenthold and Jonathan O'Connell

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August 3 at 5:32 PM

The Secret Service has vacated its command post inside Trump Tower in Manhattan following a dispute between the government and President Trump's company over the terms of a lease for the space, according to two people familiar with the discussions.

Previously, the Secret Service had stationed its command post — which houses supervisors and backup agents on standby in case of an emergency — in a Trump Tower unit one floor below the president's apartment.

But in early July, the post was relocated to a trailer on the sidewalk, more than 50 floors below, a distance that some security experts worry could hamper the agency that protects the president's home and family.

The command post appears unlikely to move anytime soon back inside Trump Tower, where the president and his family have rarely gone since moving to the White House.

On Thursday, a spokeswoman for the Trump Organization said the government should seek space in another location.

"After much consideration, it was mutually determined that it would be more cost effective and logistically practical for the Secret Service to lease space elsewhere," spokeswoman Amanda Miller wrote in an email to The Washington Post.

The details of the dispute between the Trump Organization and the Secret Service were not clear Thursday. Two people familiar with the discussions said the sticking points included the price and other conditions of the lease.

On Thursday, there appeared to be a difference of opinion over whether negotiations for a Trump Tower space were still going on.

Despite the Trump Organization's statement to The Post on Thursday saying the agency should look elsewhere, Secret Service officials said the agency is still hoping for space in Trump Tower.

The agency is working "to obtain permanent work space in an appropriate location," said Catherine Milhoan, a Secret Service spokeswoman.

Milhoan added, "Throughout this process, there has been no impact to the security plan developed by the Secret Service."

A spokeswoman for the General Services Administration, which handles government leasing, declined to comment because the search for a command-post space is still active.

"The space is still in the process of being obtained and a final decision has not been made," spokeswoman Pamela Dixon wrote in an e-mail.

That move has provided a new illustration of the unusual nature of Trump's tenure, in which the president has retained ownership of a real estate and branding company.

In this case, Trump's government sought to be a customer of Trump's business. To protect him, the agency needed space in the pricey tower where he lives. But the two sides couldn't agree. The Trump Organization was willing to accept a situation where the agents moved out and the space was available for others.

Trump has not visited Trump Tower since he was inaugurated. His wife, first lady Melania Trump, and their son Barron lived there for several months, but relocated to Washington in early June.

Still, the Secret Service treats Trump Tower as the president's permanent home, and has a full-time detail to protect it.

Experts said the Secret Service will have a presence inside the building if Trump or his family members visit, as their personal security details would remain in close proximity.

A Secret Service official said Thursday that the agency could compensate at other times by stationing more agents at standing posts in various locations throughout the building.

But experts said that the lack of a nearby command post could make the situation less safe in an emergency.

"It's a security deficiency that has to be resolved," said a former Secret Service official who spoke on the condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the subject. "It's like having the quarterback of the football game actually being located in a different stadium than where the game is being played."

The Secret Service command post acts as a nerve center for a broader team of agents, both at a president's private home and when the president travels. The command post is usually located on the same floor as the suite or room where the president is sleeping, or one floor below.

At Trump Tower, the command post had operated temporarily for months in the offices of the Trump Organization, one floor below the president's residence.

Now, with the post on the street below, security experts worry that radio transmissions could break up because of the distance and multiple walls between agents on the scene and commanders in the trailer.

The U.S. military has separately agreed to lease space in Trump Tower for \$130,000 a month, according to a lease first reported last month by the Wall Street Journal. That space will be for the White House Military Office, which provides services including communications and the handling of the “football” that the president would use to launch a nuclear attack, the Journal reported.

The Journal reported that the military was paying more for this unit than other renters had paid for similar units in the building.

In that case, however, the unit was not leased directly from Trump — but rather from Joel Anderson, a businessman who owns the space. In an interview Thursday, Anderson said that the government didn’t really try to negotiate a lower price.

“It was a standard lease negotiation, like any other, and had all of the same parts. The only thing that made it difficult is they’re bureaucratic, and it takes them forever to do anything,” Anderson said. “They’re not bad to deal with, they’re just slow.”

The lease agreement in that case — which runs to 149 pages — illustrates the extra conditions that may come from leasing space to the government. Its provisions ask that the owner of the space follow energy-efficiency guidelines, submit reports on its compliance with fair-hiring practices, and post signs with a hotline for reporting contract fraud.

Julie Tate, Drew Harwell and Amy Brittain contributed to this report.

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Yet another story where the USSS is being brought into something where we don't have any issues.

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Hi, Katiana Krawchenko here from CBS News. Are the details in the below Washington Post Story true? Anything further to add?

Thanks!
Katiana

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https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/secret-service-vacates-trump-tower-command-post-in-lease-dispute-with-presidents-company/2017/08/03/7338de16-785d-11e7-8f39-eeb7d3a2d304_story.html?utm_term=.c4009dc327da&wpisrc=al alert-politics&wpmk=1

Katiana Krawchenko , White House Associate Producer . CBS News . o: 202-457-1521. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) @kkrawchenko

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Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 6:01 PM
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Cc: DAVID BEACH (NYC); TYLER MCQUISTON (INV); MICHAEL BRESLIN (INV); CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
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www.washingtonpost.com/politics/secret-service-vacates-trump-tower-command-post-in-lease-dispute-with-presidents-company/2017/08/03/7338de16-785d-11e7-8f39-eeb7d3a2d304_story.html?utm_term=.2e8fef262cac

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Did you take the Paris trip too?

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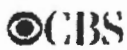
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Subject: FW: Secret Service post booted from Trump Tower

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (CID)
Subject: Secret Service post booted from Trump Tower

Hi (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

My name is Brianna Sacks and I'm a reporter with BuzzFeed News. I was looking to confirm and better understand why the secret service post has been moved from Trump Tower onto the sidewalk.

Are you in negotiations to move back into the Tower? And why is there a detail there when the family is not?

Thanks,
Brianna

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Hi, Katiana Krawchenko here from CBS News. Are the details in the below Washington Post Story true? Anything further to add?

Thanks!
Katiana

Secret Service vacates Trump Tower command post in lease dispute with president's company

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Cathy - here's the WAPO story.

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FYI, on this line:

"Despite the Trump Organization's statement to The Post on Thursday saying the agency should look elsewhere, Secret Service officials said the agency is still hoping for space in Trump Tower."

Just wanted to make sure you were aware.

Thanks,
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Let me know if you need anything else.

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Date: Thu, Aug 3, 2017 at 12:36 PM
Subject: Re: URGENT: Washington Post request
To: "Fahrenthold, David" <David.Fahrenthold@washpost.com>

Hi David,

Active procurement means the space is still in the process of being obtained and a final decision has not been made. Per GSA policy, we cannot comment on any project that is in active procurement.

Additionally, we cannot comment on negotiations. GSA vendor requirements are available on our website.

Thanks,

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Thanks! Can you explain what "active procurement" means, in layman's terms? Does it mean that you all are trying to agree on a contract with a vendor? Or that a contract has already been signed?

Also: I've been told that there might have been some sort of disagreement over conditions that the Trump Org. would be required to fulfill as a GSA vendor, like implementing EEO and fair-hiring practices. Can you send me any information that would lay out what kind of conditions GSA vendors are required to fulfill related to fair hiring and equal employment opportunities?

DF

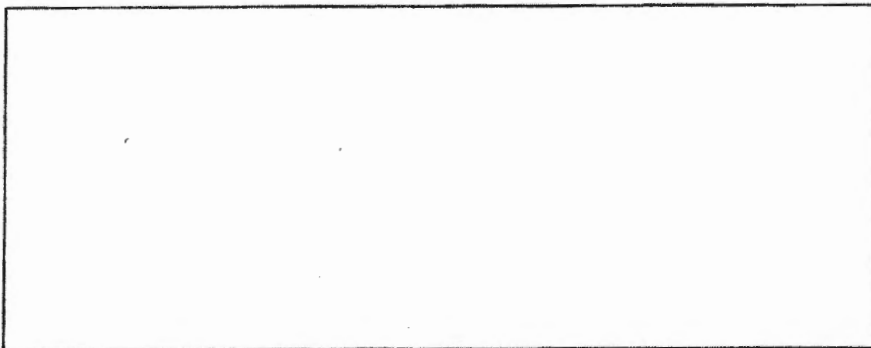
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Subject: Re: URGENT: Washington Post request

Hi David,

GSA does not comment on projects in active procurement. Questions regarding Secret Service and their location in the area should be directed to them at U.S. Secret Service, Office of Government and Public Affairs [202-405-5708](tel:202-405-5708).

Thank you,

(b) (6),



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Hello—

Dave Fahrenthold here: I'm a reporter for the Washington Post. Along with a colleague, I'm writing a story this morning about the Secret Service command post in Trump Tower in Manhattan. We've been told that the command post has been moved from a floor within the building to a trailer on the street, because the GSA and the Trump Organization could not come to terms on a rental/lease agreement.

I wanted to ask somebody at the GSA about that, within the next hour. In particular, I wanted to know:

1. Was the disagreement between the Trump Organization and the GSA over the price of the unit, or over other issues? If there were other issues, what were they?
2. When did the Secret Service have to move to the trailer on the street?
3. Does GSA want to move the Secret Service command post back into Trump Tower at some point, or does GSA regard this as the permanent arrangement?

I'm at [202.334.7550](tel:202.334.7550), if you'd rather talk by phone. Again, my deadline is 11:45 a.m.

Thanks,

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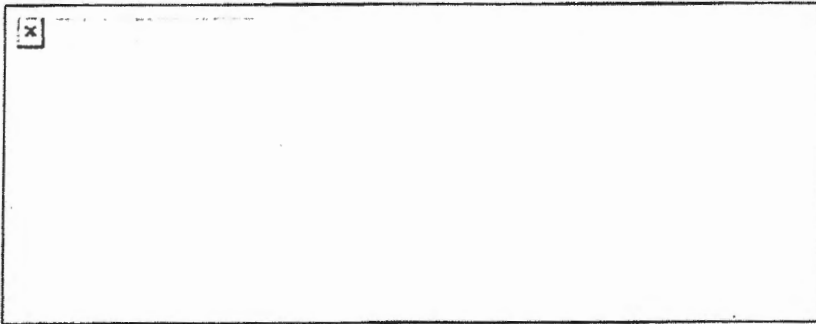
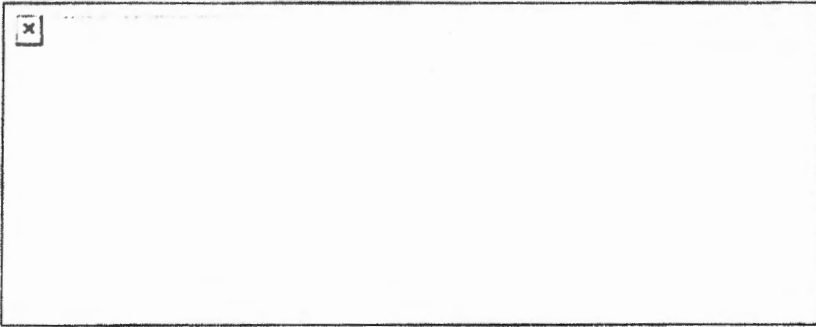
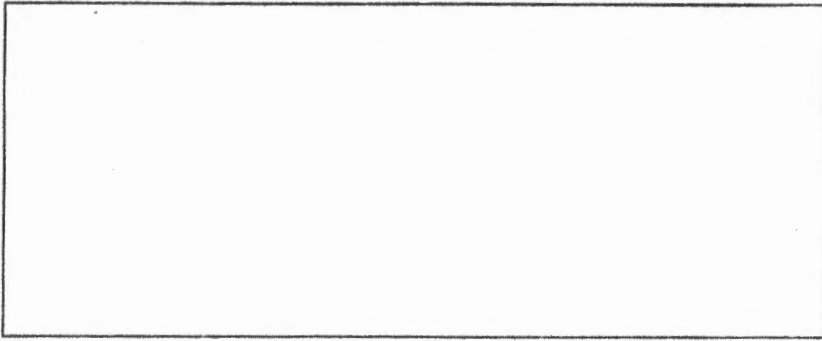
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From: Triay, Andres
Sent: 8/3/2017 5:41 PM
To: USSSMediaInquiry
Subject: Trump Tower

Hi folks – do you have the statement concerning the Secret Service relocating to trailers at Trump Tower?
Thanks,
Andy

Andres (Andy) Triay
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Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 6:50 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA)
Subject: Urgent press inquiry: Trump Tower

Hi — Simone from Patch here.

Looking for confirmation from the Secret Service that the Trump Organization has forced the president's security detail to move from an apartment in Trump Tower to a trailer on the sidewalk, as reported by the Washington Post.

Any information you could provide would be helpful. Deadline is ASAP. Thanks!

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: URGENT: Washington Post request

Thanks (b) (6).

We only provided her what you saw in our statement. Let me know when you have a minute to huddle.

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
Subject: Re: URGENT: Washington Post request

Cathy - here's the WAPO story.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/secret-service-vacates-trump-tower-command-post-in-lease-dispute-with-presidents-company/2017/08/03/7338de16-785d-11e7-8f39-ccb7d3a2d304_story.html?utm_term=.b995a4808860

FYI, on this line:

"Despite the Trump Organization's statement to The Post on Thursday saying the agency should look elsewhere, Secret Service officials said the agency is still hoping for space in Trump Tower."

Just wanted to make sure you were aware.

Thanks,
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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) dixon@gsa.gov
Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 12:37 PM
To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA) <CATHERINE.MILHOAN@usss.dhs.gov>
Subject: Fwd: URGENT: Washington Post request

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) @gsa.gov>
Date: Thu, Aug 3, 2017 at 12:36 PM
Subject: Re: URGENT: Washington Post request
To: "Fahrenthold, David" <David.Fahrenthold@washpost.com>

Hi David,

Active procurement means the space is still in the process of being obtained and a final decision has not been made. Per GSA policy, we cannot comment on any project that is in active procurement.

Additionally, we cannot comment on negotiations. GSA vendor requirements are available on our website.

Thanks,

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On Thu, Aug 3, 2017 at 11:13 AM, Fahrenthold, David <David.Fahrenthold@washpost.com> wrote:

Thanks! Can you explain what "active procurement" means, in layman's terms? Does it mean that you all are trying to agree on a contract with a vendor? Or that a contract has already been signed?

Also: I've been told that there might have been some sort of disagreement over conditions that the Trump Org. would be required to fulfill as a GSA vendor, like implementing EEO and fair-hiring practices. Can you send me any information that would lay out what kind of conditions GSA vendors are required to fulfill related to fair hiring and equal employment opportunities?

DF

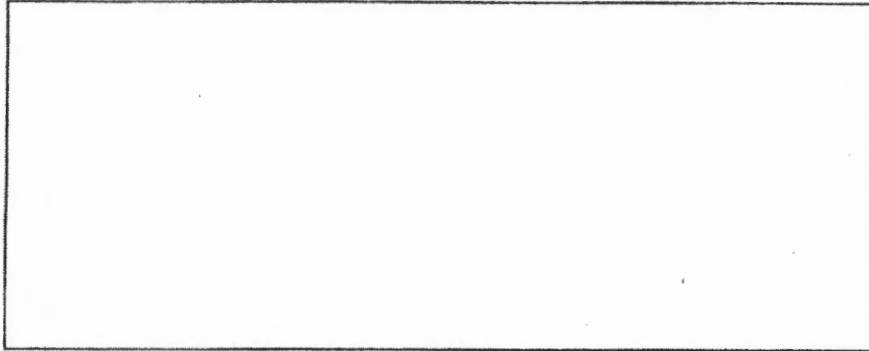
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Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 11:11 AM
To: Fahrenthold, David <David.Fahrenthold@washpost.com>
Subject: Re: URGENT: Washington Post request

Hi David,

GSA does not comment on projects in active procurement. Questions regarding Secret Service and their location in the area should be directed to them at U.S. Secret Service, Office of Government and Public Affairs [202-405-5708](tel:202-405-5708).

Thank you,

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On Thu, Aug 3, 2017 at 10:39 AM, Fahrenthold, David <David.Fahrenthold@washpost.com> wrote:

Hello—

Dave Fahrenthold here: I'm a reporter for the Washington Post. Along with a colleague, I'm writing a story this morning about the Secret Service command post in Trump Tower in Manhattan. We've been told that the command post has been moved from a floor within the building to a trailer on the street, because the GSA and the Trump Organization could not come to terms on a rental/lease agreement.

I wanted to ask somebody at the GSA about that, within the next hour. In particular, I wanted to know:

1. Was the disagreement between the Trump Organization and the GSA over the price of the unit, or over other issues? If there were other issues, what were they?
2. When did the Secret Service have to move to the trailer on the street?
3. Does GSA want to move the Secret Service command post back into Trump Tower at some point, or does GSA regard this as the permanent arrangement?

I'm at [202.334.7550](tel:202.334.7550), if you'd rather talk by phone. Again, my deadline is 11:45 a.m.

Thanks,

DF

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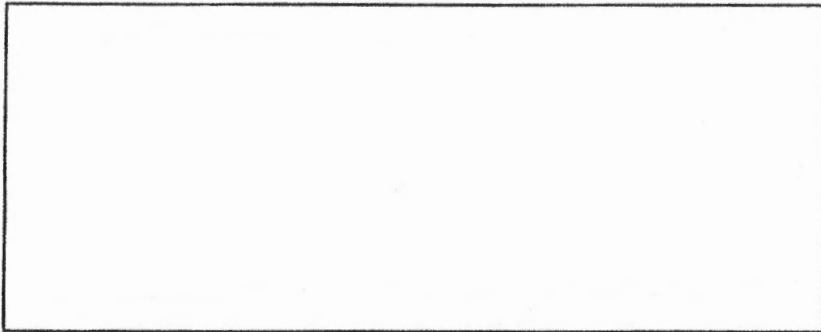
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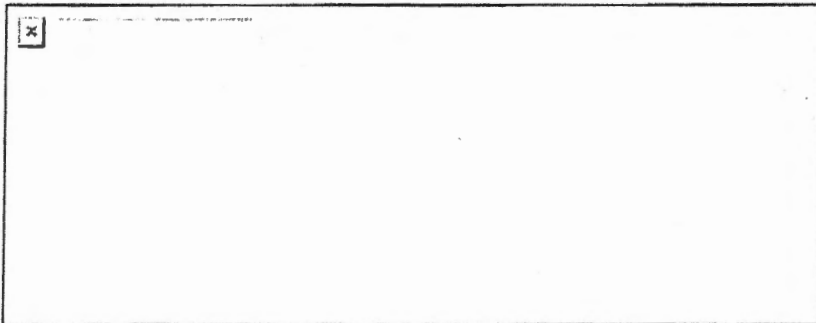
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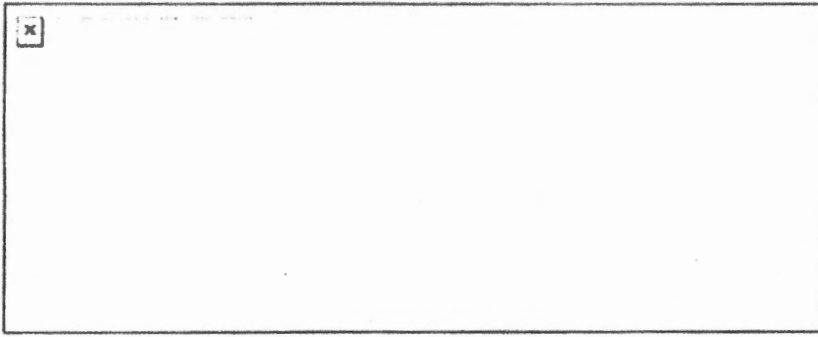
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Btw, I'm not always the on-call person so for prompt replies if I am not available please send to ussmediainquiry@uss.s.dhs.gov

(b) (6),
(b) (7)(C)

From: Christopher Sheridan [mailto:sheridanc@aljazeera.net]
Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 6:43 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA)
Subject: RE: Nice meeting you

Really appreciate this. Of course that would never happen, obviously. But it sounds like there's a dispute nonetheless. I will definitely contact GSA.

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA) [mailto:(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)@uss.s.dhs.gov]
Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 6:40 PM
To: Christopher Sheridan <sheridanc@aljazeera.net>
Subject: RE: Nice meeting you

Hi Chris. Yes, that's our shop. We've been working on this issue most of the afternoon. Below is our statement.

Off the record I think the headline is pretty misleading...like we've dropped security on the President's residence which would never happened.

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Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 6:19 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA)

Subject: RE: Nice meeting you

Hey (b) (6), not sure if you've seen this. Wondering who I'd go to for confirmation the command post is outside Trump Tower?

www.washingtonpost.com/politics/secret-service-vacates-trump-tower-command-post-in-lease-dispute-with-presidents-company/2017/08/03/7338de16-785d-11e7-8f39-eeb7d3a2d304_story.html?utm_term=.2e8fef262cac

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA) [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\), \(b\) \(7\)\(C\)@usss.dhs.gov](mailto:(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)@usss.dhs.gov)]

Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2017 5:47 PM

To: Christopher Sheridan <sheridanc@aljazeera.net>

Subject: RE: Nice meeting you

Hey, Chris. Great meeting all of you as well. That was a great trip. Can't wait until the next one. Yeah, I'd love to stop by and check out your offices. We can meet up for lunch or a happy hour sometime?

Did you take the Paris trip too?

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: Christopher Sheridan

Sent: 7/31/2017 1:48 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA)

Subject: Nice meeting you

Hey (b) (6), Hope all is well. We met on the Poland-Germany trip. Just wanted to say it was nice to meet you and I hope we get a chance to meet up again. Anytime you want to come by our offices, please don't hesitate to ask. Happy to show you around. Take care.

Chris Sheridan
Senior White House Producer
Al Jazeera English

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Work: 202-689-3741

@ChrisSheridan34

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(LEG)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) UDF)
Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 7:02 PM
To: GPA.OPS
Cc: UDF-FMB-MissionLiaison
Subject: Fwd: Urgent: Reporter seeking comment on Secret Service/Trump Tower story

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Sent from my iPhone

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From: Chris Benderev <CBenderev@npr.org>
Date: August 3, 2017 at 6:37:17 PM EDT
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NPR | Chris Benderev | cbenderev@npr.org | [202.513.2145](tel:202.513.2145)

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) UDF; GPA.OPS
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Subject: RE: Urgent: Reporter seeking comment on Secret Service/Trump Tower story

Im on phone with him now

Cathy Milhoan
Director of Communications
U.S. Secret Service
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: Chris Benderev
Sent: 8/3/2017 6:42 PM
To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
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From: Simone Wilson
Sent: 8/3/2017 5:49 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA)
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Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 7:35 PM
To: Chris Benderev
Subject: RE: Urgent: Reporting seeking comment on Trump Tower/Secret Service story

You can attribute to an official with knowledge of USSS operations

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) @gsa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 7:36 PM
To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
Subject: Fwd: Urgent reporter requesting comment on Trump Tower Secret Service story

FYI. Just left you a voicemail. I wasn't sure if the number I gave to WAPO was the right one, so I just provided the department name to this reporter and to a Buzzfeed one (will forward next). Please let me know if you prefer I give a specific email or contact.

You can provide my info to any reporters inquiring on GSA.

Thanks,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Hi

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I was told by USSS that GSA handles the actual lease and should direct questions about that to you. Can you comment on the following:

Can the GSA confirm the move to outside the tower and if so when it happened?

Can the GSA confirm the move outside the tower occurred because of untenable lease terms with the Trump Organization?

If so what terms of the lease were unsatisfactory to GSA?

Is GSA still pursuing a return to inside the tower for USSS central command post there?

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) @gsa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 7:47 PM
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Subject: Fwd: Statement regarding Secret Service removed from Trump Tower

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Date: Thu, Aug 3, 2017 at 7:33 PM
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To: Brianna Sacks <brianna.sacks@buzzfeed.com>

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(b) (6), (b) @gsa.gov

On Thu, Aug 3, 2017 at 6:58 PM, 'Brianna Sacks' via Press <press@gsa.gov> wrote:
Hi there,

I'm looking to confirm that the Secret Service's post has been moved from within Trump Tower, near the president's apartment, onto the sidewalk and better understand why that is.

Is there a plan to move the detail back inside the tower into another room?

Thanks

Brianna Sacks | BuzzFeed | BuzzFeed News Reporter | @bri_sacks
6824 Lexington Ave Los Angeles, CA 90038

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To: Brianna Sacks <brianna.sacks@buzzfeed.com>

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Is there a plan to move the detail back inside the tower into another room?

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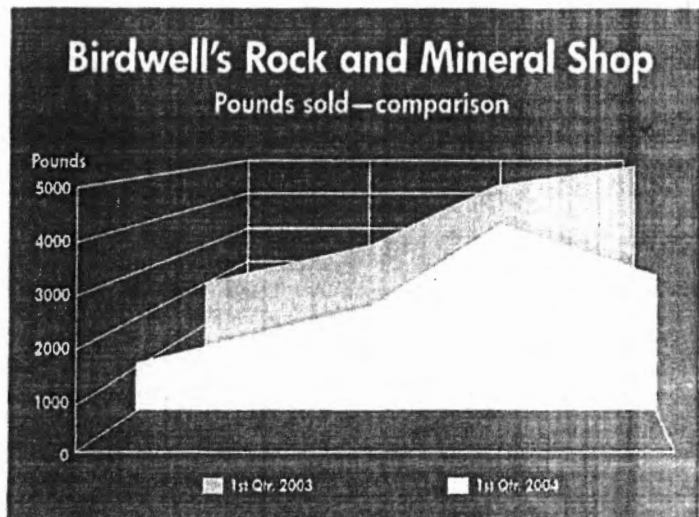
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To: Chris Benderev <CBenderev@npr.org>

Subject: RE: Urgent: Reporting seeking comment on Trump Tower/Secret Service story

Can you give me about 20 min?

Cathy Milhoan
Director of Communications
U.S. Secret Service
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: Chris Benderev

Sent: 8/3/2017 7:56 PM

To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)

Subject: RE: Urgent: Reporting seeking comment on Trump Tower/Secret Service story

Chance you could do an on the record quick taped interview?

I'd mostly like to get a quote about either:

--The safety question (a quote for radio about why this won't affect security)

Or

--The GSA issue

I know it's dinner time but would be great if you could do in the next 15-20 minutes. I promise those will be my only two questions.

Thanks

From: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA) [<mailto:CATHERINE.MILHOAN@ussc.dhs.gov>]

Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 7:35 PM

To: Chris Benderev <CBenderev@npr.org>

Subject: RE: Urgent: Reporting seeking comment on Trump Tower/Secret Service story

You can attribute to an official with knowledge of USSS operations

Cathy Milhoan
Director of Communications
U.S. Secret Service
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: Chris Benderev

Sent: 8/3/2017 7:31 PM

To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)

Subject: RE: Urgent: Reporting seeking comment on Trump Tower/Secret Service story

Two other things to consider that I just thought of:

--Does the USSS still consider Trump Tower POTUS's primary residence, therefore maintaining a full detail, as is reported by the Washington Post?

--I'm wondering how to handle the detail you presented on background about off-site command posts with previous POTUSes. If I attribute you for the on the record details, I'm wondering whether there's a way to say the previous POTUS detail without it either seeming obvious you said it or it seeming unclear to our listeners that this came from someone at USSS who is in the know. Do you have any possible solutions? I'm worried otherwise I won't have a way to use that detail.

Thanks,
Chris

From: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA) [<mailto:CATHERINE.MILHOAN@uss.s.dhs.gov>]
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From: Chris Benderev
Sent: 8/3/2017 6:55 PM
To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
Subject: Re: Urgent: Reporting seeking comment on Trump Tower/Secret Service story

Sorry just missed you. I ran to a studio to have option to record call if you're open to that. (We're radio so like having tape)

If you get this in next 5 min call back at 202-513-4033.

I'll keep trying you

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 3, 2017, at 6:48 PM, CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA) <CATHERINE.MILHOAN@usss.dhs.gov> wrote:

Chris,

Pls call my cell.

Cathy

Cathy Milhoan
Director of Communications
U.S. Secret Service
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From: Chris Benderev
Sent: 8/3/2017 6:42 PM
To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
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Thank you,
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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (UDF)
Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 10:05 PM
To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
Cc: GPA.OPS; UDF-FMB-MissionLiaison
Subject: Re: Urgent: Reporter seeking comment on Secret Service/Trump Tower story

Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 3, 2017, at 7:02 PM, CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA) <CATHERINE.MILHOAN@uss.s.dhs.gov> wrote:

Im on phone with him now

Cathy Milhoan
Director of Communications
U.S. Secret Service
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (UDF)
Sent: 8/3/2017 7:01 PM
To: GPA.OPS
Cc: UDF-FMB-MissionLiaison
Subject: Fwd: Urgent: Reporter seeking comment on Secret Service/Trump Tower story

FYI

Our office received this email asking questions about a recent USSS news story.

Thank you

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Chris Benderev <CBenderev@npr.org>
Date: August 3, 2017 at 6:37:17 PM EDT
To: "udfliaison@uss.s.dhs.gov" <udfliaison@uss.s.dhs.gov>
Subject: Urgent: Reporter seeking comment on Secret Service/Trump Tower story

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I haven't seen it elsewhere.

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Associate Administrator
Office of Strategic Communication
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Cell: (b) (6), (b) (7)
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Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 8:37 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: FOX Correction

Thank you. Good catch. We will get this corrected.

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(LEG)

From: GEORGE MULLIGAN (COO)
Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 9:23 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA); GWENDOLYN SYKES (CFO); WILLIAM CALLAHAN (DEP); ROBERT BUSTER (OPO); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)(CFO); CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (DIR); TED ARRUDA (DIR)
Cc: FARON PARAMORE (GPA)
Subject: RE: Appropriations Committee Inquiry - Trump Tower

(b)
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Cc: GEORGE MULLIGAN (COO) <George.Mulligan@usss.dhs.gov>; FARON PARAMORE (GPA) <FARON.PARAMORE@usss.dhs.gov>
Subject: Appropriations Committee Inquiry - Trump Tower
Importance: High

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(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(LEG)

Subject: DEP/COO - Trump Tower Appropriations Committee Inquiry
Location: DIR Conf Room

Start: Fri 8/4/2017 10:00 AM
End: Fri 8/4/2017 10:30 AM
Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (DIR)
Required Attendees: FARON PARAMORE (GPA); Cathy Milhoan (CATHERINE.MILHOAN@usss.dhs.gov); GWENDOLYN SYKES (CFO) (Gwendolyn.Sykes@usss.dhs.gov); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7) @usss.dhs.gov; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA); ROBERT BUSTER (OPO); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (DEP)

Attendees:

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- COO Mulligan
- GPA AD Faron Paramore
- GPA Cathy Milhoan
- CFO Gwen Sykes
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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA)
Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 9:46 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (OPO); CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
Cc: FARON PARAMORE (GPA); MATTHEW MILLER (OPO); TIMOTHY GIEBELS (OPO); JAMES MURRAY (OPO); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (OPO)
Subject: RE: Senate Appropriations Committee - Trump Tower Article

I'm looping in Cathy as well. How was it defined when we provided the highlighted text as background to the Post?

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Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 9:44 AM
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Cc: FARON PARAMORE (GPA); MATTHEW MILLER (OPO); TIMOTHY GIEBELS (OPO); JAMES MURRAY (OPO); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (OPO)
Subject: RE: Senate Appropriations Committee - Trump Tower Article

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

How does GPA wish to define "co-located"? For example, would the cottage used at the Biden residence (or the CP at the PCR, or the CP at Kennebunkport, etc.) be considered "co-located" for your purposes, or are you really asking for CPs located off the property of the protectee?

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA)
Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 9:32 AM
To: OPOExecSec

Cc: FARON PARAMORE (GPA)

Subject: Senate Appropriations Committee - Trump Tower Article

OPO,

Following the Post article last night, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) with Chairman Boozman's office asked for more background on what other command posts were not co-located in the residences of protectees, as well as who and when those protectees were receiving protection. I need to get something back to him by COB today. Can you guys turn something around by then?

Thanks,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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(LEG)

From: Pearson, Jacob <JPearson@ap.org>
Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 10:15 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA)
Subject: Trump Tower - Lease

Hey (b) (6),
(b) (7)(C)

Jake Pearson here with AP in NYC. Hope you're well.

We're late on this, but bosses are showing some interest in the WaPo/NYT stories about the alleged lease dispute between the USSS and Trump Org over space in Trump Tower. Can you help me sort out what's what here? Looks like the trailer will be permanent, but can you help me understand what sort of presence USSS does/will have in the building?

Am at 212-621-1891 if it's easier to jaw. Thanks for your help.

Jake

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(LEG)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA)
Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 10:47 AM
To: USSSMediaInquiry
Subject: FW: Trump Tower - Lease

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Staff Assistant
United States Secret Service
Office of Government & Public Affairs
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: Pearson, Jacob
Sent: 8/4/2017 9:16 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Trump Tower - Lease

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(LEG)

From: Welker, Kristen (NBCUniversal) <Kristen.Welker@nbcuni.com>
Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 11:08 AM
To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
Subject: NBC News Request

Catherine,

Kristen Welker here from NBC News.

Do you have any reaction to this washpo report and can you confirm it?

I can be reached by cell: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Thank you!

Kristen

By Carol D. Leonnig, David A. Fahrenthold and Jonathan O'Connell August 3 at 15:33:17

The Secret Service has vacated its command post inside Trump Tower in Manhattan following a dispute between the government and President Trump's company over the terms of a lease for the space, according to two people familiar with the discussions.

Previously, the Secret Service had stationed its command post — which houses supervisors and backup agents on standby in case of an emergency — in a Trump Tower unit one floor below the president's apartment.

But in early July, the post was relocated to a trailer on the sidewalk, more than 50 floors below, a distance that some security experts worry could hamper the agency that protects the president's home and family.

The command post appears unlikely to move anytime soon back inside Trump Tower, where the president and his family have rarely gone since moving to the White House.

On Thursday, a spokeswoman for the Trump Organization said the government should seek space in another location.

“After much consideration, it was mutually determined that it would be more cost effective and logistically practical for the Secret Service to lease space elsewhere,” spokeswoman Amanda Miller wrote in an email to The Washington Post.

The details of the dispute between the Trump Organization and the Secret Service were not clear Thursday. Two people familiar with the discussions said the sticking points included the price and other conditions of the lease.

On Thursday, there appeared to be a difference of opinion over whether negotiations for a Trump Tower space were still going on.

Despite the Trump Organization’s statement to The Post on Thursday saying the agency should look elsewhere, Secret Service officials said the agency is still hoping for space in Trump Tower.

The agency is working “to obtain permanent work space in an appropriate location,” said Catherine Milhoan, a Secret Service spokeswoman.

Milhoan added, “Throughout this process, there has been no impact to the security plan developed by the Secret Service.”

A spokeswoman for the General Services Administration, which handles government leasing, declined to comment because the search for a command-post space is still active.

“The space is still in the process of being obtained and a final decision has not been made,” spokeswoman Pamela Dixon wrote in an e-mail.

That move has provided a new illustration of the unusual nature of Trump’s tenure, in which the president has retained ownership of a real estate and branding company.

In this case, Trump’s government sought to be a customer of Trump’s business. To protect him, the agency needed space in the pricey tower where he lives. But the two sides couldn’t agree. The Trump Organization was willing to accept a situation where the agents moved out and the space was available for others.

Trump has not visited Trump Tower since he was inaugurated. His wife, first lady Melania Trump, and their son Barron lived there for several months, but relocated to Washington in early June.

Still, the Secret Service treats Trump Tower as the president’s permanent home, and has a full-time detail to protect it.

Experts said the Secret Service will have a presence inside the building if Trump or his family members visit, as their personal security details would remain in close proximity.

A Secret Service official said Thursday that the agency could compensate at other times by stationing more agents at standing posts in various locations throughout the building.

But experts said that the lack of a nearby command post could make the situation less safe in an emergency.

The Journal reported that the military was paying more for this unit than other renters had paid for similar units in the building.

“It’s a security deficiency that has to be resolved,” said a former Secret Service official who spoke on the condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the subject. “It’s like having the quarterback of the football game actually being located in a different stadium than where the game is being played.”

The Secret Service command post acts as a nerve center for a broader team of agents, both at a president’s private home and when the president travels. The command post is usually located on the same floor as the suite or room where the president is sleeping, or one floor below.

At Trump Tower, the command post had operated temporarily for months in the offices of the Trump Organization, one floor below the president’s residence.

Now, with the post on the street below, security experts worry that radio transmissions could break up because of the distance and multiple walls between agents on the scene and commanders in the trailer.

The U.S. military has separately agreed to lease space in Trump Tower for \$130,000 a month, according to a lease first reported last month by the Wall Street Journal. That space will be for the White House Military Office, which provides services including communications and the handling of the “football” that the president would use to launch a nuclear attack, the Journal reported.

In that case, however, the unit was not leased directly from Trump — but rather from Joel Anderson, a businessman who owns the space. In an interview Thursday, Anderson said that the government didn’t really try to negotiate a lower price.

“It was a standard lease negotiation, like any other, and had all of the same parts. The only thing that made it difficult it is they’re bureaucratic, and it takes them forever to do anything,” Anderson said. “They’re not bad to deal with, they’re just slow.”

The lease agreement in that case — which runs to 149 pages — illustrates the extra conditions that may come from leasing space to the government. Its provisions ask that the owner of the space follow energy-efficiency guidelines, submit reports on its compliance with fair-hiring practices, and post signs with a hotline for reporting contract fraud.

Julie Tate, Drew Harwell and Amy Brittain contributed to this report.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(LEG)

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Thanks a bunch, and I look forward to hearing from you.

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) @hq.dhs.gov>
Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 12:21 PM
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Subject: RE: Secret Service in Trump Tower

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA)
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From: Steve Langford <S.Langford@i24news.tv>
Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 12:38 PM
To: USSSMediaInquiry
Subject: Trump Tower/Secret Service

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Steve Langford
i24NEWS
3 Times Square
6th Floor
New York NY 10036

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

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From: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 1:11 PM
To: 'Steve Langford'; USSSMediaInquiry
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Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 1:25 PM
To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
Subject: Re: Trump Tower/Secret Service

Cathy, thank you very much.

Steve Langford
New York Bureau Chief
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On Aug 4, 2017, at 1:15 PM, CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA) <CATHERINE.MILHOAN@usss.dhs.gov> wrote:

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To: RANDOLPH ALLES (DIR)
Cc: FARON PARAMORE (GPA)
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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA)
Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 5:51 PM
To: FARON PARAMORE (GPA); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA); CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
Subject: FW: Trump Tower Briefing Request

As predicted, Sen. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) staff has requested a brief on the Trump Tower story. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) HSGAC [mailto:(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) @hsgac.senate.gov]
Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 3:32 PM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (GPA)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (HSGAC)
Subject: Trump Tower Briefing Request

Hi Guys:

I hope you're well. I wanted to see if you could arrange a brief conference call next week to learn a bit more about this. We are free most of next week after Tuesday. Thanks very much.

Best,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/secret-service-vacates-trump-tower-command-post-in-lease-dispute-with-presidents-company/2017/08/03/7338de16-785d-11e7-8f39-eeb7d3a2d304_story.html?utm_term=.89eab3f17843

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Sent: Saturday, August 05, 2017 12:55 PM
To: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA); FARON PARAMORE (GPA)
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V/R

R D "Tex" Alles, (202) 406-5700 (O)

From: CATHERINE MILHOAN (GPA)
Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 14:50
To: RANDOLPH ALLES (DIR) <Randolph.Alles@usss.dhs.gov>
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