

Non-Responsive Record: Sarah Flores Transmitting Email to OIP

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From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)
Date: Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 2:44 PM
Subject: Re: Noel
To: Chris Strohm <cstrohm1@bloomberg.net>
Cc: Hornbuckle, Wyn (OPA) <Wyn.Hornbuckle@usdoj.gov>

Wyn is in charge while Peter (b) (6)

From: Chris Strohm (BLOOMBERG/ WASHINGTON) <cstrohm1@bloomberg.net>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2017 2:28 PM
Subject: Re: Noel
To: (b)(6): Sarah Flores personal email

Is Sessions (or DoJ senior staff) working on language to rewrite the executive order? And Peter usually provides a readout of these things but he's not in today so will you be providing a readout of what happens at the meeting today?

From: (b)(6): Sarah Flores personal email At: 02/14/17 13:17:03
To: Chris Strohm (BLOOMBERG/ WASHINGTON)
Subject: Re: Noel

No I'm not. Spicer is going to read it out at the briefing if that helps...

On Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 1:14 PM -0500, "Chris Strohm (BLOOMBERG/ WASHINGTON)" <cstrohm1@bloomberg.net> wrote:

How can I attribute this? Are you technically a US official?

From: (b)(6): Sarah Flores personal email At: 02/14/17 12:34:31
To: Chris Strohm (BLOOMBERG/ WASHINGTON)
Subject: Re: Noel

continue discussions on all potential options for addressing the very clear national security threats we are facing in light of the recent court ruling.

On Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 12:18 PM -0500, "Chris Strohm (BLOOMBERG/ WASHINGTON)" <cstrohm1@bloomberg.net> wrote:

Just found out that Sessions is meeting with Trump and Kelly at the White House at 4pm today. On background, what's this about? Immigration? Writing a new EO on travel restrictions?

From: (b)(6): Sarah Flores personal email At: 02/14/17 11:10:21
To: Chris Strohm (BLOOMBERG/ WASHINGTON)
Subject: Re:Noel

Is acting SG--you were right.

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From: **Adam Serwer** <adam@theatlantic.com>
Date: Wed, Feb 15, 2017 at 3:39 PM
Subject: Re: Attorney General Sessions and recusal
To: Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)>
Cc: Carr, Peter (OPA) <Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov>

Thanks!

On Wed, Feb 15, 2017 at 3:36 PM, Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)> wrote:
I'm CC'ing Peter Carr who works at the department

On Wed, Feb 15, 2017 at 3:20 PM -0500, "Adam Serwer" <adam@theatlantic.com> wrote:

Ms. Isgur Flores,

This is Adam Serwer with the Atlantic. I'm emailing with some questions regarding Senate Democrats' call for Attorney General Sessions to recuse himself from any inquiries related to former National Security Adviser Michael Flynn or the Trump campaign's contacts with Russia. I will include my questions below.

Has Attorney General Sessions requested advice from the department's ethics attorneys as to how he should proceed?

Attorney General Sessions said in his Senate questionnaire that "If a specific matter arose where I believed my impartiality might reasonably be questioned," he would consult ethics attorneys regarding recusal. Does this situation meet that standard? If not, why not?

The Justice Department's ethical guidelines state that: "No DOJ employee may participate in a criminal investigation or prosecution if he has a personal or political relationship with any person or organization substantially involved in the conduct that is the subject of the investigation or prosecution, or who would be directly affected by the outcome." Does Attorney General Sessions believe this does not apply to his relationship with Donald Trump, his campaign or Michael Flynn? If not, why? If not, has he come to that conclusion on his own or with the advice of Justice Department ethics attorneys?

Please feel free to email me back at this address or contact me by phone at (b) (6)

Thank you,

Adam

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From: **Alex Pfeiffer** <pfeiffer@dailycaller.com>

Date: Wed, Feb 22, 2017 at 11:14 AM

Subject: Re: Sessions interview

To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

Okay. Thanks.

On Wed, Feb 22, 2017 at 11:07 AM, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) wrote:

Sorry--he's not doing interviews at this point. The acting head of OPA is Peter carr
Peter.carr@usdoj.gov

On Wed, Feb 22, 2017 at 11:02 AM -0500, "Alex Pfeiffer" <pfeiffer@dailycaller.com> wrote:

Hi Sarah - Could you give me a hand with setting up an interview with Attorney General Jeff Sessions? I would just like to have a conversation with him about his priorities.

Thanks,
Alex Pfeiffer
Reporter
The Daily Caller

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6)
Date: Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 11:59 PM
Subject: Fwd: sessions is sick
To: <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Hugh** (b) (6) >
Date: Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 11:53 PM
Subject: Re: sessions is sick
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

Be happy to have him. My booker has hit sack but we will try in AM

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 1, 2017, at 9:46 PM, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) wrote:

thanks....i know other senators are on the morning shows--would you consider reaching out to cruz to see if hes available?

On Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 11:34 PM, Hugh (b) (6) > wrote:

SIF: If AG changes his mind in order to be able to answer questions on Russians (it isn't high on my list but I can move it up) I'll hold the space. Good luck with the incoming. Lindsey didn't help. Hugh

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 1, 2017, at 3:48 PM, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) wrote:

I hate doing this--but he sends his very very sincere apologies. Hes miserable and his voice is gone and the mornings are even worse. Not ideal for radio as you can imagine. He wants to reschedule.

Who's your producer these days and we'll get something on for next week?

I've cc'ed my DOJ email as well so you have it.

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6)

Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 12:08 PM

Subject: Re: what's your #?

To: Wong, Alex (Cotton) (b) (6) >, <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

(b) (6)

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 11:26 AM, Wong, Alex (Cotton) <(b) (6)> wrote:

Sarah, what's your # and official email address?

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From: **Matthew Boyle Breitbart** <mboyle@breitbart.com>

Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 12:37 PM

Subject: Re: recusal

To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

Cc: <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>, Amanda House <ahouse@breitbart.com>

Thanks Sarah

Amanda -- can you get someone to do a story on how Sessions has answered this question multiple times before and how he has not ducked at all? See below

Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 2, 2017, at 12:33 PM, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) wrote:

Confirmation:

I am not aware of a basis to recuse myself from such matters. If a specific matter arose where I believed my impartiality might reasonably be questioned, I would consult with Department ethics officials regarding the most appropriate way to proceed. As I made clear at my confirmation hearing, I will always be fair and work within the law and the established procedures of the Department.

2/17/17 (Off the record meeting with reporters, from notes as meeting was not recorded):

On recusal. I was raised as a prosecutor, you don't confirm or deny this or that. Just because somebody says there's an investigation, what it includes, who it involves, doesn't mean the prosecutor should be talking about his case or investigation. Lots of reasons for that.

Decision on recusal, I believe – determine if there is a matter, what is it, what's implicated in it, and then make your decision on whether you should maintain your responsibility at the top of this major institution, or recuse. I intend to follow that pattern. Have people here who've dealt with these issues. As I've said, will consult people with good judgment and make decision that's appropriate.

Q: If you do recuse, who's the responsible officer?

Acting Deputy Boente, I believe. Over 20 years in Dept., served as President Obama's U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia.

2/27/17:

I would recuse myself on anything that I should recuse myself on. That's all I can tell you.

3/2/17:

I have said whenever it's appropriate I will recuse myself. There's no doubt about that.

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6)

Date: Thu, Feb 2, 2017 at 5:39 PM

Subject: Peter Carr

To: New Byron York (b) (6)

Is acting head of OPA: peter.carr@usdoj.gov

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6)
Date: Wed, Mar 15, 2017 at 9:26 AM
Subject: Re: Introduction and an invitation
To: Rosenstein, Rod (USAMD) <rod.rosenstein@usdoj.gov>

Yes

On Wed, Mar 15, 2017 at 9:08 AM -0400, "Rosenstein, Rod (USAMD)" <Rod.Rosenstein@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Am I already confirmed for LA Times?

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Murphy, Marcia (USAMD)" >Date: March 13, 2017 at 6:49:00 PM EDT
To: "Rosenstein, Rod (USAMD)" >Subject: FW: Introduction and an invitation

FYI...

From: Kaiser, Karen [<mailto:KKaiser@ap.org>]
Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 6:47 PM
To: Murphy, Marcia (USAMD) >Subject: Introduction and an invitation

Dear Ms. Murphy,

Would you kindly forward the email below to Mr. Rosenstein?

Thank you very much for your assistance.

Sincerely,
Karen Kaiser

Dear Mr. Rosenstein,

I hope this email finds you well. By way of introduction, my name is Karen Kaiser and I am general counsel at The Associated Press. I also serve on the DOJ News Media Dialogue Group, where over the last few years I have met with Attorneys General Holder and Lynch, their Deputy AGs, and DOJ attorneys, to discuss issues of importance to both the Department of Justice and the news media. It has been a very productive dialogue, and I look forward to working with you in that capacity.

I am writing for different reasons this time. First, I would like to introduce myself (also as a fellow U Penn alum), and also, I would like to invite you to join the AP table at the White House Correspondent's Dinner this year. It would be a wonderful opportunity for us to meet. The event is on Saturday April 29th at the Washington Hilton, and our pre-dinner reception starts at 6pm. We would be delighted to have you join as our guest.

Please let me know if you would like to attend. If you can let me know at your earliest convenience, that would be terrific. We hope to see you there.

Sincerely,
Karen Kaiser

Karen Kaiser
General Counsel
The Associated Press
T. 212-621-7287
C. (b) (6)

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From: **Terwilliger, Zachary (ODAG)** <Zachary.Terwilliger2@usdoj.gov>

Date: Wed, Mar 22, 2017 at 10:10 PM

Subject: Re: Fox News: Wisconsin shootings: Police officer, 3 others killed; suspect in custody

To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

Thank you for the update.

On Mar 22, 2017, at 9:57 PM, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) wrote:

FYI

From: Comms Alert <commsalert@gop.com>

Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2017 9:45 PM

Subject: Fox News: Wisconsin shootings: Police officer, 3 others killed; suspect in custody

Wisconsin shootings: Police officer, 3 others killed; suspect in custody

Fox News

March 22, 2017

<http://www.foxnews.com/us/2017/03/22/2-critically-hurt-in-wisconsin-shooting-police-say.html>

A police officer and three other people were killed in a series of shootings Wednesday in northern Wisconsin that apparently began as a domestic dispute in a bank, officials said.

Everest Metro Police Chief Wally Sparks said at a news conference the slain officer was from his department. Sparks did not release the officer's name or the names of the other three dead.

Sparks said a suspect in connection to the shooting spree was in custody.

<image001.png>

The shootings happened at a bank, a law firm and an apartment complex in an area about 90 miles west of Green Bay, Wausau police Capt. Todd Baeten said at a news conference.

"As you all know this is a complex and ongoing investigation involving three crime scenes and multiple victims of shootings at those locations. The process has begun to investigate these situations," he said, according to Fox 11.

After Baeten's news conference, WSAW-TV reported that about a dozen shots were heard at the building around 5 p.m. local time and an ambulance arrived at the scene.

A woman who lives in the complex told the Associated Press she looked out her apartment window in the small town of Weston about 1:15 p.m. to see a squad car approach, and a few seconds later heard a gunshot and saw the officer fall. Kelly Hanson, 21, said she saw other officers put the wounded policeman in an armored SWAT vehicle and take him away.

"I thought, what is going on? I know what a gun sounds like, and thought 'This isn't good,'" Hanson said. Hanson said she stayed in her apartment until about 4:45 p.m. when she heard a volley of about 10 shots and began to "freak out." Authorities eventually let her leave her apartment.

"It's tragic that had to happen, but I think they did a good job out here today," she told the AP.

Dozens of police cars and emergency vehicles responded after the first shooting happened around 12:30 p.m. at Marathon Savings Bank in Rothschild. Officers responding to a reported domestic situation arrived to find two people had been shot.

A second call then came about 10 minutes later from the Tlusty, Kennedy and Dirks law firm in nearby Schofield, and then a third report came in at 1:30 p.m. from an apartment complex in Weston.

SWAT members entered the apartment building about 2:30 p.m., the Wausau Daily Herald reported. Nearby schools and a hospital went on lockdown. The lockdowns were later lifted.

Susan Thompson, a resident of the building, told the newspaper she heard gunshots and heard someone scream. As she left her apartment, police called to her to get inside and lock her doors. Thompson, 21, said she had her 2-year-old daughter in the apartment. Officers later came to her door and helped her and her daughter outside, she said.



Ben Krumholz WLUK

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We're at a standoff in Marathon County where more law enforcement just arrived for ongoing situation. Police not providing many details.

5:09 PM - 22 Mar 2017



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From: **David Lynch** <david.lynch@ft.com>

Date: Tue, Mar 28, 2017 at 10:39 AM

Subject: comment re Yates

To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) Carr, Peter (OPA) <peter.carr@usdoj.gov>

folks

does the department have any comment on its position about the ability of sally yates to testify before congress?

fwiw, am writing for our midday print deadline

thanks

dave

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)**
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Subject: Fwd: WSJ response
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Siegel, Benjamin R.** <Benjamin.R.Siegel@abc.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 9:58 PM
Subject: WSJ response
To: **(b) (6): Sarah Flores Personal Email**

Hi Sarah -

Just checking in for comment on the WSJ story and campaign spending on lodging in Cleveland.

<https://www.wsj.com/articles/jeff-sessions-used-political-funds-for-republican-convention-expenses-1488509301>

If Sen. Sessions met with the Russian ambassador in an official capacity, why did his campaign account pay for accommodations in Cleveland?

Thanks.

Ben Siegel

ABC News

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6)
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 6:54 AM
Subject: Fwd:
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6)
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 6:53 AM
Subject: Re:
To: Mark Halperin <(b) (6)>

The allegations are false that he misled the committee about this meeting. Or that he had any contact whatsoever with Russian officials in connection with the campaign.

I'm his spokesperson. Or senior Justice official.

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 6:50 AM -0500, "Mark Halperin" (b) (6) <(b) (6)> wrote:

"It is false". WHAT is false?

What should I say on Today? Attributed how?

On Mar 2, 2017, at 6:41 AM, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) wrote:

I don't know of any tweet from the AG. You mean the statement I tweeted last night?

He has no scheduled appearances at this point.

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 6:39 AM, Mark Halperin (b) (6) wrote:
AG tweet What was he referring to?

Did Reince know about them 3 weeks ago?

Is the AG going to address this more today?

On Mar 2, 2017, at 6:36 AM, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) wrote:

what tweet?

his senate staff knew about the meetings. it was scheduled by his scheduler, attended by two defense policy staffers. it was in the russell building. this wasn't some secret thing. he met with the Ukrainian ambassador the next day to give you some idea of the context.

he has a full schedule today as AG.

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 6:27 AM, Mark Halperin

(b) (6) > wrote:

On mj now. The day at 7am

Help please

On Mar 2, 2017, at 6:23 AM, Sarah Isgur Flores

(b) (6) wrote:

You already on?

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 4:41 AM -0500, "Mark Halperin"

(b) (6) > wrote:

Good morning!

You around, counselor?

I'm on Morning Joe and Today and could use some help.

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Subject: Fwd:
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Mark Halperin** (b) (6)
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 5:56 AM
Subject: Re:
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

Very helpful. Did Reince know?

> On Mar 2, 2017, at 6:53 AM, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) wrote:

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Subject: Fwd: When did fbi learn of sessions' contacts
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Del Wilber** (b) (6)
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 7:47 AM
Subject: When did fbi learn of sessions' contacts
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

With ambassador? During background vetting?

Did they ever question him about them?

Will he now recuse?

Del Wilber

(b) (6) (cell)

[202-824-8223](tel:202-824-8223) (w)

Twitter: @delwilber

A Good Month for Murder: <http://amzn.to/22vNLU4>

Rawhide Down: <http://amzn.to/29H18I>

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Subject: Fwd: Will he recuse himself?
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From: **Acosta, Jim** <Jim.Acosta@turner.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 8:10 AM
Subject: Will he recuse himself?
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

Thanks for your help last night

Sent from my iPhone

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Subject: Fwd: Any plans for sessions
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Wilber, Del** <Del.Wilber@latimes.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 8:44 AM
Subject: Any plans for sessions
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) | Peter Carr <Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov>

To address press

Recuse

Resign

When did he tell fbi about his meeting/discussions With ambassador? During background vetting?

Did they ever question him about them?

Will he now recuse?

Del Wilber

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6)
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Subject: Fwd: Was this what the September meeting was about?
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Isaac Arnsdorf** <iarnsdorf@politico.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 9:24 AM
Subject: Was this what the September meeting was about?
To: (b) (6): Sarah Flores Personal Email

Hi Sarah,

In September I wrote about the Foreign Cultural Exchange Jurisdictional Immunity Clarification Act, which Sen. Sessions considered in the Judiciary Committee: <http://www.politico.com/story/2016/09/senate-artworks-museums-russia-228239>

So that made me think: could that have been the subject of his meeting with the Russian ambassador that same month?

Thanks,
Isaac

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6)
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 11:01 PM
Subject: Fwd: Please make sure I am on email list for AG Sessions
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Debra Saunders** <dsaunders@reviewjournal.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 9:32 AM
Subject: Please make sure I am on email list for AG Sessions
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

Hi Sarah,

I likely will be writing on call for special prosecutor and would appreciate anything you want to send my way.

DJS

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Debra J. Saunders
White House Correspondent
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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)**
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 11:01 PM
Subject: Fwd: ***CTV News Channel (Canada) request re: Calls for Sessions to recuse himself//THURS MARCH 02/asap
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Melissa Myers** <Melissa.Myers@bellmedia.ca>
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 9:46 AM
Subject: ***CTV News Channel (Canada) request re: Calls for Sessions to recuse himself//THURS MARCH 02/asap
To: **(b) (6): Sarah Flores Personal Email**

Hello Sarah,

Hope you're well.

I understand it must be a busy day for yourself and your team. I'm reaching out from CTV News Channel in Canada, where we're keen on speaking with you and getting a response from your team about calls for Mr. Sessions to recuse himself.

We would like to have you join us for a live, 3-5 minute interview at your earliest availability. You can come on the show using FaceTime or possibly head in to one of our studios, depending on your location.

News Channel is a 24/7 specialty channel, broadcast nationally, similar to CNN in the US.

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Please let me know as soon as you can. I can be reached at (b) (6) today.

Thanks kindly. Much obliged,

Melissa

Melissa Myers | Chase Producer CTV News Channel

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6)
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 11:01 PM
Subject: Fwd: at DOJ today?
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Andrea Noble** <anoble@washingtontimes.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 10:17 AM
Subject: at DOJ today?
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

Hey Sarah,
Are you at DOJ today? If you are, just wanted to see if you might have a minute to chat about the Russia stuff today.
I'm at (b) (6), and hanging out in the press room today.
Thanks.

Andrea Noble
The Washington Times
Phone: (b) (6)
Twitter: anobleDC

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Subject: Fwd: Fox News Sunday with Chris Wallace
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **DeVito, Andrea** <Andrea.DeVito@foxnews.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 11:38 AM
Subject: Fox News Sunday with Chris Wallace
To: '(b) (6): Sarah Flores Personal Email

Hi Sarah—hope you are doing well. I would like to put in a request for an exclusive interview with AG Sessions for this coming Sunday, live at 9am Et with Chris Wallace.

Thanks for considering us. Let me know what you think.

Andrea

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To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)**
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 12:51 PM
Subject: Re: Did Sessions and Amb discuss sanctions?
To: "Acosta, Jim" <jim.acosta@turner.com>

Didn't sanctions not happen until December?

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 11:05 AM -0500, "Acosta, Jim" <Jim.Acosta@turner.com> wrote:

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Subject: Fwd: Sunday
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)**
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 6:17 PM
Subject: Re: Sunday
To: "Wallace, Chris" <Chris.Wallace@foxnews.com>

You are certainly in the running. Unsure yet on whether we will do anything Sunday. Will let you know once we get through tonight.

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 6:49 PM, Wallace, Chris <Chris.Wallace@foxnews.com> wrote:

Sarah

I am sure you are slammed preparing for Tucker tonight.

We are still interested in the AG for Sunday.

And if he comes on, I promise to play Franken's entire question, which certainly changes how his answer comes off.

Please let me know.

Chris

Sent from my iPad

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Subject: Fwd: USA TODAY Editorial Page invitation
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** <(b) (6)>
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 6:19 PM
Subject: Re: USA TODAY Editorial Page invitation
To: "Mahmood, Omar" <omahmood@gannett.com>

thank I think we'll pass for now

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 12:53 PM, Mahmood, Omar <omahmood@gannett.com> wrote:

Dear Ms. Isgur Flores,

I'm writing from the USA TODAY editorial page to invite you to participate in an editorial debate about the controversy involving Attorney General Sessions' meetings with the Russian ambassador. Our page typically features an "our view" along with an "opposing view" from a guest writer to show readers the arguments from different sides of the story.

The editorial is going to say General Sessions' testimony was misleading at best; that he should recuse himself from the FBI investigation into Russia's involvement in the 2016 elections, and that there should be investigations into the Russian connection by both a select congressional committee and a special prosecutor. We're looking for someone at Justice to poke holes in our view and argue that this controversy is overblown.

We would need 340 words by 5 p.m. today. The piece should be sent to me at omahmood@gannett.com and editorial page editor Bill Sternberg at bsternbe@usatoday.com. Please let me know as soon as possible if you are interested in participating in this opportunity or, if you can't, can suggest someone else. Thank you for giving this your attention.

Yours,

Omar Mahmood
c. (b) (6)

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assertions should be backed up with sources or hyperlinks, and you should alert us to any conflicts of interest. If any significant changes are made, we will show you the edited version prior to publication. The timing of publication often depends on the flow of breaking news.

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Subject: Fwd: 60 Minutes request
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Lieberman, Marc E.** <MLP@cbsnews.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 6:48 PM
Subject: Re: 60 Minutes request
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)
Cc: "Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA)" <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>

Thanks for getting back to me. Let's stay in touch and still aim for a meeting on the 14th.

On Mar 2, 2017, at 7:22 PM, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) wrote:

I think we're going to pass on this for now. But will keep yall in mind for future. cc'ing doj account.

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 11:30 AM, Lieberman, Marc E. <MLP@cbsnews.com> wrote:

Hi Sarah,

I know we were talking about meeting on the 14th but I'd like to see if we could chat later today about the potential Attorney General interview with Bill Whitaker. Given the news, I thought you might want to consider doing the interview for air this Sunday. It would be a chance to confront the Russia news head on, make the definitive statement about it on 60 Minutes, and then turn the page and discuss with us the priorities of the department under his leadership. I'm getting on a flight to New York now but I'll be available to talk this afternoon. I'll check in again when I land.

Thanks,
Marc

On Feb 10, 2017, at 10:34 AM, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) wrote:

that would be fantastic!

On Fri, Feb 10, 2017 at 9:30 AM, Lieberman, Marc E. <MLP@cbsnews.com> wrote:

Thanks for getting back to me. I will be in DC on March 14th. I can check in ahead of that visit to see if you might have time to meet briefly when I am in town.

Best,
Marc

On Feb 10, 2017, at 9:22 AM, Sarah Isgur Flores

(b) (6) wrote:

Thanks for the request. We aren't accepting any interviews just yet--but will let you know when that changes.

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On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 11:29 AM, Lieberman, Marc E. <MLP@cbsnews.com> wrote:

Sarah,

I am a producer for 60 Minutes correspondent Bill Whitaker. Now that the confirmation process for Attorney General Sessions has concluded and he has been sworn in, we would like to request an interview as the centerpiece of a 60 Minutes story that would be similar in format to past stories we have done with top government officials. Given the heat of the rhetoric on Capitol Hill in recent weeks, I think it's safe to say many Americans have questions about the direction the new Attorney General plans to set for the Justice Department. This would be an opportunity for him to turn the page and share with the American public his vision and thoughts about key issues that confront our nation and will cross his desk. I hope we can arrange a phone call to begin a conversation about this possibility. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Marc Lieberman

Marc Lieberman | Producer | 60 Minutes | w: [212-975-6385](tel:212-975-6385) c: (b) (6) | mlp@cbsnews.com

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Subject: Fwd: Sessions Story
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Felix Bronstein (b) (6)**
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 7:31 PM
Subject: Re: Sessions Story
To:

Also, just ICYMI:

Sessions gets boost from Senate allies – and Dem's Twitter flub – amid Russia uproar
<http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2017/03/02/amid-russia-uproar-sessions-gets-boost-from-senate-allies-and-dem-s-twitter-flub.html>

Fake News: Media, Democrats Distort Remarks to Target Jeff Sessions
<http://www.breitbart.com/big-government/2017/03/01/jeff-sessions-fake-news-washington-post-misquote-used-target/>

The "Alternative Government" Vs. Trump
<http://americasurvival.org/2017/03/the-alternative-government-vs-trump.html>

NSA spying on the Trump administration?
<https://video.foxbusiness.com/v/5324653657001/>

SHOCKER! The Federalist's Sean Davis catches NY Times NOT living up to new motto
<http://twitchoy.com/dougo-3137/2017/03/02/shocker-the-federalists-sean-davis-catches-ny-times-not-living-up-to-new-motto/>

Claire McCaskill vs. Claire McCaskill
<http://www.nationalreview.com/corner/445407/claire-mccaskill-did-meet-russian-ambassador-twice>

Put together a timeline on what Sessions did and said, and am now thinking that Dems are overplaying their hand.
<https://twitter.com/pbump/status/837310235823919106>

From: Felix Bronstein (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2017 11:57 PM

Subject: Sessions Story

where to follow:

<https://twitter.com/TomFitton>

<https://twitter.com/whignewtons>

<https://twitter.com/PfeifferDC>

<https://twitter.com/Cernovich>

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To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)**
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 9:16 PM
Subject: Re: Sessions story takes different shape on different outlets
To: Mike Allen <mike@axios.com>

My second full day on the job....good times.

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 7:45 PM -0500, "Mike Allen" <mike@axios.com> wrote:

Hang in there ... ?

Date: 03/02/2017 07:34 PM

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Sessions story takes different shape on different outlets
DAVID BAUDER
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) - Reports about Attorney General Jeff Sessions' two meetings with Russia's U.S. ambassador became a textbook illustration of the vastly different shapes a story takes in today's media world.

The story moved with lightning speed Thursday across the media ecosphere, from the Washington Post's initial revelation the night before, to hours of political combat, finally to Sessions'

Post's initial revelation the night before, to hours of political combat, finally to Sessions' announcement - broadcast live Thursday afternoon on broadcast and cable news networks - that he would remove himself from any investigation into Russian involvement in the 2016 election.

"This is really going to take the temperature down on Capitol Hill," MSNBC's Kasie Hunt said following Sessions' news conference.

Perhaps. The story about Sessions' meetings with the Russian ambassador, with the backdrop of still unanswered questions about Russian ties to Trump, had enough mystery to make it politically malleable: why did they take place and what was said? Some Democrats called for Sessions' resignation, while many Trump supporters saw nothing wrong.

Less than 24 hours after the Post story broke, the chyron on CNN's screen read "Sessions Under Siege." He was in a "firestorm." Meanwhile, the Breitbart News web site had another take: "Fake news: Media, Democrats distort remarks to target Jeff Session."

Before Sessions' news conference, news networks and web sites featured two key videos: one showing Sessions answering a question from Minnesota Sen. Al Franken about the meetings in a January hearing, and the other NBC's brief interview with Sessions on Thursday morning. The attorney general said he would recuse himself from an investigation into the government's Russian ties, "whenever it's appropriate," a determination he made by mid-afternoon.

The conservative web site Red State used sarcasm as the story sucked up television time. "Jeff Sessions met with a Russian ambassador and now all hell is breaking loose," the site headlined.

"I'm sorry, I don't see the scandal here," wrote Joe Cunningham. "Yeah, Sessions wasn't completely forthcoming, but if we fired all politicians for failing to disclose all the facts that may or may not be relevant to an issue, then we would be without politicians."

The liberal site Daily Kos linked a clip of the Sessions testimony under the headline, "Here are the 30 seconds that may end Attorney General Jeff Sessions' career."

"Ladies and gentlemen, this ends in resignation," wrote Jen Hayden. "There is no other reasonable outcome. Sessions will be lucky if it doesn't result in jail time, too."

CNN, MSNBC and Fox News Channel all aired a live news conference of Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer calling for Sessions' resignation. But after Schumer answered one question from a reporter, Fox turned the sound off the New York senator and on for a split-screen interview with Rep. Steve Scalise, a Louisiana Republican. Scalise urged viewers not to rush to judgment.

Similarly, CNN and MSNBC ran House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi's news conference from beginning to end as she also called for Sessions' resignation. Fox was televising a story about opioid abuse in Maryland when Pelosi began talking. Fox shifted to Pelosi, but only for a few seconds before a commercial break, and never returned to her.

"Her message is very similar to Chuck Schumer's, so we'll see where this goes," anchor Bill Hemmer said.

The journey of House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy Thursday illustrated a politician who delivered different messages to different outlets.

McCarthy was interviewed on MSNBC's "Morning Joe," where he said Sessions' recusal from the Russian investigation would be important for the trust of the American people. Asked directly by Mark Halperin whether public trust in an independent review required Session's recusal, McCarthy said yes. "I think it would be easier," he said.

Forty-five minutes later, McCarthy was on Fox News Channel's "Fox & Friends," where anchor Ainsley Earhardt asked "why are you calling on him to recuse himself?"

McCarthy said he wasn't calling for Sessions' recusal, and said his feelings were similar to what Sessions had expressed in his morning interview, when he said he would recuse if it were appropriate. "That's all my answer was," McCarthy said. "It's amazing how people spin things so quickly."

"I'm sorry I asked it the wrong way," Earhardt said. "But I don't watch 'Morning Joe.' I was told that's what the mainstream media is reporting."

Sessions' defenders suggested the newspaper story on Sessions was part of a Democratic effort to distract from Trump's well-received speech before Congress on Tuesday. "The conspiracy theories on the left are getting wilder than ever," said Fox's Dana Perino.

On the liberal Talking Points Memo site, founder Josh Marshall wrote that he didn't yet have a sense of how serious the Sessions story was. He found Sessions' need to conceal the meetings more interesting than the meetings themselves.

"Astronomers can't see black holes directly," he wrote. "They map them by their event horizon and their effect on nearby stars and stellar matter. We can't see yet what's at the center of the Trump/Russia black hole. But we can tell a lot about its magnitude by the scope of the event horizon and the degree of its gravitational pull, which is immense."

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From: Gibson, Jenna <GibsonJ@cbsnews.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 9:28 PM
Subject: Re: Hey Sarah
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

Ah OK. Getting rid of me!
Just to be sure, the AG isn't doing any more media this week, right?

From: Sarah Isgur Flores
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 10:26 PM
To: Gibson, Jenna
Subject: Re: Hey Sarah

Oh no I meant I'll be handling it until we get more staff on board and then I'll probably hand it off.

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 10:25 PM -0500, "Gibson, Jenna" <GibsonJ@cbsnews.com> wrote:

Got it. You're not staying? How are you?

From: Sarah Isgur Flores
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 10:23 PM
To: Gibson, Jenna
Subject: Re: Hey Sarah

I will be handling it for the time being. You can also always reach out to Peter carr.

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 10:12 AM -0500, "Gibson, Jenna" <GibsonJ@cbsnews.com> wrote:

Welcome to DOJ! Are you going to be handling interview requests for the AG? Just curious how the responsibilities are shaking out there.

Hope you're well!

JENNA GIBSON

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Subject: Fwd: Question regarding DoJ use of private Gmail accounts
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Jacob Brogan** <jacob.brogan@slate.com>
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 10:18 AM
Subject: Question regarding DoJ use of private Gmail accounts
To: **(b) (6): Sarah Flores Personal Email**

Hi Sarah,

I pinged you about the below on Twitter, but I figured I'd try you here as well.

I'm writing a post for Slate's Future Tense section today on reports that you used your personal gmail account to provide comments to reporters last night. Can you comment on why you chose not to use your Department of Justice email account for this purpose? I'm also curious whether you rely on your personal account for other business related to your work with DoJ. If so, can you comment on what this means for FOIA accessibility of communications?

My deadline is 1 p.m. today.

All best, Jacob

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From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)
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Subject: Re: Hey---
To: Kanneth, Polson <Polson.Kanneth@turner.com>
Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>

cc'ed

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 10:42 AM, Kanneth, Polson <Polson.Kanneth@turner.com> wrote:

What's your official email address at Justice?

Sending you a formal request for the AG

Polson Kanneth

Senior Editorial Producer

State of the Union with Jake Tapper

<http://www.cnn.com/SOTU>

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polson.kanneth@cnn.com

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Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 7:23 PM
Subject: Re: Guardian / AG Sessions
To: Jon Swaine <jon.swaine@theguardian.com>
Cc: Carr, Peter (OPA) <peter.carr@usdoj.gov>, Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>

It would violate DOJ policy to comment on this because it could potentially confirm or deny the existence of an investigation. cc'ing doj account.

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 11:26 AM, Jon Swaine <jon.swaine@theguardian.com> wrote:

Hi Sarah and Peter

Has Jeff Sessions ever spoken or corresponded with any FBI official about the bureau's ongoing investigation into alleged contacts between Russia and Donald Trump's presidential campaign?

We wondered if the subject had come up in conversation with Director James Comey or another FBI staff member, either when Mr. Sessions was a US Senator or in his current job.

Thanks and all best,

Jon
The Guardian

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From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) [REDACTED]
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 7:20 PM
Subject: Re: Sessions Lynch special prosecutor
To: Andrew Kaczynski <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>

sorry I missed this earlier. cc'ing doj account

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 11:37 AM, Andrew Kaczynski [REDACTED] > wrote:

Hey we are going to post bit about call a special prosecutor in November. Thought it made sense to just send the copy because it's largely document based

During the 2016 campaign, Jeff Sessions called on then-Attorney General Loretta Lynch to recuse herself from the investigation into Hillary Clinton's use of a private email server and to appoint a special prosecutor in the case.

The FoxNews.com op-ed, which was co-written with four other Donald Trump campaign surrogates including Rudy Giuliani, specifically cited Lynch's meeting with former President Bill Clinton on a tarmac in Phoenix as grounds for her recusal.

Sessions, now the attorney general, is facing calls from Democrats and Republicans to recuse himself from matters related to Russia's interference in the 2016 election after it was revealed on Wednesday that he did not disclose meetings last year with the Russian ambassador during his confirmation hearing.

Sessions said told Senators in his hearing he had not had any contacts with the Russians.

"Attorney General Lynch and former President Clinton met on the Phoenix, Arizona tarmac days before Secretary Clinton was to be interviewed by the FBI for possible criminal activity," the November 2016 op-ed reads.

The co-authors continued, "General Lynch never recused herself from decisions on the Clinton investigation after her self-admitted 'mistake,' as it has also been reported that she continues to deny the FBI the authority to convene a Grand Jury, which is necessary

she continues to deny the FBI the authority to convene a grand jury, which is necessary for any meaningful investigation."

"Recusal is a formal process," the op-ed further said. "It is a written document specifically describing the scope of the recusal and designating the official in charge of the recused matter. If General Lynch went through the proper procedure for recusal, she has not publicly shared it.

"Because of our grave concern for integrity in government we ask for a Special Counsel," the op-ed stated. "When a high public official is accused of serious wrongdoing and there is a sufficient factual predicate to investigate, it is imperative the investigation be thorough, with dispatch and without partisanship."

Sessions was asked about his op-ed in a questionnaire submitted to him by Democratic Sen. Patrick Leahy. The questionnaire asked, "By the recusal standard that you put forth in that op-ed, is it fair to expect you to recuse yourself from any matters regarding Mr. Trump or his finances?"

In his written response, Sessions said, "There are significant differences between the issue discussed in the op-ed referenced above and the broad hypothetical presented regarding an investigation into the President. Secretary Clinton was under investigation at the time Attorney General Lynch met with President Clinton. If merely being a supporter of the President's during the campaign warranted recusal from involvement in any matter involving him, then most typical presidential appointees would be unable to conduct their duties.

"I am not aware of a basis to recuse myself from such matters. If a specific matter arose where I believed my impartiality might reasonably be questioned, I would consult with Department ethics officials regarding the most appropriate way to proceed. As I made clear at my confirmation hearing, I will always be fair and work within the law and the established procedures of the Department."

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Subject: RE: CNN/ Friday
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)
Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>

Thanks Sarah- let me know if Friday works for you. We'll take u anytime. Also- please send over any latest statement you might have- Jose

From: Sarah Isgur Flores [mailto:(b) (6)]
Sent: Thursday, March 02, 2017 6:36 AM
To: Lesh, Jose <Jose.Lesh@turner.com>
Cc: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <Sarah.Isgur.Flores@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: CNN/ Friday

sorry--not available this morning at this point.

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 6:31 AM, Lesh, Jose <Jose.Lesh@turner.com> wrote:

Hi Sarah- good morning. Checking to see if you're avail to us this morning via phone or from Cap Hill.

Thanks,

Jose

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Date: Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 11:09 PM
Subject: Re: Sessions call with Russian ambassador
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

One more question: Has Sessions been contacted by the FBI regarding any communication he had with Russian officials? Can DOJ comment on whether he is part of what the FBI is investigating?

(<https://www.wsj.com/articles/investigators-probed-jeff-sessions-contacts-with-russian-officials-1488424871>)



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Date: Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 10:55 PM
Subject: RE: Fwd: Sessions call with Russian ambassador
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

Hi Sarah

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Was a staffer present at the Senate meeting who could provide notes etc. or some kind of contemporaneous email memorandum/recollection of the discussion? That would be useful.

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To: Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)>

Ok cool. we got it.

Sent from my iPhone

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9/14/2016	Ambassador	Great Britain	Sir Kim Dorroch; Sir Alan Duncan
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Subject: Fwd: let's start with this...ill try to give you more as i get through others
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) <[REDACTED]>
Date: Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 9:50 PM
Subject: Fwd: let's start with this...ill try to give you more as i get through others
To: "Reid, Paula" <reidp@cbsnews.com>

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14-Apr	Ambassador	Lithuania	Rolandas Krisciunas
4/19/2016	Ambassador	Hungary	Dr. Reka Szemerkenyi
4/20/2016	Ambassador	Korea	
4/20/2016	Ambassador	Italy	Armando Varricchio
4/21/2016	Ambassador	India	
4/26/2016	Ambassador	Australia	Joe Hockey
4/28/2016	Ambassador	Poland	
5/13/2016	Former Ambassador	U.S.	John Bolton
5/13/2016	Former Ambassador	U.S.	Zalmay Khalilzad
5/16/2016	Ambassador	Japan	Kenichiro Sasae
5/18/2016	Ambassador	Singapore	Ashok Mirpuri
6/7/2016	Ambassador	Great Britain	Sir Kim Dorroch
6/7/2016	Former Ambassador	U.S.	Zalmay Khalilzad
6/9/2016	Minister of Defense	Montenegro	Milica Pejvanovic-Djurisic
6/14/2016	Ambassador	Latvia	
6/23/2016	Ambassador	Canada	David MacNaughton
6/28/2016	Ambassador	Columbia	Juan Carlos Pinzon
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Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 12:10 AM
Subject: Fwd: From WashPost
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: Stromberg, Stephen <Stephen.Stromberg@washpost.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 9:55 PM
Subject: Re: From WashPost
To: Sarah Isgur Flores [REDACTED] >

Thank you.

Stephen Stromberg
Office: [202.334.6370](tel:202.334.6370)
Cell: [REDACTED]

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11/11/2016	Ambassador	Germany	Peter Wettig
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On Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 9:49 PM, Stromberg, Stephen <Stephen.Stromberg@washpost.com> wrote:
Hi Sarah,

Steve Stromberg with the Post editorial page checking in. I'm looking for comment on the piece our news side published on AG Sessions and previously undisclosed contacts with Sergei Kislyak. What was the nature of the Sept. meeting? Why was it not disclosed previously?

Thank you very much.

All Best,
Steve

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Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 12:09 AM
Subject: Fwd: what's your new DOJ email?
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** <(b) (6)>
Date: Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 6:12 PM
Subject: Re: what's your new DOJ email?
To: Betsy Woodruff <(b) (6)>

[Sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov](mailto:sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov)

On Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 3:23 PM -0500, "Betsy Woodruff" <(b) (6)> wrote:

do you have one yet? thanks!

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** <(b) (6)>
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 12:08 AM
Subject: Fwd: Question
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6) >
Date: Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 9:58 AM
Subject: Re: Question
To: Betsy Woodruff (b) (6) >

Feds are taking down a gang in California, which I'm sure Baccerra will send us a gift basket for doing. Otherwise, feels slow today now.

On Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 9:14 AM -0500, "Betsy Woodruff" (b) (6) wrote:

I was supposed to write about the new travel ban today but apparently that isn't happening. So I'm poking around for story ideas. You guys doing anything interesting today?

Sent from my iPhone

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Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 12:08 AM
Subject: Fwd: Dinner guest invited
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)>
Date: Tue, Feb 28, 2017 at 2:29 PM
Subject: Re: Dinner guest invited
To: "Creighton, Kelly M (OPA)" <kelly.m.creighton@usdoj.gov>

WPF: Evan McMorris Santoro
Gridiron: Del Wilbur

On Tue, Feb 28, 2017 at 2:04 PM -0500, "Creighton, Kelly M (OPA)" <Kelly.M.Creighton@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Ethics needs the name of the person who invited you.

KC

From: Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 12:21 PM
To: Kelly.M.Creighton@usdoj.gov

Subject: Dinner guest invited

3/1: invite attached. Attending w Vice News

3/4: Gridiron dinner. Attending w LA Times. (Also staffing AG who is attending)

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Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 12:07 AM
Subject: Fwd: Need by cob
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Bockhorn, Lee F. (OPA)** <Lee.F.Bockhorn@usdoj.gov>
Date: Tue, Feb 28, 2017 at 1:43 PM
Subject: RE: Need by cob
To: Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)> "Bockhorn, Lee F. (OPA)"
<lee.f.bockhorn@usdoj.gov>
Cc: "Carr, Peter (OPA)" <peter.carr@usdoj.gov>

10-4. I'm preparing a brief set of bullet points on everything involved here, including this aspect (b) (5)

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From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 1:35 PM
To: Bockhorn, Lee F. (OPA) <lee.f.bockhorn@usdoj.gov>
Cc: Carr, Peter (OPA) <peter.carr@usdoj.gov>

Subject: Re: Need by cob

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On Tue, Feb 28, 2017 at 11:45 AM -0500, "Bockhorn, Lee F. (OPA)" <Lee.F.Bockhorn@usdoj.gov> wrote:

More thoughts on this ... let me know if you see any problems in the framework I sent earlier, or have any more info on the event.

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[Redacted]

From: Bockhorn, Lee F. (OPA)
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 10:48 AM
To: 'Sarah Isgur Flores' (b) (6) [Redacted] >
Cc: Carr, Peter (OPA) <Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Need by cob

Any more details on the event itself? (b) (5) [Redacted]

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I assume short remarks, 5 minutes max?

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From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) [Redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 10:15 AM
To: lee.f.bockhorn@usdoj.gov
Cc: Carr, Peter (OPA) <Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Need by cob

Oops sent without Peter and this part--

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On Tue, Feb 28, 2017 at 10:13 AM -0500, "Sarah Isgur Flores" (b) (6) > wrote:

For tomorrow's 3pm w potus on new immigration order. Here are notes I'm taking while he's been talking here in the car:

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Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 12:07 AM
Subject: Fwd: meet my colleague?
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6)
Date: Tue, Feb 28, 2017 at 1:34 PM
Subject: Re: meet my colleague?
To: "Horwitz, Sari" <sari.horwitz@washpost.com>, "Zapotosky, Matt" <matt.zapotosky@washpost.com>

Hey just emailed Sari--I've got some set up meetings over here this afternoon. But I can probably give you a call around 4 and then I still owe Sari a coffee at some point!

On Tue, Feb 28, 2017 at 11:19 AM -0500, "Zapotosky, Matt" <matt.zapotosky@washpost.com> wrote:

Hey Sarah—

Word is you were buzzing around for the speech today. Are you on board now? Could we maybe come over and meet up?

Many thanks,

Matt

From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)]
Sent: Wednesday, February 22, 2017 11:15 AM
To: Horwitz, Sari <Sari.Horwitz@washpost.com>; Zapotosky, Matt <matt.zapotosky@washpost.com>
Subject: Re: meet my colleague?

Do you mind if we punt until I'm officially on board? Should be in the next day or two. Sorry!

On Wed, Feb 22, 2017 at 11:13 AM -0500, "Horwitz, Sari" <Sari.Horwitz@washpost.com> wrote:

Hi Sarah,

Are you still good for today/tonight? Matt and I can get together with you for coffee, lunch --- or even better, drinks tonight. What works for you?

Best,

Sari

From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)]
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2017 12:33 PM
To: Horwitz, Sari; Zapotosky, Matt
Subject: Re: meet my colleague?

That should work!

On Wed, Feb 15, 2017 at 12:30 PM -0500, "Horwitz, Sari" <Sari.Horwitz@washpost.com> wrote:

That would be great, Sarah. How about drinks Wednesday or Thursday next week?

From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2017 12:22 PM
To: Zapotosky, Matt
Cc: Horwitz, Sari
Subject: Re: meet my colleague?

Great to meet you Sari. I'm still in limbo over here--so can we try for next week?

On Wed, Feb 15, 2017 at 11:42 AM, Zapotosky, Matt <matt.zapotosky@washpost.com> wrote:

Hey Sarah—

How are things over at Justice today? Get that badge figured out yet?

I think I mentioned this at our first meeting, but there's a few of us from The Post assigned to cover Justice, and I wonder if you might be up for another coffee or even a drink to meet another member of the team? I copied her here, Sari Horwitz, whose work I'm sure you've read. What's your schedule like over the rest of this week and maybe into next?

Best,

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Subject: Fwd: Are you at OPA yet?
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Betsy Woodruff** (b) (6) >
Date: Tue, Feb 28, 2017 at 8:47 AM
Subject: Re: Are you at OPA yet?
To: Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)>

Ok gotcha, thanks. I'll have my editors put in a request for that -- i've been trying to figure out how to get a hard pass but haven't had much luck getting detail from OPA, probably because they are understaffed and the Betsy Woodruff Hard Pass Project is not at the tip top of their list. understandably.

I'll be at the speech at 11a though! I assume security can just call back so someone can let me in?

Thanks!

On Tue, Feb 28, 2017 at 8:38 AM, Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)> wrote:

I'm so sorry! And I missed your call too. So I get in there today. I'll keep this email in my inbox so I figure out what we can add you to.

The reason you wouldn't have gotten the invite for yesterday is because it only goes to doj hard pass holders. I don't know the process for getting one--but maybe your folks will put in for that? Then you can come to the in house gaggles.

From: Betsy Woodruff (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 8:20 AM
Subject: Are you at OPA yet?
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

bc i didn't get the invite to the Sessions gaggle yesterday, my editors are mad at me for missing it. I also didn't get any advisory about the NAAG speech today -- how can I make sure I'm on all the right lists?

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From: **Ben Jacobs** <ben.jacobs@theguardian.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 11:53 PM
Subject: Re: just checking for the new statement
To: Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)>

Us British journos are delicate creatures but I'll make do----hope you're able to end eventually getting some sleep tonight amidst all the insanity

On 1 March 2017 at 23:51, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) wrote:
omg--its literally a picture of the email!

On Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 11:49 PM, Ben Jacobs <ben.jacobs@theguardian.com> wrote:
I know. But always like to ask to make it official by getting it direct

On 1 March 2017 at 23:48, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) > wrote:
i tweeted it!

On Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 11:39 PM, Ben Jacobs <ben.jacobs@theguardian.com> wrote:
And hope things aren't too crazy

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Subject: Fwd: Morning Joe
To: Flores, Sarah Isgur. (OPA) <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6)
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 12:06 AM
Subject: Re: Morning Joe
To: "Rodriguez, Jesse (NBCUniversal)" <Jesse.Rodriguez@nbcuni.com>

my work cell is (b) (6)

On Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 12:03 AM, Rodriguez, Jesse (NBCUniversal) <Jesse.Rodriguez@nbcuni.com> wrote:

Thanks. Looking for background for Joe tomorrow.

On Mar 1, 2017, at 11:56 PM, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) > wrote:

sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov

On Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 10:02 PM, Rodriguez, Jesse (NBCUniversal) <Jesse.Rodriguez@nbcuni.com> wrote:

Hi! Where can I reach you nowadays? Thanks! Jesse

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** <(b) (6)>
Date: Tue, Feb 28, 2017 at 8:55 AM
Subject: Re: France 24 -- The Debate (today)
To: FOURQUET Laure <lfourquet@france24.com>

Sorry! I won't be able to do this.

On Tue, Feb 28, 2017 at 8:47 AM -0500, "FOURQUET Laure" <lfourquet@france24.com> wrote:

Dear Sarah,

My name is Laure FOURQUET, I am a journalist for Paris-based international news channel, France 24.

I am gathering a panel of experts to debate over the President's strategy concerning his defense budget.

I was hoping you could join us from one of our studio for today's show.

The debate will take place today from 1.10 pm to 2pm Washington DC time.

Please do not hesitate if you have any question.

Best regards,

Laure Fourquet

Journaliste



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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6)
Date: Mon, Feb 27, 2017 at 12:27 PM
Subject: Send me latest copy of speech
To: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C), (b)(7)(E) per FBI (DO) (FBI) (b)(6), (b)(7)(C), (b)(7)(E) per FBI

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From: **Ryan Reilly** <ryan.reilly@huffingtonpost.com>

Date: Tue, Feb 21, 2017 at 4:15 PM

Subject: Re: Have a few minutes to chat today?

To: Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)>

Got it. Cards on the table, I was actually curious about the delay in your appointment and wanted to check if anything had changed. I know the top DOJ spokesperson under Obama started the day Holder was confirmed, and we're coming up on the two week mark since AG Sessions was confirmed at this point.

To be clear, I have no plans on writing about this now, and I'm happy to chat off-the-record. But with the reporting on the White House "[loyalty test](#)" and the situation with the [former HUD official](#), it doesn't seem like to much of a leap to surmise that your past comments on Trump during the campaign may cause / be causing an issue at the White House. Again, I have zero interest in a story simply flagging those comments, and I'm not going to reach out to the White House. Just wanted to make sure I'm not missing a story, and make sure I'm not out of the loop if something changes with your future at DOJ (which I sincerely hope doesn't happen).

Anyway, feel free to give me a call or respond here off-the-record. Thanks!

[Ryan J. Reilly](#)

Senior Justice Reporter

The Huffington Post

(b) (6)

[@ryanireilly](#)

On Tue, Feb 21, 2017 at 3:39 PM, Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)> wrote:

Since I'm not officially on board, I'm trying to defer everything to Peter for the time being.

On Tue, Feb 21, 2017 at 3:21 PM -0500, "Ryan Reilly" <ryan.reilly@huffingtonpost.com> wrote:

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From: **Wilber, Del** <Del.Wilber@latimes.com>

Date: Sat, Feb 18, 2017 at 1:55 PM

Subject: Re: Do I have your cell?

To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

Bummer. Thanks!

Del Wilber

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202-824-8223 (w)

Twitter: @delwilber

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On Feb 18, 2017, at 1:44 PM, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) > wrote:

My cell is (b) (6)

But I don't know anything about travel order beyond the public stuff

On Sat, Feb 18, 2017 at 12:25 PM -0500, "Wilber, Del" <Del.Wilber@latimes.com> wrote:

Any guidance on background on looming travel order? Sessions spoke briefly about it.

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From: **Wilber, Del** <Del.Wilber@latimes.com>

Date: Thu, Feb 16, 2017 at 2:22 PM

Subject: Re: Invitation to AG meet and greet

To: Carr, Peter (OPA) <Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov>

Cc: Hornbuckle, Wyn (OPA) <Wyn.Hornbuckle@usdoj.gov>, Sarah Isgur Flores

<(b) (6)>

Let me see if my editors will let m attend an off-the-record event

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On Feb 16, 2017, at 12:31 PM, Carr, Peter (OPA) <Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Hi everyone,

We would like to invite you to an **off-the-record** meet and greet with Attorney General Sessions **TOMORROW, FRIDAY, at 3:00 p.m.** in the AG's conference room on the 5th floor.

The Attorney General would like to have a good discussion sitting around his conference table, so we would ask that each news outlet limit itself to **one representative** for this meeting. Please RSVP to me with who from your outlet will be able to attend.

Best,

Peter

202 616-0907 direct

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6) >
Date: Wed, Feb 15, 2017 at 12:31 PM
Subject: Re: Sessions recusal on Flynn?
To: Andrea Noble <anoble@washingtontimes.com>, <peter.carr@usdoj.gov>

Adding Peter Carr from DOJ

On Wed, Feb 15, 2017 at 12:27 PM, Andrea Noble <anoble@washingtontimes.com> wrote:

Hi Sarah,

Are you still working with Mr. Sessions? If so, I wanted to reach out to see if he has had any discussion about the calls for his own recusal in any investigation of Mike Flynn or other Trump associates?

I understand during his confirmation hearings, he indicated that he did not see a basis for recusing himself of any investigations into associates and potential ties with Russia, but wanted to know if he has made a definitive decision on any investigation of Mr. Flynn?

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Andrea Noble
The Washington Times
Phone: (b) (6)
Twitter: anobleDC

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From: Kopan, Tal <Tal.Kopan@cnn.com>

Date: Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 6:23 PM

Subject: Re: Sessions/DOJ question

To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) >

Thanks. I think I'm good on outside folks.

Send along your DOJ contact info when you're set up!

Tal Kopan

Political Reporter | CNNPolitics.com

tal.kopan@cnn.com

(c) (b) (6) (O) 202-772-2718

Twitter: @talkopan

From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) >

Date: Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at 6:13 PM

To: "Kopan, Tal" <Tal.Kopan@cnn.com>

Subject: Re: Sessions/DOJ question

I think we'll pass from the official side--but happy to help you find folks that could be helpful to talk to if that would be helpful?

On Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 6:07 PM -0500, "Kopan, Tal" <Tal.Kopan@cnn.com> wrote:

Hey there,

MK tells me you're going to be handling Sessions press for DOJ?

I'm working on a story for tomorrow describing his influence now in key parts of the entire administration, and how much a shift that is in immigration policy in Washington.

Do y'all have any comment on his feelings on whether he and his like-minded immigration thinkers can drive policy now? As opposed to being mostly against what was happening on the Hill, like in 2013.

Thanks,

Tal

Tal Kopan

Political Reporter | CNNPolitics.com

tal.kopan@cnn.com

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Twitter: @talkopan

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6)
Date: Mon, Feb 13, 2017 at 10:56 AM
Subject: Re: when will gaggle restart?
To: Wilber, Del <del.wilber@latimes.com>
Cc: Wyn Hornbuckle (OPA) <wyn.hornbuckle@usdoj.gov>

Give us a little bit. Working on scheduling an off the record sit down for y'all soon.

On Mon, Feb 13, 2017 at 10:42 AM -0500, "Wilber, Del" <Del.Wilber@latimes.com> wrote:

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From: **Ryan Reilly** <ryan.reilly@huffingtonpost.com>

Date: Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 5:11 PM

Subject: Re: AG recusal question

To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

Got it, thanks!

[Ryan J. Reilly](#)

Senior Justice Reporter

The Huffington Post

(b) (6)

[@ryanjreilly](#)

On Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 5:06 PM, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) > wrote:

We aren't going to be commenting on this....

sorry:)

On Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 3:54 PM, Ryan Reilly <ryan.reilly@huffingtonpost.com> wrote:

Hey Sarah,

Just wanted to loop you in on this. Hope we can get something from you.

Thanks!

[Ryan J. Reilly](#)

Senior Justice Reporter

The Huffington Post

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From: **Ryan Reilly** <ryan.reilly@huffingtonpost.com>

Date: Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 3:53 PM

Subject: Fwd: AG recusal question

To: "Hornbuckle, Wyn (OPA)" <wyn.hornbuckle@usdoj.gov>

Hey Wyn,

Wanted to put this to you since Peter is out. Thanks!

[Ryan J. Reilly](#)

Senior Justice Reporter

The Huffington Post

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From: **Ryan Reilly** <ryan.reilly@huffingtonpost.com>

Date: Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 3:46 PM

Subject: AG recusal question

To: "Carr, Peter (USAVAE)" <peter.carr@usdoj.gov>

Hey Peter,

With Sen. Schumer calling on AG Sessions to recuse himself from certain investigations, I wanted to reach out for comment.

- Has the AG consulted with Department ethics officials about whether it would be appropriate to recuse in any specific cases?
- Broadly, does AG Sessions plan to recuse himself from investigations into contacts members of the Trump campaign had with Russian officials?
- Specifically: the AG has [reportedly](#) been friends with Paul Manafort for several decades, and was previously in regular contact with him. Manafort is reportedly under investigation. Will the AG recuse himself in that case?
- Will the AG recuse himself in the Flynn investigation?

Thanks,

[Ryan J. Reilly](#)

Senior Justice Reporter

The Huffington Post

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From: Jarrett, Laura <Laura.Jarrett@turner.com>

Date: Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 5:18 PM

Subject: RE: Checking in

To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

Awesome, will text you in the AM and we can find a time that works for you.

From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2017 4:51 PM

To: Jarrett, Laura <Laura.Jarrett@turner.com>

Subject: Re: Checking in

Definitely. My cell is (b) (6) Tomorrow am might be a little better--but you can always text and ill be able to get back to you asap!

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On Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 4:19 PM, Jarrett, Laura <Laura.Jarrett@turner.com> wrote:

Sarah –

Hope you are doing well and settling into your new digs at DOJ.

I haven't gotten my hard pass to come over yet, but I would love to touch base by phone if you have time later today or tomorrow.

Best,

Laura

Laura Jarrett

Justice Reporter, CNN

[202-515-2298](tel:202-515-2298) (o)

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From: Carr, Peter (OPA) <Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov>

Date: Wed, Feb 15, 2017 at 10:58 AM

Subject: RE: request for comment re recusal calls

To: David Lynch <david.lynch@ft.com>

Cc: Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)>

Hi Dave,

For now, we are declining to comment. I'll let you know should that change.

Best,

Peter

From: David Lynch [mailto:david.lynch@ft.com]

Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2017 10:28 AM

To: Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)>; Carr, Peter (OPA) <peter.carr@usdoj.gov>

Subject: request for comment re recusal calls

Sarah

Good morning. I'm writing a short piece on calls for the AG to recuse himself from any potential investigation of the Flynn/Russia affair. Can you elaborate at all on Senator Sessions' position that there is no need to do so? Or offer any other comment?

I'm filing for our London print edition, so would need something by 1230pm. Thanks.

Best,

Dave

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David J. Lynch

Washington correspondent

The Financial Times

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From: **Alex Pappas** <apappas@washingtonexaminer.com>

Date: Wed, Feb 22, 2017 at 11:18 AM

Subject: Re: Sessions interview

To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

OK thanks for letting me know. Keep me in mind!

On Wed, Feb 22, 2017 at 11:16 AM, Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)> wrote:

Sorry--not yet. We still don't have a comms team on board yet....

On Wed, Feb 22, 2017 at 8:46 AM -0500, "Alex Pappas" <apappas@washingtonexaminer.com> wrote:

Thought I'd check in, in case he's now open to doing an interview. I'm fishing around for a potential Examiner magazine story for March...

On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 5:00 PM, Alex Pappas <apappas@washingtonexaminer.com> wrote:

We're everywhere. Roll Tide.

Sounds good - please do!

On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 4:57 PM, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) wrote:

I didn't know you were Alabama too! Man--so many of y'all running around.

We aren't accepting any requests for him at the moment--but I'll keep you in mind once we are!

S

On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 12:07 PM -0500, "Alex Pappas" <apappas@washingtonexaminer.com> wrote:

Sarah,

I assume you will follow Attorney General Sessions to DOJ?

If so, I'd love to put in a request to do an interview with him for the Washington Examiner at some point. An interview about his priorities and vision for DOJ, etc.

(I've interviewed him several times in the past, and coincidentally, am from Mobile, Alabama too.)

Best,

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Alex Pappas
Washington Examiner

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6) >
Date: Wed, Feb 15, 2017 at 4:49 PM
Subject: Re: sooo
To: Betsy Woodruff <(b) (6) >

Ha! Ummm, should be done tomorrow i hope....

On Wed, Feb 15, 2017 at 4:33 PM -0500, "Betsy Woodruff" (b) (6) wrote:

when are we figuring out who the new doj OPA director is?

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** <(b) (6)>
Date: Wed, Feb 15, 2017 at 12:36 PM
Subject: Re: does AG have a point person on immigration
To: Wilber, Del <del.wilber@latimes.com>

Nope! Fun times....

On Wed, Feb 15, 2017 at 12:34 PM -0500, "Wilber, Del" <Del.Wilber@latimes.com> wrote:

I just want guidance and knowledge.

You have a doj email now?

Del Wilber
(b) (6) (cell)
202-824-8223 (w)
Twitter: @delwilber
A Good Month for Murder: <http://amzn.to/22vNLU4>
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On Feb 15, 2017, at 12:30 PM, Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)> wrote:

not sure. i haven't talked to her about doing press at all. so she might be allergic. will ask.

On Wed, Feb 15, 2017 at 12:28 PM, Wilber, Del <Del.Wilber@latimes.com> wrote:

Next week?

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On Feb 15, 2017, at 12:21 PM, Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6) wrote:

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From: Gurman, Sadie <SGurman@ap.org>
Date: Mon, Feb 13, 2017 at 2:53 PM
Subject: RE: Greetings from new AP reporter, and an inquiry
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

In that case, congrats and we will see you soon.

From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2017 12:46 PM
To: Gurman, Sadie
Subject: Re: Greetings from new AP reporter, and an inquiry

My paper work has finished so I can't go on the record—sorry to be a pain! If that changes, I'll let you know asap. Otherwise, Peter has to be your guy.

On Mon, Feb 13, 2017 at 11:22 AM -0500, "Gurman, Sadie" <SGurman@ap.org> wrote:

Hi, there, just wanted to touch base with you on this. My story should run early this week and I would love to be able to include any comment or perspective from someone at DOJ. I will reach out to Peter Carr as well, as a backstop.

Let me know your thoughts! And thanks again.

From: Sarah Isgur Flores [(b) (6)]
Sent: Friday, February 10, 2017 10:47 AM
To: Gurman, Sadie
Subject: Re: Greetings from new AP reporter, and an inquiry

Can we circle back on this for Monday? I think it's an interesting angle.

On Fri, Feb 10, 2017 at 9:57 AM -0500, "Gurman, Sadie" <SGurman@ap.org> wrote:

Hi, Sarah:

I hope this note finds you well! It was nice to meet you briefly yesterday, and I look forward to talking to you some more soon. I wanted to reach out because I am very interested in, and working on a story about, how AG Sessions' civil rights division could become a champion of religious freedom in ways past administrations did not, and the kinds of cases it might pursue. I understand it might be premature to talk about this, but I wanted to put it on your radar and see if anyone at DOJ would be interested in discussing it with me. Let me know what you think. If I should direct this inquiry elsewhere please let me know.

I appreciate your time and help in advance, and hope to catch up with you soon regardless.

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6)
Date: Sat, Feb 11, 2017 at 3:38 PM
Subject: Re: checking in
To: Zapotosky, Matt <matt.zapotosky@washpost.com>

Sorry we missed each other yesterday. I'm still in this weird limbo without a badge....

On Fri, Feb 10, 2017 at 12:21 PM, Zapotosky, Matt <matt.zapotosky@washpost.com> wrote:

Hey Sarah—

Are you in the building for good yet? Think I saw you there yesterday. Any chance we can chat on the phone today about a few things?

Best,

Matt Zapotosky | The Washington Post

(b) (6) (cell)

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From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)
Date: Sat, Feb 11, 2017 at 1:14 AM
Subject: Re: FBI speechwriter touching base before Monday
To: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C), (b)(7)(E) per FBI. (DO) (FBI) (b)(6), (b)(7)(C), (b)(7)(E) per FBI

How wonderful to hear from you!! You seem like you're going to be a great fit so I'm *very* excited to have you on board.

It sounds like you'll have your credentials before I do--but hopefully I'll be able to swing by and say hello on Monday at least.

Thanks again for coming over--this is going to be fun!
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From: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C), (b)(7)(E) per FBI. (DO) (FBI) (b)(6), (b)(7)(C), (b)(7)(E) per FBI
Sent: Friday, February 10, 2017 4:20 PM
Subject: FBI speechwriter touching base before Monday
To: (b) (6): Sarah Flores personal email

Hello Sarah,

This is (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FBI -- I'm the FBI speechwriter who will be detailed to DOJ to help with speechwriting for our new Attorney General for the next two months, starting on Monday. The office manager there, Kelly Creighton, told me you're the new director of public affairs at Justice. I recalled your name from following the presidential campaign last year and found your email via your Twitter bio, so I thought I'd say a brief hello and introduce myself.

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FBI, I've been writing speeches at the FBI for Directors Mueller and Comey and other Bureau executives. I got into speechwriting (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FBI, where I was a researcher and then a speechwriter (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FBI. I did speechwriting and other communications work (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FBI. In a previous life I was a (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FBI. I see you're originally from Texas, so we will have plenty to talk about! (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FBI

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FBI

I'm doing my best to learn more about AG Sessions and his priorities and speaking style, so I can hit the ground running. Looking forward to meeting you and being part of the team at Main Justice for the next couple of months.

Best,

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FBI

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FBI

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Office of Public Affairs
Executive Writing Unit

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C), (b)(7)(E) per FBI (office)

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** <(b) (6)>
Date: Fri, Feb 10, 2017 at 4:23 PM
Subject: Re: Any guidance on appeal to supremes?
To: Wilber, Del <del.wilber@latimes.com>

No--seems to me it's in White House's court

On Fri, Feb 10, 2017 at 4:13 PM -0500, "Wilber, Del" <Del.Wilber@latimes.com> wrote:

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From: **Kanneth, Polson** <Polson.Kanneth@turner.com>
Date: Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 4:58 PM
Subject: RE: Hey---
To: Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)>

Got it

Thanks so much!

From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2017 4:56 PM
To: Kanneth, Polson <Polson.Kanneth@turner.com>
Subject: Re: Hey---

Definitely won't be this Sunday. But can discuss down the road at some point.

On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 11:37 AM -0500, "Kanneth, Polson" <Polson.Kanneth@turner.com> wrote:

Got it

Would love to have him on Sunday –

From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)]
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2017 11:26 AM
To: Kanneth, Polson <Polson.Kanneth@turner.com>
Subject: Re: Hey---

Sort of. We're in a grey zone right now where I don't have a job so really it's Peter Carr the acting head of public affairs at doj.

On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 11:08 AM -0500, "Kanneth, Polson" <Polson.Kanneth@turner.com> wrote:

Question for you—

Are you still the best person for Sessions?

Polson Kanneth

Senior Editorial Producer

State of the Union with Jake Tapper

<http://www.cnn.com/SOTU>

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polson.kanneth@cnn.com

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From: Zapotosky, Matt <matt.zapotosky@washpost.com>
Date: Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 4:57 PM
Subject: RE: interviewing Attorney General Sessions?
To: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)

Thanks, Sarah!

From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2017 4:56 PM
To: Zapotosky, Matt
Subject: Re: interviewing Attorney General Sessions?

We aren't accepting any requests at this point but I'll keep you in mind for when we are!

On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 10:22 AM -0500, "Zapotosky, Matt" <matt.zapotosky@washpost.com> wrote:

Hey Sarah—

Now that he's confirmed, how soon can I interview Attorney General Sessions? I'm sure you're probably getting a lot of requests. My pitch is that we're the newspaper people in Washington (particularly at DoJ) read, though we've also got national reach. I'd love to get something set up as soon as possible.

Hope you're well!

Matt Zaposky | The Washington Post

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6)
Date: Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 4:55 PM
Subject: Re: Radio Interview - Washington, DC - WMAL - Friday AM?
To: Heather Hunter (b) (6) >

Sorry! At this point I'm not doing any interviews.

On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 4:31 PM -0500, "Heather Hunter" <(b) (6)> wrote:

Sarah,

I noticed you're now spokesperson for Attorney General Sessions.

Are you able to do radio interviews to preview his plans for his first few weeks as AG and could you also comment on your thoughts about Carly potentially running for senate in Virginia?

If so, could you join WMAL Radio in Washington, DC **tomorrow (Friday) at 7:35, 8:05 or 8:35 am for 10 minutes via phone?**

SHOW: Washington, DC's morning drive news-talk radio show "Mornings on the Mall" is hosted by **BRIAN WILSON (former Fox News Channel anchor) and guest co-host JIM GERAGHTY (National Review columnist)**. Show airs in the Washington, DC area (DC, VA, MD and West VA) from 5-9 am ET on AM 630, 105.9 FM and online at WMAL.com.

Please let me know if you are available to join us and the best number to call for the interview.

Thank you!

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** <(b) (6)>
Date: Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 3:20 PM
Subject: Re: Sessions 2009 NAACP Award
To: Berent, Jake <jberent@waff.com>

These are all good questions! Ha. I know it was the state chapter who gave it to him. And the date is on there but other than that I don't actually know a lot...you could call them?

On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 2:49 PM -0500, "Berent, Jake" <jberent@waff.com> wrote:

Thanks!

Can you tell me any more about the award? Was it local or national? Who presented the award? Was there a press release from the event? Is there anyone else I can talk to for more info?

Jake Berent

Reporter

WAFF 48 News

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From: Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)>
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2017 1:21 PM
To: Berent, Jake <jberent@waff.com>

TO: Berent, Jake <jberent@waff.com>
Subject: Re: Sessions 2009 NAACP Award

You bet!!



On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 12:50 PM -0500, "Berent, Jake" <jberent@waff.com> wrote:

Ms. Flores,

I'm a reporter with WAFF 48 the NBC affiliate in Huntsville, AL. Can you please send me a photo of the NAACP Award received by Sen. Sessions?

Thanks!

-Jake

Sent from my iPhone

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From: **Wilber, Del** <Del.Wilber@latimes.com>
Date: Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 11:36 AM
Subject: Re: any idea what is up today with Sessions?
To: Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)>

Yes, I am.

Del Wilber

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Twitter: @delwilber

A Good Month for Murder: <http://amzn.to/22vNLU4>

Rawhide Down: <http://amzn.to/29H18I>

On Feb 9, 2017, at 11:33 AM, Sarah Isgur Flores <(b) (6)> wrote:

Don't worry. You're on my list--but we aren't quite to scheduling yet. Also will probably do off the record first with all the DOJ regulars, of which I assume you are one.

On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 10:49 AM -0500, "Wilber, Del" <Del.Wilber@latimes.com> wrote:

I want to reiterate my request to get an early interview with sessions!

This was probably one of the more fair/balanced stories about him taking over that appeared in msm.

<http://www.latimes.com/politics/la-na-sessions-justice-department-20170206-story.html>



As attorney general, Jeff Sessions will take center stage ...

www.latimes.com

Jeff Sessions will barely have time to settle into his Justice Department office before he takes center stage in some of the nation's biggest controversies.

From: Sarah Isgur Flores (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, February 9, 2017 10:08 AM
To: Wilber, Del
Subject: Re: any idea what is up today with Sessions?

Peter will send a read out at the end of the day and the pool is covering some of this-but swearing in, lunch w fam, meetings at justice, yada yada!

On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 9:52 AM -0500, "Wilber, Del" <Del.Wilber@latimes.com> wrote:

at doj/otherwise?

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6) [REDACTED]
Date: Thu, Mar 2, 2017 at 12:00 AM
Subject: Fwd: statement from sessions
To: <sarah.isgur.flores@usdoj.gov>

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From: **Sarah Isgur Flores** (b) (6) [REDACTED]
Date: Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 10:55 PM
Subject: statement from sessions
To: "Carr, Peter (OPA)" <Peter.Carr@usdoj.gov>

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