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Jordan: Director, in your opening comments, you said this was an unusual case. I would say that's the understatement of the year. Husband of the subject meets with the Attorney General 3 days before Secretary Clinton is interviewed by the FBI. Nine people get to sit in with Secretary Clinton during that interview, one of those was her Chief of Staff Cheryl Mills who was a subject of the investigation. Five people get some kind of immunity, yet no one is prosecuted. Three of those people who get immunity take the Fifth in front of Congress, and one of them doesn't even bother to show up when he is subpoenaed, who was supposed to be at that very chair you're sitting at. And, of course, the Attorney General announces that she is going to follow your recommendations even though she doesn't know what those recommendations are -- the only time she's ever done that. So, of course this was an unusual case. We've never seen anything like this. Which sort of brings me to the post. I'd like to bring up the post that some have talked about which is the post by Mr. Combetta on Reddit. And, you said earlier that you don't know if you examined this during your investigation, so let's examine it now. "I need to strip out a VIP's address from a bunch of archived email...Basically they don't want the VIP's email to be exposed to anyone." Now, Director, when I hear the term strip out email address I think somebody's trying to hide something, somebody's trying to cover up something, and it sort of raises an important question from these two sentences: Who's the "they" that wants something hid, and who's the VIP who also wants something hid? Director Comey is it like the VIP -actually it's not just a VIP it's a very, very important person according to Mr. Combetta -- is it likely that that person is Secretary Clinton?

Comey: Yes, sure.

J: Okay, and is it also likely that the "they" refers to Secretary Clinton's staff and specifically, Cheryl Mills?

C: I don't know that. Either her lawyers or some staff that tasked him with the production.

J: One other thing that is important is the date. The date at the top says July, 24, 2014. So, whenever I see a date, I'm sure you do the same thing, I always look at what's happening around that same timeframe, what may have happened directly before that, maybe directly after that. So, I went back to your reports that you guys had given to us. The first report back last month, August 18, 2016, page 15. On page 15 it says, during the summer of 2014, the State Department indicated to Cheryl Mills a request for Clinton's work-related emails would be forthcoming. The State Department gives Cheryl Mills a heads up that she's got to go round up all of Secretary Clinton's emails. On that same page, it says the House Select Committee on Benghazi had reached an agreement with the State Department regarding production of documents on July 23, 2014. Just the day before. Which I find kind of interesting. Then from your report that we got just last week: After reviewing several documents dated in and around July 23, 2014, Paul Combetta had a conversation with Cheryl Mills, and after reviewing a July 24 -- there's that date again – 2014 email from Bryan Pagliano, Paul Combetta explains, Cheryl Mills was concerned Clinton's then-current email address would be disclosed publicly. So, it

sure looks to me like it's Secretary Clinton, like you said, but also that it's Cheryl Mills and Bryan Pagliano, who are urging Mr. Combetta to cover this stuff up. Do you agree?

C: From what you read it sure sounds like they are trying to figure out a way to strip out the actual email address from what they produce.

J: Well, they're actually trying to strip it all out. PST filed everything. Here's the takeaway in my mind. Cheryl Mills gets a heads up in mid-summer of 2014. July 23, the day before Mr. Combetta's Reddit post, the Benghazi Committee and the State Department reach an agreement on production of documents, Cheryl Mills has a conversation with Paul Combetta, he goes on Reddit then and tries to figure out how he can get rid of all this email, even though he's not successful then -- he has to do it later down the road with BleachBit -- and then the clincher: just last week, he's going online and trying to delete these Reddit posts. He's trying to cover his tracks. He's trying to cover up the cover up. So, I guess the question is -- and someone asked it earlier -- in light of all this, are you thinking about re-opening the investigation?

C: I may have misunderstood what you said during the question. I don't understand that to be talking about deleting the emails. I understand it to be talking about removing from the "from" line the actual email address. But, maybe I misunderstood you.

J: Well the same guy later took BleachBit and did delete the emails.

C: Sure.

J: So, my question is the guy you gave immunity to, the guy who took the Fifth in front of us, is online, trying to figure out how to remove email addresses -- change evidence -- later uses BleachBit. That guy, who won't testify in front of Congress. And he has correspondence with Cheryl Mills -- Cheryl Mills a subject of the investigation, Cheryl Mills who also got some kind of immunity agreement, Cheryl Mills who walked out for part of the questions during the interview with the FBI -- seems to me that's pretty compelling, and the timeline's pretty compelling, as well.

C: I'm not following. Compelling of what? There's no doubt that Combetta was involved in deleting emails.

J: After conversations with Cheryl Mills.

C: He had the "oh, sh*t" moment, as he told us and that's why it was very important for us to interview this guy to find out who told you to do that, why did you do that? That's why he was given immunity.

J: Did you know about the Reddit post when you interviewed him?

C: As I said earlier, I think we did, I think our investigators did, I'm not positive as I sit here.

J: Mr. Chairman, the guy is trying to cover up the Reddit post where he's trying to figure out how he can cover up the email addresses. And I find that compelling, particularly in light of the fact that just the day before, he's talking with Cheryl Mills, and the State Department is on notice that the Benghazi Committee wants these very documents. I find that compelling. Obviously the FBI didn't. And this is just one more on that list of things that make this case highly unusual.