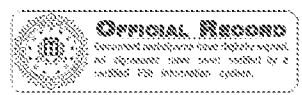


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From: SCO

SCO Team

Contact: [redacted]

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Approved By: [redacted]

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Case ID #: [redacted] (U) ~~(S//NF)~~ [redacted]

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Synopsis: (U) To close captioned investigation

~~Reason: 1.4(b)
Derived From: FBI NSIC CG
Declassify On: 20431231~~

Details:

(U) Predication of Investigation

(U) ~~(S//NF)~~ On or about 07/31/2016, the FBI opened [redacted] CROSSFIRE HURRICANE [redacted] based on information provided by [redacted] to determine whether individual(s) associated with the Trump campaign were witting of and/or coordinating activities with the Government of Russia.

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(U//FOUO) On or about May 16, 2017, using predetermined criteria established by the CROSSFIRE HURRICANE investigative team, the FBI opened [redacted] based on an articulable factual basis that reasonably indicated that President Donald J. Trump may be or had been, wittingly or unwittingly, involved in activities for or on

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behalf of the Government of the Russian Federation which may have constituted violations of federal criminal law or threats to the national security of the United States.

(U//~~FOUO~~) The investigation also sought to determine whether President Trump and others yet to be named obstructed and/or conspired to obstruct any associated FBI investigation into Russian efforts to influence the 2016 Presidential election.

(U//~~FOUO~~) On 05/17/2017, the Acting Attorney General appointed the Special Counsel and authorized him to conduct the investigation confirmed by then-FBI Director James Comey in testimony on 03/20/2017 regarding Russian Government efforts to interfere with the 2016 US Presidential election, including any links and/or coordination between the Russian government and the Trump campaign, any matters that arose or may arise directly from the investigation, and any other matters within the scope of 28 CFR 600.4(a).

(U//~~FOUO~~) After the appointment of the Special Counsel, responsibility for the captioned investigation was transferred to FBI personnel assisting the Special Counsel.

(U) **Investigation**

(U//~~FOUO~~) The Order appointing the Special Counsel gave the Special Counsel's Office (SCO) jurisdiction to investigate matters that arose from the FBI's Russia investigation, including whether the President had obstructed justice in connection with the Russia-related investigations. The Special Counsel's jurisdiction also covered potentially obstructive acts related to the Special Counsel's investigation itself.

(U//~~FOUO~~) The Special Counsel's investigation included the use of a variety of investigative techniques, to include grand jury subpoenas and interviews.

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(U//~~FOUO~~) Appropriate FBI resources and personnel were expended during this investigation. The investigation was limited to activities within the scope of the Special Counsel's jurisdiction.

(U) **Disposition of Evidence and Leads:**

(U) All 1B evidence will be handled and stored in accordance with FBI policy. All 1A evidence will be handled and stored in accordance with FBI policy. All leads have been covered or discontinued.

(U) **Conclusion Summary:**

(U//~~FOUO~~) As required by 28 CFR 600.8(c), the Special Counsel "provide [d] the Attorney General with a confidential report explaining his prosecution and declination decisions[.]" The report was delivered on March 22, 2019. The captioned investigation is being closed with closing status C-4 (Administrative Closing).

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