

Durham Report

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As set forth in greater detail in Section IV.A.3.b, before the initial receipt by FBI Headquarters of information from Australia on July 28, 2016 concerning comments reportedly made in a tavern on May 6, 2016 by George Papadopoulos, an unpaid foreign policy advisor to the Trump campaign, the government possessed no verified intelligence reflecting that Trump or the Trump campaign was involved in a conspiracy or collaborative relationship with officials of the Russian government.²¹ Indeed, based on the evidence gathered in the multiple exhaustive and costly federal investigations of these matters, including the instant investigation, neither U.S. law enforcement nor the Intelligence Community appears to have possessed any actual evidence of collusion in their holdings at the commencement of the Crossfire Hurricane investigation.

²⁰ See *The Attorney General's Guidelines for FBI Domestic Operations* § I.C.2 (Sept. 29, 2008) (hereinafter "*AGG-Dom*"); FBI, *Domestic Investigations and Operations Guide* § 4.4 (Mar. 3, 2016) (hereinafter "*DIOG*").

²¹ See *infra* § IV.A.3.b.

also interesting: search the document for "Corney" instead of "Comey"

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