Lisa Page & Peter Strzok

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investigation of Trump. For example, Peter Strzok [189] and Lisa Page [190] were directly involved in matters relating to the opening of Crossfire Hurricane. Strzok was the Agent who both wrote and approved the electronic communication opening the matter from the very start as a full investigation rather than an assessment or preliminary investigation. At the time, Page was serving as Deputy Director Andrew McCabe's Special Assistant, and, according to Strzok, it was McCabe who directed that the Crossfire Hurricane investigation be "opened immediately" after information described more fully below was received from Australian authorities in late July 2016.[191] Over a period of months prior to the opening of Crossfire Hurricane, Strzok and Page had exchanged numerous messages, which are already in the public domain and express a very clear prejudice against Trump. For example:

August 16, 2015:

Strzok: [Bernie Sanders is] an idiot like Trump.[192]

December 20, 2015 (After exchanging an article about Trump):

Page: What an utter idiot.
Strzok: No doubt.[193]

March 3, 2016:

Page: God [T]rump is a loathsome human.
Strzok: Yet he may win [the Republican nomination]. Good for Hillary.
Page: It is.
Strzok: Would he be a worse president than [C]ruz?
Page: Trump? Yes, I think so.
Strzok: I'm not sure. Omg [Trump's] an idiot.
Page: He's awful.
Strzok: America will get what the voting public deserves.
Page: That's what I'm afraid of.

Strzok: God, Hillary should win 100,000,000 – 0.[194]

May 3, 2016:

Page: And holy [expletive] Cruz just dropped out of the race. It's going to be a Clinton Trump race. Unbelievable.
Strzok: What?!?!??
Page: You heard that right my friend.
Strzok: I saw [T]rump won, figured it would be a bit. Now the pressure really starts to finish [the Clinton email investigation] . . .
Page: It sure does.[195]

July 18, 2016 (During the Republican National Convention):

Strzok: Oooh, TURN IT ON, TURN IT ON!!! THE DOUCHE BAGS ARE ABOUT TO COME OUT. You can tell by the excitable clapping.
Page: And wow, Donald Trump is an enormous d*uche.

July 19, 2016:

Strzok: Hi. How was Trump, other than a douche?
Page: Trump barely spoke, but the first thing out of his mouth was "we're going to win soooo big." The whole thing is like living in a bad dream.[196]

July 21, 2016:

Strzok: Trump is a disaster. I have no idea how destabilizing his Presidency would be.[197]

July 27, 2016:

Page: Have we opened on him yet? Trump & Putin. Yes, It's Really a Thing http://talkingpointsmemo.com/edblog/trumpputin-yes-it-s-really-a-thing
Strzok: Opened on Trump? If Hillary did, you know 5 field offices would . . . [198]

(As discussed more fully below, the next day, July 28, 2016, FBI Headquarters received the Australian information that formed the basis for the opening of Crossfire Hurricane. On Sunday, July 31, 2016, Strzok, as he has written he was directed to do by McCabe, immediately opened Crossfire Hurricane. He both drafted and approved (with the authorization of Assistant Director Priestap) the Crossfire Hurricane opening communication.)[199]

August 8, 2016:

Page: [Trump's] not going to become president, right? Right?!
Strzok: No. No, he's not. We'll stop it.[200]

Similarly, and as discussed in more detail below, FBI OGC attorney Kevin Clinesmith made troubling statements demonstrating a blatant political bias against Trump. Clinesmith, who played a central role in the Page FISA process, on the day after Trump's election as President, stated to fellow FBI personnel, among other things, "viva le resistance,"[201] an obvious reference to those individuals opposed to Trump.

Although those involved in opening the Crossfire Hurricane investigation denied that bias against Trump was a factor in opening the investigation,[202] the communications quoted

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talkingpointsmemo.com here:

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