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The Honorable Ron Wyden
The Honorable Richard Blumenthal
The Honorable Sheldon Whitehouse
The Honorable Elizabeth Warren
Committee on Finance
United States Senate
219 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Wyden, Blumenthal, Whitehouse & Warren:

My office represents Dr. Arnold Goldschlager in connection with the inquiry stated in your letter to him dated July 26, 2018.

First, let me point out that Dr. Goldschlager, who will turn 80 this December, is a practicing cardiologist in California and has no business interest whatsoever in Russia and never has. He has no official capacity at the NRA other than being a member and donor. Since his trip to Israel and Russia in December 2015 was personal and not business, no personal records were permanently stored or required to be maintained. Although the trip in December 2015 had an itinerary, they were not saved by Dr. Goldschlager.

Dr. Goldschlager responds to your questions as follows:

- 1) Dr. Goldschlager participated in the December 2015 trip to Moscow. He paid for his airfare from Tel Aviv to Moscow and returned to San Francisco. All meals in Moscow were hosted. To his surprise, the hotel expenses were also hosted. He has no documentation regarding invitations, e-mails, itineraries or other correspondence.
- 2) As far as Dr. Goldschlager knows, the trip was organized by Ms. Butina and her Right to Bear Arms organization. He does not know who actually paid the expenses. He has no documentation regarding invitations, itineraries, e-mails, receipts or other correspondence.

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3) Dr. Goldschlager received no remuneration from Ms. Butina or other organizations affiliated, managed or controlled by Ms. Butina. He has no documentation regarding e-mails, receipts or other correspondence. He did receive the following gifts: a) a small religious medal given to him on the occasion of his birthday; b) a gun company wristwatch, which he later gave away; c) one bottle of vodka.

4) Dr. Goldschlager was invited by David Keene to join the delegation to Moscow.

5) On the December 2015 trip, Dr. Goldschlager believes that Mr. Torshin was present at two dinners. Dr. Goldschlager recalls that Ms. Butina was present at all of the planned events. He has no documentation regarding e-mails or other correspondence.

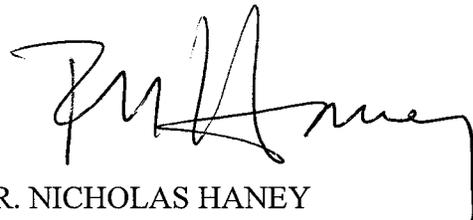
6) To the best of Dr. Goldschlager's recollection he recalls being introduced to Ms. Butina at a 2014 NRA convention. He does not recall meeting Mr. Torshin prior to the Moscow trip. He met Mr. Torshin again at a 2016 NRA convention. He has no documentation regarding e-mails or other correspondence.

7) Dr. Goldschlager has no knowledge and has had no interaction with Paul Erickson or any entity connected to him.

8) Dr. Goldschlager has no knowledge and has had no interaction with Dmitry Rogozin.

I hope this response is helpful.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Haney", with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

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