

Wolosky, Lee S. (TNT)

From: Dempsey, Nora B. (AF)
Sent: Friday, July 07, 2000 2:47 PM
To: Wolosky, Lee S. (TNT)
Cc: Cooper, Colby J. (ADMIN)
Subject: RE: Evil arms dealer ~~TOP SECRET~~



Lee -
I'll definitely come... let us know where in the bldg the briefing will be.

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From: Wolosky, Lee S. (TNT)
Sent: Friday, July 07, 2000 1:30 PM
To: Weiss, Andrew S. (RUE); Smith, Gayle E. (AF); Tucker, Maureen E. (NONPRO); Dempsey, Nora B. (AF); Rosa, Frederick M. (TNT)
Subject: FW: Evil arms dealer ~~TOP SECRET~~

Tues. briefing will not include upstream Russia connections because 1.4(c) [redacted] at this point. We know Butt has an office in Moscow, 1.4(c) [redacted]

Please let me know who plans to attend Tues brief so that we can figure out where to hold it. Thanks.

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From: Wolosky, Lee S. (TNT)
Sent: Friday, July 07, 2000 12:13 PM
To: Smith, Gayle E. (AF); Tucker, Maureen E. (NONPRO); Dempsey, Nora B. (AF)
Cc: @AFRICA - African Affairs; @NONPRO - Export Controls; Weiss, Andrew S. (RUE); Rosa, Frederick M. (TNT)
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I've arranged a briefing here Tues. 11 July at 1:30. Issues include the items set forth below. Let me know if you will join the briefing; I have already been in touch with RUE.

- overview of operations in Africa
- possible ties 1.4(d) [redacted]
- existing warrants
- ties to UBL/sanctions busting
- upstream connections to ROC, Russian Government/arms export agencies/state-owned factories
- 1.4(d) [redacted]

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From: Smith, Gayle E. (AF)
Sent: Friday, July 07, 2000 11:13 AM
To: Tucker, Maureen E. (NONPRO); Dempsey, Nora B. (AF)
Cc: Wolosky, Lee S. (TNT); @AFRICA - African Affairs; @NONPRO - Export Controls
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not a bad idea, also maybe someone from intel

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From: Tucker, Maureen E. (NONPRO)
Sent: Friday, July 07, 2000 11:09 AM
To: Dempsey, Nora B. (AF)
Cc: Wolosky, Lee S. (TNT); @AFRICA - African Affairs; @NONPRO - Export Controls
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Sure, I'd like to sit in. I haven't seen any intel on this, so I don't know what it indicates, but since the evil one is Russian, should we invite someone from RUE?

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From: Dempsey, Nora B. (AF)
Sent: Friday, July 07, 2000 11:06 AM
To: Tucker, Maureen E. (NONPRO)

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Cc: Wolosky, Lee S. (TNT); @AFRICA - African Affairs
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Maureen -
we met with Lee just after this e-mail conversation.
he had some good ideas (re U.A.E. diplomacy), and will contact 1.4(c)
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From: Tucker, Maureen E. (NONPRO)
Sent: Friday, July 07, 2000 8:37 AM
To: Smith, Gayle E. (AF); Wolosky, Lee S. (TNT)
Cc: Dempsey, Nora B. (AF); Byrne, Catherine E. (AF); Tucker, Maureen E. (NONPRO)
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Nora/Cathy - let me know when you get together with Lee - thanks - Maureen

-----Original Message-----

From: Smith, Gayle E. (AF)
Sent: Monday, July 03, 2000 10:33 AM
To: Wolosky, Lee S. (TNT); Clarke, Richard A. (TNT)
Cc: @TRANSNATIONAL - Transnational Threats; Dempsey, Nora B. (AF); Byrne, Catherine E. (AF); Tucker, Maureen E. (NONPRO)
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Cool. Nora/Cathy - can you get with Lee on this when possible?

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From: Wolosky, Lee S. (TNT)
Sent: Monday, July 03, 2000 9:51 AM
To: Smith, Gayle E. (AF); Clarke, Richard A. (TNT)
Cc: @TRANSNATIONAL - Transnational Threats; Dempsey, Nora B. (AF); Byrne, Catherine E. (AF); Tucker, Maureen E. (NONPRO)
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I am. As you know, Butt is a Russian, and I have been interested in learning more about his network outside Africa. Suggest we get together before you grab your hammer and frequent flyer voucher.

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From: Smith, Gayle E. (AF)
Sent: Monday, July 03, 2000 8:41 AM
To: Clarke, Richard A. (TNT)
Cc: @TRANSNATIONAL - Transnational Threats; Dempsey, Nora B. (AF); Byrne, Catherine E. (AF); Tucker, Maureen E. (NONPRO)
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We have an evil arms dealer named Victor Butt who has networks across Africa and is effectively fuelling Angola, Sierra Leone and the Congo. We also have A LOT of intell on him. Following a briefing from them, I have asked Nora Dempsey and Cathy Byrne in my office to put together a draft strategy for shutting down his network, which they are very eager to do since they have been following him around for months and he keeps messing up their portfolios. Dick - who in your office is the get-evil-arms-dealers person, that they might touch base with? Maureen - do you think you can offer any insights or ideas into this?

Nora and Cathy are quite determined and I am convinced that if we simply turned them loose with my frequent flier miles and a hammer they could take care of this. However - want to know what legal, diplomatic, and other tools we may have at our disposal. If this network could be shut down it would be huge for Africa, both in the specific sense of his operations, but also in the bigger picture.

Thanks

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