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Sent:

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From:

Carrie Levine

Sent:

Wednesday, April 11, 2012 10:54 AM

To:

'Peter Williams'

Subject:

RE: Please, share this with MS. Melanie Sloane

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Thanks for your interest.

P. Williams

From:

Carrie Levine

Sent:

Wednesday, April 11, 2012 3:26 PM

To:

'Peter Williams'

Subject:

RE:

#### Mr. Williams:

Thanks for your response. CREW's procedure is to review evidence before determining a course of action. We don't currently have enough information to do so, even with the dates of travel you provide below.

You have written that you have documentation of these allegations to provide. I'm happy to discuss the easiest way for you to provide your documentation to us so we can review this.

Best,

Carrie

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Sent:

Tuesday, April 17, 2012 11:34 AM

To:

'Peter Williams'

Subject:

RE:

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Best.

P. Williams.

From:

Carrie Levine

Sent:

Monday, April 23, 2012 9:14 AM

To:

'Peter Williams'

Subject:

RE: RE:

Mr. Williams,

I will give her a call this week. I assume she speaks only Spanish, so we will make sure someone who speaks Spanish is on the line.

As I'm sure you know, these allegations are extremely serious, and we at CREW are committed to moving forward with an investigation. But I do need to say that because the allegations are so serious, we have a high bar of proof to meet. We need people who are willing to talk to us about the circumstances you describe. We are willing to come to the Dominican Republic to speak with them if necessary, but we're going to have to at least speak to some people on the phone beforehand to understand what firsthand knowledge they have and get specifics.

I am hoping you will send the corroborating evidence you tell me you can provide, and put me in touch with the people you have mentioned.

Because of the seriousness of the allegations here, I would appreciate you sending me your evidence as soon as possible. In addition, I would again like to ask that you give me a call so we can discuss this.

Best, Carrie

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From: Peter Williams [mailto:p.williams605@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, April 20, 2012 12:28 PM

To: Carrie Levine Subject: RE:

No. She is not one of them, but I really think you should look forward to speak with her. Don't you think it worths a try? She doesn't know about me. So, please, don't mention me.

I will send to you some other information can help.

Thanks.

From: Carrie Levine < clevine@citizensforethics.org>

Subject: RE:

To: "Peter Williams" < p.williams605@yahoo.com>

Date: Tuesday, April 17, 2012, 8:39 PM

Also, I see that you provide a cell phone for Yaneysi Fernandez. Is she one of the girls who would be willing to speak to us?

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From: Peter Williams [mailto:p.williams605@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, April 16, 2012 1:13 PM

To: Carrie Levine Subject: Re:

I understand your position as well as CREW's proceeding in order to begin an investigation. As a normal citizen, my way to give you proofs and evidences is not like an investigator or a journalist. I just assure you that I have valuable information, which proves the linkage of Senator Menendez to these activities. It will be very useful to CREW.

During the years I've been visiting the Dominican Republic, I met a family where unfortunately two girls are involved in prostitution. One of them told me many stories about her good and bad experiences in this issue. She told me about the frequent trips by yacht, where Senator Menendez, Doctor Melgen and one of Vinicio Castillo's sons, participate. This yacht belongs to Vinicio Castillo son and Vinicio Castillo, known as Vincho, is the presidential advisor for Security Affairs in the Dominican Republic. The yacht is in Casa de Campos's Marine.

Several young prostitutes always participate in these private activities. Some of them have been identified by

my friends as Yaneisy Fernandez and another Dominican girl were known as "the Honey". These two girls were Melgen's preferred ones. There are other two girls, a Russian one and another from Brazil, who lives in Miami and who always accompany Doctor Melgen in his private jet trips of pleasure. All these girls receive expensive gifts and great amounts of money for the services they provide Doctor Melgen and his partners.

Beside, underage girls who at the tine didn't seem to be, but they really were, have participated in these activities. Two of these minors are named Claudia and Rosemary Rivas. I've got other names I can give you.

The girls Senator Menendez prefer the most are Yaneysi Fernandez, a high class prostitute, who is white, thin, 5.6 feet tall, light eyes, pointed nose, big and exciting mouth. Her cell phone was (829) 258 4606. The girl known as the honey, who is a model in the Dominican Republic, is white, black hair, 5.4 feet tall and small mouth. She works for a Dominican pimp known as "Chocolate". Another Melgen's preferred girls is named Minerva, who also seem to be personally very close to Doctor Melgen.

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Sent:

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To: Subject:

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From:

Carrie Levine

Sent:

Thursday, April 26, 2012 11:50 AM

To:

'maridlacaridad@yahoo.com'

Subject:

E-mail sent through Peter Williams

Mariela.

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From:

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Sent:

Thursday, April 26, 2012 11:53 AM

To:

'Peter Williams'

Subject:

RE: Pretty important

#### Peter,

I emailed her directly. Thank you for this.

We're going to wait on calling Yaneisy Fernandez. We don't want to put anyone in jeopardy. But I do need to ask you to be more forthcoming. We don't want to risk any harm coming to anyone involved in this, and it's very difficult to be careful when we are investigating without all the available information. By giving it to us slowly and holding some back, I think you are increasing the risk to these girls. We have been investigating the specifics you have provided, but in your earlier emails, you mentioned having video and photographic evidence, and we need that evidence.

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Sent:

Saturday, April 28, 2012 11:37 AM

Carrie Levine

To: Subject:

Re: E-mail sent through Peter Williams

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como le dije fue piter el que me lo dijo que ese hombre es ese senador, un dia pusieron una foto en un periodico y yo le dije que ese era el amigo del doctor que era americano y que participaba en esas actividade. yo si e visto muchas fotos de el pues piter tanbien se asombro mucho cuando le dije que el era amigo del doctor y buscamos mas fotos en internet, pues piter queria que yo estubiera bien segura, pero yo no tengo ni una duda, yo se muy bien que ese si es el mismo amigo americano ese bob, el mismo de las fotos pero claro en ese se ve muy seriesito el no, pues en las actividades que le able usa otro tipo de ropa. piter es muy bueno, el tiene muchos deceos de ayudar a todo el mundo, porque el es un angel y en serio se preocupa por mi hermana y por mi. digame como nos puede ayudar a nosotras y como nos va a proteger espero su respuesta.

De: Carrie Levine < clevine@citizensforethics.org>

Para: "maridlacaridad@yahoo.com" < maridlacaridad@yahoo.com>

Enviado: Jueves, 26 de abril, 2012 11:50 A.M. Asunto: E-mail sent through Peter Williams

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Mariela and Peter,

Thanks for getting back to me. We understand your concern. Can I ask, though, what made you decide to come forward, and why you chose to come forward now when these activities have been going on for some time? I would also like to know why you decided to come to us in particular.

Best, Carrie

From: Carrie Levine

Sent: Monday, April 30, 2012 2:49 PM

To: 'Mariela De la Caridad'

**Cc:** Peter Williams (p.williams605@yahoo.com) **Subject:** RE: E-mail sent through Peter Williams

Estimados Mariela y Peter,

Gracias por sus respuestas. Entendemos sus preocupaciones. Pero puedo preguntarles porque decidieron sacar a relucir estas actividades y porque decideron sacarlas a relucir ahora, si estas actividades han estado pasando hace tiempo ya? Tambien les quisiera preguntar porque decidieron venir en particular a nosotros con esta informacion?

Saludos cordiales,

Carrie

From:

Peter Williams < p.williams605@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Friday, May 04, 2012 11:40 AM

To: Subject: Carrie Levine Re: Question

I see you decided to involve more people. Perhaps CREW doesn't have enough resources, but I do have to assure the safety of this girls. Once again, I request you to be very careful and do not disclose this information to other persons. If you agree, you can ask your journalist to contact directly with me this way. Could you tell me which media he works for?

As for you previous email, a few month ago my friend was browsing the press on the web and identified senator Menendez in a picture as Dr. Melgen's best friend. At that time I knew the story of that friendship, their parties together and the participation of these young girls. All that had a deep crash on me.

I had then to convince my friend to testify on this story. You might not know, but for things like these you can get yourself killed in Dominican Republic.

I suggest you to search on the press how many women have been killed so far this year for more simple reasons. That's why I'm so jealous about their safety, most of my friend relatives don't know they are giving their testimonies, otherwise, they won't approve it. That's why it's been so hard to convince them, I've had to spend some time to explain them how important this issue is.

About why bringing out these activities, I thought I put it clear in my letter when I said I felt it was my duty as an American citizen and father, to denounce such immoral events.

I understand from your email, that my denounce could be associated to the recent prostitution scandal in Colombia that involved the U.S. Secret Service. If so, let me remind you that I send my letter to you before the news was published.

With respect to why I sent my letter to CREW, I search on the web for a proper institution and what I found about CREW caused a very good impression on me. I read on you web that at CREW, you believe politicians must be held accountable for their actions and it's also written that CREW work to ensure government officials act with honesty, integrity and merit to public trust.

Nevertheless, I also sent a copy to the Senate Ethics Committee, with no response so far.

That's all.

**Best** 

P. Williams.

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Because CREW has limited resources, we have shared your allegations, but not your identities, with a respected, trusted journalist with whom we have worked on other stories. Would you be willing to meet with

the journalist on a confidential basis? The journalist is willing to travel to wherever you are to obtain additional information. You have our assurances that any such meeting would be secret and your identities would not be revealed publicly. Please let us know as soon as possible. We'd like to move forward with this.

Dado al caso que CREW tiene recursos limitados, hemos compartido sus acusaciones, pero no sus identidades, con un respetado y reportero de confianza con quien hemos trabajado en otros casos. Estuvieran dispuestos encontrase con el reportero de una manera confidencial? El reportero esta dispuesto a viajar donde esten para obtener informacion adicional. Tienen nuestro garantia que cualquier encuentro seria secreto y sus identidades no serian hechas publicas. Por favor, avisenos lo mas pronto posible. Queremos adelentar el caso.

Carrie

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From:

Peter Williams <p.williams605@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Saturday, June 23, 2012 11:26 AM

To:

Carrie Levine

Subject:

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Subject: Re: Hi!!

To: "Peter Williams" < p.williams605@yahoo.com>

Date: Friday, June 22, 2012, 6:13 PM

Dear Peter,

Please forgive me - just a little confusion - i misunderstood and was standing by to hear further from you. We are extremely interested and am trying to pursue with all resources and expertise at our disposal.

This new information is very, very helpful and finding out in advance the dates of the Senator's next trip to the DR is hte key to our success. . Do you have any sense when that might be? Presume he would go and come back before the presidential conventions.

Having the names of the women involved is extremely helpful -- didn't realize there was someone in Miami as well. Do you think Sveta knows the other women? Hard to find her with just first name but I'll brainstorm. Presume these are all "professional" women? Prostitutes?

Have you tried to speak to the women in apartment 302?

Have one suggestion - what if we each purchase a disposable cell phone and exchange numbers? It would be very helpful for me if we can discuss the whole picture. I still stand ready to meet you at your convenience.

But meanwhile this is a high priority and I'm working on it at my end. Please rest assured that we are actively engaged and working on this.

Best regards, Rhonda Schwartz Cell 301-529-5434

On Jun 22, 2012, at 1:46 PM, "Peter Williams" < p.williams605@yahoo.com wrote:

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Recently, I knew the identities of other girls involved. One of them is named Sveta; she's a young Russian wh lives in Miami, Florida and travels frequently to New York. This girl is one of the most regular participants in the activities the Doctor arranges for the Senator. She has traveled with them in the jet, sailed with them in the yacht, and has repeatedly visited the Doctor's house. Maybe with this data you can track her down in Miami.

I also knew about two other girls, aged 19 and 20, who have attended these activities. One of them is a Brazili named Maria, a.k.a. Camila, and the other is a Colombian named Geraldine Garcia. Dr. Melgen rented an apartment for them at 111 Residencial Gabriella, apt. 202, Gazcue, Sto. Domingo, D.N. They can be reached (829-941-1498.

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Mrs. Schwartz, as you well know, this kind or investigation takes time and resources. This is not an easy task for me since I have not the tools, resources and skills you may certainly have. For my part, I'm betting all to tl Senator's next summer visit. I'll try to send you in advance the date of his trip to D.R. so you can go after him You have the capability to reach where I couldn't.

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From:

Peter Williams < p.williams605@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Friday, June 29, 2012 3:56 PM

To: Subject:

Carrie Levine RE: Re: Hi!!

Mrs. Levine:

I suppose ABC and you usually exchange about this issue. Anyway, I wanted you to have the message firsthand for how useful this new elements could be, and so I'll keep contact with both of you.

I have confidence in ABC's professionalism but, honestly, I expected they'd progressed more at this point, the same way I thought I could progress on my own. This hasn't been easy for me due to my lack of experience and resources. That's why I'm working to obtain the date of the next trip to DR so you can work directly in your investigation.

We'll stay in touch. Best wishes

Peter

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