ON BILL BARR'S LAST DAY, TRUMP COMMITS THE CRIME BARR AFFIRMED IN HIS CONFIRMATION HEARING

Bill Barr just helped Trump commit a crime Barr has admitted would be a crime. The question is whether he covered his track well enough to get away with it.

ROGER STONE INVENTED A NEW COVER STORY RATHER THAN DEFEND HIMSELF AT TRIAL

Eight months after Roger Stone's guilty verdict, few people realize that his defense consisted largely of telling a new lie, yet another attempt to cover up a secret to protect Donald Trump.

HOURS BEFORE SHE ATTEMPTED TO KILL HERSELF, PROSECUTORS

MAY HAVE TOLD CHELSEA MANNING THAT JULIAN ASSANGE IS A RUSSIAN SPY

If Chelsea Manning's trip to the grand jury yesterday was anything like Jeremy Hammond's, then prosecutors likely told her that Julian Assange is a Russian spy hours before she tried to kill herself.

WHEN JULIAN ASSANGE TESTIFIED BEFORE A NATION-STATE INVESTIGATION OF A SUSPECTED SPY...

Chelsea Manning will be brought before the grand jury again tomorrow, where she says she will once again refuse to testify. When Julian Assange was asked to testify before a non-public inquiry, he did so.

AMID DISCUSSIONS OF FISA REFORM, JAMES BOASBERG PUSHES FOR

GREATER REFORM

After DOJ and Amicus David Kris provided recommendations for improving FISA, presiding FISA Judge James Boasberg went further than both recommendations. Congress would do well to note his recommendations, as he can't force this without their help.

THE PRESIDENT'S CONSPIRACY THEORIES GET MORE WHACKO THAN GEORGE PAPADOPOULOS'

The attacks Trump has used in the past to attack criminal investigations that expose him personally simply don't apply in the case of Roger Stone. Which may be why Trump is so unhinged this morning.

CROSSFIRE HURRICANE GLOSSARY

A glossary of some of the names, acronyms, and titles in the DOJ IG Report on Carter Page.

THE REPUBLICAN CLOSING ARGUMENT AGAINST IMPEACHMENT IS PERSONALLY IMPLICATED IN THE SCANDAL

Kevin McCarthy, who became Majority Leader with the support of two men already indicted for the influence operation behind the impeachment inquiry, is the face of opposition to impeachment.

CROWDSOURCE: UPDATED TRUMPUKRAINE TIMELINE, WITH GIULIANI [UPDATE-5]

Trump's attempt to extort performance from Ukraine this past July is part of a years-long story arc in which some characters show up repeatedly. In this dedicated thread let's tease out a character's role.

HIDDEN UNTIL NOW:

TRUMP ADMITTED 2016 RUSSIAN INTERFERENCE IN LAVROV-KISLYAK MEETING

We've known about this particular Oval Office conversation Trump had with Lavrov and Kislyak — but we didn't know there was a LOT more to this conversation.