KIM DOTCOM POSTS EVIDENCE TRUMP'S "BEST FRIEND (NAME REDACTED)" IN PARDON DISCUSSIONS

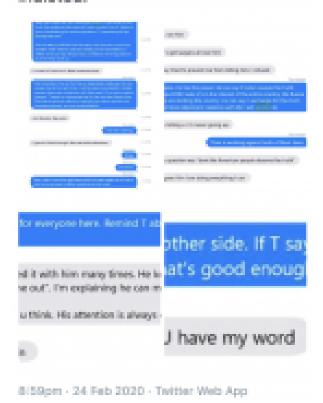
Last night, Kim DotCom tried to take credit for brokering the meeting at which Dana Rohrabacher tried to pardon a pardon deal whereby Julian Assange would claim Seth Rich was his source for the DNC emails and Trump would pay him off with a pardon. He posted a bunch of texts with "Trumps best friend (name redacted)" where he pushed his interlocutor to get Trump to take a public step in favor of the deal.



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I brokered the deal via Trumps best friend (name redacted) to get Rep.

Dana Rohrbacher to offer a pardon to Julian. Trump lies when he says he had nothing to do with the pardon offer. After Julian refused to disclose his source Trump got him indicted.



Only, the name of Trump's "best friend (name redacted)" was not actually redacted.

It's not him		12:50 8
He's got lawyers all over him		12:50 8
They tried to prevent me from telling him. I refused		12:51
	Tim Vestor	
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While I have no doubt DotCom is overselling his own role in this, it does appear he was talking directly to Sean Hannity about it.

Which would suggest a real continuity between whatever happened when Hannity met Assange in January 2017, not long after Roger Stone reached out to Margaret Kunstler to discuss a pardon, and what happened in August 2017, when Dana Rohrabacher resumed discussion of the pardon. That suggests pardon discussions were not — as WikiLeaks is now falsely portraying — a one-time bid that got rejected, leading to Assange's prosecution, but rather continued from late December 2016 until at least August 2017, through the time when Mike Pompeo labeled WikiLeaks a non-state hostile intelligence agency.