20 MONTHS: A COMPARISON OF THE MUELLER AND DURHAM INVESTIGATIONS

Because Jonathan Turley and John Cornyn are being stupid on the Internet, I did a Twitter thread comparing the relative output of the Mueller and Durham investigations in their first 18 months. Actually, Durham has been investigating the Russian investigation for 20 months already.

So I did a comparison of the Mueller and Durham investigations over their first 20 months. Here's what that comparison looks like.

	Mueller	Durham
Month 1	May 17, 2017: appointed	May 13, 2019: appointed
Month 2		
Month 3	July 2017: George Papadopoulos arrested Paul Manafort searched	
Month 4		
Month 5		September 2019: Boondoggle trip to Italy with Bill Barr to chase George Papadopoulos conspiracy theories
Month 6	October 2017: George Papadopoulos plea Paul Manafort and Rick Gates charged	
Month 7		
Month 8	December 2017: Mike Flynn plea	
Month 9		
Month 10	February 2018: Richard Pinedo plea 12 IRA trolik, Yevgeniy Prigozhin, & 3 companies charged Alex Van der Zwaan plea Manafort and Gates superseding indictment Rick Gates plea	
Month 11		
Month 12		
Month 13		
Month 14	June 2018: Konstantin Kilimnik charged, Manafort superseded	
Month 15	July 2018: 12 GRU officers charged	
Month 16	August 2018: Michael Cohen pleads guilty in conduct referred to SDNY Manafort found guilty in EDVA Sam Patten pleads guilty in conduct referred to DC	August 2020: Kevin Clinesmith plea
Month 17	September 2018: Manafort plea, forfeiture pays for most of investigation	September 2020: Nora Dannehy quits because of political pressure
Month 18		October 2020: Special Counsel appointment
Month 19	November 2018: Michael Cohen plea	
Month 20	December 2018: Bijan Kian charged in related prosecution	

So, in 20 months, Durham went on a boondoggle trip to Italy with Bill Barr to chase conspiracy theories, charged one person, and had his top investigator quit due to political pressure.

In the Mueller investigation's first 20 months, his prosecutors had charged 33 people and 3 corporations (just Roger Stone was charged after that) and, with Manafort's forfeiture, paid for much of their investigation.

Update: I've corrected the Manafort forfeiture claim. While I haven't checked precisely how much the US Treasury pocketed by selling Manafort's properties, I think the declining value of Trump Tower condos means that Manafort's forfeiture didn't quite pay for the entire investigation. I've also corrected in which month Manafort was found guilty in EDVA.

Update: In response to the Durham appointment, American Oversight reposted the travel records from the Italy boondoggle, which was actually in September, not October (Barr also made a trip to Italy in August 2019 for the same stated purpose, so I wonder if there were two boondoggles). I've corrected the timeline accordingly.

