# MUELLER TELLS GUY WHO LEGALLY CAN'T BE A TARGET THAT HE'S NOT A TARGET, PERHAPS IN A BID TO MAKE HIM LEGALLY TARGETABLE

Mueller seems to be prepping a choice for the GOP Congress: either they move quickly on a Trump impeachment on his obstruction of justice, or they try to save Congress only to face more serious charges next term.

## ABOUT THE OLEG DERIPASKA REFERENCE IN THE MUELLER MEMO

The most telling (and clever) line of the Mueller memo responding to Manafort's challenge to his authority dropped in a legally permissible line to Oleg Deripaska, who up until yesterday didn't appear in any public mention in the Manafort docket. By putting it there, it will pre-authorize where Mueller is going.

#### THERE ARE ALMOST

### CERTAINLY OTHER DAG ROSENSTEIN MEMOS

The memo that Robert Mueller released in a filing last night is likely not the first memo Rod Rosenstein wrote to memorialize the scope of Mueller's authority. And it's almost certainly not the last.

#### THE MUELLER FILING

While Mueller redacted all the details on other investigative targets, the memo defending his authority to prosecute Paul Manafort situates the investigation solidly within the precedent approved in the Libby prosecution.

### ALEX VAN DER ZWAAN: "GONE NATIVE"

The court documents behind the Alex Van der Zwaan plea reveal what an anonymous witness meant when claiming Van der Zwaan had "gone native." He was discussing working for Manafort and Gates during the period when he shared Skadden stuff he wasn't supposed to with them.

#### **DID ECUADOR GAG**

### JULIAN ASSANGE FOR INTERFERENCE IN SPAIN AND THE US?

Is there a Mueller aspect to the gagging of Julian Assange?

### MICHAEL FLYNN'S "REVOLUTION"

Ret. Lt. Gen. Michael T. Flynn spoke in front of the Young Americans for Freedom a week after the 2016 election. His language is worth noting; why did he call the campaign a "revolution"?

#### MUELLER PREPARES TO REVEAL THE FIRST CARDS IN THE HACK-AND-LEAK CONSPIRACY

Mueller just revealed that at the same time GRU was tampering in our election, GRU was conspiring with Trump's campaign manager to hide how they had conspired to tamper in Ukrainian democracy as well. Monday, he's likely to disclose far more.

# THE PAPADOPOULOS INTERFAX INTERVIEW AND ANOTHER SYRIA DATA POINT

WaPo's report on the more substantial role George Papadopoulos had on the Trump campaign that the organization admits shows that in a September interview Papadopoulos shared with one of his Russian interlocutors, even the campaign flack wanted to emphasize Trump's willingness to work with the Russians on Syria.

# THE DAILY BEAST GUCCIFER SCOOP AND THOSE GRU OFFICERS SANCTIONED LAST WEEK

The Daily Beast reports that Guccifer 2.0 has been tracked to a named GRU officer. We may actually know that officer's name: Grigoriy Viktorovich Mokchanov. In any case, that report would provide one reason why Roger Stone was so squirrelly when address Guccifer 2.0 a few weeks ago.