

# UNWINDING A MULTITHREADED BEAST

Perhaps these two threads – the IRA's information warfare and Stone's hacked email ratfucking – weren't guided by a common entity. But they certainly sewed toward the same outcome.

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## THREE THINGS: RUSSIA AND CHINA SPYING, KAVANOPE

Big story about hardware-based hacks by China; Russians indicted for hacking anti-doping entities, athletes, and more; update on Kavanope.

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## THREE THINGS: STILL ACTIVE MEASURES

It's interesting how certain narratives are pushed when tensions rise. But are they really theories or conditioning? What other conditioning might happen if media infrastructure changed? This is an open thread.

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# **THE GAPING HOLES IN THE SSCI VOTING SECURITY REPORT: VENDORS AND MITCH MCCONNELL**

Among the weaknesses of the Senate Intelligence Committee report on election tampering are that it remains silent about Congress' past and future role – including that of Mitch McConnell – but it also never considered Russian compromise of vendors.

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# **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 squirrely when address Guccifer 2.0 a few weeks ago.

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# **THE NEW RUSSIAN HACK SANCTIONS**

We appear to have identified two new people associated with GRU's hacking information, even

if the most recent intelligence we admit to having on one dates to the days of the election hack.

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## **WHY HAS PUTIN CHANGED HIS MIND ABOUT WHETHER RUSSIANS WHO HACKED THE US ARE PATRIOTS OR OTHERS?**

Back in June, Putin imagined that any Russians (not connected to the state, of course!) who hacked the US would be patriots. Now, he's suggesting they'd be Others, not true Russians.

What changed?

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## **ROGER STONE'S RAT- EATING SWISS CHEESE DENIALS**

In Roger Stone's denial of conspiring with the Russians yesterday, he effectively admits to reaching out to the person he believed at the time to have hacked the DNC.

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# **REALITY WINNER SEEKS TO USE TRUMP'S DENIALS OF RUSSIAN HACKING IN HER DEFENSE**

Reality Winner seems prepared to argue that the document she is accused of leaking cannot be National Defense Information because the President insists it's not true.

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# **NBC'S BROKEN STORY ABOUT MUELLER CHARGING THE DNC HACKERS**

NBC reported another broken story tonight, claiming that it's news that DOJ will charge people in the hack of the DNC. That part isn't news.