HOW THE OLIGARCHS AND THEIR POLITICIANS ATTACKED US

HOW WE WERE ATTACKED WITH POLITICAL KILL ORDERS AND STATE-SPONSORED CHARACTER ASSASSINATIONS

WITH JUST A PHONE CALL, WHITE HOUSE STAFFERS CAN "END YOUR LIFE"!

How would you feel if the White House ordered their insiders: David Plouffe, Sid Blumenthal, Robert Gibbs, David Axelrod, David Brock, Fusion GPS, Black Cube and the Denton Scumbag tabloids, to "end your life"?

"How can we prove that those people ordered and financed those attacks against us? - Because we have the emails, texts, financial records, whistle-blowers and other evidence and because we were the only parties on Earth that were attacked by those people, in those ways, at that time, right after we reported their crimes to the authorities..."

The attacks, in bold red print, below, were actually undertaken and documented against the whistle-blower victims here.

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How A Modern Character Assassination and Political "Kill Order" Is Executed By the White House, their Silicon Valley Oligarchs and their total control of propaganda media

Patrick George At Jalopnik attacks outsiders under contract with Elon Musk and the DNC. Silicon Valley campaign finance oligarchs hire him to run hatchet jobs on innocent outsiders and then Gawker-Gizmodo-Jalopnik uses their financial partnership with the DNC's Google to push the character assassination articles to the top of Google web products and searches. Patrick George, Adrian Covert, John Hermann and Nick Cook are the sexually degenerate cabin boys that report to boy-loving sleaze-tabloid oligarch Nick Denton. They created the Fake News crisis in the media by flooding the internet with defamation posts and reprisal hatchet job articles designed to damage political enemies of the Socialists. They coordinate a large number of the character assassination efforts at Gawker, Gizmodo, Jalopnik, CNN, New York Times and other propaganda outlets. These Millennial boys are "Media Rapists" and should be treated as abusers.

How and why did a Donald Trump stripper-date named "Stormy" or an Elon Musk sex party or a Kavanaugh drinking incident or the Moonves and Weinstein indiscretions suddenly hit the news at about the same time in news history?

In addition to actual murder, Politicians and Silicon Valley Oligarchs hire operatives to end people's lives in other creative ways.

It is all part of the modern trend in vendetta, revenge and political payback when a Senator or a tech oligarch issues a "kill order" on an opponent.

The client does not like to get their hands dirty so the actual social hit job is performed by companies such as: IN-Q-Tel - (DNC); Gawker Media - PsyGroup - (DNC); (DNC); Jalopnik - (DNC); Gizmodo Media - (DNC); K2 Intelligence - (DNC); WikiStrat - (DNC); Podesta Group - (DNC); Fusion GPS - (DNC/GOP); Google - (DNC); YouTube - (DNC); Alphabet - (DNC); Facebook - (DNC); Twitter - (DNC); Think Progress - (DNC); Media Matters - (DNC);

Black Cube - (DNC); Mossad - (DNC); Correct The Record - (DNC); Sand Line - (DNC/GOP); Blackwater - (DNC/GOP); Stratfor - (DNC/GOP); ShareBlue - (DNC); Wikileaks (DNC/GOP); Cambridge Analytica - (DNC/GOP); Sid Blumenthal- (DNC); David Brock - (DNC); PR Firm Sunshine Sachs (DNC); Covington and Burling - (DNC), Buzzfeed - (DNC) Perkins Coie - (DNC); Wilson Sonsini - (DNC), David Plouffe Associates (DNC), and hundreds of others... These are the people and companies that except cash, revolving door jobs, political appointments, insider trading stock in Silicon Valley tech companies, prostitutes and real estate in exchange for destroying the lives of others.

These attackers deserve to be punished for the rest of their lives for taking away the lives of others in exchange for cash. Any company who is corrupt enough to hire any of these assassins should be forced out of business. These attack services are responsible for 90% of the "Fake News" problem in the world because they are the authors of most fake news. Congress must act to make these kinds of companies illegal!

These digital assassination services offer hit-jobs, character assassinations and economic reprisal programs to famous billionaires and corrupt politicians who are seeking revenge, retribution and vendetta executions. In the case of reporters getting targeted for attacks, President Donald Trump has been accused by the liberal corporate media of whipping up a hateful frenzy against the press. But while CNN's Jim Acosta grandstands against Trump, real journalists are still reeling from the draconian extrajudicial measures that Barack Obama and his administration used to target them for exposing truth.

This secretive targeting occurred while Obama speechwriter and

hate-filled ANTIFA supporter Ben Rhodes was running "Operation Echo Chamber," which reportedly continues, in which he fed information to willing corporate media scribes. "They literally know nothing," Rhodes said of the twentysomething journalists he easily manipulated.

The Freedom of the Press Foundation's Trevor Timm published documents showing how former attorney general Eric Holder changed the rules to more effectively intimidate and surveil members of the press.

Timm writes: "Today, we are revealing—for the first time—the Justice Department's rules for targeting journalists with secret FISA court orders. The documents were obtained as part of a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit brought by Freedom of the Press Foundation and Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University."

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Obama is also clearly linked to the plot to obtain fraudulent FISA warrants on President Trump's team, as evidenced by Peter Strzok and Lisa Page's texts confirming that Obama was overseeing their fly-by-night operation.

Larry Schweikart reported for Big League Politics:

For months pundits and researchers have been pondering the mystery of the FISA approval that led to the illegal and historically titanic scandals to ever hit the U.S. government. Some have argued that Assistant Attorney General Rod

Rosenstein knew the FISA was bogus when he extended it. Others have wondered if Special Counsel Robert Mueller knew about the fraudulent basis of the FISA when he used it, in part, to indict Michael Flynn. Other still, that Mueller was fooled by the FBI.

This is what President Trump calls "SPYGATE".

It may well be that the surveillance that was conducted began with UK intelligence services and then was fed back to the White House of Barack Obama. Here's the kicker:

President Barack Obama did not need a FISA warrant to authorize spying/electronic surveillance on Trump because Obama all along had legal authorization to by-pass the normal court vetting process. According to 50 U.S. Code 1802, the "Electronic Surveillance Authorization" () "Foreign intelligence in relation to a US person (Trump or his associates) is information that's necessary for the US to protect against attack, hostile acts, sabotage, . . . as well as other clandestine activities by a foreign power . . . OR . . . information relevant to national defense/security of the US, or the conduct of foreign affairs of the U.S." Such an authorization by Obama required certification by Attorney General Loretta Lynch that must be logged with the FISC court. ("The [AG]+ shall immediately transmit under seal to the court [FISC] a copy of his certification.")

In short, the DOJ has this. If we are correct, a copy of that certification is currently under seal at least with the DOJ and the FISC.

This is what they are hiding.

However, the Act requires the AG to keep the Select Committee on Intelligence and the Senate Committee on Intelligence informed of these authorizations and unmaskings therein. See 1803 (a) (1) (C) If indeed this is what happened, did Lynch report —or only selectively report—to the committees in a way that excluded non-friendlies? Can you see why Adam Schiff, Mark Warner, and their ilk are terrified?

- 1) Obama authorized spying/electronic surveillance on Team Trump, by-passing normal judicial oversight.
- 2) To create "foreign intelligence," John Brennan and others organized for UK intelligence to conduct surveillance on Trump and his associates, either from the UK or from UK assets within the U.S. This is another reason revealing this will unleash an excrement storm: the UK is about to be caught meddling bigly in an American election.
- 3) Lynch certified Obama's authorization which is now held under seal by DOJ (and FISC).

From this authorization, all unmaking followed, as well as the FBI fraudulent counter intel investigation and perhaps the FISA warrant too. Obama knew this was all fake when he made the authorization; Lynch knew it was fake when she certified it; the entire inner circle, including the FBI, all knew. This takes the U.S. into uncharted territory, and could imperil any politician in the British government who supported this or had knowledge of it. Proving any of this would be difficult, as if confronted Lynch would almost certainly cover up and Obama would simply deny knowledge. Without a paper trail, a conviction might be a bridge

too far. This is only one of thousands of "kill order" tactics introduced by the Obama Administration.

These are the playbook tactics that The White House, Senators and tech oligarchs used to destroy the lives of their political and business enemies who are the victims herein:

- Government agency bosses solicited the target victims with false promises of future loans, contracts or grants from their agency and caused the target victims to expend millions of dollars and years of their time for projects which those government bosses had covertly promised to their friends. They used the target victims as a "smokescreen" to cover their illegal government slush-funds (Ie: Department of Energy programs and DOT "Autopilot cars") for the victims competitors and personal enemies. By using this tactic, the attackers drain the target victims funds and force them into an economic disaster in plain view of everyone without the government bosses fearing any reprisal for their scam.
- Every match.com, okcupid.com, Plenty Of Fish, Seeking Arrangements and all other IAC-owned, or similar, dating sites (IAC is managed by Hillary Clinton's daughter) have had their profiles, texts, and inter-member communications, since those companies were started, hacked or purchased. The attack service providers use Palantir and In-Q-Tel financed data

analysis software to analyze every activity in those dating services in order to find honey-trap, blackmail, sextortion and social conflict exploitation opportunities. If you had a bad date with someone, that someone will be hunted down and convinced to help harm, #metoo or "rape charge" the intended target. All dates involve a search for sex, so the likelihood that a sexual disappointment experience will exist in each persons dating history is high. Searching every past dating email and text of a subject is quite easy with modern software and hacking techniques. A synthetically amplified, PR-agency optimized sex scandal can destroy any target. Your dating experiences from the 70's or 80's will come back to haunt you decades later. Most dates involve drinking alcohol and taking drugs. If you were unattractive or had bad sexual skills your bad date will be called "date rape", "drugging your date for sex" and related twisted narratives that are designed to shame you, the target. If you try to get a date in the future, your potential date will be contacted by a third party who will slander and libel you to make sure your potential first date gets cancelled. Your social life will, essentially, end. Every photo on every dating site is cross checked with every other photo on the internet in order to cull your Facebook, Linkedin, Snapchat and other social media together to create a total psychological manipulation profile data file on you. A single photo on a dating site can be cross searched on every mugshot archive, photo album and corporate database in the worth within minutes using modern supercomputers. Your sex life will be on public record in a flash.

- Social Security, SSI, SDI, Disability and other earned benefits were permanently stone-walled. Applications of targets were "lost". Files in the application process "disappeared". Lois Lerner hard drive "incidents" (<u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/IRS targeting controversy)</u>are operated in order to seek to hide information and run cover-ups in order to run state-sponsored attacks on whistle-blowers.

- Government officials and tech oligarchs contacted members of the National Venture Capital association (NVCA) and created national "black-lists" to blockade target victims from ever receiving investor funding. This was also confirmed in a widely published disclosure by Tesla Motors Daryl Siry and in published testimony. When Silicon Valley political campaign finance oligarchs and their White House insiders black-list you (see the "AngelGate" Scandal and the "Silicon Valley High Tech No Poaching Class Action Lawsuit" cases) you will never get investor funding again.
- Victim's FOIA requests were hidden, frozen, stone-walled, delayed, lied about and only partially responded to in order to seek to hide information and run cover-ups.
- State and federal employees at agencies have played an endless game of Catch-22 by arbitrarily determining that deadlines had passed that they, the government officials, had stonewalled and obfuscated applications for, in order to force these deadlines that they set, to appear to be missed. This can bankrupt a target victim.
- Some Victims found themselves strangely poisoned, not unlike the Alexander Litvenko case. Heavy metals and toxic materials were found right after their work with the Department of Energy weapons and energy facilities. Many wonder if these targeted former federal employees and contractors were intentionally exposed to toxins in retribution

for their testimony. The federal MSDS documents clearly show that a number of these victims were exposed to deadly compounds and radiations, via DOE, without being provided with proper HazMat suits which DOE officials knew were required. California laws say that the victims were "employees" yet the federal agencies they worked for kept trying to call them "contractors" in order to stave off liability. Poisoning whistle-blowers is an age old political practice undertaken by executive officers in State agencies like the D.O.E.

- Victims employers were called, and faxed, and ordered to fire targeted victims from their places of employment, in the middle of the day, with no notice, as a retribution tactic. No legal reason for the firings was ever supplied to the victims.
- On orders from Obama White House officials, DNC-financed Google, YouTube, Gawker Media and Gizmodo Media produce attack articles and defamation videos. DNC-controlled Google locked these attack articles and movies on the internet on the top line, of the front page of all Google and Youtube searches for a decade in front of 7.5 billion people, around the world. This attack-type uses over \$40 million dollars in server farms, production costs and internet rigging. The forensic data acquired from tracking some of these attacks proves that Google rigs attacks against individuals on the internet and that all of Google's "impressions" are manually controlled by Google's executives who are also the main financiers and policy directors of the Obama Administration. This data was provided to the European Union for it's ongoing prosecution of Google's political manipulation of public perceptions.
 - Victims HR and employment records, on recruiting and hiring

databases, were embedded with false negative keywords and coded "red flags" in order to prevent the victim targets from ever gaining future employment. These hacking-like tactics were so sophisticated that only a state-sponsored group could have undertaken such attacks!

- Gary D. Conley, Seth Rich, Rajeev Motwani, Micheal Hastings and many other whistle-blowers in these matters, turned up dead under strange circumstances. It is very possible that some of these attack services, operated by former CIA operatives, offer discrete murder-for-sale services using high-tech assassination tools that make murders look like heart attacks and organ failures.
- Disability and VA complaint hearings and benefits were frozen, delayed, denied or subjected to lost records and "missing hard drives" as in the Lois Lerner case.
- Paypal (A DNC-biased operation) and other on-line payments for on-line sales were de-platformed, delayed, hidden, or redirected in order to terminate income potential for target victims who competed with the attackers interests and holdings.
- Web server global DNS redirection, "website spoofing" sent target victims websites to dead ends where no sales orders or customer inquiries actually get back to the target victim. These internet revenue activity manipulations are conducted using Google and Amazon servers. All commercial storefronts and online sales attempts by target victims, will have had their sites hidden, or search engine de-linked by a massively resourced facility located in Virginia, Texas or Palo Alto, California in order

to terminate revenue potentials for the target victims.

- Thousands of hired "trolls", "blogger shills", "botnets" and "synth-blog" deployments were deployed to place defamatory statements and disinformation about victims in front of 7.5 billion people around the world on the internet in order to seek to damage their federal testimony credibility by a massively resourced facility. Many of these click-farms and shill farms are located off-shore but the payments to them, for the attack services, track back to White House contractors and financiers.
- Campaign finance dirty tricks contractors were hired by campaign financiers to attack the friends and family members of the target victims in order to create low morale for the target victims psyche and motivation.
- Electronic attack devices were placed in nearby vehicles and apartments located close to victims. The U.S. Government has now acknowledged that the Cuban, Chinese and other embassy "sonic attacks" are from a known microwave beam weapon. Any one of the technical departments of the attack services listed at the top of this article can build such a biological harassment weapon. It can be aimed at the target victims office, bedroom or vehicle and, within a week, have caused biological and emotional damage using a weapon that has no visible track of trajectory. It is designed to make the target victim think they are "going crazy" or "hearing sounds in their head". While this may sound pretty wild, web search "Embassy sonic attacks" on the top 5 non-Google search engines and read the very credible reports of these attacks.
 - In one case covert political partner: Google, transferred

large sums of cash to dirty tricks contractors and then manually locked the media portion of the attacks into the top lines of the top pages of all Google searches globally, for years, with hidden embedded codes in the links and web-pages which multiplied the attacks on Victims by many magnitudes.

- The U.S. Patent Office was used as a weapon against victims who had inventions. Covert Cartel financier: Google, placed Google's lawyer: Michelle Lee, in charge of the U.S. Patent Office and she, in turn, stacked all of the U.S. Patent Office IPR and ALICE review boards and offices with Google-supporting employees in order to rig the U.S. Patent Office to protect Google from being prosecuted for the vast patent thefts that Google engages in. Google has hundreds of patent lawsuits for technology theft and a number of those lawsuits refer to Google's operations as "Racketeering", "Monopolistic Cartel" and "Government Coup-like" behaviors. Thousands of articles and investigations detail the fact that Google, "essentially" ran the Obama White House and provided over 80% of the key White House staff. A conflict-of-interest unlike any in American history. Google's investors personally told Applicant they would "kill him". Google and the Obama Administration were "the same entity". Applicant testified in the review that got Michelle Lee terminated and uncovered a tactical political and social warfare group inside Google who were financed by Federal and State funds.
- Honeytraps and moles were employed by the attackers. In this tactic, people who covertly worked for the attackers were employed to approach the "target" in order to spy on and misdirect the subject.

- Gawker Media, Gizmodo Media, Snopes, SPLC and other hired media assassins were retained to produce "hatchet job" character assassination articles about victims. Then those articles were faxed, mailed and emailed to the employers and investors of victims with a note saying: "You don't want to have anything to do with this person, do you..?" in order to get victims fired from their job and get their loans or financing pulled. The attackers used the attack media, that they authored, to create an attack designed to end victim's lives via economic warfare.
- Mortgage and rental applications for victims had red flags added to them in databases to prevent the targets from getting homes or apartments.
- Krebs On Security, Wired, Ars Technica, The Wall Street Journal and most major IT publications have reported that hundreds of spy "back-doors" have been found on every Intel, AMD, Apple, Xfinity, Cisco, Microsoft, Juniper Networks motherboard, chip-set and hardware component set. This means that any kid with the "key" code can open any computer, server, router, cloud-network or other network connected device and read every file, photo, video, your calendar and email on your devices at any time from any location on Earth. The key codes have been released to every hacker community in the world for over ten years. There is now no government, corporate or personal data that can't be hacked, even data from decades ago. Every single one of your darkest secrets can be in the hands of your enemy within 60 minutes, or less. Important meetings you had planned with potential investors, employers, clients, dates, suppliers and others will suddenly get cancelled at the last minute. They will get cancelled because your enemies are

reading your calendar remotely and covertly sending slander information to those you had hoped to engage with in order to sabotage your life. Nothing you have ever typed on a computer or Smartphone is safe. it WILL be acquired and it WILL be used against you. This WAS DONE to the victims by a sophisticated hacking effort.

- McCarthy-Era type "Black-lists" were created and employed against target victims who competed with Obama Administration executives and their campaign financiers to prevent them from getting funding and future employment.
- The victims were very carefully manipulated into a position of not being able to get jobs, unemployment benefits, disability benefits or acquire any possible sources of income. The retribution tactics were audacious, overt..and quite illegal.
- There are thousands of additional Dirty Tricks tactics being used by these Attack Services yet Congress refuses to pass laws out-lawing such attack services. The cost of an attack on a person ranges from \$150,000.00 to over \$50,000,000.00. While a Silicon Valley billionaire can afford to launch counter-measures to these attacks, any regular taxpayer will be utterly destroyed, and incapable of fighting back, against even the smallest version of one of these "kill orders". A number of modern office shootings are the results of these attacks against an individual who has lost everything because of the attack and has no options left.

Federal law enforcement, the United States Congress and the highest level investigators in the U.S., and abroad, have documented (per the "FISA Memo", Congressional Reports and federal employee testimony) and proven the fact that the Obama Administration regularly engaged in the operation of retribution, vendetta and reprisal campaigns known as "hit-jobs" against domestic natural born U.S. citizen domestic taxpayers. The Federal Court, in at least one previous court case, has ruled that Applicants, in this particular matter, were the victims and target of a number of these attacks designed to inflict permanent medical, emotional, character assassination, brand negation, economic and career damage.

'They Can't Beat Him On The Law So They Are Trying To Destroy His Life' -Sen. Graham Questions Dems' Motives On Brett Kavanaugh Sexual Assault Allegations (dailycaller.com)

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!!!!! Mueller Hears That Silicon Valley Has Been Manipulating The Entire BREXIT Campaign using covert Opposition tactics !!!!!

- Second former employee of controversial data firm to be questioned by special counsel's inquiry into Russia collusion

By Carole Cadwalladr

Brittany Kaiser is said to be cooperating fully with the Mueller inquiry.

A director of the controversial data company Cambridge Analytica, who appeared with Arron Banks at the launch of the Leave.EU campaign, has been subpoenaed by the US investigation into possible collusion between the Trump campaign and the Russian government. A spokesman for Brittany Kaiser, former business development director for Cambridge Analytica – which collapsed after the Observer revealed details of its misuse of Facebook data – confirmed that she had been subpoenaed by special counsel Robert Mueller, and was cooperating fully with his investigation.

He added that she was assisting other US congressional and legal investigations into the company's activities and had voluntarily turned over documents and data.

Kaiser, who gave evidence to the UK parliament last April in which she claimed Cambridge Analytica had carried out in-depth work for Leave.EU, is the second individual connected to the firm subpoenaed by the special counsel. The Electoral Commission has said its investigation into Leave.EU found no evidence that the campaign "received donations or paid for services from Cambridge Analytica ...beyond initial scoping work".

Damian Collins, chairman of parliament's inquiry into fake news, said it was "no surprise" that Kaiser was under scrutiny by Mueller because "her work connected her to WikiLeaks, Cambridge Analytica and [its parent company] SCL, the Trump campaign, Leave.EU and Arron Banks".

He said it was now vital Britain had its own inquiry into foreign interference: "We should not be leaving this to the Americans."

Tom Watson, the deputy leader of the Labour party, echoed Collins's statement, saying: "This is the first evidence that a significant player in the Leave.EU campaign is of interested to the global Mueller inquiry. People will be bewildered that the British government has no interest in establishing the facts of

what happened."

In August, Sam Patten, a US political consultant who had worked for Cambridge Analytica on campaigns in the US and abroad, struck a plea deal with Mueller after admitting he had failed to register as a foreign agent for a Ukrainian oligarch.

He became a subject of the special counsel's inquiry because of work done with Paul Manafort, Trump's campaign manager, in Ukraine. He had also set up a business with Konstantin Kilimnik, a key figure who Mueller has alleged has ties to Russian intelligence and who is facing charges of obstruction of justice. In a 2017 statement to the Washington Post, Kilimnik denied any connection to intelligence services. Kaiser, however, is the first person connected directly to both the Brexit and Trump campaigns known to have been questioned by Mueller.

The news came to light in a new Netflix documentary, The Great Hack, which premiered at the Sundance film festival last month and is expected to be released later this spring. Film-makers followed Kaiser for months after she approached the Guardian, including moments after she received the subpoena. She claims the summons came after the Guardian revealed she had visited WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange while still a Cambridge Analytica employee in February 2017, three months after the US election.

One part of Mueller's investigation focuses on whether the Trump campaign sought to influence the timing of the release of emails by WikiLeaks before the election. Investigators are looking at communications between them. In the film, Kaiser says that she has gone from being a cooperating witness to a

subject of investigation because of her contact with Assange.

In October 2017, it was revealed that Alexander Nix, the chief executive of Cambridge Analytica, had contacted Assange in August 2016 to try to obtain emails from Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign – which indictments from Mueller's team say were obtained by Russian military intelligence – to use in Donald Trump's campaign. When Kaiser gave evidence to parliament last year, she was asked about her relationship with Assange and WikiLeaks but failed to reveal that she had met Assange.

In the documentary, Kaiser is shown after receiving an email from the Guardian last June asking about meeting Assange and alleged donations of cryptocurrency to WikiLeaks. Kaiser did not respond to the email at the time, but on camera says: "She knows I met Assange. And she knows I donated money to WikiLeaks in bitcoin."

Her legal representatives later wrote to the paper to say that the allegations, including that she had "channelled" donations to WikiLeaks, were false. Kaiser said she had received a small gift of bitcoin in 2011 – long before she worked at Cambridge Analytica – and, not knowing what else to do with it, gave it to WikiLeaks, because she had benefited from material it had released over the years.

Her lawyer told the Observer that the meeting with Assange came about after a chance encounter in London with an acquaintance who knew him. It lasted 20 minutes and consisted mainly of Assange telling her "about how he saw the world". He said they did not discuss the US election.

Patten and Kaiser were involved in a controversial election campaign in Nigeria in January 2015, which former Cambridge Analytica employees say had "unsettling" parallels to the US presidential election.

The Guardian revealed that the data firm had worked alongside a team of unidentified Israeli intelligence operatives on the campaign. Ex-Cambridge Analytica employees described how the Israelis hacked the now-president of Nigeria's emails and released damaging information about him to the press weeks before the election.

CBS NEWS 60 MINUTES Lara Logan "I'm Being 'Targeted' For Saying the Media is 'Mostly Liberal"

by Tamar Auber

On Wednesday, former CBS News foreign correspondent Lara Logan spoke with Fox News Sean Hannity about her recent comments slamming the media as "mostly liberal."

Logan told Breitbart podcaster Mike Ritland the remarks made on his show — which drew widespread attention online — amounted to "professional suicide."

Defending her remarks on Hannity's show, Logan said that as the result of her speaking out about how the media is "mostly liberal" she has been targeted because she is an independent voice.

"Any journalists who are not beating the same drum and giving

the same talking points," she insisted "pay the price" for not going along with the liberal crowd.

She also called out her targeters by name.

"I know they're going to come after me," she told Hannity.

"Michael Calderone who is at the Huffington Post. I can give you the script now. I can tell you who the players are. Joe Hagan.

Brian Stelter."

She added: "They smear you personally. They go after your integrity. They go after your reputation as a person and a professional. They will stop at nothing. I am not the only one. And I am just, I am done, right, I am tired of it. And they do not get to write my story anymore. They don't get to speak for me, I want to say loudly and clearly to anybody who is listening, I am not owned. Nobody owns me, right? I'm not owned by the left or the right."

Logan made headlines recently when, during a scorched earth podcast interview with Ritland, she said that there was a lot of "weight" in most news organizations on "one side of the political spectrum."

"The media everywhere is mostly liberal. But in this country, 85 percent of journalists are registered Democrats. So that's just a fact, right?" she told Ritland.

She also trashed reporting based on single, anonymous government sources.

"That's not journalism, that's horseshit," Logan stressed.

"Responsibility for fake news begins with us. We bear some responsibility for that, and we're not taking ownership of that and addressing it. We just want to blame it all on somebody else."

MEET THE ATTACKERS CALLED: Psy-Group

Internal documents from a private Israeli intelligence firm called Psy-Group show that, at the time of many incidents, the company, and possibly other private investigators, were targeting U.S. citizens because they spoke up about crimes.

Psy-Group's intelligence and influence operations, which included a failed attempt in the summer of 2017 to sway a local election in central California, were detailed in a New Yorker investigation that I co-wrote earlier this month. Before it went out of business (ie: changed it's name), last year, Psy-Group was part of a new wave of private-intelligence firms that recruited from the ranks of Israel's secret services and described themselves as "private Mossads." Psy-Group initially stood out among its rivals because it didn't just gather intelligence; its operatives used false identities, or avatars, to covertly spread messages in an attempt to influence what people believed and how they behaved. In 2016, Psy-Group held discussions with the Trump campaign and others about conducting covert "influence" operations to benefit the candidate. Psy-Group's founder and C.E.O., Royi Burstien, a veteran Israeli intelligence officer who established the firm in 2014, told me that his talks with the Trump campaign went nowhere. The company's posturing, however, attracted the attention of Robert Mueller, the special

counsel, who has been investigating interference in the 2016 Presidential race.'

Silicon Valley oligarchs have over 100 different Psy-Group type attack services to choose from!

FED BOMBSHELL: Fusion GPS Bribed Dozens of MSM Journalists With Cash To Run Character Assassinations, While News Companies Paid Firm to Dig Dirt on Trump

High-ranking FBI insiders are pulling back the curtain on Fusion GPS, the firm that commissioned and spread the bogus Trump dossier.

It appears the embattled intelligence firm was quite busy paying off Big Media reporters, according to federal sources who have traced dozens of transactions between TD Bank and media members as well as media organizations, sources confirm.

But stunningly, Big Media organizations have employed Fusion GPS to dig dirt on politicians and D.C.'s elite — namely Donald Trump.

"Fusion GPS was on the payroll of the media and in turn had members of the media on its payroll," one FBI insider said.

Bombshell revelations.

FBI insiders confirm Fusion GPS employed law firms as well as shell companies to send and receive funds to and from media

and reporters. But the embattled firm also used its accounts at TD Bank to directly commission reporters. Likewise, Fusion GPS received funds from media companies into its own accounts at TD Bank, FBI insiders said,

"There are dozens of payments from the media flowing into their (Fusion GPS') account," one federal law enforcement official said. "One company wired funds to Fusion (GPS) more than a dozen times."

Why would media companies commission Fusion GPS? Likely to dig dirt on enemies or secure records that reporters could not legally obtain, one federal law enforcement insider said. One FBI insider said the payments to Fusion GPS coincide with Donald Trump's run for the White House.

The payments were made between Sept. 2015 and Sept. 2017, records show.

The unthinkable: The mainstream media paying Fusion GPS for dirt on Trump to the same firm the Democratic National Committee paid to fund the bogus Trump dossier. And at the same time Fusion GPS bribing journalists to place stories — likely negative about Trump, as well as spread the bogus Trump dossier around.

Stunning.

Was Buzzfeed — the only company to publish the full bogus dossier — on that list?

And who is on the payroll? We are trying to run that information

down.

And why aren't these people behind bars?

The California DMV Is Making \$50M a Year Selling Drivers' Personal Information To Your Enemies

A document obtained by Motherboard shows how DMVs sell people's names, addresses, and other personal information to generate revenue.

by Joseph Cox

Image: Mark Boster/Los Angeles Times via Getty Images

The California Department of Motor Vehicles is generating revenue of \$50,000,000 a year through selling drivers' personal information, according to a DMV document obtained by Motherboard.

DMVs across the country are selling data that drivers are required to provide to the organization in order to obtain a license. This information includes names, physical addresses, and car registration information. California's sales come from a state which generally <u>scrutinizes privacy to a higher degree</u> than the rest of the country.

In a public record acts request, Motherboard asked the California DMV for the total dollar amounts paid by commercial requesters of data for the past six years. The responsive document shows the total revenue in financial year 2013/14 as \$41,562,735, before steadily climbing to \$52,048,236 in the financial year 2017/18.

The document doesn't name the commercial requesters, but some specific companies appeared frequently in Motherboard's earlier investigation that looked at DMVs across the country. They included data broker LexisNexis and consumer credit reporting agency Experian. Motherboard also found DMVs sold information to private investigators, including those who are hired to find out if a spouse is cheating. It is unclear if the California DMV has recently sold data to these sorts of entities.

California-dmv-document
A screenshot of the DMV document obtained by Motherboard.
Image: Motherboard.

In an email to Motherboard, the California DMV said that requesters may also include insurance companies, vehicle manufacturers, and prospective employers.

Asked if the sale of this data was essential to the DMV, Marty Greenstein, public information officer at the California DMV, wrote that its sale furthers objectives related to highway and public safety, "including availability of insurance, risk assessment, vehicle safety recalls, traffic studies, emissions research, background checks, and for pre- and existing employment purposes."

"The DMV takes its obligation to protect personal information very seriously. Information is only released pursuant to legislative direction, and the DMV continues to review its release practices to ensure information is only released to authorized persons/entities and only for authorized purposes. The DMV also audits requesters to ensure proper audit logs are maintained and that employees are trained in the protection of DMV

information and anyone having access to this information sign a security document," Greenstein wrote.

Do you know anything else about data selling? We'd love to hear from you. Using a non-work phone or computer, you can contact Joseph Cox securely on Signal on +44 20 8133 5190, Wickr on josephcox, OTR chat on jfcox@jabber.ccc.de, or email joseph.cox@vice.com.

Multiple other DMVs around the U.S. <u>previously confirmed to</u> <u>Motherboard</u> that they have cut-off data access for some commercial requesters after they abused the data.

One of the main pieces of legislation that governs the sale of DMV data stemmed from a case in California. Lawmakers introduced the Driver's Privacy Protection Act (DPPA) in 1994 after a private investigator hired by a stalker obtained the address of actress Rebecca Schaeffer from the DMV. The stalker went on to kill Schaeffer. The DPPA was designed to restrict access to DMV data, but included a wide array of exemptions, including for private investigators.

After Motherboard's earlier investigation, <u>senators and digital</u> <u>privacy experts criticized</u> the sale of DMV data, and some said the law should be changed. Senator and Democratic Presidential candidate Bernie Sanders <u>said DMVs should not profit from such information</u>.

What Is Opposition Research? Understanding the Dirty Tactics Used By Obama ...

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Opposition research is one tactic used by political campaigns, but one that didn't come to prominence until the latter half of the twentieth century. One of the most infamous examples of **opposition research** came during the Nixon administration.

Opposition research: When is the right time for a campaign to ...

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Releasing opposition research on opponents can make some donors think twice about who they will support especially if what you have on an opponent is quite damaging to their campaign.

<u>Democrats' opposition research got</u> <u>exposed — this time, not ...</u>

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Russian government hackers penetrated the computer network of the Democratic National Committee and gained access to the entire database of **opposition research** on GOP presidential candidate Donald ...

<u>Section 1. Overview of Opposition Tactics:</u> <u>Recognizing the ...</u>

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Russian Government Hackers Penetrated DNC, Stole Opposition ...

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Opposition Research | Definition of Opposition Research by Lexico

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<u>Here's the leaked opposition research</u> <u>document on Donald ...</u>

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Here's the leaked **opposition research** document on Donald Trump that's circulating the web The document calls Trump a "liar" and someone who is "loyal only to himself." By Dawn ...

An Introduction To The Dark Arts Of Opposition Research That DNC Execs Use ...

< <u>https://fivethirtyeight.com/features/an-introduction-to-the-dark-arts-of-opposition-research/</u>

An Introduction To The Dark Arts Of **Opposition Research**. That industry once aimed to stay out of the spotlight but now finds itself at center stage. Amid swirling questions and investigations into how campaigns obtain negative information on their opponents, recent reports on organizations linked to both Democrats and Republicans in 2016 have drawn attention and criticism.

The party is now publicly attacking progressive ...

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The Democratic party is now publicly attacking progressive candidates. Finally, there is the deeper concern that Moser is too liberal for Texas's 7th district. Perhaps so. But in fearing that Moser's progressive platform and rejection of Trump's politics of constitutional demolition render her unelectable, it is the DCCC...

The DNC's Facebook used oppositionresearch firm to link political critics to ...

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Attack ad - Wikipedia

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In political campaigns, an attack ad is an advertisement whose message is designed to wage a personal attack against an opposing candidate or political party in order to gain support for the attacking candidate and attract voters. Attack ads often form part of negative campaigning or smear campaigns, and in large or well-financed campaigns, may be disseminated via mass media. An attack ad will generally unfairly criticize an opponent's political platform, usually by pointing out its faults.

THE SPIES THAT POLITICIANS AND OLIGARCHS HIRE TO END YOUR LIFE - "THEY SENT THEM AFTER ME!"

- Stella Penn Pechanac worked for a Mossad-linked Israeli intelligence company
- Weinstein hired the firm just months before sexual allegations ruined his career
- But Stella told the actress she was executive at London asset management firm

By Adam Luck And Ben Lazarus For The Mail On Sunday

With her long blonde hair, catwalk figure and dazzling smile, it's easy to believe that Stella Penn Pechanac could have been one of the victims of disgraced Hollywood mogul Harvey Weinstein.

Indeed, that's exactly what she told New York Magazine writer Ben Wallace when she introduced herself as 'Anna' with another terrible story about the influential producer.

However, with his journalist's instinct, Wallace smelled a rat.

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This was 2016, well before the #MeToo scandal emerged, and even Wallace's colleagues had no idea he was investigating claims of sexual harassment against Weinstein.

When they met for coffee, 'Anna' confided she had had an affair with Weinstein that had ended badly.

But there was something about her story that didn't quite ring true. She seemed far more concerned, in fact, with asking questions about other Weinstein victims than her own story.

Call it paranoia, but Wallace had a sneaking suspicion she was recording him.

However, Rose McGowan, the actress who first accused Weinstein of rape, was rather more easily fooled.

Stella's plausible manner and hard-to-place European accent convinced the actress that she was Diana Filip, an executive from London asset management firm Reuben Capital Partners, who wanted to invite McGowan to speak at a gala dinner.

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Over the course of several months, 'Diana' inveigled her way into the Scream star's life. Whether McGowan was in California or New York, Diana always seemed to be conveniently nearby.

They met for long walks, drinks and girls' nights out. McGowan even told her 'there was no one else in the world she could trust'.

But it was all a con. Just like Anna, Diana was merely a cover dreamed up by Stella, a spy working for the infamous Mossadlinked Israeli intelligence company Black Cube.

Weinstein had hired the firm in the months before his career and reputation were ruined by a welter of sexual allegations.

An extraordinary contract, dated July 11, 2017, between the mogul's lawyers and the British arm of the Israeli firm show that Weinstein had tasked Black Cube with two primary objectives: to 'provide intelligence which will help the Client's efforts to completely stop the publication of a new, negative article in a leading NY newspaper', and to 'obtain additional content of a book which is currently being written and which includes harmful negative information on and about the Client'.

To achieve this, Black Cube promised a dedicated team. As part of the operation, codenamed Parachute, the organisation

introduced Stella to Weinstein.

Her main objective was to befriend McGowan, obtain a draft of her memoir – and discredit it. And she was tasked with finding out about and blocking other allegations about Weinstein – just like the stories Ben Wallace was working on.

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In late 2017, Weinstein met three Black Cube operatives in the back room of a New York restaurant. There, one of the agents told Weinstein 'we got something good for you'.

After a short pause, a woman with long blonde hair and high cheekbones stepped forward and introduced herself as Anna.

She read passages from McGowan's upcoming book. Listening in a state of shock, Weinstein muttered repeatedly: 'Oh my God.'

Today, Stella Penn Pechanac has left her lucrative job at Black Cube and claims to have turned her back on the murky world of espionage. She is pregnant with her second child and, in an exclusive interview with The Mail on Sunday, has agreed to lay bare her extraordinary and disturbing double life as an agent for hire.

It is clear from the first moment that Stella is ideal spy material. She comes across as open, engaging and honest, with an unwavering gaze and a seemingly puncture-proof self-confidence.

The first thing she wants to make clear is that she was never involved in any honeytraps.

'I was never a Bond girl,' she insists.

'I was James.'

So how did she come to be a central figure in the most explosive scandal ever to grip Hollywood?

'I acted for years, I spoke five languages, and I travelled a lot,' she says.

'They approached me.'

If that seems unlikely, consider that Black Cube was set up by former Israeli intelligence officers in 2010 and is known for – and trades on – its links with the feared Mossad intelligence service.

Consider also that Stella's fractured background could have been dreamed up by John le Carré: she was born in Sarajevo into a

mixed Muslim/Orthodox Christian family that had sheltered Jewish Yugoslavs during the Holocaust. Her grandfather perished in a concentration camp.

Her family converted to Judaism and escaped the bloody Balkans civil war in 1994 and Stella volunteered for the Israeli Defence Force as soon as she turned 18, rising to lieutenant in the air force.

She graduated from an elite Israeli university and went to drama school before joining Black Cube. Although there appear to be puzzling gaps in her CV, she doesn't admit to any previous intelligence training.

However, she did divulge it was the ex-Israeli premier Ehud Barak who put Weinstein's lawyers in touch with the firm.

'The company received the project, examined it, found it legitimate,' Stella says.

'Weinstein was respected, everyone wanted to work for him, with him. We had this new project, it was like a big deal, a huge client coming in. He was facing serious allegations, and there were suspicions there was a negative campaign against him.

'I've worked on cases like this before so it was just another of those, a commercial negative campaign but on a much bigger scale because of Weinstein.'

Stella, 36, is eager to stress that Black Cube field agents usually do not meet the clients, but in this case Weinstein insisted on seeing her face-to-face. The initial meeting, she says, gave her a rare insight into the disgraced titan.

'He was 100 per cent sure people were out to get him,' she says.

'So when I met him, contrary to the huge reputation he had – how powerful, strong, dominant he had been portrayed – he was vulnerable.

'He was saying, 'Someone out there is trying to get me, I need your help and everything they are saying is a bunch of lies. I have never done anything that is not consensual. Someone is trying to ruin me, my business, my family and I need to find out who that is."

Weinstein must have been happy with the meeting and the material Stella and her team subsequently produced. The former head of Miramax went on to spend more than £1million with Black Cube to protect his reputation.

Stella sees her efforts as a professional job aimed at protecting her client. Some of those at the other end of Black Cube's techniques, however, describe a sinister and complex web designed to ensnare and cripple those fighting him.

Key witnesses have had their reputations badly damaged since the Weinstein allegations first surfaced, while journalists working on the story have been intimidated.

Ronan Farrow, the writer who broke the Weinstein story, details in his book Catch And Kill how the 67-year-old mogul's intimidation tactics left him so frightened that friends advised him to buy a gun.

He was so certain his calls and emails were being monitored he took to communicating with an encrypted messaging app and

only connected to the internet through anonymous wi-fi hotspots.

Farrow was so worried that he asked a rival Israeli spy firm what to do if he was being followed by a Black Cube operative. The man replied: 'Just start running.'

The campaign certainly seems to have been successful. Several high-profile cases against Weinstein, including those by actress Ashley Judd and Hollywood producer Lucia Evans, have been struck out.

Weinstein's legal team, led by Donna Rotunno, nicknamed the Bulldog, are confident of getting their client off when his trial on five counts of sexual assault and rape begins on January 6.

Faced with the prospect of potentially spending the rest of his life behind bars, it is no surprise Weinstein turned to Black Cube to save him. But just how does it operate?

Stella explains that every mission begins with a team brainstorming session, but that the field operative always has the final say.

'You are involved in the think-tank process. No one is going to tell you to be a brain surgeon if you cannot hold that cover,' she adds.

'The team builds the operation and does the analysis and research, and the psychologists build the psychological profile of the person you are supposed to meet.

'Then they bring in the agent, present them with different options and see what works best.'

Recalling her approach to Rose McGowan using the identity Diana Filip, Stella says: 'At that point it was just another cover. It has to be really in-depth, you have to know the role really well and the character really well. Essentially it is all just theatre, right?'

The former agent does not appear to recognise that her approach may have been immoral.

Indeed, during a two-hour interview, Stella only betrays her discomfort once and that is when she is asked what she would think of someone approaching her daughter in the same manner that she approached McGowan.

After a jarringly long pause, the former field agent calmly recovers her equilibrium and says: 'You are not meeting them in order to do anything wrong or harmful to them... in 99 per cent of projects I reveal the bad guys.'

When asked whether this was true in the Weinstein case, she confidently replies: 'Me talking to someone is not harmful. I am just extracting information.'

McGowan, however, was distraught to discover that a woman she regarded as a friend was actually an agent working for Weinstein.

'Everyone lied to me all the time,' she said later.

'I've lived inside a mirrored fun house.' She is now suing Weinstein and Black Cube over what she describes as an attempt to smear and defraud her. So was Stella acting during her 'friendship' with the actress? 'In a lot of aspects we are very much alike, so the connections were very real,' she says, seemingly unable to comprehend why her actions would appear distasteful to most people.

'In a parallel universe, in a different dimension, in different circumstances, we really could have been friends because although the circumstances were... a lie... the human aspect was very authentic.'

Stella claims that her traumatic childhood in war-torn Sarajevo gave her the ability to have empathy for her targets like McGowan.

'The only way I can get to people and get into their heads is by empathy and you cannot fake that. The empathy is real even if the circumstances are tricky.'

But no matter how many mental blocks she has put up to rid herself of any feelings of guilt, there is no doubt her actions with McGowan were truly questionable. And she was not the only one in the Black Cube cast of actors.

Briton Seth Freedman, a one-time Guardian journalist and a former equities broker, who spent time in the Israel Defence Forces, told The Mail on Sunday that he, too, was tasked with 'finding out who was talking to the press'.

Freedman had some success with McGowan. He used the cover story of being a journalist working on an article about Hollywood to convince McGowan's literary agent to encourage the star to speak to him.

There followed a 75-minute call in which she believed she was talking to a concerned British journalist and revealed information about her accusations against Weinstein.

Freedman denies he was involved in any black ops against Weinstein's victims.

'The line that is always used is Black Cube are hired to investigate, harass and silence victims,' he says. 'I wasn't hired to do any of these things.'

Just like Stella, Freedman was unmasked by Farrow and no longer works for Black Cube.

Stella claims she left the firm in June for personal reasons.

'Being a mother changed my priorities, the risk assessment, everything,' she says.

'You cannot do the job with small children. The universe sends you clues and that was mine.'

So what would she say to McGowan today?

'I think she is very brave, very strong, and I am very supportive of what she was doing,' she says, smiling.

'I am sorry if she ever felt betrayed or hurt by anything that I had to do. I am sorry that I was another person in her life that was there under false pretences. My goal was never to hurt her.'

As with everything she says over the course of the interview, it is impossible to tell whether the trained spy is lying or not.

Regardless, it is perhaps a little too late for apologies.

Mr Weinstein's attorneys said in a statement: 'Mr. Weinstein had a right to examine any claims against him to attempt to prove they were false, as anyone facing false allegations would do.

'The firm is a recognized investigative agency that was referred by the largest law firm in the world devoted solely to business litigation and arbitration. In addition, the research that was done was more comprehensive than so much of the fiction dreamed up for [Ronan Farrow's] book.'