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What follows are notes I typed in the vehicle immediately upon exiting Trump Tower on 1/6/17. Although I wrote this less than five minutes after the meeting and have tried to use actual words spoken, including quoting directly in some places, I have not used quotation marks throughout because my purpose was to capture the substance of what was said. I am not sure of the proper classification here so have chosen SECRET. Please let me know if it should be higher or lower than that.

Notes begin here:

1.4)(c) During my briefing on the [REDACTED] material in the main body of the meeting, I mentioned the derog files on [REDACTED]

1.4)(c) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I said we were doing that.

At the conclusion of our session, the COS asked whether there is anything we haven't mentioned that they should know or that might come out. I said there was something that Clapper wanted me to speak to the PE about alone or in a very small group. COS asked whether the group of COS, VPE, and PE was okay or whether I wanted to be alone. I told him it was up to the PE, who quickly said that he and I would meet alone.

After others left the room, we sat at the table. He began by telling me that I had had one heck of a year but that I had conducted myself honorably and had a great reputation. He said I was repeatedly put in impossible positions. He said you saved her and then they hated you for what you did later, but what choice did you have? He said he thought very highly of me and looked forward to working with me, saying he hoped I planned to stay on. I assured him I intended to stay. He said good.

I then executed the session exactly as I had planned. I told him that I wanted to meet with him to tell him more about

1.4)(c) that is in the reports written by [REDACTED] (although I didn't use that name). I said that the written reports

1.4)(c) themselves were [REDACTED] and the content known at IC senior level and that I didn't want him caught cold by some of the detail. I then explained that the [REDACTED]

1.4)(c) [REDACTED]

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