

Person, Anne Marie

03 Dec 2014 13:49:59

To: Chung, Kathy, Chung, Kathy

Cc:

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Master DE Holiday Party List

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Muldoon, Anne P. EOP/OVP

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Ruffner, Richard B. EOP/OVP

24 Oct 2016 13:25:50

To: Turk, Joseph, Turk, Joseph

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Holiday Card List Cleanup Project

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Additional Information:

Hakim, Neema

Wed, 09 Dec 2015 07:11:54 -0500

To: DL-WHO-Press, Allen, Jessica, Ambriz, Andrea, Amuluru, Uma, Aniskoff, Paulette, Bartoloni, Kristen, Bedingfield, Kate, Bitar, Maher, Bray, Leah, Brocato, Rebecca, Brookie, Graham, Brooks, Jordan A., Brown, Jamal, Canegallo, Kristie A., Carson, Crystal, Click, John, Coates, Kelsey, Cohen, Ilona, Dickinson, Tammy, DMCOS, Earnest, Joshua R., Etienne, Ashley, George, Beth, Gianotti, Claire, Goodman, Meghan, Hankins, Hannah R., Hass, Ryan, Helfetz, David, Heinzelman, Kate, Ismail, Lori, Jacob, Susannah, Jencks, Fae, Jimenez, Luis A., Keenan, Cody, Kreikemeier, Chad, Lachman, Jonathan S., Lang, Kimberly C., Lee, Jesse C., Lempert, Yael, Loeb, Emily, Lopez, Rafael, MacFarquhar, Rory, Meservie, Justin R., Moussavian, Roxana, Newman, David, Nosanchuk, Matt, Olorunnipa, Funmi, Ortiz, Michael, Pelofsky, Eric, Pietrantoni, Kelsey, Platkin, Alex, Pollack, Joshua, Prescott, Jeffrey, Prescott1, Jeffrey M., Price, Ryan, Quillian, Natalie, Quinn, Katy, Rangarajan, Taara, Ratner, Jeffrey, Reddy, Vinay, Rhodes, Benjamin J., Rice, Susan, Rodriguez, Julie, Rogers, Melissa, Rudman, Amanda, Russo, Bill, Schwartz, Noah, Scott, Karen, Sidhu, Dilpreet, Sisson, Donald, Stolz, Rick, Strickler, Adam, Szuplat, Terry, Tess, Caroline, Velz, Peter, Wagstaff, Jessica, Walsh, James, Wang, Jenny, Withers, Anne, Young, Kimberly, Zaid, Zaid, caroline_e_adler_target@who.eop.gov, joseph_b_philipson_intern@who.eop.gov, "Jimenez, Luis A., Lempert, Yael, DL-WHO-Press, Strickler, Adam, zey_m_karlin-neumann@nsc.eop.gov, martin_p_paone@who.eop.gov, jennifer_r_psaki_target@who.eop.gov, "Quillian, Natalie, frank_j_benenati@who.eop.gov, "Meservie, Justin R., Brown, Jamal, ashley_e_kenan@whf.eop.gov, "Bedingfield, Kate, cory_a_pollard_target@who.eop.gov, jennifer_b_friedman@who.eop.gov, anita_breckenridge_target@who.eop.gov, alexander_b_wall@who.eop.gov, "Gianotti, Claire (Intern), Brookie, Graham, lisa_o_monaco_target@who.eop.gov, kori_s_schulman_target@who.eop.gov, ross_d_edelman@who.eop.gov, 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Joe Biden, His Son and the Case Against a Ukrainian Oligarch

By JAMES RISENDEC. 8, 2015

WASHINGTON — When Vice President Joseph R. Biden Jr. traveled to Kiev, Ukraine, on Sunday for a series of meetings with the country's leaders, one of the issues on his agenda was to encourage a more aggressive fight against Ukraine's rampant corruption and stronger efforts to rein in the power of its oligarchs.

But the credibility of the vice president's anticorruption message may have been undermined by the association of his son, Hunter Biden, with one of Ukraine's largest natural gas companies, Burisma Holdings, and with its owner, Mykola Zlochevsky, who was Ukraine's ecology minister under former President Viktor F. Yanukovich before he was forced into exile.

Hunter Biden, 45, a former Washington lobbyist, joined the Burisma board in April 2014. That month, as part of an investigation into money laundering, British officials froze London bank accounts containing \$23 million that allegedly belonged to Mr. Zlochevsky.

Britain's Serious Fraud Office, an independent government agency, specifically forbade Mr. Zlochevsky, as well as Burisma Holdings, the company's chief legal officer and another company owned by Mr. Zlochevsky, to have any access to the accounts.

But after Ukrainian prosecutors refused to provide documents needed in the investigation, a British court in January ordered the Serious Fraud Office to unfreeze the assets. The refusal by the Ukrainian prosecutor general's office to cooperate was the target of a stinging attack by the American ambassador to Ukraine, Geoffrey R. Pyatt, who called out Burisma's owner by name in a speech in September.

"In the case of former Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, the U.K. authorities had seized \$23 million in illicit assets that belonged to the Ukrainian people," Mr. Pyatt said. Officials at the prosecutor general's office, he added, were asked by the United Kingdom "to send documents supporting the seizure. Instead they sent letters to Zlochevsky's attorneys attesting that there was no case against him. As a result, the money was freed by the U.K. court, and shortly thereafter the money was moved to Cyprus."

Mr. Pyatt went on to call for an investigation into "the misconduct" of the prosecutors who wrote the letters. In his speech, the ambassador did not mention Hunter Biden's connection to Burisma.

But Edward C. Chow, who follows Ukrainian policy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the involvement of the vice president's son with Mr. Zlochevsky's firm undermined the Obama administration's anticorruption message in Ukraine.

"Now you look at the Hunter Biden situation, and on the one hand you can credit the father for sending the anticorruption message," Mr. Chow said. "But I think unfortunately it sends the message that a lot of foreign countries want to believe about America, that we are hypocritical about these issues."

Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for the vice president, said Hunter Biden's business dealings had no impact on his father's policy positions in connection with Ukraine.

"Hunter Biden is a private citizen and a lawyer," she said. "The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company. The vice president has pushed aggressively for years, both publicly with groups like the U.S.-Ukraine Business Forum and privately in meetings with Ukrainian leaders, for Ukraine to make every effort to investigate and prosecute corruption in accordance with the rule of law. It will once again be a key focus during his trip this week."

Ryan F. Toohey, a Burisma spokesman, said that Hunter Biden would not comment for this article.

It is not known how Mr. Biden came to the attention of the company. Announcing his appointment to the board, Alan Apter, a former Morgan Stanley investment banker who is chairman of Burisma, said, "The company's strategy is aimed at the strongest concentration of professional staff and the introduction of best corporate practices, and we're delighted that Mr. Biden is joining us to help us achieve these goals."

Joining the board at the same time was one of Mr. Biden's American business partners, Devon Archer. Both are involved with Rosemont Seneca Partners, an American investment firm with offices in Washington.

Mr. Biden is the younger of the vice president's two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter Biden attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. Biden also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James Biden, the vice president's brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the Bidens and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. Biden, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was "not out of the ordinary" for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, "Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped."

In response to Mr. Pyatt's criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky's case, Mr. Toohey said that "strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine."

Vice President Biden has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week's visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

Ms. Bedingfield said Hunter Biden had never traveled to Ukraine with his father. She also said that Ukrainian officials had never mentioned Hunter Biden's role with Burisma to the vice president during any of his visits.

"I've got to believe that somebody in the vice president's office has done some due diligence on this," said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. "I should say that I hope that has happened. I would hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message."

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Williams, Ashley

19 Nov 2013 18:13:40

To: Bernal, Anthony R., Bernal, Anthony R.

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Ramos, Paola

30 Nov 2012 00:10:51

To: Williams, Ashley, Clark-Bauserman, Deborah, Williams, Ashley, >, "Clark-Bauserman, Deborah
Cc: Timko, Rachel, Slade, Amanda (Intern), Timko, Rachel, > (Intern), "Slade, Amanda (Intern)
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To: Russell, Catherine M., Elizondo, Carlos E., Borrin, Danielle, Borrin, Danielle, Russell, Catherine M., Elizondo, Carlos E.

Cc: Clark-Bauserman, Deborah, Ramos, Paola, Slade, Amanda (Intern), Timko, Rachel, Timko, Rachel, Ramos, Paola,

Clark-Bauserman, Deborah, Slade, Amanda (Intern)

120912 Delaware Registration Report

Attachments: [120912 Delaware Registration Report.xlsx](#) (60.4 KB)

Hi!

Attached is the Delaware Registration Report!

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	341
ACCEPTS	145
REGRETS	57
NO RESPONSES	139
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	284
TIMESTAMP	12/4/2012 20:50

Thanks!

Ash

As of 120112**ACCEPTS:**

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION/ORGANIZATION	INVITATION S
BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES
B DEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS
Ashton	Bill		REGRETS
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	NO RESPONSES
Beers	Sydney		ATTENDS
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	UNKNOWN GUESTS
Bross	Eric		TOTAL POSSIBLE
Bross	Anna		TIMESTAMP
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff	
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice	
Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Katrina	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Laura	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Matos	Maria	Executive Director/ Latin American Community Center	
Rodriguez	Sindy		
Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Meyers	William		
Meyers	Christine		
Micallef	Joe		
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden	
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco	
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse	
Oberly	Charlie		
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly	
OBrien	Dennis		
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien	
Sloan	Gilbert		
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Woodfin	Jane		UNKNOWN GUESTS
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Beers	Sydney		
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Bross	Eric		
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Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	William		
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Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
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Rodriguez	Sindy		
Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Meyers	William		
Meyers	Christine		

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Micallef	Joe	
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
OBrien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Storino	Donnie	
Storino	Lacy	
Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors

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Mrs. Marilyn Freeh
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Tara Quinn
Mr. Shawn Garvin
Ms. Tonya Garvin
Mrs. Staci Gatti
Mr. Peter Gatti
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Mrs. Sissy (Sylvia) Harris
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Mrs. Jan Hartman (Family)
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Mr. John Hynansky
Ms. Kelly Jacobs
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Mr. Wayne Kimmel
Mrs. Kimberly Kimmel
Mr. Peter Kraus
Mrs. Lisa Kraus
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Mr. Samuel Lathem
Jean Lathem
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Mr. William Levin
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Mrs. Stephanie LiGuori
Ms. Norma Long
Leo Long
Mr. Andy Lubin
Ms. Sarah Lubin
James MacGilvray

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Mrs. Katherine Murray
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Marcia Quillen
Mr. Wade Randlett
Mrs. Lorna Randlett
Erica Razze
David Richter
Michelle Richter
Irvin Richter
Ann Marie Richter
Ron Rubin
Mrs. Marcia Rubin
Ms. Kristina Ruggerio
Christopher Savage
Ms. Kathleen Savage
Mrs. Laura Scanlan
Mr. Bernard Schwartz
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Peter Schwartzkopf
Carol Schwartzkopf
Mr. Eric Schwerin
Fred Sears

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Joel Secundy
Mrs. Liz Secundy
Kevin Smith
Jeanie Smith
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Stephen Smith
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Ms. Kim Snow (Family)
Dr. Lynn Snyder-Mackler
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Mrs. Felicia Weitz
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Mrs. Shayne Williams
Harry L. Williams
Mrs. Robin Williams
Mr. John Williams, Jr.
Mrs. Sheridan Williams
Mr. Mark Zwonitzer
Ms. Geraldine Hirshey

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Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB	
Bove	Beverly		
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove	
Bross	Eric		
Bross	Anna		
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes	
Christopher	Athena		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
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Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
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Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Eckstrand	Phillip		
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation	
Freeh	Marilyn		
Garvin	Shawn	/	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative	
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring	
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Grier	Betty		
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Herlinsky	Victory		

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Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	/
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	/
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	
LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
Magarik	Molly	Beau Biden State Political Director
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Murray	Katherine	Spouse of Tim Murray
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O'Brien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
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Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
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Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Smith	Michele	
Smith	Stephen	
Snyder-Mackie	Lynn	Alumni Distinguished Professor, Department of Physical Therapy/ University of C
Stewart	Anthony	
Clayton	Roberta	
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Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors
Savage	Kathleen	Guest of JTB/ Hallie Biden

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Muldoon, Anne P. EOP/OVP

02 Dec 2015 17:28:04

To: Suber, Kellen, Elizondo, Carlos E., Suber, Kellen C., >, "Elizondo, Carlos E.

Cc:

Bcc:

FW: Mary McDonough

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Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Person, Anne Marie

03 Dec 2014 00:43:59

To: Elizondo, Carlos E., Suber, Kellen, Bernal, Anthony R., Nix, Sheila, Suber, Kellen C., >, "Nix, Sheila, >", "Bernal, Anthony R., >", "Elizondo, Carlos E.

Cc: Ruffner, Richard, Ruffner, Richard

Bcc:

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P6,b(6),P5

Notes:

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Additional Information:

Muldoon, Anne P. EOP/OVP

03 Dec 2015 16:51:14

To: Mackler, Alexander, Chung, Kathy, Mackler, Alexander, >, "Chung, Kathy

Cc:

Bcc:

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Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Lamberson, Nicole E.

03 Jun 2010 21:08:17

To: Jones, Kristin T., Jones, Kristin T.

Cc: Murtha, Katherine, Murtha, Katherine

Bcc: Jones, Kristin T., >, "Murtha, Katherine

RE: VP Vetting Drive Access

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Reasons for Withholding:

P6,b(6),P5

Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Williams, Ashley

24 Jun 2013 17:48:01

To: Gerrard, Laura (Intern), Gerrard, Laura (Intern)

Cc:

Bcc:

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P5,P6,b(3),b(6),P3

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Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Muldoon, Anne P. EOP/OVP

01 Dec 2015 21:55:11

To: Elizondo, Carlos E., Suber, Kellen, Suber, Kellen C., >, "Elizondo, Carlos E.

Cc: Bernal, Anthony R., Ruffner, Richard, Ruffner, Richard, >, "Bernal, Anthony R.

Bcc:

Most Updated DE List

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Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Suber, Kellen

24 Nov 2014 18:20:35

To: Person, Anne Marie, Person, Anne

Cc:

Bcc:

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Releasability: Withheld In Full

Reasons for Withholding:

P6,P5,b(6)

Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

[personal email address]

02 Oct 2009 21:07:59

To: [personal email addresses]

Cc:

Bcc: Bailey, Kevin, >, "Person, Fran, >, "Ryan, Evan M., >, "smtp:Elisabeth.Hire@ovp.eop.gov

[personal information]

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Reasons for Withholding:

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Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Suber, Kellen

25 Nov 2014 16:24:35

To: Levenson, Yoni (Intern), Levenson, Jonathan (Intern)

Cc: Elizondo, Carlos E., Elizondo, Carlos E.

Bcc:

FW: DE List Questions - from Anthony

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Reasons for Withholding:

P6,P5,b(6)

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Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

"shailagh murray" [personal email address]

03 May 2012 14:29:06

To: smurray@ovp.eop.gov

Cc:

Bcc:

[personal information]

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Releasability: Withheld In Full

Reasons for Withholding:

PRM

Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Williams, Ashley

Fri, 07 Dec 2012 11:18:36 -0500

To: Bernal, Anthony R., Bernal, Anthony R.

DE Registration Report

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Rodriguez	Sindy		
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Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Meyers	William		
Meyers	Christine		
Micallef	Joe		
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden	
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco	
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse	
Oberly	Charlie		
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly	
OBrien	Dennis		
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien	
Sloan	Gilbert		
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI	
Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors	

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LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION/ORGANIZATION	INVITATION S
BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES
B DEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS
Ashton	Bill		REGRETS
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	NO RESPONSES
Bachula	Gary		ATTENDS
Woodfin	Jane		UNKNOWN GUESTS
Beene	Kim		TOTAL POSSIBLE
Downing	Robin		TIMESTAMP
Beers	Sydney		
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	
Bross	Eric		
Bross	Anna		
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Hyman	Luke		
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB	
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff	
Kokjohn	Lynn		
Kokjohn	Tucker		
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice	
Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Katrina	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Laura	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Matos	Maria	Executive Director/ Latin American Community Center	
Rodriguez	Sindy		
Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Meyers	William		
Meyers	Christine		

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Micallef	Joe	
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Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
OBrien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Shields	Bob	
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BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES
B DEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS
Angelson	Mark		REGRETS
Angelson	Lynn		NO RESPONSES
Ashton	Bill		ATTENDS
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	UNKNOWN GUESTS
Bachula	Gary		TOTAL POSSIBLE
Woodfin	Jane		TIMESTAMP
Beene	Kim		
Downing	Robin		
Beers	Sydney		
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB	
Bove	Beverly		
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove	
Bross	Eric		
Bross	Anna		
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes	
Christopher	Athena		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
Christopher	Patricia		
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Eckstrand	Phillip		
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation	
Freeh	Marilyn		
Garvin	Shawn	/	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative	
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring	
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Grier	Betty		
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Herlinsky	Victory		

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Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	/
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	/
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	
LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
Magarik	Molly	Beau Biden State Political Director
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Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
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Mervine	Jay	
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Meyers	William	
Meyers	Christine	
Micallef	Joe	
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden
Monahan	Marilyn	VBO
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Murray	Tim	UD Archivist
Murray	Katherine	Spouse of Tim Murray
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
O'Brien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Olivero	Ronald	
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Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
Sears	JoAnn	
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Smith	Michele	
Smith	Stephen	
Snyder-Mackie	Lynn	Alumni Distinguished Professor, Department of Physical Therapy/ University of C
Stewart	Anthony	
Clayton	Roberta	
Storino	Donnie	
Storino	Lacy	
Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors
Savage	Kathleen	Guest of JTB/ Hallie Biden

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BIDEN	JOE	HOST
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Adler	David	
Adler	Michael	
Angelson	Mark	
Angelson	Lynn	
Ashton	Bill	
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB
Bachula	Gary	
Woodfin	Jane	
Beene	Kim	
Downing	Robin	
Beers	Sydney	
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB
Biden	Ashley	
Krein	Howard	
Biden, III	Beau	
Biden	Hallie	
Biden	Natalie	
Biden	Robert Hunter	
Biden	Caroline	
Staley	Eric	Boyfriend of Caroline Biden
Biden Owens	Valerie	
Owens	Jack	
Bove	Beverly	
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove
Bross	Eric	
Bross	Anna	
Buhle	Michael	
Buhle	Emily	
Butler	Dan	
Butler	Catherine	
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems
Carper	Tom	
Carper	Benjamin	
Carper	Martha	
Cowperthwait	Rebecca	Guest of Benjamin Carper
Champney	Joanna	
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes
Christopher	Athena	
Christopher	Katherine	
Christopher	William	
Christopher	Patricia	

Cooney	John	
Cooney	Barbara	
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)	
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB
Doody	Jim	
Eckstrand	Phillip	
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand
Evans	Tom	
Evans	Mary	
Frampton	Charles	
Frampton	Steven	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation
Freeh	Marilyn	
Frost	Melissa	
Garvin	Shawn	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring
Goodman	Lisa	
Fennell	Drew	
Grier	Betty	
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier
Haggerty	Margaret	
Haggerty	William	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse
Herlinsky	Victory	
Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Horsey	Bryan	
Horsey	April	
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Hynansky	John	
Hatzis	Thomas	
Jones	Laura	
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kimmel	Wayne	Managing Partner, SeventySix Capital
Kimmel	Kimberly	
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	

LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
Magarik	Molly	Beau Biden State Politcal Director
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Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
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INVITES	341
ACCEPTS	145
REGRETS	57
NO RESPONSES	139
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	284
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Notes:

contains information exempt from release under 10 USC 130b

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Ruffner, Richard B. II EOP/OVP

16 Nov 2015 21:02:32

To: Muldoon, Anne Marie, Person, Anne

Cc:

Bcc:

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Date created: Thu Feb 15 11:32:38 EST 2024

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Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Lamberson, Nicole E.

18 Dec 2009 21:42:17

To: Murtha, Katherine, Kelly, Allison K., Kelly, Allison K., >, "Murtha, Katherine

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Bcc: Murtha, Katherine, >, "Kelly, Allison K.

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Additional Information:

Bernal, Anthony R.

Fri, 07 Dec 2012 14:08:22 -0500

To: Ryan, Evan, Ryan, Evan

Fw: DE Registration Report

Attachments: [120912 Delaware Registration Report.xlsx.xlsx](#) (85.2 KB)

Sam Latham called asking if there was someone he might know to "ride down with" Is there anyone if this list that might be a natural for Sam?

From: Williams, Ashley

Sent: Friday, December 07, 2012 01:48 PM

To: Bernal, Anthony R.

Subject: FW: DE Registration Report

From: Williams, Ashley

Sent: Friday, December 07, 2012 11:19 AM

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BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES
B DEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS
Angelson	Mark		REGRETS
Angelson	Lynn		NO RESPONSES
Ashton	Bill		ATTENDS
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	UNKNOWN GUESTS
Bachula	Gary		TOTAL POSSIBLE
Woodfin	Jane		TIMESTAMP
Beene	Kim		
Downing	Robin		
Beers	Sydney		
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB	
Bove	Beverly		
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove	
Bross	Eric		
Bross	Anna		
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes	
Christopher	Athena		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
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Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Eckstrand	Phillip		
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation	
Freeh	Marilyn		
Garvin	Shawn	/	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative	
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring	
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Grier	Betty		
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Herlinsky	Victory		

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Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	/
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	/
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	
LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
Magarik	Molly	Beau Biden State Political Director
Magarik	Ian	
Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Katrina	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Laura	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Matos	Maria	Executive Director/ Latin American Community Center
Rodriguez	Sindy	
Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Mervine	Jay	
Mervine	Polly	
Meyers	William	
Meyers	Christine	
Micallef	Joe	
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden
Monahan	Marilyn	VBO
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Murray	Tim	UD Archivist
Murray	Katherine	Spouse of Tim Murray
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
O'Brien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Olivero	Ronald	
Olivero	Joan	
Razze	Erica	

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Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
Sears	JoAnn	
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Smith	Michele	
Smith	Stephen	
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Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors
Savage	Kathleen	Guest of JTB/ Hallie Biden

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BIDEN	JOE	HOST
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Adler	David	
Adler	Michael	
Angelson	Mark	
Angelson	Lynn	
Ashton	Bill	
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB
Bachula	Gary	
Woodfin	Jane	
Beene	Kim	
Downing	Robin	
Beers	Sydney	
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB
Biden	Ashley	
Krein	Howard	
Biden, III	Beau	
Biden	Hallie	
Biden	Natalie	
Biden	Robert Hunter	
Biden	Caroline	
Staley	Eric	Boyfriend of Caroline Biden
Biden Owens	Valerie	
Owens	Jack	
Bove	Beverly	
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove
Bross	Eric	
Bross	Anna	
Buhle	Michael	
Buhle	Emily	
Butler	Dan	
Butler	Catherine	
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems
Carper	Tom	
Carper	Benjamin	
Carper	Martha	
Cowperthwait	Rebecca	Guest of Benjamin Carper
Champney	Joanna	
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes
Christopher	Athena	
Christopher	Katherine	
Christopher	William	
Christopher	Patricia	

Cooney	John	
Cooney	Barbara	
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)	
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB
Doody	Jim	
Eckstrand	Phillip	
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand
Evans	Tom	
Evans	Mary	
Frampton	Charles	
Frampton	Steven	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation
Freeh	Marilyn	
Frost	Melissa	
Garvin	Shawn	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring
Goodman	Lisa	
Fennell	Drew	
Grier	Betty	
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier
Haggerty	Margaret	
Haggerty	William	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse
Herlinsky	Victory	
Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Horsey	Bryan	
Horsey	April	
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Hynansky	John	
Hatzis	Thomas	
Jones	Laura	
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kimmel	Wayne	Managing Partner, SeventySix Capital
Kimmel	Kimberly	
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
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Maron	Elizabeth	New Castle County Parliamentarian
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Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Olivere	Ronald	
Olivere	Joan	
Razze	Erica	
Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
Sears	JoAnn	
Secundy	Joel	
Secundy	Liz	
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI

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Smith	Stephen	
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Stewart	Anthony	
Clayton	Roberta	
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Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors
Savage	Kathleen	Guest of JTB/ Hallie Biden

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INVITES	341
ACCEPTS	145
REGRETS	57
NO RESPONSES	139
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	284
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Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Ruffner, Richard

16 Nov 2015 21:02:32

To: Muldoon, Anne Marie, Person, Anne

Cc:

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Notes:

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Additional Information:

Lamberson, Nicole E.

18 Dec 2009 21:42:17

To: Murtha, Katherine, Kelly, Allison K., Murtha, Katherine, >, "Kelly, Allison K.

Cc:

Bcc: Murtha, Katherine, >, "Kelly, Allison K.

Update Master

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Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Muldoon, Anne P. EOP/OVP

24 Nov 2015 19:29:23

To: Elizondo, Carlos E., Suber, Kellen, Suber, Kellen C., >, "Elizondo, Carlos E.

Cc:

Bcc:

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P5,b(6),P6

Notes:

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Additional Information:

Williams, Ashley

29 Nov 2012 21:11:39

To: Russell, Catherine M., Russell, Catherine M.

Cc:

Bcc:

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Additional Information:

Sent: Thu, 30 Oct 2014 09:47:14 -0400
From: "Levenson, Yoni (Intern)" <jonathan_n_levenson_intern@who.eop.gov>
To: "Ruffner, Richard" <richard_b_ruffner@ovp.eop.gov>, "Ruffner, Richard" </o=eop/ou=exchange administrative group /cn=recipients/cn=ruffner, richard b.7aa">
Subject: RE: Salesforce

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All the 2012 and 2013 holiday party lists (outside of Secret Service and including the one that didn't have "holiday" in the title) are attached.

Do you want me to log out of your account or is there anything else you wanted me to do while I'm on here? Thanks!

Yoni

From: Ruffner, Richard
Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2014 9:26 AM
To: Levenson, Yoni (Intern)
Subject: Salesforce

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Richard Ruffner
Office of Dr. Jill Biden | Office of the Vice President
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HOLIDAY RECEPTION (LOCAL) GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 17, 2013
6:30 PM

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Abeer Shokry

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INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	461
ACCEPTS	234
REGRETS	77
NO RESPONSES	148
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	384
TIMESTAMP	10/30/2014 9:44:04 AM

HOLIDAY RECEPTION (DE) GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 15, 2013
3:00 PM

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Mr. David Hudson
Mr. Luke Hudson

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Miss Natalie Biden (Family)

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INVITES	398
ACCEPTS	207
REGRETS	107
NO RESPONSES	84
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	291
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INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	279
ACCEPTS	209
REGRETS	65
NO RESPONSES	5
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	214
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INVITES	264
ACCEPTS	204
REGRETS	57
NO RESPONSES	3
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	207
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INVITES	208
ACCEPTS	187
REGRETS	14
NO RESPONSES	7
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	194
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INVITES	196
ACCEPTS	148
REGRETS	29
NO RESPONSES	19
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	167
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Ms. Shirley Henry
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Marilyn White

Mr. Lester Holt
Ms. Carol Hagen-Holt

Mr. Carl Hulse
Master Benjamin Hulse
Master Nicholas Hulse
Mrs. Kimberly Hulse

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Ms. Linda Jennings
Steven Jennings

Mr. Rick Klein
Max Klein
Jack Klein
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Mr. Jim Kuhnhen
Mr. Ethan Kuhnhen
Ms. Louise Reynolds
Mr. Dylan Kuhnhen

Ms. Anita Kumar
Mr. Ken Thomas

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Master Nicholas Landler
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Mr. Alexander Levy

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Randall Leath

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Mr. Tom Nides

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Caleb Murray

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Master Henry Tracy
Miss Grace Tracy
Mr. Geoff Tracy
Riley Tracy

Mr. Niall O'Dowd
Peggy Egan
Ms. Debbie McGoldrick
Miss Alana O'Dowd

Ms. Susan Page
Mr. Carl Leubsdorf

Ms. Christi Parsons
Miss Amanda Moser
Mr. Cody Moser
Melanie Gao

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Miss Catherine Preston

Master Conner Preston

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Ms. Courtney Roker

David Sanger

Ellin Agress

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Mr. Andrew Scarborough

Mr. Joey Scarborough

Miss Katherine Scarborough

Master John Scarborough

Mr. Jerry Seib

Barbara Rosewicz

Lucas Seib

Jacob Seib

Joseph Seib

Dr. Nancy Snyderman

Miss Kate Myers

Charlie Myers

Mr. Doug Myers

Miss Rachel Myers

Ms. Sandra Sobieraj

Mr. Franklin Westfall

Master Jonathan Westfall

Mr. Sam Stein
Ms. Jessica Leinwand

Mr. George Stephanopoulos
Elliott Stephanopoulos
Harper Stephanopoulos
Mrs. Alexandra Wentworth

Mr. Ken Strickland
Ms. Christina Hudson
Miss Eleanor Strickland
Master Marshall Strickland

Peggy Suntum
Jennifer Rothgeb

Mr. John Sweeney

Ms. Lynn Sweet
Rachel Taxman

Mr. Steven Thomma
Mrs. Denise Thomma

Mr. Glenn Thrush (WH PASS)
Mrs. Diane Thrush
Master Nathaniel Thrush
Master Charles Thrush

Mr. Chuck Todd
Mrs. Kristian Todd
Miss Margaret Todd
Master Harrison Todd

Ms. Kelly Wallace
Mr. Matthew Saal
Miss Hattie Saal
Miss Lily Saal

Mr. Bobby Whithorne (WH PASS)

Mr. Jeff Zeleny
James Courtovich

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	206
ACCEPTS	112
REGRETS	68
NO RESPONSES	26
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	138
TIMESTAMP	10/30/2014 9:41:11 AM

HOLIDAY RECEPTION (DNC #2) GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 12, 2013
4:30 PM

DR. BIDEN and VICE-PRESIDENT BIDEN

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Ms. Caroline Adler
Mr. Michael Morales

Mr. Edward Allen

Mr. Jeremy Alters

Mr. Robert Anderson
Ms. Nicole Miner

Mr. Peter Angelos*

Mr. John Atkinson
Mrs. Bonnie Atkinson

The Honorable (Ambassador) Elizabeth Bagley

Mr. Stewart Bainum*
Mrs. Sandy Bainum

Mr. Dilip Barot
Mr. Zhaohui Li
Mrs. Gopi Barot
Ms. Shama Barot

Ms. Suzanne Bartolucci

Mr. Bruce Bastian

Mr. Terry Bean

Mr. Georgia Berner

Ms. Megan Beyer
The Honorable Donald Beyer, Jr.

Mr. Andrew Binns

Mr. Joseph Blount

Aimee Boone

Ms. Tanya Bradsher
Mr. John Bradsher

Ms. Janice Brandt
Mr. Mark McInturff

Mr. William Brodsky
Mrs. Joan Brodsky

Mr. Rick Brooks

Russell Budd
Mrs. Dorothy Budd

Ms. Karen Burchard

Mr. David Burd
Ms. Kristen Pluchino

Mr. Dwight Bush
Mrs. Toni Bush

Dr. Wilfried Busse
Ms. Barbara Bainum

Mr. Ken Canfield
Ms. Shelley Senterfitt

Mr. Anthony Chase

Mr. Peter Chernin
Mrs. Megan Chernin

Ms. Cheryl Chisholm

Ms. Kasie Coccaro

Mr. David Cohen
Mrs. Rhonda Cohen

Ms. Nora Cohen (WH PASS)
Miss Madeleine Cohen

Mr. Steven Cohen

Mrs. Kai Cole
Mr. Joss Whedon

Mr. Lester Coney
Ms. Alice Gorodetsky

Mr. John Cooney
Mrs. Barbara Cooney

Mr. Dick Costolo

Mr. Stephen (Steve) Cozen
Mrs. Sandra Cozen

Mr. John Cummings
Mrs. Kristi Cummings

Mr. Chester Davenport

Mr. Paul Diaz

Mr. Stanton Dodge
Mr. Pantelis Michalopoulos

Mr. Kirk Dornbush

Ms. Monique Dorsainvil
Ms. Suhad Babaa

Mark Doyle
Ms. Brittany Beaulieu

Lennon Duggan

Mr. Clay Dumas
Ms. Maya Yette

Ms. Edith Dume

Vickie Durfee
Mr. James Durfee

Ms. Deesha Dyer
Mr. Ryan Jones

Ms. Anne Earhart

Mr. James Eaton
Ms. Amanda Kempa

Mr. Herman Echevarria

Mr. John Eggers

Mr. Shannon Eggers

Mr. Fred Eychaner

Mr. Joseph Falk

Elsbeth Farmer

Thomas Fay

Mr. Edward Fearon
Mrs. Paula Fearon

Mr. Josh Fidler
Mrs. Genine Fidler

Mr. Joseph Field
Mrs. Marie Field

Mrs. Leah Fischer
Mr. Sam Fischer

Mr. Kenneth Fisher

Dr. Austin Fite
Mrs. Lauren Fite

Michael Fleming
Mr. Denis Dison

Mr. Harrison Ford (WH PASS)

Mr. Chip Forrester
Mr. Justin Wilkins

Mr. William Freeman

Mr. Lou Frillman
Ms. Carol Frillman

Mr. Adam Garber (WH PASS)
Ms. Kathleen McLaughlin

Mr. Mark Gilbert
Mrs. Nancy Gilbert
Ms. Dani Gilbert
Ms. Elizabeth Gilbert

Ms. Joan Gillings

Mr. Doug Goldman
Mrs. Lisa Goldman

Mr. Barry Goodman
Mr. Aaron Goodman

Ms. Jennifer Grace

The Honorable Steven Green

Mr. Jeff Gural
Mrs. Paula Gural

Hope Hall (WH PASS)

Daniel Halpern
Mrs. Sonia Halpern

Ms. Carol Hamilton
Ms. Betty Rogers

Mr. Chuck Harple

Ms. Francine Harris

Ms. Elizabeth Hart

Mr. Lufti Hassan
Dr. Rubar Sandi
Mr. Shamsh Hadi

Mr. Ron Hawa

Mr. Mike Henry

Mr. Elzie Higginbottom
The Honorable (Mrs.) Deborah Higginbottom

Ms. Elisabeth Hire (Former WH Staff)

Ms. Deborah Ho
John Harte

Dr. John Hogg
Mr. David Garza

Frank Islam
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Mr. Lawrence Jackson (WH PASS)

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Mr. Alan Jacobson

Ms. Carolyn Kaplan
Mr. Warren Kaplan

Mr. Jim Kaplan
Mrs. Toni Kaplan

Mr. Pete Kavanaugh
Ms. Hannah Kavanaugh

Mr. TK Kelley

Mr. Zach Kelly

Mr. Chuck Kennedy
Ms. Brenna Maloney

Ms. Lena Kennedy
Ms. Denise Cook

Mr. David Knight
Mr. Joseph Colagreco

Mr. Yves Kongolo

Christopher Korge
Wyn Bradley

Mr. Ari Krupkin

Ms. Virginia Lance (WH PASS, OVP Staff)

Mr. Doug Landry

Ms. Betsy Lavender

Mr. Jonathan Lavine

Mr. Rick Leach
Mr. Brandon Leach
Ms. Susanne Leach

Ms. Nicole Leffer
Ms. Sophia Lalani

Mrs. Belkis Leong-Hong
Mr. Ken Hong

Mr. Cliff Levine
Mrs. Rosanne Levine

Mr. Joseph Liemandt
Mrs. Andra Liemandt

Mr. Michael Lombardo
Mr. Sonny Ward

Ms. Jeannie Long

Ms. Jamie Lynton
Mr. Michael Lynton

Ms. Amalia Mahoney
Mr. William Mahoney

Mr. Andrew Manatos
Mrs. Katrina Manatos

Mr. Emanuel Manatos
Mrs. Laura Manatos

Heather Martin
Ms. Sharon Cowsert

Mr. Joshua Martin
Mrs. Annamarie Martin

The Honorable (Mayor) Antonio (Tony) Martinez

Mr. Manuel Martinez
Ms. Angela Martinez

Mr. Michael Mathis
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Mr. Gregory Mays

Ms. Mattie McFadden-Lawson
Mr. Michael Lawson

Mr. John McGrail
Ms. Caroline McGrail

Mr. Dustin McKissen

Ms. Kathleen (Kelly) McMahon
Mr. Mark Squier

Mr. Nathan Milikowsky
Mrs. Rebecca Milikowsky

Elizabeth (Lisa) Miller
Mr. Kenper Miller

The Honorable (Mr.) Peter Mirijanian
Irina Petrossian

Mr. Michael Muse
Mr. Gizachew Wubishet

Mr. Henry Muñoz III

Mr. Bill Neville
Mrs. Connie Neville

Ms. Sheila Nielsen
Ms. Kathryn Nielsen

Ms. Kristin Oblander

Mr. John Oram
Mrs. Marie Oram
Mr. Zia Oram

Mr. Maurice Owens
Mr. Kwesi Cobbina (Special Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

Mr. Lazar Palnick
Mr. Daniel Connolly

Ms. Yolanda Parker

Mr. Hadi Partovi

Mr. Ralph Patino
Mrs. Elizabeth Patino

Carrin Patman

Mrs. Carol Pensky
Mr. David Pensky

Mr. Richard Phillips, Jr.
Ms. Ingrid Boucher

Mr. Frederick Pollak
Master Jonathan Pollak
Mrs. Abigail Pollak

Ms. Irene Porada

Mr. Chris Putala
Mrs. Allison Putala

Dr. Humeraa Qamar

Mr. Bryan Rafanelli
Mr. Mark Walsh

Mrs. Ginger Ray

Mr. Scott Rechler

Ms. Beverly Reeves
Mr. Adam Iscoe

Mr. Jack Reilly (WH PASS)

Mr. Rodney Richardson
Miss Hailey Richardson
Mr. Riley Richardson
Ms. Caitlin Runyan

Ms. Laura Ricketts

Mr. Nelson Rising
Mrs. Sharon Rising

Ms. Diane Robertson

Mr. Robert Roche

The Honorable (Ms.) Hilary Rosen (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

Mr. Philip Rosenthal
Mrs. Monica Rosenthal

Ms. Dana Rosenzweig

Ms. Joanna Rosholm (WH PASS)
Ms. Kelsey Kobelt

Mr. Thomas Rothman

Mr. Haim Saban
Mrs. Cheryl Saban

Mr. John Sall
Mrs. Virginia Sall

Mr. Valentine Sanders

Ms. Erin Sandknop

Ms. Kristin Savercool
Mr. Mark Savercool

Mr. Andy Schapiro
Ms. Tamar Newberger

Ms. Barbara Schmidt

Kori Schulman
Ms. Haley Schulman

Mrs. Smita Shah

Ms. Cindy Shapira
Ms. Judith Cohen

Mr. Roy Sherman

Ms. Ronita Shetty
Mr. Nasser Ahmad

Mr. Dixon Slingerland

Mr. Ryan Smith

Mr. Todd Smith

Ms. Mary Sollinger
Ms. Nicola Sollinger

Ms. Cathy Solomon
Mr. Robert Solomon

Mr. Ken Solomon
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Mr. Andy Spahn

Mr. Geoffrey Stack

Ms. Connie Steensma
Mr. Mark Prims

Barbara Stiefel
Mr. Erik Schmollinger

Ms. Cynthia Strauss
Mr. Harry Sherr

Mr. Thomas Sullivan

Urbietta Swallow
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Mr. Justin Tanner

Ms. Michele Taylor
Mr. Kenneth Taylor
Ms. Jennifer Goldstein

Mr. William Teel

Ms. Amy Tiemann

Mr. Andrew Tisch

Ms. Grace Tsao-Wu

Mr. George Tsunis
Master James Tsunis
Ms. Olga Tsunis

Mr. Tom Unterman

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Mr. Paul Vranicar

Ms. Jenny Wang

The Honorable (Representative) Debbie Wasserman Schultz (HOUSE)
Mr. Steve Schultz (HOUSE Spouse)
Jason O'Malley

Ms. Constance Williams
Elizabeth Williams

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Stephen Zack

Ms. Catherine Zinn

Mr. Imaad Zuberi
Mr. Gerald Lundergan

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	341
ACCEPTS	191
REGRETS	56
NO RESPONSES	94
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	285
TIMESTAMP	10/30/2014 9:40:44 AM

HOLIDAY RECEPTION (DNC #1) GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 11, 2013
6:30 PM

VICE-PRESIDENT BIDEN and DR. BIDEN

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Mrs. Judith Adler

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Mrs. Hinda Adler

Mr. Matthew Adler*
Mrs. Amanda Adler

Mr. Brian Ahlberg

Mr. Joseph Akers

Mr. Luke Albee
Miss May Albee

Mr. Jon Anderson

Mr. Adam Aron
Mrs. Abbe Aron

Mr. Guven Baltaci
Arlene Shapiro

Mr. Hasan Baltaci
Sona Sut

Daniel Levy
Serkan Sut

Mr. Robert Barber
Ms. Bonnie Neilan
Mr. Nicholas Barber

Mr. Paul Bardacke

Paul Begala
Mrs. Diane Begala

Ms. Alfreda Bennett
Mr. William Bennett, Jr.

Mr. Mitchell Berger
Ms. Sharon Kegerreis

Ms. Susan Berghoef

Mr. James Bernhard
Mrs. Dana Bernhard

Mr. Joshua Bernstein

Mr. Peter Beshar

Mr. Stephen Bittel*
Mrs. Sabine Bittel

Ms. Diana Blank

Ms. Traci Blunt

Mr. David Bohnett*

Mr. Paul Boskind
Mr. Paul Carter

Mr. Aryeh Bourkoff

Ms. Donna Brazile

Ms. Carla Harris

Mr. Graeme Crews

Timothy Broas

Mr. Adam Riggs

T.H. John Broderick

Mrs. Patricia Broderick

Mr. Jim Brown

Mr. Justin Buell

Mrs. Lucille Buell

Arlene Busch

Mr. Robert Childress

Mr. Dick Cahoon

Ms. Margaret Campbell (Former WH Staff)

Ms. Pia Carusone

Mr. Guy Cecil

Mr. Edward McNulty

Mr. James Chanos*

Ms. Crystal Connors

Mr. Greg Chen

Mr. Jamie Citron

Mr. Tyler Hagenbuch

Mr. Bob Clark

Ms. Hester Clark

Mr. Ronald Carrington

Mrs. Lee Ann Clark

Ms. Nina Clark

The Honorable (Mrs.) Martha Clark

Mr. Steve Cohen

Ms. Shelly Collins

Mr. Travis Leblanc

Mr. Lester Coney

Mr. Kevin Conlon

Mrs. Claudia Conlon

Mr. John (Jack) Connors

Mrs. Eileen Connors

Mr. Ashley Cooper

Mrs. Hartley Cooper

Ms. Judith-Ann Corrente

Mr. Steven Crane

Mrs. Phoebe Crane

Mr. Charles Darby III

Mrs. Tandra Darby

Mr. Jonathan Davidson

The Honorable (Mr.) Jimmy Demers
Ms. Cassie Folk

Mr. William Derrough
Master JohnPaul DerroughSalas
Master Joseph DerroughSalas
Mr. Alvaro Salas

Rae Ann Dickinson
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Ms. Michelle Dumas

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Mrs. Betsy Epstein

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Naomi Fine
Ms. Debra Fine

Michael Fleming

Mr. Joe Fletcher
Ms. Kathleen Fletcher

Ms. Mary Foley
Mr. James Miller

Mr. Charlie Galbraith (WH PASS)
Ms. Alison Kukla (WH PASS)

Mr. Eulice Garrett
Mr. Eric Hammond

Mr. Arkadi Gerney

Ms. Heidi Glunz
Ms. Christine Tracy

Ms. Ximena Gonzalez
Mr. John Koenig

Ms. Jennifer Goodman
Mr. Michael Lilintahl

Mr. John Goodmann
Mrs. Terri Goodmann

Mr. Rajeev Goyle

Mr. Stuart Grant

Miss Nicole Grant

The Honorable (Mr.) Mike Gronstal

Mrs. Connie Meisenbach Gronstal

Mr. Dan Gross

Mr. Patrick Guarasci

Ms. Hannah Banuelos

Ms. Cynthia Guill

Ms. Karen Hancox

Mr. Craig Hanson

Mr. Richard (Dick) Harpootlian*

Mrs. Jamie Harpootlian

Mr. Jaime Harrison

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Mr. Peter Hatch

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Mrs. Sally Helms

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Mr. Sudafi Henry (Former WH Staff)

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Ms. Danielle Hertz (Former WH Staff)
Mr. David Hertz

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The Honorable (Mr.) Paul Hodes
Mrs. Peggo Hodes

The Honorable (Mr.) Alan Hoffman (Former Deputy Assistant to the President, Former WH Staff)
Ms. Elizabeth Francis

Ms. Sharon Hoffman

Ms. Ilyse Hogue

Miss Penelope Hoopes

Mr. Riter Hoopes

Mr. Robert Hoopes
Mrs. Hilary Hoopes

Mr. James Hudson
Ms. Ayanna Hudson

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Ms. Kirsten Jarvis (FLOTUS staff, WH PASS)

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Mr. Lacy Johnson

Patricia Johnson

Mr. Patrick Johnson

Ms. Cheri Canier

Ms. Kristin Jones

Mr. Paul Jones

Ms. Katherine Kahan

Mr. Jeffrey Katzenberg

Ms. Maura Keefe

Mr. Michael Kempner

Jacqueline Kempner

Mr. David Kenney

Mr. Omar Khan

Mr. Qadir Khan

Mr. Joe Kiani

Sarah Kiani

Mr. Trip King

Mrs. Mary King

Mr. Harold Kobliner

Mr. Perry Kobliner

Ms. Miriam Kobliner

Mr. Michael Kong

Ms. Sarah Kovner

Mr. Orin Kramer

Ms. Michelle Kraus

Mr. Peter Kraus

Mrs. Lisa Kraus

Mr. Douglas Krupp

David Lang

Mrs. Lisa Lang

The Honorable Sylvia Larsen

Mr. Robert Larsen

Ms. Megan Lavery

Mr. Donald Layden

Mrs. Mary Layden

Ms. Noelle Leca

Mr. Michael Moradzadeh

Mr. Tyler Lechtenberg

Mr. Michael Brooks

Mr. Nathaniel Lee

Ms. Stephanie Lee

Mr. Patrick May

Mrs. Janni Lehrer-Stein

Ms. Marcie Roth

Mr. John Levi
Jill Levi

Kathy Levinson

Mr. Keith Lombardo
Ms. Julie O'Brien

Ms. Amanda Loveday
Mr. David Mills

Mr. Christopher Lowe
Bonnie Datt

Mr. Arthur Luxenberg
Mrs. Randi Luxenberg

The Honorable (Mr.) Jim Lykam
Mrs. Barb Lykam

Mr. Gregory Maguire

Mr. John Mailer
Katrina Kovats

The Honorable (Mr.) Gerald Malloy
Ms. Davita Malloy

Mr. Noah Mamet

Mr. Brad Marshall
Mr. Nathaniel Morris

Mr. John Marttila
Mr. Douglas Marttila

The Honorable (Minority Leader) Kevin McCarthy

Ms. Jennifer McCausland

Ms. Melinda Medlin
Mr. Theodore Medlin

Mr. Dennis Mehiel*
Mrs. Karen Mehiel

Mrs. Allison Mertens
Kevin Mertens

Ms. Roxanne Moersky
Ms. Cindy Demsey

Mr. Bruce Mosler

James Mowrer

Mr. Shekar Narasimhan

Mr. Ali Noorani

The Honorable (Ms.) Terie Norelli
Mr. Allen Norelli

Mr. Daniel O'Brien
Ms. Julia O'Brien

Ms. Courtney O'Donnell (Former WH Staff)
Mr. Cassidy Morgan

Ms. Terry O'Neill

Mr. Terry O'Sullivan

Mr. Christopher Pappas

Deven Parekh
Monika Parekh

Ms. Chelsea Parsons
Mr. Justin Parsons

Ms. Shaunda Patterson-Strachan
Mr. Daanen Strachan

Mr. Richard Pepperman
Mrs. Elizabeth Pepperman

Mr. Charles Phillips

Mr. Robert Pietrzak
Nancy Fuchs

Ms. Deb Pignatelli

Mr. Mark Pincus

Mr. Robert Pohlاد
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Ms. Irene Porada
Ms. Carolyn Croak

Mr. Kostas Poulakidas
Mrs. Madeline Poulakidas

Mr. Tim Quinn
Mr. Issac Mann, Jr.

Mr. Bryan Rafanelli

Mr. Erik Ramanathan
Christopher Ramanathan

Mr. Rion Ramirez
Ms. Michelle Ramirez

Commissioner Charles Ramsey
Dr. Sylvia Ramsey

Mr. Wade Randlett
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Rahul Razdan

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Mrs. Susan Redmond

Ms. Cecile Richards

Ms. Laura Ricketts

Ms. Alfreda Robinson

Mr. Ethan Rosenzweig
Ms. Kimberlin Love

Mrs. Karen Russo
Mr. Marty Russo

Mr. Tony Russo
Mrs. Kimberly Russo

Ms. Bettylu Saltzman

Mr. Phil Satre
Mrs. Jennifer Satre

Mr. Lee Saunders

The Honorable (Ms.) Ellie Schafer (Special Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Ms. Heather Rothenberg

Mr. Aaron Schaler

Mr. Steve Schiller

Ms. Hallie Schneir (WH PASS)
Ms. Sydney Schneir

Ms. Shonda Scott
Ms. Shonnell Frost

Mr. Richard Segal

Mr. David Shaw

Ms. Liz Simons
Mark Heising

Mr. Carol Skinner
Ms. Jeani Murray

Ms. Rose Slade
Cleveland Slade
MGEN Reuben Jones, US Army (Ret.)

Mr. Charles Smith

James Smith, Jr.
Kirkland Smith

Mr. Steve Spinner

Ms. Cynthia Stachelberg
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Sheriff Richard Stanek

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Chief Craig Steckler

Mrs. Jane Stetson
Mrs. Patricia Agnew
Mr. Eugene (Bill) Stetson III
Mr. Thomas Agnew
Ms. Eva Bonde

Mr. Jon Stryker

Urbietta Swallow
Mr. Warren Ector

Ms. Leslie Sword

Mr. Bob Tandler

Mr. Mark Tanenbaum

The Honorable (Ms.) Inez Tenenbaum
Samuel Tenenbaum

Ms. Juliana Terian

Mr. Andrew Tobias

Annie Tomasini

Mr. Richard Trumka

Mr. George Tsunis

Mrs. Tammy Fisher

Mr. Kenneth Fisher

Ms. Olga Tsunis

Mr. Colin Van Ostern

Mr. John Voorhees

Mr. Rick Wade

Ms. Stacy Young

Ms. Kelly Ward

The Honorable (Representative) Debbie Wasserman Schultz (HOUSE)

Mr. Steve Schultz (HOUSE Spouse)

Jason O'Malley

Mr. Clay Wertheimer

Mr. Steve Westly

Mr. Chuck Wexler

Ms. Jan Hirshberg

Ms. Kirsten White (Former WH Staff)

Ms. Corey Fulton

Ms. Tracy Wong

Ms. Alison Zelman

Ms. Julie Ziemba

Ms. Patty See

Ms. Catherine Zinn
Mr. Jeffrey Blum

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	390
ACCEPTS	199
REGRETS	87
NO RESPONSES	104
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	303
TIMESTAMP	10/30/2014 9:40:10 AM

SENATE SPOUSE HOLIDAY TEA GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 11, 2013
3:00 PM

DR. BIDEN

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Mrs. Martha Alito (Supreme Court Spouse)

Mrs. Bonnie Amos (WH Spouse)

Mr. John Bessler (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Kathleen Biden (Family)

Mrs. Valerie Biden Owens (Family)

The Honorable (Rear Admiral) Susan Blumenthal, MD, MPA (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Linda Bond

Ms. Deborah Bonito (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Cathy Boozman (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Lois Breaux

Dr. Joanna Breyer (Supreme Court Spouse)

Mrs. Nan Brown

Mrs. Bobbi Brown-Barrasso (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Brooke Burr (SENATE Spouse)

Ms. Lucy Calautti (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Myrna Cardin (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Martha Carper (SENATE Spouse)

The Honorable (Ms.) Elaine Chao (SENATE Spouse)

Ms. Rhea Chils

Mrs. Marsha Coats (SENATE Spouse)

Ms. Lisa Collis (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Annie Coons (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Sandy Cornyn (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Nancy Coverdall

Ms. Susan Daggett (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Diane Dempsey (WH Spouse)

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Mrs. Jill Donnelly (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Kim Dorgan

Barbara Eagleton

Bonnie Engelhardt

Ms. Bonnie Englehardt

Mrs. Diana Enzi (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Cheryl Flake (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Franni Franken (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Kathleen Garn

Annie Glenn

Mrs. Rochelle Goodwin

Mrs. Wendy Graham

Mrs. Patricia Grass

Mrs. Barbara Grassley (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Darleen Greenert

Mr. Chip Hagan III (SENATE Spouse)

Ms. Melodee Hanes Baucus (SENATE Spouse)

Lori Hanson

Mary Harmon (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Elaine Hatch (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Julie Heinrich (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Lynne Heller (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Mikey Hoeven (SENATE Spouse)

Ms. Anne Holton (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Randi Hutchinson

Mrs. Irene Inouye (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Dee Jepsen

Mrs. Stephanie Johanns (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Barbara Johnson (SENATE Spouse)

Mary Catherine Johnston

Mrs. Lynne Kaufman (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Marcelle Leahy (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Barbara Levin (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Hadassah Lieberman (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Gayle Manchin (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Kitty Martinez

Mrs. Robba Moran (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Diane Nelson (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Grace Nelson (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Linda Nickles

Mrs. Colleen Nunn

Mrs. Linda Odierno

Mrs. Linda Papp (WH Spouse)

Mrs. Kelley Paul (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Jane Portman (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Harriet Pressler

Mrs. Ellen Proxmire

Mrs. Landra Reid (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Lynda Robb

Mrs. Franki Roberts (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Jane Marie Roberts (Supreme Court Spouse)

Mrs. Sharon Rockefeller

The Honorable (Judge) Jane Roth

Mrs. Mary Sasser

Mrs. Maureen Scalia (Supreme Court Spouse)

Mrs. Mary Sessions (SENATE Spouse)

Dr. Annette Shelby (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Catharine Stevens

Ms. Maryan Stevens (Supreme Court Spouse)

Mrs. Kitty Sununu

Mrs. Loretta Symms

Mrs. Virginia Thomas (Supreme Court Spouse)

Mrs. Kris Toomey (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Jeanne Warner

Mrs. Claudia Weicker

Mrs. Betty Welsh

Mrs. Gayle Wicker (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Jeanette Williams

Mrs. Gayle Wilson

Mrs. Mary Winnefeld (WH Spouse)

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	103
ACCEPTS	32
REGRETS	65
NO RESPONSES	6
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	38
TIMESTAMP	10/30/2014 9:39:48 AM

LOCAL HOLIDAY RECEPTION GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 13, 2012
7:00 PM

VICE-PRESIDENT BIDEN and DR. BIDEN

The Honorable (Secretary) Madeleine Albright

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Mrs. Honey Alexander (SENATE Spouse)

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Mr. Tony Allen

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Mr. Jon Anderson
Lawrence Levy

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The Honorable (Mr.) David Axelrod (WH PASS)
Ms. Susan Landau (WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Ms.) Melody Barnes (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Marland Buckner

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Mrs. Rita Braver

Mr. Jeremy Bash
Ms. Robyn Bash

Mr. Bob Bauer (Former Assistant to the President, Former WH Staff)
Ms. Anita Dunn

The Honorable (Mr.) Jeremy Bernard (Special Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

The Honorable (Mr.) Beau Biden III

Mrs. Valerie Biden Owens (Family)

The Honorable (Dr.) Rebecca Blank
Mr. Hanns Kuttner

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The Honorable (Ms.) Evan Ryan (Former Special Assistant to the President,
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Mrs. Diana Cantor (HOUSE Spouse)

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Dr. Jean Chu (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

Ms. Chelsea Clinton
Mr. Marc Mezvinsky

The Honorable (Secretary) Hillary Clinton (Former First Lady)
The Honorable (President) William Clinton (Former President)

The Honorable (Mr.) James Clyburn (HOUSE)
Mrs. Emily Clyburn (HOUSE Spouse)

Mr. Raul Colon
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The Honorable (Mr.) William Daley (Former WH Staff)

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Jason DeParle

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The Honorable (Mr.) Michael Donilon (Deputy Assistant to the President, WH PASS, OVP Staff)

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The Honorable (Ambassador) Catherine Russell (Former Deputy Assistant to the President, Former WH Staff)

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Joe Callahan

The Honorable (Mayor) Rahm Emanuel (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
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Eliza Ford

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Ann Friedman

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Ms. Nancy Goodman (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Mr.) Jason Furman (WH PASS, Cabinet)
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Henry Furman

Bill Gates
Mrs. Melinda Gates

The Honorable (Secretary) Timothy Geithner (WH PASS, Cabinet)
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Leslie Gelb
Judy Gelb

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Ann Gergen

Mr. Sloan Gibson

The Honorable (Ambassador) Mark Gitenstein
Mrs. Libby Gitenstein

Mr. Daniel Glickman
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Ms. Genevieve Gorder

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Ms. Jamie Gorelick
Mr. Richard Waldhorn

The Honorable (Mr.) Alan Greenspan
Ms. Andrea Mitchell

Mr. David Gregory
Ms. Beth Wilkinson

Mr. Chad Griffin

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The Honorable Lee Hamilton

Dr. John Hamre

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Mr. Ed Henry III

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Peter Gage

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The Honorable (Ms.) Nicole Isaac (Special Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Gabriel Bitol

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Cathy Isaacson

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Jose Lozano
Mr. Ken Jackson (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

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Ms. Vicky Kennedy

Ms. Caroline Kennedy-Schlossberg
Mr. Edwin Schlossberg

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Mr. Bob Kerry
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The Honorable Brad Kiley (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

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Mrs. Lisa Krueger (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

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The Honorable (Secretary) Ray LaHood (WH PASS, Cabinet)
Mrs. Kathleen LaHood (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

Mrs. Demetra Lambros (WH PASS, OVP Staff)
Mr. Michael Duffy

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Ms. Kathryn Thomson (WH Spouse)

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Dr. Robert Marshall (WH Spouse)

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Mr. Edward Quinn

Mrs. Norah O'Donnell
Mr. Geoff Tracy

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The Honorable (Secretary) Leon Panetta
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Mrs. Amy Park

Mr. Jeff Peck
Mrs. Lisa Vigdor-Peck

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The Honorable (Mr.) Dan Pfeiffer (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

Mr. David Plouffe (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
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Mr. John Podesta
Mrs. Mary Podesta

General Colin Powell

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Mrs. Elizabeth Price (HOUSE Spouse)

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Mr. Bailey Williams

Mr. Steve Rattner
Ms. Maureen White

The Honorable (Mr.) Bruce Reed
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The Honorable (Senator) Harry Reid (SENATE)
Mrs. Landra Reid (SENATE Spouse)

Ms. Carolyn Reidy

The Honorable (Ambassador) Susan Rice (US Ambassador, WH PASS)
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The Honorable (Secretary) Kathleen Sebelius (WH PASS, Cabinet)
The Honorable (Judge) Keith Sebelius (Cabinet Spouse)
Kate Wolff

Rob Seder
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Mr. Jerry Seib
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Ms. Allison Abner (WH Spouse)
Nina Sperling

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Mr. George Stephanopoulos
Mrs. Alexandra Wentworth

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Dr. Larry Summers (Former WH Staff)
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Mr. Strobe Talbott

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Mr. Alan Field

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Mr. George Tsunis
Ms. Olga Tsunis

The Honorable (Mr.) Chris Van Hollen (HOUSE)
Ms. Katherine Wilkens (HOUSE Spouse)
Payton Silver
Alexander Van Hollen

Jonathan Van Meter

The Honorable (Secretary) Tom Vilsack (WH PASS, Cabinet)
Mrs. Christie Vilsack (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Mr.) Henry Waxman (HOUSE)
Ms. Janet Kessler

The Honorable (His Excellency Sir) Peter Westmacott (Diplomat (passport), Diplomatic Corps - Foreign Ambassador to US)
Lady Susan Nemazee (Westmacott) (Diplomat Spouse (passport), Diplomatic Corps Spouse - Foreign Ambassador to US)

Ms. Katharine Weymouth

Ralph Whitehead

Ms. Paula Wiseman
Anthony Venditti

Mr. Howard Wolfson

His Eminence Cardinal Donald Wuerl, S.T.D.

Mr. Jamie Wyeth
Mrs. Phyllis Wyeth

The Honorable (Mr.) Jeffrey Zients
Ms. Mary Zients (WH Spouse)

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	383
ACCEPTS	173
REGRETS	145
NO RESPONSES	65
ATTENDS	148
TOTAL POSSIBLE	238
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DNC #3 HOLIDAY RECEPTION GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 12, 2012
6:30 PM

DR. BIDEN and VICE-PRESIDENT BIDEN

Ms. Naomi Aberly

Mr. Yohannes Abraham (Special Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Mr. Abebe Abraham

Ms. Lisa Adams

Mr. Luke Albee
Ms. Beth Donovan

Ms. Elizabeth Alexander (Former WH Staff)
Mr. David Wade (WH Spouse)

Mr. Shoukat Ali
Mrs. Noorjehan Ali

Mr. Brad Anderson

Ms. Marcia Angle

Ms. Meg Ansara
Joseph Gagne

The Honorable (Mr.) David Axelrod (WH PASS)
Ms. Susan Landau (WH Spouse)

Ms. Rachel Barinbaum

The Honorable (Ms.) Melody Barnes (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Marland Buckner

Mr. Patrick Bauer

Ms. Kim Beene
Robin Downing

Paul Begala
Mrs. Diane Begala

Mr. Joel Benenson
Ms. Lisa Benenson

The Honorable Samuel Berger

Mr. Michael Berman
Ms. Deborah Cowan

Jeremy Bird

The Honorable (Mr.) Tony Blinken (Deputy Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
The Honorable (Ms.) Evan Ryan (Former Special Assistant to the President,
Former WH Staff)

Mr. Jeff Blodgett

Mrs. Ann Bochnowski
Mr. David Bochnowski

Mrs. Debra Brady (HOUSE Spouse)

The Honorable (Mr.) Robert Brady (HOUSE)

Ms. Donna Brazile
Alison Friedman

Mr. Russell Breckenridge
Ms. Anita Decker Breckenridge

T.H. John Broderick
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Jerry McGowan

Ms. Kathleen Brown
Mr. Van Sauter

Mr. Sam Brown
Ms. Lacey Brown

Mr. Rob Buccini
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Mr. William Burton (WH PASS)

Mr. Grant Campbell
Mrs. Julia Moseley

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Mr. Steve Cashin
Mr. Oliver Cashin
Mrs. Molly Cashin

Mr. Guy Cecil
Mr. Edward McNulty

Mr. Geoffrey Clark

The Honorable (Ms.) Marguerite Clavel

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Shaste Conrad

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Mr. David Cusack

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T.H. Thomas Daschle

Carrie Devine
Mr. Ronald Bracco

Thomas Devine
Ellen Devine

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Mr. Christopher Dnitz

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Mr. Tim Edland

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Mr. Julian Feldman

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Mr. Fernando Lujan

Betty Folliard

Mr. Don Drapeau

Mr. Wyche Fowler

Ms. Beth France

Mr. Christopher Wegrzyn

Mr. William Freeman

Mrs. Barbara Freeman

Anna Garber

Mr. Hubbard Garber

Mr. Eulice Garrett

The Honorable (Mr.) Patrick Gaspard (Former Assistant to the President, Former WH Staff)

Mr. Robert Gibbs (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Mary Catherine Gibbs

Mr. Rufus Gifford
Meaghan Burdick

Mr. David Ginsburg

Mrs. Terri Goodman
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Dr. Amy Gutmann

Ms. Ann Marie Habershaw
Mr. Robert Schmitt

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Mr. Greg Hansen
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Mr. John Kennedy

Andrew Williams

Ms. Lena Kennedy

Mr. Steve Kerrigan
Mr. Jacob Watts

Mr. Omar Khan
Kathleen Khan

Ms. Lauren Kidwell

Mr. Trip King
Mrs. Mary King

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Ms. Cynthia Ryan
Mr. Larry Koppelman

Mr. Michael Kurtz

Ms. Hildy Kuryk
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Mr. Chad Leat

Mr. Tyler Lechtenberg

Mr. Jon Leibowitz
Ms. Ruth Marcus

Ms. Anne Lewis

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Mr. Edward Lieberman

Mr. Terry Lierman

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Mr. Steve Lincoln

Shari Loessberg

Ms. Liz Lowery

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Ms. Clare Marshall

Mr. Marlon Marshall

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Mr. Ralph Burns

The Honorable (Mr.) Jim Messina (Former Assistant to the President, Former WH Staff)

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Susana Monaco-Parungao

Mr. Robby Mook

Mr. Thomas Zimmerman

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Mr. Scott Mulhauser

Ms. Kara Carscaden

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Todd Purdum

Marvin Nicholson

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Jeff Nussbaum

Deborah Nussbaum

Mr. Jim Nutter

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The Honorable (Mayor) Michael Nutter

Mrs. Lisa Nutter

Mr. Daniel O'Brien

Ms. Julia O'Brien

The Honorable (Mr.) Sean O'Brien

Erin O'Brien

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Mrs. Jennifer O'Malley Dillon

Mr. Paul Orzulak

Mr. Mark Patterson

The Honorable (Mr.) Joe Paulsen
Ms. Leigh Knopf

Mr. Aaron Pickrell

Ms. Irene Porada
Ms. Stephanie Zahner

Mr. Troy Price

Ms. Rachel Racusen

Mr. Micah Ragland

Mr. Jack Reilly (WH PASS)

Mr. Joe Reinstein (WH PASS)

Mr. Bob Rizzi
Ms. Elizabeth (Buffy) Ellis

Ms. Karen Robb

Rosemary Rodriguez

Mr. Alan Rose

The Honorable (Ms.) Hilary Rosen (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

Mr. Marty Russo
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Mr. Tony Russo
Mrs. Kimberly Russo

Ms. Laura Santucci
Mr. Brian Bond

Ms. Lee Satterfield
Mr. Patrick Steel

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Ms. Rosemary Dalton

Mr. Greg Schultz
Patricia Schultz

Ms. Gabby Seay

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Mrs. Fredrica Sheehan

Mr. Jake Siewert

Mr. Erik Smith
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Mr. Mitch Stewart

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Haris Talwar

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Mr. Mark Tanenbaum

Mr. Kenneth Taylor
Ms. Michele Taylor
Zachary Taylor

Mr. Brad Thompson

Mr. Michael Thornton
Amy Thornton

Annie Tomasini

Mr. Mark Trustin

The Honorable (Ms.) Carri Twigg

Mr. Moises Vela Jr (Former WH Staff)

The Honorable (Mayor) Antonio Villaraigosa

Ms. Ashley Walker

Mr. Tyler Brunelle

Mr. Mark Walsh

Mr. Bryan Rafanelli

Mr. Sonny Ward

Mr. Michael Lombardo

Ms. Margaret Warner

Mr. Trip Welde

Ms. Buffy Jo Wicks

Mr. Brian Williamson

Ms. Amy Kondo

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Ms. Judy Wise

Ms. Abigail Witt (WH PASS)

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Ms. Julie Ziemba
Mr. Tom Ziemba

Mr. John Zody

Mr. Tony Zunino
Mrs. Sally Zunino

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	310
ACCEPTS	183
REGRETS	57
NO RESPONSES	70
ATTENDS	157
TOTAL POSSIBLE	253
TIMESTAMP	10/30/2014 9:37:25 AM

DNC #2 HOLIDAY RECEPTION GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 11, 2012
7:00 PM

DR. BIDEN and VICE-PRESIDENT BIDEN

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Mr. Edward Allen

Mr. Robert Anderson
Ms. Nicole Miner

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Mrs. Lesley Bakalar

Mr. Guven Baltaci
Daniel Levy
Arlene Shapiro

Mr. Hasan Baltaci
Deborah Thomas

T.H. Matthew Barzun

Ms. Denise Bauer

Mr. Josh Berger

Mr. Mitchell Berger
Ms. Sharon Kegerreis

Mr. James Bernhard
Mrs. Dana Bernhard

Ms. Emily Bisek

Mr. Stephen Bittel*

Mr. Don Bivens
Ms. Patricia Refo

Leonore Blitz
Ms. Cathy Toren

Mr. David Blood

Mr. Neil Bluhm

Mr. Charles Bone

Mr. Noel Boxer

Ms. Lacey Brown
Mr. Sam Brown

Mr. Justin Buell

Ms. Karen Burchard

Mr. Andrew Byrnes
Nalini Pande

Ms. Rebecca Carter
Mr. Troy Carter

Dr. Cynthia Chance
Mr. Camilo Garcia

Mr. James Chanos*
Ms. Crystal Connors

Mr. Anthony Chase
Ms. Dinia Alsowayel

Mr. Christian Clerc
Mrs. Meg Clerc

Mr. Richard Cohen

Mr. Lester Coney
Mr. Jatinder Verma

Mr. John (Jack) Connors

Dr. Ralph De la torre

Mr. Stanton Dodge
Mr. Richard Patch

Mark Doyle
Ms. Brittany Beaulieu

Ms. Becky Draper

Mr. Bill Dunk

Ms. Carolyn Dwyer
Ms. Meredith Woodside

Ms. Pamela Eakes
Mr. Ryan Eakes

Ms. Leni Eccles

Mr. XX Fariborz

Elspeth Farmer

Mr. Fariborz Fatemi

Ms. Nancy Fatemi

Mr. Josh Fidler

Mrs. Genine Fidler

Ms. Leigh Flores

Mr. Chip Forrester

Ms. Jennifer Wallace

Mr. William Freeman

Mrs. Barbara Freeman

Mr. Lou Frillman

Ms. Carol Frillman

Mr. Brian Gallagher

Mr. Anthony Gardner

Mr. David Garrison

Ms. Jane Garvey

Mr. Evan Goldberg

Mr. Doug Goldman

Mrs. Lisa Goldman

Mr. Jason Goldman

Mr. Matthew Goldman

Mr. Barry Goodman

Mr. Mark Goodman

Mr. Harvey Greene

Ms. Carol Hamilton
Ms. Carolyn Post

Mr. Ben Hanford

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Ms. Alex Heckler

Mr. Douglas Hickey
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Mr. Harry Hill

Ms. Sharon Hoffman

Ms. Christina Iskandar

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Mr. John Jordan

Mr. Jeffrey Katzenberg

Ms. Connolly Keigher

Ms. Lena Kennedy
Constance Turner

Mr. Thomas Kerr

Mr. Farhad Khosravi

Mr. Joe Kiani
Sarah Kiani

Mr. David Knight
Mr. Joseph Colagreco

Mr. Michael Kong

Ms. Michelle Kraus
Mr. Andrew Kraus

Mr. Ari Krupkin

Mr. Douglas Krupp

Mr. George Krupp

Ms. Kitty Kurth

Ms. Betsy Lavender

Mr. Jonathan Lavine
Jeanne Lavine

Mr. Brian Lee

Mr. John Levi
Jill Levi

Meldon Levine
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INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	236
ACCEPTS	138
REGRETS	52
NO RESPONSES	46
ATTENDS	124
TOTAL POSSIBLE	184
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December 09, 2012
2:00 PM

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INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	359
ACCEPTS	183
REGRETS	95
NO RESPONSES	81
ATTENDS	143
TOTAL POSSIBLE	264
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December 08, 2012
9:30 AM

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INVITES	207
ACCEPTS	147
REGRETS	16
NO RESPONSES	44
ATTENDS	128
TOTAL POSSIBLE	191
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INVITES	190
ACCEPTS	121
REGRETS	29
NO RESPONSES	40
ATTENDS	112
TOTAL POSSIBLE	161
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ALL INVITEES
December 05, 2012
6:30 PM

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David Zikusoka

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	224
ACCEPTS	200
REGRETS	21
NO RESPONSES	3
ATTENDS	186
TOTAL POSSIBLE	203
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DEMOCRATIC HOUSE SPOUSES HOLIDAY TEA GUEST LIST
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December 05, 2012
2:30 PM

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Mrs. Jane Owens (HOUSE Spouse)

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INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	237
ACCEPTS	58
REGRETS	42
NO RESPONSES	137
ATTENDS	44
TOTAL POSSIBLE	195
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SENATE SPOUSES HOLIDAY BRUNCH GUEST LIST
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December 05, 2012
10:00 AM

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Mrs. Anne Bingaman (SENATE Spouse)

Mr. Richard Blum (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Cynthia Blumenthal (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Abigail Blunt (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Linda Bond

Ms. Deborah Bonito (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Cathy Boozman (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Molly Boren

Mr. Stewart Boxer (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Lois Breaux

Mrs. Joanna Breyer

Mrs. Gail Brown (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Nan Brown

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Mrs. Sandy Cornyn (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Irene Inouye (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Jane Johnson (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Meike Lemieux (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Barbara Levin (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Hadassah Lieberman (SENATE Spouse)

Mr. Steve Lincoln

Mrs. Carolyn Long

Mrs. Tricia Lott

Mrs. Char Lugar (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Gayle Manchin (SENATE Spouse)

Mr. Verne Martell (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Kitty Martinez

Mrs. Patsy Mathews

Mrs. Cindy McCain (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Louise McClure

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Mrs. Grace Nelson (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Ellen Proxmire

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Mrs. Landra Reid (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Lynda Robb

Mrs. Franki Roberts (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Connie Schultz (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Rosemary Tribble

Mrs. Jill Udall (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Wendy Vitter (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Janet Voinovich

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Mrs. Priscilla Watts

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Ms. Iris Weinshall (SENATE Spouse)

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Dr. Sandra Whitehouse (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Gayle Wicker (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Gayle Wilson

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INVITES	205
ACCEPTS	58

REGRETS	64
NO RESPONSES	83
ATTENDS	47
TOTAL POSSIBLE	141
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OVP MILITARY STAFF #2 RECEPTION GUEST LIST
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December 08, 2012
10:30 AM

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Miss Kayla Barthelemy

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Mr. Brett Bobek

Mrs. Sarah Bosken
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Camden Branch
Wyatt Branch
Miss Maria Branch
McKenzie Branch

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Mrs. Krista Bulger

Rachel Bush
Robert Summerfield

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Miss Sarah Crist

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Mr. Kerry Duax
Ms. Sylvia Schmeichel

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Master Justin Espada
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Mrs. Beverly Faircloth

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Ms. Claire Cary

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Sergio Franco
Mrs. Debra Franco

Commander Clarence Franklin, Jr.
Mrs. Sandra Franklin

FOIA-3
FOIA-6

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FOIA-6

Mr. Christopher Goings
Sylvia Slater

Mr. Brian Greene

Mr. Clifford Greenwalt
Mrs. Martha Greenwalt

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Ms. Robin Savage

Ms. Cynthia Guill

Mr. Andrew Gutberlet

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Mrs. Tammy Harris (WH Spouse)
Miss Kailynn Harris

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Madelyn Hauser
Mrs. Laura Hauser (WH Spouse)

Miss Kaylee Hauser

Mr. Chris Hays

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Karen Jentgens

Quinzy Johnson
Mrs. Kiersten Johnson

Dr. Kenneth Johnston
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Mrs. Jenny Lagerquist

Ms. Jebbeh Lansanah

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Master Johnny Martinez, Jr.
Miss Carrina Martinez
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Mrs. Stephanie Murray

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Miss Anna Noto

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Mrs. Teresa Powell

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Cason Reed

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Miss Madison Rich
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Mrs. Jennifer Rich (WH Spouse)

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Ms. Beth Sullivan

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Master Micah Waring

ETC Trevor Wendt

Matthew Wendt

Jacob Wendt

Mrs. Stephanie Wendt

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Mr. Michael Xander

Diane Xander

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INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	213
ACCEPTS	150
REGRETS	9
NO RESPONSES	54
ATTENDS	138
TOTAL POSSIBLE	204
TIMESTAMP	10/30/2014 9:30:56 AM

Levenson, Yoni (Intern)

30 Oct 2014 13:47:14

To: Ruffner, Richard, Ruffner, Richard

Cc:

Bcc:

RE: SalesForce

THIS RECORD IS A WITHDRAWAL SHEET

Date created: Tue Feb 13 12:24:21 EST 2024

Releasability: Withheld In Part

Reasons for Withholding:

b(6),P3,P6,b(3)

Notes:

redaction of names of military personnel exempt from release under 10 USC 130b

Case ID: LA 2022-0212-F-16

Additional Information:

Person, Anne Marie

25 Nov 2014 18:25:05

To: Elizondo, Carlos E., Suber, Kellen, Bernal, Anthony R., Nix, Sheila, Suber, Kellen C., >, "Nix, Sheila, >", "Bernal, Anthony R., >", "Elizondo, Carlos E.

Cc: Ruffner, Richard, Lyons, Jamie, Schrum, Michael, Schrum, Evan, >, "Lyons, Jamie, >", "Ruffner, Richard

Bcc:

RE: Updated DE List

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P5,b(6),P6

Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Muldoon, Anne P. EOP/OVP

03 Dec 2015 17:02:57

To: Suber, Kellen, DL-OVP-West Wing, Schultz, Greg, Schrum, Michael, Mackler, Alexander, Mackler, Alexander, >, "Schultz, Gregory, >", "Schrum, Evan, >", "Suber, Kellen C., >", "DL-OVP-West Wing

Cc: DL-OVP-Office of Dr. Biden, DL-OVP-Office of Dr. Biden

Bcc:

RE: Delaware Invites are out!

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Reasons for Withholding:

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Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Prescott, Jeffrey

Tue, 08 Dec 2015 13:26:41 -0500

To: Kahl, Colin, Kahl, Colin

FW: NYT: The Knotty Ties Between Joe Biden, His Son and Ukraine

-----Original Message-----

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The Knotty Ties Between Joe Biden, His Son and Ukraine

By JAMES RISENDEC. 8, 2015

WASHINGTON — When Vice President Joseph R. Biden Jr. traveled to Kiev, Ukraine, on Sunday for a series of meetings with the country's leaders, one of the issues on his agenda was to encourage a more aggressive fight against Ukraine's rampant corruption and stronger efforts to rein in the power of its oligarchs.

But the credibility of the vice president's anticorruption message may have been undermined by the association of his son, Hunter Biden, with one of Ukraine's largest natural gas companies, Burisma Holdings, and with its owner, Mykola Zlochevsky, who was Ukraine's ecology minister under former President Viktor F. Yanukovych.

Hunter Biden, 45, a former Washington lobbyist, joined the Burisma board in April 2014. That month, as part of an investigation into money laundering, British officials froze London bank accounts containing \$23 million that allegedly belonged to Mr. Zlochevsky.

Britain's Serious Fraud Office, an independent government agency, specifically forbade Mr. Zlochevsky, as well as Burisma Holdings, the company's chief legal officer and another company owned by Mr. Zlochevsky, to have any access to the accounts.

But after Ukrainian prosecutors refused to provide documents needed in the investigation, a British court in January ordered the Serious Fraud Office to unfreeze the assets. The refusal by the Ukrainian prosecutor general's office to cooperate was the target of a stinging attack by the American ambassador to Ukraine, Geoffrey R. Pyatt, who called out Burisma's owner by name in a speech in September.

"In the case of former Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, the U.K. authorities had seized \$23 million in illicit assets that belonged to the Ukrainian people," Mr. Pyatt said. Officials at the prosecutor general's office, he added, were asked by the United Kingdom "to send documents supporting the seizure. Instead they sent letters to Zlochevsky's attorneys attesting that there was no case against him. As a result, the money was freed by the U.K. court, and shortly thereafter the money was moved to Cyprus."

Mr. Pyatt went on to call for an investigation into "the misconduct" of the prosecutors who wrote the letters. In his speech, the ambassador did not mention Hunter Biden's connection to Burisma.

But Edward C. Chow, who follows Ukrainian policy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the involvement of the vice president's son with Mr. Zlochevsky's firm undermined the Obama administration's anticorruption message in Ukraine.

"Now you look at the Hunter Biden situation, and on the one hand you can credit the father for sending the anticorruption message," Mr. Chow said. "But I think unfortunately it sends the message that a lot of foreign countries want to believe about America, that we are hypocritical about these issues."

Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Vice President Biden, said Hunter Biden's business dealings had no impact on his father's policy positions in connection with Ukraine.

"Hunter Biden is a private citizen and a lawyer," she said. "The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company. The vice president has pushed aggressively for years, both publicly with groups like the U.S.-Ukraine Business Forum and privately in meetings with Ukrainian leaders, for Ukraine to make every effort to investigate and prosecute corruption in accordance with the rule of law. It will once again be a key focus during his trip this week."

Ryan F. Toohey, a Burisma spokesman, said that Hunter Biden would not comment for this article.

It is not known how Mr. Biden came to the attention of the company. Announcing his appointment to the board, Alan Apter, a former Morgan Stanley investment banker who is chairman of Burisma, said, "The company's strategy is aimed at the strongest concentration of professional staff and the introduction of best corporate practices, and we're delighted that Mr. Biden is joining us to help us achieve these goals."

Joining the board at the same time was one of Mr. Biden's American business partners, Devon Archer. Both are involved with Rosemont Seneca Partners, an American investment firm with offices in Washington.

Mr. Biden is the younger of the vice president's two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter Biden attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. Biden also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James Biden, the vice president's brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the Bidens and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. Biden, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was "not out of the ordinary" for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, "Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped."

In response to Mr. Pyatt's criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky's case, Mr. Toohey said that "strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine."

Vice President Biden has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week's visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

Ms. Bedingfield said Hunter Biden had never traveled to Ukraine with his father. She also said that Ukrainian officials had never mentioned Hunter Biden's role with Burisma to the vice president during any of his visits.

"I've got to believe that somebody in the vice president's office has done some due diligence on this," said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. "I should say that I hope that has happened. I would hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has

done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message.”

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Vice President BIDEN

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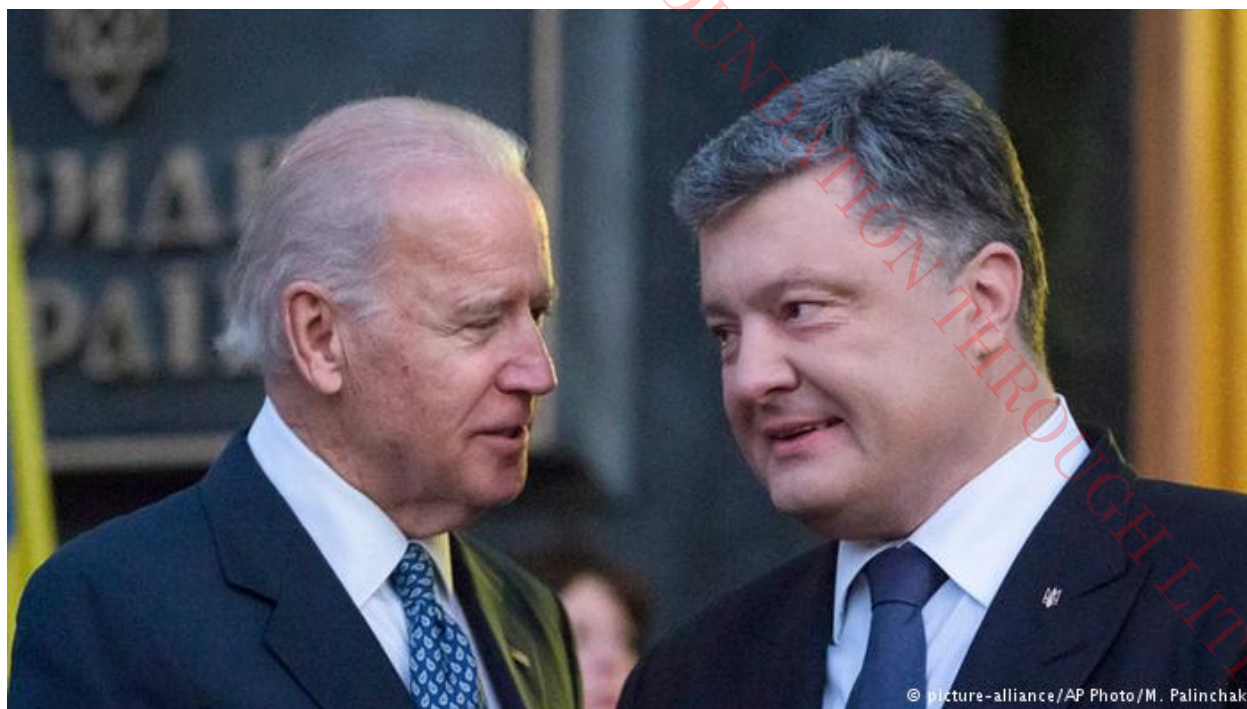
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Joe BIDEN says U.S. Is Still Backing Ukraine

By: Peter Baker / December 7, 2015

The United States will not sacrifice Ukraine in pursuit of Russian cooperation in Syria, Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. assured Ukrainian leaders on Monday, as the Obama administration tries to manage complicated diplomacy with Moscow.

Opening a two-day visit to Kiev, Mr. **BIDEN** told President Petro O. Poroshenko that the United States still stands by Ukraine in its conflict with pro-Russian separatists. To make the point, Mr. **BIDEN** promised another \$190 million in American aid.

“The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued — and I emphasize continued — aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists,” Mr. **BIDEN** told reporters after the meeting.

He called on President Vladimir V. Putin of Russia to live up to a cease-fire agreement reached in February in Minsk, Belarus. “Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community,” Mr. **BIDEN** said.

Ukrainian officials have been nervous about what Russia’s renewed interest in the Middle East would mean for their country. American officials interpret Russia’s intervention in Syria as an attempt by Mr. Putin to distract world attention from the Ukrainian conflict, to break out of the isolation the West has tried to impose on Moscow, and perhaps to weaken international resolve to maintain sanctions.

President Obama has insisted that the situations in Ukraine and Syria are separate, and he sent Mr. **BIDEN** to Ukraine to drive that point home. Even if Washington and Moscow can work together to settle the Syrian civil war and battle the Islamic State, Mr. Obama has said, it would not stop the West from maintaining pressure on Russia to resolve the Ukrainian dispute.

“That’s going to be a major theme of the trip — that nothing that’s going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security,” a senior administration official said before Mr. **BIDEN** left Washington. The official briefed reporters on the condition of anonymity under White House rules.

Michael A. McFaul, Mr. Obama’s former ambassador to Russia, said the Ukrainians should be reassured. “Vice President **BIDEN’S** trip to Kyiv sends a clear message that the United States is not willing to trade Ukraine for Russian cooperation on Syria,” he said, using the spelling of the capital that Ukrainian leaders prefer. “That kind of linkage never works,” Mr. McFaul said.

Mr. **BIDEN** also pressed the Ukrainians to put aside their differences and do more to battle corruption, bolster their economy and restructure the country’s finances.

Mr. Poroshenko was elected in 2014 after a pro-Moscow government was driven from office by mass protests that were met with violence. By many accounts, he has yet to diminish the control wielded by a small coterie of business moguls over much of the country’s economic and political apparatus. The president is fighting with Parliament over the prosecutor general, who critics say has done too little to tackle corruption.

“It’s absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe, to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption,” Mr. **BIDEN** said. “The people need to see that the ways of the past are permanently gone, they no longer exist. That means hard decisions.”

Mr. **BIDEN** made a point about fighting corruption with the way he began his visit to Kiev: by meeting with what his office called a “reformers’ round table” of government officials, lawmakers and advocacy group leaders. After his meeting with Mr. Poroshenko, Mr. **BIDEN** met with Prime Minister Arseniy P. Yatsenyuk, who has been at odds with the president over a host of issues.

“Vice President **BIDEN’S** most important challenge in Ukraine is to keep the president and prime minister on a common, unequivocal path of reform that shows Ukraine is helping itself and merits the world’s support,” said

Carlos Pascual, a former American ambassador to Ukraine. "With Russia recapturing a leadership role in the Middle East, Ukraine cannot give the world an excuse to forget Ukraine."

Mr. **BIDEN** will make some of the same points when he addresses the Rada, or Ukrainian Parliament, on Tuesday, a rare platform for a foreign leader. If Ukraine is to prevail in its struggle with Russia, he plans to say, it must get its own house in order.

Before his meeting with Mr. Poroshenko on Monday, Mr. **BIDEN** visited a monument to people who were killed during the pro-Western demonstrations in Maidan Square that led to the ouster of President Viktor F. Yanukovich. Mr. **BIDEN** tried to visit the monument last year, but had to cancel at the last minute when an unruly group of protesters unnerved his security detail.

Somber-faced and coatless on a brisk day, Mr. **BIDEN** viewed a display of about 100 photographs of slain protesters, along with candles, bouquets of flowers and banners with tributes to the victims.

"Imagine what it was like," Geoffrey Pyatt, the American ambassador, could be heard telling Mr. **BIDEN**. He pointed to surrounding buildings. "Snipers up on the buildings there."

Mr. **BIDEN** left a commemorative vice-presidential coin at the base of an elaborately carved wooden cross at the monument.

The conflict in eastern Ukraine has fallen into a kind of stasis, with Russian-backed separatist rebels still in control of sizable areas but significantly less violence than before the Minsk agreement.

By several accounts, the Kremlin has reined in the separatists, but has not done anything to return the restive region to government control. Nor has it shown any sign of relaxing its grip on the Crimean peninsula, which it annexed early last year. The peninsula has had no electricity for two weeks after explosions in southern Ukraine knocked out a transmission line.

Despite efforts by President François Hollande of France to enlist Russia in the international coalition fighting the Islamic State in Syria, the European Union appears likely to renew sanctions against Russia next week over Moscow's actions in Ukraine.

According to Stratfor, a private analysis group, "As things stand now, the two sides are moving further apart, and the Russia-West standoff is likely to endure well into 2016."

Bloomberg

BIDEN says 'Illegal' Russian Occupation of Crimea Must End

By: Margaret Talev / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** called Russia's annexation of Crimea "illegal" in a demonstration of solidarity with Ukraine's government that signaled the U.S. won't bargain away its support for the country to win Russian cooperation in the fight against Islamic State in Syria.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued -- and I emphasize continued -- aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said in Kiev on Monday, following a meeting with Ukrainian president Petro Poroshenko.

BIDEN announced \$190 million in new aid for Ukraine contingent on the government continuing to make progress rooting out corruption. That brings direct U.S. assistance to nearly \$760 million since the formation of a new government in 2014, including more than \$260 million for security. The latest funds is for helping law enforcement fight corruption, reforming the justice sector, and streamlining regulations and privatization of state-owned enterprises, **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN'S two-day visit to Ukraine is intended to deliver reassurance that the U.S. won't budge in its commitment to Ukraine at a time when attention has shifted to Syria and fighting the Islamic State. That includes keeping in place sanctions on Russia to pressure President Vladimir Putin's government to fully implement the Minsk agreements that outline a path to end nearly two years of conflict.

Minsk Accords

The separatists, Ukraine and Russia must continue to respect a cease-fire signed earlier this year in Minsk, Belarus, **BIDEN** said. "Both sides need to hold up that bargain," he said, echoing the position of U.S. allies in Europe.

“The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten” what happened, **BIDEN** said, calling Russia’s move to annex Crimea in 2014 an “illegal invasion” that “will not be accepted” by the U.S. or international community. “We will not accept it under any circumstance, and Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine’s sovereign territory” including Crimea.

Tensions rose recently after power lines to Crimea were cut by Ukrainian saboteurs. Russia and the U.S. remain at loggerheads over both Ukraine and Syria, where a Russian military intervention has complicated that country’s civil war.

Syria Conflict

Putin says his military is attacking Islamic State in Syria. The U.S. says Putin’s forces have targeted relatively few Islamic State-held areas, and instead is attempting to reinforce Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, a close ally, by bombing rebels backed by the U.S. and Persian Gulf states.

Poroshenko, through a translator, told reporters that he pledged to **BIDEN** that Ukraine is ready to provide “maximum support” to U.S.-led coalition forces in Syria, though he did not say what such support might entail.

“Ukraine is no stranger to terrorist threats,” he said. “We cannot be frightened by the terrorist threat.”

As Russia has turned its attention to Syria, Ukraine sees signs for hope and concern. While clashes between separatists and Ukrainian forces have eased since September, eastern Ukraine’s status remains unsettled. Insurgent tanks were spotted in Horlivka northeast of Donetsk, and rebels continued provocations with mortars, rifles, machine guns and grenade launchers, officials said Sunday.

Ukraine is seeking assurances from the U.S. and European Union that it will not become a bargaining chip in efforts to coordinate with Russia on attacking Islamic State targets.

BIDEN earlier Monday held a closed-door roundtable discussion on political and government reforms with about a dozen Ukrainian officials and members of civil society. He also visited the Heavenly Hundred memorial,

an unofficial memorial with a wooden cross and framed photos of those killed in the Maidan protests of February 2014.

"We are starting to see real signs of economic progress" in Ukraine, **BIDEN** said, including "stabilized" currency.

BIDEN is to meet with Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk later Monday. He will address Ukraine's parliament on Tuesday.

Wall Street Journal

Ukrainians See Conflict in BIDEN'S Anticorruption Message

By: Paul Sonne and Laura Mills / December 7, 2015

Joe **BIDEN** is on his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president, pressing the pro-Western government to root out widespread corruption, but activists here say that message is being undermined as his son receives money from a former Ukrainian official who is being investigated for graft.

Since May of last year, Hunter **BIDEN**, the vice president's son, has served as an independent director of Ukrainian gas firm Burisma Holdings Ltd., a closely held company run by a former government official whom Ukrainian and British authorities are investigating for alleged criminal wrongdoing.

Mykola Zlochevsky, who served as ecology and natural resources minister under the Ukrainian government that was ousted in last year's pro-Western uprising, hasn't been charged and denies wrongdoing.

Mr. **BIDEN'S** visit to Ukraine this week, which will include a formal address to Parliament on Tuesday, comes against the backdrop of increasing exasperation over corruption that has persisted in the two years since the country's pro-Western uprising and the general prosecutor's office tasked with prosecuting such wrongdoing has come under fire for inaction.

The vice president's office defended Hunter **BIDEN'S** right to serve on the board of Burisma.

"Hunter **BIDEN** is a private citizen and a lawyer. The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company," said Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Mr. **BIDEN**.

Hunter **BIDEN** said his work with Burisma aligns with his father's anticorruption message. A spokesman for the younger Mr. **BIDEN** said he joined the board "to strengthen corporate governance and transparency at a company working to advance energy security for Ukraine...These are also goals of the United States."

But some anticorruption campaigners here worry the link with Mr. **BIDEN** may protect Mr. Zlochevsky from being prosecuted in Ukraine. The general prosecutor didn't respond to multiple requests for comment on the investigation into Mr. Zlochevsky.

"If an investigator sees the son of the vice president of the United States is part of the management of a company...that investigator will be uncomfortable pushing the case forward," said Daria Kaleniuk, head of Ukraine's Anti-Corruption Action Center.

Hunter **BIDEN** has been working on geothermal energy initiatives that Burisma is pursuing and carrying out customary board member duties including company oversight.

"The situation raises a question mark about integrity," said Viktoriya Voytsitska, a member of Parliament and former employee of a rival gas company to Mr. Zlochevsky's. "There should be integrity at all levels, irrespective of whether these are of a public or private level."

Mr. Zlochevsky is under investigation in the U.K. on suspicion of money laundering, according to British authorities. He is also under investigation in a Ukrainian unlawful-enrichment probe and a separate Ukrainian into alleged abuse of power, forgery and embezzlement, according to letters from the general prosecutor reviewed by The Wall Street Journal.

"Mr. Zlochevsky has followed the letter and spirit of the law in his role as civil servant," Burisma said. "He has, at all times, held himself to the highest moral and ethical standards of fairness and decision making."

The firm said investigators hadn't produced any evidence of misconduct. Anticorruption campaigners and Ukrainian lawmakers have criticized the general prosecutor's office for lack of progress in the investigation against Mr. Zlochevsky and others involving high-profile former officials, some two years after the uprising on Maidan that promised an end to Ukraine's widespread corruption.

In March 2014, BNP Paribas reported Mr. Zlochevsky to U.K. authorities on suspicion of money laundering after his companies tried to move \$23 million to Cyprus from their British account at the bank, according to court documents.

A judge in the U.K. unfroze the \$23 million in January and chastised the U.K. Serious Fraud Office for holding the funds for months in their money-laundering probe without presenting sufficient evidence of a suspected crime. Burisma hailed the ruling as confirmation that Mr. Zlochevsky's assets were legally acquired.

The U.K. authorities are still pursuing the investigation.

U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine Geoffrey Pyatt singled out the mismanagement of Mr. Zlochevsky's case by Ukrainian prosecutors as an example of the country's failure to hold to account officials from the ousted government suspected of corruption. Mr. Pyatt suggested the court unfroze the money not because of Mr. Zlochevsky's innocence, but rather because of the incompetence of Ukrainian authorities.

Behind the relationship between Mr. Zlochevsky and Hunter **BIDEN** is an effort to anchor the future of a controversial Ukrainian company amid shifting political and economic tides, according to people familiar with the company's thinking.

In his political career, Mr. Zlochevsky allied with Moscow-leaning factions in Ukrainian politics, only to re-emerge after last year's uprising with high-profile Westerners on his company's board. Burisma now promotes its business as an antidote to Ukraine's reliance on the Kremlin for energy.

Twice, Mr. Zlochevsky served in top Ukrainian government positions that oversaw the allocation of gas licenses—first under President Leonid Kuchma from 2003 to 2005, as chairman of the since-disbanded State Committee for Natural Resources, and later under President Viktor Yanukovich from 2010 to 2012, as Ecology and Natural Resources Minister.

All the while, companies now part of Burisma rose to become the largest private gas producer in Ukraine. A review of Mr. Zlochevsky's activities by The Wall Street Journal found his oil and gas production businesses flourished by winning crucial permits while he was in office.

Ukrainian records indicate that Burisma's main subsidiaries—Esko-Pivnich and Pari—received all their exploration permits for fresh fields during his two stints in the top posts, excluding extensions on existing fields. Those exploration licenses were awarded without public auctions, according to a review of the records and an official at the State Geological and Mineral Resources Service of Ukraine.

In many cases, the companies made use of a provision in Ukrainian rules, known as an “integral property complex,” which allowed the firms to receive a license to gas fields without auction if they already owned or rented some type of asset on the field, as simple as a pipe network or dwelling. Burisma says all its permits were issued in accordance with Ukrainian law.

Apart from Burisma, other companies connected to Mr. Zlochevsky also received licenses during his time in office. In 2004, Mr. Zlochevsky's committee revoked a Ukrainian state firm's license to one of Ukraine's biggest gas fields, crippling a Polish-Ukrainian joint venture that had been harvesting deposits. It then awarded the license to a little known firm called Ukrnaftoburinnya, which counted companies tied to Mr. Zlochevsky among its beneficiaries, according to Ukrainian public records and its former CEO. Those firms later sold out. Burisma said there was no conflict of interest.

The Ukrainian constitution prohibits ministers from combining public service duties with any work except for teaching, research or creative activities. Four people, however, said they met Mr. Zlochevsky to discuss Burisma investments while he was minister. Two said he sometimes conducted the business-related meetings in his office at the ministry itself.

Since Ukraine's uprising, anticorruption crusaders and officials have regularly pointed to Mr. Zlochevsky as an example of Yanukovych-era excess.

DW

Joe BIDEN likely to bring harsh criticism to Ukraine

By: Frank Hofmann / December 6, 2015

It took over a year and a half for Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko to even begin implementing his most important campaign promise: On December 1, a new head of the anti-corruption prosecution agency was finally appointed, and now the office is ready to start working. US officials think this took far too long, and they are losing patience with Ukraine's government, especially since Prosecutor General Viktor Shokin, a Poroshenko confidant, has delayed filling the anti-corruption position. In September of this year, Geoffrey Pyatt, the US ambassador to Kyiv, took an unusual step. He tweeted - albeit in a convoluted, diplomatic manner - his demand for Shokin's dismissal.

But Poroshenko is holding on to Shokin, a man who has been accused of leading an extremely corrupt state apparatus. After Euromaidan, the judiciary holds great emotional significance for Ukrainians. Almost 100 people were killed in the revolt two years ago.

"The entire Prosecutor General's Office must urgently be reformed," a high-ranking US official demanded ahead of Joe **BIDEN'S** visit to Kyiv, where the US vice president is scheduled to start holding meetings on Monday. Ukraine has a "long history of corruption," the official said, requesting anonymity to speak candidly. **BIDEN'S** schedule for the visit reflects how low respect for Ukraine's leadership has sunk in the United States: The vice president will speak with representatives of pro-EU civil society groups before holding talks with politicians.

BIDEN will put pressure on the Ukrainian government, the US official said, and "the recently adopted anti-corruption reforms will be implemented." The vice president will probably urge Ukraine's government to force Shokin to resign. Diplomats in Kyiv are becoming increasingly distraught with regard to the placatory attitude of Ukrainian leaders.

It seems questionable that the required judicial reform will be swiftly implemented. Poroshenko's people are being advised by the European Council in Strasbourg - an institution that is not known for quick reforms. Behind the scenes, a Japanese diplomat insisted that the entire Ukrainian judiciary be thrown out. In the past, judges often acted as trustees, representing the interests of oligarchs. Japanese officials suggest that the Ukrainian government dismiss all its jurists and then start a "recruitment campaign" to put "judges with integrity" in office. This has already worked

for Ukraine's new traffic police, for which Japan has donated about 1,300 cars. Since summer, the hybrid vehicles have zipped around Kyiv, blue lights flashing to give a sense of security. Above all, these actions are meant to say, "We are doing something." Now it turns out that the police patrols just showcase a proclaimed change in politics, but, behind the display, many moldy structures prevail.

This also applies to political structures. It is striking how intricately entangled they are with Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk's milieu. That is why Yatsenyuk confidant Mykola Martynenko remains chairman of the energy committee in Ukraine's unicameral parliament, or Rada, although Switzerland has been directing investigations into him for at least half a year. Martynenko is suspected of transferring bribes worth millions to a Swiss account. It is doubtful that the Ukrainian prosecutor general has provided the Swiss with satisfactory support.

Conflict with Russia as an excuse?

The accused just shrug the allegations off. In other European countries, officials would break out in a cold sweat just thinking about the consequences, but German bank managers in Kyiv say Ukrainians cynically sneer at the idea of "honorable gentlemen." Martynenko himself speaks of a Russian conspiracy against him. Last Monday he stated that he would resign from parliament, but his departure has not been voted on yet.

All in all, many Ukrainian leaders use the conflict with Russia as an excuse for their failure to act. Instead of building democratic structures, the country seems to be stabilizing the old system of oligarchy, cronyism and corruption. Russian President Vladimir Putin has thus achieved his goal of halting Ukraine's establishing stronger bonds with the United States and EU. The excesses of the judiciary are reminiscent of the situation in Russia, where prosecutors are involved in shady dealings and act arbitrarily.

Ukrainian authorities are also known for violations of freedom of speech, another similarity the country has with Russia. The critical blogger Ruslan Kozaba has been in custody since February. His crime: He spoke out against the civil war in eastern Ukraine.

Apparently, the blogger was reported to authorities by a volunteer who works for the Security Service of Ukraine. The 31,000-employee SBU appears to serve as the third element in the justice system and is also traditionally a tool of oligarchic interests. But US officials say the days of standing by and watching are over: The grace period has apparently come to an end.

Wall Street Journal

Joe BIDEN'S Mission in Ukraine

By: Stephen Sestanovich / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine for two days of meetings and a speech to parliament. Such visits typically combine warm reassurance with hair-on-fire exhortation: "We've got your back," plus "You've got to do more." That will doubtless be Mr. **BIDEN'S** script this week. But there's nothing pro forma about the message. Although Ukraine has long since lost its page-one prominence, its situation—economic, political, and strategic—remains dire. It could be back on the front page in a hurry.

So what does the vice president need to say in Kiev? The crisis of the moment involves a political impasse over the budget. Finance Minister Natalie Jaresko, a tough reformer, has presented a tax package that would clean up a corrupt code, embrace a 20% flat tax, narrow the deficit, and sustain support from the International Monetary Fund. George Soros has endorsed it, but key parliamentary leaders have not. They've proposed an alternative (reformers call it "populist") that will cut rates, explode the deficit, and kiss IMF money good-bye.

U.S. leaders hate telling friendly countries that they have to accept the IMF's medicine, and Mr. **BIDEN** surely loathes this part of his assignment. What he needs to do in Kiev is make populism his friend. Yes, it's crucial to satisfy the IMF. (Who except Vladimir Putin wants Ukraine to stand alone?) But satisfying the Ukrainian people is equally important. The country's future depends on their support, far more than on the support of international financial institutions.

Fortunately, the two can still be reconciled. Part of Mr. **BIDEN'S** job in Ukraine this week is to avoid letting himself become the IMF's enforcer. He needs to give Ms. Jaresko's plan a boost and to make plain the U.S. government's view that her plan can succeed only if married to a vigorous assault on the corrupt and still unreformed institutions of pre-Maidan Ukraine. (As a senior member of the Kiev government growled to me not so long ago: "People need to go to jail.")

That's the you've-got-to-do-more half of Mr. **BIDEN'S** mission. As for the reassurance half, the vice president will tell Ukrainians—loudly and emphatically—that the United States and Europe will not sell them out in order to forge an anti-terrorism alliance with Russia. He shouldn't let himself be guilt-tripped on this issue or make concessions just to soothe nerves in Kiev. Still, the current lull in eastern Ukraine is a good moment to think about how to keep the peace whenever fighting threatens to resume. To prolong the lull, Ukraine needs a more capable and professional military. Now—not when new violence erupts somewhere down the line—is the time to think about security.

AFP

Joe BIDEN Visits War-Scarred Ukraine to Reaffirm US Support

By: Dmitry Zaks / December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** arrived in Kiev late Sunday to reassure its pro-Western leaders that Washington remains committed to Ukraine despite stepped-up efforts to work with Russia against Islamic State jihadists.

BIDEN'S three-day visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

After arriving at around midnight (2200 GMT on Sunday), he is due to meet Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko Monday and deliver a highly-anticipated address to parliament the following day.

"We do not know if there is any other historical precedent for a foreign official giving a speech like this," a senior US administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said in a teleconference with reporters.

Washington and Kiev's EU allies support Ukraine's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ousting of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Both the US and EU have slapped stiff economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's dilapidated and underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Situation changing

But the situation changed when Russia launched ferocious air strikes against Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's enemies on September 30.

Washington accused Putin of trying to prop up his most important Middle East ally by targeting Western-backed Syrian rebels instead of IS and other extremists holding parts of Syria and Iraq.

Yet IS's claim that it downed a Russian airliner carrying 224 holidaymakers and crew from Egypt on October 31 appears to have prompted Moscow to focus more on bombing oil infrastructure and other jihadist targets.

The November 13 Paris attacks further prompted French President Francois Hollande to try to enrol Russia in a "grand coalition" against IS including the US and some European and Arab states.

Hollande's mission has been treated with caution by the White House and overt fright by Ukraine, a country of about 40 million.

The senior US official said **BIDEN** would take extra care to stress that the overtures toward Putin in no way affected the West's support for Kiev.

"I think that is going to be a major theme of the trip -- that nothing that is going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the US official said.

Inability to erase corruption

Yet **BIDEN** arrives in a country whose morale is sagging due to Poroshenko's seeming inability to erase the corruption that has ravaged Ukraine for much of its recent history.

Poroshenko's prosecutor-general has particularly fallen prey to accusations of blocking investigations and hiring workers who have since been detained with huge stashes of gold and cash in their flats.

This, along with Kiev's failure to win back the east after 19 months of bloodshed that has claimed more than 8,000 lives, is souring the public's mood toward the government and helping the resurgence of Ukrainian far-right groups.

"Much more needs to be done to reform the prosecutor-general's office so that it actually enables anti-corruption efforts as opposed to standing in the way of those efforts," the US official said.

"So that will be I think something that is talked about."

Analysts say the main problem rests in the government's failure to break the hold big business has enjoyed over much of Ukrainian politics for more than 20 years.

"Ukraine has 1,833 state corporations that are a persistent source of corruption," said Anders Aslund of the US-based Atlantic Council.

"The government has failed to privatise one single enterprise because of deeply ingrained vested interests."

Poroshenko has taken credit for dismissing nearly 4,000 graft-tainted prosecutors. He also introduced a high-ranking official on Tuesday responsible for rooting out bribe-taking and at least partially limiting the sway of shadowy tycoons.

But some analysts remain unconvinced.

"The adoption of even the best and highest-profile decisions that 'suit **BIDEN**' only underscores the absence of a coherent strategy for reforming our country," Ukrainian political commentator Yevgen Magda said.

VICE News

Joe BIDEN is visiting Ukraine – and it could get really awkward

By: Simon Ostrovsky / December 7, 2015

It's a diplomat's job to stay all smiles and keep the business of international relations chugging along, no matter how bad things look. But sometimes, even diplomats lose their cool.

This week, US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is visiting Kiev to tell Ukrainians they still have Washington's support in their fight against Russia and Russia-backed separatists in the country's east. But his message may be overshadowed by the US ambassador to Kiev, who hasn't been acting very diplomatically lately.

At the end of September, Ambassador Geoffrey Pyatt got up in front of a group of businessmen and investors at a conference in the city of Odessa and told them that Ukrainian prosecutors were protecting the corrupt owner of an energy company that employs the **BIDEN'S** son, Hunter, instead of prosecuting him.

"We have learned that there have been times when the Prosecutor General's Office not only did not support investigations into corruption, but rather undermined prosecutors working on legitimate corruption cases," Pyatt said in Ukraine's main port city.

He then pointed specifically to a case involving former Ukrainian Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, owner of the Burisma Holdings energy firm, which hired Hunter **BIDEN** to its board of directors shortly after the Euromaidan revolution overthrew Zlochevsky's former boss Viktor Yanukovich.

Burisma likely hired **BIDEN'S** son in the hopes that some of the family prestige would rub off on the company in the uncertain times that followed the revolution, Daria Kaleniuk, director of Ukraine's Anti-Corruption Action Center, told VICE News.

"They want there to be less suspicion that they're involved in corrupt under-the-table dealings and are instead seen as operating in line with international standards," Kaleniuk said, adding that Burisma received gas

production licenses in questionable circumstances under the former regime.

Burisma insists it hired the vice president's son to its board because he is an experienced lawyer. "This is totally based on merit," the company's chairman, Alan Apter said when the younger **BIDEN** was hired.

According to the US ambassador, Hunter **BIDEN'S** boss Zlochevsky stole \$23 million from the Ukrainian people. But when a British court seized the money and asked Ukrainian prosecutors to send documents to confirm the funds were illicit, they stalled, forcing the court to release the assets back to the former ecology minister.

The elder **BIDEN** arrives in Ukraine at a time when there is no bigger issue than corruption. With the war in the east stabilized for the time being, the media have nominated graft as the country's number one enemy — not Russia.

The vice president also lands after months of acrimony between reformers and Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko over the prosecutor general, who Poroshenko has refused to dismiss despite numerous allegations about abuse of authority.

But the White House wants the focus of **BIDEN'S** visit to be Ukraine's close alliance with the US. One senior administration official, who asked not to be named, said a major goal was to remind people that Ukraine was not forgotten despite the fact that attention has shifted toward Russia's involvement in Syria.

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"That's going to be a major theme of the trip — that nothing that's going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the official said in a briefing for journalists.

The official also acknowledged that the administration has had to fall into line with the ambassador's now public views.

"The Office of the Prosecutor General itself is in desperate need of reform," the official said. "And so [**BIDEN**] has made this very clear to President Poroshenko in previous conversations... So I think we are largely in line with Ambassador Pyatt's sense that much more needs to be done."

But **BIDEN'S** meeting with Poroshenko may be a bit awkward, given that the US backs Ukraine on the presumption that it wants to have a Western-style democratic system with checks and balances — not a Russian-style autocracy where anyone who is friends with top officials gets a free pass.

Ukrainian reformers will be watching closely to hear what **BIDEN** tells the president.

"We have been very happy with the criticism the embassy has been bringing against the prosecutor's office," said Kaleniuk. "It has been very direct. So if **BIDEN** continues in the same vein and highlights the activities of the prosecutor's office in defending people associated with Burisma, then it will be clear that he is doing his job fairly and is not beholden to narrow family interests."

Voice of America

BIDEN to push for reforms during Ukraine visit December 6, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine for a visit aimed at pushing the Kyiv government toward continued reforms, while seeking to reassure it that war in Syria has not diminished Washington's support for Ukraine's pro-Western ambitions.

BIDEN arrived in Kyiv early Monday local time, and is set to meet with President Petro Poroshenko later in the day, before a highly anticipated address to the Ukraine parliament Tuesday.

During the two-day visit - **BIDEN'S** fifth since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in early 2014 - he is expected to review Ukraine's recent anti-corruption efforts, including tax reforms, ahead of formal U.S. approval of a third \$1 billion loan guarantee.

The Obama administration already has provided \$470 million in direct economic assistance since pro-Russian former president Viktor Yanukovich was driven from power nearly two years ago, after weeks of anti-government protests in Kyiv. The **BIDEN** visit comes as fighting in eastern Ukraine between government troops and pro-Russian rebels continues to wane, after more than 18 months of combat and nearly 8,000 deaths, most of them civilians.

Key U.S. officials say **BIDEN** will seek to reassure Kyiv that Washington will continue an array of economic sanctions against Russia, until Moscow and its Ukrainian rebel allies fully implement internationally mediated agreements to end the conflict and pull back heavy weapons.

Senior officials say **BIDEN** also will stress that recent U.S. overtures aimed at gaining cooperation from Russian President Vladimir Putin in the fight against Islamic extremists in Syria will in no way affect Western support for Kyiv.

President Poroshenko has overseen the dismissals of nearly 4,000 graft tainted prosecutors since taking office in May 2014. Last week, he also introduced a special anti-corruption prosecutor whose responsibilities will include rooting out graft and limiting the political power of shadowy business tycoons long seen as obstructing good government practices in the former Soviet republic.

AP

BIDEN announces more US aid for Ukraine December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** assured Ukraine Monday of continuing U.S. support and announced the release of an additional \$190 million in U.S. aid to help support reforms.

BIDEN, speaking Monday on a trip to the Ukrainian capital, also emphasized the need for Russia to fully meet its obligations under February's Minsk agreement that was intended to end the fighting in eastern Ukraine.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued — I emphasize, continued — aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said after his talks with Ukraine's President Petro Poroshenko.

Ukraine and the West have accused Russia of backing the rebels in eastern Ukraine with troops and weapons, accusations Moscow has denied.

Fighting between Ukrainian forces and Russia-backed separatists has abated significantly since early September, after killing some 8,000 people since April 2014, but tensions remain high because of unresolved questions about the final political status of the rebel regions in the east.

"Moscow has to fully implement the Minsk agreement and work constructively with Ukraine to create the conditions for free, fair and safe local elections to occur in Donbass," **BIDEN** said, referring to the collective name for the two rebel regions.

BIDEN also underlined that the U.S. will never accept Russia's annexation of Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula. "Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine's sovereign territory," he said.

BIDEN stressed the need for Ukraine to ramp up the fight against corruption and undertake critical reforms.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption," he said.

BIDEN added that the additional roughly \$190 million in U.S. assistance will help fight corruption in Ukraine's law-enforcement and reform the justice sector, helping attract more investment by streamlining regulations and privatizing state-owned enterprises in a transparent way.

Morning News USA

Joe BIDEN stirs World War 3 Analyst

By: Athena Yenko / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** traveled to Ukraine on Sunday. The visit aimed to provide a strong signal of American support for Ukraine in the face of Russia's continued military intervention in the region, according to a senior administration official. The move, however, signals that U.S. is geared up for a possible World War 3 against Russia, according to an analyst.

"He (**BIDEN**) is there to kind of reassure the Kiev puppet ally government that the United States is standing behind them, ready for World War 3 against Russia," Joachim Hagopian, an investigative journalist, told Press TV.

A senior administration official said the primary aim of Vice President **BIDEN'S** visit to Ukraine is to assure a staunch U.S. support against Russia's provocative incursion in the region. "Even as so much of the international attention has shifted towards Russia's involvement with Syria, we, the United States, haven't forgotten about Ukraine; that Ukraine remains central to our national interests; and that the Vice President and President continue to believe that progress in Ukraine is essential for the ultimate aspiration we have for Europe of being whole, at peace, and free," the official said during a conference call.

A discussion will also be made about the implementation of the Minsk Agreements in order to deescalate hostilities between Russian-backed separatists and the Ukrainian government. Mr. **BIDEN** will call for Russia to live up to their obligations under the Minsk Agreements, the official said. He will also assure Ukraine that U.S. will keep its sanctions against Russia until Minsk is fully implemented. The U.S. will also continue to train the Ukrainian armed forces to defend the region from any aggression from Russia.

The U.S. will not intervene in the matters concerning Ukrainian debt to Russia, the official said. The Russian have offered a solution that requires an American, European or an IMF guarantee of repayment in installments. "This is a bilateral issue for Russia and Ukraine," the official said.

According to a report from Reuters, the Russian government has already received a direct refusal from the U.S. regarding the matter. "In this regard, there is nothing left but for us to file a legal case against Ukraine if the debtor does not fulfill its liabilities fully on Dec. 20," the Russian Finance Ministry was quoted as saying in a statement. The senior administration

official speaking on behalf of the vice president also stressed that while the U.S. has been in active conversation with Russia on Syria, the talks are completely compartmented from the Ukraine experience.

All U.S. moves and decision involving the Ukraine crisis is provoking Russia, Hagopian told Press TV. "I think that we are seeing polarization and a movement towards more confrontation, unfortunately, and I think that this **BIDEN** visit to Ukraine is the same as 'you know we are going to be there for you when World War 3 starts, we are going to be fighting right alongside you,'" Hagopian added.

International Business Times

US Pledges \$190M Financial Support to Ukraine, Must Fight Corruption, Says VP Joe BIDEN

By: Lydia Tomkiw / December 7, 2015

During U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN'S** fourth visit to Ukraine Monday since the Russian annexation of Crimea, he announced the U.S. will provide the financially battered Eastern European country with \$190 million in financial assistance, Reuters reported. The announcement comes as Ukraine works to reform its political and economic systems and continues a territorial battle with Russia.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN reassured the Ukrainian people that the U.S. has not forgotten about Russia's annexation of Crimea in March 2014 that triggered the war in Eastern Ukraine, which has pitted Russian-backed separatists against Ukrainian government forces and devastated Ukraine's industrial heartland. Over 8,000 people have died in the conflict and over 1.4 million have been displaced.

BIDEN said the U.S. would never accept Russia's annexation of the peninsula and emphasized that Russia must meet the demands agreed to

in the February Minsk agreement that officials from both Moscow and Kiev signed in hopes of ending the conflict.

The American leader stressed during his remarks that Ukraine must continue to fight corruption with civil society playing a key role. **BIDEN'S** own son, Hunter, is on the board of a Ukrainian energy company that has faced allegations of corruption.

BIDEN'S remarks come as Ukraine works with the International Monetary Fund to bail out its economy. Ukraine was able to negotiate a 20 percent write-down on \$18 billion worth of bonds in August. Russia holds \$3 billion worth of bonds and has refused to take part in the write-down. The bonds are due Dec. 20 and Russia has said it will sue Ukraine if payments are not made.

"We have no choice but to file a lawsuit against Ukraine in case of the borrower's non-fulfillment of its obligations in full by Dec. 20 of this year, which will mean a sovereign default in Ukraine," Russia's Finance Ministry said in a statement.

BIDEN is scheduled to address the Ukrainian parliament Tuesday.

Reuters

Ukraine still has work to do on reforms, U.S. VP BIDEN says

By: Alessandra Prentice / December 7, 2015

U.S Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said on Monday Ukraine still had a lot of hard work to do on reforms, as he announced new financial aid of \$190 million to help the country fight corruption and streamline its bureaucracy.

Ukraine's Western backers have repeatedly urged Kiev authorities to stick to reform promises made under a \$40 billion international bailout programme aimed at shoring up the country's war-torn economy, which was brought close to bankruptcy by years of corruption and economic mismanagement.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to

determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** told a joint briefing with President Petro Poroshenko following bilateral talks.

Disagreement between the government and parliament over critical tax amendments and slow progress in revamping Ukraine's corrupt judicial system have raised concern that the country's leadership will stumble in its reform drive.

"A lot of hard work remains, including reform of Ukraine's law and justice sectors, but the payoff will be worth it," **BIDEN** said, even as he welcomed "real signs" of economic improvement.

Including the latest funds, the U.S. government has given Kiev \$760 million in direct economic assistance and signed two loan guarantees, each worth \$1 billion, since pro-Western parties took office in Ukraine more than a year ago.

Ukraine has also sought to bolster its finances through restructuring its external debt. Russia holds the entirety of one Ukrainian \$3 billion Eurobond and has refused the deal offered by Kiev, putting forward instead its own terms in a proposal that expires on Tuesday.

There is no sign that the two sides have moved closer to a compromise on the bond, which matures on Dec. 20. The Ukrainian Finance Ministry has said it cannot legally offer Russia better terms than those agreed with its other creditors.

The International Monetary Fund is expected to change its policy to allow it to lend to countries in arrears, maintaining Ukraine's access to financial assistance if it does not repay Russia this month.

Both sides have expressed a willingness to fight out the issue in court, should efforts to negotiate a deal fail.

RFI English

BIDEN visits Kiev to calm Ukrainian fears over Russia relations thaw

By: Jan van der Made / December 7, 2015

US Vice-President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine this week for the fourth time since protests ousted the pro-Russian government at the beginning of 2013. **BIDEN** met Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko on Sunday and was to address parliament on Tuesday.

BIDEN'S Ukraine visit comes as the West seems readier to cooperate with Russia in Syria - a thaw in relations with Kiev's current arch-enemy.

One of the reasons, if not the main reason, that **BIDEN** is there is to address Ukrainians' concerns in that respect.

"This is very important for us, he is giving messages from our foreign alliances and we can see the Americans and the Europeans as our allies in our fight against Russia and we are really grateful for this support, which shows that we are on the right track." says Alexei Ryabchin, a member of parliament for Yulia Tymoshenko's Fatherland Party who met **BIDEN** on Monday morning.

"It signifies the importance that Ukraine carries at the moment for the US," says Lilith Gevorgian, senior economist with IHS Global Insight. "It also signifies the continuing US support for Ukraine and perhaps in some ways it is a gesture to address those concerns Ukrainians may have over the recent thaw between Russia and the West over Syria."

Many Ukrainians fear that their conflict with Russia may be overshadowed by the eagerness of Nato members, especially France, to build an alliance against the Islamic State armed group (IS) in which Russia is an important player, she explains.?

BIDEN seems to have answered Ukrainian concerns, for now at least.

"Of course Ukraine is concerned with this," says Ryabchin, just back from Paris where he attended the Cop21 climate change negotiations.

There "high French officials gave guarantees that the Syrian question is one thing and Ukraine is another", he says. "It won't be mixed."

"And now I heard from Vice-President Joe **BIDEN**, who could speak on behalf of the presidential administration, that Syria is one thing and Ukraine is another and they will not mix these two things together."

Another point of discussion may be Ukraine's debt to Russia and a looming default that could take place as early as this month.

Russia provided Ukraine with three-billion-dollars-worth of credit in 2013, when the country was still ruled by the Moscow-backed government of Victor Yanukovich. The payback is due on 20 December.

"Obviously Ukraine does not have the means to repay this," says Peter Hablik, an economist with the Vienna Institute of International Economic Relations. "Russia insists on getting this money back, otherwise Ukraine would default. And Russia has proposed that for instance the US or the EU would provide guarantees for this credit and in that case Russia would be willing to restructure."

Meanwhile, Nato members are not unanimous in their attitude to Russia. Poland calls for more Nato troops on its territory and cutting ties with Russia, while the Germans last week said they want to push their allies to reopen high level contacts with Russia.

Ukraine is trying to defend its perceived interests in the shifting sands of Moscow-Nato relations.

"The task of the Ukrainian state is to build up capacity of governing our army, of organising our army according to the best Nato standards," says Ryabchyn.

"It does not mean that we are applying for membership right now. No, it means that we now need to build an army that is able to defend the country. The army has been destroyed during 15 years of a pro-Russian government. We restored it within one year. And now we need to train it to the best Nato standards. So this is where we see Nato helping us."

But membership of Nato is still a far-away dream.

"Ukraine has thrown away the previous policy of neutrality in terms of military alliances," says Gevorgian. "In the past Ukraine had declared it didn't want to pursue any military alliance with Russia or Nato. However, after the last crisis, the Crimean crisis and the one in eastern Ukraine, there is an overwhelming support now for pursuing Atlantic integration, including on a military level."

But Ukraine and Georgia, which is also pursuing Nato membership, may have to go through years of reforms before being accepted by the military alliance, which is not going to solve their immediate military problems with Russia, she says.

ABC Radio

BIDEN to ease concerns over US support in Ukraine

December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** received a warm welcome upon his arrival in Kiev, Ukraine, Monday. The vice president was met with the traditional Ukrainian offering of bread and salt on the first visit to Ukraine by a senior U.S. official for some time.

During the two-day visit, **BIDEN** will hopefully reassure Ukrainians that the U.S. is not losing interest in supporting Ukraine.

BIDEN is set to meet with President Petro Poroshenko to discuss further U.S. aid and the conflict with Russia there, which has calmed recently. Officials have also said that **BIDEN** will press the Ukrainian government on economic reforms and anti-corruption efforts that the White House says aren't moving fast enough.

AFP

Russia must fulfill Ukraine peace deal, hand back Crimea: BIDEN

December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said during a visit to Kiev on Monday that Washington remained committed to its demands for Russia to adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev.

The broad February deal struck in the Belarussian capital Minsk "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitments," **BIDEN** said after talks in the Ukrainian capital with President Petro Poroshenko.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia's troops overran Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

Washington and the European Union support Kiev's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Fighting has eased somewhat since the warring sides signed a new truce on September 1. But Ukrainian soldiers and civilians still die almost daily by stepping on landmines and getting caught in the occasional combat that breaks out across the war zone.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, I emphasize, continued aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN also took the opportunity to urge Ukrainian authorities to do more to tackle the rampant graft that has plagued the country for much of its recent history, amid growing discontent among Ukrainians over Poroshenko's seeming inability to end the scourge.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine... to root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** stressed.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you."

Poroshenko for his part told **BIDEN** that the 19-month war in which more than 8,000 have died "cannot be used as an excuse for failing to conduct reforms."

"We are grateful to Washington for its support of Ukraine," the pro-Western president said.

Ukraine Today

US expects Ukraine to make significant steps to eradicate corruption – BIDEN

December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has urged the Ukrainian people and authorities to unite in the fight against corruption, which currently prevents development in the country.

"All Ukrainians, state officials and the business community must work together to eradicate corruption, which has held back the progress in Ukraine for too long. Ukrainians cannot stand corruption any longer. Their expectations are very high," Joe **BIDEN** said during a joint press conference with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko in Kyiv on Monday, December 7, according to Interfax-Ukraine news agency

BIDEN stressed that the desire to fight corruption also led to the anti-government and pro-European protests that took place in Kyiv two years ago in Kyiv.

"It is important to root out corruption to secure the prosperity of Ukraine and ensure the country becomes part of the safe Europe", he said.

BIDEN also said the United States expects Russia to fully implement the Minsk agreements.

"We believe that the best way to end the conflict in the Donbass is through diplomatic methods set out in the Minsk Agreement. But both parties must fulfil their obligations. The Minsk Agreement will not be successful if Russia does not fulfil its obligations, if President Putin did not fulfil the promises he repeatedly gave to US President Obama, to you (President Poroshenko) and the international community ", Interfax-Ukraine quoted **BIDEN** as saying.

Sputnik

With this team? BIDEN urges Anti-Corruption, Economic reforms in

Ukraine

December 7, 2015

“The Vice President [**BIDEN**] and other participants spoke about the importance of anti-corruption, governance, and economic reforms,” the press release said.

BIDEN arrived to Kiev on Monday and held talks with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko. The vice president is also expected to address the Rada on Tuesday.

Earlier in the day, the US vice president announced a new round of financial assistance to Kiev amounting to \$190 million.

The United States has been assisting Ukraine with economic and military aid following the 2014 political crisis and Crimea’s referendum to reunite with Russia.

Washington has already provided Kiev with more than \$266 million in military equipment and training, while the International Monetary Fund (IMF) has pledged to give Kiev some \$17 billion in loans over a two-year period.

POLITICO

BIDEN gives Ukraine ‘one more chance’ to reform

By: Paul Dallison / December 7, 2015

The United States pledged an extra \$190 million in aid to Ukraine Monday, but Vice President Joe **BIDEN** warned that Kiev has just “one more chance” to root out corruption or lose the funding.

BIDEN held talks with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, pledging support for Ukraine in the face of Russian aggression and urging the country’s leaders to continue on the path to reform. “The Ukrainian people cannot once again have their hopes dashed based on corruption,” **BIDEN** said.

“One more chance. It’s absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption. The people need to see that the ways of the past are permanently gone, they no longer exist. That means hard decisions. That means ramping up the pace of reforms, avoidance of past practices, advancing good governance, increasing transparency across the board at every level of the government and strengthening the rule of law. It means everybody playing by the same rules, from the folks at the bottom to the folks at the very top.”

The \$190 million in funding brings the total American assistance in recent years to \$760 million. **BIDEN** made it clear that the U.S. “stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued – and I emphasize continued – aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists.”

“We continue to believe that the best way to end the conflict in Donbas is through a diplomatic framework that was laid out in the Minsk agreement. But both sides need to hold up that bargain. Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community.”

He added: “The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten that the illegal invasion — and it’s an invasion — by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or the international community.”

Poroshenko said that there had been a reduction in the violence in the east of the country, but “unfortunately the war is still raging.” He added that the government has made progress in reforms, including the selection of an anti-corruption prosecutor.

CNN

BIDEN says Crimea part of Ukraine, not Russia
December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in the capital of Ukraine. During his two-day visit, the vice president is expected to review anti-corruption efforts in Ukraine ahead of U.S. economic assistance to the country.

He also will meet with Ukraine's president and address the country's parliament. **BIDEN** will get an update on clashes between government troops and pro-Russian forces in eastern Ukraine.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, and I emphasize continued, aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said on Monday. "And we continue to believe that the best way to end the conflict in Donbass is through a diplomatic framework that was laid out in the Minsk Agreement. But both sides, both sides, need to hold up that bargain. Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and (Russian) President (Vladimir) Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community."

More than 7,500 people have died in the fighting in eastern Ukraine between national forces and Russian-backed separatists. **BIDEN** also reiterated the U.S. view that Crimea is a part of Ukraine, not Russia.

"The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten that the illegal invasion, and it's an invasion, by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or the international community," **BIDEN** added. "This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong and we will not accept it under any circumstance. And Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine's sovereign territory. Crimea is still sovereign territory of Ukraine."

Bloomberg

BIDEN Warns Ukraine That Corruption Imperils Its Democracy

By: Margaret Talev / December 8, 2015

Ukraine must root out corruption and impose the rule of law or risk graft becoming the "death knell" of the eastern European nation's democracy, according to U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN**.

BIDEN, visiting Kiev for the fourth time in two years, warned against repeating the broken reform promises of the 2004 Orange Revolution, which failed to curb the clout of the businessmen that control Ukraine's biggest companies and influence politics. The government must complete economic overhauls under a \$17.5 billion bailout from the International Monetary Fund, he said.

"Oligarchs and non-oligarchs must play by the same rules," **BIDEN** told lawmakers Tuesday in the Ukrainian capital before a vote this month on the 2016 budget. Fighting corruption is one of Ukraine's "national security interests."

Ukraine, jolted by a war in its easternmost regions and 1 1/2 years of recession, has faced criticism over delays in reforms needed to sustain the flow of financial aid from allies including the U.S and the European Union. Anger at corruption fueled the Orange Revolution and an uprising that unseated pro-Russian leader Viktor Yanukovich in 2014. Ukraine ranks 142nd-lowest of 175 nations in Berlin-based Transparency's latest graft-perceptions survey.

'Moving Forward'

BIDEN said the U.S. will continue support "if you keep moving forward on corruption." The U.S. has provided guarantees for \$2 billion of bond sales by Ukraine's government, helping to stabilize the hryvnia, which has lost almost a third of its value against the dollar this year. Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew said last month that a third \$1 billion guarantee is planned in the coming months if Ukraine's maintains reforms and adheres to the IMF program.

BIDEN also addressed the Minsk peace accord that's stemmed violence in Ukraine's eastern conflict zone since it was signed in February in Belarus. Ukraine should fulfill its obligations under the pact, including granting decentralization and amnesty to Russia-backed separatists in the Donetsk and Luhansk regions, he said.

Russia must deliver on its promises and put pressure on the insurgents to allow local elections to be held under Ukrainian law, according to **BIDEN**, who said sanctions won't be lifted unless Russia meets its commitments.

POLITICO

Joe BIDEN: Corruption eating Ukraine 'like a cancer'

By: Vince Chadwick / December 8, 2015

"Corruption eats Ukraine like cancer," U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** told that country's parliament Tuesday.

Addressing the Verkhovna Rada in Kiev, **BIDEN** said Ukraine needed to do more to fight corruption, or else risk losing international support.

The U.S. pledged \$190 million in extra aid to Ukraine Monday, but **BIDEN** warned it had only "one more chance" to stop corruption.

He had a message for Moscow in his address Tuesday as well, saying sanctions against Moscow would not be lifted until it ended its "aggression" against Ukraine.

"Despite some de-escalation in violence, there can be no sanctions relief unless and until Russia meets all of its commitments under the (February) Minsk agreements," he said, adding that the U.S. would never recognize Russia's annexation of Crimea.

New York Times

Joe BIDEN Urges Lawmakers in Ukraine to Fulfill Promise of Uprising

By: Peter Baker / December 8, 2015

Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. urged Ukrainian leaders on Tuesday to curb the power of the business moguls dominating society and to fulfill the promise of the popular revolution that pushed out a pro-Moscow government last year.

Addressing the Ukrainian Parliament, Mr. **BIDEN** sternly lectured lawmakers to put aside their own self-interests and to transform this former Soviet republic into a model of democratic change.

Citing the failure of the Orange Revolution of 2004 to deliver enduring change, the vice president urged Ukrainians not to let this opportunity slip by as well.

“This is your moment,” he told them. “This is your responsibility. Each of you, if you’ll forgive me for speaking to you this way in your body, each of you has an obligation to seize the opportunity that the sacrifices made in the Maidan, the sacrifices of the Heavenly Hundred. Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time.”

By invoking the memory of the roughly 100 protesters killed during protests in Maidan Square last year, Mr. **BIDEN** hoped to infuse today’s legislative battles with the moral imperative of the uprising, which led to a pro-Western government. Many in Ukraine worry that the new leaders have become so paralyzed by their own power struggles that they will squander the chance for change.

For Mr. **BIDEN**, who has made it his mission to nurse Ukraine through its transition, it was a classic performance from the lectern in the grand chamber of the Parliament, known here as the Rada. At times, he shouted at the lawmakers, gesturing sharply. At other points, he practically whispered. At still other moments, he wagged his finger.

Citing John Adams, Thomas Paine, Edmund Burke and Daniel Webster, Mr. **BIDEN** talked about the United States’ own struggles to build democracy. He also cited a quotation from an American politician he did not identify: “In your heart, you know it’s right,” he said. (The phrase is actually a variation of the slogan in an ad made for the Republican presidential candidate Barry Goldwater in 1964.)

But it was not clear whether Mr. **BIDEN’S** message really got through. Lawmakers, many listening to an interpreter through earphones, sat silently during the long lecture on corruption and applauded only when Mr. **BIDEN** assailed Russia for its intervention in Ukraine. The one standing ovation they gave Mr. **BIDEN** came when he said that Russia had infringed on Ukrainian sovereignty and that the United States would never recognize the annexation of Crimea.

“Russia has violated these ground rules and continues to violate them,” he said. “Today, Russia’s occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia’s attempt to annex Crimea.”

He added that he would tell the world about Nadiya V. Savchenko, the Ukrainian helicopter pilot being held in Russia; her picture was displayed on a poster on the lectern from which Mr. **BIDEN** spoke, with the slogan, “Freedom for Nadiya Savchenko.”

And the vice president committed to keeping American sanctions on Russia until Moscow complies with a cease-fire brokered in Minsk, Belarus. “There can be no sanctions relief unless and until Moscow meets all, all of its commitments under Minsk,” Mr. **BIDEN** said.

But his main message to the Ukrainians was, in effect, to get their house in order. The day before, he had suggested that many in Europe were waiting for Ukraine to fail so that they would have an excuse not to continue confronting Russia.

Mr. **BIDEN** specifically called for an overhaul of the office of prosecutor general, change in the energy sector, transparency about official sources of income, disclosure of conflicts between government responsibilities and business and other measures.

“If you fail, the experiment fails,” he said. “It’s no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you.”

Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty

BIDEN says Western pressure, ‘cost’ to Moscow will rise if ‘agression’ persists

December 8, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has told Ukraine's parliament that Western pressure on Russia will increase if Moscow continues its "aggression" against Kyiv.

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said on December 8 in a rare appearance by a top Western official before the Ukrainian parliament.

"The U.S. will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfills its [peace deal] commitments," he said. "Despite some deescalation in violence, there can be no sanctions relief unless until Russia meets all of its commitments under the [February] Minsk agreements."

He also directly accused Moscow of sending troops to fight with pro-Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine and trying to hide that action from the Russian public and the world.

"I don't think the Russian people understand fully what Putin is doing. That's why he spends so much time hiding at home the presence of troops here in your country," he told the Ukrainian lawmakers.

BIDEN is in Kyiv on his fourth visit since Moscow annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in March 2014 and gave its backing to pro-Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine.

He told the parliament that "Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory" in Crimea and has violated international law by illegally seizing the Ukrainian peninsula.

BIDEN said "the United States will never recognize" Russia's annexation of Crimea and will continue to support Ukraine against Russian aggression.

The U.S. vice president also told the lawmakers that they have "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

"It is no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you, because so much rides on your fragile experiment with democracy succeeding," **BIDEN** said. "It is equally important, by the way, for aggressors around the world to understand they can't use coercion, bribery, sending tanks and men across the border to extinguish the dreams of a people." **BIDEN** said each lawmaker will be judged by future generations upon whether they put the greater good of all Ukrainian people over local interests that have divided the country.

He urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

BIDEN met with President Petro Poroshenko in Kyiv on December 7 and announced new financial aid of \$190 million to help Ukraine implement reforms.

He said after meeting Poroshenko that "Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations."

He also met on December 7 with some individual members of parliament and from civic society, as well as with Kyiv Mayor Vitaly Klitschko.

BIDEN arrived in the Ukrainian capital late on December 6.

The United States and European Union, along with Kyiv, accuse Russia of seizing Crimea and backing the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of Moscow-backed President Viktor Yanukovych following months of antigovernment protests.

The protests were fueled by anger over rampant corruption and Yanukovych's abandonment of negotiations toward an Association Agreement with the EU amid Russian pressure.

In response to Russia's actions, Washington and Brussels have placed economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Voice of America

BIDEN promises Ukraine continued US support on Conflict with Russia

December 8, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has assured Ukraine's lawmakers that the United States will never recognize "Russia's attempt to annex Crimea," drawing a standing ovation in the country's parliament.

"Today, Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia's attempt to annex Crimea," he told members of the Ukrainian Rada on Tuesday, just before concluding a two-day visit to Ukraine.

Speaking on conflict in eastern Ukraine, where Ukrainian troops have been locked in a battle with pro-Russia separatists for the past 20 months, he assured lawmakers of continued U.S. support, calling on Russia to comply with the Minsk cease-fire agreement designed to ease tensions over the conflict or face continued sanctions.

"There can be no sanctions relief unless and until Moscow meets all, all of its commitments under Minsk," **BIDEN** said. He also urged lawmakers to fight corruption, warning that the future of Ukraine is at stake.

"Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time," **BIDEN** told lawmakers.

The vice president also promised to tell the world the story of Nadiya Savchenko, a Ukrainian helicopter pilot being held in Russia.

\$190 million in new US aid

On Monday, **BIDEN** announced \$190 million in new U.S. aid to Ukraine.

BIDEN said Monday that the new aid will help the country implement reforms and fight corruption. During a joint briefing following bilateral talks with Ukraine's president, Petro Poroshenko, **BIDEN** said, "It's absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe, to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption."

"That means ramping up the pace of reforms, avoidance of past practices, advancing good governance, increasing transparency across the board at every level of the government and strengthening the rule of law," he added.

Poroshenko has overseen the dismissal of nearly 4,000 graft tainted prosecutors since taking office in May 2014. Last week, he also introduced a special anti-corruption prosecutor whose responsibilities will include rooting out graft and limiting the political power of shadowy business

tycoons long seen as obstructing good government practices in the former Soviet republic.

Minsk agreement

During their joint briefing Monday, **BIDEN** also said the U.S. "stands firmly with the people of Ukraine" in the face of "continued aggression" by Russia and Russia-backed separatists. He said the best way to end the conflict in eastern Ukraine is through the "diplomatic framework" laid out in an agreement signed in Minsk, Belarus by representatives of the Ukrainian and Russian governments, and the separatists.

"Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community," **BIDEN** said, adding that Russia is "systematically violating" the cease-fire agreed to in Minsk.

Despite the cease-fire, sporadic fighting between government troops and pro-Russian rebels continues in eastern Ukraine, after more than 18 months of combat and nearly 8,000 deaths, most of them civilians.

BIDEN'S two-day visit, his fourth since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in early 2014, came ahead of formal U.S. approval of a third \$1 billion bailout loan guarantee.

The Obama administration already has provided \$470 million in direct economic assistance since pro-Russian former president Viktor Yanukovich was driven from power nearly two years ago, after weeks of anti-government protests in Kyiv.

AP

BIDEN Warns Ukraine of Backsliding on Corruption **December 8, 2015**

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** on Tuesday warned Ukraine against backsliding in the fight against corruption.

In a speech at the Ukrainian Parliament, **BIDEN** said Ukraine should do more to fight corruption or it will lose international support.

BIDEN, who has been in Kiev since Sunday, previously assured Ukraine of U.S. support and announced the release of an additional \$190 million in U.S. aid to help conduct structural reforms.

Pro-Russian President Viktor Yanukovych fled the country in February 2014 following months of anti-government protests in Kiev, largely fueled by rampant corruption.

BIDEN urged Ukraine to carry out painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

"We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return," **BIDEN** said. "We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path."

BIDEN'S speech on Tuesday indicated the West's growing impatience with Ukraine's lack of progress in reforms.

Nearly two years after the February 2014 revolution ushered in a new government, Ukraine still has hardly embarked on judicial and police reforms.

President Petro Poroshenko has been criticized for not doing enough to fight oligarchs many of whom have remained powerful brokers and taken on roles of managing crucial eastern regions bordering on the separatist-controlled areas.

Press TV

US to step up pressure over Russia 'aggression': BIDEN
December 8, 2015

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said Tuesday in a rare address to the Ukrainian Parliament on the second day of his visit to Kiev.

"The US will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfills its Minsk commitments," he said.

The vice president also warned that there will be "no sanctions relief" if Russia does not fully implement the terms of the truce agreement signed in the Belarusian capital in February.

The deal introduced measures including a ceasefire, which officially went into effect on February 15, the pullout of heavy weapons from the conflict zones, and constitutional reforms in Ukraine by the end of the year.

US and European officials say Russia, and pro-Russia forces in eastern Ukraine, continue to violate the Minsk accord.

BIDEN'S address before the Ukrainian Parliament, the first of its kind by a high-ranking US official since 1991, flew in the face of Russia's assertion that it is the pro-Western government in Kiev that flouts the peace accord. The conflict in eastern Ukraine broke out last year following a referendum in the Black Sea peninsula of Crimea, in which people voted overwhelmingly for reunification with Russia. More than 8,000 people have died in the conflict.

"Russia has violated these ground rules and continues to violate them," **BIDEN** told Ukrainian lawmakers. "Today, Russia's occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia's attempt to annex Crimea."

Washington has imposed tough economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and helped train and equip Ukraine's army to combat pro-Russia forces in eastern regions of the country.

In his address, **BIDEN** also urged Ukrainian lawmakers to put aside their self-interests and work to transform their country into a model of democratic change.

On Monday, the vice president announced \$190 million in new US aid to Ukraine. He said the new aid package will help Ukraine implement reforms and fight "the cancer of corruption."

BIDEN'S visit and his tough message for Moscow threaten to complicate increased US efforts to work with Russia to resolve the Syrian conflict and fight the Daesh (ISIL) terrorists.

APA

BIDEN presses Russia on Ukraine peace deal, return of Crimea
December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said Monday that Washington remained determined to see Russia adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev, APA reports quoting AFP.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Black Sea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin fighters carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heart of the ex-Soviet state.

The war-scarred nation now fears slipping off the global radar due to recent international efforts to enlist Moscow in a joint fight against the Islamic State (IS) group in Syria and Iraq.

But **BIDEN** brought a message of reassurance to Kiev.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued -- I emphasise continued -- aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," he told Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko.

Washington's EU allies support Ukraine's view of Russia orchestrating and backing the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Both Washington and Brussels have slapped stiff economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

But the situation changed when Russia began launching ferocious air strikes against Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's foes on September 30.

Washington accused Putin of trying to prop up his remaining Middle East ally by targeting Syria's Western-backed rebels instead of extremist groups.

- 'Hold Russia accountable' -

Yet the Islamic State's claim of downing a Russian airliner carrying 224 people over Egypt on October 31 appears to have prompted Moscow to focus more on bombing IS's oil infrastructure and other jihadist targets.

The November 13 Paris attacks the IS also claimed saw France make a push to enlist Russia in a "grand coalition" against the jihadist group alongside the United States and some European and Arab states.

BIDEN said the latest developments in the Middle East in no way appeased Washington's anger with Putin or slackened its support for Poroshenko's pro-Western team.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN also hinted that Russia may face additional US sanctions if its peace commitments were not met.

Washington was in contact with "our fellow leaders around the world... to make sure the international community stands and holds Russia accountable for the actions against Ukraine," **BIDEN** said after meeting with Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk.

"If they do not meet their obligations, (one must) increase the price Russia has to pay for its illegal actions internationally."

Ukraine Today

US Vice President BIDEN urges to end 'cancer of corruption' in Ukraine

December 8, 2015

US Vice-President Joe **BIDEN** in his emotional speech at the Ukrainian Parliament on Tuesday has stressed the need to eliminate corruption in Ukraine.

BIDEN said that Ukraine should do more to fight corruption or it will lose international support. **BIDEN** urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

BIDEN told Ukrainian lawmakers that they had "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

Kiev Post

**In Ukraine's parliament, BIDEN highlights need for corruption fight
December 8, 2015**

U.S. Vice President Joseph **BIDEN**, in a passionate speech to Ukraine's parliament and other political leaders on Dec. 8, urged Ukraine to seize the opportunity to become a truly democratic nation that removes the blight of corruption.

His words drew several rounds of applause, including a standing ovation, during a 37-minute speech in which **BIDEN** talked about how the United States would support Ukraine as long as it stayed on the democratic path.

He said, however, that the nation's prosecutorial and judicial system needs to be overhauled to deliver justice to Ukrainians who earned their freedom by overthrowing the corrupt regime of ex-President Viktor Yanukovich. All broadcasts of **BIDEN'S** speech in Ukraine carried a Ukrainian translator voiceover, making it hard to get precise quotes. A transcript wasn't immediately available on the U.S. Embassy in Ukraine or White House websites.

But **BIDEN** has repeated the same themes on this two-day visit.

In a Dec. 7 blog about his trip -- the fifth to the region as vice president -- **BIDEN** warned that Ukraine is running out of chances.

"Once again, standing in the face of Russian aggression and widespread corruption, Ukraine has another — and what might be its last — historic opportunity to establish a true, free, economically prosperous democratic republic. One that can't be bullied, bribed, or bought," **BIDEN** wrote. "So long as the people of Ukraine continue to strive for freedom and democracy, they can count on the unwavering commitment of the United States to stand with them."

In remarks with President Petro Poroshenko the day before, **BIDEN** also highlighted the corruption fight.

"The Ukrainian people cannot once again have their hopes dashed based on the cancer of corruption. The Orange Revolution occurred and hopes were extremely high," **BIDEN** said. "And here we are again because of the sacrifices made two years ago. One more chance. One more chance. And it's absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption. The people need to see that in ways -- that the ways of the past are permanently gone. They no longer exist."

BIDEN also on Dec. 7 urged Ukraine to adopt a tax code and state budget that meets International Monetary Fund requirements for fiscal prudence (deficits of no more than 3.7 percent of gross domestic product). "We have spoken about the vital importance of Ukraine following through on its IMF commitments," he said.

The Dec. 7 statement can be found [here](#).

In the speech to parliament, recalling the sacrifices of the EuroMaidan Revolution in which more than 100 people were killed and many others wounded before President Viktor Yanukovych fled power, **BIDEN** said Ukraine's political leaders have an obligation bring justice.

"It is your responsibility now," **BIDEN** said. "This is an obligation, a responsibility before each and one of you to build a unified and democratic country. Parliament is an organ of a unified people, not local interests, but a place concerned with the overall good. It is in your hands. You can bend the arch of history."

He noted the disappointment when no reforms followed the 2004 Orange Revolution, which denied Yanukovych the president in favor of Viktor

Yushchenko. "Hopes were let down," he said, noting that oligarchs are not interested in reforms.

In today's Ukraine, problems remain. **BIDEN** said setting up an anti-corruption bureau or anti-corruption prosecutor is not enough.

"You have to reform the whole prosecution and judiciary," **BIDEN** said.

"Oligarchs should not be able to influence court and judges... corruption siphons resources from the people and from the economy and you know it."

BIDEN said that America would never accept Russia's annexation of Ukraine's Crimean peninsula and will continue to pressure Russia to live up to the Minsk agreements, including withdrawal of its troops and weapons, and the return of eastern borders to Ukraine's control.

As a U.S. senator, **BIDEN** said that he resented it when speakers appeared to lecture him on what to do.

He said "I hope I didn't come across that way."

But he said "the world is watching you" and "this is your moment. This is your responsibility." Failure, he said, would have harmful consequences in building a whole, united and democratic Europe.

Ukraine Today

US will never recognize Russia's annexation of Crimea – BIDEN
December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has said that the US will never recognise Russia's annexation of Crimea. Addressing the Ukrainian lawmakers during his speech on December 8, **BIDEN** added that the US will continue to support Ukraine in its struggle against Kremlin's aggression.

BIDEN said that countries "cannot redraw state borders by force" in the 21st century. According to **BIDEN**, "this is the fundamental rule," which Russia "has violated and continues to violate."

BIDEN also said that the pressure on Russia will continue until it fulfills its commitments under the Minsk agreement. He added that the US sanctions against Russia cannot be lifted until it fulfills its obligations.

BIDEN told Ukrainian lawmakers that they had "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

Ukraine Today

US Vice President BIDEN tells Ukrainian MPs they face 'historic battle' against corruption

December 8, 2015

Joe **BIDEN** has expressed solidarity with Ukraine during an address to MPs in the country's capital, Kyiv. The US Vice President spoke out against what he called Russia's occupation of Ukrainian sovereign territory. But **BIDEN** added a warning to his support, urging Kyiv to fight corruption.

Joe **BIDEN**, US Vice President: "Today Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear - the United States does not, will not, never will recognise Russia's attempt to annex the Crimea.

"But in addition, you also have a battle. A historic battle against corruption. Ukraine cannot afford for the people to lose hope again."

BIDEN'S speech came during a two-day visit to Ukraine. The US official earlier announced new financial aid of USD 190 million to help the country fight corruption and streamline its bureaucracy. The White House has brought sanctions against Russia for its aggression in Ukraine, including for the seizure by Moscow of the Crimean Peninsula in 2014 and for its ongoing support for militants in east Ukraine.

The News

'Russia must return Crimea'

December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said during a visit to Kiev on Monday that Washington remained committed to its demands for Russia to adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev.

The broad February deal struck in the Belarussian capital Minsk "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfil its commitments," **BIDEN** said after talks in the Ukrainian capital with President Petro Poroshenko.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia's troops overran Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

Washington and the European Union support Kiev's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Fighting has eased somewhat since the warring sides signed a new truce on September 1. But Ukrainian soldiers and civilians still die almost daily by stepping on landmines and getting caught in the occasional combat that breaks out across the war zone.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, I emphasise, continued aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN also took the opportunity to urge Ukrainian authorities to do more to tackle the rampant graft that has plagued the county for much of its recent history, amid growing discontent among Ukrainians over Poroshenko's seeming inability to end the scourge.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine... to root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** stressed.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you."

DW

BIDEN reassures Ukraine of US support

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In his fourth visit to Kyiv since the outbreak of the 19-month conflict in Ukraine, US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** on Monday announced an additional \$190 million (175 million euros) in aid to help the economically embattled government implement key reforms to root out widespread corruption and improve governance.

Ukraine has vowed to battle endemic graft as part of promised reforms, in exchange for international bailout money to prop up an economy on the verge of bankruptcy after years of economic mismanagement and nearly two years of war that has claimed 8,000 lives.

But progress on rooting out corruption and implementing reforms has been slow in the post-Maidan era, with Ukrainians increasingly disgruntled by the lack of progress and a deteriorating economic situation.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp - what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** said alongside President Petro Poroshenko following bilateral talks.

Including Monday's pledge, the US has provided Ukraine with \$760 million in direct aid and two loan guarantees worth \$2 billion. International financial institutions have promised another \$40 billion under a bailout program in exchange for reforms.

Deadlock between Ukraine's finance minister, Natalie Jaresko, and parliament over the budget and tax reforms meant to appease the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and unlock funds, as well as fixing the judicial system, have created concern the government will not be able to follow a reform agenda.

The slow progress has frustrated many in Washington.

"A lot of hard work remains, including reform of Ukraine's law and justice sectors, but the payoff will be worth it," said **BIDEN**, who will address parliament on Tuesday.

Ukraine has sought to restructure its international debt to fill a \$15 billion funding gap as part of the IMF bailout, but a \$3-billion Eurobond held by Russia is due to be paid on December 20. So far neither side has been able to reach new terms, meaning Ukraine could fail to repay the debt when it matures.

Through US influence at the IMF, the fund is expected to change its policy of not lending to countries in arrears, allowing Ukraine to continue receiving funds if it fails to pay of the Russian loan.

Continued support against Russian aggression

With the US and Europe's attention being drawn to Syria and the "Islamic State," officials in Kyiv have been worried that Ukraine might fall off the international radar.

Part of **BIDEN'S** mission is to reassure Kyiv that the US stands behind Ukraine in the face of Russian aggression and the annexation of Crimea, something he said "will not be accepted by us or by the international community."

BIDEN said a February agreement drawn up in Minsk to end the conflict in eastern Ukraine "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitments."

A ceasefire reached in September between Russian backed rebels in eastern Ukraine and pro-government forces has created a relative lull in fighting, but occasional clashes continue to erupt.

The US and European Union have tied lifting sanctions on Russia to the implementation of the Minsk deal, but following Russia's intervention to bolster the Assad regime and the downing of one its airliners by the "Islamic State" in October, it has become increasingly clear that Moscow's help would be needed to reach a political and military solution in the Syria conflict.

This impulse was given a further boost following the Paris terror attacks last month, after which France, a major player in the Minsk process, pushed for a broader international coalition to defeat the "Islamic State" (IS) that

includes Russia. Moscow has been accused of primarily targeting Western-backed rebels instead of the "Islamic State."

The expanded military campaign against IS has been paralleled by political talks to end the conflict in Syria, where Russia holds considerable sway over a country that has created a refugee crisis in Europe.

The changing dynamics in Syria and Western outreach to Russia has created concern in Ukraine that it could be sacrificed or forgotten as Western interests focus on Syria.

AFP

US will keep up pressure over Russia 'aggression' in Ukraine: BIDEN
By: Dmytro Gorshkov and Olga Shylenko / December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** warned Russia on Tuesday that Western pressure on Moscow would only increase if Russian "aggression" against neighbouring war-scarred Ukraine continued.

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said in a rare address by a top Western official to the Ukrainian parliament on the second day of a visit to Kiev.

"The US will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfils its Minsk commitments," he said, warning there would be "no sanctions relief" until Russia fully implemented its end of a peace deal signed in the Belarussian capital Minsk in February.

The tough message flew in the face of the Kremlin's assertion that it is Ukraine's pro-Western leadership that keeps flouting the accord aimed at ending 19 months of fighting with pro-Russian rebels that has claimed more than 8,000 lives.

BIDEN'S trip was his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin fighters carved out their own region in the east of the ex-Soviet state.

Both Washington and Brussels have slapped economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Moscow denies all involvement in the conflict and has responded by banning the import of most Western food.

BIDEN used both his meeting Monday with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Tuesday's parliamentary appearance to drive home the message that Washington remained fully committed to Kiev despite the recent shift in global attention to Syria.

He said on Tuesday that Putin's repeated claims of big countries having the right to their own regional "spheres of influence" were out of step with modern times.

"Sovereign states have the right to make their own decisions and choose their own allies," he stressed.

- 'Desperate need of reforms' -

BIDEN -- viewed as US President Barack Obama's pointman on Ukraine -- also used his visit to promote a more committed fight against the corruption that has ravaged the country of 40 million for years.

"It's not enough to set up an anti-corruption bureau and establish a special prosecutor in fighting corruption. Your office of the general prosecutor desperately needs reform" he said.

Russia's seizure of Crimea and the pro-Kremlin revolt came just weeks after public protests toppled former president Viktor Yanukovich -- a Moscow-backed leader who led a lavish lifestyle and surrounded himself with tycoons suspected of graft.

Polls show that corruption remains one of Ukrainians' main concerns.

BIDEN also made an indirect reference to reported infighting between Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk that has stalled the passage of vital economic and anti-graft laws.

"All of you must put aside your differences and make a real revolution of dignity," **BIDEN** said.

His address was met with three rounds of standing ovations by lawmakers of all political stripes.

Interfax – Ukraine

BIDEN urges Ukraine to focus on fighting corruption

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Ukraine has not done everything yet in its fight against corruption, United States Vice President Joe **BIDEN** told the Ukrainian Verkhovna Rada on Tuesday.

Ukraine has already done a great deal of work of critical importance, but not everything has yet been done, he said. He said that while he never tells people in other countries what they should do, a democracy cannot thrive amidst corruption, which he likened to a cancerous tumor.

A successful fight against corruption requires the reform of the judiciary; everyone, even oligarchs, must act under the same rules, pay taxes, and not interfere with the course of justice, **BIDEN** said.

New York Times

Joe BIDEN, His Son and the Case Against a Ukrainian Oligarch

By: James Risen / December 8, 2015

When Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. traveled to Kiev, Ukraine, on Sunday for a series of meetings with the country's leaders, one of the issues on his agenda was to encourage a more aggressive fight against Ukraine's rampant corruption and stronger efforts to rein in the power of its oligarchs.

But the credibility of the vice president's anticorruption message may have been undermined by the association of his son, Hunter **BIDEN**, with one of Ukraine's largest natural gas companies, Burisma Holdings, and with its owner, Mykola Zlochevsky, who was Ukraine's ecology minister under former President Viktor F. Yanukovych.

Hunter **BIDEN**, 45, a former Washington lobbyist, joined the Burisma board in April 2014. That month, as part of an investigation into money laundering, British officials froze London bank accounts containing \$23 million that allegedly belonged to Mr. Zlochevsky.

Britain's Serious Fraud Office, an independent government agency, specifically forbade Mr. Zlochevsky, as well as Burisma Holdings, the company's chief legal officer and another company owned by Mr. Zlochevsky, to have any access to the accounts. But after Ukrainian prosecutors refused to provide documents needed in the investigation, a British court in January ordered the Serious Fraud Office to unfreeze the assets. The refusal by the Ukrainian prosecutor general's office to cooperate was the target of a stinging attack by the American ambassador to Ukraine, Geoffrey R. Pyatt, who called out Burisma's owner by name in a speech in September.

"In the case of former Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, the U.K. authorities had seized \$23 million in illicit assets that belonged to the Ukrainian people," Mr. Pyatt said. Officials at the prosecutor general's office, he added, were asked by the United Kingdom "to send documents supporting the seizure. Instead they sent letters to Zlochevsky's attorneys attesting that there was no case against him. As a result, the money was freed by the U.K. court, and shortly thereafter the money was moved to Cyprus."

Mr. Pyatt went on to call for an investigation into "the misconduct" of the prosecutors who wrote the letters. In his speech, the ambassador did not mention Hunter **BIDEN'S** connection to Burisma.

But Edward C. Chow, who follows Ukrainian policy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the involvement of the vice president's son with Mr. Zlochevsky's firm undermined the Obama administration's anticorruption message in Ukraine.

"Now you look at the Hunter **BIDEN** situation, and on the one hand you can credit the father for sending the anticorruption message," Mr. Chow said. "But I think unfortunately it sends the message that a lot of foreign countries want to believe about America, that we are hypocritical about these issues."

Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Vice President **BIDEN**, said Hunter **BIDEN'S** business dealings had no impact on his father's policy positions in connection with Ukraine.

"Hunter **BIDEN** is a private citizen and a lawyer," she said. "The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company. The vice president has pushed aggressively for years, both publicly with groups like the U.S.-Ukraine Business Forum and privately in meetings with Ukrainian leaders, for Ukraine to make every effort to investigate and prosecute corruption in accordance with the rule of law. It will once again be a key focus during his trip this week."

Ryan F. Toohey, a Burisma spokesman, said that Hunter **BIDEN** would not comment for this article.

It is not known how Mr. **BIDEN** came to the attention of the company. Announcing his appointment to the board, Alan Apter, a former Morgan Stanley investment banker who is chairman of Burisma, said, "The company's strategy is aimed at the strongest concentration of professional staff and the introduction of best corporate practices, and we're delighted that Mr. **BIDEN** is joining us to help us achieve these goals."

Joining the board at the same time was one of Mr. **BIDEN'S** American business partners, Devon Archer. Both are involved with Rosemont Seneca Partners, an American investment firm with offices in Washington.

Mr. **BIDEN** is the younger of the vice president's two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter **BIDEN** attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. **BIDEN** also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James **BIDEN**, the vice president's brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the **BIDENS** and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. **BIDEN**, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was “not out of the ordinary” for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, “Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped.”

In response to Mr. Pyatt’s criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky’s case, Mr. Toohey said that “strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine.”

Vice President **BIDEN** has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week’s visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

Ms. Bedingfield said Hunter **BIDEN** had never traveled to Ukraine with his father. She also said that Ukrainian officials had never mentioned Hunter **BIDEN’S** role with Burisma to the vice president during any of his visits.

“I’ve got to believe that somebody in the vice president’s office has done some due diligence on this,” said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. “I should say that I hope that has happened. I would hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message.”

RT News

BIDEN urges Ukraine to fight ‘cancer-like’ corruption or lose international financial aid

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Kiev must do more in fighting corruption which “eats Ukraine like cancer.” US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said in a speech delivered in Ukrainian

parliament. If there is no control of corruption in Ukraine, financial help is out of the question, he warned.

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN**, who is on a two-day visit to Ukraine, has urged Kiev to conduct painful yet crucial reforms to battle corruption.

BIDEN'S emotional speech in Ukrainian parliament could as well become the last warning for country's political elites unwilling to embrace escalated reforms.

"Corruption siphons off resources. We know this. You know this," **BIDEN** told Ukrainian MPs. Ukraine needs to make governance more transparent, an immediate measure since "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer," **BIDEN** said on Sunday, noting that however painful the looming reforms could be, they cannot be any backsliding on the issue.

"We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return," **BIDEN** said. "We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path," **BIDEN** said, as cited by ABC.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you," US Vice President said.

On the first day of his visit **BIDEN** assured Kiev of the US support and announced allocation of additional \$190 million from the US budget to help conduct structural reforms in Ukraine and fight corruption in the first place.

Ukraine's former president, Viktor Yanukovych, had to flee the country in February 2014, following months of anti-government protests in Kiev and other cities, to a large extent fueled by rampant corruption.

Despite the great fanfare that came with the introduction of new reforms to improve standards of living and stem corruption, President Petro Poroshenko, who was elected in May 2014, has not achieved the goals. A recent poll by the Yaremenko Ukrainian Institute for Social Research showed that 72 percent of those asked do not believe Ukraine is heading in the right direction, saying either the reform process is moving too slowly or not at all.

Ahead of Joe **BIDEN'S** speech in the parliament, American politician hold meetings with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and Kiev Mayor Vitaliy Klichko.

Mashable

BIDEN to Ukraine: You've got one last chance. Don't screw this up.

By: Christopher Miller / December 8, 2015

Joe **BIDEN'S** message to Ukraine on Tuesday was crystal clear: Don't screw this up.

The vice president didn't mince words when he spoke to Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, ministers and lawmakers inside parliament during his fifth trip to the country on Tuesday. He warned Kiev against backsliding in its fight against corruption.

"The world is watching you — this is your moment. Please, for the sake of the rest of us, don't waste it," **BIDEN** said in an impassioned address streamed live across the country. Failure, he warned, would likely mean the loss of much-needed international support and would have harmful consequences in building a united and democratic Europe.

"Ukraine has been here before. We remember the Orange Revolution," he continued, recalling the country's 2004 uprising that ended in disappointment when authorities failed to pass reforms.

More than 11 years later and two years since the start of Ukraine's Euromaidan Revolution that eventually ousted Viktor Yanukovich, corruption remains rampant in the former Soviet republic. Top officials have also been implicated, including Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, whose close ally resigned over corruption allegations.

BIDEN himself has been criticized in Ukraine; his messages of reform have been undermined by his son's connection to a former Ukrainian official being investigated for fraud.

A recent poll showed only 7% of Ukrainians believe the fight against corruption has yielded any results. Transparency International, a global

anti-corruption nonprofit, named Ukraine one of the world's most corrupt countries, sharing a score with Uganda and the Comoros.

BIDEN, who received several rounds of applause and a standing ovation during his speech, urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

Ukrainian parliamentarians, known for spirited debates that sometimes devolve into fisticuffs, have been slow to pass a slew of bills that the U.S. and the European Union say will help overhaul the country's corrupt systems.

"You have to reform the whole prosecution and judiciary," **BIDEN** said. "Oligarchs should not be able to influence court and judges... corruption siphons resources from the people and from the economy, and you know it."

Russia, which has fomented unrest in Ukraine, "is using your corruption to undermine you," **BIDEN** added.

The vice president also addressed Russian aggression in Ukraine, saying the U.S. does not — and never will — recognize Moscow's annexation of Crimea. Washington will continue to pressure Moscow to live up to its part of the Minsk peace deal, he added, including the withdrawal of its troops and weapons from eastern Ukraine and the return of control of its borders.

BIDEN, who arrived in Kiev on Sunday, assured Ukraine of U.S. support, including an additional \$190 million in American aid to help conduct reforms.

He recalled the sacrifices of the Euromaidan Revolution, during which more than 100 activists were killed and hundreds more wounded. But while he was speaking, down the road in Kiev, a court heard a case investigating the killings of those activists.

While two people were sentenced to four years each for their roles in attacks on a group of activists, at least two key suspects in the killing of Ukraine's "Heavenly Hundred" were allowed to escape the country, along with the officials believed to have ordered the attack.

BIDEN said Ukraine's political leaders have an obligation to bring justice.

Pravda Report

BIDEN gives Poroshenko cold shower in black hole Ukraine

By: Lyuba Lulko / December 8, 2015

BIDEN sobers Poroshenko up

Outwardly, there was absolute solidarity in everything. **BIDEN** said that Washington would not exchange Ukraine for Syria and would never recognize the "annexation of the Crimea."

"Even if Washington and Moscow cooperate to settle the Syrian civil war and battle the Islamic State, Mr. Obama has said, it would not stop the West from maintaining pressure on Russia over Ukraine," The New York Times wrote.

Opening his two-day visit to Ukraine, US Vice President **BIDEN** told the Ukrainians that the United States continued supporting them in the conflict in the Donbass. **BIDEN** also accused Russian President Vladimir Putin of violating the Minks ceasefire agreement. To strengthen the US support, **BIDEN** promised 190 million dollars in aid to Ukraine.

Speaking in the Verkhovna Rada, **BIDEN** said: "It is no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you, because so much rides on your fragile experiment with democracy succeeding."

This is a part of the official rhetoric, so let's try to see what happens behind the scenes. **BIDEN** has certainly put pressure on Poroshenko so that he stops playing the game of the Crimean energy blockade, because Putin may use the pretext of a humanitarian catastrophe to make a move in response. Soon afterwards, both the Majlis and Right Sector radicals stopped their energy blockade of the Crimea.

A few days ago, Ukraine's Finance Minister Natalia Yaresko said that Ukraine may not return \$3 billion to Russia on the repayment term (December 21). Prior to that, the United States had refused to be Ukraine's guarantor in paying this debt to Russia, having thus recognized Kiev's insolvency.

What can \$190 million do for Ukraine when the country needs \$20 billion to make a budget? One shall assume that Washington believes that the IMF will continue financing Kiev after the default. For the time being, IMF's lending policies exclude such a possibility.

Poroshenko: Reforms in Ukraine inevitable

Poroshenko said at a news conference with **BIDEN** that Ukraine has "for four years without elections" to come. During that time, one will need to carry out all the reforms required for joining the EU. Thus, the Americans will be supporting Poroshenko for four years, albeit under the condition that he will not be able to meet.

Changes in the government are very likely to follow. Prime Minister Yatsenyuk could be removed from office. It is no coincidence Mikhail Saakashvili (Odessa region Governor) said that the authorities were investigating corruption cases inside the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, particularly with the participation of Prime Minister Yatsenyuk and his colleague, People's Front MP, Nikolai Martynenko.

If required, all members of the Popular Front will move to Petro Poroshenko's Bloc and there will be no need to call early elections to the parliament.

Noteworthy, Joe **BIDEN** has personal interest in the fate of Ukrainian Prosecutor General Viktor Shokin. Thus, according to US Ambassador in Kiev Geoffrey Pyatt, Ukrainian prosecutors cover up the corrupt owner of energy company Burisma Holdings, in which **BIDEN'S** son, Hunter, is employed.

The Ukrainian Army has stopped shelling the positions of the Donbass militia. **BIDEN** made it clear to Poroshenko that sanctions against Russia would be lifted if Poroshenko disrupts the Minsk Accords in 2016. In Europe and the United States, a large lobby is being formed to withdraw the sanctions.

Additionally, the President of Ukraine unexpectedly vetoed his party's bill to legalize the free usage of agricultural land for 50 years, despite the moratorium on land sales. Poroshenko probably convinced **BIDEN** that there was no need to openly sell land to the Americans in the absence of apparent achievements.

Black hole Ukraine

"One more chance. It's absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** said.

The USA wants to be present in Ukraine, but it is hard to feed the "black hole."

"In fact, this is the case of external management of the state, when US officials interfere in internal affairs of Ukraine," Oleg Soskin, a Ukrainian political scientist and economist told Pravda.Ru. - **BIDEN** came to distribute positions in the government of Ukraine. The question is whether Yatsenyuk is going to be the prime minister. This position is likely to be given to an American official, to Finance Minister Yaresko or to Saakashvili. **BIDEN** will teach them not to steal, as the IMF will not give any loans otherwise."

According to Oleg Soskin, "nothing will help." Poroshenko and Yatsenyuk will go down in history soon. "These embezzlers and thieves will have to be swept away in a new revolution, the expert said.

"This year, they took about \$11 billion in debt. Ukraine's public debt totals \$72 billion - this is almost equal to Ukraine's annual GDP. Who is going to give this money back? After the revolution, the National Bank of Ukraine had about \$20 billion in foreign exchange reserves. Who stole that money?"

If Ukraine defaults on the debt to Russia, Ukraine will lose its reputation, Oleg Soskin believes. Investors will leave, the country will be declared bankrupt and will not be able to form a budget. "It will be the collapse of the financial system of Ukraine, the collapse of modern Ukraine," Soskin told Pravda.Ru.

"In this case, the Ukrainian administration will have to be executed, and the state will have to be re-founded, as it was done in Iceland, where they changed even the Constitution," the expert said.

The Irish Times

US tells Ukraine's politicians to heed 'call of history'

By: Daniel McLaughlin / December 8, 2015

Ukraine's politicians must seize a historic opportunity to free the country from the grip of Russia and corrupt tycoons, US vice-president Joe **BIDEN** said on Tuesday, amid rising domestic and international disquiet over the pace of the country's reform.

In a speech to parliament in Kiev, Mr **BIDEN** also vowed that Washington would keep tightening sanctions on Russia until it ended its annexation of Crimea and other aggression against Ukraine.

Mr **BIDEN'S** address marked the climax of a two-day visit to Ukraine during which he urged its western-backed leaders to accelerate tough reforms, despite opposition from powerful "oligarchs", their political allies and from Moscow.

"This is your moment. This is your responsibility . . . Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time," he told parliament. "If you fail, the experiment fails. It's no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you."

After driving the Russian-backed, graft-ridden administration of then president Viktor Yanukovich from power in February 2014, Ukraine's new leaders had a duty to build a cleaner and fairer Ukraine, Mr **BIDEN** said.

Return of oligarchs

"Oligarchs and non-oligarchs must play by the same rules," he insisted. "We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return . . . We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path."

Billionaires with shady business empires still dominate Ukrainian politics, and many reformist politicians and activists say the status quo is preserved by President Petro Poroshenko and the government of prime minister of Arseniy Yatsenyuk. "All of you must put aside your differences and make a real revolution of dignity," Mr **BIDEN** declared.

Unity vs resignation

While all deputies rose to applaud Mr **BIDEN**, afterwards each party offered a different interpretation of his speech, with some calling it an appeal to the government to resign, and others hailing it as a call for unity.

In an interview perhaps timed to exacerbate tension in Ukraine, Mr Yanukovich told Russian state media that he wants “to return to politics”.

“I do a lot to help people who are persecuted in Ukraine,” he said from Russia, where he and many close allies live in exile.

Mr Yanukovich said he maintains contact with current Ukrainian politicians, “many of whom aren’t so shy or scared today, compared to a year ago. They already feel very comfortable when we meet and discuss issues.”

Mr **BIDEN** also urged Kiev to fulfil its side of a strained ceasefire deal with Moscow-backed separatists in eastern Ukraine, and made clear that “if Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise”.

Reuters

US Vice President Joe BIDEN arrives in Ukraine
December 7, 2015

BIDEN met with the representatives of civil society organisations and a selection of Ukraine's officials and lawmakers, ahead of the scheduled meeting with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk.

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** will address Ukraine's legislature on Tuesday (December 8), a senior administration official said. **BIDEN** will speak about US opposition to Russia's annexation of Crimea and American support for Ukraine's debt restructuring agreement, the official said.

The official would not comment on whether the United States would pledge more military assistance to Ukraine during the trip next week.

The visit comes on the heels of US President Barack Obama's discussion with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Paris. Obama urged Putin to honour the Minsk ceasefire agreement in Ukraine.

BIDEN confirmed his country's commitment to Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity during the meeting with Kiev's mayor, Vitaly Klitschko, a former world heavyweight boxing champion.

During his visit, **BIDEN** is expected to meet President Petro Poroshenko, Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, members of Ukraine's Parliament (Rada), and representatives of civil society organizations.

AP

BIDEN makes trip to Ukraine in sign of US support

By: Jim Heintz and Dmitry Vlasov / December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** came to Ukraine's capital on Sunday for a visit aimed at pushing the country toward making reforms and reassuring it that the crisis in Syria is not overshadowing Washington's concerns about Ukraine.

Fighting between Ukrainian forces and Russia-backed separatists has significantly diminished since early September, after killing some 8,000 people since April 2014, but tensions remain high because of unresolved questions about the final political status of the rebel regions in the east. Meanwhile, Western attention has turned largely toward the fight against Islamic extremism in Syria and Iraq.

Since Russia began airstrikes in Syria on Sept. 30, Ukrainian officials have worried that their own country's troubles would fade from view, especially if the West begins cooperating with Russia to fight the Islamic State group.

BIDEN'S meetings on Monday with President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and a Tuesday speech at the Ukrainian parliament are intended to counter that concern.

The trip "is a strong sign of our support," a senior U.S. administration official said, asking that his name not be used because he was speaking on background.

But the official said **BIDEN** also will emphasize the need for Ukraine to implement anti-corruption measures. Widespread corruption was one of the issues that galvanized the massive protests that drove Russia-friendly President Viktor Yanukovich from office in February 2014, but efforts since then to counter the problem have shown little result.

BIDEN'S first event on Monday is to be a round table with reform-minded Ukrainian figures.

The U.S. administration also says **BIDEN** will reassure Ukraine that Washington's strategy is to keep sanctions against Russia in place until full implementation of the Minsk Accords, the internationally mediated agreements between Ukraine and Russia on ending the eastern conflict and pulling back weapons.

The United States also imposed other sanctions on Russia specific to its annexation of Crimea in 2014.

Voice of America

US VP BIDEN Heads to Ukraine to Stress Continued Support

By: Carol Guensburg / December 5, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is scheduled to visit Ukraine early next week to reassure government leaders and reformers of the United States' continued support "in face of continued Russian military intervention" in the country's restive east, administration officials said.

BIDEN, making his fifth visit to Ukraine as vice president, plans to arrive in Kyiv late Sunday evening for a series of meetings early in the week.

On Monday, he'll meet separately with President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, as well as at a roundtable with civil society activists and other reformers.

Speech to lawmakers

BIDEN also is scheduled to speak Tuesday to the Rada, or congress, a rare opportunity for a foreign leader.

He's likely to press upon legislators that they "have a special obligation to keep Ukraine moving forward," a senior administration official said in a telephone briefing Wednesday with reporters.

A major point of discussion will be how to ensure that "Russia and the separatists live up to their obligations under the Minsk Agreement," the official said.

The pact, reached in February, was meant to de-escalate hostilities in the east. While violence between Ukrainian government troops and pro-Russia separatists "has decreased somewhat in recent months," it continues to flare up, the official said.

The United Nations estimated that nearly 8,000 civilians and soldiers had been killed as of this fall.

Talks with Ukraine officials

Talks with Poroshenko and Yatsenyuk are expected to focus on "what additional economic, governance and rule-of-law reforms are necessary," the official said.

They'll also touch on U.S.-led training of Ukrainian armed forces and of security assistance overall. The United States has provided \$450 million in direct assistance to Ukraine this year, of which more than half is for security, the official said.

BIDEN'S trip comes after last month's two-year anniversary of the start of the Maidan uprising, in which public protests in Kyiv for closer ties with Europe eventually forced Russia-leaning President Viktor Yanukovich from office and opened the door for more democratic reforms.

The vice president "will emphasize the need to implement recently passed anti-corruption reforms," the official said.

Ukraine has set up a special prosecutor's office for fighting corruption, but the Obama administration previously has said the prosecutor general's office itself needs reform.

Topic of Crimea

Administration officials also said the vice president would emphasize that the United States continues “to oppose Russia’s attempted annexation of Crimea” in March 2014.

He’s also expected to reassure Ukraine that, though the United States is communicating with Russia about the crisis in Syria, it hasn’t softened in its assessment of Russia has crossed the line in Ukraine.

“Nothing in our conversations with Syria impact our assessment that Russia continues to be the aggressor in Ukraine,” the official said. “... Nothing that’s going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security.”

Press TV

Joe BIDEN to visit Ukraine to confirm US support December 6, 2015

BIDEN, making his fifth visit to Ukraine as vice president, will arrive in Kiev on Sunday for a three-day visit.

He will meet with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and deliver a speech to the country’s parliament.

BIDEN is the highest-ranking US official to speak before the Ukrainian parliament since former President George H.W. Bush in 1991, during the last days of the former Soviet Union.

BIDEN’S visit is expected to focus on resolving the conflict in eastern Ukraine even as world leaders have turned their attention to fighting Daesh (ISIL) terrorists, a senior US official said.

The conflict in eastern Ukraine broke out last year following a referendum in the Black Sea peninsula of Crimea, in which people voted overwhelmingly for reunification with Russia.

"I think that is going to be a major theme of the trip -- that nothing that is going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the US official told reporters.

The visit comes on the heels of US President Barack Obama's discussion with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Paris. Obama urged Putin to honor the Minsk cease-fire agreement in Ukraine.

US and European officials say Russia, and pro-Russia forces in eastern Ukraine, continue to violate the Minsk peace accords.

Moscow, however, has accused Ukrainian forces of violations, and says Poroshenko's government is not moving fast enough to implement some of the accord's provisions.

Both the US and European Union have imposed tough economic sanctions on Russian companies and have provided Ukraine's army with weapons and training.

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What to expect from BIDEN'S visit to Ukraine?

By: Maksym Beznoisuk / December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is paying a two day visit to Ukraine which has already been labeled as "historic" by many experts. In spite of the fact it is his fourth visit to post-Maidan Ukraine, **BIDEN** will be the second American politician from such a high rank to give a speech at the Ukrainian Parliament. Former President George H.W. Bush was the first high-ranking US official who addressed Ukrainian parliamentarians on August 1st, 1991, which occurred only three weeks prior to its declaration of independence.

As part of his visit on December 7th, 2015, Joe **BIDEN** is expected to participate in roundtable talks with state and civil representatives and bilateral meetings with Ukraine's President Poroshenko and Prime Minister Yatsenyuk. The next day, he will give a speech before the Ukrainian Parliament.

Without a doubt, such a visit is of crucial importance and demonstrates US support of Ukrainian sovereignty and closer convergence with the West. This is in light of ongoing Russian attempts to further destabilize Ukraine's situation.

It is expected **BIDEN'S** message will consist of alarming criticism of persistent corruption and slow progress, mixed with additional assurances of further support and cooperation with Ukraine towards its integration with Europe. Hence, the assessment of the overall Ukrainian political situation will be based on the combination of such crucial factors as securing political stability and enhancing anti-corruption measures' efficiency. Not surprisingly, such an important visit will take place before Ukraine's annual governmental report on its government's activity results, as well as its plans for the next year.

Fight against corruption, economic reforms and financial assistance

According to some predictions, Vice President **BIDEN** will voice concern over the urgency of more active reforms of structural and institutional aspects of the Ukrainian state apparatus. Notably, the White House has serious concerns regarding the quality and pace of current economic and judicial reforms, especially in relation to prevalent corruption schemes in high echelons of Ukrainian power.

Special attention will be paid to the judicial sector. It should be recalled that during his speech at the Brookings Institution at the end of May, 2015, **BIDEN** particularly emphasized Ukraine needs to use newly introduced laws and policies to investigate and prosecute corruption on all levels in order for its reforms to succeed. **BIDEN** also mentioned his frequent communication on a weekly basis, both with the Ukrainian Prime Minister and President. Moreover, US Ambassador to Ukraine Geoffrey Pyatt has criticized the General Prosecutor's Office on numerous occasions, by stressing its responsibility in fighting corruption in Ukraine. On September 24th, 2015, Ambassador Pyatt stated during the Odessa Financial Forum the General Prosecutor's Office's inability to fight corruption undermines effective reform implementation in Ukraine.

For a long time, the White House has tried to convey a powerful and clear message to Ukraine's leaders concerning the need to undertake more active efforts against corruption. In light of this heightened concern over high corruption levels and the Ukrainian authorities' lack of action, many Ukrainian experts have assumed the General Prosecutor's, Prime Minister's and several other high ranking Ukrainian officials' political futures could be seriously questioned.

Most importantly, the question of stable US financial assistance to Ukraine is closely tied to progress in conducting anti-corruption reforms within Ukraine's state institutions. In June, Ukrainian Prime Minister Yatseniuk met with US Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew to discuss an additional tranche of 1 billion dollars to support Ukrainian reforms in order to increase Ukraine's investment attractiveness and lay foundations for its economic growth. At the end of October, 2015, US Secretary of Commerce Penny Pritzker stated the readiness of US President Barack Obama to take necessary steps towards granting a third tranche of macroeconomic assistance to Ukraine to implement its reforms. During her recent meeting with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, she emphasized that visible and steady Ukrainian progress in implementing anti-corruption measures were a prerequisite for new financial assistance in the near future.

Last month, Joe **BIDEN** confirmed the US' readiness to grant Ukraine a third tranche of credit guarantees of 1 billion dollars. However, he emphasised Ukraine's government should fight corruption more actively, including conducting tax reforms in compliance with the IMF. Possible US assistance in reaching an agreement on the Ukraine's debt restructuring will also be predicated on these conditions.

Security and military cooperation

US presidential administration officials stated Joe **BIDEN** would underline US support of Ukraine's territorial integrity in his speech at the Ukrainian Parliament. He will reiterate the US' position concerning Russia's illegal annexation of Crimea and its current involvement in destabilizing eastern Ukraine. In this regard, it is also expected he will reassure Ukrainian leaders that any US communication with Russia over Syria's situation will not impact its position concerning Ukraine. Additionally, a diplomatic strategy to keep sanctions against Russia will be discussed with Ukrainian counterparts.

Ukraine's army requires serious investment, specialized military experience and modernization assistance. In 2015, thanks to **BIDEN'S** active involvement, the US provided Ukraine security and military assistance totaling \$265 million. Earlier this year, the US committed to training Ukrainian troops, a mission conducted by 300 US soldiers at a compound in western Ukraine. The US also provided specialized military

equipment which was transferred to the country's eastern battle zone. According to the National Defense Authorization Act for the 2016 Fiscal Year, approved by the US Senate, it could be possible to increase assistance to \$300 million. However, it is not clear if **BIDEN** will touch upon possible additional military assistance to Ukraine during his visit early next week.

Based on this, Vice President **BIDEN'S** visit is expected to reaffirm the US' support of Ukraine on its path towards democratization and its struggle against Russian hostile activities in Crimea and eastern Ukraine. Simultaneously, the US will emphasize that further comprehensive support of Ukraine will depend on the tempo and quality of a broad range of reforms within Ukraine's state apparatus.

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The Briefing: Mr. BIDEN goes to Ukraine

By: Brian Whitmore / December 7, 2015

Washington sends a loud signal that Ukraine remains a priority as U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** arrived in Kyiv for a two-day visit this week.

The visit -- in which **BIDEN** will deliver a highly anticipated speech to the Ukrainian parliament -- comes at a particularly sensitive time.

Kyiv is clearly worried that the Syria conflict and the potential for Western cooperation with Russia will weaken resolve to continue supporting Ukraine.

On this week's Power Vertical Briefing, I discuss what we can expect from **BIDEN'S** visit with RFE/RL Senior Editor Steve Gutterman.

Tweets

@poroshenko [President Poroshenko, 662K Followers]: Joe **BIDEN** @VP : U S. will never accept Russia's attempts to annex Crimea.

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@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: In your soul you know what's right. Do it - @VP pleads with Ukraine's parliament.

'Please, for the sake of the rest of us don't waste it'

@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: If you succeed, you will be the founders of the first, free, united, democratic Ukraine - @VP ends his address to the parliament

@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: God bless our nations, god bless our troops - @VP's final line at Ukraine's parliament today

@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: .@VP delivers emotional, moving speech at Ukraine's parl today.

The last warning for political elites unwilling to reform.

Fingers crossed

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: "The stakes for your country has never been higher; Ukraine has been here before. We remember Orange revolution"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN** "We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: "World was transfixed by Maidan. This time Ukr would not be denied a future"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN** to Ukr MPs: This is your moment. This is your responsibility. Each of you has obligation 2 seize responsibility, build united nation

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@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN** very emotional. "US will never recognise annexation of Crimes" "Separatist forces are controlled by Moscow. MOS-CAUWW"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: Russian people don't understand what Putin is doing

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: we understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are, but they are critical to putting Ukraine back on the right path

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: "This is your chance. Please — for the sake of the rest of us — don't waste it"

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@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: This week's @PowerVertical Briefing previews Joe **BIDEN'S** trip to #Ukraine w/ @sgutterma [LINK TO RFERL BLOG REGARDING YOUR VISIT TO UKRAINE]

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@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: **BIDEN**: Ukraine's success goes to the heart of a Europe whole, free, and at peace

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@Hromadske [Hromadske Int., 9K Followers]: You have to keep making progress with reforms if you want to keep the international support - @VP at Ukraine's parliament

@kgorchinskaya [Katya Gorchinskaya, 7K Followers]: Seize the opportunity to build a better future for #Ukraine, don't waste the opportunity, pleads @VP #**BIDEN** to #Rada8 & @poroshenko

@kgorchinskaya [Katya Gorchinskaya, 7K Followers]: Oligarchs and non-oligarchs should live by the same rules, says @VP #**BIDEN**. Says corruption eats #Ukraine like cancer

@kgorchinskaya [Katya Gorchinskaya, 7K Followers]: Sanctions cannot be lifted until #Russia fulfill all, all its commitments, says @VP **#BIDEN**

@kgorchinskaya [Katya Gorchinskaya, 7K Followers]: #USA will never recognize the annexation of #Crimea- @VP **#BIDEN**

@vBeckerath [A von Beckerath, Ambassador of Sweden to Ukraine, 4K Followers]: Powerful speech by @VP **BIDEN**. Upcoming votes on budget, taxes & constitutional changes in justice sector will tell if message was received.

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NYT: The Knotty Ties Between Joe Biden, His Son and Ukraine

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The Knotty Ties Between Joe Biden, His Son and Ukraine

By JAMES RISENDEC. 8, 2015

WASHINGTON — When Vice President Joseph R. Biden Jr. traveled to Kiev, Ukraine, on Sunday for a series of meetings with the country's leaders, one of the issues on his agenda was to encourage a more aggressive fight against Ukraine's rampant corruption and stronger efforts to rein in the power of its oligarchs.

But the credibility of the vice president's anticorruption message may have been undermined by the association of his son, Hunter Biden, with one of Ukraine's largest natural gas companies, Burisma Holdings, and with its owner, Mykola Zlochevsky, who was Ukraine's ecology minister under former President Viktor F. Yanukovich.

Hunter Biden, 45, a former Washington lobbyist, joined the Burisma board in April 2014. That month, as part of an investigation into money laundering, British officials froze London bank accounts containing \$23 million that allegedly belonged to Mr. Zlochevsky.

Britain's Serious Fraud Office, an independent government agency, specifically forbade Mr. Zlochevsky, as well as Burisma Holdings, the company's chief legal officer and another company owned by Mr. Zlochevsky, to have any access to the accounts.

But after Ukrainian prosecutors refused to provide documents needed in the investigation, a British court in January ordered the Serious Fraud Office to unfreeze the assets. The refusal by the Ukrainian prosecutor general's office to cooperate was the target of a stinging attack by the American ambassador to Ukraine, Geoffrey R. Pyatt, who called out Burisma's owner by name in a speech in September.

"In the case of former Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, the U.K. authorities had seized \$23 million in illicit assets that belonged to the Ukrainian people," Mr. Pyatt said. Officials at the prosecutor general's office, he added, were asked by the United Kingdom "to send documents supporting the seizure. Instead they sent letters to Zlochevsky's attorneys attesting that there was no case against him. As a result, the money was

freed by the U.K. court, and shortly thereafter the money was moved to Cyprus.”

Mr. Pyatt went on to call for an investigation into “the misconduct” of the prosecutors who wrote the letters. In his speech, the ambassador did not mention Hunter Biden’s connection to Burisma.

But Edward C. Chow, who follows Ukrainian policy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the involvement of the vice president’s son with Mr. Zlochevsky’s firm undermined the Obama administration’s anticorruption message in Ukraine.

“Now you look at the Hunter Biden situation, and on the one hand you can credit the father for sending the anticorruption message,” Mr. Chow said. “But I think unfortunately it sends the message that a lot of foreign countries want to believe about America, that we are hypocritical about these issues.”

Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Vice President Biden, said Hunter Biden’s business dealings had no impact on his father’s policy positions in connection with Ukraine.

“Hunter Biden is a private citizen and a lawyer,” she said. “The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company. The vice president has pushed aggressively for years, both publicly with groups like the U.S.-Ukraine Business Forum and privately in meetings with Ukrainian leaders, for Ukraine to make every effort to investigate and prosecute corruption in accordance with the rule of law. It will once again be a key focus during his trip this week.”

Ryan F. Toohey, a Burisma spokesman, said that Hunter Biden would not comment for this article.

It is not known how Mr. Biden came to the attention of the company. Announcing his appointment to the board, Alan Apter, a former Morgan Stanley investment banker who is chairman of Burisma, said, “The company’s strategy is aimed at the strongest concentration of professional staff and the introduction of best corporate practices, and we’re delighted that Mr. Biden is joining us to help us achieve these goals.”

Joining the board at the same time was one of Mr. Biden’s American business partners, Devon Archer. Both are involved with Rosemont Seneca Partners, an American investment firm with offices in Washington.

Mr. Biden is the younger of the vice president’s two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter Biden attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. Biden also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James Biden, the vice president’s brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the Bidens and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. Biden, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was “not out of the ordinary” for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, “Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped.”

In response to Mr. Pyatt’s criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky’s case, Mr. Toohey said that “strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine.”

Vice President Biden has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week’s visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

Ms. Bedingfield said Hunter Biden had never traveled to Ukraine with his father. She also said that Ukrainian

officials had never mentioned Hunter Biden's role with Burisma to the vice president during any of his visits.

"I've got to believe that somebody in the vice president's office has done some due diligence on this," said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. "I should say that I hope that has happened. I would hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message."

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ACCEPTS:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION/ORGANIZATION	INVITATION STATISTICS:	
BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES	337
BIDEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS	55
Ashton	Bill		REGRETS	21
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	NO RESPONSES	240
Bachula	Gary		ATTENDS	0
Woodfin	Jane		UNKNOWN GUESTS	21
Beene	Kim		TOTAL POSSIBLE	316
Downing	Robin		TIMESTAMP	-12-02T23:36:49Z
Beers	Sydney			
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers		
Bross	Eric			
Bross	Anna			
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems		
Champney	Joanna			
Christopher	William			
Christopher	Patricia			
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors		
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)			
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB		
Doody	Jim			
Goodman	Lisa			
Fennell	Drew			
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware		
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse		
Hyman	Luke			
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB		
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff		
Kokjohn	Lynn			
Kokjohn	Tucker			
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice		
Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America		
Manatos	Katrina	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America		
Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America		
Manatos	Laura	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America		

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Matos	Maria	Executive Director/ Latin American Community Center
Rodriguez	Sindy	
Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Meyers	William	
Meyers	Christine	
Micallef	Joe	
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
OBrien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Storino	Donnie	
Storino	Lacy	
Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors

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Ann Otto

Monsignor Joseph Rebman

Dr. David Solacoff

Lynne Dupont

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Mr. Michael Adler

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Mr. Chris Haggerty

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Mrs. Carol Berger

Ms. Sally Berger

Andrew Berger

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Mrs. Hallie Biden (Family)

Master Robert Biden (Family)

Ms. Caroline Biden (Family)

Mr. Hunter Biden (Family)

Mrs. Kathleen Biden (Family)

Miss Finnegan Biden (Family)

Miss Roberta (Maisy) Biden (Family)

Miss Naomi Biden (Family)

Mr. James (Jamie) Biden (Family)

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Mr. Tom Evans

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ACCEPTS:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION/ORGANIZATION	INVITATION STATISTICS:	
BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES	349
BIDEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS	105
Angelson	Mark		REGRETS	36
Angelson	Lynn		NO RESPONSES	187
Ashton	Bill		ATTENDS	0
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	UNKNOWN GUESTS	21
Bachula	Gary		TOTAL POSSIBLE	313
Woodfin	Jane		TIMESTAMP	-12-04T06:35:26Z
Beene	Kim			
Downing	Robin			
Beers	Sydney			
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers		
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB		
Bove	Beverly			
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove		
Bross	Eric			
Bross	Anna			
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems		
Champney	Joanna			
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes		
Christopher	Athena			
Christopher	William			
Christopher	Patricia			
Christopher	Patricia			
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors		
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)			
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB		
Doody	Jim			
Eckstrand	Phillip			
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand		
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation		
Freeh	Marilyn			
Garvin	Shawn	/		
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative		
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring		
Goodman	Lisa			
Fennell	Drew			
Grier	Betty			
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier		
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware		

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Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse
Herlinsky	Victory	
Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	/
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	/
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	
LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
Magarik	Molly	Beau Biden State Political Director
Magarik	Ian	
Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Katrina	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Laura	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Matos	Maria	Executive Director/ Latin American Community Center
Rodriguez	Sindy	
Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Mervine	Jay	
Mervine	Polly	
Meyers	William	
Meyers	Christine	
Micallef	Joe	
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden

Monahan	Marilyn	VBO
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Murray	Tim	UD Archivist
Murray	Katherine	Spouse of Tim Murray
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
O'Brien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Olivere	Ronald	
Olivere	Joan	
Razze	Erica	
Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
Sears	JoAnn	
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Smith	Michele	
Smith	Stephen	
Snyder-Mack	Lynn	Alumni Distinguished Professor, Department of Physical Therapy/ University of Delaware
Stewart	Anthony	
Clayton	Roberta	
Storino	Donnie	
Storino	Lacy	
Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors
Savage	Kathleen	Guest of JTB/ Hallie Biden

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LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION/ORGANIZATION	INVITATION STATISTICS:	
BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES	341
BIDEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS	145
Adler	David		REGRETS	57
Adler	Michael		NO RESPONSES	139
Angelson	Mark		ATTENDS	0
Angelson	Lynn		TOTAL POSSIBLE	284
Ashton	Bill		TIMESTAMP	-12-04T20:50:18Z
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB		
Bachula	Gary			
Woodfin	Jane			
Beene	Kim			
Downing	Robin			
Beers	Sydney			
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers		
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB		
Biden	Ashley			
Krein	Howard			
Biden, III	Beau			
Biden	Hallie			
Biden	Natalie			
Biden	Robert Hunter			
Biden	Caroline			
Staley	Eric	Boyfriend of Caroline Biden		
Biden Owens	Valerie			
Owens	Jack			
Bove	Beverly			
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove		
Bross	Eric			
Bross	Anna			
Buhle	Michael			
Buhle	Emily			
Butler	Dan			
Butler	Catherine			
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems		
Carper	Tom			
Carper	Benjamin			
Carper	Martha			
Cowperthwait	Rebecca	Guest of Benjamin Carper		
Champney	Joanna			
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes		
Christopher	Athena			
Christopher	Katherine			
Christopher	William			

Christopher	Patricia	
Cooney	John	
Cooney	Barbara	
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)	
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB
Doody	Jim	
Eckstrand	Phillip	
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand
Evans	Tom	
Evans	Mary	
Frampton	Charles	
Frampton	Steven	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation
Freeh	Marilyn	
Frost	Melissa	
Garvin	Shawn	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring
Goodman	Lisa	
Fennell	Drew	
Grier	Betty	
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier
Haggerty	Margaret	
Haggerty	William	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse
Herlinsky	Victory	
Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Horsey	Bryan	
Horsey	April	
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Hynansky	John	
Hatzis	Thomas	
Jones	Laura	
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kimmel	Wayne	Managing Partner, SeventySix Capital
Kimmel	Kimberly	
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	

Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	
LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
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Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
OBrien	Dennis	
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Olivere	Ronald	
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Razze	Erica	
Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
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Secundy	Joel	
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Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Smith	Michele	
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Snyder-Mackler	Lynn	Alumni Distinguished Professor, Department of Physical Therapy/ University of Delaware
Stewart	Anthony	
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BIDEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS	161
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Adler	Michael	Chairman Emeritus, National Jewish Democratic Council	NO RESPONSES	114
Ambro	Thomas	Judge, 3rd Circuit, US Court of Appeals	ATTENDS	0
Ambro	Mary		TOTAL POSSIBLE	275
Angelson	Mark		TIMESTAMP	-12-05T17:58:45Z
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Ashton	Bill			
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB		
Bachula	Gary			
Woodfin	Jane			
Beene	Kim			
Downing	Robin			
Beers	Sydney			
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers		
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB		
Biden	Ashley			
Krein	Howard			
Biden, III	Beau			
Biden	Hallie			
Biden	Natalie			
Biden	Robert Hunter			
Biden	Hunter			
Biden	Kathleen			
Biden	Naomi			
Biden	Finnegan			
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Biden	Caroline			
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Christopher	William	
Christopher	Patricia	
Cooney	John	
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Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)	
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB
Doody	Jim	
Eckstrand	Phillip	
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand
Evans	Tom	
Evans	Mary	
Frampton	Charles	
Frampton	Steven	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation
Freeh	Marilyn	
Freeh	Justin	Son of Louis Freeh, NAVY SEAL
Frost	Melissa	
Garvin	Shawn	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring
Goodman	Lisa	
Fennell	Drew	
Grier	Betty	
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier
Haggerty	Margaret	
Haggerty	William	
Harper	Rick	
Harper	Amy	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse
Herlinsky	Victory	

Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Horsey	Bryan	
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Hyman	Luke	
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Jones	Laura	
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
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Kraus	Peter	
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Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
Ledford	David	Delaware Online
Huschle-Ledford	Irene	Spouse of David Ledford
LiGuori	James	
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Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
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Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
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BIDEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS	172
Adler	David		REGRETS	84
Adler	Michael	Chairman Emeritus, National Jewish Democratic Council	NO RESPONSES	94
Ambro	Thomas	Judge, 3rd Circuit, US Court of Appeals	ATTENDS	0
Ambro	Mary		TOTAL POSSIBLE	26
Angelson	Mark		TIMESTAMP	-12-07T10:58:59Z
Angelson	Lynn			
Ashton	Bill			
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Woodfin	Jane			
Beene	Kim			
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Goodman	Lisa	
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Additional Information:

"Meg Campbell" [P6/b(6)]

19 Nov 2009 06:04:48

To: Campbell, Margaret, Campbell, Margaret

Cc:

Bcc: Campbell, Margaret

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Additional Information:

Muldoon, Anne P. EOP/OVP

02 Dec 2015 16:34:03

To: Suber, Kellen, Elizondo, Carlos E., Suber, Kellen C., >, "Elizondo, Carlos E.

Cc: Ruffner, Richard, Bernal, Anthony R., Ruffner, Richard, >, "Bernal, Anthony R.

Bcc:

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b(7f),b(6),P5,P6,b(7e),b(7c)

Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

White House IT

16 Jan 2017 20:02:22

To: Schrum, Michael, Schrum, Evan

Cc:

Bcc:

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Reasons for Withholding:

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Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Williams, Ashley

29 Nov 2012 20:51:50

To: Russell, Catherine M., Russell, Catherine M.

Cc:

Bcc:

Delaware List as of 11/29/2012 at 3:51 PM

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Reasons for Withholding:

P6,b(6),P5

Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Ramos, Paola

30 Nov 2012 00:03:47

To: Clark-Bauserman, Deborah, Williams, Ashley, Williams, Ashley, >", "Clark-Bauserman, Deborah
Cc: Timko, Rachel, Slade, Amanda (Intern), Timko, Rachel, >" (Intern), "Slade, Amanda (Intern)
Bcc:
RE: Copy of 120912 DE Holiday Reception 2012 as of 11_29_2012DCB.xlsx

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b(6),P6,P5

Notes:

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Additional Information:

Muldoon, Anne P. EOP/OVP

01 Dec 2015 19:48:09

To: Ruffner, Richard, Ruffner, Richard

Cc:

Bcc:

Can you please print for Sheila/Anthony

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Notes:

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Additional Information:

Muldoon, Anne P. EOP/OVP

20 Nov 2015 19:17:50

To: hurricane5155@gmail.com

Cc:

Bcc:

2015 DE Holiday Party Invitation List

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P5,P6,b(6)

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Additional Information:

Muldoon, Anne P. EOP/OVP

03 Dec 2015 17:02:57

To: Suber, Kellen, DL-OVP-West Wing, Schultz, Greg, Schrum, Michael, Mackler, Alexander, Mackler, Alexander, >, "Schultz, Gregory, >", "Schrum, Evan, >", "Suber, Kellen C., >", "DL-OVP-West Wing

Cc: DL-OVP-Office of Dr. Biden, DL-OVP-Office of Dr. Biden

Bcc:

RE: Delaware Invites are out!

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P6,b(7c),P5,b(7e),b(7f),b(6)

Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Turk, Joseph M. EOP/OVP

27 Oct 2016 22:24:09

To: DL-OVP-Interns,
jake_p_collins@who.eop.gov", "jackson_t_crawford@who.eop.gov", "teresa_s_jones@who.eop.gov", "marisa_e_levitt@who.eop.gov", "sophia_p_sokolowski@who.eop.gov", "katherine_m_barrett@who.eop.gov", "DL-OVP
Cc: DL-OVP-Intern_Supervisors,
nikko_b_price@ovp.eop.gov", "sarah_f_berlenbach@ovp.eop.gov", "vinay_c_reddy_ovp@fb.eop.gov", "kaitlyn_h_demers@ovp.eop.gov", "richard_b_ruffner@ovp.eop.gov", "ward_f_dirksen@ovp.eop.gov", "jonathan_j_raw
>", "kirsten_e_lance@ovp.eop.gov", "katherine_m_collins@ovp.eop.gov", "jaclyn_s_gelfond@ovp.eop.gov", "allison_m_panther@ovp.eop.gov", "joseph_m_turk@ovp.eop.gov", "brannock_j_furey@ovp.eop.gov", "marylee_r
DL-OVP_Inte_n_Supervisors
Bcc:
Holiday Card List Cleanup Project

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Turk, Joseph M. EOP/OVP

27 Oct 2016 22:24:09

To: DL-OVP-Interns, DL-OVP-Interns

Cc: DL-OVP-Intern_Supervisors, DL-OVP-Intern_Supervisors

Bcc:

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Additional Information:

Clark-Bauserman, Deborah

Tue, 04 Dec 2012 06:47:19 -0500

To: Elizondo, Carlos E., Russell, Catherine M., Borrin, Danielle, Borrin, Danielle, Russell, Catherine M., Elizondo, Carlos E.

Cc: Williams, Ashley, Williams, Ashley

Bcc: rachel_m_timko@ovp.eop.gov, deborah_e._clark-bauserman@ovp.eop.gov

120912 Delaware Registration Report as of 120312

Attachments: [120912 Delaware Registration Report.xlsx](#) (48.1 KB)

Please see the attached registration report and let me know if there any questions. The event statistics as of last night are:

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	349
ACCEPTS	105
REGRETS	36
NO RESPONSES	187
ATTENDS	0
UNKNOWN GUESTS	21
TOTAL POSSIBLE	313
TIMESTAMP	12/4/2012 6:35:26 AM

Thanks,
Debbi

Deborah E. Clark-Bauserman, CMP

Deputy Residence Manager | The Vice President's Residence | Office of the Social Secretary | 202.456.3113

As of 120112**ACCEPTS:**

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION/ORGANIZATION	INVITATION S
BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES
B DEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS
Ashton	Bill		REGRETS
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	NO RESPONSES
Beers	Sydney		ATTENDS
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	UNKNOWN GUESTS
Bross	Eric		TOTAL POSSIBLE
Bross	Anna		TIMESTAMP
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff	
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice	
Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Katrina	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Laura	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Matos	Maria	Executive Director/ Latin American Community Center	
Rodriguez	Sindy		
Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
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Meyers	William		
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Micallef	Joe		
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden	
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco	
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse	
Oberly	Charlie		
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OBrien	Dennis		
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien	
Sloan	Gilbert		
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Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Hyman	Luke		
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB	
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Ashton	Bill		ATTENDS
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	UNKNOWN GUESTS
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Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB	
Bove	Beverly		
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove	
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Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
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Doody	Jim		
Eckstrand	Phillip		
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand	
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Freeh	Marilyn		
Garvin	Shawn	/	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative	
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Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Grier	Betty		
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
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Herlinsky	Victory		

Bernal, Anthony R.

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To: Williams, Ashley, Williams, Ashley

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Muldoon, Anne P. EOP/OVP

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To: Ruffner, Richard, Ruffner, Richard

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Additional Information:

Ryan, Evan

Fri, 07 Dec 2012 14:48:58 -0500

To: Doody, Jillian, Doody, Jillian

FW: DE Registration Report

Attachments: [120912 Delaware Registration Report.xlsx.xlsx](#) (85.2 KB)

From: Bernal, Anthony R.

Sent: Friday, December 07, 2012 2:08 PM

To: Ryan, Evan

Subject: Fw: DE Registration Report

Sam Latham called asking if there was someone he might know to "ride down with" Is there anyone if this list that might be a natural for Sam?

From: Williams, Ashley

Sent: Friday, December 07, 2012 01:48 PM

To: Bernal, Anthony R.

Subject: FW: DE Registration Report

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Sent: Friday, December 07, 2012 11:19 AM

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Subject: DE Registration Report

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Sloan	Gilbert		
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Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Meyers	William		
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Micallef	Joe	
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
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Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
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Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	/
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	/
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	
LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
Magarik	Molly	Beau Biden State Political Director
Magarik	Ian	
Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
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Monahan	Marilyn	VBO
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Murray	Tim	UD Archivist
Murray	Katherine	Spouse of Tim Murray
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
O'Brien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Olivere	Ronald	
Olivere	Joan	
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Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
Sears	JoAnn	
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Smith	Michele	
Smith	Stephen	
Snyder-Mackley	Lynn	Alumni Distinguished Professor, Department of Physical Therapy/ University of C
Stewart	Anthony	
Clayton	Roberta	
Storino	Donnie	
Storino	Lacy	
Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors
Savage	Kathleen	Guest of JTB/ Hallie Biden

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Angelson	Lynn	
Ashton	Bill	
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB
Bachula	Gary	
Woodfin	Jane	
Beene	Kim	
Downing	Robin	
Beers	Sydney	
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB
Biden	Ashley	
Krein	Howard	
Biden, III	Beau	
Biden	Hallie	
Biden	Natalie	
Biden	Robert Hunter	
Biden	Caroline	
Staley	Eric	Boyfriend of Caroline Biden
Biden Owens	Valerie	
Owens	Jack	
Bove	Beverly	
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove
Bross	Eric	
Bross	Anna	
Buhle	Michael	
Buhle	Emily	
Butler	Dan	
Butler	Catherine	
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems
Carper	Tom	
Carper	Benjamin	
Carper	Martha	
Cowperthwait	Rebecca	Guest of Benjamin Carper
Champney	Joanna	
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes
Christopher	Athena	
Christopher	Katherine	
Christopher	William	
Christopher	Patricia	

Cooney	John	
Cooney	Barbara	
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)	
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB
Doody	Jim	
Eckstrand	Phillip	
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand
Evans	Tom	
Evans	Mary	
Frampton	Charles	
Frampton	Steven	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation
Freeh	Marilyn	
Frost	Melissa	
Garvin	Shawn	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring
Goodman	Lisa	
Fennell	Drew	
Grier	Betty	
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier
Haggerty	Margaret	
Haggerty	William	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse
Herlinsky	Victory	
Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Horsey	Bryan	
Horsey	April	
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Hynansky	John	
Hatzis	Thomas	
Jones	Laura	
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kimmel	Wayne	Managing Partner, SeventySix Capital
Kimmel	Kimberly	
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	

LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
Magarik	Molly	Beau Biden State Politcal Director
Magarik	Ian	
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Monahan	Marilyn	VBO
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Murray	Katherine	Spouse of Tim Murray
Oberly	Charlie	
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OBrien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
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Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
Sears	JoAnn	
Secundy	Joel	
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Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
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Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI

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Smith	Stephen	
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Clayton	Roberta	
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Russell, Catherine M.

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To: Elizondo, Carlos E., Elizondo, Carlos E.

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NYT: The Knotty Ties Between Joe Biden, His Son and Ukraine

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The Knotty Ties Between Joe Biden, His Son and Ukraine
By JAMES RISENDEC. 8, 2015

WASHINGTON - When Vice President Joseph R. Biden Jr. traveled to Kiev, Ukraine, on Sunday for a series of meetings with the country's leaders, one of the issues on his agenda was to encourage a more aggressive fight against Ukraine's rampant corruption and stronger efforts to rein in the power of its oligarchs.

But the credibility of the vice president's anticorruption message may have been undermined by the association of his son, Hunter Biden, with one of Ukraine's largest natural gas companies, Burisma Holdings, and with its owner, Mykola Zlochevsky, who was Ukraine's ecology minister under former President Viktor F. Yanukovich.

Hunter Biden, 45, a former Washington lobbyist, joined the Burisma board in April 2014. That month, as part of an investigation into money laundering, British officials froze London bank accounts containing \$23 million that allegedly belonged to Mr. Zlochevsky.

Britain's Serious Fraud Office, an independent government agency, specifically forbade Mr. Zlochevsky, as well as Burisma Holdings, the company's chief legal officer and another company owned by Mr. Zlochevsky, to have any access to the accounts.

But after Ukrainian prosecutors refused to provide documents needed in the investigation, a British court in January ordered the Serious Fraud Office to unfreeze the assets. The refusal by the Ukrainian prosecutor general's office to cooperate was the target of a stinging attack by the American ambassador to Ukraine, Geoffrey R. Pyatt, who called out Burisma's owner by name in a speech in September.

"In the case of former Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, the U.K. authorities had seized \$23 million in illicit assets that belonged to the Ukrainian people," Mr. Pyatt said. Officials at the prosecutor general's office, he added, were asked by the United Kingdom "to send documents supporting the seizure. Instead they sent letters to Zlochevsky's attorneys

attesting that there was no case against him. As a result, the money was freed by the U.K. court, and shortly thereafter the money was moved to Cyprus."

Mr. Pyatt went on to call for an investigation into "the misconduct" of the prosecutors who wrote the letters. In his speech, the ambassador did not mention Hunter Biden's connection to Burisma.

But Edward C. Chow, who follows Ukrainian policy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the involvement of the vice president's son with Mr. Zlochevsky's firm undermined the Obama administration's anticorruption message in Ukraine.

"Now you look at the Hunter Biden situation, and on the one hand you can credit the father for sending the anticorruption message," Mr. Chow said. "But I think unfortunately it sends the message that a lot of foreign countries want to believe about America, that we are hypocritical about these issues."

Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Vice President Biden, said Hunter Biden's business dealings had no impact on his father's policy positions in connection with Ukraine.

"Hunter Biden is a private citizen and a lawyer," she said. "The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company. The vice president has pushed aggressively for years, both publicly with groups like the U.S.-Ukraine Business Forum and privately in meetings with Ukrainian leaders, for Ukraine to make every effort to investigate and prosecute corruption in accordance with the rule of law. It will once again be a key focus during his trip this week."

Ryan F. Toohey, a Burisma spokesman, said that Hunter Biden would not comment for this article.

It is not known how Mr. Biden came to the attention of the company. Announcing his appointment to the board, Alan Apter, a former Morgan Stanley investment banker who is chairman of Burisma, said, "The company's strategy is aimed at the strongest concentration of professional staff and the introduction of best corporate practices, and we're delighted that Mr. Biden is joining us to help us achieve these goals."

Joining the board at the same time was one of Mr. Biden's American business partners, Devon Archer. Both are involved with Rosemont Seneca Partners, an American investment firm with offices in Washington.

Mr. Biden is the younger of the vice president's two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter Biden attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. Biden also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James Biden, the vice president's brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the Bidens and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. Biden, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was "not out of the ordinary" for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, "Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped."

In response to Mr. Pyatt's criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky's case, Mr. Toohey said that "strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine."

Vice President Biden has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week's visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

Ms. Bedingfield said Hunter Biden had never traveled to Ukraine with his father. She also said that Ukrainian officials had never mentioned Hunter Biden's role with Burisma to the vice president during any of his visits.

"I've got to believe that somebody in the vice president's office has done some due diligence on this," said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. "I should say that I hope that has happened. I would hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message."

Bernal, Anthony R.

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Good afternoon

Please see the preliminary registration report for the 12/9 DE holiday reception and let me know if there are any questions. The event statistics are:

INVITATION STATISTICS:

INVITES	337
ACCEPTS	39
REGRETS	14
NO RESPONSES	263
ATTENDS	0
UNKNOWN GUESTS	21
TOTAL POSSIBLE	323

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Thanks,
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Deborah E. Clark-Bauserman, CMP

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Can you please:

Print three copies of the Local and DNC parties from 2012 and 2013, make three packets (so each has a copy of each list), separating the years and the lists with blue paper, and hold together with a binder clip? Can I please have them by 10:00 a.m. tomorrow?

Thanks!

From: Levenson, Yoni (Intern)
Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2014 9:47 AM
To: Ruffner, Richard
Subject: RE: Salesforce

All the 2012 and 2013 holiday party lists (outside of Secret Service and including the one that didn't have "holiday" in the title) are attached.

Do you want me to log out of your account or is there anything else you wanted me to do while I'm on here? Thanks!

Yoni

From: Ruffner, Richard
Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2014 9:26 AM
To: Levenson, Yoni (Intern)

Subject: Salesforce

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ALL INVITEES
December 17, 2013
6:30 PM

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Mrs. Fredrica Sheehan

Mr. Kevin Sheekey
Mr. Arthur Sheekey

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The Honorable (Mr.) Neil Cohen

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The Honorable Nelson Talbott III

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Mr. Alan Field

Kenneth Thompson (WH PASS, OVP Staff)

Ms. Samantha Tubman (FLOTUS staff, WH PASS)
Alan Fitts

Mr. Carl Tuvín

Mr. Moises Vela Jr (Former WH Staff)
Mr. Brian Loper

The Honorable (Secretary) Tom Vilsack (WH PASS, Cabinet)
Mrs. Christie Vilsack (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

Mr. David Wade (WH Spouse)
Ms. Elizabeth Alexander (Former WH Staff)

Ms. aLEX Wagner

Ms. Amy Wakeland

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Lady Susan Nemazee (Westmacott) (Diplomat Spouse (passport), Diplomatic Corps Spouse - Foreign Ambassador to US)

Lady Susie Westmacott

Ms. Katharine Weymouth

Ms. Buffy Jo Wicks
Ms. Deborah Mesloh

Ms. Melissa Winter (FLOTUS staff, Special Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

The Honorable (Ms.) Jessica Wright (Deputy Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

His Eminence Cardinal Donald Wuerl, S.T.D.

Mr. Jamie Wyeth
Mrs. Phyllis Wyeth

The Honorable (Mr.) Jeffrey Zients
Ms. Mary Zients (WH Spouse)

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	461
ACCEPTS	234
REGRETS	77
NO RESPONSES	148
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	384
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HOLIDAY RECEPTION (DE) GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 15, 2013
3:00 PM

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Mr. David Hudson
Mr. Luke Hudson

Joshua Alcorn
Brianna Alcorn

Dean Linda Ammons
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Dr. Bill Ashton
Ms. Chele Ashton

Mr. Chris Athanassiades

Gary Bachula
Jane Woodfin

Ms. Karen Barker Marcou
Mr. George Marcou

Ms. Kim Beene
Robin Downing

Mr. Daniel Berger
Mrs. Carol Berger

Ms. Sally Berger
Andrew Berger

Ms. Leah Betts

Ms. Alana Biden

Ms. Hannah Bristol

Ms. Ashley Biden

Dr. Howard Krein (Family)

The Honorable (Mr.) Beau Biden III

Miss Natalie Biden (Family)

Master Robert Biden (Family)

Mrs. Hallie Biden (Family)

Ms. Caroline Biden (Family)

Mr. Hunter Biden (Family)

Miss Naomi Biden (Family)

Mrs. Kathleen Biden (Family)

Miss Finnegan Biden (Family)

Miss Roberta (Maisy) Biden (Family)

Mr. James Biden (Family)

Mrs. Sara Biden (Family)

Mr. James (Jamie) Biden (Family)

Ms. Amy Bracco

Mrs. Valerie Biden Owens (Family)

Mr. Jack Owens (Family)

Mr. Lynn Blecker

Ms. Tammi Blecker

Miss Anastasia Blecker

Master Bradley Blecker

Master Alexander Blecker

Janet Blessing

Patricia Blevins
Mr. Michael Blevins

Ms. Ada Bordas

Dr. Howard Borin
Mrs. Marsha Borin

The Honorable (Ms.) Lisa Borin Ogden
Mr. Paul Ogden

Mr. Tim Boulos
Mrs. Helen Boulos

Cliff Brokaw
Lea Carpenter

Mr. Eric Bross
Mrs. Anna Bross

Ms. Deborah Bryant

Mr. Rob Buccini
Beth Buccini

Dr. Bob Buccini*
Bernadette Buccini

Mr. Chris Buccini*
Mati Buccini

Mr. Jim Buhle
Mrs. Roberta Buhle

Michael Buhle (Family)
Emily Buhle (Family)

John Burris
Cathy Burris

Dan Butler
Catherine Butler
Sheila Grant

Ms. Susan Canning

The Honorable (Mr.) John Carney, Jr. (HOUSE)
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The Honorable (Senator) Tom Carper (SENATE)
Mrs. Martha Carper (SENATE Spouse)

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Ms. Joanna Champney
Mr. Ryan Champney

Mr. Mike Christopher
Mrs. Athena Christopher

William Christopher
Patricia Christopher

Thomas Cini

Mr. Christian Clerc
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Mr. Charles Colombo

The Honorable (Senator) Chris Coons (SENATE)
Mrs. Annie Coons (SENATE Spouse)

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Dr. Lynn Cornelius
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Betty DiClemente

John DiEleuterio
Mrs. Maureen DiEleuterio

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Melissa Dietz

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Mr. Conway Dodge, Jr.

Raymond Dolan
Mrs. Janeen Dolan

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Mr. Jim Doody

Ms. Sherry Dorsey Walker
Mr. Dwight Walker

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Mrs. Abbott Echols

Mr. Jim Elder
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Mr. Tom Evans
Mrs. Mary Evans

Ms. Drew Fennell
Ms. Caroline Godden
Ms. Mary Godden
Ms. Lisa Goodman

Lt Col John Flynn
Master Stratton Flynn
Miss Sophia Flynn
Christi Flynn

Dr. Douglas Fraker
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Mr. Michael Galbraith
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Mrs. Geri Gallagher

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Mr. George Giannopoulos

Mr. Chris Gibson

Mr. Richard Gillespie
Donna Gillespie

The Honorable (Representative) Robert Gilligan
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Dr. Dominic Gioffre
Eileen Gioffre

Mr. Thomas Girardi
Mrs. Kathy Girardi

The Honorable (Ambassador) Mark Gitenstein
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Mr. Scott Green

Ms. Betty Grier

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William Haggerty

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Mr. Jorgen Hansen

Dr. Patrick Harker

Mrs. Emily Harker

Michael Harkins

Helen Harkins

Jack Harris

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Hank Hartman

Mr. Victor Herlinsky

Ms. Irene Herlinsky

Mr. Joe Hurley

Ms. Brenda Reno

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Margaret Baker

Mrs. Lynn Kokjohn
Mr. Tucker Kokjohn
Mr. Kyle Kokjohn

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Jean Lathem
Mr. Brian McGlinchey

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Mr. Marc LoPresti
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Ms. Sarah Lubin
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Mr. Andrew Lundgren
Mrs. Laura Lundgren

Mr. Jim MacGilvray
Janet MacGilvray

Mr. Alex Mackler
Laura Mackler

Mr. Charles Madden
Mr. Donald Madden

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Mr. Ian Magarik

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Mr. Stephen Mervine, Jr.
Ms. Polly Mervine

Mr. Bobby Messick
Mrs. Ruth Ann Messick

Mr. Joe Micallef
Mrs. Louise Micallef

Ms. Dianna Minella
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Mr. Melvyn Monzack
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Mr. Tim Murray
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Mr. Mark O'Malley
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Mr. Ed Oldfield
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Christine Owens

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William Quillen

Mr. Dris Ramdane
Slimane Ameziani

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Ms. Rosa Rivera
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Mr. Victor Riveros

Mr. Steven Rose
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Mr. Jack Rosen
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Ms. Bebe Ross Coker

Ms. Kathleen Savage
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Mrs. Laura Scanlan

Mr. Carl Schnee

Peter Schwartzkopf
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Mr. Eric Schwerin

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Mrs. Liz Secundy

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Stephen Smith

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Mr. Jim Snow (Family)
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Mr. Zachary Snow
Miss Rachel Snow

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Dr. David Solacoff
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Jennifer Stillabower

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Mr. Brandon Brown

Mr. Mark Tobin
Erin Tobin

Mr. Dennis Toner
Ann Toner

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Mr. Clyde Tuggle
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Regina Turner

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Terry Wright

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Mrs. Joyce Zutz

Mr. Marc Zwebner
Mrs. Fellicia Zwebner

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	398
ACCEPTS	207
REGRETS	107
NO RESPONSES	84
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	291
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HOLIDAY RECEPTION (OVP STAFF) GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 14, 2013
1:00 PM

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Miss Paloma Dibella

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Ms. Elaine Toth

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Mrs. Virginia Johnson
Mr. James Johnson

Ms. Kimya Jones
Mr. Theodore Darlington
Master Asa Darlington

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Ms. Abigail Marsh

Ms. Melanie Kaye
Miss Eleanor Kaye
Miss Finley Kaye
Mr. Anson Kaye (WH Spouse)

Ms. Amy Kurren
Mr. Patrick Nemeroff

Mrs. Sherry Lachman
Mr. Jonathan Lachman

Ms. Nicole Lamberson (WH PASS)
Ms. Lindsay Jagodowski

Mrs. Demetra Lambros (WH PASS, OVP Staff)
Mr. Michael Duffy
Mr. Niko Duffy
Mr. Luke Duffy
Master Jason Duffy

Mr. Brian Levine (WH PASS)
Christen Sewell
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Ms. Holly Davis

Ms. Brooke Lillard (WH PASS, OVP Staff)
Ms. Emily Kitchen
Mr. Matthew Haltom

The Honorable Dylan Loewe (Former WH Staff)
Ms. Megan Slack

Ms. Jamie Lyons
Mr. John Lawrence

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FOIA-6

Mr. Christopher Mackler (WH PASS, OVP Staff)
Ms. Kristin Mackler

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FOIA-6

Mr. Tobin Marcus (WH PASS)
Kimberly Mickenberg

Ms. Betsy Massey Walker (WH PASS, OVP Staff)
Mr. Rob Walker

Mr. Jason McClinton (Former WH Staff)
Mrs. Grineldy McClinton
Jasmine McClinton
Patricia Castillo
Jahaira McClinton

Mr. Conor McKay (Former WH Staff)
Mrs. Mary McKay

Ms. Kerry McNellis (WH PASS, OVP Staff)
Ms. Maren Maland

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Ms. Andrea Gianni

Ms. Hayley Meadvin (Former WH Staff)
Mr. David Meadvin

Ms. Jordan Montoya
Ms. Carly Montoya

Mr. John Morgan
Ms. Ti-Ying Lee
Miss Isabel Morgan

The Honorable (Ms.) Shailagh Murray (Deputy Assistant to the President, Former
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Mr. Neil King
Miss Frances King
Miss Lillian King

Mr. Samuel Myers
Vicki Myers (WH Spouse)

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Staff)
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Mr. James Coughlan
Ms. Emma Coughlan
Mr. Connor Coughlan

The Honorable (Mr.) Sean O'Brien
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Miss Mary Catherine O'Brien
Erin O'Brien

Dr. Kevin O'Connor (WH PASS)

Kieran O'Connor

Master Ryan O'Connor

Mrs. Christine O'Connor

Dylan O'Connor

The Honorable (Mr.) Francis Person

Mrs. Krystal Person (WH Spouse)

Miss Bella Person

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Ms. Kelsey Pietranton

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Miss Amalia Prescott

Susan Jakes

The Honorable (Mr.) Bruce Reed

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Mr. Donald Braman

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Mr. William Brosnan

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Mr. Kyle Parker

Ms. Kellen Suber (WH PASS)
Mr. Jeremie Lott

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Master Julius Tejeda
Mrs. Teresa Tejeda (WH Spouse)
Miss Cheyenne Tejeda

Mr. Thomas Tennant (WH PASS, OVP Staff)
Miss Margaret Tennant
Miss Annette Tennant
Mrs. Deirdre Tennant (WH Spouse)
Master Kieran Tennant

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Mr. Davis Franck

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Mr. William Price
Mr. Fred Greene III

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Mr. Brian Woyak
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Ms. Tiffany Woyak
Ms. Priscilla Hess (WH Spouse)
Mr. Brandon Woyak

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Mr. Naveen Muthu

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	279
ACCEPTS	209
REGRETS	65
NO RESPONSES	5
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	214
TIMESTAMP	10/30/2014 9:43:07 AM

HOLIDAY RECEPTION (OVP MILITARY STAFF #2) GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 14, 2013
11:00 AM

DR. BIDEN and VICE-PRESIDENT BIDEN

FOIA-3

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Master Aaron Ardelean

Mrs. Andrea Ardelean

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Victor Martinez

Colonel Scott Baer

Mrs. Monica Baer

Keith Bass

Mrs. Martha Bass

Kate Bass

Erin Bass

FOIA-3

FOIA-6

FOIA-6

Mrs. Grace Butler
Miss Haley Butler
Miss Lauren Butler
Mr. John Butler, Jr.

FOIA-3
FOIA-6

Lt. Col Scott Cummis
Master Joshua Cummis
Mrs. Crockett Cummis (WH Spouse)
Miss Emma Cummis

FOIA-3
FOIA-6

Ms. Jamie Eckert (WH PASS)
Sarah Levine

Hospital Specialist First Class Jonathan Edwards
Madalynn Edwards

Macy Edwards
Meredith Edwards
Mrs. Jennifer Edwards

FOIA-3
FOIA-6

Sergio Franco
Mrs. Debra Franco

FOIA-3
FOIA-6

CDR Charles (Chuck) Hartung
Kimberly Hartung
Madison Hartung
Emily Hartung

FOIA-3
FOIA-6

Dr. Merlene Horan (WH PASS)
David Horan II
David Horan (WH Spouse)

Dr. Ronny Jackson
Benjamin Jackson
Elizabeth Jackson
Matthew Jackson
Jane Jackson

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FOIA-6

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FOIA-6

Mr. Robert Lee
Jackson Lee
Justin Lee
Kim Lee
Madison Lee
Morgan Lee

FOIA-3
FOIA-6

Commander Chris Maldarella (WH PASS)
Master Luke Maldarella
Mrs. Tracy Maldarella (WH Spouse)
Miss Cristin Maldarella
Caely Maldarella

Hospital Corpsman First Class Maxwell McGill
Mrs. Annamarie McGill

FOIA-3
FOIA-6

Mr. John Morris (WH PASS)

FOIA-3
FOIA-6

Dr. Kevin O'Connor (WH PASS)

Kieran O'Connor

Dylan O'Connor

Mrs. Christine O'Connor

Master Ryan O'Connor

FOIA-3
FOIA-6

Hospital Corpsman Second Class Stephanie Rees

Mr. Joshua Rees

Olivia Rees

Phoebe Rees

FOIA-3

FOIA-6

Commander Donovan Routsis

Mr. Joachim Schaefer

Nikolas Schaefer

Mrs. Julie Schaefer

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FOIA-6

Mr. Benjamin Foster

Mr. Christopher Spurling (WH PASS)

Mrs. Sharon Spurling (WH Spouse)

Miss Megan Spurling

Taylor Spurling

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FOIA-6

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Cristina Uzquiano-Mejia

Mr. James Thierry
Ryan Thierry
Takiesha Waites-Thierry
Bryce Thierry

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FOIA-6

Mr. Ryan Wall (WH PASS)
Mrs. Melissa Wall

FOIA-3
Kelly Johnson

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FOIA-6

Mr. Anthony Woodall (WH PASS)

Ms. Katie Woodall

Jaylen Woodall

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FOIA-6

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	264
ACCEPTS	204
REGRETS	57
NO RESPONSES	3
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	207
TIMESTAMP	10/30/2014 9:42:38 AM

HOLIDAY RECEPTION (OVP MILITARY STAFF #1) GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 14, 2013
10:00 AM

VICE-PRESIDENT BIDEN and DR. BIDEN

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Callie Booth

Mrs. Sarah Bosken
Susan Mulnix

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Admiral Barry Bruner
Kristin Bruner
Elizabeth Bruner

Rear Admiral Sean Buck
Joanne Buck

Ms. Karen Burchard

Mr. Donald Cenate
Mrs. Aimee Cenate
Megan Cenate
Ms. Kelsey Cenate

Geoffrey Chester
Nathaniel Chester
Ms. Abigail Chester

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FOIA-6

Katherine Cyphers
James Cyphers

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LtCol Scott Dershem
Krista Dershem

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Ms. Monique Dorsainvil
Ingianni Acosta

Matthew Driggers

Mr. Kerry Duax
Ms. Sylvia Schmeichel

Lennon Duggan

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FOIA-6

LtCol Christopher Eden
Kathryn Eden

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Commander Richard Ficarelli
Matthew Ficarelli
Kim Ficarelli

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Ms. Stacey Hall
Jennifer Hall

Mr. Kirk Hanlin

Commander Erlina Haun

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Scott Hurlbut

FOIA-3
Jennifer Reichle

FOIA-3

Tamatha Kidd
Marlene Kidd

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FOIA-6

Commander Kirk Lagerquist
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Miss Sadie Lagerquist

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Stefan Raguindin

Ian Laughrey
Mrs. Melissa Laughrey

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Dr. Brian Luzum
Phyllis Cook

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Mr. Thomas McGuire
Charlene McGuire

Mr. Tom McGuire

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FOIA-6

Todd Mercer
Laura Mercer

FOIA-3

Colonel Jeffrey Morgan
Pamela Morgan

Thomas Morgera
Virginia Morgera

FOIA-3

Dana Dlugach

Jennifer Navarro

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FOIA-6

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Thomas Parrillo

FOIA-3
FOIA-6

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INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	208
ACCEPTS	187
REGRETS	14
NO RESPONSES	7
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	194
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HOLIDAY RECEPTION (PRESS #2) GUEST LIST

ALL INVITEES

December 13, 2013

7:00 PM

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INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	196
ACCEPTS	148
REGRETS	29
NO RESPONSES	19
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	167
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December 13, 2013
4:00 PM

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Miss Lily Saal

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INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	206
ACCEPTS	112
REGRETS	68
NO RESPONSES	26
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	138
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HOLIDAY RECEPTION (DNC #2) GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 12, 2013
4:30 PM

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INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	341
ACCEPTS	191
REGRETS	56
NO RESPONSES	94
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	285
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HOLIDAY RECEPTION (DNC #1) GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 11, 2013
6:30 PM

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Mr. Hasan Baltaci
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Mr. Tyler Lechtenberg

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Ms. Marcie Roth

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Mr. Nathaniel Morris

Mr. John Marttila
Mr. Douglas Marttila

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Mr. Terry O'Sullivan

Mr. Christopher Pappas

Deven Parekh
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Ms. Chelsea Parsons
Mr. Justin Parsons

Ms. Shaunda Patterson-Strachan
Mr. Daanen Strachan

Mr. Richard Pepperman
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Mr. Charles Phillips

Mr. Robert Pietrzak
Nancy Fuchs

Ms. Deb Pignatelli

Mr. Mark Pincus

Mr. Robert Pohlاد
Mrs. Becky Pohlاد

Ms. Irene Porada
Ms. Carolyn Croak

Mr. Kostas Poulakidas
Mrs. Madeline Poulakidas

Mr. Tim Quinn
Mr. Issac Mann, Jr.

Mr. Bryan Rafanelli

Mr. Erik Ramanathan
Christopher Ramanathan

Mr. Rion Ramirez
Ms. Michelle Ramirez

Commissioner Charles Ramsey
Dr. Sylvia Ramsey

Mr. Wade Randlett
Mrs. Lorna Randlett

The Honorable (Mr.) Larry Rasky

Ms. Shefali Razdan Duggal
Rahul Razdan

Mr. Michael Redmond
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Ms. Cecile Richards

Ms. Laura Ricketts

Ms. Alfreda Robinson

Mr. Ethan Rosenzweig
Ms. Kimberlin Love

Mrs. Karen Russo
Mr. Marty Russo

Mr. Tony Russo
Mrs. Kimberly Russo

Ms. Bettylu Saltzman

Mr. Phil Satre
Mrs. Jennifer Satre

Mr. Lee Saunders

The Honorable (Ms.) Ellie Schafer (Special Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
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Mr. Steve Schiller

Ms. Hallie Schneir (WH PASS)
Ms. Sydney Schneir

Ms. Shonda Scott
Ms. Shonnell Frost

Mr. Richard Segal

Mr. David Shaw

Ms. Liz Simons
Mark Heising

Mr. Carol Skinner
Ms. Jeani Murray

Ms. Rose Slade
Cleveland Slade
MGEN Reuben Jones, US Army (Ret.)

Mr. Charles Smith

James Smith, Jr.
Kirkland Smith

Mr. Steve Spinner

Ms. Cynthia Stachelberg
Ms. Victoria Phillips

Sheriff Richard Stanek

Ms. Alexandra Stanton

Chief Craig Steckler

Mrs. Jane Stetson
Mrs. Patricia Agnew
Mr. Eugene (Bill) Stetson III
Mr. Thomas Agnew
Ms. Eva Bonde

Mr. Jon Stryker

Urbietta Swallow
Mr. Warren Ector

Ms. Leslie Sword

Mr. Bob Tandler

Mr. Mark Tanenbaum

The Honorable (Ms.) Inez Tenenbaum
Samuel Tenenbaum

Ms. Juliana Terian

Mr. Andrew Tobias

Annie Tomasini

Mr. Richard Trumka

Mr. George Tsunis

Mrs. Tammy Fisher

Mr. Kenneth Fisher

Ms. Olga Tsunis

Mr. Colin Van Ostern

Mr. John Voorhees

Mr. Rick Wade

Ms. Stacy Young

Ms. Kelly Ward

The Honorable (Representative) Debbie Wasserman Schultz (HOUSE)

Mr. Steve Schultz (HOUSE Spouse)

Jason O'Malley

Mr. Clay Wertheimer

Mr. Steve Westly

Mr. Chuck Wexler

Ms. Jan Hirshberg

Ms. Kirsten White (Former WH Staff)

Ms. Corey Fulton

Ms. Tracy Wong

Ms. Alison Zelman

Ms. Julie Ziemba

Ms. Patty See

Ms. Catherine Zinn
Mr. Jeffrey Blum

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	390
ACCEPTS	199
REGRETS	87
NO RESPONSES	104
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	303
TIMESTAMP	10/30/2014 9:40:10 AM

SENATE SPOUSE HOLIDAY TEA GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 11, 2013
3:00 PM

DR. BIDEN

Ms. Jane Abraham

Mrs. Martha Alito (Supreme Court Spouse)

Mrs. Bonnie Amos (WH Spouse)

Mr. John Bessler (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Kathleen Biden (Family)

Mrs. Valerie Biden Owens (Family)

The Honorable (Rear Admiral) Susan Blumenthal, MD, MPA (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Abigail Blunt (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Linda Bond

Ms. Deborah Bonito (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Cathy Boozman (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Lois Breaux

Dr. Joanna Breyer (Supreme Court Spouse)

Mrs. Nan Brown

Mrs. Bobbi Brown-Barrasso (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Brooke Burr (SENATE Spouse)

Ms. Lucy Calautti (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Myrna Cardin (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Martha Carper (SENATE Spouse)

The Honorable (Ms.) Elaine Chao (SENATE Spouse)

Ms. Rhea Chils

Mrs. Marsha Coats (SENATE Spouse)

Ms. Lisa Collis (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Annie Coons (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Sandy Cornyn (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Nancy Coverdall

Ms. Susan Daggett (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Diane Dempsey (WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Mrs.) Libby Dole

Mrs. Jill Donnelly (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Kim Dorgan

Barbara Eagleton

Bonnie Engelhardt

Ms. Bonnie Englehardt

Mrs. Diana Enzi (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Cheryl Flake (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Franni Franken (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Kathleen Garn

Annie Glenn

Mrs. Rochelle Goodwin

Mrs. Wendy Graham

Mrs. Patricia Grass

Mrs. Barbara Grassley (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Darleen Greenert

Mr. Chip Hagan III (SENATE Spouse)

Ms. Melodee Hanes Baucus (SENATE Spouse)

Lori Hanson

Mary Harmon (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Elaine Hatch (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Julie Heinrich (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Lynne Heller (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Mikey Hoeven (SENATE Spouse)

Ms. Anne Holton (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Randi Hutchinson

Mrs. Irene Inouye (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Dee Jepsen

Mrs. Stephanie Johanns (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Barbara Johnson (SENATE Spouse)

Mary Catherine Johnston

Mrs. Lynne Kaufman (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Mary Kennedy (Supreme Court Spouse)

Mrs. Carol Laxalt

Mrs. Marcelle Leahy (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Barbara Levin (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Hadassah Lieberman (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Char Lugar (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Gayle Manchin (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Kitty Martinez

Mrs. Robba Moran (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Diane Nelson (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Grace Nelson (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Linda Nickles

Mrs. Colleen Nunn

Mrs. Linda Odierno

Mrs. Linda Papp (WH Spouse)

Mrs. Kelley Paul (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Jane Portman (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Harriet Pressler

Mrs. Ellen Proxmire

Mrs. Landra Reid (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Lynda Robb

Mrs. Franki Roberts (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Jane Marie Roberts (Supreme Court Spouse)

Mrs. Sharon Rockefeller

The Honorable (Judge) Jane Roth

Mrs. Mary Sasser

Mrs. Maureen Scalia (Supreme Court Spouse)

Mrs. Mary Sessions (SENATE Spouse)

Dr. Annette Shelby (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Catharine Stevens

Ms. Maryann Stevens (Supreme Court Spouse)

Mrs. Kitty Sununu

Mrs. Loretta Symms

Mrs. Virginia Thomas (Supreme Court Spouse)

Mrs. Kris Toomey (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Jeanne Warner

Mrs. Claudia Weicker

Mrs. Betty Welsh

Mrs. Gayle Wicker (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Jeanette Williams

Mrs. Gayle Wilson

Mrs. Mary Winnefeld (WH Spouse)

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	103
ACCEPTS	32
REGRETS	65
NO RESPONSES	6
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	38
TIMESTAMP	10/30/2014 9:39:48 AM

LOCAL HOLIDAY RECEPTION GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 13, 2012
7:00 PM

VICE-PRESIDENT BIDEN and DR. BIDEN

The Honorable (Secretary) Madeleine Albright

The Honorable (Senator) Lamar Alexander (SENATE)
Mrs. Honey Alexander (SENATE Spouse)

Mr. Mike Allen

Mr. Tony Allen

Mrs. Maria Allwin

Mr. Jon Anderson
Lawrence Levy

Ms. Adrienne Arsht

The Honorable (Mr.) David Axelrod (WH PASS)
Ms. Susan Landau (WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Ms.) Melody Barnes (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Marland Buckner

Mr. Bob Barnett
Mrs. Rita Braver

Mr. Jeremy Bash
Ms. Robyn Bash

Mr. Bob Bauer (Former Assistant to the President, Former WH Staff)
Ms. Anita Dunn

The Honorable (Mr.) Jeremy Bernard (Special Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

The Honorable (Mr.) Beau Biden III

Mrs. Valerie Biden Owens (Family)

The Honorable (Dr.) Rebecca Blank
Mr. Hanns Kuttner

The Honorable (Mr.) Tony Blinken (Deputy Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
The Honorable (Ms.) Evan Ryan (Former Special Assistant to the President,
Former WH Staff)

The Honorable (Mayor) Michael Bloomberg

The Honorable (Congressman) John Boehner (HOUSE)
Debbie Boehner

Mr. David Bohnett*

Ms. Gloria Borger
Mr. Lance Morgan
Mr. Evan Morgan

The Honorable (Mrs.) Erskine Bowles
Mrs. Crandall Bowles

The Honorable (Mr.) John Brennan (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Mrs. Kathy Brennan

Ms. Bobbi Brown
Steven Plofker

Ms. Mika Brzezinski

The Honorable (Mr.) Eric Cantor (HOUSE)
Mrs. Diana Cantor (HOUSE Spouse)

Mr. James Carney (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Ms. Claire Shipman (WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Mr.) Jon Carson (Deputy Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Mrs. Rebecca Carson

The Honorable (Dr.) Ashton Carter
Mrs. Stephanie Carter

Mr. Stephen Case
Mrs. Jean Case

General George Casey
Mrs. Sheila Casey

The Honorable (Mr.) Mark Childress (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Mrs. Katherine Childress

The Honorable (Secretary) Steven Chu (WH PASS, Cabinet)
Dr. Jean Chu (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

Ms. Chelsea Clinton
Mr. Marc Mezvinsky

The Honorable (Secretary) Hillary Clinton (Former First Lady)
The Honorable (President) William Clinton (Former President)

The Honorable (Mr.) James Clyburn (HOUSE)
Mrs. Emily Clyburn (HOUSE Spouse)

Mr. Raul Colon
Mrs. Edith Colon

FOIA-3 FOIA-6

Ms. Esther Coopersmith

Paul Crichton

Ms. Lydia Finn

The Honorable (Mr.) Joe Crowley (HOUSE)

Mrs. Kasey Crowley (HOUSE Spouse)

The Honorable (Mr.) William Daley (Former WH Staff)

Ms. Bernadette Keller (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

Dr. John DeGioia

Mrs. Theresa DeGioia

The Honorable (Ms.) Nancy-Ann DeParle (WH PASS)

Jason DeParle

The Honorable (The Honorable) John Dingell (HOUSE)

Ms. Debbie Dingell

Mr. E.J. Dionne

Ms. Mary Boyle

Helen Boyle

The Honorable (Senator) Christopher Dodd

Mrs. Jackie Clegg Dodd

The Honorable (Mr.) Michael Donilon (Deputy Assistant to the President, WH PASS, OVP Staff)

The Honorable (Mr.) Tom Donilon (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

The Honorable (Ambassador) Catherine Russell (Former Deputy Assistant to the President, Former WH Staff)

The Honorable (Secretary) Shaun Donovan (Cabinet)

Ms. Liza Gilbert (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

Ms. Maureen Dowd
Ms. Margaret Dowd

The Honorable (Secretary) Arne Duncan (WH PASS, Cabinet)
Ms. Karen Duncan (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Senator) Richard Durbin (SENATE)
Mrs. Loretta Durbin (SENATE Spouse)

Vickie Durfee

Mr. Dave Eggers
Joe Callahan

The Honorable (Mayor) Rahm Emanuel (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Ms. Amy Rule (WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Mr.) Jon Favreau
Emily Black

Eliza Ford

Mr. Tom Friedman
Ann Friedman

The Honorable (Senator) Bill Frist, Sr., MD
Mrs. Karyn Frist

The Honorable (Mr.) Michael Froman (WH PASS, Cabinet)
Ms. Nancy Goodman (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Mr.) Jason Furman (WH PASS, Cabinet)
Ms. Eve Gerber (WH Spouse)
Henry Furman

Bill Gates
Mrs. Melinda Gates

The Honorable (Secretary) Timothy Geithner (WH PASS, Cabinet)
Mrs. Carole Geithner (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

Leslie Gelb
Judy Gelb

Mr. David Gergen
Ann Gergen

Mr. Sloan Gibson

The Honorable (Ambassador) Mark Gitenstein
Mrs. Libby Gitenstein

Mr. Daniel Glickman
Rhoda Glickman

Ms. Genevieve Gorder

The Honorable (Vice President) Albert Gore, Jr.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth (Tipper) Gore

Ms. Jamie Gorelick
Mr. Richard Waldhorn

The Honorable (Mr.) Alan Greenspan
Ms. Andrea Mitchell

Mr. David Gregory
Ms. Beth Wilkinson

Mr. Chad Griffin

The Honorable (Secretary) Chuck Hagel (WH PASS, Cabinet)
Mrs. Lillian Hagel (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

The Honorable Lee Hamilton

Dr. John Hamre

The Honorable (Representative) Jane Harman

Mr. Ed Henry III

Ms. Shirley Henry

The Honorable (Mr.) Jeb Hensarling (HOUSE)

Mrs. Melissa Hensarling

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Lillian Diserio

Mr. Tom Healy

Ms. Lillian Vernon

Paolo Martino

Mr. Chester Hodges

The Honorable (Mr.) Alan Hoffman (Former Deputy Assistant to the President, Former WH Staff)

Ms. Elizabeth Francis

The Honorable (Ms.) Cynthia Hogan (Former Deputy Assistant to the President, Former WH Staff)

Nancy Hogan

Peter Gage

The Honorable (Attorney General) Eric Holder (WH PASS, Cabinet)

Dr. Sharon Malone (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Mr.) John Holdren (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

Mrs. Cheryl Holdren

The Honorable (Mr.) Steny Hoyer (HOUSE)

Ms. Kathleen May

Ms. Elizabeth Hudson
Mr. E Matson

Mr. Al Hunt
Ms. Judy Woodruff

The Honorable (Senator) Daniel Inouye
Mrs. Irene Inouye (SENATE Spouse)

The Honorable (Ms.) Nicole Isaac (Special Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Gabriel Bitol

Walter Isaacson
Cathy Isaacson

The Honorable (Administrator) Lisa Jackson (Cabinet)
Jose Lozano
Mr. Ken Jackson (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Ms.) Valerie Jarrett (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

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Mr. Jonathan Karl
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Ms. Anna Karl

Sr. Carol Keehan

Ms. Vicky Kennedy

Ms. Caroline Kennedy-Schlossberg
Mr. Edwin Schlossberg

Mr. Muhtar Kent
Mrs. Define Kent

Joseph Robert Kerrey

Mr. Bob Kerry
Ms. Sarah Paley

The Honorable (Secretary) John Kerry (WH PASS, Cabinet)
Mrs. Teresa Heinz Kerry (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

The Honorable Brad Kiley (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

Brigham Kiplinger

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The Honorable (Ms.) Lisa Garcia
Mrs. Matrice Ellis-Kirk (WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Mr.) Alan Krueger (Former WH Staff)
Mrs. Lisa Krueger (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

Mr. Paul Krugman

The Honorable (Senator) Jon Kyl
Mrs. Caryll Kyl (SENATE Spouse)

The Honorable (Secretary) Ray LaHood (WH PASS, Cabinet)
Mrs. Kathleen LaHood (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

Mrs. Demetra Lambros (WH PASS, OVP Staff)
Mr. Michael Duffy

The Honorable (Mr.) John Larson (HOUSE)
Mrs. Leslie Larson (HOUSE Spouse)

Mark Lasry
Cathy Lasry

The Honorable (Senator) Patrick Leahy (SENATE)
Mrs. Marcelle Leahy (SENATE Spouse)

Mr. Rick Lee
Mrs. Robin Lee

Mr. Jon Leibowitz
Ms. Ruth Marcus

The Honorable (Mr.) Jack Lew (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Dr. Ruth Schwartz

The Honorable Christopher Lu
Ms. Kathryn Thomson (WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Ambassador) Capricia Marshall (WH PASS)
Dr. Robert Marshall (WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Ms.) Alyssa Mastromonaco (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

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The Honorable (Ms.) Elaine Chao (SENATE Spouse)

Mr. Denis McDonough (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Mrs. Karin McDonough

Ms. Maaza Mengiste

Elizabeth (Lisa) Miller

The Honorable (Administrator) Karen Mills (WH PASS, Cabinet)
The Honorable (Mr.) Angus King

Mr. Barry Mills (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)
Mrs. Mary Herman

The Honorable George Mitchell
Ms. Heather Maclachlan

The Honorable (Vice President) Walter Mondale
Mrs. Ann Mondale

George Mulligan

The Honorable Philip Murphy
Mrs. Tammie Murphy

The Honorable (Ms.) Shailagh Murray (Deputy Assistant to the President, Former
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The Honorable (Ms.) Cecilia Muñoz (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Amit Pandya (WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Mr.) Rob Nabors (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Mrs. Xxx Nabors

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Mr. Tom Nides
Ms. Virginia Moseley

Jeff Nussbaum
Deborah Nussbaum

The Honorable (Mayor) Michael Nutter
Mrs. Lisa Nutter

Father Kevin O'Brien, S.J.
Mr. Edward Quinn

Mrs. Norah O'Donnell
Mr. Geoff Tracy

Ms. Katie Oyama (Former WH Staff)
Ms. Seema Patel

The Honorable (Secretary) Leon Panetta
Mrs. Sylvie Panetta (Cabinet Spouse)

Mr. Todd Park
Mrs. Amy Park

Mr. Jeff Peck
Mrs. Lisa Vigdor-Peck

The Honorable (Mrs.) Nancy Pelosi (HOUSE)
Mr. Paul Pelosi (HOUSE Spouse)

The Honorable (Mr.) Dan Pfeiffer (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

Mr. David Plouffe (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Olivia Morgan

Mr. John Podesta
Mrs. Mary Podesta

General Colin Powell

Mr. Tom Price (HOUSE)
Mrs. Elizabeth Price (HOUSE Spouse)

The Honorable (Secretary) Penny Pritzker (WH PASS, Cabinet)
Dr. Bryan Traubert

Ms. Martha Raddatz
Mr. Bailey Williams

Mr. Steve Rattner
Ms. Maureen White

The Honorable (Mr.) Bruce Reed
Ms. Bonnie LePard (WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Senator) Harry Reid (SENATE)
Mrs. Landra Reid (SENATE Spouse)

Ms. Carolyn Reidy

The Honorable (Ambassador) Susan Rice (US Ambassador, WH PASS)
Mr. Ian Cameron (US Ambassador Spouse, WH Spouse)

Ms. Andrea Roane
Mr. Michael Skehan

Mrs. Marian Robinson (FLOTUS staff, Family)
Ms. Betty Currie (Former Special Assistant to the President)

Mr. Jimmy Rollins
Mrs. Johari Rollins

The Honorable (Mr.) Pete Rouse (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

David Rubenstein
Mrs. Alice Rubenstein

The Honorable (Ms.) Kathryn Ruemmler (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

Mr. Michael Sacks
Mrs. Cari Sacks

The Honorable (Secretary) Ken Salazar (WH PASS, Cabinet)
Mrs. Hope Salazar (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

Ms. Sheryl Sandberg

Mr. Roger Sant
Ms. Victoria Sant

The Honorable (Mr.) Charles (Joe) Scarborough

Mrs. Patricia Schieffer
Mr. Bob Schieffer

Mr. Richard Schiff

The Honorable (Mr.) Phil Schiliro (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Mrs. Jody Schiliro (WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Senator) Chuck Schumer (SENATE)
Ms. Iris Weinshall (SENATE Spouse)

Mr. Eric Schwerin

The Honorable (Secretary) Kathleen Sebelius (WH PASS, Cabinet)
The Honorable (Judge) Keith Sebelius (Cabinet Spouse)
Kate Wolff

Rob Seder
Deborah Harmon

Mr. Jerry Seib
Barbara Rosewicz

The Honorable (Dr.) Rajiv Shah
Mrs. Shivam Shah

Mr. Kevin Sheekey
Ms. Meredith Webster
Mr. Arthur Sheekey

The Honorable (Ms.) Susan Sher (WH PASS)
The Honorable (Mr.) Neil Cohen

The Honorable (Secretary) Eric Shinseki (WH PASS, Cabinet)
Patty Shinseki (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Ms.) Gayle Smith (Special Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

The Honorable (Secretary) Hilda Solis (Former WH Staff)
Mr. Sami Sayyad (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Mr.) Gene Sperling (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Ms. Allison Abner (WH Spouse)
Nina Sperling

James Steinberg
Shere Abbott

Mr. George Stephanopoulos
Mrs. Alexandra Wentworth

The Honorable (Assistant Secretary) Judith (Ann) Stock
Mr. Stuart Stock

The Honorable (Mr.) Michael Strautmanis (Special Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Mrs. Damona Strautmanis

Mr. Kevin Sullivan
Ms. Mary Jordan

Dr. Larry Summers (Former WH Staff)
Ms. Elisa New

The Honorable (Ambassdor) Lou Susman
Mrs. Marjorie Susman

Mr. Strobe Talbott

The Honorable (Ms.) Tina Tchen (Assistant to the President, FLOTUS staff, WH PASS)

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Mr. Alan Field

The Honorable (Senator) John Thune (SENATE)
Mrs. Kimberly Thune (SENATE Spouse)

Mr. George Tsunis
Ms. Olga Tsunis

The Honorable (Mr.) Chris Van Hollen (HOUSE)
Ms. Katherine Wilkens (HOUSE Spouse)
Payton Silver
Alexander Van Hollen

Jonathan Van Meter

The Honorable (Secretary) Tom Vilsack (WH PASS, Cabinet)
Mrs. Christie Vilsack (Cabinet Spouse, WH Spouse)

The Honorable (Mr.) Henry Waxman (HOUSE)
Ms. Janet Kessler

The Honorable (His Excellency Sir) Peter Westmacott (Diplomat (passport), Diplomatic Corps - Foreign Ambassador to US)
Lady Susan Nemazee (Westmacott) (Diplomat Spouse (passport), Diplomatic Corps Spouse - Foreign Ambassador to US)

Ms. Katharine Weymouth

Ralph Whitehead

Ms. Paula Wiseman
Anthony Venditti

Mr. Howard Wolfson

His Eminence Cardinal Donald Wuerl, S.T.D.

Mr. Jamie Wyeth
Mrs. Phyllis Wyeth

The Honorable (Mr.) Jeffrey Zients
Ms. Mary Zients (WH Spouse)

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	383
ACCEPTS	173
REGRETS	145
NO RESPONSES	65
ATTENDS	148
TOTAL POSSIBLE	238
TIMESTAMP	10/30/2014 9:37:54 AM

DNC #3 HOLIDAY RECEPTION GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 12, 2012
6:30 PM

DR. BIDEN and VICE-PRESIDENT BIDEN

Ms. Naomi Aberly

Mr. Yohannes Abraham (Special Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Mr. Abebe Abraham

Ms. Lisa Adams

Mr. Luke Albee
Ms. Beth Donovan

Ms. Elizabeth Alexander (Former WH Staff)
Mr. David Wade (WH Spouse)

Mr. Shoukat Ali
Mrs. Noorjehan Ali

Mr. Brad Anderson

Ms. Marcia Angle

Ms. Meg Ansara
Joseph Gagne

The Honorable (Mr.) David Axelrod (WH PASS)
Ms. Susan Landau (WH Spouse)

Ms. Rachel Barinbaum

The Honorable (Ms.) Melody Barnes (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Marland Buckner

Mr. Patrick Bauer

Ms. Kim Beene
Robin Downing

Paul Begala
Mrs. Diane Begala

Mr. Joel Benenson
Ms. Lisa Benenson

The Honorable Samuel Berger

Mr. Michael Berman
Ms. Deborah Cowan

Jeremy Bird

The Honorable (Mr.) Tony Blinken (Deputy Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
The Honorable (Ms.) Evan Ryan (Former Special Assistant to the President,
Former WH Staff)

Mr. Jeff Blodgett

Mrs. Ann Bochnowski
Mr. David Bochnowski

Mrs. Debra Brady (HOUSE Spouse)

The Honorable (Mr.) Robert Brady (HOUSE)

Ms. Donna Brazile
Alison Friedman

Mr. Russell Breckenridge
Ms. Anita Decker Breckenridge

T.H. John Broderick
Mrs. Patricia Broderick

Susan Brophy
Jerry McGowan

Ms. Kathleen Brown
Mr. Van Sauter

Mr. Sam Brown
Ms. Lacey Brown

Mr. Rob Buccini
Beth Buccini

Rev. Randell Bumgardner

Mr. William Burton (WH PASS)

Mr. Grant Campbell
Mrs. Julia Moseley

Ms. Margaret Campbell (Former WH Staff)

Mr. Steve Cashin
Mr. Oliver Cashin
Mrs. Molly Cashin

Mr. Guy Cecil
Mr. Edward McNulty

Mr. Geoffrey Clark

The Honorable (Ms.) Marguerite Clavel

Ms. Nora Cohen (WH PASS)

Mr. Brent Colburn

Sarah Coleman

Shaste Conrad

Mr. John Cummings
Mrs. Kristi Cummings

Mr. David Cusack

The Honorable (Ms.) Stephanie Cutter (Former Assistant to the President, Former WH Staff)
Penny Lee

Mrs. Linda Daschle
T.H. Thomas Daschle

Carrie Devine
Mr. Ronald Bracco

Thomas Devine
Ellen Devine

Mr. Christopher Dilts

Mr. Christopher Dnitz

Ms. Adrienne Donato

The Honorable (Mr.) Michael Donilon (Deputy Assistant to the President, WH PASS, OVP Staff)

Mrs. Linda Douglass
Mr. John Phillips

Ms. Diana Doukas

Mr. Sean Downey

Ms. Carrie Doyle

Ms. Beth Dozoretz

Mr. Ronald Dozoretz

Ms. Amy Dudley (WH PASS, OVP Staff)

Kip Wainscott

Mr. Tim Edland

Michael Feldman

Mr. Julian Feldman

Ms. Karen Finney

Mr. Fernando Lujan

Betty Folliard

Mr. Don Drapeau

Mr. Wyche Fowler

Ms. Beth France

Mr. Christopher Wegrzyn

Mr. William Freeman

Mrs. Barbara Freeman

Anna Garber

Mr. Hubbard Garber

Mr. Eulice Garrett

The Honorable (Mr.) Patrick Gaspard (Former Assistant to the President, Former WH Staff)

Mr. Robert Gibbs (Assistant to the President, WH PASS)
Mary Catherine Gibbs

Mr. Rufus Gifford
Meaghan Burdick

Mr. David Ginsburg

Mrs. Terri Goodman
Mr. John Goodman

Mr. John Grisolano

Dr. Amy Gutmann

Ms. Ann Marie Habershaw
Mr. Robert Schmitt

Mrs. Ann Hand
The Honorable (Mr.) Lloyd Hand

Mr. Greg Hansen
Mrs. Geri Hansen

Mr. Sudafi Henry (Former WH Staff)
Ms. Anita Denning

Mr. Elzie Higginbottom
The Honorable (Mrs.) Deborah Higginbottom

Mr. Don Hinkle
Ms. Lena Hinkle

The Honorable (Mr.) Alan Hoffman (Former Deputy Assistant to the President, Former WH Staff)

Ms. Elizabeth Francis

Mr. Robert Hoopes

Mrs. Hilary Hoopes

Mr. Harold Ickes

The Honorable (Ms.) Nicole Isaac (Special Assistant to the President, WH PASS)

Gabriel Bitol

Ms. Samira Jali

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Ms. Houston Johnson

Mr. Jim Johnson

Joel Johnson

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INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	310
ACCEPTS	183
REGRETS	57
NO RESPONSES	70
ATTENDS	157
TOTAL POSSIBLE	253
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December 11, 2012
7:00 PM

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INVITES	236
ACCEPTS	138
REGRETS	52
NO RESPONSES	46
ATTENDS	124
TOTAL POSSIBLE	184
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ALL INVITEES
December 09, 2012
2:00 PM

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Master Robert Biden (Family)

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Mr. Hunter Biden (Family)
Mrs. Kathleen Biden (Family)
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Mr. Bruce Prolow
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Jennifer Beamish

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Ms. Kathleen Savage

Mrs. Laura Scanlan

Mr. Bernard Schwartz
Mrs. Irene Schwartz

Peter Schwartzkopf
Carol Schwartzkopf

Mr. Eric Schwerin

Fred Sears
JoAnn Sears

Joel Secundy
Mrs. Liz Secundy

Mr. Bob Shields
Mrs. Mary Shields

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Ms. Sonia Sloan

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Jeanie Smith

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Stephen Smith

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Ms. Kim Snow (Family)

Dr. Lynn Snyder-Mackler

Mr. Paul Sohn
Sarah Sohn

Dr. David Solacoff
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Myron Steele
Mrs. Beth Steele

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Roxanne Stepnowski

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Ms. Roberta Clayton
Mrs. Tamara Stewart

Michael Stillabower
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Mr. John Sweeney

Mr. Mark Tobin
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Mr. George Tsunis
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INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	359
ACCEPTS	183
REGRETS	95
NO RESPONSES	81
ATTENDS	143
TOTAL POSSIBLE	264
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OVP MILITARY STAFF #1 HOLIDAY RECEPTION GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 08, 2012
9:30 AM

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Julieta Cruz Belknap
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Miss Haley Butler
Mr. John Butler, Jr.

Brook Colangelo

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Aemiliana Cruz

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Miss Emma Cummis
Master Joshua Cummis
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Mr. Felix Dechmerowski

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Mr. Christopher Doby

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Ms. Jamie Eckert (WH PASS)
Ms. Kelly Maschari

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Elizabeth Jackson
Jane Jackson
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Matthew Jackson

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Katy Kale

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Selena Kuhlman
Isabella Kuhlman
Michael Kuhlman
Sandra Kuhlman

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FOIA-3

Mr. Tomas OMaoilchiarain

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Master Jeancarlo Tejeda

FOIA-3

Kolade Akanni

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Scott Volkert

FOIA-3
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Jaylen Woodall

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Ms. Tiffany Woyak

Mr. Brandon Woyak

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INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	207
ACCEPTS	147
REGRETS	16
NO RESPONSES	44
ATTENDS	128
TOTAL POSSIBLE	191
TIMESTAMP	10/30/2014 9:35:59 AM

DNC #1 HOLIDAY RECEPTION GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 06, 2012
6:30 PM

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Mr. Clyde Bailey, Jr.

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Mrs. Sarah Beshar

Ms. Elizabeth Birch
Ms. Anne Reiss

Ms. Shelby Bonnie

Mr. Ty Boyle

Timothy Broas

Ms. Madeline Broas

Ms. Kathy Brown

Mr. Stephen Brown

Ms. Kawanna Brown

Mr. David Burd

Daniel Brown

Mr. Dwight Bush

Miss Jaqueline Bush

Mrs. Toni Bush

Mr. Ken Canfield

Ms. Shelley Senterfitt

Ms. Ellen Chesler

Mr. Matt Mallow

Ms. Elisabeth Bumiller

Mr. Steve Weisman

Mr. Steve Cohen

Ms. Heather Smith

Mr. Javon Coney

Ms. Kelly Craighead Mullen

Mr. Erick Mullen

Mr. Daniel Cruise

Mr. James Denbo

Ms. Eileen DeParrie

Mr. James Dinan

Mr. Douglas Dunham
Ms. Luri Shubladze

Mr. Rich Dziepak

Mr. Alfonso Fanjul

Mr. Raj Fernando

Reid Fitzgerald

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Mark Gallogly

Mr. Mark Gilbert
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Ms. Meghan Goodman

Mr. Rajeev Goyle
Ms. Monica Arora

Mr. Richard Gray

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Mr. Scott Harris
Mrs. Barbara Harris

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Ms. Courtney Hinkle
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Mr. Gary Hirshberg

Mr. Chris Hughes

Ms. Megan Hupp

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Mrs. Amabel James

Ladini Jayaratne

Mr. Andrew Korge

Mr. Furkan Kosar

Ms. Sarah Kovner

Mrs. Norma Krayem
Mr. Keith Roth

Mr. Doug Landry

Mr. John Leeper

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Mr. Charles Myers
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Mr. Steven Myers
Ms. Vivian Soren

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Mr. Lee Wolosky

Mr. Burak Yeneroglu
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Mr. Peter Zimroth

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	190
ACCEPTS	121
REGRETS	29
NO RESPONSES	40
ATTENDS	112
TOTAL POSSIBLE	161
TIMESTAMP	10/30/2014 9:35:30 AM

OVP STAFF HOLIDAY RECEPTION GUEST LIST
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December 05, 2012
6:30 PM

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David Zikusoka

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	224
ACCEPTS	200
REGRETS	21
NO RESPONSES	3
ATTENDS	186
TOTAL POSSIBLE	203
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DEMOCRATIC HOUSE SPOUSES HOLIDAY TEA GUEST LIST
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December 05, 2012
2:30 PM

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Ms. Dolores Beilenson

Mrs. Tamra Bentsen

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Mrs. Vivian Bishop (HOUSE Spouse)

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Mrs. Jean Oberstar (HOUSE Spouse)

Mrs. Joan Obey

Dr. Rose Olver (HOUSE Spouse)

Mr. Leighton Oshima (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Jane Owens (HOUSE Spouse)

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Mrs. Elsie Pascrell (HOUSE Spouse)

Mrs. Verma Pastor (HOUSE Spouse)

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Mrs. Ginny Turner

Mrs. Gwen Walz (HOUSE Spouse)

Mrs. Eulada Watt (HOUSE Spouse)

Mrs. Janet Waxman (HOUSE Spouse)

Ms. Katherine Wilkens (HOUSE Spouse)

The Honorable (Ambassador) Sidney Williams (HOUSE Spouse, US Ambassador)

Mrs. Cathy Yarmuth (HOUSE Spouse)

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	237
ACCEPTS	58
REGRETS	42
NO RESPONSES	137
ATTENDS	44
TOTAL POSSIBLE	195
TIMESTAMP	10/30/2014 9:33:59 AM

SENATE SPOUSES HOLIDAY BRUNCH GUEST LIST
ALL INVITEES
December 05, 2012
10:00 AM

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Mr. Richard Blum (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Cynthia Blumenthal (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Barbara Levin (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Tricia Lott

Mrs. Char Lugar (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Gayle Manchin (SENATE Spouse)

Mr. Verne Martell (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Kitty Martinez

Mrs. Patsy Mathews

Mrs. Cindy McCain (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Louise McClure

Mrs. Joyce McKay Bennett

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Mrs. Nancy Murkowski

Mr. Robert Murray (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Diane Nelson (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Grace Nelson (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Linda Odierno

Mrs. Linda Papp (WH Spouse)

Mrs. Kelley Paul (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Nuala Pell

Mrs. Loraine Percy

Mrs. Jane Portman (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Harriet Pressler

Mrs. Ellen Proxmire

Mrs. Barbara Pryor

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Mrs. Julia Reed (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Landra Reid (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Lori Riegle

Mrs. Vicki Risch (SENATE Spouse)

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Mrs. Franki Roberts (SENATE Spouse)

Mrs. Jane Marie Roberts (Supreme Court Spouse)

Mrs. Sharon Rockefeller

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Dr. Annette Shelby (SENATE Spouse)

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Attached is a press recap for the VP's trip to Ukraine.

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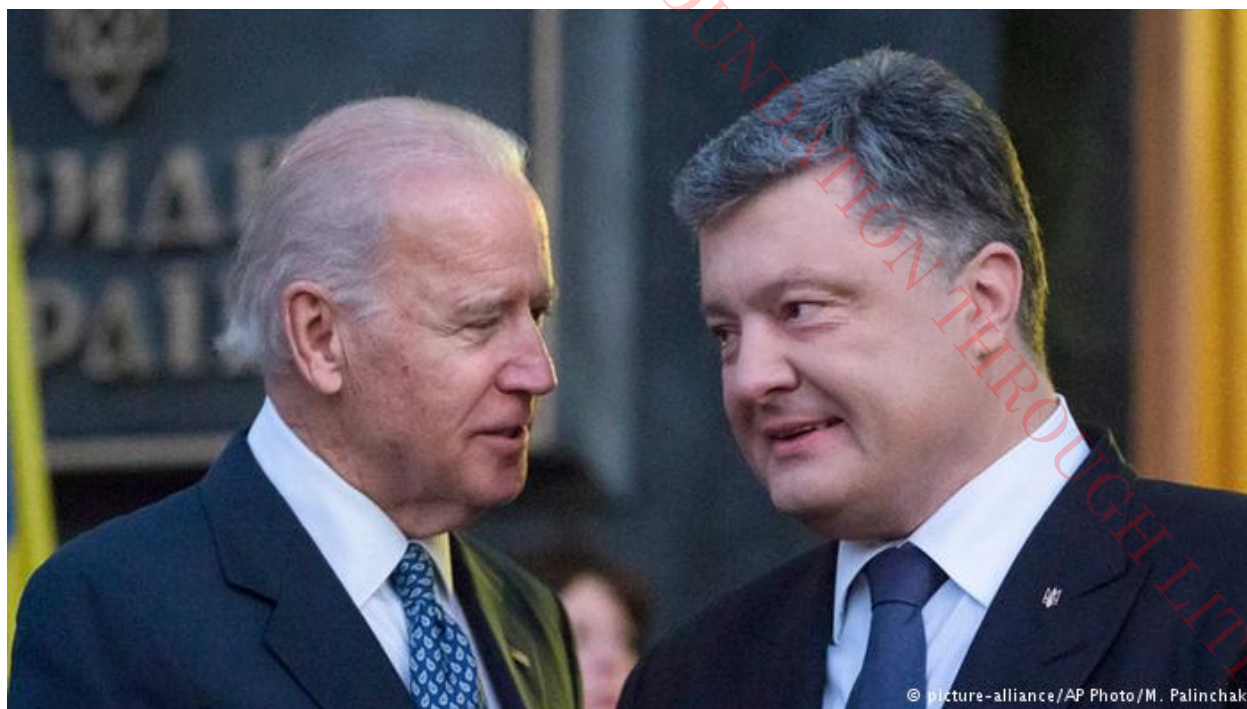
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Joe BIDEN says U.S. Is Still Backing Ukraine

By: Peter Baker / December 7, 2015

The United States will not sacrifice Ukraine in pursuit of Russian cooperation in Syria, Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. assured Ukrainian leaders on Monday, as the Obama administration tries to manage complicated diplomacy with Moscow.

Opening a two-day visit to Kiev, Mr. **BIDEN** told President Petro O. Poroshenko that the United States still stands by Ukraine in its conflict with pro-Russian separatists. To make the point, Mr. **BIDEN** promised another \$190 million in American aid.

“The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued — and I emphasize continued — aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists,” Mr. **BIDEN** told reporters after the meeting.

He called on President Vladimir V. Putin of Russia to live up to a cease-fire agreement reached in February in Minsk, Belarus. “Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community,” Mr. **BIDEN** said.

Ukrainian officials have been nervous about what Russia’s renewed interest in the Middle East would mean for their country. American officials interpret Russia’s intervention in Syria as an attempt by Mr. Putin to distract world attention from the Ukrainian conflict, to break out of the isolation the West has tried to impose on Moscow, and perhaps to weaken international resolve to maintain sanctions.

President Obama has insisted that the situations in Ukraine and Syria are separate, and he sent Mr. **BIDEN** to Ukraine to drive that point home. Even if Washington and Moscow can work together to settle the Syrian civil war and battle the Islamic State, Mr. Obama has said, it would not stop the West from maintaining pressure on Russia to resolve the Ukrainian dispute.

“That’s going to be a major theme of the trip — that nothing that’s going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security,” a senior administration official said before Mr. **BIDEN** left Washington. The official briefed reporters on the condition of anonymity under White House rules.

Michael A. McFaul, Mr. Obama’s former ambassador to Russia, said the Ukrainians should be reassured. “Vice President **BIDEN’S** trip to Kyiv sends a clear message that the United States is not willing to trade Ukraine for Russian cooperation on Syria,” he said, using the spelling of the capital that Ukrainian leaders prefer. “That kind of linkage never works,” Mr. McFaul said.

Mr. **BIDEN** also pressed the Ukrainians to put aside their differences and do more to battle corruption, bolster their economy and restructure the country’s finances.

Mr. Poroshenko was elected in 2014 after a pro-Moscow government was driven from office by mass protests that were met with violence. By many accounts, he has yet to diminish the control wielded by a small coterie of business moguls over much of the country’s economic and political apparatus. The president is fighting with Parliament over the prosecutor general, who critics say has done too little to tackle corruption.

“It’s absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe, to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption,” Mr. **BIDEN** said. “The people need to see that the ways of the past are permanently gone, they no longer exist. That means hard decisions.”

Mr. **BIDEN** made a point about fighting corruption with the way he began his visit to Kiev: by meeting with what his office called a “reformers’ round table” of government officials, lawmakers and advocacy group leaders. After his meeting with Mr. Poroshenko, Mr. **BIDEN** met with Prime Minister Arseniy P. Yatsenyuk, who has been at odds with the president over a host of issues.

“Vice President **BIDEN’S** most important challenge in Ukraine is to keep the president and prime minister on a common, unequivocal path of reform that shows Ukraine is helping itself and merits the world’s support,” said

Carlos Pascual, a former American ambassador to Ukraine. "With Russia recapturing a leadership role in the Middle East, Ukraine cannot give the world an excuse to forget Ukraine."

Mr. **BIDEN** will make some of the same points when he addresses the Rada, or Ukrainian Parliament, on Tuesday, a rare platform for a foreign leader. If Ukraine is to prevail in its struggle with Russia, he plans to say, it must get its own house in order.

Before his meeting with Mr. Poroshenko on Monday, Mr. **BIDEN** visited a monument to people who were killed during the pro-Western demonstrations in Maidan Square that led to the ouster of President Viktor F. Yanukovich. Mr. **BIDEN** tried to visit the monument last year, but had to cancel at the last minute when an unruly group of protesters unnerved his security detail.

Somber-faced and coatless on a brisk day, Mr. **BIDEN** viewed a display of about 100 photographs of slain protesters, along with candles, bouquets of flowers and banners with tributes to the victims.

"Imagine what it was like," Geoffrey Pyatt, the American ambassador, could be heard telling Mr. **BIDEN**. He pointed to surrounding buildings. "Snipers up on the buildings there."

Mr. **BIDEN** left a commemorative vice-presidential coin at the base of an elaborately carved wooden cross at the monument.

The conflict in eastern Ukraine has fallen into a kind of stasis, with Russian-backed separatist rebels still in control of sizable areas but significantly less violence than before the Minsk agreement.

By several accounts, the Kremlin has reined in the separatists, but has not done anything to return the restive region to government control. Nor has it shown any sign of relaxing its grip on the Crimean peninsula, which it annexed early last year. The peninsula has had no electricity for two weeks after explosions in southern Ukraine knocked out a transmission line.

Despite efforts by President François Hollande of France to enlist Russia in the international coalition fighting the Islamic State in Syria, the European Union appears likely to renew sanctions against Russia next week over Moscow's actions in Ukraine.

According to Stratfor, a private analysis group, "As things stand now, the two sides are moving further apart, and the Russia-West standoff is likely to endure well into 2016."

Bloomberg

BIDEN says 'Illegal' Russian Occupation of Crimea Must End

By: Margaret Talev / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** called Russia's annexation of Crimea "illegal" in a demonstration of solidarity with Ukraine's government that signaled the U.S. won't bargain away its support for the country to win Russian cooperation in the fight against Islamic State in Syria.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued -- and I emphasize continued -- aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said in Kiev on Monday, following a meeting with Ukrainian president Petro Poroshenko.

BIDEN announced \$190 million in new aid for Ukraine contingent on the government continuing to make progress rooting out corruption. That brings direct U.S. assistance to nearly \$760 million since the formation of a new government in 2014, including more than \$260 million for security. The latest funds is for helping law enforcement fight corruption, reforming the justice sector, and streamlining regulations and privatization of state-owned enterprises, **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN'S two-day visit to Ukraine is intended to deliver reassurance that the U.S. won't budge in its commitment to Ukraine at a time when attention has shifted to Syria and fighting the Islamic State. That includes keeping in place sanctions on Russia to pressure President Vladimir Putin's government to fully implement the Minsk agreements that outline a path to end nearly two years of conflict.

Minsk Accords

The separatists, Ukraine and Russia must continue to respect a cease-fire signed earlier this year in Minsk, Belarus, **BIDEN** said. "Both sides need to hold up that bargain," he said, echoing the position of U.S. allies in Europe.

“The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten” what happened, **BIDEN** said, calling Russia’s move to annex Crimea in 2014 an “illegal invasion” that “will not be accepted” by the U.S. or international community. “We will not accept it under any circumstance, and Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine’s sovereign territory” including Crimea.

Tensions rose recently after power lines to Crimea were cut by Ukrainian saboteurs. Russia and the U.S. remain at loggerheads over both Ukraine and Syria, where a Russian military intervention has complicated that country’s civil war.

Syria Conflict

Putin says his military is attacking Islamic State in Syria. The U.S. says Putin’s forces have targeted relatively few Islamic State-held areas, and instead is attempting to reinforce Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, a close ally, by bombing rebels backed by the U.S. and Persian Gulf states.

Poroshenko, through a translator, told reporters that he pledged to **BIDEN** that Ukraine is ready to provide “maximum support” to U.S.-led coalition forces in Syria, though he did not say what such support might entail.

“Ukraine is no stranger to terrorist threats,” he said. “We cannot be frightened by the terrorist threat.”

As Russia has turned its attention to Syria, Ukraine sees signs for hope and concern. While clashes between separatists and Ukrainian forces have eased since September, eastern Ukraine’s status remains unsettled. Insurgent tanks were spotted in Horlivka northeast of Donetsk, and rebels continued provocations with mortars, rifles, machine guns and grenade launchers, officials said Sunday.

Ukraine is seeking assurances from the U.S. and European Union that it will not become a bargaining chip in efforts to coordinate with Russia on attacking Islamic State targets.

BIDEN earlier Monday held a closed-door roundtable discussion on political and government reforms with about a dozen Ukrainian officials and members of civil society. He also visited the Heavenly Hundred memorial,

an unofficial memorial with a wooden cross and framed photos of those killed in the Maidan protests of February 2014.

"We are starting to see real signs of economic progress" in Ukraine, **BIDEN** said, including "stabilized" currency.

BIDEN is to meet with Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk later Monday. He will address Ukraine's parliament on Tuesday.

Wall Street Journal

Ukrainians See Conflict in BIDEN'S Anticorruption Message

By: Paul Sonne and Laura Mills / December 7, 2015

Joe **BIDEN** is on his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president, pressing the pro-Western government to root out widespread corruption, but activists here say that message is being undermined as his son receives money from a former Ukrainian official who is being investigated for graft.

Since May of last year, Hunter **BIDEN**, the vice president's son, has served as an independent director of Ukrainian gas firm Burisma Holdings Ltd., a closely held company run by a former government official whom Ukrainian and British authorities are investigating for alleged criminal wrongdoing.

Mykola Zlochevsky, who served as ecology and natural resources minister under the Ukrainian government that was ousted in last year's pro-Western uprising, hasn't been charged and denies wrongdoing.

Mr. **BIDEN'S** visit to Ukraine this week, which will include a formal address to Parliament on Tuesday, comes against the backdrop of increasing exasperation over corruption that has persisted in the two years since the country's pro-Western uprising and the general prosecutor's office tasked with prosecuting such wrongdoing has come under fire for inaction.

The vice president's office defended Hunter **BIDEN'S** right to serve on the board of Burisma.

"Hunter **BIDEN** is a private citizen and a lawyer. The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company," said Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Mr. **BIDEN**.

Hunter **BIDEN** said his work with Burisma aligns with his father's anticorruption message. A spokesman for the younger Mr. **BIDEN** said he joined the board "to strengthen corporate governance and transparency at a company working to advance energy security for Ukraine...These are also goals of the United States."

But some anticorruption campaigners here worry the link with Mr. **BIDEN** may protect Mr. Zlochevsky from being prosecuted in Ukraine. The general prosecutor didn't respond to multiple requests for comment on the investigation into Mr. Zlochevsky.

"If an investigator sees the son of the vice president of the United States is part of the management of a company...that investigator will be uncomfortable pushing the case forward," said Daria Kaleniuk, head of Ukraine's Anti-Corruption Action Center.

Hunter **BIDEN** has been working on geothermal energy initiatives that Burisma is pursuing and carrying out customary board member duties including company oversight.

"The situation raises a question mark about integrity," said Viktoriya Voytsitska, a member of Parliament and former employee of a rival gas company to Mr. Zlochevsky's. "There should be integrity at all levels, irrespective of whether these are of a public or private level."

Mr. Zlochevsky is under investigation in the U.K. on suspicion of money laundering, according to British authorities. He is also under investigation in a Ukrainian unlawful-enrichment probe and a separate Ukrainian into alleged abuse of power, forgery and embezzlement, according to letters from the general prosecutor reviewed by The Wall Street Journal.

"Mr. Zlochevsky has followed the letter and spirit of the law in his role as civil servant," Burisma said. "He has, at all times, held himself to the highest moral and ethical standards of fairness and decision making."

The firm said investigators hadn't produced any evidence of misconduct. Anticorruption campaigners and Ukrainian lawmakers have criticized the general prosecutor's office for lack of progress in the investigation against Mr. Zlochevsky and others involving high-profile former officials, some two years after the uprising on Maidan that promised an end to Ukraine's widespread corruption.

In March 2014, BNP Paribas reported Mr. Zlochevsky to U.K. authorities on suspicion of money laundering after his companies tried to move \$23 million to Cyprus from their British account at the bank, according to court documents.

A judge in the U.K. unfroze the \$23 million in January and chastised the U.K. Serious Fraud Office for holding the funds for months in their money-laundering probe without presenting sufficient evidence of a suspected crime. Burisma hailed the ruling as confirmation that Mr. Zlochevsky's assets were legally acquired.

The U.K. authorities are still pursuing the investigation.

U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine Geoffrey Pyatt singled out the mismanagement of Mr. Zlochevsky's case by Ukrainian prosecutors as an example of the country's failure to hold to account officials from the ousted government suspected of corruption. Mr. Pyatt suggested the court unfroze the money not because of Mr. Zlochevsky's innocence, but rather because of the incompetence of Ukrainian authorities.

Behind the relationship between Mr. Zlochevsky and Hunter **BIDEN** is an effort to anchor the future of a controversial Ukrainian company amid shifting political and economic tides, according to people familiar with the company's thinking.

In his political career, Mr. Zlochevsky allied with Moscow-leaning factions in Ukrainian politics, only to re-emerge after last year's uprising with high-profile Westerners on his company's board. Burisma now promotes its business as an antidote to Ukraine's reliance on the Kremlin for energy.

Twice, Mr. Zlochevsky served in top Ukrainian government positions that oversaw the allocation of gas licenses—first under President Leonid Kuchma from 2003 to 2005, as chairman of the since-disbanded State Committee for Natural Resources, and later under President Viktor Yanukovich from 2010 to 2012, as Ecology and Natural Resources Minister.

All the while, companies now part of Burisma rose to become the largest private gas producer in Ukraine. A review of Mr. Zlochevsky's activities by The Wall Street Journal found his oil and gas production businesses flourished by winning crucial permits while he was in office.

Ukrainian records indicate that Burisma's main subsidiaries—Esko-Pivnich and Pari—received all their exploration permits for fresh fields during his two stints in the top posts, excluding extensions on existing fields. Those exploration licenses were awarded without public auctions, according to a review of the records and an official at the State Geological and Mineral Resources Service of Ukraine.

In many cases, the companies made use of a provision in Ukrainian rules, known as an “integral property complex,” which allowed the firms to receive a license to gas fields without auction if they already owned or rented some type of asset on the field, as simple as a pipe network or dwelling. Burisma says all its permits were issued in accordance with Ukrainian law.

Apart from Burisma, other companies connected to Mr. Zlochevsky also received licenses during his time in office. In 2004, Mr. Zlochevsky's committee revoked a Ukrainian state firm's license to one of Ukraine's biggest gas fields, crippling a Polish-Ukrainian joint venture that had been harvesting deposits. It then awarded the license to a little known firm called Ukrnaftoburinnya, which counted companies tied to Mr. Zlochevsky among its beneficiaries, according to Ukrainian public records and its former CEO. Those firms later sold out. Burisma said there was no conflict of interest.

The Ukrainian constitution prohibits ministers from combining public service duties with any work except for teaching, research or creative activities. Four people, however, said they met Mr. Zlochevsky to discuss Burisma investments while he was minister. Two said he sometimes conducted the business-related meetings in his office at the ministry itself.

Since Ukraine's uprising, anticorruption crusaders and officials have regularly pointed to Mr. Zlochevsky as an example of Yanukovych-era excess.

DW

Joe BIDEN likely to bring harsh criticism to Ukraine

By: Frank Hofmann / December 6, 2015

It took over a year and a half for Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko to even begin implementing his most important campaign promise: On December 1, a new head of the anti-corruption prosecution agency was finally appointed, and now the office is ready to start working. US officials think this took far too long, and they are losing patience with Ukraine's government, especially since Prosecutor General Viktor Shokin, a Poroshenko confidant, has delayed filling the anti-corruption position. In September of this year, Geoffrey Pyatt, the US ambassador to Kyiv, took an unusual step. He tweeted - albeit in a convoluted, diplomatic manner - his demand for Shokin's dismissal.

But Poroshenko is holding on to Shokin, a man who has been accused of leading an extremely corrupt state apparatus. After Euromaidan, the judiciary holds great emotional significance for Ukrainians. Almost 100 people were killed in the revolt two years ago.

"The entire Prosecutor General's Office must urgently be reformed," a high-ranking US official demanded ahead of Joe **BIDEN'S** visit to Kyiv, where the US vice president is scheduled to start holding meetings on Monday. Ukraine has a "long history of corruption," the official said, requesting anonymity to speak candidly. **BIDEN'S** schedule for the visit reflects how low respect for Ukraine's leadership has sunk in the United States: The vice president will speak with representatives of pro-EU civil society groups before holding talks with politicians.

BIDEN will put pressure on the Ukrainian government, the US official said, and "the recently adopted anti-corruption reforms will be implemented." The vice president will probably urge Ukraine's government to force Shokin to resign. Diplomats in Kyiv are becoming increasingly distraught with regard to the placatory attitude of Ukrainian leaders.

It seems questionable that the required judicial reform will be swiftly implemented. Poroshenko's people are being advised by the European Council in Strasbourg - an institution that is not known for quick reforms. Behind the scenes, a Japanese diplomat insisted that the entire Ukrainian judiciary be thrown out. In the past, judges often acted as trustees, representing the interests of oligarchs. Japanese officials suggest that the Ukrainian government dismiss all its jurists and then start a "recruitment campaign" to put "judges with integrity" in office. This has already worked

for Ukraine's new traffic police, for which Japan has donated about 1,300 cars. Since summer, the hybrid vehicles have zipped around Kyiv, blue lights flashing to give a sense of security. Above all, these actions are meant to say, "We are doing something." Now it turns out that the police patrols just showcase a proclaimed change in politics, but, behind the display, many moldy structures prevail.

This also applies to political structures. It is striking how intricately entangled they are with Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk's milieu. That is why Yatsenyuk confidant Mykola Martynenko remains chairman of the energy committee in Ukraine's unicameral parliament, or Rada, although Switzerland has been directing investigations into him for at least half a year. Martynenko is suspected of transferring bribes worth millions to a Swiss account. It is doubtful that the Ukrainian prosecutor general has provided the Swiss with satisfactory support.

Conflict with Russia as an excuse?

The accused just shrug the allegations off. In other European countries, officials would break out in a cold sweat just thinking about the consequences, but German bank managers in Kyiv say Ukrainians cynically sneer at the idea of "honorable gentlemen." Martynenko himself speaks of a Russian conspiracy against him. Last Monday he stated that he would resign from parliament, but his departure has not been voted on yet.

All in all, many Ukrainian leaders use the conflict with Russia as an excuse for their failure to act. Instead of building democratic structures, the country seems to be stabilizing the old system of oligarchy, cronyism and corruption. Russian President Vladimir Putin has thus achieved his goal of halting Ukraine's establishing stronger bonds with the United States and EU. The excesses of the judiciary are reminiscent of the situation in Russia, where prosecutors are involved in shady dealings and act arbitrarily.

Ukrainian authorities are also known for violations of freedom of speech, another similarity the country has with Russia. The critical blogger Ruslan Kozaba has been in custody since February. His crime: He spoke out against the civil war in eastern Ukraine.

Apparently, the blogger was reported to authorities by a volunteer who works for the Security Service of Ukraine. The 31,000-employee SBU appears to serve as the third element in the justice system and is also traditionally a tool of oligarchic interests. But US officials say the days of standing by and watching are over: The grace period has apparently come to an end.

Wall Street Journal

Joe BIDEN'S Mission in Ukraine

By: Stephen Sestanovich / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine for two days of meetings and a speech to parliament. Such visits typically combine warm reassurance with hair-on-fire exhortation: "We've got your back," plus "You've got to do more." That will doubtless be Mr. **BIDEN'S** script this week. But there's nothing pro forma about the message. Although Ukraine has long since lost its page-one prominence, its situation—economic, political, and strategic—remains dire. It could be back on the front page in a hurry.

So what does the vice president need to say in Kiev? The crisis of the moment involves a political impasse over the budget. Finance Minister Natalie Jaresko, a tough reformer, has presented a tax package that would clean up a corrupt code, embrace a 20% flat tax, narrow the deficit, and sustain support from the International Monetary Fund. George Soros has endorsed it, but key parliamentary leaders have not. They've proposed an alternative (reformers call it "populist") that will cut rates, explode the deficit, and kiss IMF money good-bye.

U.S. leaders hate telling friendly countries that they have to accept the IMF's medicine, and Mr. **BIDEN** surely loathes this part of his assignment. What he needs to do in Kiev is make populism his friend. Yes, it's crucial to satisfy the IMF. (Who except Vladimir Putin wants Ukraine to stand alone?) But satisfying the Ukrainian people is equally important. The country's future depends on their support, far more than on the support of international financial institutions.

Fortunately, the two can still be reconciled. Part of Mr. **BIDEN'S** job in Ukraine this week is to avoid letting himself become the IMF's enforcer. He needs to give Ms. Jaresko's plan a boost and to make plain the U.S. government's view that her plan can succeed only if married to a vigorous assault on the corrupt and still unreformed institutions of pre-Maidan Ukraine. (As a senior member of the Kiev government growled to me not so long ago: "People need to go to jail.")

That's the you've-got-to-do-more half of Mr. **BIDEN'S** mission. As for the reassurance half, the vice president will tell Ukrainians—loudly and emphatically—that the United States and Europe will not sell them out in order to forge an anti-terrorism alliance with Russia. He shouldn't let himself be guilt-tripped on this issue or make concessions just to soothe nerves in Kiev. Still, the current lull in eastern Ukraine is a good moment to think about how to keep the peace whenever fighting threatens to resume. To prolong the lull, Ukraine needs a more capable and professional military. Now—not when new violence erupts somewhere down the line—is the time to think about security.

AFP

Joe BIDEN Visits War-Scarred Ukraine to Reaffirm US Support

By: Dmitry Zaks / December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** arrived in Kiev late Sunday to reassure its pro-Western leaders that Washington remains committed to Ukraine despite stepped-up efforts to work with Russia against Islamic State jihadists.

BIDEN'S three-day visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

After arriving at around midnight (2200 GMT on Sunday), he is due to meet Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko Monday and deliver a highly-anticipated address to parliament the following day.

"We do not know if there is any other historical precedent for a foreign official giving a speech like this," a senior US administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said in a teleconference with reporters.

Washington and Kiev's EU allies support Ukraine's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ousting of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Both the US and EU have slapped stiff economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's dilapidated and underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Situation changing

But the situation changed when Russia launched ferocious air strikes against Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's enemies on September 30.

Washington accused Putin of trying to prop up his most important Middle East ally by targeting Western-backed Syrian rebels instead of IS and other extremists holding parts of Syria and Iraq.

Yet IS's claim that it downed a Russian airliner carrying 224 holidaymakers and crew from Egypt on October 31 appears to have prompted Moscow to focus more on bombing oil infrastructure and other jihadist targets.

The November 13 Paris attacks further prompted French President Francois Hollande to try to enrol Russia in a "grand coalition" against IS including the US and some European and Arab states.

Hollande's mission has been treated with caution by the White House and overt fright by Ukraine, a country of about 40 million.

The senior US official said **BIDEN** would take extra care to stress that the overtures toward Putin in no way affected the West's support for Kiev.

"I think that is going to be a major theme of the trip -- that nothing that is going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the US official said.

Inability to erase corruption

Yet **BIDEN** arrives in a country whose morale is sagging due to Poroshenko's seeming inability to erase the corruption that has ravaged Ukraine for much of its recent history.

Poroshenko's prosecutor-general has particularly fallen prey to accusations of blocking investigations and hiring workers who have since been detained with huge stashes of gold and cash in their flats.

This, along with Kiev's failure to win back the east after 19 months of bloodshed that has claimed more than 8,000 lives, is souring the public's mood toward the government and helping the resurgence of Ukrainian far-right groups.

"Much more needs to be done to reform the prosecutor-general's office so that it actually enables anti-corruption efforts as opposed to standing in the way of those efforts," the US official said.

"So that will be I think something that is talked about."

Analysts say the main problem rests in the government's failure to break the hold big business has enjoyed over much of Ukrainian politics for more than 20 years.

"Ukraine has 1,833 state corporations that are a persistent source of corruption," said Anders Aslund of the US-based Atlantic Council.

"The government has failed to privatise one single enterprise because of deeply ingrained vested interests."

Poroshenko has taken credit for dismissing nearly 4,000 graft-tainted prosecutors. He also introduced a high-ranking official on Tuesday responsible for rooting out bribe-taking and at least partially limiting the sway of shadowy tycoons.

But some analysts remain unconvinced.

"The adoption of even the best and highest-profile decisions that 'suit **BIDEN**' only underscores the absence of a coherent strategy for reforming our country," Ukrainian political commentator Yevgen Magda said.

VICE News

Joe BIDEN is visiting Ukraine – and it could get really awkward

By: Simon Ostrovsky / December 7, 2015

It's a diplomat's job to stay all smiles and keep the business of international relations chugging along, no matter how bad things look. But sometimes, even diplomats lose their cool.

This week, US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is visiting Kiev to tell Ukrainians they still have Washington's support in their fight against Russia and Russia-backed separatists in the country's east. But his message may be overshadowed by the US ambassador to Kiev, who hasn't been acting very diplomatically lately.

At the end of September, Ambassador Geoffrey Pyatt got up in front of a group of businessmen and investors at a conference in the city of Odessa and told them that Ukrainian prosecutors were protecting the corrupt owner of an energy company that employs the **BIDEN'S** son, Hunter, instead of prosecuting him.

"We have learned that there have been times when the Prosecutor General's Office not only did not support investigations into corruption, but rather undermined prosecutors working on legitimate corruption cases," Pyatt said in Ukraine's main port city.

He then pointed specifically to a case involving former Ukrainian Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, owner of the Burisma Holdings energy firm, which hired Hunter **BIDEN** to its board of directors shortly after the Euromaidan revolution overthrew Zlochevsky's former boss Viktor Yanukovich.

Burisma likely hired **BIDEN'S** son in the hopes that some of the family prestige would rub off on the company in the uncertain times that followed the revolution, Daria Kaleniuk, director of Ukraine's Anti-Corruption Action Center, told VICE News.

"They want there to be less suspicion that they're involved in corrupt under-the-table dealings and are instead seen as operating in line with international standards," Kaleniuk said, adding that Burisma received gas

production licenses in questionable circumstances under the former regime.

Burisma insists it hired the vice president's son to its board because he is an experienced lawyer. "This is totally based on merit," the company's chairman, Alan Apter said when the younger **BIDEN** was hired.

According to the US ambassador, Hunter **BIDEN'S** boss Zlochevsky stole \$23 million from the Ukrainian people. But when a British court seized the money and asked Ukrainian prosecutors to send documents to confirm the funds were illicit, they stalled, forcing the court to release the assets back to the former ecology minister.

The elder **BIDEN** arrives in Ukraine at a time when there is no bigger issue than corruption. With the war in the east stabilized for the time being, the media have nominated graft as the country's number one enemy — not Russia.

The vice president also lands after months of acrimony between reformers and Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko over the prosecutor general, who Poroshenko has refused to dismiss despite numerous allegations about abuse of authority.

But the White House wants the focus of **BIDEN'S** visit to be Ukraine's close alliance with the US. One senior administration official, who asked not to be named, said a major goal was to remind people that Ukraine was not forgotten despite the fact that attention has shifted toward Russia's involvement in Syria.

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The official also acknowledged that the administration has had to fall into line with the ambassador's now public views.

"The Office of the Prosecutor General itself is in desperate need of reform," the official said. "And so [**BIDEN**] has made this very clear to President Poroshenko in previous conversations... So I think we are largely in line with Ambassador Pyatt's sense that much more needs to be done."

But **BIDEN'S** meeting with Poroshenko may be a bit awkward, given that the US backs Ukraine on the presumption that it wants to have a Western-style democratic system with checks and balances — not a Russian-style autocracy where anyone who is friends with top officials gets a free pass.

Ukrainian reformers will be watching closely to hear what **BIDEN** tells the president.

"We have been very happy with the criticism the embassy has been bringing against the prosecutor's office," said Kaleniuk. "It has been very direct. So if **BIDEN** continues in the same vein and highlights the activities of the prosecutor's office in defending people associated with Burisma, then it will be clear that he is doing his job fairly and is not beholden to narrow family interests."

Voice of America

BIDEN to push for reforms during Ukraine visit December 6, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine for a visit aimed at pushing the Kyiv government toward continued reforms, while seeking to reassure it that war in Syria has not diminished Washington's support for Ukraine's pro-Western ambitions.

BIDEN arrived in Kyiv early Monday local time, and is set to meet with President Petro Poroshenko later in the day, before a highly anticipated address to the Ukraine parliament Tuesday.

During the two-day visit - **BIDEN'S** fifth since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in early 2014 - he is expected to review Ukraine's recent anti-corruption efforts, including tax reforms, ahead of formal U.S. approval of a third \$1 billion loan guarantee.

The Obama administration already has provided \$470 million in direct economic assistance since pro-Russian former president Viktor Yanukovich was driven from power nearly two years ago, after weeks of anti-government protests in Kyiv. The **BIDEN** visit comes as fighting in eastern Ukraine between government troops and pro-Russian rebels continues to wane, after more than 18 months of combat and nearly 8,000 deaths, most of them civilians.

Key U.S. officials say **BIDEN** will seek to reassure Kyiv that Washington will continue an array of economic sanctions against Russia, until Moscow and its Ukrainian rebel allies fully implement internationally mediated agreements to end the conflict and pull back heavy weapons.

Senior officials say **BIDEN** also will stress that recent U.S. overtures aimed at gaining cooperation from Russian President Vladimir Putin in the fight against Islamic extremists in Syria will in no way affect Western support for Kyiv.

President Poroshenko has overseen the dismissals of nearly 4,000 graft tainted prosecutors since taking office in May 2014. Last week, he also introduced a special anti-corruption prosecutor whose responsibilities will include rooting out graft and limiting the political power of shadowy business tycoons long seen as obstructing good government practices in the former Soviet republic.

AP

BIDEN announces more US aid for Ukraine December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** assured Ukraine Monday of continuing U.S. support and announced the release of an additional \$190 million in U.S. aid to help support reforms.

BIDEN, speaking Monday on a trip to the Ukrainian capital, also emphasized the need for Russia to fully meet its obligations under February's Minsk agreement that was intended to end the fighting in eastern Ukraine.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued — I emphasize, continued — aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said after his talks with Ukraine's President Petro Poroshenko.

Ukraine and the West have accused Russia of backing the rebels in eastern Ukraine with troops and weapons, accusations Moscow has denied.

Fighting between Ukrainian forces and Russia-backed separatists has abated significantly since early September, after killing some 8,000 people since April 2014, but tensions remain high because of unresolved questions about the final political status of the rebel regions in the east.

"Moscow has to fully implement the Minsk agreement and work constructively with Ukraine to create the conditions for free, fair and safe local elections to occur in Donbass," **BIDEN** said, referring to the collective name for the two rebel regions.

BIDEN also underlined that the U.S. will never accept Russia's annexation of Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula. "Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine's sovereign territory," he said.

BIDEN stressed the need for Ukraine to ramp up the fight against corruption and undertake critical reforms.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption," he said.

BIDEN added that the additional roughly \$190 million in U.S. assistance will help fight corruption in Ukraine's law-enforcement and reform the justice sector, helping attract more investment by streamlining regulations and privatizing state-owned enterprises in a transparent way.

Morning News USA

Joe BIDEN stirs World War 3 Analyst

By: Athena Yenka / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** traveled to Ukraine on Sunday. The visit aimed to provide a strong signal of American support for Ukraine in the face of Russia's continued military intervention in the region, according to a senior administration official. The move, however, signals that U.S. is geared up for a possible World War 3 against Russia, according to an analyst.

"He (**BIDEN**) is there to kind of reassure the Kiev puppet ally government that the United States is standing behind them, ready for World War 3 against Russia," Joachim Hagopian, an investigative journalist, told Press TV.

A senior administration official said the primary aim of Vice President **BIDEN'S** visit to Ukraine is to assure a staunch U.S. support against Russia's provocative incursion in the region. "Even as so much of the international attention has shifted towards Russia's involvement with Syria, we, the United States, haven't forgotten about Ukraine; that Ukraine remains central to our national interests; and that the Vice President and President continue to believe that progress in Ukraine is essential for the ultimate aspiration we have for Europe of being whole, at peace, and free," the official said during a conference call.

A discussion will also be made about the implementation of the Minsk Agreements in order to deescalate hostilities between Russian-backed separatists and the Ukrainian government. Mr. **BIDEN** will call for Russia to live up to their obligations under the Minsk Agreements, the official said. He will also assure Ukraine that U.S. will keep its sanctions against Russia until Minsk is fully implemented. The U.S. will also continue to train the Ukrainian armed forces to defend the region from any aggression from Russia.

The U.S. will not intervene in the matters concerning Ukrainian debt to Russia, the official said. The Russian have offered a solution that requires an American, European or an IMF guarantee of repayment in installments. "This is a bilateral issue for Russia and Ukraine," the official said.

According to a report from Reuters, the Russian government has already received a direct refusal from the U.S. regarding the matter. "In this regard, there is nothing left but for us to file a legal case against Ukraine if the debtor does not fulfill its liabilities fully on Dec. 20," the Russian Finance Ministry was quoted as saying in a statement. The senior administration

official speaking on behalf of the vice president also stressed that while the U.S. has been in active conversation with Russia on Syria, the talks are completely compartmented from the Ukraine experience.

All U.S. moves and decision involving the Ukraine crisis is provoking Russia, Hagopian told Press TV. "I think that we are seeing polarization and a movement towards more confrontation, unfortunately, and I think that this **BIDEN** visit to Ukraine is the same as 'you know we are going to be there for you when World War 3 starts, we are going to be fighting right alongside you,'" Hagopian added.

International Business Times

US Pledges \$190M Financial Support to Ukraine, Must Fight Corruption, Says VP Joe BIDEN

By: Lydia Tomkiw / December 7, 2015

During U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN'S** fourth visit to Ukraine Monday since the Russian annexation of Crimea, he announced the U.S. will provide the financially battered Eastern European country with \$190 million in financial assistance, Reuters reported. The announcement comes as Ukraine works to reform its political and economic systems and continues a territorial battle with Russia.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN reassured the Ukrainian people that the U.S. has not forgotten about Russia's annexation of Crimea in March 2014 that triggered the war in Eastern Ukraine, which has pitted Russian-backed separatists against Ukrainian government forces and devastated Ukraine's industrial heartland. Over 8,000 people have died in the conflict and over 1.4 million have been displaced.

BIDEN said the U.S. would never accept Russia's annexation of the peninsula and emphasized that Russia must meet the demands agreed to

in the February Minsk agreement that officials from both Moscow and Kiev signed in hopes of ending the conflict.

The American leader stressed during his remarks that Ukraine must continue to fight corruption with civil society playing a key role. **BIDEN'S** own son, Hunter, is on the board of a Ukrainian energy company that has faced allegations of corruption.

BIDEN'S remarks come as Ukraine works with the International Monetary Fund to bail out its economy. Ukraine was able to negotiate a 20 percent write-down on \$18 billion worth of bonds in August. Russia holds \$3 billion worth of bonds and has refused to take part in the write-down. The bonds are due Dec. 20 and Russia has said it will sue Ukraine if payments are not made.

"We have no choice but to file a lawsuit against Ukraine in case of the borrower's non-fulfillment of its obligations in full by Dec. 20 of this year, which will mean a sovereign default in Ukraine," Russia's Finance Ministry said in a statement.

BIDEN is scheduled to address the Ukrainian parliament Tuesday.

Reuters

Ukraine still has work to do on reforms, U.S. VP BIDEN says

By: Alessandra Prentice / December 7, 2015

U.S Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said on Monday Ukraine still had a lot of hard work to do on reforms, as he announced new financial aid of \$190 million to help the country fight corruption and streamline its bureaucracy.

Ukraine's Western backers have repeatedly urged Kiev authorities to stick to reform promises made under a \$40 billion international bailout programme aimed at shoring up the country's war-torn economy, which was brought close to bankruptcy by years of corruption and economic mismanagement.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to

determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** told a joint briefing with President Petro Poroshenko following bilateral talks.

Disagreement between the government and parliament over critical tax amendments and slow progress in revamping Ukraine's corrupt judicial system have raised concern that the country's leadership will stumble in its reform drive.

"A lot of hard work remains, including reform of Ukraine's law and justice sectors, but the payoff will be worth it," **BIDEN** said, even as he welcomed "real signs" of economic improvement.

Including the latest funds, the U.S. government has given Kiev \$760 million in direct economic assistance and signed two loan guarantees, each worth \$1 billion, since pro-Western parties took office in Ukraine more than a year ago.

Ukraine has also sought to bolster its finances through restructuring its external debt. Russia holds the entirety of one Ukrainian \$3 billion Eurobond and has refused the deal offered by Kiev, putting forward instead its own terms in a proposal that expires on Tuesday.

There is no sign that the two sides have moved closer to a compromise on the bond, which matures on Dec. 20. The Ukrainian Finance Ministry has said it cannot legally offer Russia better terms than those agreed with its other creditors.

The International Monetary Fund is expected to change its policy to allow it to lend to countries in arrears, maintaining Ukraine's access to financial assistance if it does not repay Russia this month.

Both sides have expressed a willingness to fight out the issue in court, should efforts to negotiate a deal fail.

RFI English

BIDEN visits Kiev to calm Ukrainian fears over Russia relations thaw

By: Jan van der Made / December 7, 2015

US Vice-President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine this week for the fourth time since protests ousted the pro-Russian government at the beginning of 2013. **BIDEN** met Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko on Sunday and was to address parliament on Tuesday.

BIDEN'S Ukraine visit comes as the West seems readier to cooperate with Russia in Syria - a thaw in relations with Kiev's current arch-enemy.

One of the reasons, if not the main reason, that **BIDEN** is there is to address Ukrainians' concerns in that respect.

"This is very important for us, he is giving messages from our foreign alliances and we can see the Americans and the Europeans as our allies in our fight against Russia and we are really grateful for this support, which shows that we are on the right track." says Alexei Ryabchin, a member of parliament for Yulia Tymoshenko's Fatherland Party who met **BIDEN** on Monday morning.

"It signifies the importance that Ukraine carries at the moment for the US," says Lilith Gevorgian, senior economist with IHS Global Insight. "It also signifies the continuing US support for Ukraine and perhaps in some ways it is a gesture to address those concerns Ukrainians may have over the recent thaw between Russia and the West over Syria."

Many Ukrainians fear that their conflict with Russia may be overshadowed by the eagerness of Nato members, especially France, to build an alliance against the Islamic State armed group (IS) in which Russia is an important player, she explains.?

BIDEN seems to have answered Ukrainian concerns, for now at least.

"Of course Ukraine is concerned with this," says Ryabchin, just back from Paris where he attended the Cop21 climate change negotiations.

There "high French officials gave guarantees that the Syrian question is one thing and Ukraine is another", he says. "It won't be mixed."

"And now I heard from Vice-President Joe **BIDEN**, who could speak on behalf of the presidential administration, that Syria is one thing and Ukraine is another and they will not mix these two things together."

Another point of discussion may be Ukraine's debt to Russia and a looming default that could take place as early as this month.

Russia provided Ukraine with three-billion-dollars-worth of credit in 2013, when the country was still ruled by the Moscow-backed government of Victor Yanukovich. The payback is due on 20 December.

"Obviously Ukraine does not have the means to repay this," says Peter Hablik, an economist with the Vienna Institute of International Economic Relations. "Russia insists on getting this money back, otherwise Ukraine would default. And Russia has proposed that for instance the US or the EU would provide guarantees for this credit and in that case Russia would be willing to restructure."

Meanwhile, Nato members are not unanimous in their attitude to Russia. Poland calls for more Nato troops on its territory and cutting ties with Russia, while the Germans last week said they want to push their allies to reopen high level contacts with Russia.

Ukraine is trying to defend its perceived interests in the shifting sands of Moscow-Nato relations.

"The task of the Ukrainian state is to build up capacity of governing our army, of organising our army according to the best Nato standards," says Ryabchyn.

"It does not mean that we are applying for membership right now. No, it means that we now need to build an army that is able to defend the country. The army has been destroyed during 15 years of a pro-Russian government. We restored it within one year. And now we need to train it to the best Nato standards. So this is where we see Nato helping us."

But membership of Nato is still a far-away dream.

"Ukraine has thrown away the previous policy of neutrality in terms of military alliances," says Gevorgian. "In the past Ukraine had declared it didn't want to pursue any military alliance with Russia or Nato. However, after the last crisis, the Crimean crisis and the one in eastern Ukraine, there is an overwhelming support now for pursuing Atlantic integration, including on a military level."

But Ukraine and Georgia, which is also pursuing Nato membership, may have to go through years of reforms before being accepted by the military alliance, which is not going to solve their immediate military problems with Russia, she says.

ABC Radio

BIDEN to ease concerns over US support in Ukraine

December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** received a warm welcome upon his arrival in Kiev, Ukraine, Monday. The vice president was met with the traditional Ukrainian offering of bread and salt on the first visit to Ukraine by a senior U.S. official for some time.

During the two-day visit, **BIDEN** will hopefully reassure Ukrainians that the U.S. is not losing interest in supporting Ukraine.

BIDEN is set to meet with President Petro Poroshenko to discuss further U.S. aid and the conflict with Russia there, which has calmed recently. Officials have also said that **BIDEN** will press the Ukrainian government on economic reforms and anti-corruption efforts that the White House says aren't moving fast enough.

AFP

Russia must fulfill Ukraine peace deal, hand back Crimea: BIDEN

December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said during a visit to Kiev on Monday that Washington remained committed to its demands for Russia to adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev.

The broad February deal struck in the Belarussian capital Minsk "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitments," **BIDEN** said after talks in the Ukrainian capital with President Petro Poroshenko.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia's troops overran Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

Washington and the European Union support Kiev's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Fighting has eased somewhat since the warring sides signed a new truce on September 1. But Ukrainian soldiers and civilians still die almost daily by stepping on landmines and getting caught in the occasional combat that breaks out across the war zone.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, I emphasize, continued aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN also took the opportunity to urge Ukrainian authorities to do more to tackle the rampant graft that has plagued the country for much of its recent history, amid growing discontent among Ukrainians over Poroshenko's seeming inability to end the scourge.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine... to root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** stressed.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you."

Poroshenko for his part told **BIDEN** that the 19-month war in which more than 8,000 have died "cannot be used as an excuse for failing to conduct reforms."

"We are grateful to Washington for its support of Ukraine," the pro-Western president said.

Ukraine Today

US expects Ukraine to make significant steps to eradicate corruption – BIDEN

December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has urged the Ukrainian people and authorities to unite in the fight against corruption, which currently prevents development in the country.

"All Ukrainians, state officials and the business community must work together to eradicate corruption, which has held back the progress in Ukraine for too long. Ukrainians cannot stand corruption any longer. Their expectations are very high," Joe **BIDEN** said during a joint press conference with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko in Kyiv on Monday, December 7, according to Interfax-Ukraine news agency

BIDEN stressed that the desire to fight corruption also led to the anti-government and pro-European protests that took place in Kyiv two years ago in Kyiv.

"It is important to root out corruption to secure the prosperity of Ukraine and ensure the country becomes part of the safe Europe", he said.

BIDEN also said the United States expects Russia to fully implement the Minsk agreements.

"We believe that the best way to end the conflict in the Donbass is through diplomatic methods set out in the Minsk Agreement. But both parties must fulfil their obligations. The Minsk Agreement will not be successful if Russia does not fulfil its obligations, if President Putin did not fulfil the promises he repeatedly gave to US President Obama, to you (President Poroshenko) and the international community ", Interfax-Ukraine quoted **BIDEN** as saying.

Sputnik

With this team? BIDEN urges Anti-Corruption, Economic reforms in

Ukraine

December 7, 2015

“The Vice President [**BIDEN**] and other participants spoke about the importance of anti-corruption, governance, and economic reforms,” the press release said.

BIDEN arrived to Kiev on Monday and held talks with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko. The vice president is also expected to address the Rada on Tuesday.

Earlier in the day, the US vice president announced a new round of financial assistance to Kiev amounting to \$190 million.

The United States has been assisting Ukraine with economic and military aid following the 2014 political crisis and Crimea’s referendum to reunite with Russia.

Washington has already provided Kiev with more than \$266 million in military equipment and training, while the International Monetary Fund (IMF) has pledged to give Kiev some \$17 billion in loans over a two-year period.

POLITICO

BIDEN gives Ukraine ‘one more chance’ to reform

By: Paul Dallison / December 7, 2015

The United States pledged an extra \$190 million in aid to Ukraine Monday, but Vice President Joe **BIDEN** warned that Kiev has just “one more chance” to root out corruption or lose the funding.

BIDEN held talks with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, pledging support for Ukraine in the face of Russian aggression and urging the country’s leaders to continue on the path to reform. “The Ukrainian people cannot once again have their hopes dashed based on corruption,” **BIDEN** said.

“One more chance. It’s absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption. The people need to see that the ways of the past are permanently gone, they no longer exist. That means hard decisions. That means ramping up the pace of reforms, avoidance of past practices, advancing good governance, increasing transparency across the board at every level of the government and strengthening the rule of law. It means everybody playing by the same rules, from the folks at the bottom to the folks at the very top.”

The \$190 million in funding brings the total American assistance in recent years to \$760 million. **BIDEN** made it clear that the U.S. “stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued – and I emphasize continued – aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists.”

“We continue to believe that the best way to end the conflict in Donbas is through a diplomatic framework that was laid out in the Minsk agreement. But both sides need to hold up that bargain. Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community.”

He added: “The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten that the illegal invasion — and it’s an invasion — by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or the international community.”

Poroshenko said that there had been a reduction in the violence in the east of the country, but “unfortunately the war is still raging.” He added that the government has made progress in reforms, including the selection of an anti-corruption prosecutor.

CNN

BIDEN says Crimea part of Ukraine, not Russia
December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in the capital of Ukraine. During his two-day visit, the vice president is expected to review anti-corruption efforts in Ukraine ahead of U.S. economic assistance to the country.

He also will meet with Ukraine's president and address the country's parliament. **BIDEN** will get an update on clashes between government troops and pro-Russian forces in eastern Ukraine.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, and I emphasize continued, aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said on Monday. "And we continue to believe that the best way to end the conflict in Donbass is through a diplomatic framework that was laid out in the Minsk Agreement. But both sides, both sides, need to hold up that bargain. Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and (Russian) President (Vladimir) Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community."

More than 7,500 people have died in the fighting in eastern Ukraine between national forces and Russian-backed separatists. **BIDEN** also reiterated the U.S. view that Crimea is a part of Ukraine, not Russia.

"The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten that the illegal invasion, and it's an invasion, by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or the international community," **BIDEN** added. "This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong and we will not accept it under any circumstance. And Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine's sovereign territory. Crimea is still sovereign territory of Ukraine."

Bloomberg

BIDEN Warns Ukraine That Corruption Imperils Its Democracy

By: Margaret Talev / December 8, 2015

Ukraine must root out corruption and impose the rule of law or risk graft becoming the "death knell" of the eastern European nation's democracy, according to U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN**.

BIDEN, visiting Kiev for the fourth time in two years, warned against repeating the broken reform promises of the 2004 Orange Revolution, which failed to curb the clout of the businessmen that control Ukraine's biggest companies and influence politics. The government must complete economic overhauls under a \$17.5 billion bailout from the International Monetary Fund, he said.

"Oligarchs and non-oligarchs must play by the same rules," **BIDEN** told lawmakers Tuesday in the Ukrainian capital before a vote this month on the 2016 budget. Fighting corruption is one of Ukraine's "national security interests."

Ukraine, jolted by a war in its easternmost regions and 1 1/2 years of recession, has faced criticism over delays in reforms needed to sustain the flow of financial aid from allies including the U.S and the European Union. Anger at corruption fueled the Orange Revolution and an uprising that unseated pro-Russian leader Viktor Yanukovich in 2014. Ukraine ranks 142nd-lowest of 175 nations in Berlin-based Transparency's latest graft-perceptions survey.

'Moving Forward'

BIDEN said the U.S. will continue support "if you keep moving forward on corruption." The U.S. has provided guarantees for \$2 billion of bond sales by Ukraine's government, helping to stabilize the hryvnia, which has lost almost a third of its value against the dollar this year. Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew said last month that a third \$1 billion guarantee is planned in the coming months if Ukraine's maintains reforms and adheres to the IMF program.

BIDEN also addressed the Minsk peace accord that's stemmed violence in Ukraine's eastern conflict zone since it was signed in February in Belarus. Ukraine should fulfill its obligations under the pact, including granting decentralization and amnesty to Russia-backed separatists in the Donetsk and Luhansk regions, he said.

Russia must deliver on its promises and put pressure on the insurgents to allow local elections to be held under Ukrainian law, according to **BIDEN**, who said sanctions won't be lifted unless Russia meets its commitments.

POLITICO

Joe BIDEN: Corruption eating Ukraine 'like a cancer'

By: Vince Chadwick / December 8, 2015

"Corruption eats Ukraine like cancer," U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** told that country's parliament Tuesday.

Addressing the Verkhovna Rada in Kiev, **BIDEN** said Ukraine needed to do more to fight corruption, or else risk losing international support.

The U.S. pledged \$190 million in extra aid to Ukraine Monday, but **BIDEN** warned it had only "one more chance" to stop corruption.

He had a message for Moscow in his address Tuesday as well, saying sanctions against Moscow would not be lifted until it ended its "aggression" against Ukraine.

"Despite some de-escalation in violence, there can be no sanctions relief unless and until Russia meets all of its commitments under the (February) Minsk agreements," he said, adding that the U.S. would never recognize Russia's annexation of Crimea.

New York Times

Joe BIDEN Urges Lawmakers in Ukraine to Fulfill Promise of Uprising

By: Peter Baker / December 8, 2015

Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. urged Ukrainian leaders on Tuesday to curb the power of the business moguls dominating society and to fulfill the promise of the popular revolution that pushed out a pro-Moscow government last year.

Addressing the Ukrainian Parliament, Mr. **BIDEN** sternly lectured lawmakers to put aside their own self-interests and to transform this former Soviet republic into a model of democratic change.

Citing the failure of the Orange Revolution of 2004 to deliver enduring change, the vice president urged Ukrainians not to let this opportunity slip by as well.

“This is your moment,” he told them. “This is your responsibility. Each of you, if you’ll forgive me for speaking to you this way in your body, each of you has an obligation to seize the opportunity that the sacrifices made in the Maidan, the sacrifices of the Heavenly Hundred. Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time.”

By invoking the memory of the roughly 100 protesters killed during protests in Maidan Square last year, Mr. **BIDEN** hoped to infuse today’s legislative battles with the moral imperative of the uprising, which led to a pro-Western government. Many in Ukraine worry that the new leaders have become so paralyzed by their own power struggles that they will squander the chance for change.

For Mr. **BIDEN**, who has made it his mission to nurse Ukraine through its transition, it was a classic performance from the lectern in the grand chamber of the Parliament, known here as the Rada. At times, he shouted at the lawmakers, gesturing sharply. At other points, he practically whispered. At still other moments, he wagged his finger.

Citing John Adams, Thomas Paine, Edmund Burke and Daniel Webster, Mr. **BIDEN** talked about the United States’ own struggles to build democracy. He also cited a quotation from an American politician he did not identify: “In your heart, you know it’s right,” he said. (The phrase is actually a variation of the slogan in an ad made for the Republican presidential candidate Barry Goldwater in 1964.)

But it was not clear whether Mr. **BIDEN’S** message really got through. Lawmakers, many listening to an interpreter through earphones, sat silently during the long lecture on corruption and applauded only when Mr. **BIDEN** assailed Russia for its intervention in Ukraine. The one standing ovation they gave Mr. **BIDEN** came when he said that Russia had infringed on Ukrainian sovereignty and that the United States would never recognize the annexation of Crimea.

“Russia has violated these ground rules and continues to violate them,” he said. “Today, Russia’s occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia’s attempt to annex Crimea.”

He added that he would tell the world about Nadiya V. Savchenko, the Ukrainian helicopter pilot being held in Russia; her picture was displayed on a poster on the lectern from which Mr. **BIDEN** spoke, with the slogan, “Freedom for Nadiya Savchenko.”

And the vice president committed to keeping American sanctions on Russia until Moscow complies with a cease-fire brokered in Minsk, Belarus. “There can be no sanctions relief unless and until Moscow meets all, all of its commitments under Minsk,” Mr. **BIDEN** said.

But his main message to the Ukrainians was, in effect, to get their house in order. The day before, he had suggested that many in Europe were waiting for Ukraine to fail so that they would have an excuse not to continue confronting Russia.

Mr. **BIDEN** specifically called for an overhaul of the office of prosecutor general, change in the energy sector, transparency about official sources of income, disclosure of conflicts between government responsibilities and business and other measures.

“If you fail, the experiment fails,” he said. “It’s no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you.”

Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty

BIDEN says Western pressure, ‘cost’ to Moscow will rise if ‘aggression’ persists

December 8, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has told Ukraine's parliament that Western pressure on Russia will increase if Moscow continues its "aggression" against Kyiv.

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said on December 8 in a rare appearance by a top Western official before the Ukrainian parliament.

"The U.S. will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfills its [peace deal] commitments," he said. "Despite some deescalation in violence, there can be no sanctions relief unless until Russia meets all of its commitments under the [February] Minsk agreements."

He also directly accused Moscow of sending troops to fight with pro-Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine and trying to hide that action from the Russian public and the world.

"I don't think the Russian people understand fully what Putin is doing. That's why he spends so much time hiding at home the presence of troops here in your country," he told the Ukrainian lawmakers.

BIDEN is in Kyiv on his fourth visit since Moscow annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in March 2014 and gave its backing to pro-Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine.

He told the parliament that "Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory" in Crimea and has violated international law by illegally seizing the Ukrainian peninsula.

BIDEN said "the United States will never recognize" Russia's annexation of Crimea and will continue to support Ukraine against Russian aggression.

The U.S. vice president also told the lawmakers that they have "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

"It is no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you, because so much rides on your fragile experiment with democracy succeeding," **BIDEN** said. "It is equally important, by the way, for aggressors around the world to understand they can't use coercion, bribery, sending tanks and men across the border to extinguish the dreams of a people." **BIDEN** said each lawmaker will be judged by future generations upon whether they put the greater good of all Ukrainian people over local interests that have divided the country.

He urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

BIDEN met with President Petro Poroshenko in Kyiv on December 7 and announced new financial aid of \$190 million to help Ukraine implement reforms.

He said after meeting Poroshenko that "Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations."

He also met on December 7 with some individual members of parliament and from civic society, as well as with Kyiv Mayor Vitaly Klitschko.

BIDEN arrived in the Ukrainian capital late on December 6.

The United States and European Union, along with Kyiv, accuse Russia of seizing Crimea and backing the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of Moscow-backed President Viktor Yanukovich following months of antigovernment protests.

The protests were fueled by anger over rampant corruption and Yanukovich's abandonment of negotiations toward an Association Agreement with the EU amid Russian pressure.

In response to Russia's actions, Washington and Brussels have placed economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Voice of America

BIDEN promises Ukraine continued US support on Conflict with Russia

December 8, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has assured Ukraine's lawmakers that the United States will never recognize "Russia's attempt to annex Crimea," drawing a standing ovation in the country's parliament.

"Today, Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia's attempt to annex Crimea," he told members of the Ukrainian Rada on Tuesday, just before concluding a two-day visit to Ukraine.

Speaking on conflict in eastern Ukraine, where Ukrainian troops have been locked in a battle with pro-Russia separatists for the past 20 months, he assured lawmakers of continued U.S. support, calling on Russia to comply with the Minsk cease-fire agreement designed to ease tensions over the conflict or face continued sanctions.

"There can be no sanctions relief unless and until Moscow meets all, all of its commitments under Minsk," **BIDEN** said. He also urged lawmakers to fight corruption, warning that the future of Ukraine is at stake.

"Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time," **BIDEN** told lawmakers.

The vice president also promised to tell the world the story of Nadiya Savchenko, a Ukrainian helicopter pilot being held in Russia.

\$190 million in new US aid

On Monday, **BIDEN** announced \$190 million in new U.S. aid to Ukraine.

BIDEN said Monday that the new aid will help the country implement reforms and fight corruption. During a joint briefing following bilateral talks with Ukraine's president, Petro Poroshenko, **BIDEN** said, "It's absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe, to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption."

"That means ramping up the pace of reforms, avoidance of past practices, advancing good governance, increasing transparency across the board at every level of the government and strengthening the rule of law," he added.

Poroshenko has overseen the dismissal of nearly 4,000 graft tainted prosecutors since taking office in May 2014. Last week, he also introduced a special anti-corruption prosecutor whose responsibilities will include rooting out graft and limiting the political power of shadowy business

tycoons long seen as obstructing good government practices in the former Soviet republic.

Minsk agreement

During their joint briefing Monday, **BIDEN** also said the U.S. "stands firmly with the people of Ukraine" in the face of "continued aggression" by Russia and Russia-backed separatists. He said the best way to end the conflict in eastern Ukraine is through the "diplomatic framework" laid out in an agreement signed in Minsk, Belarus by representatives of the Ukrainian and Russian governments, and the separatists.

"Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community," **BIDEN** said, adding that Russia is "systematically violating" the cease-fire agreed to in Minsk.

Despite the cease-fire, sporadic fighting between government troops and pro-Russian rebels continues in eastern Ukraine, after more than 18 months of combat and nearly 8,000 deaths, most of them civilians.

BIDEN'S two-day visit, his fourth since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in early 2014, came ahead of formal U.S. approval of a third \$1 billion bailout loan guarantee.

The Obama administration already has provided \$470 million in direct economic assistance since pro-Russian former president Viktor Yanukovich was driven from power nearly two years ago, after weeks of anti-government protests in Kyiv.

AP

BIDEN Warns Ukraine of Backsliding on Corruption **December 8, 2015**

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** on Tuesday warned Ukraine against backsliding in the fight against corruption.

In a speech at the Ukrainian Parliament, **BIDEN** said Ukraine should do more to fight corruption or it will lose international support.

BIDEN, who has been in Kiev since Sunday, previously assured Ukraine of U.S. support and announced the release of an additional \$190 million in U.S. aid to help conduct structural reforms.

Pro-Russian President Viktor Yanukovych fled the country in February 2014 following months of anti-government protests in Kiev, largely fueled by rampant corruption.

BIDEN urged Ukraine to carry out painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

"We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return," **BIDEN** said. "We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path."

BIDEN'S speech on Tuesday indicated the West's growing impatience with Ukraine's lack of progress in reforms.

Nearly two years after the February 2014 revolution ushered in a new government, Ukraine still has hardly embarked on judicial and police reforms.

President Petro Poroshenko has been criticized for not doing enough to fight oligarchs many of whom have remained powerful brokers and taken on roles of managing crucial eastern regions bordering on the separatist-controlled areas.

Press TV

US to step up pressure over Russia 'aggression': BIDEN
December 8, 2015

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said Tuesday in a rare address to the Ukrainian Parliament on the second day of his visit to Kiev.

"The US will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfills its Minsk commitments," he said.

The vice president also warned that there will be "no sanctions relief" if Russia does not fully implement the terms of the truce agreement signed in the Belarusian capital in February.

The deal introduced measures including a ceasefire, which officially went into effect on February 15, the pullout of heavy weapons from the conflict zones, and constitutional reforms in Ukraine by the end of the year.

US and European officials say Russia, and pro-Russia forces in eastern Ukraine, continue to violate the Minsk accord.

BIDEN'S address before the Ukrainian Parliament, the first of its kind by a high-ranking US official since 1991, flew in the face of Russia's assertion that it is the pro-Western government in Kiev that flouts the peace accord. The conflict in eastern Ukraine broke out last year following a referendum in the Black Sea peninsula of Crimea, in which people voted overwhelmingly for reunification with Russia. More than 8,000 people have died in the conflict.

"Russia has violated these ground rules and continues to violate them," **BIDEN** told Ukrainian lawmakers. "Today, Russia's occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia's attempt to annex Crimea."

Washington has imposed tough economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and helped train and equip Ukraine's army to combat pro-Russia forces in eastern regions of the country.

In his address, **BIDEN** also urged Ukrainian lawmakers to put aside their self-interests and work to transform their country into a model of democratic change.

On Monday, the vice president announced \$190 million in new US aid to Ukraine. He said the new aid package will help Ukraine implement reforms and fight "the cancer of corruption."

BIDEN'S visit and his tough message for Moscow threaten to complicate increased US efforts to work with Russia to resolve the Syrian conflict and fight the Daesh (ISIL) terrorists.

APA

BIDEN presses Russia on Ukraine peace deal, return of Crimea
December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said Monday that Washington remained determined to see Russia adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev, APA reports quoting AFP.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Black Sea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin fighters carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heart of the ex-Soviet state.

The war-scarred nation now fears slipping off the global radar due to recent international efforts to enlist Moscow in a joint fight against the Islamic State (IS) group in Syria and Iraq.

But **BIDEN** brought a message of reassurance to Kiev.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued -- I emphasise continued -- aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," he told Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko.

Washington's EU allies support Ukraine's view of Russia orchestrating and backing the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Both Washington and Brussels have slapped stiff economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

But the situation changed when Russia began launching ferocious air strikes against Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's foes on September 30.

Washington accused Putin of trying to prop up his remaining Middle East ally by targeting Syria's Western-backed rebels instead of extremist groups.

- 'Hold Russia accountable' -

Yet the Islamic State's claim of downing a Russian airliner carrying 224 people over Egypt on October 31 appears to have prompted Moscow to focus more on bombing IS's oil infrastructure and other jihadist targets.

The November 13 Paris attacks the IS also claimed saw France make a push to enlist Russia in a "grand coalition" against the jihadist group alongside the United States and some European and Arab states.

BIDEN said the latest developments in the Middle East in no way appeased Washington's anger with Putin or slackened its support for Poroshenko's pro-Western team.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN also hinted that Russia may face additional US sanctions if its peace commitments were not met.

Washington was in contact with "our fellow leaders around the world... to make sure the international community stands and holds Russia accountable for the actions against Ukraine," **BIDEN** said after meeting with Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk.

"If they do not meet their obligations, (one must) increase the price Russia has to pay for its illegal actions internationally."

Ukraine Today

US Vice President BIDEN urges to end 'cancer of corruption' in Ukraine

December 8, 2015

US Vice-President Joe **BIDEN** in his emotional speech at the Ukrainian Parliament on Tuesday has stressed the need to eliminate corruption in Ukraine.

BIDEN said that Ukraine should do more to fight corruption or it will lose international support. **BIDEN** urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

BIDEN told Ukrainian lawmakers that they had "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

Kiev Post

**In Ukraine's parliament, BIDEN highlights need for corruption fight
December 8, 2015**

U.S. Vice President Joseph **BIDEN**, in a passionate speech to Ukraine's parliament and other political leaders on Dec. 8, urged Ukraine to seize the opportunity to become a truly democratic nation that removes the blight of corruption.

His words drew several rounds of applause, including a standing ovation, during a 37-minute speech in which **BIDEN** talked about how the United States would support Ukraine as long as it stayed on the democratic path.

He said, however, that the nation's prosecutorial and judicial system needs to be overhauled to deliver justice to Ukrainians who earned their freedom by overthrowing the corrupt regime of ex-President Viktor Yanukovich. All broadcasts of **BIDEN'S** speech in Ukraine carried a Ukrainian translator voiceover, making it hard to get precise quotes. A transcript wasn't immediately available on the U.S. Embassy in Ukraine or White House websites.

But **BIDEN** has repeated the same themes on this two-day visit.

In a Dec. 7 blog about his trip -- the fifth to the region as vice president -- **BIDEN** warned that Ukraine is running out of chances.

"Once again, standing in the face of Russian aggression and widespread corruption, Ukraine has another — and what might be its last — historic opportunity to establish a true, free, economically prosperous democratic republic. One that can't be bullied, bribed, or bought," **BIDEN** wrote. "So long as the people of Ukraine continue to strive for freedom and democracy, they can count on the unwavering commitment of the United States to stand with them."

In remarks with President Petro Poroshenko the day before, **BIDEN** also highlighted the corruption fight.

"The Ukrainian people cannot once again have their hopes dashed based on the cancer of corruption. The Orange Revolution occurred and hopes were extremely high," **BIDEN** said. "And here we are again because of the sacrifices made two years ago. One more chance. One more chance. And it's absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption. The people need to see that in ways -- that the ways of the past are permanently gone. They no longer exist."

BIDEN also on Dec. 7 urged Ukraine to adopt a tax code and state budget that meets International Monetary Fund requirements for fiscal prudence (deficits of no more than 3.7 percent of gross domestic product). "We have spoken about the vital importance of Ukraine following through on its IMF commitments," he said.

The Dec. 7 statement can be found [here](#).

In the speech to parliament, recalling the sacrifices of the EuroMaidan Revolution in which more than 100 people were killed and many others wounded before President Viktor Yanukovych fled power, **BIDEN** said Ukraine's political leaders have an obligation bring justice.

"It is your responsibility now," **BIDEN** said. "This is an obligation, a responsibility before each and one of you to build a unified and democratic country. Parliament is an organ of a unified people, not local interests, but a place concerned with the overall good. It is in your hands. You can bend the arch of history."

He noted the disappointment when no reforms followed the 2004 Orange Revolution, which denied Yanukovych the president in favor of Viktor

Yushchenko. "Hopes were let down," he said, noting that oligarchs are not interested in reforms.

In today's Ukraine, problems remain. **BIDEN** said setting up an anti-corruption bureau or anti-corruption prosecutor is not enough.

"You have to reform the whole prosecution and judiciary," **BIDEN** said.

"Oligarchs should not be able to influence court and judges... corruption siphons resources from the people and from the economy and you know it."

BIDEN said that America would never accept Russia's annexation of Ukraine's Crimean peninsula and will continue to pressure Russia to live up to the Minsk agreements, including withdrawal of its troops and weapons, and the return of eastern borders to Ukraine's control.

As a U.S. senator, **BIDEN** said that he resented it when speakers appeared to lecture him on what to do.

He said "I hope I didn't come across that way."

But he said "the world is watching you" and "this is your moment. This is your responsibility." Failure, he said, would have harmful consequences in building a whole, united and democratic Europe.

Ukraine Today

US will never recognize Russia's annexation of Crimea – BIDEN
December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has said that the US will never recognise Russia's annexation of Crimea. Addressing the Ukrainian lawmakers during his speech on December 8, **BIDEN** added that the US will continue to support Ukraine in its struggle against Kremlin's aggression.

BIDEN said that countries "cannot redraw state borders by force" in the 21st century. According to **BIDEN**, "this is the fundamental rule," which Russia "has violated and continues to violate."

BIDEN also said that the pressure on Russia will continue until it fulfills its commitments under the Minsk agreement. He added that the US sanctions against Russia cannot be lifted until it fulfills its obligations.

BIDEN told Ukrainian lawmakers that they had "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

Ukraine Today

US Vice President BIDEN tells Ukrainian MPs they face 'historic battle' against corruption

December 8, 2015

Joe **BIDEN** has expressed solidarity with Ukraine during an address to MPs in the country's capital, Kyiv. The US Vice President spoke out against what he called Russia's occupation of Ukrainian sovereign territory. But **BIDEN** added a warning to his support, urging Kyiv to fight corruption.

Joe **BIDEN**, US Vice President: "Today Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear - the United States does not, will not, never will recognise Russia's attempt to annex the Crimea.

"But in addition, you also have a battle. A historic battle against corruption. Ukraine cannot afford for the people to lose hope again."

BIDEN'S speech came during a two-day visit to Ukraine. The US official earlier announced new financial aid of USD 190 million to help the country fight corruption and streamline its bureaucracy. The White House has brought sanctions against Russia for its aggression in Ukraine, including for the seizure by Moscow of the Crimean Peninsula in 2014 and for its ongoing support for militants in east Ukraine.

The News

'Russia must return Crimea'

December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said during a visit to Kiev on Monday that Washington remained committed to its demands for Russia to adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev.

The broad February deal struck in the Belarussian capital Minsk "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfil its commitments," **BIDEN** said after talks in the Ukrainian capital with President Petro Poroshenko.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia's troops overran Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

Washington and the European Union support Kiev's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Fighting has eased somewhat since the warring sides signed a new truce on September 1. But Ukrainian soldiers and civilians still die almost daily by stepping on landmines and getting caught in the occasional combat that breaks out across the war zone.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, I emphasise, continued aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN also took the opportunity to urge Ukrainian authorities to do more to tackle the rampant graft that has plagued the county for much of its recent history, amid growing discontent among Ukrainians over Poroshenko's seeming inability to end the scourge.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine... to root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** stressed.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you."

DW

BIDEN reassures Ukraine of US support

December 8, 2015

In his fourth visit to Kyiv since the outbreak of the 19-month conflict in Ukraine, US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** on Monday announced an additional \$190 million (175 million euros) in aid to help the economically embattled government implement key reforms to root out widespread corruption and improve governance.

Ukraine has vowed to battle endemic graft as part of promised reforms, in exchange for international bailout money to prop up an economy on the verge of bankruptcy after years of economic mismanagement and nearly two years of war that has claimed 8,000 lives.

But progress on rooting out corruption and implementing reforms has been slow in the post-Maidan era, with Ukrainians increasingly disgruntled by the lack of progress and a deteriorating economic situation.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp - what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** said alongside President Petro Poroshenko following bilateral talks.

Including Monday's pledge, the US has provided Ukraine with \$760 million in direct aid and two loan guarantees worth \$2 billion. International financial institutions have promised another \$40 billion under a bailout program in exchange for reforms.

Deadlock between Ukraine's finance minister, Natalie Jaresko, and parliament over the budget and tax reforms meant to appease the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and unlock funds, as well as fixing the judicial system, have created concern the government will not be able to follow a reform agenda.

The slow progress has frustrated many in Washington.

"A lot of hard work remains, including reform of Ukraine's law and justice sectors, but the payoff will be worth it," said **BIDEN**, who will address parliament on Tuesday.

Ukraine has sought to restructure its international debt to fill a \$15 billion funding gap as part of the IMF bailout, but a \$3-billion Eurobond held by Russia is due to be paid on December 20. So far neither side has been able to reach new terms, meaning Ukraine could fail to repay the debt when it matures.

Through US influence at the IMF, the fund is expected to change its policy of not lending to countries in arrears, allowing Ukraine to continue receiving funds if it fails to pay of the Russian loan.

Continued support against Russian aggression

With the US and Europe's attention being drawn to Syria and the "Islamic State," officials in Kyiv have been worried that Ukraine might fall off the international radar.

Part of **BIDEN'S** mission is to reassure Kyiv that the US stands behind Ukraine in the face of Russian aggression and the annexation of Crimea, something he said "will not be accepted by us or by the international community."

BIDEN said a February agreement drawn up in Minsk to end the conflict in eastern Ukraine "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitments."

A ceasefire reached in September between Russian backed rebels in eastern Ukraine and pro-government forces has created a relative lull in fighting, but occasional clashes continue to erupt.

The US and European Union have tied lifting sanctions on Russia to the implementation of the Minsk deal, but following Russia's intervention to bolster the Assad regime and the downing of one its airliners by the "Islamic State" in October, it has become increasingly clear that Moscow's help would be needed to reach a political and military solution in the Syria conflict.

This impulse was given a further boost following the Paris terror attacks last month, after which France, a major player in the Minsk process, pushed for a broader international coalition to defeat the "Islamic State" (IS) that

includes Russia. Moscow has been accused of primarily targeting Western-backed rebels instead of the "Islamic State."

The expanded military campaign against IS has been paralleled by political talks to end the conflict in Syria, where Russia holds considerable sway over a country that has created a refugee crisis in Europe.

The changing dynamics in Syria and Western outreach to Russia has created concern in Ukraine that it could be sacrificed or forgotten as Western interests focus on Syria.

AFP

US will keep up pressure over Russia 'aggression' in Ukraine: BIDEN
By: Dmytro Gorshkov and Olga Shylenko / December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** warned Russia on Tuesday that Western pressure on Moscow would only increase if Russian "aggression" against neighbouring war-scarred Ukraine continued.

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said in a rare address by a top Western official to the Ukrainian parliament on the second day of a visit to Kiev.

"The US will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfils its Minsk commitments," he said, warning there would be "no sanctions relief" until Russia fully implemented its end of a peace deal signed in the Belarussian capital Minsk in February.

The tough message flew in the face of the Kremlin's assertion that it is Ukraine's pro-Western leadership that keeps flouting the accord aimed at ending 19 months of fighting with pro-Russian rebels that has claimed more than 8,000 lives.

BIDEN'S trip was his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin fighters carved out their own region in the east of the ex-Soviet state.

Both Washington and Brussels have slapped economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Moscow denies all involvement in the conflict and has responded by banning the import of most Western food.

BIDEN used both his meeting Monday with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Tuesday's parliamentary appearance to drive home the message that Washington remained fully committed to Kiev despite the recent shift in global attention to Syria.

He said on Tuesday that Putin's repeated claims of big countries having the right to their own regional "spheres of influence" were out of step with modern times.

"Sovereign states have the right to make their own decisions and choose their own allies," he stressed.

- 'Desperate need of reforms' -

BIDEN -- viewed as US President Barack Obama's pointman on Ukraine -- also used his visit to promote a more committed fight against the corruption that has ravaged the country of 40 million for years.

"It's not enough to set up an anti-corruption bureau and establish a special prosecutor in fighting corruption. Your office of the general prosecutor desperately needs reform" he said.

Russia's seizure of Crimea and the pro-Kremlin revolt came just weeks after public protests toppled former president Viktor Yanukovich -- a Moscow-backed leader who led a lavish lifestyle and surrounded himself with tycoons suspected of graft.

Polls show that corruption remains one of Ukrainians' main concerns.

BIDEN also made an indirect reference to reported infighting between Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk that has stalled the passage of vital economic and anti-graft laws.

"All of you must put aside your differences and make a real revolution of dignity," **BIDEN** said.

His address was met with three rounds of standing ovations by lawmakers of all political stripes.

Interfax – Ukraine

BIDEN urges Ukraine to focus on fighting corruption

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Ukraine has not done everything yet in its fight against corruption, United States Vice President Joe **BIDEN** told the Ukrainian Verkhovna Rada on Tuesday.

Ukraine has already done a great deal of work of critical importance, but not everything has yet been done, he said. He said that while he never tells people in other countries what they should do, a democracy cannot thrive amidst corruption, which he likened to a cancerous tumor.

A successful fight against corruption requires the reform of the judiciary; everyone, even oligarchs, must act under the same rules, pay taxes, and not interfere with the course of justice, **BIDEN** said.

New York Times

Joe BIDEN, His Son and the Case Against a Ukrainian Oligarch

By: James Risen / December 8, 2015

When Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. traveled to Kiev, Ukraine, on Sunday for a series of meetings with the country's leaders, one of the issues on his agenda was to encourage a more aggressive fight against Ukraine's rampant corruption and stronger efforts to rein in the power of its oligarchs.

But the credibility of the vice president's anticorruption message may have been undermined by the association of his son, Hunter **BIDEN**, with one of Ukraine's largest natural gas companies, Burisma Holdings, and with its owner, Mykola Zlochevsky, who was Ukraine's ecology minister under former President Viktor F. Yanukovych.

Hunter **BIDEN**, 45, a former Washington lobbyist, joined the Burisma board in April 2014. That month, as part of an investigation into money laundering, British officials froze London bank accounts containing \$23 million that allegedly belonged to Mr. Zlochevsky.

Britain's Serious Fraud Office, an independent government agency, specifically forbade Mr. Zlochevsky, as well as Burisma Holdings, the company's chief legal officer and another company owned by Mr. Zlochevsky, to have any access to the accounts. But after Ukrainian prosecutors refused to provide documents needed in the investigation, a British court in January ordered the Serious Fraud Office to unfreeze the assets. The refusal by the Ukrainian prosecutor general's office to cooperate was the target of a stinging attack by the American ambassador to Ukraine, Geoffrey R. Pyatt, who called out Burisma's owner by name in a speech in September.

"In the case of former Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, the U.K. authorities had seized \$23 million in illicit assets that belonged to the Ukrainian people," Mr. Pyatt said. Officials at the prosecutor general's office, he added, were asked by the United Kingdom "to send documents supporting the seizure. Instead they sent letters to Zlochevsky's attorneys attesting that there was no case against him. As a result, the money was freed by the U.K. court, and shortly thereafter the money was moved to Cyprus."

Mr. Pyatt went on to call for an investigation into "the misconduct" of the prosecutors who wrote the letters. In his speech, the ambassador did not mention Hunter **BIDEN'S** connection to Burisma.

But Edward C. Chow, who follows Ukrainian policy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the involvement of the vice president's son with Mr. Zlochevsky's firm undermined the Obama administration's anticorruption message in Ukraine.

"Now you look at the Hunter **BIDEN** situation, and on the one hand you can credit the father for sending the anticorruption message," Mr. Chow said. "But I think unfortunately it sends the message that a lot of foreign countries want to believe about America, that we are hypocritical about these issues."

Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Vice President **BIDEN**, said Hunter **BIDEN'S** business dealings had no impact on his father's policy positions in connection with Ukraine.

"Hunter **BIDEN** is a private citizen and a lawyer," she said. "The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company. The vice president has pushed aggressively for years, both publicly with groups like the U.S.-Ukraine Business Forum and privately in meetings with Ukrainian leaders, for Ukraine to make every effort to investigate and prosecute corruption in accordance with the rule of law. It will once again be a key focus during his trip this week."

Ryan F. Toohey, a Burisma spokesman, said that Hunter **BIDEN** would not comment for this article.

It is not known how Mr. **BIDEN** came to the attention of the company. Announcing his appointment to the board, Alan Apter, a former Morgan Stanley investment banker who is chairman of Burisma, said, "The company's strategy is aimed at the strongest concentration of professional staff and the introduction of best corporate practices, and we're delighted that Mr. **BIDEN** is joining us to help us achieve these goals."

Joining the board at the same time was one of Mr. **BIDEN'S** American business partners, Devon Archer. Both are involved with Rosemont Seneca Partners, an American investment firm with offices in Washington.

Mr. **BIDEN** is the younger of the vice president's two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter **BIDEN** attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. **BIDEN** also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James **BIDEN**, the vice president's brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the **BIDENS** and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. **BIDEN**, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was “not out of the ordinary” for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, “Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped.”

In response to Mr. Pyatt’s criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky’s case, Mr. Toohey said that “strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine.”

Vice President **BIDEN** has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week’s visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

Ms. Bedingfield said Hunter **BIDEN** had never traveled to Ukraine with his father. She also said that Ukrainian officials had never mentioned Hunter **BIDEN’S** role with Burisma to the vice president during any of his visits.

“I’ve got to believe that somebody in the vice president’s office has done some due diligence on this,” said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. “I should say that I hope that has happened. I would hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message.”

RT News

BIDEN urges Ukraine to fight ‘cancer-like’ corruption or lose international financial aid

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Kiev must do more in fighting corruption which “eats Ukraine like cancer.” US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said in a speech delivered in Ukrainian

parliament. If there is no control of corruption in Ukraine, financial help is out of the question, he warned.

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN**, who is on a two-day visit to Ukraine, has urged Kiev to conduct painful yet crucial reforms to battle corruption.

BIDEN'S emotional speech in Ukrainian parliament could as well become the last warning for country's political elites unwilling to embrace escalated reforms.

"Corruption siphons off resources. We know this. You know this," **BIDEN** told Ukrainian MPs. Ukraine needs to make governance more transparent, an immediate measure since "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer," **BIDEN** said on Sunday, noting that however painful the looming reforms could be, they cannot be any backsliding on the issue.

"We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return," **BIDEN** said. "We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path," **BIDEN** said, as cited by ABC.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you," US Vice President said.

On the first day of his visit **BIDEN** assured Kiev of the US support and announced allocation of additional \$190 million from the US budget to help conduct structural reforms in Ukraine and fight corruption in the first place.

Ukraine's former president, Viktor Yanukovych, had to flee the country in February 2014, following months of anti-government protests in Kiev and other cities, to a large extent fueled by rampant corruption.

Despite the great fanfare that came with the introduction of new reforms to improve standards of living and stem corruption, President Petro Poroshenko, who was elected in May 2014, has not achieved the goals. A recent poll by the Yaremenko Ukrainian Institute for Social Research showed that 72 percent of those asked do not believe Ukraine is heading in the right direction, saying either the reform process is moving too slowly or not at all.

Ahead of Joe **BIDEN'S** speech in the parliament, American politician hold meetings with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and Kiev Mayor Vitaliy Klichko.

Mashable

BIDEN to Ukraine: You've got one last chance. Don't screw this up.

By: Christopher Miller / December 8, 2015

Joe **BIDEN'S** message to Ukraine on Tuesday was crystal clear: Don't screw this up.

The vice president didn't mince words when he spoke to Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, ministers and lawmakers inside parliament during his fifth trip to the country on Tuesday. He warned Kiev against backsliding in its fight against corruption.

"The world is watching you — this is your moment. Please, for the sake of the rest of us, don't waste it," **BIDEN** said in an impassioned address streamed live across the country. Failure, he warned, would likely mean the loss of much-needed international support and would have harmful consequences in building a united and democratic Europe.

"Ukraine has been here before. We remember the Orange Revolution," he continued, recalling the country's 2004 uprising that ended in disappointment when authorities failed to pass reforms.

More than 11 years later and two years since the start of Ukraine's Euromaidan Revolution that eventually ousted Viktor Yanukovich, corruption remains rampant in the former Soviet republic. Top officials have also been implicated, including Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, whose close ally resigned over corruption allegations.

BIDEN himself has been criticized in Ukraine; his messages of reform have been undermined by his son's connection to a former Ukrainian official being investigated for fraud.

A recent poll showed only 7% of Ukrainians believe the fight against corruption has yielded any results. Transparency International, a global

anti-corruption nonprofit, named Ukraine one of the world's most corrupt countries, sharing a score with Uganda and the Comoros.

BIDEN, who received several rounds of applause and a standing ovation during his speech, urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

Ukrainian parliamentarians, known for spirited debates that sometimes devolve into fisticuffs, have been slow to pass a slew of bills that the U.S. and the European Union say will help overhaul the country's corrupt systems.

"You have to reform the whole prosecution and judiciary," **BIDEN** said. "Oligarchs should not be able to influence court and judges... corruption siphons resources from the people and from the economy, and you know it."

Russia, which has fomented unrest in Ukraine, "is using your corruption to undermine you," **BIDEN** added.

The vice president also addressed Russian aggression in Ukraine, saying the U.S. does not — and never will — recognize Moscow's annexation of Crimea. Washington will continue to pressure Moscow to live up to its part of the Minsk peace deal, he added, including the withdrawal of its troops and weapons from eastern Ukraine and the return of control of its borders.

BIDEN, who arrived in Kiev on Sunday, assured Ukraine of U.S. support, including an additional \$190 million in American aid to help conduct reforms.

He recalled the sacrifices of the Euromaidan Revolution, during which more than 100 activists were killed and hundreds more wounded. But while he was speaking, down the road in Kiev, a court heard a case investigating the killings of those activists.

While two people were sentenced to four years each for their roles in attacks on a group of activists, at least two key suspects in the killing of Ukraine's "Heavenly Hundred" were allowed to escape the country, along with the officials believed to have ordered the attack.

BIDEN said Ukraine's political leaders have an obligation to bring justice.

Pravda Report

BIDEN gives Poroshenko cold shower in black hole Ukraine

By: Lyuba Lulko / December 8, 2015

BIDEN sobers Poroshenko up

Outwardly, there was absolute solidarity in everything. **BIDEN** said that Washington would not exchange Ukraine for Syria and would never recognize the "annexation of the Crimea."

"Even if Washington and Moscow cooperate to settle the Syrian civil war and battle the Islamic State, Mr. Obama has said, it would not stop the West from maintaining pressure on Russia over Ukraine," The New York Times wrote.

Opening his two-day visit to Ukraine, US Vice President **BIDEN** told the Ukrainians that the United States continued supporting them in the conflict in the Donbass. **BIDEN** also accused Russian President Vladimir Putin of violating the Minks ceasefire agreement. To strengthen the US support, **BIDEN** promised 190 million dollars in aid to Ukraine.

Speaking in the Verkhovna Rada, **BIDEN** said: "It is no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you, because so much rides on your fragile experiment with democracy succeeding."

This is a part of the official rhetoric, so let's try to see what happens behind the scenes. **BIDEN** has certainly put pressure on Poroshenko so that he stops playing the game of the Crimean energy blockade, because Putin may use the pretext of a humanitarian catastrophe to make a move in response. Soon afterwards, both the Majlis and Right Sector radicals stopped their energy blockade of the Crimea.

A few days ago, Ukraine's Finance Minister Natalia Yaresko said that Ukraine may not return \$3 billion to Russia on the repayment term (December 21). Prior to that, the United States had refused to be Ukraine's guarantor in paying this debt to Russia, having thus recognized Kiev's insolvency.

What can \$190 million do for Ukraine when the country needs \$20 billion to make a budget? One shall assume that Washington believes that the IMF will continue financing Kiev after the default. For the time being, IMF's lending policies exclude such a possibility.

Poroshenko: Reforms in Ukraine inevitable

Poroshenko said at a news conference with **BIDEN** that Ukraine has "for four years without elections" to come. During that time, one will need to carry out all the reforms required for joining the EU. Thus, the Americans will be supporting Poroshenko for four years, albeit under the condition that he will not be able to meet.

Changes in the government are very likely to follow. Prime Minister Yatsenyuk could be removed from office. It is no coincidence Mikhail Saakashvili (Odessa region Governor) said that the authorities were investigating corruption cases inside the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, particularly with the participation of Prime Minister Yatsenyuk and his colleague, People's Front MP, Nikolai Martynenko.

If required, all members of the Popular Front will move to Petro Poroshenko's Bloc and there will be no need to call early elections to the parliament.

Noteworthy, Joe **BIDEN** has personal interest in the fate of Ukrainian Prosecutor General Viktor Shokin. Thus, according to US Ambassador in Kiev Geoffrey Pyatt, Ukrainian prosecutors cover up the corrupt owner of energy company Burisma Holdings, in which **BIDEN'S** son, Hunter, is employed.

The Ukrainian Army has stopped shelling the positions of the Donbass militia. **BIDEN** made it clear to Poroshenko that sanctions against Russia would be lifted if Poroshenko disrupts the Minsk Accords in 2016. In Europe and the United States, a large lobby is being formed to withdraw the sanctions.

Additionally, the President of Ukraine unexpectedly vetoed his party's bill to legalize the free usage of agricultural land for 50 years, despite the moratorium on land sales. Poroshenko probably convinced **BIDEN** that there was no need to openly sell land to the Americans in the absence of apparent achievements.

Black hole Ukraine

"One more chance. It's absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** said.

The USA wants to be present in Ukraine, but it is hard to feed the "black hole."

"In fact, this is the case of external management of the state, when US officials interfere in internal affairs of Ukraine," Oleg Soskin, a Ukrainian political scientist and economist told Pravda.Ru. - **BIDEN** came to distribute positions in the government of Ukraine. The question is whether Yatsenyuk is going to be the prime minister. This position is likely to be given to an American official, to Finance Minister Yaresko or to Saakashvili. **BIDEN** will teach them not to steal, as the IMF will not give any loans otherwise."

According to Oleg Soskin, "nothing will help." Poroshenko and Yatsenyuk will go down in history soon. "These embezzlers and thieves will have to be swept away in a new revolution, the expert said.

"This year, they took about \$11 billion in debt. Ukraine's public debt totals \$72 billion - this is almost equal to Ukraine's annual GDP. Who is going to give this money back? After the revolution, the National Bank of Ukraine had about \$20 billion in foreign exchange reserves. Who stole that money?"

If Ukraine defaults on the debt to Russia, Ukraine will lose its reputation, Oleg Soskin believes. Investors will leave, the country will be declared bankrupt and will not be able to form a budget. "It will be the collapse of the financial system of Ukraine, the collapse of modern Ukraine," Soskin told Pravda.Ru.

"In this case, the Ukrainian administration will have to be executed, and the state will have to be re-founded, as it was done in Iceland, where they changed even the Constitution," the expert said.

The Irish Times

US tells Ukraine's politicians to heed 'call of history'

By: Daniel McLaughlin / December 8, 2015

Ukraine's politicians must seize a historic opportunity to free the country from the grip of Russia and corrupt tycoons, US vice-president Joe **BIDEN** said on Tuesday, amid rising domestic and international disquiet over the pace of the country's reform.

In a speech to parliament in Kiev, Mr **BIDEN** also vowed that Washington would keep tightening sanctions on Russia until it ended its annexation of Crimea and other aggression against Ukraine.

Mr **BIDEN'S** address marked the climax of a two-day visit to Ukraine during which he urged its western-backed leaders to accelerate tough reforms, despite opposition from powerful "oligarchs", their political allies and from Moscow.

"This is your moment. This is your responsibility . . . Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time," he told parliament. "If you fail, the experiment fails. It's no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you."

After driving the Russian-backed, graft-ridden administration of then president Viktor Yanukovich from power in February 2014, Ukraine's new leaders had a duty to build a cleaner and fairer Ukraine, Mr **BIDEN** said.

Return of oligarchs

"Oligarchs and non-oligarchs must play by the same rules," he insisted. "We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return . . . We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path."

Billionaires with shady business empires still dominate Ukrainian politics, and many reformist politicians and activists say the status quo is preserved by President Petro Poroshenko and the government of prime minister of Arseniy Yatsenyuk. "All of you must put aside your differences and make a real revolution of dignity," Mr **BIDEN** declared.

Unity vs resignation

While all deputies rose to applaud Mr **BIDEN**, afterwards each party offered a different interpretation of his speech, with some calling it an appeal to the government to resign, and others hailing it as a call for unity.

In an interview perhaps timed to exacerbate tension in Ukraine, Mr Yanukovich told Russian state media that he wants “to return to politics”.

“I do a lot to help people who are persecuted in Ukraine,” he said from Russia, where he and many close allies live in exile.

Mr Yanukovich said he maintains contact with current Ukrainian politicians, “many of whom aren’t so shy or scared today, compared to a year ago. They already feel very comfortable when we meet and discuss issues.”

Mr **BIDEN** also urged Kiev to fulfil its side of a strained ceasefire deal with Moscow-backed separatists in eastern Ukraine, and made clear that “if Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise”.

Reuters

US Vice President Joe BIDEN arrives in Ukraine
December 7, 2015

BIDEN met with the representatives of civil society organisations and a selection of Ukraine's officials and lawmakers, ahead of the scheduled meeting with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk.

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** will address Ukraine's legislature on Tuesday (December 8), a senior administration official said. **BIDEN** will speak about US opposition to Russia's annexation of Crimea and American support for Ukraine's debt restructuring agreement, the official said.

The official would not comment on whether the United States would pledge more military assistance to Ukraine during the trip next week.

The visit comes on the heels of US President Barack Obama's discussion with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Paris. Obama urged Putin to honour the Minsk ceasefire agreement in Ukraine.

BIDEN confirmed his country's commitment to Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity during the meeting with Kiev's mayor, Vitaly Klitschko, a former world heavyweight boxing champion.

During his visit, **BIDEN** is expected to meet President Petro Poroshenko, Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, members of Ukraine's Parliament (Rada), and representatives of civil society organizations.

AP

BIDEN makes trip to Ukraine in sign of US support

By: Jim Heintz and Dmitry Vlasov / December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** came to Ukraine's capital on Sunday for a visit aimed at pushing the country toward making reforms and reassuring it that the crisis in Syria is not overshadowing Washington's concerns about Ukraine.

Fighting between Ukrainian forces and Russia-backed separatists has significantly diminished since early September, after killing some 8,000 people since April 2014, but tensions remain high because of unresolved questions about the final political status of the rebel regions in the east. Meanwhile, Western attention has turned largely toward the fight against Islamic extremism in Syria and Iraq.

Since Russia began airstrikes in Syria on Sept. 30, Ukrainian officials have worried that their own country's troubles would fade from view, especially if the West begins cooperating with Russia to fight the Islamic State group.

BIDEN'S meetings on Monday with President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and a Tuesday speech at the Ukrainian parliament are intended to counter that concern.

The trip "is a strong sign of our support," a senior U.S. administration official said, asking that his name not be used because he was speaking on background.

But the official said **BIDEN** also will emphasize the need for Ukraine to implement anti-corruption measures. Widespread corruption was one of the issues that galvanized the massive protests that drove Russia-friendly President Viktor Yanukovich from office in February 2014, but efforts since then to counter the problem have shown little result.

BIDEN'S first event on Monday is to be a round table with reform-minded Ukrainian figures.

The U.S. administration also says **BIDEN** will reassure Ukraine that Washington's strategy is to keep sanctions against Russia in place until full implementation of the Minsk Accords, the internationally mediated agreements between Ukraine and Russia on ending the eastern conflict and pulling back weapons.

The United States also imposed other sanctions on Russia specific to its annexation of Crimea in 2014.

Voice of America

US VP BIDEN Heads to Ukraine to Stress Continued Support

By: Carol Guensburg / December 5, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is scheduled to visit Ukraine early next week to reassure government leaders and reformers of the United States' continued support "in face of continued Russian military intervention" in the country's restive east, administration officials said.

BIDEN, making his fifth visit to Ukraine as vice president, plans to arrive in Kyiv late Sunday evening for a series of meetings early in the week.

On Monday, he'll meet separately with President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, as well as at a roundtable with civil society activists and other reformers.

Speech to lawmakers

BIDEN also is scheduled to speak Tuesday to the Rada, or congress, a rare opportunity for a foreign leader.

He's likely to press upon legislators that they "have a special obligation to keep Ukraine moving forward," a senior administration official said in a telephone briefing Wednesday with reporters.

A major point of discussion will be how to ensure that "Russia and the separatists live up to their obligations under the Minsk Agreement," the official said.

The pact, reached in February, was meant to de-escalate hostilities in the east. While violence between Ukrainian government troops and pro-Russia separatists "has decreased somewhat in recent months," it continues to flare up, the official said.

The United Nations estimated that nearly 8,000 civilians and soldiers had been killed as of this fall.

Talks with Ukraine officials

Talks with Poroshenko and Yatsenyuk are expected to focus on "what additional economic, governance and rule-of-law reforms are necessary," the official said.

They'll also touch on U.S.-led training of Ukrainian armed forces and of security assistance overall. The United States has provided \$450 million in direct assistance to Ukraine this year, of which more than half is for security, the official said.

BIDEN'S trip comes after last month's two-year anniversary of the start of the Maidan uprising, in which public protests in Kyiv for closer ties with Europe eventually forced Russia-leaning President Viktor Yanukovich from office and opened the door for more democratic reforms.

The vice president "will emphasize the need to implement recently passed anti-corruption reforms," the official said.

Ukraine has set up a special prosecutor's office for fighting corruption, but the Obama administration previously has said the prosecutor general's office itself needs reform.

Topic of Crimea

Administration officials also said the vice president would emphasize that the United States continues “to oppose Russia’s attempted annexation of Crimea” in March 2014.

He’s also expected to reassure Ukraine that, though the United States is communicating with Russia about the crisis in Syria, it hasn’t softened in its assessment of Russia has crossed the line in Ukraine.

“Nothing in our conversations with Syria impact our assessment that Russia continues to be the aggressor in Ukraine,” the official said. “... Nothing that’s going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security.”

Press TV

Joe BIDEN to visit Ukraine to confirm US support December 6, 2015

BIDEN, making his fifth visit to Ukraine as vice president, will arrive in Kiev on Sunday for a three-day visit.

He will meet with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and deliver a speech to the country’s parliament.

BIDEN is the highest-ranking US official to speak before the Ukrainian parliament since former President George H.W. Bush in 1991, during the last days of the former Soviet Union.

BIDEN’S visit is expected to focus on resolving the conflict in eastern Ukraine even as world leaders have turned their attention to fighting Daesh (ISIL) terrorists, a senior US official said.

The conflict in eastern Ukraine broke out last year following a referendum in the Black Sea peninsula of Crimea, in which people voted overwhelmingly for reunification with Russia.

"I think that is going to be a major theme of the trip -- that nothing that is going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the US official told reporters.

The visit comes on the heels of US President Barack Obama's discussion with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Paris. Obama urged Putin to honor the Minsk cease-fire agreement in Ukraine.

US and European officials say Russia, and pro-Russia forces in eastern Ukraine, continue to violate the Minsk peace accords.

Moscow, however, has accused Ukrainian forces of violations, and says Poroshenko's government is not moving fast enough to implement some of the accord's provisions.

Both the US and European Union have imposed tough economic sanctions on Russian companies and have provided Ukraine's army with weapons and training.

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What to expect from BIDEN'S visit to Ukraine?

By: Maksym Beznoisuk / December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is paying a two day visit to Ukraine which has already been labeled as "historic" by many experts. In spite of the fact it is his fourth visit to post-Maidan Ukraine, **BIDEN** will be the second American politician from such a high rank to give a speech at the Ukrainian Parliament. Former President George H.W. Bush was the first high-ranking US official who addressed Ukrainian parliamentarians on August 1st, 1991, which occurred only three weeks prior to its declaration of independence.

As part of his visit on December 7th, 2015, Joe **BIDEN** is expected to participate in roundtable talks with state and civil representatives and bilateral meetings with Ukraine's President Poroshenko and Prime Minister Yatsenyuk. The next day, he will give a speech before the Ukrainian Parliament.

Without a doubt, such a visit is of crucial importance and demonstrates US support of Ukrainian sovereignty and closer convergence with the West. This is in light of ongoing Russian attempts to further destabilize Ukraine's situation.

It is expected **BIDEN'S** message will consist of alarming criticism of persistent corruption and slow progress, mixed with additional assurances of further support and cooperation with Ukraine towards its integration with Europe. Hence, the assessment of the overall Ukrainian political situation will be based on the combination of such crucial factors as securing political stability and enhancing anti-corruption measures' efficiency. Not surprisingly, such an important visit will take place before Ukraine's annual governmental report on its government's activity results, as well as its plans for the next year.

Fight against corruption, economic reforms and financial assistance

According to some predictions, Vice President **BIDEN** will voice concern over the urgency of more active reforms of structural and institutional aspects of the Ukrainian state apparatus. Notably, the White House has serious concerns regarding the quality and pace of current economic and judicial reforms, especially in relation to prevalent corruption schemes in high echelons of Ukrainian power.

Special attention will be paid to the judicial sector. It should be recalled that during his speech at the Brookings Institution at the end of May, 2015, **BIDEN** particularly emphasized Ukraine needs to use newly introduced laws and policies to investigate and prosecute corruption on all levels in order for its reforms to succeed. **BIDEN** also mentioned his frequent communication on a weekly basis, both with the Ukrainian Prime Minister and President. Moreover, US Ambassador to Ukraine Geoffrey Pyatt has criticized the General Prosecutor's Office on numerous occasions, by stressing its responsibility in fighting corruption in Ukraine. On September 24th, 2015, Ambassador Pyatt stated during the Odessa Financial Forum the General Prosecutor's Office's inability to fight corruption undermines effective reform implementation in Ukraine.

For a long time, the White House has tried to convey a powerful and clear message to Ukraine's leaders concerning the need to undertake more active efforts against corruption. In light of this heightened concern over high corruption levels and the Ukrainian authorities' lack of action, many Ukrainian experts have assumed the General Prosecutor's, Prime Minister's and several other high ranking Ukrainian officials' political futures could be seriously questioned.

Most importantly, the question of stable US financial assistance to Ukraine is closely tied to progress in conducting anti-corruption reforms within Ukraine's state institutions. In June, Ukrainian Prime Minister Yatseniuk met with US Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew to discuss an additional tranche of 1 billion dollars to support Ukrainian reforms in order to increase Ukraine's investment attractiveness and lay foundations for its economic growth. At the end of October, 2015, US Secretary of Commerce Penny Pritzker stated the readiness of US President Barack Obama to take necessary steps towards granting a third tranche of macroeconomic assistance to Ukraine to implement its reforms. During her recent meeting with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, she emphasized that visible and steady Ukrainian progress in implementing anti-corruption measures were a prerequisite for new financial assistance in the near future.

Last month, Joe **BIDEN** confirmed the US' readiness to grant Ukraine a third tranche of credit guarantees of 1 billion dollars. However, he emphasised Ukraine's government should fight corruption more actively, including conducting tax reforms in compliance with the IMF. Possible US assistance in reaching an agreement on the Ukraine's debt restructuring will also be predicated on these conditions.

Security and military cooperation

US presidential administration officials stated Joe **BIDEN** would underline US support of Ukraine's territorial integrity in his speech at the Ukrainian Parliament. He will reiterate the US' position concerning Russia's illegal annexation of Crimea and its current involvement in destabilizing eastern Ukraine. In this regard, it is also expected he will reassure Ukrainian leaders that any US communication with Russia over Syria's situation will not impact its position concerning Ukraine. Additionally, a diplomatic strategy to keep sanctions against Russia will be discussed with Ukrainian counterparts.

Ukraine's army requires serious investment, specialized military experience and modernization assistance. In 2015, thanks to **BIDEN'S** active involvement, the US provided Ukraine security and military assistance totaling \$265 million. Earlier this year, the US committed to training Ukrainian troops, a mission conducted by 300 US soldiers at a compound in western Ukraine. The US also provided specialized military

equipment which was transferred to the country's eastern battle zone. According to the National Defense Authorization Act for the 2016 Fiscal Year, approved by the US Senate, it could be possible to increase assistance to \$300 million. However, it is not clear if **BIDEN** will touch upon possible additional military assistance to Ukraine during his visit early next week.

Based on this, Vice President **BIDEN'S** visit is expected to reaffirm the US' support of Ukraine on its path towards democratization and its struggle against Russian hostile activities in Crimea and eastern Ukraine. Simultaneously, the US will emphasize that further comprehensive support of Ukraine will depend on the tempo and quality of a broad range of reforms within Ukraine's state apparatus.

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The Briefing: Mr. BIDEN goes to Ukraine

By: Brian Whitmore / December 7, 2015

Washington sends a loud signal that Ukraine remains a priority as U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** arrived in Kyiv for a two-day visit this week.

The visit -- in which **BIDEN** will deliver a highly anticipated speech to the Ukrainian parliament -- comes at a particularly sensitive time.

Kyiv is clearly worried that the Syria conflict and the potential for Western cooperation with Russia will weaken resolve to continue supporting Ukraine.

On this week's Power Vertical Briefing, I discuss what we can expect from **BIDEN'S** visit with RFE/RL Senior Editor Steve Gutterman.

Tweets

@poroshenko [President Poroshenko, 662K Followers]: Joe **BIDEN** @VP
: U S. will never accept Russia's attempts to annex Crimea.

We are grateful for this support!



@nytpolitics [New York Times Politics, 180K Followers]: Joe **BIDEN** says the U.S. is still backing Ukraine. [LINK TO NEW YORK TIMES ARTICLE REGARDING YOUR TRIP TO UKRAINE]

@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: In your soul you know what's right. Do it - @VP pleads with Ukraine's parliament.

'Please, for the sake of the rest of us don't waste it'

@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: If you succeed, you will be the founders of the first, free, united, democratic Ukraine - @VP ends his address to the parliament

@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: God bless our nations, god bless our troops - @VP's final line at Ukraine's parliament today

@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: .@VP delivers emotional, moving speech at Ukraine's parl today.

The last warning for political elites unwilling to reform.

Fingers crossed

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: "The stakes for your country has never been higher; Ukraine has been here before. We remember Orange revolution"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN** "We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: "World was transfixed by Maidan. This time Ukr would not be denied a future"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN** to Ukr MPs: This is your moment. This is your responsibility. Each of you has obligation 2 seize responsibility, build united nation

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: You need moral courage for general good. This is standard by which u will judged. Its in your hands. You can bend the arc of history

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN** "If you fail, the (democracy) experiment fails"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN** very emotional. "US will never recognise annexation of Crimes" "Separatist forces are controlled by Moscow. MOS-CAUWW"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: Russian people don't understand what Putin is doing

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: we understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are, but they are critical to putting Ukraine back on the right path

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: "This is your chance. Please — for the sake of the rest of us — don't waste it"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN** re his lecture says he doesn't want it to be interpreted as a lecture. "But as a fellow human being, I have such hope in you"

@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: This week's @PowerVertical Briefing previews Joe **BIDEN'S** trip to #Ukraine w/ @sgutterma [LINK TO RFERL BLOG REGARDING YOUR VISIT TO UKRAINE]

@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: **BIDEN** tells Ukrainian parliament it has the power to bend the arc of history toward justice

@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: **BIDEN** to Ukraine's Rada: The whole world is watching you

@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: **BIDEN**: Ukraine's success goes to the heart of a Europe whole, free, and at peace

@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: **BIDEN**: We will not recognize any nation having a sphere of influence

@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: **BIDEN**: The United States does not will not and never will recognize Russia's annexation of Crimea. It's that simple.

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@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: **BIDEN**: Russia is using corruption to undermine Ukraine's sovereignty @VP #**BIDEN**

@Hromadske [Hromadske Int., 9K Followers]: You have to keep making progress with reforms if you want to keep the international support - @VP at Ukraine's parliament

@kgorchinskaya [Katya Gorchinskaya, 7K Followers]: Seize the opportunity to build a better future for #Ukraine, don't waste the opportunity, pleads @VP #**BIDEN** to #Rada8 & @poroshenko

@kgorchinskaya [Katya Gorchinskaya, 7K Followers]: Oligarchs and non-oligarchs should live by the same rules, says @VP #**BIDEN**. Says corruption eats #Ukraine like cancer

@kgorchinskaya [Katya Gorchinskaya, 7K Followers]: Sanctions cannot be lifted until #Russia fulfill all, all its commitments, says @VP #**BIDEN**

@kgorchinskaya [Katya Gorchinskaya, 7K Followers]: #USA will never recognize the annexation of #Crimea- @VP #**BIDEN**

@vBeckerath [A von Beckerath, Ambassador of Sweden to Ukraine, 4K Followers]: Powerful speech by @VP **BIDEN**. Upcoming votes on budget, taxes & constitutional changes in justice sector will tell if message was received.

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As of 120312**ACCEPTS:**

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION/ORGANIZATION	INVITATION S
BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES
B DEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS
Angelson	Mark		REGRETS
Angelson	Lynn		NO RESPONSES
Ashton	Bill		ATTENDS
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	UNKNOWN GUESTS
Bachula	Gary		TOTAL POSSIBLE
Woodfin	Jane		TIMESTAMP
Beene	Kim		
Downing	Robin		
Beers	Sydney		
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB	
Bove	Beverly		
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove	
Bross	Eric		
Bross	Anna		
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes	
Christopher	Athena		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
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Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Eckstrand	Phillip		
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation	
Freeh	Marilyn		
Garvin	Shawn	/	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative	
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring	
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Grier	Betty		
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Herlinsky	Victory		

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Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	/
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	/
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	
LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
Magarik	Molly	Beau Biden State Political Director
Magarik	Ian	
Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Katrina	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Laura	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Matos	Maria	Executive Director/ Latin American Community Center
Rodriguez	Sindy	
Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Mervine	Jay	
Mervine	Polly	
Meyers	William	
Meyers	Christine	
Micallef	Joe	
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden
Monahan	Marilyn	VBO
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Murray	Tim	UD Archivist
Murray	Katherine	Spouse of Tim Murray
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
O'Brien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Olivero	Ronald	
Olivero	Joan	
Razze	Erica	

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Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
Sears	JoAnn	
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Smith	Michele	
Smith	Stephen	
Snyder-Mackley	Lynn	Alumni Distinguished Professor, Department of Physical Therapy/ University of C
Stewart	Anthony	
Clayton	Roberta	
Storino	Donnie	
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Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors
Savage	Kathleen	Guest of JTB/ Hallie Biden

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 Master Robert Biden (Family)
 Ms. Caroline Biden (Family)
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 Miss Finnegan Biden (Family)
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 Miss Naomi Biden (Family)
 Mr. James (Jamie) Biden (Family)
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 Mr. Michael Blevins
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BIDEN	JOE	HOST
BIDEN	JILL	HOSTESS
Adler	David	
Adler	Michael	
Angelson	Mark	
Angelson	Lynn	
Ashton	Bill	
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB
Bachula	Gary	
Woodfin	Jane	
Beene	Kim	
Downing	Robin	
Beers	Sydney	
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB
Biden	Ashley	
Krein	Howard	
Biden, III	Beau	
Biden	Hallie	
Biden	Natalie	
Biden	Robert Hunter	
Biden	Caroline	
Staley	Eric	Boyfriend of Caroline Biden
Biden Owens	Valerie	
Owens	Jack	
Bove	Beverly	
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove
Bross	Eric	
Bross	Anna	
Buhle	Michael	
Buhle	Emily	
Butler	Dan	
Butler	Catherine	
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems
Carper	Tom	
Carper	Benjamin	
Carper	Martha	
Cowperthwait	Rebecca	Guest of Benjamin Carper
Champney	Joanna	
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes
Christopher	Athena	
Christopher	Katherine	
Christopher	William	
Christopher	Patricia	

Cooney	John	
Cooney	Barbara	
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors
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Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand
Evans	Tom	
Evans	Mary	
Frampton	Charles	
Frampton	Steven	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation
Freeh	Marilyn	
Frost	Melissa	
Garvin	Shawn	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring
Goodman	Lisa	
Fennell	Drew	
Grier	Betty	
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier
Haggerty	Margaret	
Haggerty	William	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse
Herlinsky	Victory	
Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Horsey	Bryan	
Horsey	April	
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Hynansky	John	
Hatzis	Thomas	
Jones	Laura	
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kimmel	Wayne	Managing Partner, SeventySix Capital
Kimmel	Kimberly	
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
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Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
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Maron	Elizabeth	New Castle County Parliamentarian
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Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
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Razze	Erica	
Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
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Secundy	Joel	
Secundy	Liz	
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI

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Stewart	Anthony	
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INVITES	341
ACCEPTS	145
REGRETS	57
NO RESPONSES	139
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	284
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Muldoon, Anne P. EOP/OVP

03 Dec 2015 17:02:57

To: Suber, Kellen, DL-OVP-West Wing, Schultz, Greg, Schrum, Michael, Mackler, Alexander, Mackler, Alexander, >, "Schultz, Gregory, >", "Schrum, Evan, >", "Suber, Kellen C., >", "DL-OVP-West Wing

Cc: DL-OVP-Office of Dr. Biden, DL-OVP-Office of Dr. Biden

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RE: Delaware Invites are out!

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Additional Information:

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To: DL-OVP-Communications, DL-OVP-Communications

VP Ukraine Press Recap

Attachments: [Press recap - Ukraine.docx](#) (1.3 MB)

Hello everyone,

Attached is a press recap for the VP's trip to Ukraine.

Thanks,
Joe

Joseph Brown
Communications Intern
Office of the Vice President
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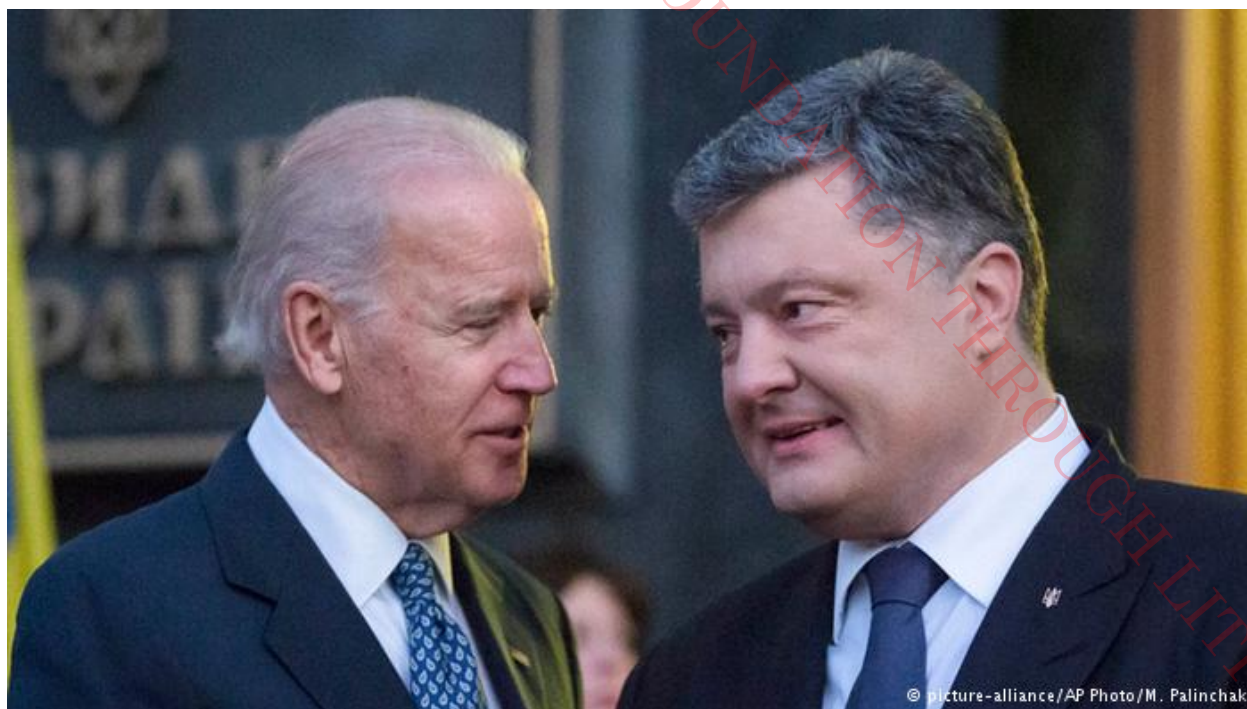
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Joe BIDEN says U.S. Is Still Backing Ukraine

By: Peter Baker / December 7, 2015

The United States will not sacrifice Ukraine in pursuit of Russian cooperation in Syria, Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. assured Ukrainian leaders on Monday, as the Obama administration tries to manage complicated diplomacy with Moscow.

Opening a two-day visit to Kiev, Mr. **BIDEN** told President Petro O. Poroshenko that the United States still stands by Ukraine in its conflict with pro-Russian separatists. To make the point, Mr. **BIDEN** promised another \$190 million in American aid.

“The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued — and I emphasize continued — aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists,” Mr. **BIDEN** told reporters after the meeting.

He called on President Vladimir V. Putin of Russia to live up to a cease-fire agreement reached in February in Minsk, Belarus. “Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community,” Mr. **BIDEN** said.

Ukrainian officials have been nervous about what Russia’s renewed interest in the Middle East would mean for their country. American officials interpret Russia’s intervention in Syria as an attempt by Mr. Putin to distract world attention from the Ukrainian conflict, to break out of the isolation the West has tried to impose on Moscow, and perhaps to weaken international resolve to maintain sanctions.

President Obama has insisted that the situations in Ukraine and Syria are separate, and he sent Mr. **BIDEN** to Ukraine to drive that point home. Even if Washington and Moscow can work together to settle the Syrian civil war and battle the Islamic State, Mr. Obama has said, it would not stop the West from maintaining pressure on Russia to resolve the Ukrainian dispute.

“That’s going to be a major theme of the trip — that nothing that’s going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security,” a senior administration official said before Mr. **BIDEN** left Washington. The official briefed reporters on the condition of anonymity under White House rules.

Michael A. McFaul, Mr. Obama’s former ambassador to Russia, said the Ukrainians should be reassured. “Vice President **BIDEN’S** trip to Kyiv sends a clear message that the United States is not willing to trade Ukraine for Russian cooperation on Syria,” he said, using the spelling of the capital that Ukrainian leaders prefer. “That kind of linkage never works,” Mr. McFaul said.

Mr. **BIDEN** also pressed the Ukrainians to put aside their differences and do more to battle corruption, bolster their economy and restructure the country’s finances.

Mr. Poroshenko was elected in 2014 after a pro-Moscow government was driven from office by mass protests that were met with violence. By many accounts, he has yet to diminish the control wielded by a small coterie of business moguls over much of the country’s economic and political apparatus. The president is fighting with Parliament over the prosecutor general, who critics say has done too little to tackle corruption.

“It’s absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe, to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption,” Mr. **BIDEN** said. “The people need to see that the ways of the past are permanently gone, they no longer exist. That means hard decisions.”

Mr. **BIDEN** made a point about fighting corruption with the way he began his visit to Kiev: by meeting with what his office called a “reformers’ round table” of government officials, lawmakers and advocacy group leaders. After his meeting with Mr. Poroshenko, Mr. **BIDEN** met with Prime Minister Arseniy P. Yatsenyuk, who has been at odds with the president over a host of issues.

“Vice President **BIDEN’S** most important challenge in Ukraine is to keep the president and prime minister on a common, unequivocal path of reform that shows Ukraine is helping itself and merits the world’s support,” said

Carlos Pascual, a former American ambassador to Ukraine. "With Russia recapturing a leadership role in the Middle East, Ukraine cannot give the world an excuse to forget Ukraine."

Mr. **BIDEN** will make some of the same points when he addresses the Rada, or Ukrainian Parliament, on Tuesday, a rare platform for a foreign leader. If Ukraine is to prevail in its struggle with Russia, he plans to say, it must get its own house in order.

Before his meeting with Mr. Poroshenko on Monday, Mr. **BIDEN** visited a monument to people who were killed during the pro-Western demonstrations in Maidan Square that led to the ouster of President Viktor F. Yanukovich. Mr. **BIDEN** tried to visit the monument last year, but had to cancel at the last minute when an unruly group of protesters unnerved his security detail.

Somber-faced and coatless on a brisk day, Mr. **BIDEN** viewed a display of about 100 photographs of slain protesters, along with candles, bouquets of flowers and banners with tributes to the victims.

"Imagine what it was like," Geoffrey Pyatt, the American ambassador, could be heard telling Mr. **BIDEN**. He pointed to surrounding buildings. "Snipers up on the buildings there."

Mr. **BIDEN** left a commemorative vice-presidential coin at the base of an elaborately carved wooden cross at the monument.

The conflict in eastern Ukraine has fallen into a kind of stasis, with Russian-backed separatist rebels still in control of sizable areas but significantly less violence than before the Minsk agreement.

By several accounts, the Kremlin has reined in the separatists, but has not done anything to return the restive region to government control. Nor has it shown any sign of relaxing its grip on the Crimean peninsula, which it annexed early last year. The peninsula has had no electricity for two weeks after explosions in southern Ukraine knocked out a transmission line.

Despite efforts by President François Hollande of France to enlist Russia in the international coalition fighting the Islamic State in Syria, the European Union appears likely to renew sanctions against Russia next week over Moscow's actions in Ukraine.

According to Stratfor, a private analysis group, "As things stand now, the two sides are moving further apart, and the Russia-West standoff is likely to endure well into 2016."

Bloomberg

BIDEN says 'Illegal' Russian Occupation of Crimea Must End

By: Margaret Talev / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** called Russia's annexation of Crimea "illegal" in a demonstration of solidarity with Ukraine's government that signaled the U.S. won't bargain away its support for the country to win Russian cooperation in the fight against Islamic State in Syria.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued -- and I emphasize continued -- aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said in Kiev on Monday, following a meeting with Ukrainian president Petro Poroshenko.

BIDEN announced \$190 million in new aid for Ukraine contingent on the government continuing to make progress rooting out corruption. That brings direct U.S. assistance to nearly \$760 million since the formation of a new government in 2014, including more than \$260 million for security. The latest funds is for helping law enforcement fight corruption, reforming the justice sector, and streamlining regulations and privatization of state-owned enterprises, **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN'S two-day visit to Ukraine is intended to deliver reassurance that the U.S. won't budge in its commitment to Ukraine at a time when attention has shifted to Syria and fighting the Islamic State. That includes keeping in place sanctions on Russia to pressure President Vladimir Putin's government to fully implement the Minsk agreements that outline a path to end nearly two years of conflict.

Minsk Accords

The separatists, Ukraine and Russia must continue to respect a cease-fire signed earlier this year in Minsk, Belarus, **BIDEN** said. "Both sides need to hold up that bargain," he said, echoing the position of U.S. allies in Europe.

“The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten” what happened, **BIDEN** said, calling Russia’s move to annex Crimea in 2014 an “illegal invasion” that “will not be accepted” by the U.S. or international community. “We will not accept it under any circumstance, and Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine’s sovereign territory” including Crimea.

Tensions rose recently after power lines to Crimea were cut by Ukrainian saboteurs. Russia and the U.S. remain at loggerheads over both Ukraine and Syria, where a Russian military intervention has complicated that country’s civil war.

Syria Conflict

Putin says his military is attacking Islamic State in Syria. The U.S. says Putin’s forces have targeted relatively few Islamic State-held areas, and instead is attempting to reinforce Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, a close ally, by bombing rebels backed by the U.S. and Persian Gulf states.

Poroshenko, through a translator, told reporters that he pledged to **BIDEN** that Ukraine is ready to provide “maximum support” to U.S.-led coalition forces in Syria, though he did not say what such support might entail.

“Ukraine is no stranger to terrorist threats,” he said. “We cannot be frightened by the terrorist threat.”

As Russia has turned its attention to Syria, Ukraine sees signs for hope and concern. While clashes between separatists and Ukrainian forces have eased since September, eastern Ukraine’s status remains unsettled. Insurgent tanks were spotted in Horlivka northeast of Donetsk, and rebels continued provocations with mortars, rifles, machine guns and grenade launchers, officials said Sunday.

Ukraine is seeking assurances from the U.S. and European Union that it will not become a bargaining chip in efforts to coordinate with Russia on attacking Islamic State targets.

BIDEN earlier Monday held a closed-door roundtable discussion on political and government reforms with about a dozen Ukrainian officials and members of civil society. He also visited the Heavenly Hundred memorial,

an unofficial memorial with a wooden cross and framed photos of those killed in the Maidan protests of February 2014.

"We are starting to see real signs of economic progress" in Ukraine, **BIDEN** said, including "stabilized" currency.

BIDEN is to meet with Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk later Monday. He will address Ukraine's parliament on Tuesday.

Wall Street Journal

Ukrainians See Conflict in BIDEN'S Anticorruption Message

By: Paul Sonne and Laura Mills / December 7, 2015

Joe **BIDEN** is on his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president, pressing the pro-Western government to root out widespread corruption, but activists here say that message is being undermined as his son receives money from a former Ukrainian official who is being investigated for graft.

Since May of last year, Hunter **BIDEN**, the vice president's son, has served as an independent director of Ukrainian gas firm Burisma Holdings Ltd., a closely held company run by a former government official whom Ukrainian and British authorities are investigating for alleged criminal wrongdoing.

Mykola Zlochevsky, who served as ecology and natural resources minister under the Ukrainian government that was ousted in last year's pro-Western uprising, hasn't been charged and denies wrongdoing.

Mr. **BIDEN'S** visit to Ukraine this week, which will include a formal address to Parliament on Tuesday, comes against the backdrop of increasing exasperation over corruption that has persisted in the two years since the country's pro-Western uprising and the general prosecutor's office tasked with prosecuting such wrongdoing has come under fire for inaction.

The vice president's office defended Hunter **BIDEN'S** right to serve on the board of Burisma.

"Hunter **BIDEN** is a private citizen and a lawyer. The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company," said Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Mr. **BIDEN**.

Hunter **BIDEN** said his work with Burisma aligns with his father's anticorruption message. A spokesman for the younger Mr. **BIDEN** said he joined the board "to strengthen corporate governance and transparency at a company working to advance energy security for Ukraine...These are also goals of the United States."

But some anticorruption campaigners here worry the link with Mr. **BIDEN** may protect Mr. Zlochevsky from being prosecuted in Ukraine. The general prosecutor didn't respond to multiple requests for comment on the investigation into Mr. Zlochevsky.

"If an investigator sees the son of the vice president of the United States is part of the management of a company...that investigator will be uncomfortable pushing the case forward," said Daria Kaleniuk, head of Ukraine's Anti-Corruption Action Center.

Hunter **BIDEN** has been working on geothermal energy initiatives that Burisma is pursuing and carrying out customary board member duties including company oversight.

"The situation raises a question mark about integrity," said Viktoriya Voytsitska, a member of Parliament and former employee of a rival gas company to Mr. Zlochevsky's. "There should be integrity at all levels, irrespective of whether these are of a public or private level."

Mr. Zlochevsky is under investigation in the U.K. on suspicion of money laundering, according to British authorities. He is also under investigation in a Ukrainian unlawful-enrichment probe and a separate Ukrainian into alleged abuse of power, forgery and embezzlement, according to letters from the general prosecutor reviewed by The Wall Street Journal.

"Mr. Zlochevsky has followed the letter and spirit of the law in his role as civil servant," Burisma said. "He has, at all times, held himself to the highest moral and ethical standards of fairness and decision making."

The firm said investigators hadn't produced any evidence of misconduct. Anticorruption campaigners and Ukrainian lawmakers have criticized the general prosecutor's office for lack of progress in the investigation against Mr. Zlochevsky and others involving high-profile former officials, some two years after the uprising on Maidan that promised an end to Ukraine's widespread corruption.

In March 2014, BNP Paribas reported Mr. Zlochevsky to U.K. authorities on suspicion of money laundering after his companies tried to move \$23 million to Cyprus from their British account at the bank, according to court documents.

A judge in the U.K. unfroze the \$23 million in January and chastised the U.K. Serious Fraud Office for holding the funds for months in their money-laundering probe without presenting sufficient evidence of a suspected crime. Burisma hailed the ruling as confirmation that Mr. Zlochevsky's assets were legally acquired.

The U.K. authorities are still pursuing the investigation.

U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine Geoffrey Pyatt singled out the mismanagement of Mr. Zlochevsky's case by Ukrainian prosecutors as an example of the country's failure to hold to account officials from the ousted government suspected of corruption. Mr. Pyatt suggested the court unfroze the money not because of Mr. Zlochevsky's innocence, but rather because of the incompetence of Ukrainian authorities.

Behind the relationship between Mr. Zlochevsky and Hunter **BIDEN** is an effort to anchor the future of a controversial Ukrainian company amid shifting political and economic tides, according to people familiar with the company's thinking.

In his political career, Mr. Zlochevsky allied with Moscow-leaning factions in Ukrainian politics, only to re-emerge after last year's uprising with high-profile Westerners on his company's board. Burisma now promotes its business as an antidote to Ukraine's reliance on the Kremlin for energy.

Twice, Mr. Zlochevsky served in top Ukrainian government positions that oversaw the allocation of gas licenses—first under President Leonid Kuchma from 2003 to 2005, as chairman of the since-disbanded State Committee for Natural Resources, and later under President Viktor Yanukovich from 2010 to 2012, as Ecology and Natural Resources Minister.

All the while, companies now part of Burisma rose to become the largest private gas producer in Ukraine. A review of Mr. Zlochevsky's activities by The Wall Street Journal found his oil and gas production businesses flourished by winning crucial permits while he was in office.

Ukrainian records indicate that Burisma's main subsidiaries—Esko-Pivnich and Pari—received all their exploration permits for fresh fields during his two stints in the top posts, excluding extensions on existing fields. Those exploration licenses were awarded without public auctions, according to a review of the records and an official at the State Geological and Mineral Resources Service of Ukraine.

In many cases, the companies made use of a provision in Ukrainian rules, known as an “integral property complex,” which allowed the firms to receive a license to gas fields without auction if they already owned or rented some type of asset on the field, as simple as a pipe network or dwelling. Burisma says all its permits were issued in accordance with Ukrainian law.

Apart from Burisma, other companies connected to Mr. Zlochevsky also received licenses during his time in office. In 2004, Mr. Zlochevsky's committee revoked a Ukrainian state firm's license to one of Ukraine's biggest gas fields, crippling a Polish-Ukrainian joint venture that had been harvesting deposits. It then awarded the license to a little known firm called Ukrnaftoburinnya, which counted companies tied to Mr. Zlochevsky among its beneficiaries, according to Ukrainian public records and its former CEO. Those firms later sold out. Burisma said there was no conflict of interest.

The Ukrainian constitution prohibits ministers from combining public service duties with any work except for teaching, research or creative activities. Four people, however, said they met Mr. Zlochevsky to discuss Burisma investments while he was minister. Two said he sometimes conducted the business-related meetings in his office at the ministry itself.

Since Ukraine's uprising, anticorruption crusaders and officials have regularly pointed to Mr. Zlochevsky as an example of Yanukovich-era excess.

DW

Joe BIDEN likely to bring harsh criticism to Ukraine

By: Frank Hofmann / December 6, 2015

It took over a year and a half for Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko to even begin implementing his most important campaign promise: On December 1, a new head of the anti-corruption prosecution agency was finally appointed, and now the office is ready to start working. US officials think this took far too long, and they are losing patience with Ukraine's government, especially since Prosecutor General Viktor Shokin, a Poroshenko confidant, has delayed filling the anti-corruption position. In September of this year, Geoffrey Pyatt, the US ambassador to Kyiv, took an unusual step. He tweeted - albeit in a convoluted, diplomatic manner - his demand for Shokin's dismissal.

But Poroshenko is holding on to Shokin, a man who has been accused of leading an extremely corrupt state apparatus. After Euromaidan, the judiciary holds great emotional significance for Ukrainians. Almost 100 people were killed in the revolt two years ago.

"The entire Prosecutor General's Office must urgently be reformed," a high-ranking US official demanded ahead of Joe **BIDEN'S** visit to Kyiv, where the US vice president is scheduled to start holding meetings on Monday. Ukraine has a "long history of corruption," the official said, requesting anonymity to speak candidly. **BIDEN'S** schedule for the visit reflects how low respect for Ukraine's leadership has sunk in the United States: The vice president will speak with representatives of pro-EU civil society groups before holding talks with politicians.

BIDEN will put pressure on the Ukrainian government, the US official said, and "the recently adopted anti-corruption reforms will be implemented." The vice president will probably urge Ukraine's government to force Shokin to resign. Diplomats in Kyiv are becoming increasingly distraught with regard to the placatory attitude of Ukrainian leaders.

It seems questionable that the required judicial reform will be swiftly implemented. Poroshenko's people are being advised by the European Council in Strasbourg - an institution that is not known for quick reforms. Behind the scenes, a Japanese diplomat insisted that the entire Ukrainian judiciary be thrown out. In the past, judges often acted as trustees, representing the interests of oligarchs. Japanese officials suggest that the Ukrainian government dismiss all its jurists and then start a "recruitment campaign" to put "judges with integrity" in office. This has already worked

for Ukraine's new traffic police, for which Japan has donated about 1,300 cars. Since summer, the hybrid vehicles have zipped around Kyiv, blue lights flashing to give a sense of security. Above all, these actions are meant to say, "We are doing something." Now it turns out that the police patrols just showcase a proclaimed change in politics, but, behind the display, many moldy structures prevail.

This also applies to political structures. It is striking how intricately entangled they are with Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk's milieu. That is why Yatsenyuk confidant Mykola Martynenko remains chairman of the energy committee in Ukraine's unicameral parliament, or Rada, although Switzerland has been directing investigations into him for at least half a year. Martynenko is suspected of transferring bribes worth millions to a Swiss account. It is doubtful that the Ukrainian prosecutor general has provided the Swiss with satisfactory support.

Conflict with Russia as an excuse?

The accused just shrug the allegations off. In other European countries, officials would break out in a cold sweat just thinking about the consequences, but German bank managers in Kyiv say Ukrainians cynically sneer at the idea of "honorable gentlemen." Martynenko himself speaks of a Russian conspiracy against him. Last Monday he stated that he would resign from parliament, but his departure has not been voted on yet.

All in all, many Ukrainian leaders use the conflict with Russia as an excuse for their failure to act. Instead of building democratic structures, the country seems to be stabilizing the old system of oligarchy, cronyism and corruption. Russian President Vladimir Putin has thus achieved his goal of halting Ukraine's establishing stronger bonds with the United States and EU. The excesses of the judiciary are reminiscent of the situation in Russia, where prosecutors are involved in shady dealings and act arbitrarily.

Ukrainian authorities are also known for violations of freedom of speech, another similarity the country has with Russia. The critical blogger Ruslan Kozaba has been in custody since February. His crime: He spoke out against the civil war in eastern Ukraine.

Apparently, the blogger was reported to authorities by a volunteer who works for the Security Service of Ukraine. The 31,000-employee SBU appears to serve as the third element in the justice system and is also traditionally a tool of oligarchic interests. But US officials say the days of standing by and watching are over: The grace period has apparently come to an end.

Wall Street Journal

Joe BIDEN'S Mission in Ukraine

By: Stephen Sestanovich / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine for two days of meetings and a speech to parliament. Such visits typically combine warm reassurance with hair-on-fire exhortation: "We've got your back," plus "You've got to do more." That will doubtless be Mr. **BIDEN'S** script this week. But there's nothing pro forma about the message. Although Ukraine has long since lost its page-one prominence, its situation—economic, political, and strategic—remains dire. It could be back on the front page in a hurry.

So what does the vice president need to say in Kiev? The crisis of the moment involves a political impasse over the budget. Finance Minister Natalie Jaresko, a tough reformer, has presented a tax package that would clean up a corrupt code, embrace a 20% flat tax, narrow the deficit, and sustain support from the International Monetary Fund. George Soros has endorsed it, but key parliamentary leaders have not. They've proposed an alternative (reformers call it "populist") that will cut rates, explode the deficit, and kiss IMF money good-bye.

U.S. leaders hate telling friendly countries that they have to accept the IMF's medicine, and Mr. **BIDEN** surely loathes this part of his assignment. What he needs to do in Kiev is make populism his friend. Yes, it's crucial to satisfy the IMF. (Who except Vladimir Putin wants Ukraine to stand alone?) But satisfying the Ukrainian people is equally important. The country's future depends on their support, far more than on the support of international financial institutions.

Fortunately, the two can still be reconciled. Part of Mr. **BIDEN'S** job in Ukraine this week is to avoid letting himself become the IMF's enforcer. He needs to give Ms. Jaresko's plan a boost and to make plain the U.S. government's view that her plan can succeed only if married to a vigorous assault on the corrupt and still unreformed institutions of pre-Maidan Ukraine. (As a senior member of the Kiev government growled to me not so long ago: "People need to go to jail.")

That's the you've-got-to-do-more half of Mr. **BIDEN'S** mission. As for the reassurance half, the vice president will tell Ukrainians—loudly and emphatically—that the United States and Europe will not sell them out in order to forge an anti-terrorism alliance with Russia. He shouldn't let himself be guilt-tripped on this issue or make concessions just to soothe nerves in Kiev. Still, the current lull in eastern Ukraine is a good moment to think about how to keep the peace whenever fighting threatens to resume. To prolong the lull, Ukraine needs a more capable and professional military. Now—not when new violence erupts somewhere down the line—is the time to think about security.

AFP

Joe BIDEN Visits War-Scarred Ukraine to Reaffirm US Support

By: Dmitry Zaks / December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** arrived in Kiev late Sunday to reassure its pro-Western leaders that Washington remains committed to Ukraine despite stepped-up efforts to work with Russia against Islamic State jihadists.

BIDEN'S three-day visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

After arriving at around midnight (2200 GMT on Sunday), he is due to meet Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko Monday and deliver a highly-anticipated address to parliament the following day.

"We do not know if there is any other historical precedent for a foreign official giving a speech like this," a senior US administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said in a teleconference with reporters.

Washington and Kiev's EU allies support Ukraine's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ousting of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Both the US and EU have slapped stiff economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's dilapidated and underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Situation changing

But the situation changed when Russia launched ferocious air strikes against Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's enemies on September 30.

Washington accused Putin of trying to prop up his most important Middle East ally by targeting Western-backed Syrian rebels instead of IS and other extremists holding parts of Syria and Iraq.

Yet IS's claim that it downed a Russian airliner carrying 224 holidaymakers and crew from Egypt on October 31 appears to have prompted Moscow to focus more on bombing oil infrastructure and other jihadist targets.

The November 13 Paris attacks further prompted French President Francois Hollande to try to enrol Russia in a "grand coalition" against IS including the US and some European and Arab states.

Hollande's mission has been treated with caution by the White House and overt fright by Ukraine, a country of about 40 million.

The senior US official said **BIDEN** would take extra care to stress that the overtures toward Putin in no way affected the West's support for Kiev.

"I think that is going to be a major theme of the trip -- that nothing that is going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the US official said.

Inability to erase corruption

Yet **BIDEN** arrives in a country whose morale is sagging due to Poroshenko's seeming inability to erase the corruption that has ravaged Ukraine for much of its recent history.

Poroshenko's prosecutor-general has particularly fallen prey to accusations of blocking investigations and hiring workers who have since been detained with huge stashes of gold and cash in their flats.

This, along with Kiev's failure to win back the east after 19 months of bloodshed that has claimed more than 8,000 lives, is souring the public's mood toward the government and helping the resurgence of Ukrainian far-right groups.

"Much more needs to be done to reform the prosecutor-general's office so that it actually enables anti-corruption efforts as opposed to standing in the way of those efforts," the US official said.

"So that will be I think something that is talked about."

Analysts say the main problem rests in the government's failure to break the hold big business has enjoyed over much of Ukrainian politics for more than 20 years.

"Ukraine has 1,833 state corporations that are a persistent source of corruption," said Anders Aslund of the US-based Atlantic Council.

"The government has failed to privatise one single enterprise because of deeply ingrained vested interests."

Poroshenko has taken credit for dismissing nearly 4,000 graft-tainted prosecutors. He also introduced a high-ranking official on Tuesday responsible for rooting out bribe-taking and at least partially limiting the sway of shadowy tycoons.

But some analysts remain unconvinced.

"The adoption of even the best and highest-profile decisions that 'suit **BIDEN**' only underscores the absence of a coherent strategy for reforming our country," Ukrainian political commentator Yevgen Magda said.

VICE News

Joe **BIDEN** is visiting Ukraine – and it could get really awkward

By: Simon Ostrovsky / December 7, 2015

It's a diplomat's job to stay all smiles and keep the business of international relations chugging along, no matter how bad things look. But sometimes, even diplomats lose their cool.

This week, US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is visiting Kiev to tell Ukrainians they still have Washington's support in their fight against Russia and Russia-backed separatists in the country's east. But his message may be overshadowed by the US ambassador to Kiev, who hasn't been acting very diplomatically lately.

At the end of September, Ambassador Geoffrey Pyatt got up in front of a group of businessmen and investors at a conference in the city of Odessa and told them that Ukrainian prosecutors were protecting the corrupt owner of an energy company that employs the **BIDEN'S** son, Hunter, instead of prosecuting him.

"We have learned that there have been times when the Prosecutor General's Office not only did not support investigations into corruption, but rather undermined prosecutors working on legitimate corruption cases," Pyatt said in Ukraine's main port city.

He then pointed specifically to a case involving former Ukrainian Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, owner of the Burisma Holdings energy firm, which hired Hunter **BIDEN** to its board of directors shortly after the Euromaidan revolution overthrew Zlochevsky's former boss Viktor Yanukovich.

Burisma likely hired **BIDEN'S** son in the hopes that some of the family prestige would rub off on the company in the uncertain times that followed the revolution, Daria Kaleniuk, director of Ukraine's Anti-Corruption Action Center, told VICE News.

"They want there to be less suspicion that they're involved in corrupt under-the-table dealings and are instead seen as operating in line with international standards," Kaleniuk said, adding that Burisma received gas

production licenses in questionable circumstances under the former regime.

Burisma insists it hired the vice president's son to its board because he is an experienced lawyer. "This is totally based on merit," the company's chairman, Alan Apter said when the younger **BIDEN** was hired.

According to the US ambassador, Hunter **BIDEN'S** boss Zlochevsky stole \$23 million from the Ukrainian people. But when a British court seized the money and asked Ukrainian prosecutors to send documents to confirm the funds were illicit, they stalled, forcing the court to release the assets back to the former ecology minister.

The elder **BIDEN** arrives in Ukraine at a time when there is no bigger issue than corruption. With the war in the east stabilized for the time being, the media have nominated graft as the country's number one enemy — not Russia.

The vice president also lands after months of acrimony between reformers and Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko over the prosecutor general, who Poroshenko has refused to dismiss despite numerous allegations about abuse of authority.

But the White House wants the focus of **BIDEN'S** visit to be Ukraine's close alliance with the US. One senior administration official, who asked not to be named, said a major goal was to remind people that Ukraine was not forgotten despite the fact that attention has shifted toward Russia's involvement in Syria.

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"That's going to be a major theme of the trip — that nothing that's going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the official said in a briefing for journalists.

The official also acknowledged that the administration has had to fall into line with the ambassador's now public views.

"The Office of the Prosecutor General itself is in desperate need of reform," the official said. "And so [**BIDEN**] has made this very clear to President Poroshenko in previous conversations... So I think we are largely in line with Ambassador Pyatt's sense that much more needs to be done."

But **BIDEN'S** meeting with Poroshenko may be a bit awkward, given that the US backs Ukraine on the presumption that it wants to have a Western-style democratic system with checks and balances — not a Russian-style autocracy where anyone who is friends with top officials gets a free pass.

Ukrainian reformers will be watching closely to hear what **BIDEN** tells the president.

"We have been very happy with the criticism the embassy has been bringing against the prosecutor's office," said Kaleniuk. "It has been very direct. So if **BIDEN** continues in the same vein and highlights the activities of the prosecutor's office in defending people associated with Burisma, then it will be clear that he is doing his job fairly and is not beholden to narrow family interests."

Voice of America

BIDEN to push for reforms during Ukraine visit December 6, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine for a visit aimed at pushing the Kyiv government toward continued reforms, while seeking to reassure it that war in Syria has not diminished Washington's support for Ukraine's pro-Western ambitions.

BIDEN arrived in Kyiv early Monday local time, and is set to meet with President Petro Poroshenko later in the day, before a highly anticipated address to the Ukraine parliament Tuesday.

During the two-day visit - **BIDEN'S** fifth since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in early 2014 - he is expected to review Ukraine's recent anti-corruption efforts, including tax reforms, ahead of formal U.S. approval of a third \$1 billion loan guarantee.

The Obama administration already has provided \$470 million in direct economic assistance since pro-Russian former president Viktor Yanukovich was driven from power nearly two years ago, after weeks of anti-government protests in Kyiv. The **BIDEN** visit comes as fighting in eastern Ukraine between government troops and pro-Russian rebels continues to wane, after more than 18 months of combat and nearly 8,000 deaths, most of them civilians.

Key U.S. officials say **BIDEN** will seek to reassure Kyiv that Washington will continue an array of economic sanctions against Russia, until Moscow and its Ukrainian rebel allies fully implement internationally mediated agreements to end the conflict and pull back heavy weapons.

Senior officials say **BIDEN** also will stress that recent U.S. overtures aimed at gaining cooperation from Russian President Vladimir Putin in the fight against Islamic extremists in Syria will in no way affect Western support for Kyiv.

President Poroshenko has overseen the dismissals of nearly 4,000 graft tainted prosecutors since taking office in May 2014. Last week, he also introduced a special anti-corruption prosecutor whose responsibilities will include rooting out graft and limiting the political power of shadowy business tycoons long seen as obstructing good government practices in the former Soviet republic.

AP

BIDEN announces more US aid for Ukraine December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** assured Ukraine Monday of continuing U.S. support and announced the release of an additional \$190 million in U.S. aid to help support reforms.

BIDEN, speaking Monday on a trip to the Ukrainian capital, also emphasized the need for Russia to fully meet its obligations under February's Minsk agreement that was intended to end the fighting in eastern Ukraine.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued — I emphasize, continued — aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said after his talks with Ukraine's President Petro Poroshenko.

Ukraine and the West have accused Russia of backing the rebels in eastern Ukraine with troops and weapons, accusations Moscow has denied.

Fighting between Ukrainian forces and Russia-backed separatists has abated significantly since early September, after killing some 8,000 people since April 2014, but tensions remain high because of unresolved questions about the final political status of the rebel regions in the east.

"Moscow has to fully implement the Minsk agreement and work constructively with Ukraine to create the conditions for free, fair and safe local elections to occur in Donbass," **BIDEN** said, referring to the collective name for the two rebel regions.

BIDEN also underlined that the U.S. will never accept Russia's annexation of Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula. "Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine's sovereign territory," he said.

BIDEN stressed the need for Ukraine to ramp up the fight against corruption and undertake critical reforms.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption," he said.

BIDEN added that the additional roughly \$190 million in U.S. assistance will help fight corruption in Ukraine's law-enforcement and reform the justice sector, helping attract more investment by streamlining regulations and privatizing state-owned enterprises in a transparent way.

Morning News USA

Joe BIDEN stirs World War 3 Analyst

By: Athena Yenka / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** traveled to Ukraine on Sunday. The visit aimed to provide a strong signal of American support for Ukraine in the face of Russia's continued military intervention in the region, according to a senior administration official. The move, however, signals that U.S. is geared up for a possible World War 3 against Russia, according to an analyst.

"He (**BIDEN**) is there to kind of reassure the Kiev puppet ally government that the United States is standing behind them, ready for World War 3 against Russia," Joachim Hagopian, an investigative journalist, told Press TV.

A senior administration official said the primary aim of Vice President **BIDEN'S** visit to Ukraine is to assure a staunch U.S. support against Russia's provocative incursion in the region. "Even as so much of the international attention has shifted towards Russia's involvement with Syria, we, the United States, haven't forgotten about Ukraine; that Ukraine remains central to our national interests; and that the Vice President and President continue to believe that progress in Ukraine is essential for the ultimate aspiration we have for Europe of being whole, at peace, and free," the official said during a conference call.

A discussion will also be made about the implementation of the Minsk Agreements in order to deescalate hostilities between Russian-backed separatists and the Ukrainian government. Mr. **BIDEN** will call for Russia to live up to their obligations under the Minsk Agreements, the official said. He will also assure Ukraine that U.S. will keep its sanctions against Russia until Minsk is fully implemented. The U.S. will also continue to train the Ukrainian armed forces to defend the region from any aggression from Russia.

The U.S. will not intervene in the matters concerning Ukrainian debt to Russia, the official said. The Russian have offered a solution that requires an American, European or an IMF guarantee of repayment in installments. "This is a bilateral issue for Russia and Ukraine," the official said.

According to a report from Reuters, the Russian government has already received a direct refusal from the U.S. regarding the matter. "In this regard, there is nothing left but for us to file a legal case against Ukraine if the debtor does not fulfill its liabilities fully on Dec. 20," the Russian Finance Ministry was quoted as saying in a statement. The senior administration

official speaking on behalf of the vice president also stressed that while the U.S. has been in active conversation with Russia on Syria, the talks are completely compartmented from the Ukraine experience.

All U.S. moves and decision involving the Ukraine crisis is provoking Russia, Hagopian told Press TV. "I think that we are seeing polarization and a movement towards more confrontation, unfortunately, and I think that this **BIDEN** visit to Ukraine is the same as 'you know we are going to be there for you when World War 3 starts, we are going to be fighting right alongside you,'" Hagopian added.

International Business Times

US Pledges \$190M Financial Support to Ukraine, Must Fight Corruption, Says VP Joe BIDEN

By: Lydia Tomkiw / December 7, 2015

During U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN'S** fourth visit to Ukraine Monday since the Russian annexation of Crimea, he announced the U.S. will provide the financially battered Eastern European country with \$190 million in financial assistance, Reuters reported. The announcement comes as Ukraine works to reform its political and economic systems and continues a territorial battle with Russia.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN reassured the Ukrainian people that the U.S. has not forgotten about Russia's annexation of Crimea in March 2014 that triggered the war in Eastern Ukraine, which has pitted Russian-backed separatists against Ukrainian government forces and devastated Ukraine's industrial heartland. Over 8,000 people have died in the conflict and over 1.4 million have been displaced.

BIDEN said the U.S. would never accept Russia's annexation of the peninsula and emphasized that Russia must meet the demands agreed to

in the February Minsk agreement that officials from both Moscow and Kiev signed in hopes of ending the conflict.

The American leader stressed during his remarks that Ukraine must continue to fight corruption with civil society playing a key role. **BIDEN'S** own son, Hunter, is on the board of a Ukrainian energy company that has faced allegations of corruption.

BIDEN'S remarks come as Ukraine works with the International Monetary Fund to bail out its economy. Ukraine was able to negotiate a 20 percent write-down on \$18 billion worth of bonds in August. Russia holds \$3 billion worth of bonds and has refused to take part in the write-down. The bonds are due Dec. 20 and Russia has said it will sue Ukraine if payments are not made.

"We have no choice but to file a lawsuit against Ukraine in case of the borrower's non-fulfillment of its obligations in full by Dec. 20 of this year, which will mean a sovereign default in Ukraine," Russia's Finance Ministry said in a statement.

BIDEN is scheduled to address the Ukrainian parliament Tuesday.

Reuters

Ukraine still has work to do on reforms, U.S. VP BIDEN says

By: Alessandra Prentice / December 7, 2015

U.S Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said on Monday Ukraine still had a lot of hard work to do on reforms, as he announced new financial aid of \$190 million to help the country fight corruption and streamline its bureaucracy.

Ukraine's Western backers have repeatedly urged Kiev authorities to stick to reform promises made under a \$40 billion international bailout programme aimed at shoring up the country's war-torn economy, which was brought close to bankruptcy by years of corruption and economic mismanagement.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to

determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** told a joint briefing with President Petro Poroshenko following bilateral talks.

Disagreement between the government and parliament over critical tax amendments and slow progress in revamping Ukraine's corrupt judicial system have raised concern that the country's leadership will stumble in its reform drive.

"A lot of hard work remains, including reform of Ukraine's law and justice sectors, but the payoff will be worth it," **BIDEN** said, even as he welcomed "real signs" of economic improvement.

Including the latest funds, the U.S. government has given Kiev \$760 million in direct economic assistance and signed two loan guarantees, each worth \$1 billion, since pro-Western parties took office in Ukraine more than a year ago.

Ukraine has also sought to bolster its finances through restructuring its external debt. Russia holds the entirety of one Ukrainian \$3 billion Eurobond and has refused the deal offered by Kiev, putting forward instead its own terms in a proposal that expires on Tuesday.

There is no sign that the two sides have moved closer to a compromise on the bond, which matures on Dec. 20. The Ukrainian Finance Ministry has said it cannot legally offer Russia better terms than those agreed with its other creditors.

The International Monetary Fund is expected to change its policy to allow it to lend to countries in arrears, maintaining Ukraine's access to financial assistance if it does not repay Russia this month.

Both sides have expressed a willingness to fight out the issue in court, should efforts to negotiate a deal fail.

RFI English

BIDEN visits Kiev to calm Ukrainian fears over Russia relations thaw

By: Jan van der Made / December 7, 2015

US Vice-President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine this week for the fourth time since protests ousted the pro-Russian government at the beginning of 2013. **BIDEN** met Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko on Sunday and was to address parliament on Tuesday.

BIDEN'S Ukraine visit comes as the West seems readier to cooperate with Russia in Syria - a thaw in relations with Kiev's current arch-enemy.

One of the reasons, if not the main reason, that **BIDEN** is there is to address Ukrainians' concerns in that respect.

"This is very important for us, he is giving messages from our foreign alliances and we can see the Americans and the Europeans as our allies in our fight against Russia and we are really grateful for this support, which shows that we are on the right track." says Alexei Ryabchin, a member of parliament for Yulia Tymoshenko's Fatherland Party who met **BIDEN** on Monday morning.

"It signifies the importance that Ukraine carries at the moment for the US," says Lilith Gevorgian, senior economist with IHS Global Insight. "It also signifies the continuing US support for Ukraine and perhaps in some ways it is a gesture to address those concerns Ukrainians may have over the recent thaw between Russia and the West over Syria."

Many Ukrainians fear that their conflict with Russia may be overshadowed by the eagerness of Nato members, especially France, to build an alliance against the Islamic State armed group (IS) in which Russia is an important player, she explains.?

BIDEN seems to have answered Ukrainian concerns, for now at least.

"Of course Ukraine is concerned with this," says Ryabchin, just back from Paris where he attended the Cop21 climate change negotiations.

There "high French officials gave guarantees that the Syrian question is one thing and Ukraine is another", he says. "It won't be mixed."

"And now I heard from Vice-President Joe **BIDEN**, who could speak on behalf of the presidential administration, that Syria is one thing and Ukraine is another and they will not mix these two things together."

Another point of discussion may be Ukraine's debt to Russia and a looming default that could take place as early as this month.

Russia provided Ukraine with three-billion-dollars-worth of credit in 2013, when the country was still ruled by the Moscow-backed government of Victor Yanukovich. The payback is due on 20 December.

"Obviously Ukraine does not have the means to repay this," says Peter Hablik, an economist with the Vienna Institute of International Economic Relations. "Russia insists on getting this money back, otherwise Ukraine would default. And Russia has proposed that for instance the US or the EU would provide guarantees for this credit and in that case Russia would be willing to restructure."

Meanwhile, Nato members are not unanimous in their attitude to Russia. Poland calls for more Nato troops on its territory and cutting ties with Russia, while the Germans last week said they want to push their allies to reopen high level contacts with Russia.

Ukraine is trying to defend its perceived interests in the shifting sands of Moscow-Nato relations.

"The task of the Ukrainian state is to build up capacity of governing our army, of organising our army according to the best Nato standards," says Ryabchyn.

"It does not mean that we are applying for membership right now. No, it means that we now need to build an army that is able to defend the country. The army has been destroyed during 15 years of a pro-Russian government. We restored it within one year. And now we need to train it to the best Nato standards. So this is where we see Nato helping us."

But membership of Nato is still a far-away dream.

"Ukraine has thrown away the previous policy of neutrality in terms of military alliances," says Gevorgian. "In the past Ukraine had declared it didn't want to pursue any military alliance with Russia or Nato. However, after the last crisis, the Crimean crisis and the one in eastern Ukraine, there is an overwhelming support now for pursuing Atlantic integration, including on a military level."

But Ukraine and Georgia, which is also pursuing Nato membership, may have to go through years of reforms before being accepted by the military alliance, which is not going to solve their immediate military problems with Russia, she says.

ABC Radio

BIDEN to ease concerns over US support in Ukraine

December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** received a warm welcome upon his arrival in Kiev, Ukraine, Monday. The vice president was met with the traditional Ukrainian offering of bread and salt on the first visit to Ukraine by a senior U.S. official for some time.

During the two-day visit, **BIDEN** will hopefully reassure Ukrainians that the U.S. is not losing interest in supporting Ukraine.

BIDEN is set to meet with President Petro Poroshenko to discuss further U.S. aid and the conflict with Russia there, which has calmed recently. Officials have also said that **BIDEN** will press the Ukrainian government on economic reforms and anti-corruption efforts that the White House says aren't moving fast enough.

AFP

Russia must fulfill Ukraine peace deal, hand back Crimea: BIDEN

December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said during a visit to Kiev on Monday that Washington remained committed to its demands for Russia to adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev.

The broad February deal struck in the Belarussian capital Minsk "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitments," **BIDEN** said after talks in the Ukrainian capital with President Petro Poroshenko.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia's troops overran Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

Washington and the European Union support Kiev's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Fighting has eased somewhat since the warring sides signed a new truce on September 1. But Ukrainian soldiers and civilians still die almost daily by stepping on landmines and getting caught in the occasional combat that breaks out across the war zone.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, I emphasize, continued aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN also took the opportunity to urge Ukrainian authorities to do more to tackle the rampant graft that has plagued the country for much of its recent history, amid growing discontent among Ukrainians over Poroshenko's seeming inability to end the scourge.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine... to root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** stressed.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you."

Poroshenko for his part told **BIDEN** that the 19-month war in which more than 8,000 have died "cannot be used as an excuse for failing to conduct reforms."

"We are grateful to Washington for its support of Ukraine," the pro-Western president said.

Ukraine Today

US expects Ukraine to make significant steps to eradicate corruption – BIDEN

December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has urged the Ukrainian people and authorities to unite in the fight against corruption, which currently prevents development in the country.

"All Ukrainians, state officials and the business community must work together to eradicate corruption, which has held back the progress in Ukraine for too long. Ukrainians cannot stand corruption any longer. Their expectations are very high," Joe **BIDEN** said during a joint press conference with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko in Kyiv on Monday, December 7, according to Interfax-Ukraine news agency

BIDEN stressed that the desire to fight corruption also led to the anti-government and pro-European protests that took place in Kyiv two years ago in Kyiv.

"It is important to root out corruption to secure the prosperity of Ukraine and ensure the country becomes part of the safe Europe", he said.

BIDEN also said the United States expects Russia to fully implement the Minsk agreements.

"We believe that the best way to end the conflict in the Donbass is through diplomatic methods set out in the Minsk Agreement. But both parties must fulfil their obligations. The Minsk Agreement will not be successful if Russia does not fulfil its obligations, if President Putin did not fulfil the promises he repeatedly gave to US President Obama, to you (President Poroshenko) and the international community ", Interfax-Ukraine quoted **BIDEN** as saying.

Sputnik

With this team? BIDEN urges Anti-Corruption, Economic reforms in

Ukraine

December 7, 2015

“The Vice President [**BIDEN**] and other participants spoke about the importance of anti-corruption, governance, and economic reforms,” the press release said.

BIDEN arrived to Kiev on Monday and held talks with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko. The vice president is also expected to address the Rada on Tuesday.

Earlier in the day, the US vice president announced a new round of financial assistance to Kiev amounting to \$190 million.

The United States has been assisting Ukraine with economic and military aid following the 2014 political crisis and Crimea’s referendum to reunite with Russia.

Washington has already provided Kiev with more than \$266 million in military equipment and training, while the International Monetary Fund (IMF) has pledged to give Kiev some \$17 billion in loans over a two-year period.

POLITICO

BIDEN gives Ukraine ‘one more chance’ to reform

By: Paul Dallison / December 7, 2015

The United States pledged an extra \$190 million in aid to Ukraine Monday, but Vice President Joe **BIDEN** warned that Kiev has just “one more chance” to root out corruption or lose the funding.

BIDEN held talks with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, pledging support for Ukraine in the face of Russian aggression and urging the country’s leaders to continue on the path to reform. “The Ukrainian people cannot once again have their hopes dashed based on corruption,” **BIDEN** said.

“One more chance. It’s absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption. The people need to see that the ways of the past are permanently gone, they no longer exist. That means hard decisions. That means ramping up the pace of reforms, avoidance of past practices, advancing good governance, increasing transparency across the board at every level of the government and strengthening the rule of law. It means everybody playing by the same rules, from the folks at the bottom to the folks at the very top.”

The \$190 million in funding brings the total American assistance in recent years to \$760 million. **BIDEN** made it clear that the U.S. “stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued – and I emphasize continued – aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists.”

“We continue to believe that the best way to end the conflict in Donbas is through a diplomatic framework that was laid out in the Minsk agreement. But both sides need to hold up that bargain. Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community.”

He added: “The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten that the illegal invasion — and it’s an invasion — by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or the international community.”

Poroshenko said that there had been a reduction in the violence in the east of the country, but “unfortunately the war is still raging.” He added that the government has made progress in reforms, including the selection of an anti-corruption prosecutor.

CNN

BIDEN says Crimea part of Ukraine, not Russia
December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in the capital of Ukraine. During his two-day visit, the vice president is expected to review anti-corruption efforts in Ukraine ahead of U.S. economic assistance to the country.

He also will meet with Ukraine's president and address the country's parliament. **BIDEN** will get an update on clashes between government troops and pro-Russian forces in eastern Ukraine.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, and I emphasize continued, aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said on Monday. "And we continue to believe that the best way to end the conflict in Donbass is through a diplomatic framework that was laid out in the Minsk Agreement. But both sides, both sides, need to hold up that bargain. Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and (Russian) President (Vladimir) Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community."

More than 7,500 people have died in the fighting in eastern Ukraine between national forces and Russian-backed separatists. **BIDEN** also reiterated the U.S. view that Crimea is a part of Ukraine, not Russia.

"The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten that the illegal invasion, and it's an invasion, by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or the international community," **BIDEN** added. "This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong and we will not accept it under any circumstance. And Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine's sovereign territory. Crimea is still sovereign territory of Ukraine."

Bloomberg

BIDEN Warns Ukraine That Corruption Imperils Its Democracy

By: Margaret Talev / December 8, 2015

Ukraine must root out corruption and impose the rule of law or risk graft becoming the "death knell" of the eastern European nation's democracy, according to U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN**.

BIDEN, visiting Kiev for the fourth time in two years, warned against repeating the broken reform promises of the 2004 Orange Revolution, which failed to curb the clout of the businessmen that control Ukraine's biggest companies and influence politics. The government must complete economic overhauls under a \$17.5 billion bailout from the International Monetary Fund, he said.

"Oligarchs and non-oligarchs must play by the same rules," **BIDEN** told lawmakers Tuesday in the Ukrainian capital before a vote this month on the 2016 budget. Fighting corruption is one of Ukraine's "national security interests."

Ukraine, jolted by a war in its easternmost regions and 1 1/2 years of recession, has faced criticism over delays in reforms needed to sustain the flow of financial aid from allies including the U.S and the European Union. Anger at corruption fueled the Orange Revolution and an uprising that unseated pro-Russian leader Viktor Yanukovich in 2014. Ukraine ranks 142nd-lowest of 175 nations in Berlin-based Transparency's latest graft-perceptions survey.

'Moving Forward'

BIDEN said the U.S. will continue support "if you keep moving forward on corruption." The U.S. has provided guarantees for \$2 billion of bond sales by Ukraine's government, helping to stabilize the hryvnia, which has lost almost a third of its value against the dollar this year. Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew said last month that a third \$1 billion guarantee is planned in the coming months if Ukraine's maintains reforms and adheres to the IMF program.

BIDEN also addressed the Minsk peace accord that's stemmed violence in Ukraine's eastern conflict zone since it was signed in February in Belarus. Ukraine should fulfill its obligations under the pact, including granting decentralization and amnesty to Russia-backed separatists in the Donetsk and Luhansk regions, he said.

Russia must deliver on its promises and put pressure on the insurgents to allow local elections to be held under Ukrainian law, according to **BIDEN**, who said sanctions won't be lifted unless Russia meets its commitments.

POLITICO

Joe BIDEN: Corruption eating Ukraine 'like a cancer'

By: Vince Chadwick / December 8, 2015

"Corruption eats Ukraine like cancer," U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** told that country's parliament Tuesday.

Addressing the Verkhovna Rada in Kiev, **BIDEN** said Ukraine needed to do more to fight corruption, or else risk losing international support.

The U.S. pledged \$190 million in extra aid to Ukraine Monday, but **BIDEN** warned it had only "one more chance" to stop corruption.

He had a message for Moscow in his address Tuesday as well, saying sanctions against Moscow would not be lifted until it ended its "aggression" against Ukraine.

"Despite some de-escalation in violence, there can be no sanctions relief unless and until Russia meets all of its commitments under the (February) Minsk agreements," he said, adding that the U.S. would never recognize Russia's annexation of Crimea.

New York Times

Joe BIDEN Urges Lawmakers in Ukraine to Fulfill Promise of Uprising

By: Peter Baker / December 8, 2015

Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. urged Ukrainian leaders on Tuesday to curb the power of the business moguls dominating society and to fulfill the promise of the popular revolution that pushed out a pro-Moscow government last year.

Addressing the Ukrainian Parliament, Mr. **BIDEN** sternly lectured lawmakers to put aside their own self-interests and to transform this former Soviet republic into a model of democratic change.

Citing the failure of the Orange Revolution of 2004 to deliver enduring change, the vice president urged Ukrainians not to let this opportunity slip by as well.

“This is your moment,” he told them. “This is your responsibility. Each of you, if you’ll forgive me for speaking to you this way in your body, each of you has an obligation to seize the opportunity that the sacrifices made in the Maidan, the sacrifices of the Heavenly Hundred. Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time.”

By invoking the memory of the roughly 100 protesters killed during protests in Maidan Square last year, Mr. **BIDEN** hoped to infuse today’s legislative battles with the moral imperative of the uprising, which led to a pro-Western government. Many in Ukraine worry that the new leaders have become so paralyzed by their own power struggles that they will squander the chance for change.

For Mr. **BIDEN**, who has made it his mission to nurse Ukraine through its transition, it was a classic performance from the lectern in the grand chamber of the Parliament, known here as the Rada. At times, he shouted at the lawmakers, gesturing sharply. At other points, he practically whispered. At still other moments, he wagged his finger.

Citing John Adams, Thomas Paine, Edmund Burke and Daniel Webster, Mr. **BIDEN** talked about the United States’ own struggles to build democracy. He also cited a quotation from an American politician he did not identify: “In your heart, you know it’s right,” he said. (The phrase is actually a variation of the slogan in an ad made for the Republican presidential candidate Barry Goldwater in 1964.)

But it was not clear whether Mr. **BIDEN’S** message really got through. Lawmakers, many listening to an interpreter through earphones, sat silently during the long lecture on corruption and applauded only when Mr. **BIDEN** assailed Russia for its intervention in Ukraine. The one standing ovation they gave Mr. **BIDEN** came when he said that Russia had infringed on Ukrainian sovereignty and that the United States would never recognize the annexation of Crimea.

“Russia has violated these ground rules and continues to violate them,” he said. “Today, Russia’s occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia’s attempt to annex Crimea.”

He added that he would tell the world about Nadiya V. Savchenko, the Ukrainian helicopter pilot being held in Russia; her picture was displayed on a poster on the lectern from which Mr. **BIDEN** spoke, with the slogan, “Freedom for Nadiya Savchenko.”

And the vice president committed to keeping American sanctions on Russia until Moscow complies with a cease-fire brokered in Minsk, Belarus. “There can be no sanctions relief unless and until Moscow meets all, all of its commitments under Minsk,” Mr. **BIDEN** said.

But his main message to the Ukrainians was, in effect, to get their house in order. The day before, he had suggested that many in Europe were waiting for Ukraine to fail so that they would have an excuse not to continue confronting Russia.

Mr. **BIDEN** specifically called for an overhaul of the office of prosecutor general, change in the energy sector, transparency about official sources of income, disclosure of conflicts between government responsibilities and business and other measures.

“If you fail, the experiment fails,” he said. “It’s no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you.”

Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty

BIDEN says Western pressure, ‘cost’ to Moscow will rise if ‘agression’ persists

December 8, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has told Ukraine's parliament that Western pressure on Russia will increase if Moscow continues its "aggression" against Kyiv.

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said on December 8 in a rare appearance by a top Western official before the Ukrainian parliament.

"The U.S. will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfills its [peace deal] commitments," he said. "Despite some deescalation in violence, there can be no sanctions relief unless until Russia meets all of its commitments under the [February] Minsk agreements."

He also directly accused Moscow of sending troops to fight with pro-Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine and trying to hide that action from the Russian public and the world.

"I don't think the Russian people understand fully what Putin is doing. That's why he spends so much time hiding at home the presence of troops here in your country," he told the Ukrainian lawmakers.

BIDEN is in Kyiv on his fourth visit since Moscow annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in March 2014 and gave its backing to pro-Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine.

He told the parliament that "Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory" in Crimea and has violated international law by illegally seizing the Ukrainian peninsula.

BIDEN said "the United States will never recognize" Russia's annexation of Crimea and will continue to support Ukraine against Russian aggression.

The U.S. vice president also told the lawmakers that they have "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

"It is no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you, because so much rides on your fragile experiment with democracy succeeding," **BIDEN** said. "It is equally important, by the way, for aggressors around the world to understand they can't use coercion, bribery, sending tanks and men across the border to extinguish the dreams of a people." **BIDEN** said each lawmaker will be judged by future generations upon whether they put the greater good of all Ukrainian people over local interests that have divided the country.

He urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

BIDEN met with President Petro Poroshenko in Kyiv on December 7 and announced new financial aid of \$190 million to help Ukraine implement reforms.

He said after meeting Poroshenko that "Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations."

He also met on December 7 with some individual members of parliament and from civic society, as well as with Kyiv Mayor Vitaly Klitschko.

BIDEN arrived in the Ukrainian capital late on December 6.

The United States and European Union, along with Kyiv, accuse Russia of seizing Crimea and backing the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of Moscow-backed President Viktor Yanukovich following months of antigovernment protests.

The protests were fueled by anger over rampant corruption and Yanukovich's abandonment of negotiations toward an Association Agreement with the EU amid Russian pressure.

In response to Russia's actions, Washington and Brussels have placed economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Voice of America

BIDEN promises Ukraine continued US support on Conflict with Russia

December 8, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has assured Ukraine's lawmakers that the United States will never recognize "Russia's attempt to annex Crimea," drawing a standing ovation in the country's parliament.

"Today, Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia's attempt to annex Crimea," he told members of the Ukrainian Rada on Tuesday, just before concluding a two-day visit to Ukraine.

Speaking on conflict in eastern Ukraine, where Ukrainian troops have been locked in a battle with pro-Russia separatists for the past 20 months, he assured lawmakers of continued U.S. support, calling on Russia to comply with the Minsk cease-fire agreement designed to ease tensions over the conflict or face continued sanctions.

"There can be no sanctions relief unless and until Moscow meets all, all of its commitments under Minsk," **BIDEN** said. He also urged lawmakers to fight corruption, warning that the future of Ukraine is at stake.

"Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time," **BIDEN** told lawmakers.

The vice president also promised to tell the world the story of Nadiya Savchenko, a Ukrainian helicopter pilot being held in Russia.

\$190 million in new US aid

On Monday, **BIDEN** announced \$190 million in new U.S. aid to Ukraine.

BIDEN said Monday that the new aid will help the country implement reforms and fight corruption. During a joint briefing following bilateral talks with Ukraine's president, Petro Poroshenko, **BIDEN** said, "It's absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe, to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption."

"That means ramping up the pace of reforms, avoidance of past practices, advancing good governance, increasing transparency across the board at every level of the government and strengthening the rule of law," he added.

Poroshenko has overseen the dismissal of nearly 4,000 graft tainted prosecutors since taking office in May 2014. Last week, he also introduced a special anti-corruption prosecutor whose responsibilities will include rooting out graft and limiting the political power of shadowy business

tycoons long seen as obstructing good government practices in the former Soviet republic.

Minsk agreement

During their joint briefing Monday, **BIDEN** also said the U.S. "stands firmly with the people of Ukraine" in the face of "continued aggression" by Russia and Russia-backed separatists. He said the best way to end the conflict in eastern Ukraine is through the "diplomatic framework" laid out in an agreement signed in Minsk, Belarus by representatives of the Ukrainian and Russian governments, and the separatists.

"Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community," **BIDEN** said, adding that Russia is "systematically violating" the cease-fire agreed to in Minsk.

Despite the cease-fire, sporadic fighting between government troops and pro-Russian rebels continues in eastern Ukraine, after more than 18 months of combat and nearly 8,000 deaths, most of them civilians.

BIDEN'S two-day visit, his fourth since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in early 2014, came ahead of formal U.S. approval of a third \$1 billion bailout loan guarantee.

The Obama administration already has provided \$470 million in direct economic assistance since pro-Russian former president Viktor Yanukovich was driven from power nearly two years ago, after weeks of anti-government protests in Kyiv.

AP

BIDEN Warns Ukraine of Backsliding on Corruption **December 8, 2015**

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** on Tuesday warned Ukraine against backsliding in the fight against corruption.

In a speech at the Ukrainian Parliament, **BIDEN** said Ukraine should do more to fight corruption or it will lose international support.

BIDEN, who has been in Kiev since Sunday, previously assured Ukraine of U.S. support and announced the release of an additional \$190 million in U.S. aid to help conduct structural reforms.

Pro-Russian President Viktor Yanukovych fled the country in February 2014 following months of anti-government protests in Kiev, largely fueled by rampant corruption.

BIDEN urged Ukraine to carry out painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

"We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return," **BIDEN** said. "We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path."

BIDEN'S speech on Tuesday indicated the West's growing impatience with Ukraine's lack of progress in reforms.

Nearly two years after the February 2014 revolution ushered in a new government, Ukraine still has hardly embarked on judicial and police reforms.

President Petro Poroshenko has been criticized for not doing enough to fight oligarchs many of whom have remained powerful brokers and taken on roles of managing crucial eastern regions bordering on the separatist-controlled areas.

Press TV

US to step up pressure over Russia 'aggression': BIDEN
December 8, 2015

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said Tuesday in a rare address to the Ukrainian Parliament on the second day of his visit to Kiev.

"The US will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfills its Minsk commitments," he said.

The vice president also warned that there will be "no sanctions relief" if Russia does not fully implement the terms of the truce agreement signed in the Belarusian capital in February.

The deal introduced measures including a ceasefire, which officially went into effect on February 15, the pullout of heavy weapons from the conflict zones, and constitutional reforms in Ukraine by the end of the year.

US and European officials say Russia, and pro-Russia forces in eastern Ukraine, continue to violate the Minsk accord.

BIDEN'S address before the Ukrainian Parliament, the first of its kind by a high-ranking US official since 1991, flew in the face of Russia's assertion that it is the pro-Western government in Kiev that flouts the peace accord. The conflict in eastern Ukraine broke out last year following a referendum in the Black Sea peninsula of Crimea, in which people voted overwhelmingly for reunification with Russia. More than 8,000 people have died in the conflict.

"Russia has violated these ground rules and continues to violate them," **BIDEN** told Ukrainian lawmakers. "Today, Russia's occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia's attempt to annex Crimea."

Washington has imposed tough economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and helped train and equip Ukraine's army to combat pro-Russia forces in eastern regions of the country.

In his address, **BIDEN** also urged Ukrainian lawmakers to put aside their self-interests and work to transform their country into a model of democratic change.

On Monday, the vice president announced \$190 million in new US aid to Ukraine. He said the new aid package will help Ukraine implement reforms and fight "the cancer of corruption."

BIDEN'S visit and his tough message for Moscow threaten to complicate increased US efforts to work with Russia to resolve the Syrian conflict and fight the Daesh (ISIL) terrorists.

APA

BIDEN presses Russia on Ukraine peace deal, return of Crimea
December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said Monday that Washington remained determined to see Russia adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev, APA reports quoting AFP.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Black Sea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin fighters carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heart of the ex-Soviet state.

The war-scarred nation now fears slipping off the global radar due to recent international efforts to enlist Moscow in a joint fight against the Islamic State (IS) group in Syria and Iraq.

But **BIDEN** brought a message of reassurance to Kiev.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued -- I emphasise continued -- aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," he told Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko.

Washington's EU allies support Ukraine's view of Russia orchestrating and backing the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Both Washington and Brussels have slapped stiff economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

But the situation changed when Russia began launching ferocious air strikes against Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's foes on September 30.

Washington accused Putin of trying to prop up his remaining Middle East ally by targeting Syria's Western-backed rebels instead of extremist groups.

- 'Hold Russia accountable' -

Yet the Islamic State's claim of downing a Russian airliner carrying 224 people over Egypt on October 31 appears to have prompted Moscow to focus more on bombing IS's oil infrastructure and other jihadist targets.

The November 13 Paris attacks the IS also claimed saw France make a push to enlist Russia in a "grand coalition" against the jihadist group alongside the United States and some European and Arab states.

BIDEN said the latest developments in the Middle East in no way appeased Washington's anger with Putin or slackened its support for Poroshenko's pro-Western team.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN also hinted that Russia may face additional US sanctions if its peace commitments were not met.

Washington was in contact with "our fellow leaders around the world... to make sure the international community stands and holds Russia accountable for the actions against Ukraine," **BIDEN** said after meeting with Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk.

"If they do not meet their obligations, (one must) increase the price Russia has to pay for its illegal actions internationally."

Ukraine Today

US Vice President BIDEN urges to end 'cancer of corruption' in Ukraine

December 8, 2015

US Vice-President Joe **BIDEN** in his emotional speech at the Ukrainian Parliament on Tuesday has stressed the need to eliminate corruption in Ukraine.

BIDEN said that Ukraine should do more to fight corruption or it will lose international support. **BIDEN** urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

BIDEN told Ukrainian lawmakers that they had "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

Kiev Post

**In Ukraine's parliament, BIDEN highlights need for corruption fight
December 8, 2015**

U.S. Vice President Joseph **BIDEN**, in a passionate speech to Ukraine's parliament and other political leaders on Dec. 8, urged Ukraine to seize the opportunity to become a truly democratic nation that removes the blight of corruption.

His words drew several rounds of applause, including a standing ovation, during a 37-minute speech in which **BIDEN** talked about how the United States would support Ukraine as long as it stayed on the democratic path.

He said, however, that the nation's prosecutorial and judicial system needs to be overhauled to deliver justice to Ukrainians who earned their freedom by overthrowing the corrupt regime of ex-President Viktor Yanukovich. All broadcasts of **BIDEN'S** speech in Ukraine carried a Ukrainian translator voiceover, making it hard to get precise quotes. A transcript wasn't immediately available on the U.S. Embassy in Ukraine or White House websites.

But **BIDEN** has repeated the same themes on this two-day visit.

In a Dec. 7 blog about his trip -- the fifth to the region as vice president -- **BIDEN** warned that Ukraine is running out of chances.

"Once again, standing in the face of Russian aggression and widespread corruption, Ukraine has another — and what might be its last — historic opportunity to establish a true, free, economically prosperous democratic republic. One that can't be bullied, bribed, or bought," **BIDEN** wrote. "So long as the people of Ukraine continue to strive for freedom and democracy, they can count on the unwavering commitment of the United States to stand with them."

In remarks with President Petro Poroshenko the day before, **BIDEN** also highlighted the corruption fight.

"The Ukrainian people cannot once again have their hopes dashed based on the cancer of corruption. The Orange Revolution occurred and hopes were extremely high," **BIDEN** said. "And here we are again because of the sacrifices made two years ago. One more chance. One more chance. And it's absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption. The people need to see that in ways -- that the ways of the past are permanently gone. They no longer exist."

BIDEN also on Dec. 7 urged Ukraine to adopt a tax code and state budget that meets International Monetary Fund requirements for fiscal prudence (deficits of no more than 3.7 percent of gross domestic product). "We have spoken about the vital importance of Ukraine following through on its IMF commitments," he said.

The Dec. 7 statement can be found [here](#).

In the speech to parliament, recalling the sacrifices of the EuroMaidan Revolution in which more than 100 people were killed and many others wounded before President Viktor Yanukovych fled power, **BIDEN** said Ukraine's political leaders have an obligation bring justice.

"It is your responsibility now," **BIDEN** said. "This is an obligation, a responsibility before each and one of you to build a unified and democratic country. Parliament is an organ of a unified people, not local interests, but a place concerned with the overall good. It is in your hands. You can bend the arch of history."

He noted the disappointment when no reforms followed the 2004 Orange Revolution, which denied Yanukovych the president in favor of Viktor

Yushchenko. "Hopes were let down," he said, noting that oligarchs are not interested in reforms.

In today's Ukraine, problems remain. **BIDEN** said setting up an anti-corruption bureau or anti-corruption prosecutor is not enough.

"You have to reform the whole prosecution and judiciary," **BIDEN** said.

"Oligarchs should not be able to influence court and judges... corruption siphons resources from the people and from the economy and you know it."

BIDEN said that America would never accept Russia's annexation of Ukraine's Crimean peninsula and will continue to pressure Russia to live up to the Minsk agreements, including withdrawal of its troops and weapons, and the return of eastern borders to Ukraine's control.

As a U.S. senator, **BIDEN** said that he resented it when speakers appeared to lecture him on what to do.

He said "I hope I didn't come across that way."

But he said "the world is watching you" and "this is your moment. This is your responsibility." Failure, he said, would have harmful consequences in building a whole, united and democratic Europe.

Ukraine Today

US will never recognize Russia's annexation of Crimea – BIDEN
December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has said that the US will never recognise Russia's annexation of Crimea. Addressing the Ukrainian lawmakers during his speech on December 8, **BIDEN** added that the US will continue to support Ukraine in its struggle against Kremlin's aggression.

BIDEN said that countries "cannot redraw state borders by force" in the 21st century. According to **BIDEN**, "this is the fundamental rule," which Russia "has violated and continues to violate."

BIDEN also said that the pressure on Russia will continue until it fulfills its commitments under the Minsk agreement. He added that the US sanctions against Russia cannot be lifted until it fulfills its obligations.

BIDEN told Ukrainian lawmakers that they had "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

Ukraine Today

US Vice President BIDEN tells Ukrainian MPs they face 'historic battle' against corruption

December 8, 2015

Joe **BIDEN** has expressed solidarity with Ukraine during an address to MPs in the country's capital, Kyiv. The US Vice President spoke out against what he called Russia's occupation of Ukrainian sovereign territory. But **BIDEN** added a warning to his support, urging Kyiv to fight corruption.

Joe **BIDEN**, US Vice President: "Today Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear - the United States does not, will not, never will recognise Russia's attempt to annex the Crimea.

"But in addition, you also have a battle. A historic battle against corruption. Ukraine cannot afford for the people to lose hope again."

BIDEN'S speech came during a two-day visit to Ukraine. The US official earlier announced new financial aid of USD 190 million to help the country fight corruption and streamline its bureaucracy. The White House has brought sanctions against Russia for its aggression in Ukraine, including for the seizure by Moscow of the Crimean Peninsula in 2014 and for its ongoing support for militants in east Ukraine.

The News

'Russia must return Crimea'

December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said during a visit to Kiev on Monday that Washington remained committed to its demands for Russia to adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev.

The broad February deal struck in the Belarussian capital Minsk "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfil its commitments," **BIDEN** said after talks in the Ukrainian capital with President Petro Poroshenko.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia's troops overran Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

Washington and the European Union support Kiev's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Fighting has eased somewhat since the warring sides signed a new truce on September 1. But Ukrainian soldiers and civilians still die almost daily by stepping on landmines and getting caught in the occasional combat that breaks out across the war zone.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, I emphasise, continued aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN also took the opportunity to urge Ukrainian authorities to do more to tackle the rampant graft that has plagued the county for much of its recent history, amid growing discontent among Ukrainians over Poroshenko's seeming inability to end the scourge.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine... to root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** stressed.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you."

DW

BIDEN reassures Ukraine of US support

December 8, 2015

In his fourth visit to Kyiv since the outbreak of the 19-month conflict in Ukraine, US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** on Monday announced an additional \$190 million (175 million euros) in aid to help the economically embattled government implement key reforms to root out widespread corruption and improve governance.

Ukraine has vowed to battle endemic graft as part of promised reforms, in exchange for international bailout money to prop up an economy on the verge of bankruptcy after years of economic mismanagement and nearly two years of war that has claimed 8,000 lives.

But progress on rooting out corruption and implementing reforms has been slow in the post-Maidan era, with Ukrainians increasingly disgruntled by the lack of progress and a deteriorating economic situation.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp - what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** said alongside President Petro Poroshenko following bilateral talks.

Including Monday's pledge, the US has provided Ukraine with \$760 million in direct aid and two loan guarantees worth \$2 billion. International financial institutions have promised another \$40 billion under a bailout program in exchange for reforms.

Deadlock between Ukraine's finance minister, Natalie Jaresko, and parliament over the budget and tax reforms meant to appease the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and unlock funds, as well as fixing the judicial system, have created concern the government will not be able to follow a reform agenda.

The slow progress has frustrated many in Washington.

"A lot of hard work remains, including reform of Ukraine's law and justice sectors, but the payoff will be worth it," said **BIDEN**, who will address parliament on Tuesday.

Ukraine has sought to restructure its international debt to fill a \$15 billion funding gap as part of the IMF bailout, but a \$3-billion Eurobond held by Russia is due to be paid on December 20. So far neither side has been able to reach new terms, meaning Ukraine could fail to repay the debt when it matures.

Through US influence at the IMF, the fund is expected to change its policy of not lending to countries in arrears, allowing Ukraine to continue receiving funds if it fails to pay of the Russian loan.

Continued support against Russian aggression

With the US and Europe's attention being drawn to Syria and the "Islamic State," officials in Kyiv have been worried that Ukraine might fall off the international radar.

Part of **BIDEN'S** mission is to reassure Kyiv that the US stands behind Ukraine in the face of Russian aggression and the annexation of Crimea, something he said "will not be accepted by us or by the international community."

BIDEN said a February agreement drawn up in Minsk to end the conflict in eastern Ukraine "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitments."

A ceasefire reached in September between Russian backed rebels in eastern Ukraine and pro-government forces has created a relative lull in fighting, but occasional clashes continue to erupt.

The US and European Union have tied lifting sanctions on Russia to the implementation of the Minsk deal, but following Russia's intervention to bolster the Assad regime and the downing of one its airliners by the "Islamic State" in October, it has become increasingly clear that Moscow's help would be needed to reach a political and military solution in the Syria conflict.

This impulse was given a further boost following the Paris terror attacks last month, after which France, a major player in the Minsk process, pushed for a broader international coalition to defeat the "Islamic State" (IS) that

includes Russia. Moscow has been accused of primarily targeting Western-backed rebels instead of the "Islamic State."

The expanded military campaign against IS has been paralleled by political talks to end the conflict in Syria, where Russia holds considerable sway over a country that has created a refugee crisis in Europe.

The changing dynamics in Syria and Western outreach to Russia has created concern in Ukraine that it could be sacrificed or forgotten as Western interests focus on Syria.

AFP

US will keep up pressure over Russia 'aggression' in Ukraine: BIDEN
By: Dmytro Gorshkov and Olga Shylenko / December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** warned Russia on Tuesday that Western pressure on Moscow would only increase if Russian "aggression" against neighbouring war-scarred Ukraine continued.

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said in a rare address by a top Western official to the Ukrainian parliament on the second day of a visit to Kiev.

"The US will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfils its Minsk commitments," he said, warning there would be "no sanctions relief" until Russia fully implemented its end of a peace deal signed in the Belarussian capital Minsk in February.

The tough message flew in the face of the Kremlin's assertion that it is Ukraine's pro-Western leadership that keeps flouting the accord aimed at ending 19 months of fighting with pro-Russian rebels that has claimed more than 8,000 lives.

BIDEN'S trip was his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin fighters carved out their own region in the east of the ex-Soviet state.

Both Washington and Brussels have slapped economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Moscow denies all involvement in the conflict and has responded by banning the import of most Western food.

BIDEN used both his meeting Monday with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Tuesday's parliamentary appearance to drive home the message that Washington remained fully committed to Kiev despite the recent shift in global attention to Syria.

He said on Tuesday that Putin's repeated claims of big countries having the right to their own regional "spheres of influence" were out of step with modern times.

"Sovereign states have the right to make their own decisions and choose their own allies," he stressed.

- 'Desperate need of reforms' -

BIDEN -- viewed as US President Barack Obama's pointman on Ukraine -- also used his visit to promote a more committed fight against the corruption that has ravaged the country of 40 million for years.

"It's not enough to set up an anti-corruption bureau and establish a special prosecutor in fighting corruption. Your office of the general prosecutor desperately needs reform" he said.

Russia's seizure of Crimea and the pro-Kremlin revolt came just weeks after public protests toppled former president Viktor Yanukovich -- a Moscow-backed leader who led a lavish lifestyle and surrounded himself with tycoons suspected of graft.

Polls show that corruption remains one of Ukrainians' main concerns.

BIDEN also made an indirect reference to reported infighting between Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk that has stalled the passage of vital economic and anti-graft laws.

"All of you must put aside your differences and make a real revolution of dignity," **BIDEN** said.

His address was met with three rounds of standing ovations by lawmakers of all political stripes.

Interfax – Ukraine

BIDEN urges Ukraine to focus on fighting corruption

December 8, 2015

Ukraine has not done everything yet in its fight against corruption, United States Vice President Joe **BIDEN** told the Ukrainian Verkhovna Rada on Tuesday.

Ukraine has already done a great deal of work of critical importance, but not everything has yet been done, he said. He said that while he never tells people in other countries what they should do, a democracy cannot thrive amidst corruption, which he likened to a cancerous tumor.

A successful fight against corruption requires the reform of the judiciary; everyone, even oligarchs, must act under the same rules, pay taxes, and not interfere with the course of justice, **BIDEN** said.

New York Times

Joe BIDEN, His Son and the Case Against a Ukrainian Oligarch

By: James Risen / December 8, 2015

When Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. traveled to Kiev, Ukraine, on Sunday for a series of meetings with the country's leaders, one of the issues on his agenda was to encourage a more aggressive fight against Ukraine's rampant corruption and stronger efforts to rein in the power of its oligarchs.

But the credibility of the vice president's anticorruption message may have been undermined by the association of his son, Hunter **BIDEN**, with one of Ukraine's largest natural gas companies, Burisma Holdings, and with its owner, Mykola Zlochevsky, who was Ukraine's ecology minister under former President Viktor F. Yanukovych.

Hunter **BIDEN**, 45, a former Washington lobbyist, joined the Burisma board in April 2014. That month, as part of an investigation into money laundering, British officials froze London bank accounts containing \$23 million that allegedly belonged to Mr. Zlochevsky.

Britain's Serious Fraud Office, an independent government agency, specifically forbade Mr. Zlochevsky, as well as Burisma Holdings, the company's chief legal officer and another company owned by Mr. Zlochevsky, to have any access to the accounts. But after Ukrainian prosecutors refused to provide documents needed in the investigation, a British court in January ordered the Serious Fraud Office to unfreeze the assets. The refusal by the Ukrainian prosecutor general's office to cooperate was the target of a stinging attack by the American ambassador to Ukraine, Geoffrey R. Pyatt, who called out Burisma's owner by name in a speech in September.

"In the case of former Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, the U.K. authorities had seized \$23 million in illicit assets that belonged to the Ukrainian people," Mr. Pyatt said. Officials at the prosecutor general's office, he added, were asked by the United Kingdom "to send documents supporting the seizure. Instead they sent letters to Zlochevsky's attorneys attesting that there was no case against him. As a result, the money was freed by the U.K. court, and shortly thereafter the money was moved to Cyprus."

Mr. Pyatt went on to call for an investigation into "the misconduct" of the prosecutors who wrote the letters. In his speech, the ambassador did not mention Hunter **BIDEN'S** connection to Burisma.

But Edward C. Chow, who follows Ukrainian policy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the involvement of the vice president's son with Mr. Zlochevsky's firm undermined the Obama administration's anticorruption message in Ukraine.

"Now you look at the Hunter **BIDEN** situation, and on the one hand you can credit the father for sending the anticorruption message," Mr. Chow said. "But I think unfortunately it sends the message that a lot of foreign countries want to believe about America, that we are hypocritical about these issues."

Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Vice President **BIDEN**, said Hunter **BIDEN'S** business dealings had no impact on his father's policy positions in connection with Ukraine.

"Hunter **BIDEN** is a private citizen and a lawyer," she said. "The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company. The vice president has pushed aggressively for years, both publicly with groups like the U.S.-Ukraine Business Forum and privately in meetings with Ukrainian leaders, for Ukraine to make every effort to investigate and prosecute corruption in accordance with the rule of law. It will once again be a key focus during his trip this week."

Ryan F. Toohey, a Burisma spokesman, said that Hunter **BIDEN** would not comment for this article.

It is not known how Mr. **BIDEN** came to the attention of the company. Announcing his appointment to the board, Alan Apter, a former Morgan Stanley investment banker who is chairman of Burisma, said, "The company's strategy is aimed at the strongest concentration of professional staff and the introduction of best corporate practices, and we're delighted that Mr. **BIDEN** is joining us to help us achieve these goals."

Joining the board at the same time was one of Mr. **BIDEN'S** American business partners, Devon Archer. Both are involved with Rosemont Seneca Partners, an American investment firm with offices in Washington.

Mr. **BIDEN** is the younger of the vice president's two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter **BIDEN** attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. **BIDEN** also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James **BIDEN**, the vice president's brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the **BIDENS** and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. **BIDEN**, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was “not out of the ordinary” for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, “Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped.”

In response to Mr. Pyatt’s criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky’s case, Mr. Toohey said that “strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine.”

Vice President **BIDEN** has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week’s visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

Ms. Bedingfield said Hunter **BIDEN** had never traveled to Ukraine with his father. She also said that Ukrainian officials had never mentioned Hunter **BIDEN’S** role with Burisma to the vice president during any of his visits.

“I’ve got to believe that somebody in the vice president’s office has done some due diligence on this,” said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. “I should say that I hope that has happened. I would hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message.”

RT News

BIDEN urges Ukraine to fight ‘cancer-like’ corruption or lose international financial aid

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Kiev must do more in fighting corruption which “eats Ukraine like cancer.” US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said in a speech delivered in Ukrainian

parliament. If there is no control of corruption in Ukraine, financial help is out of the question, he warned.

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN**, who is on a two-day visit to Ukraine, has urged Kiev to conduct painful yet crucial reforms to battle corruption.

BIDEN'S emotional speech in Ukrainian parliament could as well become the last warning for country's political elites unwilling to embrace escalated reforms.

"Corruption siphons off resources. We know this. You know this," **BIDEN** told Ukrainian MPs. Ukraine needs to make governance more transparent, an immediate measure since "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer," **BIDEN** said on Sunday, noting that however painful the looming reforms could be, they cannot be any backsliding on the issue.

"We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return," **BIDEN** said. "We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path," **BIDEN** said, as cited by ABC.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you," US Vice President said.

On the first day of his visit **BIDEN** assured Kiev of the US support and announced allocation of additional \$190 million from the US budget to help conduct structural reforms in Ukraine and fight corruption in the first place.

Ukraine's former president, Viktor Yanukovych, had to flee the country in February 2014, following months of anti-government protests in Kiev and other cities, to a large extent fueled by rampant corruption.

Despite the great fanfare that came with the introduction of new reforms to improve standards of living and stem corruption, President Petro Poroshenko, who was elected in May 2014, has not achieved the goals. A recent poll by the Yaremenko Ukrainian Institute for Social Research showed that 72 percent of those asked do not believe Ukraine is heading in the right direction, saying either the reform process is moving too slowly or not at all.

Ahead of Joe **BIDEN'S** speech in the parliament, American politician hold meetings with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and Kiev Mayor Vitaliy Klichko.

Mashable

BIDEN to Ukraine: You've got one last chance. Don't screw this up.

By: Christopher Miller / December 8, 2015

Joe **BIDEN'S** message to Ukraine on Tuesday was crystal clear: Don't screw this up.

The vice president didn't mince words when he spoke to Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, ministers and lawmakers inside parliament during his fifth trip to the country on Tuesday. He warned Kiev against backsliding in its fight against corruption.

"The world is watching you — this is your moment. Please, for the sake of the rest of us, don't waste it," **BIDEN** said in an impassioned address streamed live across the country. Failure, he warned, would likely mean the loss of much-needed international support and would have harmful consequences in building a united and democratic Europe.

"Ukraine has been here before. We remember the Orange Revolution," he continued, recalling the country's 2004 uprising that ended in disappointment when authorities failed to pass reforms.

More than 11 years later and two years since the start of Ukraine's Euromaidan Revolution that eventually ousted Viktor Yanukovich, corruption remains rampant in the former Soviet republic. Top officials have also been implicated, including Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, whose close ally resigned over corruption allegations.

BIDEN himself has been criticized in Ukraine; his messages of reform have been undermined by his son's connection to a former Ukrainian official being investigated for fraud.

A recent poll showed only 7% of Ukrainians believe the fight against corruption has yielded any results. Transparency International, a global

anti-corruption nonprofit, named Ukraine one of the world's most corrupt countries, sharing a score with Uganda and the Comoros.

BIDEN, who received several rounds of applause and a standing ovation during his speech, urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

Ukrainian parliamentarians, known for spirited debates that sometimes devolve into fisticuffs, have been slow to pass a slew of bills that the U.S. and the European Union say will help overhaul the country's corrupt systems.

"You have to reform the whole prosecution and judiciary," **BIDEN** said. "Oligarchs should not be able to influence court and judges... corruption siphons resources from the people and from the economy, and you know it."

Russia, which has fomented unrest in Ukraine, "is using your corruption to undermine you," **BIDEN** added.

The vice president also addressed Russian aggression in Ukraine, saying the U.S. does not — and never will — recognize Moscow's annexation of Crimea. Washington will continue to pressure Moscow to live up to its part of the Minsk peace deal, he added, including the withdrawal of its troops and weapons from eastern Ukraine and the return of control of its borders.

BIDEN, who arrived in Kiev on Sunday, assured Ukraine of U.S. support, including an additional \$190 million in American aid to help conduct reforms.

He recalled the sacrifices of the Euromaidan Revolution, during which more than 100 activists were killed and hundreds more wounded. But while he was speaking, down the road in Kiev, a court heard a case investigating the killings of those activists.

While two people were sentenced to four years each for their roles in attacks on a group of activists, at least two key suspects in the killing of Ukraine's "Heavenly Hundred" were allowed to escape the country, along with the officials believed to have ordered the attack.

BIDEN said Ukraine's political leaders have an obligation to bring justice.

Pravda Report

BIDEN gives Poroshenko cold shower in black hole Ukraine

By: Lyuba Lulko / December 8, 2015

BIDEN sobers Poroshenko up

Outwardly, there was absolute solidarity in everything. **BIDEN** said that Washington would not exchange Ukraine for Syria and would never recognize the "annexation of the Crimea."

"Even if Washington and Moscow cooperate to settle the Syrian civil war and battle the Islamic State, Mr. Obama has said, it would not stop the West from maintaining pressure on Russia over Ukraine," The New York Times wrote.

Opening his two-day visit to Ukraine, US Vice President **BIDEN** told the Ukrainians that the United States continued supporting them in the conflict in the Donbass. **BIDEN** also accused Russian President Vladimir Putin of violating the Minks ceasefire agreement. To strengthen the US support, **BIDEN** promised 190 million dollars in aid to Ukraine.

Speaking in the Verkhovna Rada, **BIDEN** said: "It is no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you, because so much rides on your fragile experiment with democracy succeeding."

This is a part of the official rhetoric, so let's try to see what happens behind the scenes. **BIDEN** has certainly put pressure on Poroshenko so that he stops playing the game of the Crimean energy blockade, because Putin may use the pretext of a humanitarian catastrophe to make a move in response. Soon afterwards, both the Majlis and Right Sector radicals stopped their energy blockade of the Crimea.

A few days ago, Ukraine's Finance Minister Natalia Yaresko said that Ukraine may not return \$3 billion to Russia on the repayment term (December 21). Prior to that, the United States had refused to be Ukraine's guarantor in paying this debt to Russia, having thus recognized Kiev's insolvency.

What can \$190 million do for Ukraine when the country needs \$20 billion to make a budget? One shall assume that Washington believes that the IMF will continue financing Kiev after the default. For the time being, IMF's lending policies exclude such a possibility.

Poroshenko: Reforms in Ukraine inevitable

Poroshenko said at a news conference with **BIDEN** that Ukraine has "for four years without elections" to come. During that time, one will need to carry out all the reforms required for joining the EU. Thus, the Americans will be supporting Poroshenko for four years, albeit under the condition that he will not be able to meet.

Changes in the government are very likely to follow. Prime Minister Yatsenyuk could be removed from office. It is no coincidence Mikhail Saakashvili (Odessa region Governor) said that the authorities were investigating corruption cases inside the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, particularly with the participation of Prime Minister Yatsenyuk and his colleague, People's Front MP, Nikolai Martynenko.

If required, all members of the Popular Front will move to Petro Poroshenko's Bloc and there will be no need to call early elections to the parliament.

Noteworthy, Joe **BIDEN** has personal interest in the fate of Ukrainian Prosecutor General Viktor Shokin. Thus, according to US Ambassador in Kiev Geoffrey Pyatt, Ukrainian prosecutors cover up the corrupt owner of energy company Burisma Holdings, in which **BIDEN'S** son, Hunter, is employed.

The Ukrainian Army has stopped shelling the positions of the Donbass militia. **BIDEN** made it clear to Poroshenko that sanctions against Russia would be lifted if Poroshenko disrupts the Minsk Accords in 2016. In Europe and the United States, a large lobby is being formed to withdraw the sanctions.

Additionally, the President of Ukraine unexpectedly vetoed his party's bill to legalize the free usage of agricultural land for 50 years, despite the moratorium on land sales. Poroshenko probably convinced **BIDEN** that there was no need to openly sell land to the Americans in the absence of apparent achievements.

Black hole Ukraine

"One more chance. It's absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** said.

The USA wants to be present in Ukraine, but it is hard to feed the "black hole."

"In fact, this is the case of external management of the state, when US officials interfere in internal affairs of Ukraine," Oleg Soskin, a Ukrainian political scientist and economist told Pravda.Ru. - **BIDEN** came to distribute positions in the government of Ukraine. The question is whether Yatsenyuk is going to be the prime minister. This position is likely to be given to an American official, to Finance Minister Yaresko or to Saakashvili. **BIDEN** will teach them not to steal, as the IMF will not give any loans otherwise."

According to Oleg Soskin, "nothing will help." Poroshenko and Yatsenyuk will go down in history soon. "These embezzlers and thieves will have to be swept away in a new revolution, the expert said.

"This year, they took about \$11 billion in debt. Ukraine's public debt totals \$72 billion - this is almost equal to Ukraine's annual GDP. Who is going to give this money back? After the revolution, the National Bank of Ukraine had about \$20 billion in foreign exchange reserves. Who stole that money?"

If Ukraine defaults on the debt to Russia, Ukraine will lose its reputation, Oleg Soskin believes. Investors will leave, the country will be declared bankrupt and will not be able to form a budget. "It will be the collapse of the financial system of Ukraine, the collapse of modern Ukraine," Soskin told Pravda.Ru.

"In this case, the Ukrainian administration will have to be executed, and the state will have to be re-founded, as it was done in Iceland, where they changed even the Constitution," the expert said.

The Irish Times

US tells Ukraine's politicians to heed 'call of history'

By: Daniel McLaughlin / December 8, 2015

Ukraine's politicians must seize a historic opportunity to free the country from the grip of Russia and corrupt tycoons, US vice-president Joe **BIDEN** said on Tuesday, amid rising domestic and international disquiet over the pace of the country's reform.

In a speech to parliament in Kiev, Mr **BIDEN** also vowed that Washington would keep tightening sanctions on Russia until it ended its annexation of Crimea and other aggression against Ukraine.

Mr **BIDEN'S** address marked the climax of a two-day visit to Ukraine during which he urged its western-backed leaders to accelerate tough reforms, despite opposition from powerful "oligarchs", their political allies and from Moscow.

"This is your moment. This is your responsibility . . . Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time," he told parliament. "If you fail, the experiment fails. It's no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you."

After driving the Russian-backed, graft-ridden administration of then president Viktor Yanukovich from power in February 2014, Ukraine's new leaders had a duty to build a cleaner and fairer Ukraine, Mr **BIDEN** said.

Return of oligarchs

"Oligarchs and non-oligarchs must play by the same rules," he insisted. "We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return . . . We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path."

Billionaires with shady business empires still dominate Ukrainian politics, and many reformist politicians and activists say the status quo is preserved by President Petro Poroshenko and the government of prime minister of Arseniy Yatsenyuk. "All of you must put aside your differences and make a real revolution of dignity," Mr **BIDEN** declared.

Unity vs resignation

While all deputies rose to applaud Mr **BIDEN**, afterwards each party offered a different interpretation of his speech, with some calling it an appeal to the government to resign, and others hailing it as a call for unity.

In an interview perhaps timed to exacerbate tension in Ukraine, Mr Yanukovich told Russian state media that he wants “to return to politics”.

“I do a lot to help people who are persecuted in Ukraine,” he said from Russia, where he and many close allies live in exile.

Mr Yanukovich said he maintains contact with current Ukrainian politicians, “many of whom aren’t so shy or scared today, compared to a year ago. They already feel very comfortable when we meet and discuss issues.”

Mr **BIDEN** also urged Kiev to fulfil its side of a strained ceasefire deal with Moscow-backed separatists in eastern Ukraine, and made clear that “if Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise”.

Reuters

US Vice President Joe BIDEN arrives in Ukraine
December 7, 2015

BIDEN met with the representatives of civil society organisations and a selection of Ukraine's officials and lawmakers, ahead of the scheduled meeting with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk.

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** will address Ukraine's legislature on Tuesday (December 8), a senior administration official said. **BIDEN** will speak about US opposition to Russia's annexation of Crimea and American support for Ukraine's debt restructuring agreement, the official said.

The official would not comment on whether the United States would pledge more military assistance to Ukraine during the trip next week.

The visit comes on the heels of US President Barack Obama's discussion with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Paris. Obama urged Putin to honour the Minsk ceasefire agreement in Ukraine.

BIDEN confirmed his country's commitment to Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity during the meeting with Kiev's mayor, Vitaly Klitschko, a former world heavyweight boxing champion.

During his visit, **BIDEN** is expected to meet President Petro Poroshenko, Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, members of Ukraine's Parliament (Rada), and representatives of civil society organizations.

AP

BIDEN makes trip to Ukraine in sign of US support

By: Jim Heintz and Dmitry Vlasov / December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** came to Ukraine's capital on Sunday for a visit aimed at pushing the country toward making reforms and reassuring it that the crisis in Syria is not overshadowing Washington's concerns about Ukraine.

Fighting between Ukrainian forces and Russia-backed separatists has significantly diminished since early September, after killing some 8,000 people since April 2014, but tensions remain high because of unresolved questions about the final political status of the rebel regions in the east. Meanwhile, Western attention has turned largely toward the fight against Islamic extremism in Syria and Iraq.

Since Russia began airstrikes in Syria on Sept. 30, Ukrainian officials have worried that their own country's troubles would fade from view, especially if the West begins cooperating with Russia to fight the Islamic State group.

BIDEN'S meetings on Monday with President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and a Tuesday speech at the Ukrainian parliament are intended to counter that concern.

The trip "is a strong sign of our support," a senior U.S. administration official said, asking that his name not be used because he was speaking on background.

But the official said **BIDEN** also will emphasize the need for Ukraine to implement anti-corruption measures. Widespread corruption was one of the issues that galvanized the massive protests that drove Russia-friendly President Viktor Yanukovich from office in February 2014, but efforts since then to counter the problem have shown little result.

BIDEN'S first event on Monday is to be a round table with reform-minded Ukrainian figures.

The U.S. administration also says **BIDEN** will reassure Ukraine that Washington's strategy is to keep sanctions against Russia in place until full implementation of the Minsk Accords, the internationally mediated agreements between Ukraine and Russia on ending the eastern conflict and pulling back weapons.

The United States also imposed other sanctions on Russia specific to its annexation of Crimea in 2014.

Voice of America

US VP BIDEN Heads to Ukraine to Stress Continued Support

By: Carol Guensburg / December 5, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is scheduled to visit Ukraine early next week to reassure government leaders and reformers of the United States' continued support "in face of continued Russian military intervention" in the country's restive east, administration officials said.

BIDEN, making his fifth visit to Ukraine as vice president, plans to arrive in Kyiv late Sunday evening for a series of meetings early in the week.

On Monday, he'll meet separately with President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, as well as at a roundtable with civil society activists and other reformers.

Speech to lawmakers

BIDEN also is scheduled to speak Tuesday to the Rada, or congress, a rare opportunity for a foreign leader.

He's likely to press upon legislators that they "have a special obligation to keep Ukraine moving forward," a senior administration official said in a telephone briefing Wednesday with reporters.

A major point of discussion will be how to ensure that "Russia and the separatists live up to their obligations under the Minsk Agreement," the official said.

The pact, reached in February, was meant to de-escalate hostilities in the east. While violence between Ukrainian government troops and pro-Russia separatists "has decreased somewhat in recent months," it continues to flare up, the official said.

The United Nations estimated that nearly 8,000 civilians and soldiers had been killed as of this fall.

Talks with Ukraine officials

Talks with Poroshenko and Yatsenyuk are expected to focus on "what additional economic, governance and rule-of-law reforms are necessary," the official said.

They'll also touch on U.S.-led training of Ukrainian armed forces and of security assistance overall. The United States has provided \$450 million in direct assistance to Ukraine this year, of which more than half is for security, the official said.

BIDEN'S trip comes after last month's two-year anniversary of the start of the Maidan uprising, in which public protests in Kyiv for closer ties with Europe eventually forced Russia-leaning President Viktor Yanukovich from office and opened the door for more democratic reforms.

The vice president "will emphasize the need to implement recently passed anti-corruption reforms," the official said.

Ukraine has set up a special prosecutor's office for fighting corruption, but the Obama administration previously has said the prosecutor general's office itself needs reform.

Topic of Crimea

Administration officials also said the vice president would emphasize that the United States continues "to oppose Russia's attempted annexation of Crimea" in March 2014.

He's also expected to reassure Ukraine that, though the United States is communicating with Russia about the crisis in Syria, it hasn't softened in its assessment of Russia has crossed the line in Ukraine.

"Nothing in our conversations with Syria impact our assessment that Russia continues to be the aggressor in Ukraine," the official said. "... Nothing that's going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security."

Press TV

Joe BIDEN to visit Ukraine to confirm US support December 6, 2015

BIDEN, making his fifth visit to Ukraine as vice president, will arrive in Kiev on Sunday for a three-day visit.

He will meet with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and deliver a speech to the country's parliament.

BIDEN is the highest-ranking US official to speak before the Ukrainian parliament since former President George H.W. Bush in 1991, during the last days of the former Soviet Union.

BIDEN'S visit is expected to focus on resolving the conflict in eastern Ukraine even as world leaders have turned their attention to fighting Daesh (ISIL) terrorists, a senior US official said.

The conflict in eastern Ukraine broke out last year following a referendum in the Black Sea peninsula of Crimea, in which people voted overwhelmingly for reunification with Russia.

"I think that is going to be a major theme of the trip -- that nothing that is going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the US official told reporters.

The visit comes on the heels of US President Barack Obama's discussion with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Paris. Obama urged Putin to honor the Minsk cease-fire agreement in Ukraine.

US and European officials say Russia, and pro-Russia forces in eastern Ukraine, continue to violate the Minsk peace accords.

Moscow, however, has accused Ukrainian forces of violations, and says Poroshenko's government is not moving fast enough to implement some of the accord's provisions.

Both the US and European Union have imposed tough economic sanctions on Russian companies and have provided Ukraine's army with weapons and training.

New Eastern Europe

What to expect from BIDEN'S visit to Ukraine?

By: Maksym Beznoisuk / December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is paying a two day visit to Ukraine which has already been labeled as "historic" by many experts. In spite of the fact it is his fourth visit to post-Maidan Ukraine, **BIDEN** will be the second American politician from such a high rank to give a speech at the Ukrainian Parliament. Former President George H.W. Bush was the first high-ranking US official who addressed Ukrainian parliamentarians on August 1st, 1991, which occurred only three weeks prior to its declaration of independence.

As part of his visit on December 7th, 2015, Joe **BIDEN** is expected to participate in roundtable talks with state and civil representatives and bilateral meetings with Ukraine's President Poroshenko and Prime Minister Yatsenyuk. The next day, he will give a speech before the Ukrainian Parliament.

Without a doubt, such a visit is of crucial importance and demonstrates US support of Ukrainian sovereignty and closer convergence with the West. This is in light of ongoing Russian attempts to further destabilize Ukraine's situation.

It is expected **BIDEN'S** message will consist of alarming criticism of persistent corruption and slow progress, mixed with additional assurances of further support and cooperation with Ukraine towards its integration with Europe. Hence, the assessment of the overall Ukrainian political situation will be based on the combination of such crucial factors as securing political stability and enhancing anti-corruption measures' efficiency. Not surprisingly, such an important visit will take place before Ukraine's annual governmental report on its government's activity results, as well as its plans for the next year.

Fight against corruption, economic reforms and financial assistance

According to some predictions, Vice President **BIDEN** will voice concern over the urgency of more active reforms of structural and institutional aspects of the Ukrainian state apparatus. Notably, the White House has serious concerns regarding the quality and pace of current economic and judicial reforms, especially in relation to prevalent corruption schemes in high echelons of Ukrainian power.

Special attention will be paid to the judicial sector. It should be recalled that during his speech at the Brookings Institution at the end of May, 2015, **BIDEN** particularly emphasized Ukraine needs to use newly introduced laws and policies to investigate and prosecute corruption on all levels in order for its reforms to succeed. **BIDEN** also mentioned his frequent communication on a weekly basis, both with the Ukrainian Prime Minister and President. Moreover, US Ambassador to Ukraine Geoffrey Pyatt has criticized the General Prosecutor's Office on numerous occasions, by stressing its responsibility in fighting corruption in Ukraine. On September 24th, 2015, Ambassador Pyatt stated during the Odessa Financial Forum the General Prosecutor's Office's inability to fight corruption undermines effective reform implementation in Ukraine.

For a long time, the White House has tried to convey a powerful and clear message to Ukraine's leaders concerning the need to undertake more active efforts against corruption. In light of this heightened concern over high corruption levels and the Ukrainian authorities' lack of action, many Ukrainian experts have assumed the General Prosecutor's, Prime Minister's and several other high ranking Ukrainian officials' political futures could be seriously questioned.

Most importantly, the question of stable US financial assistance to Ukraine is closely tied to progress in conducting anti-corruption reforms within Ukraine's state institutions. In June, Ukrainian Prime Minister Yatseniuk met with US Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew to discuss an additional tranche of 1 billion dollars to support Ukrainian reforms in order to increase Ukraine's investment attractiveness and lay foundations for its economic growth. At the end of October, 2015, US Secretary of Commerce Penny Pritzker stated the readiness of US President Barack Obama to take necessary steps towards granting a third tranche of macroeconomic assistance to Ukraine to implement its reforms. During her recent meeting with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, she emphasized that visible and steady Ukrainian progress in implementing anti-corruption measures were a prerequisite for new financial assistance in the near future.

Last month, Joe **BIDEN** confirmed the US' readiness to grant Ukraine a third tranche of credit guarantees of 1 billion dollars. However, he emphasised Ukraine's government should fight corruption more actively, including conducting tax reforms in compliance with the IMF. Possible US assistance in reaching an agreement on the Ukraine's debt restructuring will also be predicated on these conditions.

Security and military cooperation

US presidential administration officials stated Joe **BIDEN** would underline US support of Ukraine's territorial integrity in his speech at the Ukrainian Parliament. He will reiterate the US' position concerning Russia's illegal annexation of Crimea and its current involvement in destabilizing eastern Ukraine. In this regard, it is also expected he will reassure Ukrainian leaders that any US communication with Russia over Syria's situation will not impact its position concerning Ukraine. Additionally, a diplomatic strategy to keep sanctions against Russia will be discussed with Ukrainian counterparts.

Ukraine's army requires serious investment, specialized military experience and modernization assistance. In 2015, thanks to **BIDEN'S** active involvement, the US provided Ukraine security and military assistance totaling \$265 million. Earlier this year, the US committed to training Ukrainian troops, a mission conducted by 300 US soldiers at a compound in western Ukraine. The US also provided specialized military

equipment which was transferred to the country's eastern battle zone. According to the National Defense Authorization Act for the 2016 Fiscal Year, approved by the US Senate, it could be possible to increase assistance to \$300 million. However, it is not clear if **BIDEN** will touch upon possible additional military assistance to Ukraine during his visit early next week.

Based on this, Vice President **BIDEN'S** visit is expected to reaffirm the US' support of Ukraine on its path towards democratization and its struggle against Russian hostile activities in Crimea and eastern Ukraine. Simultaneously, the US will emphasize that further comprehensive support of Ukraine will depend on the tempo and quality of a broad range of reforms within Ukraine's state apparatus.

Radio Free Europe / Radio Liberty

The Briefing: Mr. BIDEN goes to Ukraine

By: Brian Whitmore / December 7, 2015

Washington sends a loud signal that Ukraine remains a priority as U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** arrived in Kyiv for a two-day visit this week.

The visit -- in which **BIDEN** will deliver a highly anticipated speech to the Ukrainian parliament -- comes at a particularly sensitive time.

Kyiv is clearly worried that the Syria conflict and the potential for Western cooperation with Russia will weaken resolve to continue supporting Ukraine.

On this week's Power Vertical Briefing, I discuss what we can expect from **BIDEN'S** visit with RFE/RL Senior Editor Steve Gutterman.

Tweets

@poroshenko [President Poroshenko, 662K Followers]: Joe **BIDEN** @VP : U S. will never accept Russia's attempts to annex Crimea.

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@nytpolitics [New York Times Politics, 180K Followers]: Joe **BIDEN** says the U.S. is still backing Ukraine. [LINK TO NEW YORK TIMES ARTICLE REGARDING YOUR TRIP TO UKRAINE]

@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: In your soul you know what's right. Do it - @VP pleads with Ukraine's parliament.

'Please, for the sake of the rest of us don't waste it'

@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: If you succeed, you will be the founders of the first, free, united, democratic Ukraine - @VP ends his address to the parliament

@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: God bless our nations, god bless our troops - @VP's final line at Ukraine's parliament today

@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: .@VP delivers emotional, moving speech at Ukraine's parl today.

The last warning for political elites unwilling to reform.

Fingers crossed

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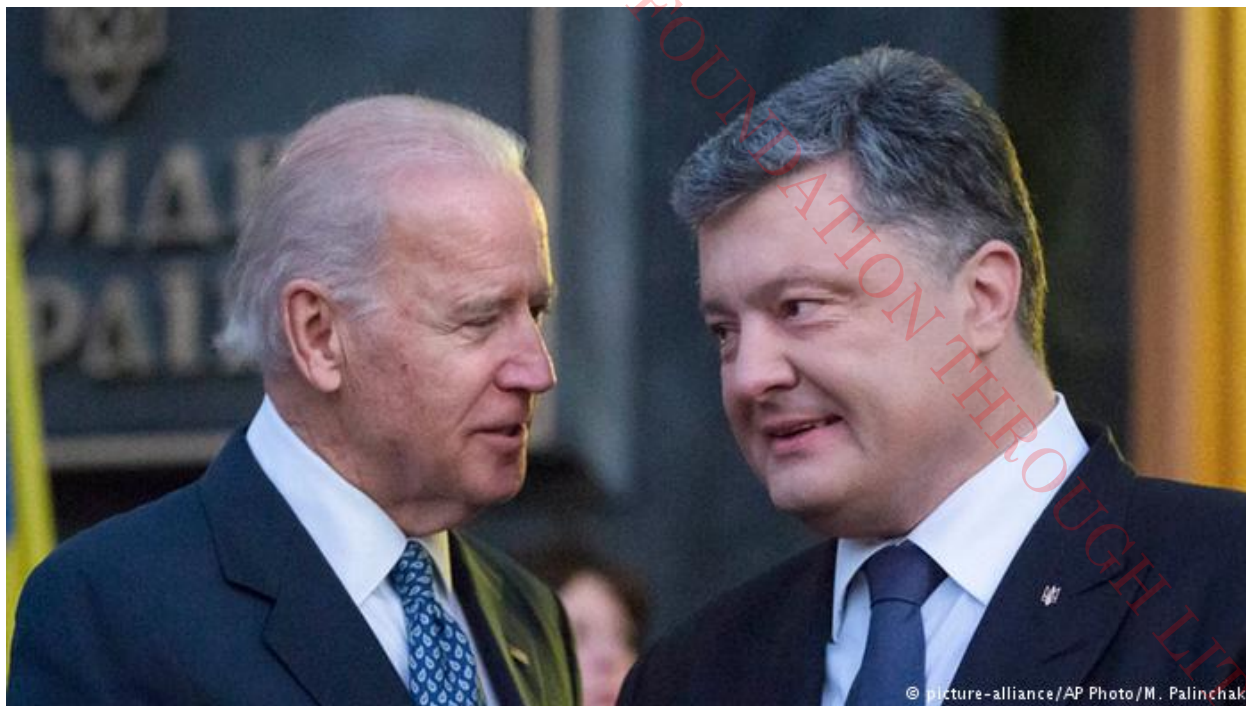
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Joe BIDEN says U.S. Is Still Backing Ukraine

By: Peter Baker / December 7, 2015

The United States will not sacrifice Ukraine in pursuit of Russian cooperation in Syria, Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. assured Ukrainian leaders on Monday, as the Obama administration tries to manage complicated diplomacy with Moscow.

Opening a two-day visit to Kiev, Mr. **BIDEN** told President Petro O. Poroshenko that the United States still stands by Ukraine in its conflict with pro-Russian separatists. To make the point, Mr. **BIDEN** promised another \$190 million in American aid.

“The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued — and I emphasize continued — aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists,” Mr. **BIDEN** told reporters after the meeting.

He called on President Vladimir V. Putin of Russia to live up to a cease-fire agreement reached in February in Minsk, Belarus. “Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community,” Mr. **BIDEN** said.

Ukrainian officials have been nervous about what Russia’s renewed interest in the Middle East would mean for their country. American officials interpret Russia’s intervention in Syria as an attempt by Mr. Putin to distract world attention from the Ukrainian conflict, to break out of the isolation the West has tried to impose on Moscow, and perhaps to weaken international resolve to maintain sanctions.

President Obama has insisted that the situations in Ukraine and Syria are separate, and he sent Mr. **BIDEN** to Ukraine to drive that point home. Even if Washington and Moscow can work together to settle the Syrian civil war and battle the Islamic State, Mr. Obama has said, it would not stop the West from maintaining pressure on Russia to resolve the Ukrainian dispute.

“That’s going to be a major theme of the trip — that nothing that’s going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security,” a senior administration official said before Mr. **BIDEN** left Washington. The official briefed reporters on the condition of anonymity under White House rules.

Michael A. McFaul, Mr. Obama’s former ambassador to Russia, said the Ukrainians should be reassured. “Vice President **BIDEN’S** trip to Kyiv sends a clear message that the United States is not willing to trade Ukraine for Russian cooperation on Syria,” he said, using the spelling of the capital that Ukrainian leaders prefer. “That kind of linkage never works,” Mr. McFaul said.

Mr. **BIDEN** also pressed the Ukrainians to put aside their differences and do more to battle corruption, bolster their economy and restructure the country’s finances.

Mr. Poroshenko was elected in 2014 after a pro-Moscow government was driven from office by mass protests that were met with violence. By many accounts, he has yet to diminish the control wielded by a small coterie of business moguls over much of the country’s economic and political apparatus. The president is fighting with Parliament over the prosecutor general, who critics say has done too little to tackle corruption.

“It’s absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe, to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption,” Mr. **BIDEN** said. “The people need to see that the ways of the past are permanently gone, they no longer exist. That means hard decisions.”

Mr. **BIDEN** made a point about fighting corruption with the way he began his visit to Kiev: by meeting with what his office called a “reformers’ round table” of government officials, lawmakers and advocacy group leaders. After his meeting with Mr. Poroshenko, Mr. **BIDEN** met with Prime Minister Arseniy P. Yatsenyuk, who has been at odds with the president over a host of issues.

“Vice President **BIDEN’S** most important challenge in Ukraine is to keep the president and prime minister on a common, unequivocal path of reform that shows Ukraine is helping itself and merits the world’s support,” said

Carlos Pascual, a former American ambassador to Ukraine. "With Russia recapturing a leadership role in the Middle East, Ukraine cannot give the world an excuse to forget Ukraine."

Mr. **BIDEN** will make some of the same points when he addresses the Rada, or Ukrainian Parliament, on Tuesday, a rare platform for a foreign leader. If Ukraine is to prevail in its struggle with Russia, he plans to say, it must get its own house in order.

Before his meeting with Mr. Poroshenko on Monday, Mr. **BIDEN** visited a monument to people who were killed during the pro-Western demonstrations in Maidan Square that led to the ouster of President Viktor F. Yanukovich. Mr. **BIDEN** tried to visit the monument last year, but had to cancel at the last minute when an unruly group of protesters unnerved his security detail.

Somber-faced and coatless on a brisk day, Mr. **BIDEN** viewed a display of about 100 photographs of slain protesters, along with candles, bouquets of flowers and banners with tributes to the victims.

"Imagine what it was like," Geoffrey Pyatt, the American ambassador, could be heard telling Mr. **BIDEN**. He pointed to surrounding buildings. "Snipers up on the buildings there."

Mr. **BIDEN** left a commemorative vice-presidential coin at the base of an elaborately carved wooden cross at the monument.

The conflict in eastern Ukraine has fallen into a kind of stasis, with Russian-backed separatist rebels still in control of sizable areas but significantly less violence than before the Minsk agreement.

By several accounts, the Kremlin has reined in the separatists, but has not done anything to return the restive region to government control. Nor has it shown any sign of relaxing its grip on the Crimean peninsula, which it annexed early last year. The peninsula has had no electricity for two weeks after explosions in southern Ukraine knocked out a transmission line.

Despite efforts by President François Hollande of France to enlist Russia in the international coalition fighting the Islamic State in Syria, the European Union appears likely to renew sanctions against Russia next week over Moscow's actions in Ukraine.

According to Stratfor, a private analysis group, "As things stand now, the two sides are moving further apart, and the Russia-West standoff is likely to endure well into 2016."

Bloomberg

BIDEN says 'Illegal' Russian Occupation of Crimea Must End

By: Margaret Talev / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** called Russia's annexation of Crimea "illegal" in a demonstration of solidarity with Ukraine's government that signaled the U.S. won't bargain away its support for the country to win Russian cooperation in the fight against Islamic State in Syria.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued -- and I emphasize continued -- aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said in Kiev on Monday, following a meeting with Ukrainian president Petro Poroshenko.

BIDEN announced \$190 million in new aid for Ukraine contingent on the government continuing to make progress rooting out corruption. That brings direct U.S. assistance to nearly \$760 million since the formation of a new government in 2014, including more than \$260 million for security. The latest funds is for helping law enforcement fight corruption, reforming the justice sector, and streamlining regulations and privatization of state-owned enterprises, **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN'S two-day visit to Ukraine is intended to deliver reassurance that the U.S. won't budge in its commitment to Ukraine at a time when attention has shifted to Syria and fighting the Islamic State. That includes keeping in place sanctions on Russia to pressure President Vladimir Putin's government to fully implement the Minsk agreements that outline a path to end nearly two years of conflict.

Minsk Accords

The separatists, Ukraine and Russia must continue to respect a cease-fire signed earlier this year in Minsk, Belarus, **BIDEN** said. "Both sides need to hold up that bargain," he said, echoing the position of U.S. allies in Europe.

“The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten” what happened, **BIDEN** said, calling Russia’s move to annex Crimea in 2014 an “illegal invasion” that “will not be accepted” by the U.S. or international community. “We will not accept it under any circumstance, and Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine’s sovereign territory” including Crimea.

Tensions rose recently after power lines to Crimea were cut by Ukrainian saboteurs. Russia and the U.S. remain at loggerheads over both Ukraine and Syria, where a Russian military intervention has complicated that country’s civil war.

Syria Conflict

Putin says his military is attacking Islamic State in Syria. The U.S. says Putin’s forces have targeted relatively few Islamic State-held areas, and instead is attempting to reinforce Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, a close ally, by bombing rebels backed by the U.S. and Persian Gulf states.

Poroshenko, through a translator, told reporters that he pledged to **BIDEN** that Ukraine is ready to provide “maximum support” to U.S.-led coalition forces in Syria, though he did not say what such support might entail.

“Ukraine is no stranger to terrorist threats,” he said. “We cannot be frightened by the terrorist threat.”

As Russia has turned its attention to Syria, Ukraine sees signs for hope and concern. While clashes between separatists and Ukrainian forces have eased since September, eastern Ukraine’s status remains unsettled. Insurgent tanks were spotted in Horlivka northeast of Donetsk, and rebels continued provocations with mortars, rifles, machine guns and grenade launchers, officials said Sunday.

Ukraine is seeking assurances from the U.S. and European Union that it will not become a bargaining chip in efforts to coordinate with Russia on attacking Islamic State targets.

BIDEN earlier Monday held a closed-door roundtable discussion on political and government reforms with about a dozen Ukrainian officials and members of civil society. He also visited the Heavenly Hundred memorial,

an unofficial memorial with a wooden cross and framed photos of those killed in the Maidan protests of February 2014.

"We are starting to see real signs of economic progress" in Ukraine, **BIDEN** said, including "stabilized" currency.

BIDEN is to meet with Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk later Monday. He will address Ukraine's parliament on Tuesday.

Wall Street Journal

Ukrainians See Conflict in BIDEN'S Anticorruption Message

By: Paul Sonne and Laura Mills / December 7, 2015

Joe **BIDEN** is on his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president, pressing the pro-Western government to root out widespread corruption, but activists here say that message is being undermined as his son receives money from a former Ukrainian official who is being investigated for graft.

Since May of last year, Hunter **BIDEN**, the vice president's son, has served as an independent director of Ukrainian gas firm Burisma Holdings Ltd., a closely held company run by a former government official whom Ukrainian and British authorities are investigating for alleged criminal wrongdoing.

Mykola Zlochevsky, who served as ecology and natural resources minister under the Ukrainian government that was ousted in last year's pro-Western uprising, hasn't been charged and denies wrongdoing.

Mr. **BIDEN'S** visit to Ukraine this week, which will include a formal address to Parliament on Tuesday, comes against the backdrop of increasing exasperation over corruption that has persisted in the two years since the country's pro-Western uprising and the general prosecutor's office tasked with prosecuting such wrongdoing has come under fire for inaction.

The vice president's office defended Hunter **BIDEN'S** right to serve on the board of Burisma.

"Hunter **BIDEN** is a private citizen and a lawyer. The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company," said Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Mr. **BIDEN**.

Hunter **BIDEN** said his work with Burisma aligns with his father's anticorruption message. A spokesman for the younger Mr. **BIDEN** said he joined the board "to strengthen corporate governance and transparency at a company working to advance energy security for Ukraine...These are also goals of the United States."

But some anticorruption campaigners here worry the link with Mr. **BIDEN** may protect Mr. Zlochevsky from being prosecuted in Ukraine. The general prosecutor didn't respond to multiple requests for comment on the investigation into Mr. Zlochevsky.

"If an investigator sees the son of the vice president of the United States is part of the management of a company...that investigator will be uncomfortable pushing the case forward," said Daria Kaleniuk, head of Ukraine's Anti-Corruption Action Center.

Hunter **BIDEN** has been working on geothermal energy initiatives that Burisma is pursuing and carrying out customary board member duties including company oversight.

"The situation raises a question mark about integrity," said Viktoriya Voytsitska, a member of Parliament and former employee of a rival gas company to Mr. Zlochevsky's. "There should be integrity at all levels, irrespective of whether these are of a public or private level."

Mr. Zlochevsky is under investigation in the U.K. on suspicion of money laundering, according to British authorities. He is also under investigation in a Ukrainian unlawful-enrichment probe and a separate Ukrainian into alleged abuse of power, forgery and embezzlement, according to letters from the general prosecutor reviewed by The Wall Street Journal.

"Mr. Zlochevsky has followed the letter and spirit of the law in his role as civil servant," Burisma said. "He has, at all times, held himself to the highest moral and ethical standards of fairness and decision making."

The firm said investigators hadn't produced any evidence of misconduct. Anticorruption campaigners and Ukrainian lawmakers have criticized the general prosecutor's office for lack of progress in the investigation against Mr. Zlochevsky and others involving high-profile former officials, some two years after the uprising on Maidan that promised an end to Ukraine's widespread corruption.

In March 2014, BNP Paribas reported Mr. Zlochevsky to U.K. authorities on suspicion of money laundering after his companies tried to move \$23 million to Cyprus from their British account at the bank, according to court documents.

A judge in the U.K. unfroze the \$23 million in January and chastised the U.K. Serious Fraud Office for holding the funds for months in their money-laundering probe without presenting sufficient evidence of a suspected crime. Burisma hailed the ruling as confirmation that Mr. Zlochevsky's assets were legally acquired.

The U.K. authorities are still pursuing the investigation.

U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine Geoffrey Pyatt singled out the mismanagement of Mr. Zlochevsky's case by Ukrainian prosecutors as an example of the country's failure to hold to account officials from the ousted government suspected of corruption. Mr. Pyatt suggested the court unfroze the money not because of Mr. Zlochevsky's innocence, but rather because of the incompetence of Ukrainian authorities.

Behind the relationship between Mr. Zlochevsky and Hunter **BIDEN** is an effort to anchor the future of a controversial Ukrainian company amid shifting political and economic tides, according to people familiar with the company's thinking.

In his political career, Mr. Zlochevsky allied with Moscow-leaning factions in Ukrainian politics, only to re-emerge after last year's uprising with high-profile Westerners on his company's board. Burisma now promotes its business as an antidote to Ukraine's reliance on the Kremlin for energy.

Twice, Mr. Zlochevsky served in top Ukrainian government positions that oversaw the allocation of gas licenses—first under President Leonid Kuchma from 2003 to 2005, as chairman of the since-disbanded State Committee for Natural Resources, and later under President Viktor Yanukovich from 2010 to 2012, as Ecology and Natural Resources Minister.

All the while, companies now part of Burisma rose to become the largest private gas producer in Ukraine. A review of Mr. Zlochevsky's activities by The Wall Street Journal found his oil and gas production businesses flourished by winning crucial permits while he was in office.

Ukrainian records indicate that Burisma's main subsidiaries—Esko-Pivnich and Pari—received all their exploration permits for fresh fields during his two stints in the top posts, excluding extensions on existing fields. Those exploration licenses were awarded without public auctions, according to a review of the records and an official at the State Geological and Mineral Resources Service of Ukraine.

In many cases, the companies made use of a provision in Ukrainian rules, known as an “integral property complex,” which allowed the firms to receive a license to gas fields without auction if they already owned or rented some type of asset on the field, as simple as a pipe network or dwelling. Burisma says all its permits were issued in accordance with Ukrainian law.

Apart from Burisma, other companies connected to Mr. Zlochevsky also received licenses during his time in office. In 2004, Mr. Zlochevsky's committee revoked a Ukrainian state firm's license to one of Ukraine's biggest gas fields, crippling a Polish-Ukrainian joint venture that had been harvesting deposits. It then awarded the license to a little known firm called Ukrnaftoburinnya, which counted companies tied to Mr. Zlochevsky among its beneficiaries, according to Ukrainian public records and its former CEO. Those firms later sold out. Burisma said there was no conflict of interest.

The Ukrainian constitution prohibits ministers from combining public service duties with any work except for teaching, research or creative activities. Four people, however, said they met Mr. Zlochevsky to discuss Burisma investments while he was minister. Two said he sometimes conducted the business-related meetings in his office at the ministry itself.

Since Ukraine's uprising, anticorruption crusaders and officials have regularly pointed to Mr. Zlochevsky as an example of Yanukovych-era excess.

DW

Joe BIDEN likely to bring harsh criticism to Ukraine

By: Frank Hofmann / December 6, 2015

It took over a year and a half for Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko to even begin implementing his most important campaign promise: On December 1, a new head of the anti-corruption prosecution agency was finally appointed, and now the office is ready to start working. US officials think this took far too long, and they are losing patience with Ukraine's government, especially since Prosecutor General Viktor Shokin, a Poroshenko confidant, has delayed filling the anti-corruption position. In September of this year, Geoffrey Pyatt, the US ambassador to Kyiv, took an unusual step. He tweeted - albeit in a convoluted, diplomatic manner - his demand for Shokin's dismissal.

But Poroshenko is holding on to Shokin, a man who has been accused of leading an extremely corrupt state apparatus. After Euromaidan, the judiciary holds great emotional significance for Ukrainians. Almost 100 people were killed in the revolt two years ago.

"The entire Prosecutor General's Office must urgently be reformed," a high-ranking US official demanded ahead of Joe **BIDEN'S** visit to Kyiv, where the US vice president is scheduled to start holding meetings on Monday. Ukraine has a "long history of corruption," the official said, requesting anonymity to speak candidly. **BIDEN'S** schedule for the visit reflects how low respect for Ukraine's leadership has sunk in the United States: The vice president will speak with representatives of pro-EU civil society groups before holding talks with politicians.

BIDEN will put pressure on the Ukrainian government, the US official said, and "the recently adopted anti-corruption reforms will be implemented." The vice president will probably urge Ukraine's government to force Shokin to resign. Diplomats in Kyiv are becoming increasingly distraught with regard to the placatory attitude of Ukrainian leaders.

It seems questionable that the required judicial reform will be swiftly implemented. Poroshenko's people are being advised by the European Council in Strasbourg - an institution that is not known for quick reforms. Behind the scenes, a Japanese diplomat insisted that the entire Ukrainian judiciary be thrown out. In the past, judges often acted as trustees, representing the interests of oligarchs. Japanese officials suggest that the Ukrainian government dismiss all its jurists and then start a "recruitment campaign" to put "judges with integrity" in office. This has already worked

for Ukraine's new traffic police, for which Japan has donated about 1,300 cars. Since summer, the hybrid vehicles have zipped around Kyiv, blue lights flashing to give a sense of security. Above all, these actions are meant to say, "We are doing something." Now it turns out that the police patrols just showcase a proclaimed change in politics, but, behind the display, many moldy structures prevail.

This also applies to political structures. It is striking how intricately entangled they are with Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk's milieu. That is why Yatsenyuk confidant Mykola Martynenko remains chairman of the energy committee in Ukraine's unicameral parliament, or Rada, although Switzerland has been directing investigations into him for at least half a year. Martynenko is suspected of transferring bribes worth millions to a Swiss account. It is doubtful that the Ukrainian prosecutor general has provided the Swiss with satisfactory support.

Conflict with Russia as an excuse?

The accused just shrug the allegations off. In other European countries, officials would break out in a cold sweat just thinking about the consequences, but German bank managers in Kyiv say Ukrainians cynically sneer at the idea of "honorable gentlemen." Martynenko himself speaks of a Russian conspiracy against him. Last Monday he stated that he would resign from parliament, but his departure has not been voted on yet.

All in all, many Ukrainian leaders use the conflict with Russia as an excuse for their failure to act. Instead of building democratic structures, the country seems to be stabilizing the old system of oligarchy, cronyism and corruption. Russian President Vladimir Putin has thus achieved his goal of halting Ukraine's establishing stronger bonds with the United States and EU. The excesses of the judiciary are reminiscent of the situation in Russia, where prosecutors are involved in shady dealings and act arbitrarily.

Ukrainian authorities are also known for violations of freedom of speech, another similarity the country has with Russia. The critical blogger Ruslan Kozaba has been in custody since February. His crime: He spoke out against the civil war in eastern Ukraine.

Apparently, the blogger was reported to authorities by a volunteer who works for the Security Service of Ukraine. The 31,000-employee SBU appears to serve as the third element in the justice system and is also traditionally a tool of oligarchic interests. But US officials say the days of standing by and watching are over: The grace period has apparently come to an end.

Wall Street Journal

Joe BIDEN'S Mission in Ukraine

By: Stephen Sestanovich / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine for two days of meetings and a speech to parliament. Such visits typically combine warm reassurance with hair-on-fire exhortation: "We've got your back," plus "You've got to do more." That will doubtless be Mr. **BIDEN'S** script this week. But there's nothing pro forma about the message. Although Ukraine has long since lost its page-one prominence, its situation—economic, political, and strategic—remains dire. It could be back on the front page in a hurry.

So what does the vice president need to say in Kiev? The crisis of the moment involves a political impasse over the budget. Finance Minister Natalie Jaresko, a tough reformer, has presented a tax package that would clean up a corrupt code, embrace a 20% flat tax, narrow the deficit, and sustain support from the International Monetary Fund. George Soros has endorsed it, but key parliamentary leaders have not. They've proposed an alternative (reformers call it "populist") that will cut rates, explode the deficit, and kiss IMF money good-bye.

U.S. leaders hate telling friendly countries that they have to accept the IMF's medicine, and Mr. **BIDEN** surely loathes this part of his assignment. What he needs to do in Kiev is make populism his friend. Yes, it's crucial to satisfy the IMF. (Who except Vladimir Putin wants Ukraine to stand alone?) But satisfying the Ukrainian people is equally important. The country's future depends on their support, far more than on the support of international financial institutions.

Fortunately, the two can still be reconciled. Part of Mr. **BIDEN'S** job in Ukraine this week is to avoid letting himself become the IMF's enforcer. He needs to give Ms. Jaresko's plan a boost and to make plain the U.S. government's view that her plan can succeed only if married to a vigorous assault on the corrupt and still unreformed institutions of pre-Maidan Ukraine. (As a senior member of the Kiev government growled to me not so long ago: "People need to go to jail.")

That's the you've-got-to-do-more half of Mr. **BIDEN'S** mission. As for the reassurance half, the vice president will tell Ukrainians—loudly and emphatically—that the United States and Europe will not sell them out in order to forge an anti-terrorism alliance with Russia. He shouldn't let himself be guilt-tripped on this issue or make concessions just to soothe nerves in Kiev. Still, the current lull in eastern Ukraine is a good moment to think about how to keep the peace whenever fighting threatens to resume. To prolong the lull, Ukraine needs a more capable and professional military. Now—not when new violence erupts somewhere down the line—is the time to think about security.

AFP

Joe BIDEN Visits War-Scarred Ukraine to Reaffirm US Support

By: Dmitry Zaks / December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** arrived in Kiev late Sunday to reassure its pro-Western leaders that Washington remains committed to Ukraine despite stepped-up efforts to work with Russia against Islamic State jihadists.

BIDEN'S three-day visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

After arriving at around midnight (2200 GMT on Sunday), he is due to meet Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko Monday and deliver a highly-anticipated address to parliament the following day.

"We do not know if there is any other historical precedent for a foreign official giving a speech like this," a senior US administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said in a teleconference with reporters.

Washington and Kiev's EU allies support Ukraine's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ousting of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Both the US and EU have slapped stiff economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's dilapidated and underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Situation changing

But the situation changed when Russia launched ferocious air strikes against Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's enemies on September 30.

Washington accused Putin of trying to prop up his most important Middle East ally by targeting Western-backed Syrian rebels instead of IS and other extremists holding parts of Syria and Iraq.

Yet IS's claim that it downed a Russian airliner carrying 224 holidaymakers and crew from Egypt on October 31 appears to have prompted Moscow to focus more on bombing oil infrastructure and other jihadist targets.

The November 13 Paris attacks further prompted French President Francois Hollande to try to enrol Russia in a "grand coalition" against IS including the US and some European and Arab states.

Hollande's mission has been treated with caution by the White House and overt fright by Ukraine, a country of about 40 million.

The senior US official said **BIDEN** would take extra care to stress that the overtures toward Putin in no way affected the West's support for Kiev.

"I think that is going to be a major theme of the trip -- that nothing that is going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the US official said.

Inability to erase corruption

Yet **BIDEN** arrives in a country whose morale is sagging due to Poroshenko's seeming inability to erase the corruption that has ravaged Ukraine for much of its recent history.

Poroshenko's prosecutor-general has particularly fallen prey to accusations of blocking investigations and hiring workers who have since been detained with huge stashes of gold and cash in their flats.

This, along with Kiev's failure to win back the east after 19 months of bloodshed that has claimed more than 8,000 lives, is souring the public's mood toward the government and helping the resurgence of Ukrainian far-right groups.

"Much more needs to be done to reform the prosecutor-general's office so that it actually enables anti-corruption efforts as opposed to standing in the way of those efforts," the US official said.

"So that will be I think something that is talked about."

Analysts say the main problem rests in the government's failure to break the hold big business has enjoyed over much of Ukrainian politics for more than 20 years.

"Ukraine has 1,833 state corporations that are a persistent source of corruption," said Anders Aslund of the US-based Atlantic Council.

"The government has failed to privatise one single enterprise because of deeply ingrained vested interests."

Poroshenko has taken credit for dismissing nearly 4,000 graft-tainted prosecutors. He also introduced a high-ranking official on Tuesday responsible for rooting out bribe-taking and at least partially limiting the sway of shadowy tycoons.

But some analysts remain unconvinced.

"The adoption of even the best and highest-profile decisions that 'suit **BIDEN**' only underscores the absence of a coherent strategy for reforming our country," Ukrainian political commentator Yevgen Magda said.

VICE News

Joe BIDEN is visiting Ukraine – and it could get really awkward

By: Simon Ostrovsky / December 7, 2015

It's a diplomat's job to stay all smiles and keep the business of international relations chugging along, no matter how bad things look. But sometimes, even diplomats lose their cool.

This week, US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is visiting Kiev to tell Ukrainians they still have Washington's support in their fight against Russia and Russia-backed separatists in the country's east. But his message may be overshadowed by the US ambassador to Kiev, who hasn't been acting very diplomatically lately.

At the end of September, Ambassador Geoffrey Pyatt got up in front of a group of businessmen and investors at a conference in the city of Odessa and told them that Ukrainian prosecutors were protecting the corrupt owner of an energy company that employs the **BIDEN'S** son, Hunter, instead of prosecuting him.

"We have learned that there have been times when the Prosecutor General's Office not only did not support investigations into corruption, but rather undermined prosecutors working on legitimate corruption cases," Pyatt said in Ukraine's main port city.

He then pointed specifically to a case involving former Ukrainian Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, owner of the Burisma Holdings energy firm, which hired Hunter **BIDEN** to its board of directors shortly after the Euromaidan revolution overthrew Zlochevsky's former boss Viktor Yanukovich.

Burisma likely hired **BIDEN'S** son in the hopes that some of the family prestige would rub off on the company in the uncertain times that followed the revolution, Daria Kaleniuk, director of Ukraine's Anti-Corruption Action Center, told VICE News.

"They want there to be less suspicion that they're involved in corrupt under-the-table dealings and are instead seen as operating in line with international standards," Kaleniuk said, adding that Burisma received gas

production licenses in questionable circumstances under the former regime.

Burisma insists it hired the vice president's son to its board because he is an experienced lawyer. "This is totally based on merit," the company's chairman, Alan Apter said when the younger **BIDEN** was hired.

According to the US ambassador, Hunter **BIDEN'S** boss Zlochevsky stole \$23 million from the Ukrainian people. But when a British court seized the money and asked Ukrainian prosecutors to send documents to confirm the funds were illicit, they stalled, forcing the court to release the assets back to the former ecology minister.

The elder **BIDEN** arrives in Ukraine at a time when there is no bigger issue than corruption. With the war in the east stabilized for the time being, the media have nominated graft as the country's number one enemy — not Russia.

The vice president also lands after months of acrimony between reformers and Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko over the prosecutor general, who Poroshenko has refused to dismiss despite numerous allegations about abuse of authority.

But the White House wants the focus of **BIDEN'S** visit to be Ukraine's close alliance with the US. One senior administration official, who asked not to be named, said a major goal was to remind people that Ukraine was not forgotten despite the fact that attention has shifted toward Russia's involvement in Syria.

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"That's going to be a major theme of the trip — that nothing that's going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the official said in a briefing for journalists.

The official also acknowledged that the administration has had to fall into line with the ambassador's now public views.

"The Office of the Prosecutor General itself is in desperate need of reform," the official said. "And so [**BIDEN**] has made this very clear to President Poroshenko in previous conversations... So I think we are largely in line with Ambassador Pyatt's sense that much more needs to be done."

But **BIDEN'S** meeting with Poroshenko may be a bit awkward, given that the US backs Ukraine on the presumption that it wants to have a Western-style democratic system with checks and balances — not a Russian-style autocracy where anyone who is friends with top officials gets a free pass.

Ukrainian reformers will be watching closely to hear what **BIDEN** tells the president.

"We have been very happy with the criticism the embassy has been bringing against the prosecutor's office," said Kaleniuk. "It has been very direct. So if **BIDEN** continues in the same vein and highlights the activities of the prosecutor's office in defending people associated with Burisma, then it will be clear that he is doing his job fairly and is not beholden to narrow family interests."

Voice of America

BIDEN to push for reforms during Ukraine visit December 6, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine for a visit aimed at pushing the Kyiv government toward continued reforms, while seeking to reassure it that war in Syria has not diminished Washington's support for Ukraine's pro-Western ambitions.

BIDEN arrived in Kyiv early Monday local time, and is set to meet with President Petro Poroshenko later in the day, before a highly anticipated address to the Ukraine parliament Tuesday.

During the two-day visit - **BIDEN'S** fifth since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in early 2014 - he is expected to review Ukraine's recent anti-corruption efforts, including tax reforms, ahead of formal U.S. approval of a third \$1 billion loan guarantee.

The Obama administration already has provided \$470 million in direct economic assistance since pro-Russian former president Viktor Yanukovich was driven from power nearly two years ago, after weeks of anti-government protests in Kyiv. The **BIDEN** visit comes as fighting in eastern Ukraine between government troops and pro-Russian rebels continues to wane, after more than 18 months of combat and nearly 8,000 deaths, most of them civilians.

Key U.S. officials say **BIDEN** will seek to reassure Kyiv that Washington will continue an array of economic sanctions against Russia, until Moscow and its Ukrainian rebel allies fully implement internationally mediated agreements to end the conflict and pull back heavy weapons.

Senior officials say **BIDEN** also will stress that recent U.S. overtures aimed at gaining cooperation from Russian President Vladimir Putin in the fight against Islamic extremists in Syria will in no way affect Western support for Kyiv.

President Poroshenko has overseen the dismissals of nearly 4,000 graft tainted prosecutors since taking office in May 2014. Last week, he also introduced a special anti-corruption prosecutor whose responsibilities will include rooting out graft and limiting the political power of shadowy business tycoons long seen as obstructing good government practices in the former Soviet republic.

AP

BIDEN announces more US aid for Ukraine December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** assured Ukraine Monday of continuing U.S. support and announced the release of an additional \$190 million in U.S. aid to help support reforms.

BIDEN, speaking Monday on a trip to the Ukrainian capital, also emphasized the need for Russia to fully meet its obligations under February's Minsk agreement that was intended to end the fighting in eastern Ukraine.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued — I emphasize, continued — aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said after his talks with Ukraine's President Petro Poroshenko.

Ukraine and the West have accused Russia of backing the rebels in eastern Ukraine with troops and weapons, accusations Moscow has denied.

Fighting between Ukrainian forces and Russia-backed separatists has abated significantly since early September, after killing some 8,000 people since April 2014, but tensions remain high because of unresolved questions about the final political status of the rebel regions in the east.

"Moscow has to fully implement the Minsk agreement and work constructively with Ukraine to create the conditions for free, fair and safe local elections to occur in Donbass," **BIDEN** said, referring to the collective name for the two rebel regions.

BIDEN also underlined that the U.S. will never accept Russia's annexation of Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula. "Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine's sovereign territory," he said.

BIDEN stressed the need for Ukraine to ramp up the fight against corruption and undertake critical reforms.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption," he said.

BIDEN added that the additional roughly \$190 million in U.S. assistance will help fight corruption in Ukraine's law-enforcement and reform the justice sector, helping attract more investment by streamlining regulations and privatizing state-owned enterprises in a transparent way.

Morning News USA

Joe BIDEN stirs World War 3 Analyst

By: Athena Yenka / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** traveled to Ukraine on Sunday. The visit aimed to provide a strong signal of American support for Ukraine in the face of Russia's continued military intervention in the region, according to a senior administration official. The move, however, signals that U.S. is geared up for a possible World War 3 against Russia, according to an analyst.

"He (**BIDEN**) is there to kind of reassure the Kiev puppet ally government that the United States is standing behind them, ready for World War 3 against Russia," Joachim Hagopian, an investigative journalist, told Press TV.

A senior administration official said the primary aim of Vice President **BIDEN'S** visit to Ukraine is to assure a staunch U.S. support against Russia's provocative incursion in the region. "Even as so much of the international attention has shifted towards Russia's involvement with Syria, we, the United States, haven't forgotten about Ukraine; that Ukraine remains central to our national interests; and that the Vice President and President continue to believe that progress in Ukraine is essential for the ultimate aspiration we have for Europe of being whole, at peace, and free," the official said during a conference call.

A discussion will also be made about the implementation of the Minsk Agreements in order to deescalate hostilities between Russian-backed separatists and the Ukrainian government. Mr. **BIDEN** will call for Russia to live up to their obligations under the Minsk Agreements, the official said. He will also assure Ukraine that U.S. will keep its sanctions against Russia until Minsk is fully implemented. The U.S. will also continue to train the Ukrainian armed forces to defend the region from any aggression from Russia.

The U.S. will not intervene in the matters concerning Ukrainian debt to Russia, the official said. The Russian have offered a solution that requires an American, European or an IMF guarantee of repayment in installments. "This is a bilateral issue for Russia and Ukraine," the official said.

According to a report from Reuters, the Russian government has already received a direct refusal from the U.S. regarding the matter. "In this regard, there is nothing left but for us to file a legal case against Ukraine if the debtor does not fulfill its liabilities fully on Dec. 20," the Russian Finance Ministry was quoted as saying in a statement. The senior administration

official speaking on behalf of the vice president also stressed that while the U.S. has been in active conversation with Russia on Syria, the talks are completely compartmented from the Ukraine experience.

All U.S. moves and decision involving the Ukraine crisis is provoking Russia, Hagopian told Press TV. "I think that we are seeing polarization and a movement towards more confrontation, unfortunately, and I think that this **BIDEN** visit to Ukraine is the same as 'you know we are going to be there for you when World War 3 starts, we are going to be fighting right alongside you,'" Hagopian added.

International Business Times

US Pledges \$190M Financial Support to Ukraine, Must Fight Corruption, Says VP Joe BIDEN

By: Lydia Tomkiw / December 7, 2015

During U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN'S** fourth visit to Ukraine Monday since the Russian annexation of Crimea, he announced the U.S. will provide the financially battered Eastern European country with \$190 million in financial assistance, Reuters reported. The announcement comes as Ukraine works to reform its political and economic systems and continues a territorial battle with Russia.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN reassured the Ukrainian people that the U.S. has not forgotten about Russia's annexation of Crimea in March 2014 that triggered the war in Eastern Ukraine, which has pitted Russian-backed separatists against Ukrainian government forces and devastated Ukraine's industrial heartland. Over 8,000 people have died in the conflict and over 1.4 million have been displaced.

BIDEN said the U.S. would never accept Russia's annexation of the peninsula and emphasized that Russia must meet the demands agreed to

in the February Minsk agreement that officials from both Moscow and Kiev signed in hopes of ending the conflict.

The American leader stressed during his remarks that Ukraine must continue to fight corruption with civil society playing a key role. **BIDEN'S** own son, Hunter, is on the board of a Ukrainian energy company that has faced allegations of corruption.

BIDEN'S remarks come as Ukraine works with the International Monetary Fund to bail out its economy. Ukraine was able to negotiate a 20 percent write-down on \$18 billion worth of bonds in August. Russia holds \$3 billion worth of bonds and has refused to take part in the write-down. The bonds are due Dec. 20 and Russia has said it will sue Ukraine if payments are not made.

"We have no choice but to file a lawsuit against Ukraine in case of the borrower's non-fulfillment of its obligations in full by Dec. 20 of this year, which will mean a sovereign default in Ukraine," Russia's Finance Ministry said in a statement.

BIDEN is scheduled to address the Ukrainian parliament Tuesday.

Reuters

Ukraine still has work to do on reforms, U.S. VP BIDEN says

By: Alessandra Prentice / December 7, 2015

U.S Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said on Monday Ukraine still had a lot of hard work to do on reforms, as he announced new financial aid of \$190 million to help the country fight corruption and streamline its bureaucracy.

Ukraine's Western backers have repeatedly urged Kiev authorities to stick to reform promises made under a \$40 billion international bailout programme aimed at shoring up the country's war-torn economy, which was brought close to bankruptcy by years of corruption and economic mismanagement.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to

determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** told a joint briefing with President Petro Poroshenko following bilateral talks.

Disagreement between the government and parliament over critical tax amendments and slow progress in revamping Ukraine's corrupt judicial system have raised concern that the country's leadership will stumble in its reform drive.

"A lot of hard work remains, including reform of Ukraine's law and justice sectors, but the payoff will be worth it," **BIDEN** said, even as he welcomed "real signs" of economic improvement.

Including the latest funds, the U.S. government has given Kiev \$760 million in direct economic assistance and signed two loan guarantees, each worth \$1 billion, since pro-Western parties took office in Ukraine more than a year ago.

Ukraine has also sought to bolster its finances through restructuring its external debt. Russia holds the entirety of one Ukrainian \$3 billion Eurobond and has refused the deal offered by Kiev, putting forward instead its own terms in a proposal that expires on Tuesday.

There is no sign that the two sides have moved closer to a compromise on the bond, which matures on Dec. 20. The Ukrainian Finance Ministry has said it cannot legally offer Russia better terms than those agreed with its other creditors.

The International Monetary Fund is expected to change its policy to allow it to lend to countries in arrears, maintaining Ukraine's access to financial assistance if it does not repay Russia this month.

Both sides have expressed a willingness to fight out the issue in court, should efforts to negotiate a deal fail.

RFI English

BIDEN visits Kiev to calm Ukrainian fears over Russia relations thaw

By: Jan van der Made / December 7, 2015

US Vice-President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine this week for the fourth time since protests ousted the pro-Russian government at the beginning of 2013. **BIDEN** met Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko on Sunday and was to address parliament on Tuesday.

BIDEN'S Ukraine visit comes as the West seems readier to cooperate with Russia in Syria - a thaw in relations with Kiev's current arch-enemy.

One of the reasons, if not the main reason, that **BIDEN** is there is to address Ukrainians' concerns in that respect.

"This is very important for us, he is giving messages from our foreign alliances and we can see the Americans and the Europeans as our allies in our fight against Russia and we are really grateful for this support, which shows that we are on the right track." says Alexei Ryabchin, a member of parliament for Yulia Tymoshenko's Fatherland Party who met **BIDEN** on Monday morning.

"It signifies the importance that Ukraine carries at the moment for the US," says Lilith Gevorgian, senior economist with IHS Global Insight. "It also signifies the continuing US support for Ukraine and perhaps in some ways it is a gesture to address those concerns Ukrainians may have over the recent thaw between Russia and the West over Syria."

Many Ukrainians fear that their conflict with Russia may be overshadowed by the eagerness of Nato members, especially France, to build an alliance against the Islamic State armed group (IS) in which Russia is an important player, she explains.?

BIDEN seems to have answered Ukrainian concerns, for now at least.

"Of course Ukraine is concerned with this," says Ryabchin, just back from Paris where he attended the Cop21 climate change negotiations.

There "high French officials gave guarantees that the Syrian question is one thing and Ukraine is another", he says. "It won't be mixed."

"And now I heard from Vice-President Joe **BIDEN**, who could speak on behalf of the presidential administration, that Syria is one thing and Ukraine is another and they will not mix these two things together."

Another point of discussion may be Ukraine's debt to Russia and a looming default that could take place as early as this month.

Russia provided Ukraine with three-billion-dollars-worth of credit in 2013, when the country was still ruled by the Moscow-backed government of Victor Yanukovich. The payback is due on 20 December.

"Obviously Ukraine does not have the means to repay this," says Peter Hablik, an economist with the Vienna Institute of International Economic Relations. "Russia insists on getting this money back, otherwise Ukraine would default. And Russia has proposed that for instance the US or the EU would provide guarantees for this credit and in that case Russia would be willing to restructure."

Meanwhile, Nato members are not unanimous in their attitude to Russia. Poland calls for more Nato troops on its territory and cutting ties with Russia, while the Germans last week said they want to push their allies to reopen high level contacts with Russia.

Ukraine is trying to defend its perceived interests in the shifting sands of Moscow-Nato relations.

"The task of the Ukrainian state is to build up capacity of governing our army, of organising our army according to the best Nato standards," says Ryabchyn.

"It does not mean that we are applying for membership right now. No, it means that we now need to build an army that is able to defend the country. The army has been destroyed during 15 years of a pro-Russian government. We restored it within one year. And now we need to train it to the best Nato standards. So this is where we see Nato helping us."

But membership of Nato is still a far-away dream.

"Ukraine has thrown away the previous policy of neutrality in terms of military alliances," says Gevorgian. "In the past Ukraine had declared it didn't want to pursue any military alliance with Russia or Nato. However, after the last crisis, the Crimean crisis and the one in eastern Ukraine, there is an overwhelming support now for pursuing Atlantic integration, including on a military level."

But Ukraine and Georgia, which is also pursuing Nato membership, may have to go through years of reforms before being accepted by the military alliance, which is not going to solve their immediate military problems with Russia, she says.

ABC Radio

BIDEN to ease concerns over US support in Ukraine

December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** received a warm welcome upon his arrival in Kiev, Ukraine, Monday. The vice president was met with the traditional Ukrainian offering of bread and salt on the first visit to Ukraine by a senior U.S. official for some time.

During the two-day visit, **BIDEN** will hopefully reassure Ukrainians that the U.S. is not losing interest in supporting Ukraine.

BIDEN is set to meet with President Petro Poroshenko to discuss further U.S. aid and the conflict with Russia there, which has calmed recently. Officials have also said that **BIDEN** will press the Ukrainian government on economic reforms and anti-corruption efforts that the White House says aren't moving fast enough.

AFP

Russia must fulfill Ukraine peace deal, hand back Crimea: BIDEN

December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said during a visit to Kiev on Monday that Washington remained committed to its demands for Russia to adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev.

The broad February deal struck in the Belarussian capital Minsk "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitments," **BIDEN** said after talks in the Ukrainian capital with President Petro Poroshenko.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia's troops overran Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

Washington and the European Union support Kiev's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Fighting has eased somewhat since the warring sides signed a new truce on September 1. But Ukrainian soldiers and civilians still die almost daily by stepping on landmines and getting caught in the occasional combat that breaks out across the war zone.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, I emphasize, continued aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN also took the opportunity to urge Ukrainian authorities to do more to tackle the rampant graft that has plagued the country for much of its recent history, amid growing discontent among Ukrainians over Poroshenko's seeming inability to end the scourge.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine... to root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** stressed.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you."

Poroshenko for his part told **BIDEN** that the 19-month war in which more than 8,000 have died "cannot be used as an excuse for failing to conduct reforms."

"We are grateful to Washington for its support of Ukraine," the pro-Western president said.

Ukraine Today

US expects Ukraine to make significant steps to eradicate corruption – BIDEN

December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has urged the Ukrainian people and authorities to unite in the fight against corruption, which currently prevents development in the country.

"All Ukrainians, state officials and the business community must work together to eradicate corruption, which has held back the progress in Ukraine for too long. Ukrainians cannot stand corruption any longer. Their expectations are very high," Joe **BIDEN** said during a joint press conference with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko in Kyiv on Monday, December 7, according to Interfax-Ukraine news agency

BIDEN stressed that the desire to fight corruption also led to the anti-government and pro-European protests that took place in Kyiv two years ago in Kyiv.

"It is important to root out corruption to secure the prosperity of Ukraine and ensure the country becomes part of the safe Europe", he said.

BIDEN also said the United States expects Russia to fully implement the Minsk agreements.

"We believe that the best way to end the conflict in the Donbass is through diplomatic methods set out in the Minsk Agreement. But both parties must fulfil their obligations. The Minsk Agreement will not be successful if Russia does not fulfil its obligations, if President Putin did not fulfil the promises he repeatedly gave to US President Obama, to you (President Poroshenko) and the international community ", Interfax-Ukraine quoted **BIDEN** as saying.

Sputnik

With this team? BIDEN urges Anti-Corruption, Economic reforms in

Ukraine

December 7, 2015

“The Vice President [**BIDEN**] and other participants spoke about the importance of anti-corruption, governance, and economic reforms,” the press release said.

BIDEN arrived to Kiev on Monday and held talks with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko. The vice president is also expected to address the Rada on Tuesday.

Earlier in the day, the US vice president announced a new round of financial assistance to Kiev amounting to \$190 million.

The United States has been assisting Ukraine with economic and military aid following the 2014 political crisis and Crimea’s referendum to reunite with Russia.

Washington has already provided Kiev with more than \$266 million in military equipment and training, while the International Monetary Fund (IMF) has pledged to give Kiev some \$17 billion in loans over a two-year period.

POLITICO

BIDEN gives Ukraine ‘one more chance’ to reform

By: Paul Dallison / December 7, 2015

The United States pledged an extra \$190 million in aid to Ukraine Monday, but Vice President Joe **BIDEN** warned that Kiev has just “one more chance” to root out corruption or lose the funding.

BIDEN held talks with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, pledging support for Ukraine in the face of Russian aggression and urging the country’s leaders to continue on the path to reform. “The Ukrainian people cannot once again have their hopes dashed based on corruption,” **BIDEN** said.

“One more chance. It’s absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption. The people need to see that the ways of the past are permanently gone, they no longer exist. That means hard decisions. That means ramping up the pace of reforms, avoidance of past practices, advancing good governance, increasing transparency across the board at every level of the government and strengthening the rule of law. It means everybody playing by the same rules, from the folks at the bottom to the folks at the very top.”

The \$190 million in funding brings the total American assistance in recent years to \$760 million. **BIDEN** made it clear that the U.S. “stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued – and I emphasize continued – aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists.”

“We continue to believe that the best way to end the conflict in Donbas is through a diplomatic framework that was laid out in the Minsk agreement. But both sides need to hold up that bargain. Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community.”

He added: “The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten that the illegal invasion — and it’s an invasion — by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or the international community.”

Poroshenko said that there had been a reduction in the violence in the east of the country, but “unfortunately the war is still raging.” He added that the government has made progress in reforms, including the selection of an anti-corruption prosecutor.

CNN

BIDEN says Crimea part of Ukraine, not Russia
December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in the capital of Ukraine. During his two-day visit, the vice president is expected to review anti-corruption efforts in Ukraine ahead of U.S. economic assistance to the country.

He also will meet with Ukraine's president and address the country's parliament. **BIDEN** will get an update on clashes between government troops and pro-Russian forces in eastern Ukraine.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, and I emphasize continued, aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said on Monday. "And we continue to believe that the best way to end the conflict in Donbass is through a diplomatic framework that was laid out in the Minsk Agreement. But both sides, both sides, need to hold up that bargain. Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and (Russian) President (Vladimir) Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community."

More than 7,500 people have died in the fighting in eastern Ukraine between national forces and Russian-backed separatists. **BIDEN** also reiterated the U.S. view that Crimea is a part of Ukraine, not Russia.

"The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten that the illegal invasion, and it's an invasion, by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or the international community," **BIDEN** added. "This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong and we will not accept it under any circumstance. And Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine's sovereign territory. Crimea is still sovereign territory of Ukraine."

Bloomberg

BIDEN Warns Ukraine That Corruption Imperils Its Democracy

By: Margaret Talev / December 8, 2015

Ukraine must root out corruption and impose the rule of law or risk graft becoming the "death knell" of the eastern European nation's democracy, according to U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN**.

BIDEN, visiting Kiev for the fourth time in two years, warned against repeating the broken reform promises of the 2004 Orange Revolution, which failed to curb the clout of the businessmen that control Ukraine's biggest companies and influence politics. The government must complete economic overhauls under a \$17.5 billion bailout from the International Monetary Fund, he said.

"Oligarchs and non-oligarchs must play by the same rules," **BIDEN** told lawmakers Tuesday in the Ukrainian capital before a vote this month on the 2016 budget. Fighting corruption is one of Ukraine's "national security interests."

Ukraine, jolted by a war in its easternmost regions and 1 1/2 years of recession, has faced criticism over delays in reforms needed to sustain the flow of financial aid from allies including the U.S and the European Union. Anger at corruption fueled the Orange Revolution and an uprising that unseated pro-Russian leader Viktor Yanukovich in 2014. Ukraine ranks 142nd-lowest of 175 nations in Berlin-based Transparency's latest graft-perceptions survey.

'Moving Forward'

BIDEN said the U.S. will continue support "if you keep moving forward on corruption." The U.S. has provided guarantees for \$2 billion of bond sales by Ukraine's government, helping to stabilize the hryvnia, which has lost almost a third of its value against the dollar this year. Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew said last month that a third \$1 billion guarantee is planned in the coming months if Ukraine's maintains reforms and adheres to the IMF program.

BIDEN also addressed the Minsk peace accord that's stemmed violence in Ukraine's eastern conflict zone since it was signed in February in Belarus. Ukraine should fulfill its obligations under the pact, including granting decentralization and amnesty to Russia-backed separatists in the Donetsk and Luhansk regions, he said.

Russia must deliver on its promises and put pressure on the insurgents to allow local elections to be held under Ukrainian law, according to **BIDEN**, who said sanctions won't be lifted unless Russia meets its commitments.

POLITICO

Joe BIDEN: Corruption eating Ukraine 'like a cancer'

By: Vince Chadwick / December 8, 2015

"Corruption eats Ukraine like cancer," U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** told that country's parliament Tuesday.

Addressing the Verkhovna Rada in Kiev, **BIDEN** said Ukraine needed to do more to fight corruption, or else risk losing international support.

The U.S. pledged \$190 million in extra aid to Ukraine Monday, but **BIDEN** warned it had only "one more chance" to stop corruption.

He had a message for Moscow in his address Tuesday as well, saying sanctions against Moscow would not be lifted until it ended its "aggression" against Ukraine.

"Despite some de-escalation in violence, there can be no sanctions relief unless and until Russia meets all of its commitments under the (February) Minsk agreements," he said, adding that the U.S. would never recognize Russia's annexation of Crimea.

New York Times

Joe BIDEN Urges Lawmakers in Ukraine to Fulfill Promise of Uprising

By: Peter Baker / December 8, 2015

Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. urged Ukrainian leaders on Tuesday to curb the power of the business moguls dominating society and to fulfill the promise of the popular revolution that pushed out a pro-Moscow government last year.

Addressing the Ukrainian Parliament, Mr. **BIDEN** sternly lectured lawmakers to put aside their own self-interests and to transform this former Soviet republic into a model of democratic change.

Citing the failure of the Orange Revolution of 2004 to deliver enduring change, the vice president urged Ukrainians not to let this opportunity slip by as well.

“This is your moment,” he told them. “This is your responsibility. Each of you, if you’ll forgive me for speaking to you this way in your body, each of you has an obligation to seize the opportunity that the sacrifices made in the Maidan, the sacrifices of the Heavenly Hundred. Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time.”

By invoking the memory of the roughly 100 protesters killed during protests in Maidan Square last year, Mr. **BIDEN** hoped to infuse today’s legislative battles with the moral imperative of the uprising, which led to a pro-Western government. Many in Ukraine worry that the new leaders have become so paralyzed by their own power struggles that they will squander the chance for change.

For Mr. **BIDEN**, who has made it his mission to nurse Ukraine through its transition, it was a classic performance from the lectern in the grand chamber of the Parliament, known here as the Rada. At times, he shouted at the lawmakers, gesturing sharply. At other points, he practically whispered. At still other moments, he wagged his finger.

Citing John Adams, Thomas Paine, Edmund Burke and Daniel Webster, Mr. **BIDEN** talked about the United States’ own struggles to build democracy. He also cited a quotation from an American politician he did not identify: “In your heart, you know it’s right,” he said. (The phrase is actually a variation of the slogan in an ad made for the Republican presidential candidate Barry Goldwater in 1964.)

But it was not clear whether Mr. **BIDEN’S** message really got through. Lawmakers, many listening to an interpreter through earphones, sat silently during the long lecture on corruption and applauded only when Mr. **BIDEN** assailed Russia for its intervention in Ukraine. The one standing ovation they gave Mr. **BIDEN** came when he said that Russia had infringed on Ukrainian sovereignty and that the United States would never recognize the annexation of Crimea.

“Russia has violated these ground rules and continues to violate them,” he said. “Today, Russia’s occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia’s attempt to annex Crimea.”

He added that he would tell the world about Nadiya V. Savchenko, the Ukrainian helicopter pilot being held in Russia; her picture was displayed on a poster on the lectern from which Mr. **BIDEN** spoke, with the slogan, “Freedom for Nadiya Savchenko.”

And the vice president committed to keeping American sanctions on Russia until Moscow complies with a cease-fire brokered in Minsk, Belarus. “There can be no sanctions relief unless and until Moscow meets all, all of its commitments under Minsk,” Mr. **BIDEN** said.

But his main message to the Ukrainians was, in effect, to get their house in order. The day before, he had suggested that many in Europe were waiting for Ukraine to fail so that they would have an excuse not to continue confronting Russia.

Mr. **BIDEN** specifically called for an overhaul of the office of prosecutor general, change in the energy sector, transparency about official sources of income, disclosure of conflicts between government responsibilities and business and other measures.

“If you fail, the experiment fails,” he said. “It’s no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you.”

Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty

BIDEN says Western pressure, ‘cost’ to Moscow will rise if ‘aggression’ persists

December 8, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has told Ukraine's parliament that Western pressure on Russia will increase if Moscow continues its "aggression" against Kyiv.

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said on December 8 in a rare appearance by a top Western official before the Ukrainian parliament.

"The U.S. will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfills its [peace deal] commitments," he said. "Despite some deescalation in violence, there can be no sanctions relief unless until Russia meets all of its commitments under the [February] Minsk agreements."

He also directly accused Moscow of sending troops to fight with pro-Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine and trying to hide that action from the Russian public and the world.

"I don't think the Russian people understand fully what Putin is doing. That's why he spends so much time hiding at home the presence of troops here in your country," he told the Ukrainian lawmakers.

BIDEN is in Kyiv on his fourth visit since Moscow annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in March 2014 and gave its backing to pro-Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine.

He told the parliament that "Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory" in Crimea and has violated international law by illegally seizing the Ukrainian peninsula.

BIDEN said "the United States will never recognize" Russia's annexation of Crimea and will continue to support Ukraine against Russian aggression.

The U.S. vice president also told the lawmakers that they have "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

"It is no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you, because so much rides on your fragile experiment with democracy succeeding," **BIDEN** said. "It is equally important, by the way, for aggressors around the world to understand they can't use coercion, bribery, sending tanks and men across the border to extinguish the dreams of a people." **BIDEN** said each lawmaker will be judged by future generations upon whether they put the greater good of all Ukrainian people over local interests that have divided the country.

He urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

BIDEN met with President Petro Poroshenko in Kyiv on December 7 and announced new financial aid of \$190 million to help Ukraine implement reforms.

He said after meeting Poroshenko that "Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations."

He also met on December 7 with some individual members of parliament and from civic society, as well as with Kyiv Mayor Vitaly Klitschko.

BIDEN arrived in the Ukrainian capital late on December 6.

The United States and European Union, along with Kyiv, accuse Russia of seizing Crimea and backing the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of Moscow-backed President Viktor Yanukovich following months of antigovernment protests.

The protests were fueled by anger over rampant corruption and Yanukovich's abandonment of negotiations toward an Association Agreement with the EU amid Russian pressure.

In response to Russia's actions, Washington and Brussels have placed economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Voice of America

BIDEN promises Ukraine continued US support on Conflict with Russia

December 8, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has assured Ukraine's lawmakers that the United States will never recognize "Russia's attempt to annex Crimea," drawing a standing ovation in the country's parliament.

"Today, Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia's attempt to annex Crimea," he told members of the Ukrainian Rada on Tuesday, just before concluding a two-day visit to Ukraine.

Speaking on conflict in eastern Ukraine, where Ukrainian troops have been locked in a battle with pro-Russia separatists for the past 20 months, he assured lawmakers of continued U.S. support, calling on Russia to comply with the Minsk cease-fire agreement designed to ease tensions over the conflict or face continued sanctions.

"There can be no sanctions relief unless and until Moscow meets all, all of its commitments under Minsk," **BIDEN** said. He also urged lawmakers to fight corruption, warning that the future of Ukraine is at stake.

"Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time," **BIDEN** told lawmakers.

The vice president also promised to tell the world the story of Nadiya Savchenko, a Ukrainian helicopter pilot being held in Russia.

\$190 million in new US aid

On Monday, **BIDEN** announced \$190 million in new U.S. aid to Ukraine.

BIDEN said Monday that the new aid will help the country implement reforms and fight corruption. During a joint briefing following bilateral talks with Ukraine's president, Petro Poroshenko, **BIDEN** said, "It's absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe, to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption."

"That means ramping up the pace of reforms, avoidance of past practices, advancing good governance, increasing transparency across the board at every level of the government and strengthening the rule of law," he added.

Poroshenko has overseen the dismissal of nearly 4,000 graft tainted prosecutors since taking office in May 2014. Last week, he also introduced a special anti-corruption prosecutor whose responsibilities will include rooting out graft and limiting the political power of shadowy business

tycoons long seen as obstructing good government practices in the former Soviet republic.

Minsk agreement

During their joint briefing Monday, **BIDEN** also said the U.S. "stands firmly with the people of Ukraine" in the face of "continued aggression" by Russia and Russia-backed separatists. He said the best way to end the conflict in eastern Ukraine is through the "diplomatic framework" laid out in an agreement signed in Minsk, Belarus by representatives of the Ukrainian and Russian governments, and the separatists.

"Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community," **BIDEN** said, adding that Russia is "systematically violating" the cease-fire agreed to in Minsk.

Despite the cease-fire, sporadic fighting between government troops and pro-Russian rebels continues in eastern Ukraine, after more than 18 months of combat and nearly 8,000 deaths, most of them civilians.

BIDEN'S two-day visit, his fourth since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in early 2014, came ahead of formal U.S. approval of a third \$1 billion bailout loan guarantee.

The Obama administration already has provided \$470 million in direct economic assistance since pro-Russian former president Viktor Yanukovich was driven from power nearly two years ago, after weeks of anti-government protests in Kyiv.

AP

BIDEN Warns Ukraine of Backsliding on Corruption **December 8, 2015**

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** on Tuesday warned Ukraine against backsliding in the fight against corruption.

In a speech at the Ukrainian Parliament, **BIDEN** said Ukraine should do more to fight corruption or it will lose international support.

BIDEN, who has been in Kiev since Sunday, previously assured Ukraine of U.S. support and announced the release of an additional \$190 million in U.S. aid to help conduct structural reforms.

Pro-Russian President Viktor Yanukovych fled the country in February 2014 following months of anti-government protests in Kiev, largely fueled by rampant corruption.

BIDEN urged Ukraine to carry out painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

"We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return," **BIDEN** said. "We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path."

BIDEN'S speech on Tuesday indicated the West's growing impatience with Ukraine's lack of progress in reforms.

Nearly two years after the February 2014 revolution ushered in a new government, Ukraine still has hardly embarked on judicial and police reforms.

President Petro Poroshenko has been criticized for not doing enough to fight oligarchs many of whom have remained powerful brokers and taken on roles of managing crucial eastern regions bordering on the separatist-controlled areas.

Press TV

US to step up pressure over Russia 'aggression': BIDEN
December 8, 2015

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said Tuesday in a rare address to the Ukrainian Parliament on the second day of his visit to Kiev.

"The US will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfills its Minsk commitments," he said.

The vice president also warned that there will be "no sanctions relief" if Russia does not fully implement the terms of the truce agreement signed in the Belarusian capital in February.

The deal introduced measures including a ceasefire, which officially went into effect on February 15, the pullout of heavy weapons from the conflict zones, and constitutional reforms in Ukraine by the end of the year.

US and European officials say Russia, and pro-Russia forces in eastern Ukraine, continue to violate the Minsk accord.

BIDEN'S address before the Ukrainian Parliament, the first of its kind by a high-ranking US official since 1991, flew in the face of Russia's assertion that it is the pro-Western government in Kiev that flouts the peace accord. The conflict in eastern Ukraine broke out last year following a referendum in the Black Sea peninsula of Crimea, in which people voted overwhelmingly for reunification with Russia. More than 8,000 people have died in the conflict.

"Russia has violated these ground rules and continues to violate them," **BIDEN** told Ukrainian lawmakers. "Today, Russia's occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia's attempt to annex Crimea."

Washington has imposed tough economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and helped train and equip Ukraine's army to combat pro-Russia forces in eastern regions of the country.

In his address, **BIDEN** also urged Ukrainian lawmakers to put aside their self-interests and work to transform their country into a model of democratic change.

On Monday, the vice president announced \$190 million in new US aid to Ukraine. He said the new aid package will help Ukraine implement reforms and fight "the cancer of corruption."

BIDEN'S visit and his tough message for Moscow threaten to complicate increased US efforts to work with Russia to resolve the Syrian conflict and fight the Daesh (ISIL) terrorists.

APA

BIDEN presses Russia on Ukraine peace deal, return of Crimea
December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said Monday that Washington remained determined to see Russia adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev, APA reports quoting AFP.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Black Sea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin fighters carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heart of the ex-Soviet state.

The war-scarred nation now fears slipping off the global radar due to recent international efforts to enlist Moscow in a joint fight against the Islamic State (IS) group in Syria and Iraq.

But **BIDEN** brought a message of reassurance to Kiev.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued -- I emphasise continued -- aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," he told Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko.

Washington's EU allies support Ukraine's view of Russia orchestrating and backing the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Both Washington and Brussels have slapped stiff economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

But the situation changed when Russia began launching ferocious air strikes against Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's foes on September 30.

Washington accused Putin of trying to prop up his remaining Middle East ally by targeting Syria's Western-backed rebels instead of extremist groups.

- 'Hold Russia accountable' -

Yet the Islamic State's claim of downing a Russian airliner carrying 224 people over Egypt on October 31 appears to have prompted Moscow to focus more on bombing IS's oil infrastructure and other jihadist targets.

The November 13 Paris attacks the IS also claimed saw France make a push to enlist Russia in a "grand coalition" against the jihadist group alongside the United States and some European and Arab states.

BIDEN said the latest developments in the Middle East in no way appeased Washington's anger with Putin or slackened its support for Poroshenko's pro-Western team.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN also hinted that Russia may face additional US sanctions if its peace commitments were not met.

Washington was in contact with "our fellow leaders around the world... to make sure the international community stands and holds Russia accountable for the actions against Ukraine," **BIDEN** said after meeting with Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk.

"If they do not meet their obligations, (one must) increase the price Russia has to pay for its illegal actions internationally."

Ukraine Today

US Vice President BIDEN urges to end 'cancer of corruption' in Ukraine

December 8, 2015

US Vice-President Joe **BIDEN** in his emotional speech at the Ukrainian Parliament on Tuesday has stressed the need to eliminate corruption in Ukraine.

BIDEN said that Ukraine should do more to fight corruption or it will lose international support. **BIDEN** urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

BIDEN told Ukrainian lawmakers that they had "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

Kiev Post

**In Ukraine's parliament, BIDEN highlights need for corruption fight
December 8, 2015**

U.S. Vice President Joseph **BIDEN**, in a passionate speech to Ukraine's parliament and other political leaders on Dec. 8, urged Ukraine to seize the opportunity to become a truly democratic nation that removes the blight of corruption.

His words drew several rounds of applause, including a standing ovation, during a 37-minute speech in which **BIDEN** talked about how the United States would support Ukraine as long as it stayed on the democratic path.

He said, however, that the nation's prosecutorial and judicial system needs to be overhauled to deliver justice to Ukrainians who earned their freedom by overthrowing the corrupt regime of ex-President Viktor Yanukovich. All broadcasts of **BIDEN'S** speech in Ukraine carried a Ukrainian translator voiceover, making it hard to get precise quotes. A transcript wasn't immediately available on the U.S. Embassy in Ukraine or White House websites.

But **BIDEN** has repeated the same themes on this two-day visit.

In a Dec. 7 blog about his trip -- the fifth to the region as vice president -- **BIDEN** warned that Ukraine is running out of chances.

"Once again, standing in the face of Russian aggression and widespread corruption, Ukraine has another — and what might be its last — historic opportunity to establish a true, free, economically prosperous democratic republic. One that can't be bullied, bribed, or bought," **BIDEN** wrote. "So long as the people of Ukraine continue to strive for freedom and democracy, they can count on the unwavering commitment of the United States to stand with them."

In remarks with President Petro Poroshenko the day before, **BIDEN** also highlighted the corruption fight.

"The Ukrainian people cannot once again have their hopes dashed based on the cancer of corruption. The Orange Revolution occurred and hopes were extremely high," **BIDEN** said. "And here we are again because of the sacrifices made two years ago. One more chance. One more chance. And it's absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption. The people need to see that in ways -- that the ways of the past are permanently gone. They no longer exist."

BIDEN also on Dec. 7 urged Ukraine to adopt a tax code and state budget that meets International Monetary Fund requirements for fiscal prudence (deficits of no more than 3.7 percent of gross domestic product). "We have spoken about the vital importance of Ukraine following through on its IMF commitments," he said.

The Dec. 7 statement can be found [here](#).

In the speech to parliament, recalling the sacrifices of the EuroMaidan Revolution in which more than 100 people were killed and many others wounded before President Viktor Yanukovych fled power, **BIDEN** said Ukraine's political leaders have an obligation bring justice.

"It is your responsibility now," **BIDEN** said. "This is an obligation, a responsibility before each and one of you to build a unified and democratic country. Parliament is an organ of a unified people, not local interests, but a place concerned with the overall good. It is in your hands. You can bend the arch of history."

He noted the disappointment when no reforms followed the 2004 Orange Revolution, which denied Yanukovych the president in favor of Viktor

Yushchenko. "Hopes were let down," he said, noting that oligarchs are not interested in reforms.

In today's Ukraine, problems remain. **BIDEN** said setting up an anti-corruption bureau or anti-corruption prosecutor is not enough.

"You have to reform the whole prosecution and judiciary," **BIDEN** said.

"Oligarchs should not be able to influence court and judges... corruption siphons resources from the people and from the economy and you know it."

BIDEN said that America would never accept Russia's annexation of Ukraine's Crimean peninsula and will continue to pressure Russia to live up to the Minsk agreements, including withdrawal of its troops and weapons, and the return of eastern borders to Ukraine's control.

As a U.S. senator, **BIDEN** said that he resented it when speakers appeared to lecture him on what to do.

He said "I hope I didn't come across that way."

But he said "the world is watching you" and "this is your moment. This is your responsibility." Failure, he said, would have harmful consequences in building a whole, united and democratic Europe.

Ukraine Today

US will never recognize Russia's annexation of Crimea – BIDEN
December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has said that the US will never recognise Russia's annexation of Crimea. Addressing the Ukrainian lawmakers during his speech on December 8, **BIDEN** added that the US will continue to support Ukraine in its struggle against Kremlin's aggression.

BIDEN said that countries "cannot redraw state borders by force" in the 21st century. According to **BIDEN**, "this is the fundamental rule," which Russia "has violated and continues to violate."

BIDEN also said that the pressure on Russia will continue until it fulfills its commitments under the Minsk agreement. He added that the US sanctions against Russia cannot be lifted until it fulfills its obligations.

BIDEN told Ukrainian lawmakers that they had "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

Ukraine Today

US Vice President BIDEN tells Ukrainian MPs they face 'historic battle' against corruption

December 8, 2015

Joe **BIDEN** has expressed solidarity with Ukraine during an address to MPs in the country's capital, Kyiv. The US Vice President spoke out against what he called Russia's occupation of Ukrainian sovereign territory. But **BIDEN** added a warning to his support, urging Kyiv to fight corruption.

Joe **BIDEN**, US Vice President: "Today Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear - the United States does not, will not, never will recognise Russia's attempt to annex the Crimea.

"But in addition, you also have a battle. A historic battle against corruption. Ukraine cannot afford for the people to lose hope again."

BIDEN'S speech came during a two-day visit to Ukraine. The US official earlier announced new financial aid of USD 190 million to help the country fight corruption and streamline its bureaucracy. The White House has brought sanctions against Russia for its aggression in Ukraine, including for the seizure by Moscow of the Crimean Peninsula in 2014 and for its ongoing support for militants in east Ukraine.

The News

'Russia must return Crimea'

December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said during a visit to Kiev on Monday that Washington remained committed to its demands for Russia to adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev.

The broad February deal struck in the Belarussian capital Minsk "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfil its commitments," **BIDEN** said after talks in the Ukrainian capital with President Petro Poroshenko.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia's troops overran Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

Washington and the European Union support Kiev's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Fighting has eased somewhat since the warring sides signed a new truce on September 1. But Ukrainian soldiers and civilians still die almost daily by stepping on landmines and getting caught in the occasional combat that breaks out across the war zone.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, I emphasise, continued aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN also took the opportunity to urge Ukrainian authorities to do more to tackle the rampant graft that has plagued the county for much of its recent history, amid growing discontent among Ukrainians over Poroshenko's seeming inability to end the scourge.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine... to root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** stressed.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you."

DW

BIDEN reassures Ukraine of US support

December 8, 2015

In his fourth visit to Kyiv since the outbreak of the 19-month conflict in Ukraine, US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** on Monday announced an additional \$190 million (175 million euros) in aid to help the economically embattled government implement key reforms to root out widespread corruption and improve governance.

Ukraine has vowed to battle endemic graft as part of promised reforms, in exchange for international bailout money to prop up an economy on the verge of bankruptcy after years of economic mismanagement and nearly two years of war that has claimed 8,000 lives.

But progress on rooting out corruption and implementing reforms has been slow in the post-Maidan era, with Ukrainians increasingly disgruntled by the lack of progress and a deteriorating economic situation.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp - what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** said alongside President Petro Poroshenko following bilateral talks.

Including Monday's pledge, the US has provided Ukraine with \$760 million in direct aid and two loan guarantees worth \$2 billion. International financial institutions have promised another \$40 billion under a bailout program in exchange for reforms.

Deadlock between Ukraine's finance minister, Natalie Jaresko, and parliament over the budget and tax reforms meant to appease the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and unlock funds, as well as fixing the judicial system, have created concern the government will not be able to follow a reform agenda.

The slow progress has frustrated many in Washington.

"A lot of hard work remains, including reform of Ukraine's law and justice sectors, but the payoff will be worth it," said **BIDEN**, who will address parliament on Tuesday.

Ukraine has sought to restructure its international debt to fill a \$15 billion funding gap as part of the IMF bailout, but a \$3-billion Eurobond held by Russia is due to be paid on December 20. So far neither side has been able to reach new terms, meaning Ukraine could fail to repay the debt when it matures.

Through US influence at the IMF, the fund is expected to change its policy of not lending to countries in arrears, allowing Ukraine to continue receiving funds if it fails to pay of the Russian loan.

Continued support against Russian aggression

With the US and Europe's attention being drawn to Syria and the "Islamic State," officials in Kyiv have been worried that Ukraine might fall off the international radar.

Part of **BIDEN'S** mission is to reassure Kyiv that the US stands behind Ukraine in the face of Russian aggression and the annexation of Crimea, something he said "will not be accepted by us or by the international community."

BIDEN said a February agreement drawn up in Minsk to end the conflict in eastern Ukraine "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitments."

A ceasefire reached in September between Russian backed rebels in eastern Ukraine and pro-government forces has created a relative lull in fighting, but occasional clashes continue to erupt.

The US and European Union have tied lifting sanctions on Russia to the implementation of the Minsk deal, but following Russia's intervention to bolster the Assad regime and the downing of one its airliners by the "Islamic State" in October, it has become increasingly clear that Moscow's help would be needed to reach a political and military solution in the Syria conflict.

This impulse was given a further boost following the Paris terror attacks last month, after which France, a major player in the Minsk process, pushed for a broader international coalition to defeat the "Islamic State" (IS) that

includes Russia. Moscow has been accused of primarily targeting Western-backed rebels instead of the "Islamic State."

The expanded military campaign against IS has been paralleled by political talks to end the conflict in Syria, where Russia holds considerable sway over a country that has created a refugee crisis in Europe.

The changing dynamics in Syria and Western outreach to Russia has created concern in Ukraine that it could be sacrificed or forgotten as Western interests focus on Syria.

AFP

US will keep up pressure over Russia 'aggression' in Ukraine: BIDEN
By: Dmytro Gorshkov and Olga Shylenko / December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** warned Russia on Tuesday that Western pressure on Moscow would only increase if Russian "aggression" against neighbouring war-scarred Ukraine continued.

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said in a rare address by a top Western official to the Ukrainian parliament on the second day of a visit to Kiev.

"The US will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfils its Minsk commitments," he said, warning there would be "no sanctions relief" until Russia fully implemented its end of a peace deal signed in the Belarussian capital Minsk in February.

The tough message flew in the face of the Kremlin's assertion that it is Ukraine's pro-Western leadership that keeps flouting the accord aimed at ending 19 months of fighting with pro-Russian rebels that has claimed more than 8,000 lives.

BIDEN'S trip was his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin fighters carved out their own region in the east of the ex-Soviet state.

Both Washington and Brussels have slapped economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Moscow denies all involvement in the conflict and has responded by banning the import of most Western food.

BIDEN used both his meeting Monday with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Tuesday's parliamentary appearance to drive home the message that Washington remained fully committed to Kiev despite the recent shift in global attention to Syria.

He said on Tuesday that Putin's repeated claims of big countries having the right to their own regional "spheres of influence" were out of step with modern times.

"Sovereign states have the right to make their own decisions and choose their own allies," he stressed.

- 'Desperate need of reforms' -

BIDEN -- viewed as US President Barack Obama's pointman on Ukraine -- also used his visit to promote a more committed fight against the corruption that has ravaged the country of 40 million for years.

"It's not enough to set up an anti-corruption bureau and establish a special prosecutor in fighting corruption. Your office of the general prosecutor desperately needs reform" he said.

Russia's seizure of Crimea and the pro-Kremlin revolt came just weeks after public protests toppled former president Viktor Yanukovich -- a Moscow-backed leader who led a lavish lifestyle and surrounded himself with tycoons suspected of graft.

Polls show that corruption remains one of Ukrainians' main concerns.

BIDEN also made an indirect reference to reported infighting between Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk that has stalled the passage of vital economic and anti-graft laws.

"All of you must put aside your differences and make a real revolution of dignity," **BIDEN** said.

His address was met with three rounds of standing ovations by lawmakers of all political stripes.

Interfax – Ukraine

BIDEN urges Ukraine to focus on fighting corruption

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Ukraine has not done everything yet in its fight against corruption, United States Vice President Joe **BIDEN** told the Ukrainian Verkhovna Rada on Tuesday.

Ukraine has already done a great deal of work of critical importance, but not everything has yet been done, he said. He said that while he never tells people in other countries what they should do, a democracy cannot thrive amidst corruption, which he likened to a cancerous tumor.

A successful fight against corruption requires the reform of the judiciary; everyone, even oligarchs, must act under the same rules, pay taxes, and not interfere with the course of justice, **BIDEN** said.

New York Times

Joe BIDEN, His Son and the Case Against a Ukrainian Oligarch

By: James Risen / December 8, 2015

When Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. traveled to Kiev, Ukraine, on Sunday for a series of meetings with the country's leaders, one of the issues on his agenda was to encourage a more aggressive fight against Ukraine's rampant corruption and stronger efforts to rein in the power of its oligarchs.

But the credibility of the vice president's anticorruption message may have been undermined by the association of his son, Hunter **BIDEN**, with one of Ukraine's largest natural gas companies, Burisma Holdings, and with its owner, Mykola Zlochevsky, who was Ukraine's ecology minister under former President Viktor F. Yanukovych.

Hunter **BIDEN**, 45, a former Washington lobbyist, joined the Burisma board in April 2014. That month, as part of an investigation into money laundering, British officials froze London bank accounts containing \$23 million that allegedly belonged to Mr. Zlochevsky.

Britain's Serious Fraud Office, an independent government agency, specifically forbade Mr. Zlochevsky, as well as Burisma Holdings, the company's chief legal officer and another company owned by Mr. Zlochevsky, to have any access to the accounts. But after Ukrainian prosecutors refused to provide documents needed in the investigation, a British court in January ordered the Serious Fraud Office to unfreeze the assets. The refusal by the Ukrainian prosecutor general's office to cooperate was the target of a stinging attack by the American ambassador to Ukraine, Geoffrey R. Pyatt, who called out Burisma's owner by name in a speech in September.

"In the case of former Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, the U.K. authorities had seized \$23 million in illicit assets that belonged to the Ukrainian people," Mr. Pyatt said. Officials at the prosecutor general's office, he added, were asked by the United Kingdom "to send documents supporting the seizure. Instead they sent letters to Zlochevsky's attorneys attesting that there was no case against him. As a result, the money was freed by the U.K. court, and shortly thereafter the money was moved to Cyprus."

Mr. Pyatt went on to call for an investigation into "the misconduct" of the prosecutors who wrote the letters. In his speech, the ambassador did not mention Hunter **BIDEN'S** connection to Burisma.

But Edward C. Chow, who follows Ukrainian policy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the involvement of the vice president's son with Mr. Zlochevsky's firm undermined the Obama administration's anticorruption message in Ukraine.

"Now you look at the Hunter **BIDEN** situation, and on the one hand you can credit the father for sending the anticorruption message," Mr. Chow said. "But I think unfortunately it sends the message that a lot of foreign countries want to believe about America, that we are hypocritical about these issues."

Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Vice President **BIDEN**, said Hunter **BIDEN'S** business dealings had no impact on his father's policy positions in connection with Ukraine.

"Hunter **BIDEN** is a private citizen and a lawyer," she said. "The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company. The vice president has pushed aggressively for years, both publicly with groups like the U.S.-Ukraine Business Forum and privately in meetings with Ukrainian leaders, for Ukraine to make every effort to investigate and prosecute corruption in accordance with the rule of law. It will once again be a key focus during his trip this week."

Ryan F. Toohey, a Burisma spokesman, said that Hunter **BIDEN** would not comment for this article.

It is not known how Mr. **BIDEN** came to the attention of the company. Announcing his appointment to the board, Alan Apter, a former Morgan Stanley investment banker who is chairman of Burisma, said, "The company's strategy is aimed at the strongest concentration of professional staff and the introduction of best corporate practices, and we're delighted that Mr. **BIDEN** is joining us to help us achieve these goals."

Joining the board at the same time was one of Mr. **BIDEN'S** American business partners, Devon Archer. Both are involved with Rosemont Seneca Partners, an American investment firm with offices in Washington.

Mr. **BIDEN** is the younger of the vice president's two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter **BIDEN** attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. **BIDEN** also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James **BIDEN**, the vice president's brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the **BIDENS** and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. **BIDEN**, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was “not out of the ordinary” for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, “Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped.”

In response to Mr. Pyatt’s criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky’s case, Mr. Toohey said that “strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine.”

Vice President **BIDEN** has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week’s visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

Ms. Bedingfield said Hunter **BIDEN** had never traveled to Ukraine with his father. She also said that Ukrainian officials had never mentioned Hunter **BIDEN’S** role with Burisma to the vice president during any of his visits.

“I’ve got to believe that somebody in the vice president’s office has done some due diligence on this,” said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. “I should say that I hope that has happened. I would hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message.”

RT News

BIDEN urges Ukraine to fight ‘cancer-like’ corruption or lose international financial aid

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Kiev must do more in fighting corruption which “eats Ukraine like cancer.” US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said in a speech delivered in Ukrainian

parliament. If there is no control of corruption in Ukraine, financial help is out of the question, he warned.

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN**, who is on a two-day visit to Ukraine, has urged Kiev to conduct painful yet crucial reforms to battle corruption.

BIDEN'S emotional speech in Ukrainian parliament could as well become the last warning for country's political elites unwilling to embrace escalated reforms.

"Corruption siphons off resources. We know this. You know this," **BIDEN** told Ukrainian MPs. Ukraine needs to make governance more transparent, an immediate measure since "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer," **BIDEN** said on Sunday, noting that however painful the looming reforms could be, they cannot be any backsliding on the issue.

"We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return," **BIDEN** said. "We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path," **BIDEN** said, as cited by ABC.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you," US Vice President said.

On the first day of his visit **BIDEN** assured Kiev of the US support and announced allocation of additional \$190 million from the US budget to help conduct structural reforms in Ukraine and fight corruption in the first place.

Ukraine's former president, Viktor Yanukovych, had to flee the country in February 2014, following months of anti-government protests in Kiev and other cities, to a large extent fueled by rampant corruption.

Despite the great fanfare that came with the introduction of new reforms to improve standards of living and stem corruption, President Petro Poroshenko, who was elected in May 2014, has not achieved the goals. A recent poll by the Yaremenko Ukrainian Institute for Social Research showed that 72 percent of those asked do not believe Ukraine is heading in the right direction, saying either the reform process is moving too slowly or not at all.

Ahead of Joe **BIDEN'S** speech in the parliament, American politician hold meetings with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and Kiev Mayor Vitaliy Klichko.

Mashable

BIDEN to Ukraine: You've got one last chance. Don't screw this up.

By: Christopher Miller / December 8, 2015

Joe **BIDEN'S** message to Ukraine on Tuesday was crystal clear: Don't screw this up.

The vice president didn't mince words when he spoke to Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, ministers and lawmakers inside parliament during his fifth trip to the country on Tuesday. He warned Kiev against backsliding in its fight against corruption.

"The world is watching you — this is your moment. Please, for the sake of the rest of us, don't waste it," **BIDEN** said in an impassioned address streamed live across the country. Failure, he warned, would likely mean the loss of much-needed international support and would have harmful consequences in building a united and democratic Europe.

"Ukraine has been here before. We remember the Orange Revolution," he continued, recalling the country's 2004 uprising that ended in disappointment when authorities failed to pass reforms.

More than 11 years later and two years since the start of Ukraine's Euromaidan Revolution that eventually ousted Viktor Yanukovich, corruption remains rampant in the former Soviet republic. Top officials have also been implicated, including Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, whose close ally resigned over corruption allegations.

BIDEN himself has been criticized in Ukraine; his messages of reform have been undermined by his son's connection to a former Ukrainian official being investigated for fraud.

A recent poll showed only 7% of Ukrainians believe the fight against corruption has yielded any results. Transparency International, a global

anti-corruption nonprofit, named Ukraine one of the world's most corrupt countries, sharing a score with Uganda and the Comoros.

BIDEN, who received several rounds of applause and a standing ovation during his speech, urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

Ukrainian parliamentarians, known for spirited debates that sometimes devolve into fisticuffs, have been slow to pass a slew of bills that the U.S. and the European Union say will help overhaul the country's corrupt systems.

"You have to reform the whole prosecution and judiciary," **BIDEN** said. "Oligarchs should not be able to influence court and judges... corruption siphons resources from the people and from the economy, and you know it."

Russia, which has fomented unrest in Ukraine, "is using your corruption to undermine you," **BIDEN** added.

The vice president also addressed Russian aggression in Ukraine, saying the U.S. does not — and never will — recognize Moscow's annexation of Crimea. Washington will continue to pressure Moscow to live up to its part of the Minsk peace deal, he added, including the withdrawal of its troops and weapons from eastern Ukraine and the return of control of its borders.

BIDEN, who arrived in Kiev on Sunday, assured Ukraine of U.S. support, including an additional \$190 million in American aid to help conduct reforms.

He recalled the sacrifices of the Euromaidan Revolution, during which more than 100 activists were killed and hundreds more wounded. But while he was speaking, down the road in Kiev, a court heard a case investigating the killings of those activists.

While two people were sentenced to four years each for their roles in attacks on a group of activists, at least two key suspects in the killing of Ukraine's "Heavenly Hundred" were allowed to escape the country, along with the officials believed to have ordered the attack.

BIDEN said Ukraine's political leaders have an obligation to bring justice.

Pravda Report

BIDEN gives Poroshenko cold shower in black hole Ukraine

By: Lyuba Lulko / December 8, 2015

BIDEN sobers Poroshenko up

Outwardly, there was absolute solidarity in everything. **BIDEN** said that Washington would not exchange Ukraine for Syria and would never recognize the "annexation of the Crimea."

"Even if Washington and Moscow cooperate to settle the Syrian civil war and battle the Islamic State, Mr. Obama has said, it would not stop the West from maintaining pressure on Russia over Ukraine," The New York Times wrote.

Opening his two-day visit to Ukraine, US Vice President **BIDEN** told the Ukrainians that the United States continued supporting them in the conflict in the Donbass. **BIDEN** also accused Russian President Vladimir Putin of violating the Minks ceasefire agreement. To strengthen the US support, **BIDEN** promised 190 million dollars in aid to Ukraine.

Speaking in the Verkhovna Rada, **BIDEN** said: "It is no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you, because so much rides on your fragile experiment with democracy succeeding."

This is a part of the official rhetoric, so let's try to see what happens behind the scenes. **BIDEN** has certainly put pressure on Poroshenko so that he stops playing the game of the Crimean energy blockade, because Putin may use the pretext of a humanitarian catastrophe to make a move in response. Soon afterwards, both the Majlis and Right Sector radicals stopped their energy blockade of the Crimea.

A few days ago, Ukraine's Finance Minister Natalia Yaresko said that Ukraine may not return \$3 billion to Russia on the repayment term (December 21). Prior to that, the United States had refused to be Ukraine's guarantor in paying this debt to Russia, having thus recognized Kiev's insolvency.

What can \$190 million do for Ukraine when the country needs \$20 billion to make a budget? One shall assume that Washington believes that the IMF will continue financing Kiev after the default. For the time being, IMF's lending policies exclude such a possibility.

Poroshenko: Reforms in Ukraine inevitable

Poroshenko said at a news conference with **BIDEN** that Ukraine has "for four years without elections" to come. During that time, one will need to carry out all the reforms required for joining the EU. Thus, the Americans will be supporting Poroshenko for four years, albeit under the condition that he will not be able to meet.

Changes in the government are very likely to follow. Prime Minister Yatsenyuk could be removed from office. It is no coincidence Mikhail Saakashvili (Odessa region Governor) said that the authorities were investigating corruption cases inside the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, particularly with the participation of Prime Minister Yatsenyuk and his colleague, People's Front MP, Nikolai Martynenko.

If required, all members of the Popular Front will move to Petro Poroshenko's Bloc and there will be no need to call early elections to the parliament.

Noteworthy, Joe **BIDEN** has personal interest in the fate of Ukrainian Prosecutor General Viktor Shokin. Thus, according to US Ambassador in Kiev Geoffrey Pyatt, Ukrainian prosecutors cover up the corrupt owner of energy company Burisma Holdings, in which **BIDEN'S** son, Hunter, is employed.

The Ukrainian Army has stopped shelling the positions of the Donbass militia. **BIDEN** made it clear to Poroshenko that sanctions against Russia would be lifted if Poroshenko disrupts the Minsk Accords in 2016. In Europe and the United States, a large lobby is being formed to withdraw the sanctions.

Additionally, the President of Ukraine unexpectedly vetoed his party's bill to legalize the free usage of agricultural land for 50 years, despite the moratorium on land sales. Poroshenko probably convinced **BIDEN** that there was no need to openly sell land to the Americans in the absence of apparent achievements.

Black hole Ukraine

"One more chance. It's absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** said.

The USA wants to be present in Ukraine, but it is hard to feed the "black hole."

"In fact, this is the case of external management of the state, when US officials interfere in internal affairs of Ukraine," Oleg Soskin, a Ukrainian political scientist and economist told Pravda.Ru. - **BIDEN** came to distribute positions in the government of Ukraine. The question is whether Yatsenyuk is going to be the prime minister. This position is likely to be given to an American official, to Finance Minister Yaresko or to Saakashvili. **BIDEN** will teach them not to steal, as the IMF will not give any loans otherwise."

According to Oleg Soskin, "nothing will help." Poroshenko and Yatsenyuk will go down in history soon. "These embezzlers and thieves will have to be swept away in a new revolution, the expert said.

"This year, they took about \$11 billion in debt. Ukraine's public debt totals \$72 billion - this is almost equal to Ukraine's annual GDP. Who is going to give this money back? After the revolution, the National Bank of Ukraine had about \$20 billion in foreign exchange reserves. Who stole that money?"

If Ukraine defaults on the debt to Russia, Ukraine will lose its reputation, Oleg Soskin believes. Investors will leave, the country will be declared bankrupt and will not be able to form a budget. "It will be the collapse of the financial system of Ukraine, the collapse of modern Ukraine," Soskin told Pravda.Ru.

"In this case, the Ukrainian administration will have to be executed, and the state will have to be re-founded, as it was done in Iceland, where they changed even the Constitution," the expert said.

The Irish Times

US tells Ukraine's politicians to heed 'call of history'

By: Daniel McLaughlin / December 8, 2015

Ukraine's politicians must seize a historic opportunity to free the country from the grip of Russia and corrupt tycoons, US vice-president Joe **BIDEN** said on Tuesday, amid rising domestic and international disquiet over the pace of the country's reform.

In a speech to parliament in Kiev, Mr **BIDEN** also vowed that Washington would keep tightening sanctions on Russia until it ended its annexation of Crimea and other aggression against Ukraine.

Mr **BIDEN'S** address marked the climax of a two-day visit to Ukraine during which he urged its western-backed leaders to accelerate tough reforms, despite opposition from powerful "oligarchs", their political allies and from Moscow.

"This is your moment. This is your responsibility . . . Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time," he told parliament. "If you fail, the experiment fails. It's no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you."

After driving the Russian-backed, graft-ridden administration of then president Viktor Yanukovich from power in February 2014, Ukraine's new leaders had a duty to build a cleaner and fairer Ukraine, Mr **BIDEN** said.

Return of oligarchs

"Oligarchs and non-oligarchs must play by the same rules," he insisted. "We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return . . . We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path."

Billionaires with shady business empires still dominate Ukrainian politics, and many reformist politicians and activists say the status quo is preserved by President Petro Poroshenko and the government of prime minister of Arseniy Yatsenyuk. "All of you must put aside your differences and make a real revolution of dignity," Mr **BIDEN** declared.

Unity vs resignation

While all deputies rose to applaud Mr **BIDEN**, afterwards each party offered a different interpretation of his speech, with some calling it an appeal to the government to resign, and others hailing it as a call for unity.

In an interview perhaps timed to exacerbate tension in Ukraine, Mr Yanukovich told Russian state media that he wants “to return to politics”.

“I do a lot to help people who are persecuted in Ukraine,” he said from Russia, where he and many close allies live in exile.

Mr Yanukovich said he maintains contact with current Ukrainian politicians, “many of whom aren’t so shy or scared today, compared to a year ago. They already feel very comfortable when we meet and discuss issues.”

Mr **BIDEN** also urged Kiev to fulfil its side of a strained ceasefire deal with Moscow-backed separatists in eastern Ukraine, and made clear that “if Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise”.

Reuters

US Vice President Joe BIDEN arrives in Ukraine
December 7, 2015

BIDEN met with the representatives of civil society organisations and a selection of Ukraine's officials and lawmakers, ahead of the scheduled meeting with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk.

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** will address Ukraine's legislature on Tuesday (December 8), a senior administration official said. **BIDEN** will speak about US opposition to Russia's annexation of Crimea and American support for Ukraine's debt restructuring agreement, the official said.

The official would not comment on whether the United States would pledge more military assistance to Ukraine during the trip next week.

The visit comes on the heels of US President Barack Obama's discussion with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Paris. Obama urged Putin to honour the Minsk ceasefire agreement in Ukraine.

BIDEN confirmed his country's commitment to Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity during the meeting with Kiev's mayor, Vitaly Klitschko, a former world heavyweight boxing champion.

During his visit, **BIDEN** is expected to meet President Petro Poroshenko, Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, members of Ukraine's Parliament (Rada), and representatives of civil society organizations.

AP

BIDEN makes trip to Ukraine in sign of US support

By: Jim Heintz and Dmitry Vlasov / December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** came to Ukraine's capital on Sunday for a visit aimed at pushing the country toward making reforms and reassuring it that the crisis in Syria is not overshadowing Washington's concerns about Ukraine.

Fighting between Ukrainian forces and Russia-backed separatists has significantly diminished since early September, after killing some 8,000 people since April 2014, but tensions remain high because of unresolved questions about the final political status of the rebel regions in the east. Meanwhile, Western attention has turned largely toward the fight against Islamic extremism in Syria and Iraq.

Since Russia began airstrikes in Syria on Sept. 30, Ukrainian officials have worried that their own country's troubles would fade from view, especially if the West begins cooperating with Russia to fight the Islamic State group.

BIDEN'S meetings on Monday with President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and a Tuesday speech at the Ukrainian parliament are intended to counter that concern.

The trip "is a strong sign of our support," a senior U.S. administration official said, asking that his name not be used because he was speaking on background.

But the official said **BIDEN** also will emphasize the need for Ukraine to implement anti-corruption measures. Widespread corruption was one of the issues that galvanized the massive protests that drove Russia-friendly President Viktor Yanukovich from office in February 2014, but efforts since then to counter the problem have shown little result.

BIDEN'S first event on Monday is to be a round table with reform-minded Ukrainian figures.

The U.S. administration also says **BIDEN** will reassure Ukraine that Washington's strategy is to keep sanctions against Russia in place until full implementation of the Minsk Accords, the internationally mediated agreements between Ukraine and Russia on ending the eastern conflict and pulling back weapons.

The United States also imposed other sanctions on Russia specific to its annexation of Crimea in 2014.

Voice of America

US VP BIDEN Heads to Ukraine to Stress Continued Support

By: Carol Guensburg / December 5, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is scheduled to visit Ukraine early next week to reassure government leaders and reformers of the United States' continued support "in face of continued Russian military intervention" in the country's restive east, administration officials said.

BIDEN, making his fifth visit to Ukraine as vice president, plans to arrive in Kyiv late Sunday evening for a series of meetings early in the week.

On Monday, he'll meet separately with President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, as well as at a roundtable with civil society activists and other reformers.

Speech to lawmakers

BIDEN also is scheduled to speak Tuesday to the Rada, or congress, a rare opportunity for a foreign leader.

He's likely to press upon legislators that they "have a special obligation to keep Ukraine moving forward," a senior administration official said in a telephone briefing Wednesday with reporters.

A major point of discussion will be how to ensure that "Russia and the separatists live up to their obligations under the Minsk Agreement," the official said.

The pact, reached in February, was meant to de-escalate hostilities in the east. While violence between Ukrainian government troops and pro-Russia separatists "has decreased somewhat in recent months," it continues to flare up, the official said.

The United Nations estimated that nearly 8,000 civilians and soldiers had been killed as of this fall.

Talks with Ukraine officials

Talks with Poroshenko and Yatsenyuk are expected to focus on "what additional economic, governance and rule-of-law reforms are necessary," the official said.

They'll also touch on U.S.-led training of Ukrainian armed forces and of security assistance overall. The United States has provided \$450 million in direct assistance to Ukraine this year, of which more than half is for security, the official said.

BIDEN'S trip comes after last month's two-year anniversary of the start of the Maidan uprising, in which public protests in Kyiv for closer ties with Europe eventually forced Russia-leaning President Viktor Yanukovich from office and opened the door for more democratic reforms.

The vice president "will emphasize the need to implement recently passed anti-corruption reforms," the official said.

Ukraine has set up a special prosecutor's office for fighting corruption, but the Obama administration previously has said the prosecutor general's office itself needs reform.

Topic of Crimea

Administration officials also said the vice president would emphasize that the United States continues "to oppose Russia's attempted annexation of Crimea" in March 2014.

He's also expected to reassure Ukraine that, though the United States is communicating with Russia about the crisis in Syria, it hasn't softened in its assessment of Russia has crossed the line in Ukraine.

"Nothing in our conversations with Syria impact our assessment that Russia continues to be the aggressor in Ukraine," the official said. "... Nothing that's going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security."

Press TV

Joe BIDEN to visit Ukraine to confirm US support December 6, 2015

BIDEN, making his fifth visit to Ukraine as vice president, will arrive in Kiev on Sunday for a three-day visit.

He will meet with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and deliver a speech to the country's parliament.

BIDEN is the highest-ranking US official to speak before the Ukrainian parliament since former President George H.W. Bush in 1991, during the last days of the former Soviet Union.

BIDEN'S visit is expected to focus on resolving the conflict in eastern Ukraine even as world leaders have turned their attention to fighting Daesh (ISIL) terrorists, a senior US official said.

The conflict in eastern Ukraine broke out last year following a referendum in the Black Sea peninsula of Crimea, in which people voted overwhelmingly for reunification with Russia.

"I think that is going to be a major theme of the trip -- that nothing that is going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the US official told reporters.

The visit comes on the heels of US President Barack Obama's discussion with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Paris. Obama urged Putin to honor the Minsk cease-fire agreement in Ukraine.

US and European officials say Russia, and pro-Russia forces in eastern Ukraine, continue to violate the Minsk peace accords.

Moscow, however, has accused Ukrainian forces of violations, and says Poroshenko's government is not moving fast enough to implement some of the accord's provisions.

Both the US and European Union have imposed tough economic sanctions on Russian companies and have provided Ukraine's army with weapons and training.

New Eastern Europe

What to expect from BIDEN'S visit to Ukraine?

By: Maksym Beznoisuk / December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is paying a two day visit to Ukraine which has already been labeled as "historic" by many experts. In spite of the fact it is his fourth visit to post-Maidan Ukraine, **BIDEN** will be the second American politician from such a high rank to give a speech at the Ukrainian Parliament. Former President George H.W. Bush was the first high-ranking US official who addressed Ukrainian parliamentarians on August 1st, 1991, which occurred only three weeks prior to its declaration of independence.

As part of his visit on December 7th, 2015, Joe **BIDEN** is expected to participate in roundtable talks with state and civil representatives and bilateral meetings with Ukraine's President Poroshenko and Prime Minister Yatsenyuk. The next day, he will give a speech before the Ukrainian Parliament.

Without a doubt, such a visit is of crucial importance and demonstrates US support of Ukrainian sovereignty and closer convergence with the West. This is in light of ongoing Russian attempts to further destabilize Ukraine's situation.

It is expected **BIDEN'S** message will consist of alarming criticism of persistent corruption and slow progress, mixed with additional assurances of further support and cooperation with Ukraine towards its integration with Europe. Hence, the assessment of the overall Ukrainian political situation will be based on the combination of such crucial factors as securing political stability and enhancing anti-corruption measures' efficiency. Not surprisingly, such an important visit will take place before Ukraine's annual governmental report on its government's activity results, as well as its plans for the next year.

Fight against corruption, economic reforms and financial assistance

According to some predictions, Vice President **BIDEN** will voice concern over the urgency of more active reforms of structural and institutional aspects of the Ukrainian state apparatus. Notably, the White House has serious concerns regarding the quality and pace of current economic and judicial reforms, especially in relation to prevalent corruption schemes in high echelons of Ukrainian power.

Special attention will be paid to the judicial sector. It should be recalled that during his speech at the Brookings Institution at the end of May, 2015, **BIDEN** particularly emphasized Ukraine needs to use newly introduced laws and policies to investigate and prosecute corruption on all levels in order for its reforms to succeed. **BIDEN** also mentioned his frequent communication on a weekly basis, both with the Ukrainian Prime Minister and President. Moreover, US Ambassador to Ukraine Geoffrey Pyatt has criticized the General Prosecutor's Office on numerous occasions, by stressing its responsibility in fighting corruption in Ukraine. On September 24th, 2015, Ambassador Pyatt stated during the Odessa Financial Forum the General Prosecutor's Office's inability to fight corruption undermines effective reform implementation in Ukraine.

For a long time, the White House has tried to convey a powerful and clear message to Ukraine's leaders concerning the need to undertake more active efforts against corruption. In light of this heightened concern over high corruption levels and the Ukrainian authorities' lack of action, many Ukrainian experts have assumed the General Prosecutor's, Prime Minister's and several other high ranking Ukrainian officials' political futures could be seriously questioned.

Most importantly, the question of stable US financial assistance to Ukraine is closely tied to progress in conducting anti-corruption reforms within Ukraine's state institutions. In June, Ukrainian Prime Minister Yatseniuk met with US Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew to discuss an additional tranche of 1 billion dollars to support Ukrainian reforms in order to increase Ukraine's investment attractiveness and lay foundations for its economic growth. At the end of October, 2015, US Secretary of Commerce Penny Pritzker stated the readiness of US President Barack Obama to take necessary steps towards granting a third tranche of macroeconomic assistance to Ukraine to implement its reforms. During her recent meeting with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, she emphasized that visible and steady Ukrainian progress in implementing anti-corruption measures were a prerequisite for new financial assistance in the near future.

Last month, Joe **BIDEN** confirmed the US' readiness to grant Ukraine a third tranche of credit guarantees of 1 billion dollars. However, he emphasised Ukraine's government should fight corruption more actively, including conducting tax reforms in compliance with the IMF. Possible US assistance in reaching an agreement on the Ukraine's debt restructuring will also be predicated on these conditions.

Security and military cooperation

US presidential administration officials stated Joe **BIDEN** would underline US support of Ukraine's territorial integrity in his speech at the Ukrainian Parliament. He will reiterate the US' position concerning Russia's illegal annexation of Crimea and its current involvement in destabilizing eastern Ukraine. In this regard, it is also expected he will reassure Ukrainian leaders that any US communication with Russia over Syria's situation will not impact its position concerning Ukraine. Additionally, a diplomatic strategy to keep sanctions against Russia will be discussed with Ukrainian counterparts.

Ukraine's army requires serious investment, specialized military experience and modernization assistance. In 2015, thanks to **BIDEN'S** active involvement, the US provided Ukraine security and military assistance totaling \$265 million. Earlier this year, the US committed to training Ukrainian troops, a mission conducted by 300 US soldiers at a compound in western Ukraine. The US also provided specialized military

equipment which was transferred to the country's eastern battle zone. According to the National Defense Authorization Act for the 2016 Fiscal Year, approved by the US Senate, it could be possible to increase assistance to \$300 million. However, it is not clear if **BIDEN** will touch upon possible additional military assistance to Ukraine during his visit early next week.

Based on this, Vice President **BIDEN'S** visit is expected to reaffirm the US' support of Ukraine on its path towards democratization and its struggle against Russian hostile activities in Crimea and eastern Ukraine. Simultaneously, the US will emphasize that further comprehensive support of Ukraine will depend on the tempo and quality of a broad range of reforms within Ukraine's state apparatus.

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The Briefing: Mr. BIDEN goes to Ukraine

By: Brian Whitmore / December 7, 2015

Washington sends a loud signal that Ukraine remains a priority as U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** arrived in Kyiv for a two-day visit this week.

The visit -- in which **BIDEN** will deliver a highly anticipated speech to the Ukrainian parliament -- comes at a particularly sensitive time.

Kyiv is clearly worried that the Syria conflict and the potential for Western cooperation with Russia will weaken resolve to continue supporting Ukraine.

On this week's Power Vertical Briefing, I discuss what we can expect from **BIDEN'S** visit with RFE/RL Senior Editor Steve Gutterman.

Tweets

@poroshenko [President Poroshenko, 662K Followers]: Joe **BIDEN** @VP : U S. will never accept Russia's attempts to annex Crimea.

We are grateful for this support!



@nytpolitics [New York Times Politics, 180K Followers]: Joe **BIDEN** says the U.S. is still backing Ukraine. [LINK TO NEW YORK TIMES ARTICLE REGARDING YOUR TRIP TO UKRAINE]

@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: In your soul you know what's right. Do it - @VP pleads with Ukraine's parliament.

'Please, for the sake of the rest of us don't waste it'

@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: If you succeed, you will be the founders of the first, free, united, democratic Ukraine - @VP ends his address to the parliament

@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: God bless our nations, god bless our troops - @VP's final line at Ukraine's parliament today

@MaximEristavi [Maxim Eristavi, 20K Followers]: .@VP delivers emotional, moving speech at Ukraine's parl today.

The last warning for political elites unwilling to reform.

Fingers crossed

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: "The stakes for your country has never been higher; Ukraine has been here before. We remember Orange revolution"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN** "We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: "World was transfixed by Maidan. This time Ukr would not be denied a future"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN** to Ukr MPs: This is your moment. This is your responsibility. Each of you has obligation 2 seize responsibility, build united nation

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: You need moral courage for general good. This is standard by which u will judged. Its in your hands. You can bend the arc of history

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN** "If you fail, the (democracy) experiment fails"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN** very emotional. "US will never recognise annexation of Crimes" "Separatist forces are controlled by Moscow. MOS-CAUWW"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: Russian people don't understand what Putin is doing

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: we understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are, but they are critical to putting Ukraine back on the right path

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN**: "This is your chance. Please — for the sake of the rest of us — don't waste it"

@olliecarroll [Oliver Carroll, 11K Followers]: **BIDEN** re his lecture says he doesn't want it to be interpreted as a lecture. "But as a fellow human being, I have such hope in you"

@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: This week's @PowerVertical Briefing previews Joe **BIDEN'S** trip to #Ukraine w/ @sgutterma [LINK TO RFERL BLOG REGARDING YOUR VISIT TO UKRAINE]

@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: **BIDEN** tells Ukrainian parliament it has the power to bend the arc of history toward justice

@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: **BIDEN** to Ukraine's Rada: The whole world is watching you

@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: **BIDEN**: Ukraine's success goes to the heart of a Europe whole, free, and at peace

@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: **BIDEN**: We will not recognize any nation having a sphere of influence

@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: **BIDEN**: The United States does not will not and never will recognize Russia's annexation of Crimea. It's that simple.

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@PowerVertical [Brian Whitmore, 9K Followers]: **BIDEN**: Russia is using corruption to undermine Ukraine's sovereignty @VP #**BIDEN**

@Hromadske [Hromadske Int., 9K Followers]: You have to keep making progress with reforms if you want to keep the international support - @VP at Ukraine's parliament

@kgorchinskaya [Katya Gorchinskaya, 7K Followers]: Seize the opportunity to build a better future for #Ukraine, don't waste the opportunity, pleads @VP #**BIDEN** to #Rada8 & @poroshenko

@kgorchinskaya [Katya Gorchinskaya, 7K Followers]: Oligarchs and non-oligarchs should live by the same rules, says @VP #**BIDEN**. Says corruption eats #Ukraine like cancer

@kgorchinskaya [Katya Gorchinskaya, 7K Followers]: Sanctions cannot be lifted until #Russia fulfill all, all its commitments, says @VP #**BIDEN**

@kgorchinskaya [Katya Gorchinskaya, 7K Followers]: #USA will never recognize the annexation of #Crimea- @VP #**BIDEN**

@vBeckerath [A von Beckerath, Ambassador of Sweden to Ukraine, 4K Followers]: Powerful speech by @VP **BIDEN**. Upcoming votes on budget, taxes & constitutional changes in justice sector will tell if message was received.

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Here ya go!

This is as of about 6 PM yesterday!

From: Molly Magarik [mailto:molly@beaubiden.com]

Sent: Thursday, December 06, 2012 12:55 PM

To: Williams, Ashley

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Hi Ashley,

Can you send me the current RSVP list for Sunday? I want to go over it with Beau today if possible.

Thanks!

Molly

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Ms. Kim Snow (Family)
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Mr. Paul Sohn
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Beene	Kim		
Downing	Robin		
Beers	Sydney		
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB	
Bove	Beverly		
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove	
Bross	Eric		
Bross	Anna		
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes	
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Doody	Jim		
Eckstrand	Phillip		
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation	
Freeh	Marilyn		
Garvin	Shawn	/	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative	
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring	
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Grier	Betty		
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Herlinsky	Victory		

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Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
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Kraus	Peter	/
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
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Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	
LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
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Shields	Bob	
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Sloan	Gilbert	
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Smith	Michele	
Smith	Stephen	
Snyder-Mackley	Lynn	Alumni Distinguished Professor, Department of Physical Therapy/ University of C
Stewart	Anthony	
Clayton	Roberta	
Storino	Donnie	
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Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors
Savage	Kathleen	Guest of JTB/ Hallie Biden

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 Mr. Matthew Adler
 Mrs. Amanda Adler
 Mr. Michael Adler
 Mrs. Judith Adler
 Ms. Margaret Aitken
 Mr. Chris Haggerty
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 Georgia Angelos
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 Dr. Krista Archer
 Mr. Daniel Berger
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 The Honorable (Mr.) Beau Biden III
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 Mrs. Hallie Biden (Family)
 Master Robert Biden (Family)
 Ms. Caroline Biden (Family)
 Mr. Hunter Biden (Family)
 Mrs. Kathleen Biden (Family)
 Miss Finnegan Biden (Family)
 Miss Roberta (Maisy) Biden (Family)
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Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB
Biden	Ashley	
Krein	Howard	
Biden, III	Beau	
Biden	Hallie	
Biden	Natalie	
Biden	Robert Hunter	
Biden	Caroline	
Staley	Eric	Boyfriend of Caroline Biden
Biden Owens	Valerie	
Owens	Jack	
Bove	Beverly	
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Cowperthwait	Rebecca	Guest of Benjamin Carper
Champney	Joanna	
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Frost	Melissa	
Garvin	Shawn	
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Grier	Betty	
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Horsey	Bryan	
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Hynansky	John	
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Kimmel	Wayne	Managing Partner, SeventySix Capital
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Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI

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Joe Biden, His Son and the Case Against a Ukrainian Oligarch
By JAMES RISENDEC. 8, 2015

WASHINGTON - When Vice President Joseph R. Biden Jr. traveled to Kiev , Ukraine, on Sunday for a series of meetings with the country's leaders, one of the issues on his agenda was to encourage a more aggressive fight against Ukraine's rampant corruption and stronger efforts to rein in the power of its oligarchs.

But the credibility of the vice president's anticorruption message may have been undermined by the association of his son, Hunter Biden, with one of Ukraine's largest natural gas companies, Burisma Holdings, and with its owner, Mykola Zlochevsky, who was Ukraine's ecology minister under former President Viktor F. Yanukovych before he was forced into exile.

Hunter Biden, 45, a former Washington lobbyist, joined the Burisma board in April 2014. That month, as part of an investigation into money laundering, British officials froze London bank accounts containing \$23 million that allegedly belonged to Mr. Zlochevsky.

Britain's Serious Fraud Office, an independent government agency, specifically forbade Mr. Zlochevsky, as well as Burisma Holdings, the company's chief legal officer and another company owned by Mr. Zlochevsky, to have any access to the accounts.

But after Ukrainian prosecutors refused to provide documents needed in the investigation, a British court in January ordered the Serious Fraud Office to unfreeze the assets. The refusal by the Ukrainian prosecutor general's office to cooperate was the target of a stinging attack by the American ambassador to Ukraine, Geoffrey R. Pyatt, who called out Burisma's owner by name in a speech in September.

"In the case of former Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, the U.K. authorities had seized \$23 million in illicit assets that belonged to the Ukrainian people," Mr. Pyatt said. Officials at the prosecutor general's office, he added, were asked by the United Kingdom "to send documents supporting the seizure. Instead they sent letters to Zlochevsky's attorneys attesting that there was no case against him. As a result, the money was freed by the U.K. court, and shortly thereafter the money was moved to Cyprus."

Mr. Pyatt went on to call for an investigation into "the misconduct" of the prosecutors who wrote the letters. In his speech, the ambassador did not mention Hunter Biden's connection to Burisma.

But Edward C. Chow, who follows Ukrainian policy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the involvement of the vice president's son with Mr. Zlochevsky's firm undermined the Obama administration's anticorruption message in Ukraine.

"Now you look at the Hunter Biden situation, and on the one hand you can credit the father for sending the anticorruption message," Mr. Chow said. "But I think unfortunately it sends the message that a lot of foreign countries want to believe about America, that we are hypocritical about these issues."

Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for the vice president, said Hunter Biden's business dealings had no impact on his father's policy positions in connection with Ukraine.

"Hunter Biden is a private citizen and a lawyer," she said. "The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company. The vice president has pushed aggressively for years, both publicly with groups like the U.S.-Ukraine Business Forum and privately in meetings with Ukrainian leaders, for Ukraine to make every effort to investigate and prosecute corruption in accordance with the rule of law. It will once again be a key focus during his trip this week."

Ryan F. Toohey, a Burisma spokesman, said that Hunter Biden would not comment for this article.

It is not known how Mr. Biden came to the attention of the company. Announcing his appointment to the board, Alan Apter, a former Morgan Stanley investment banker who is chairman of Burisma, said, "The company's strategy is aimed at the strongest concentration of professional staff and the introduction of best corporate practices, and we're delighted that Mr. Biden is joining us to help us achieve these goals."

Joining the board at the same time was one of Mr. Biden's American business partners, Devon Archer. Both are involved with Rosemont Seneca Partners, an American investment firm with offices in Washington.

Mr. Biden is the younger of the vice president's two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter Biden attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. Biden also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James Biden, the vice president's brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the Bidens and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. Biden, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was "not out of the ordinary" for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, "Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped."

In response to Mr. Pyatt's criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky's case, Mr. Toohey said that "strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine."

Vice President Biden has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week's visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

Ms. Bedingfield said Hunter Biden had never traveled to Ukraine with his father. She also said that Ukrainian officials had never mentioned Hunter Biden's role with Burisma to the vice president during any of his visits.

"I've got to believe that somebody in the vice president's office has done some due diligence on this," said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. "I should say that I hope that has happened. I would

hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message."

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Molly – here is the list for tomorrow. We don't expect any more changes, but always possible.
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Subject: 120912 Delaware Registration Report as of 120812

Importance: High

Please see the updated report attached.

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	382
ACCEPTS	178
REGRETS	95
NO RESPONSES	86
ATTENDS	0
UNKNOWN GUESTS	23
TOTAL POSSIBLE	287
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As of 120112**ACCEPTS:**

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION/ORGANIZATION	INVITATION S
BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES
B DEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS
Ashton	Bill		REGRETS
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	NO RESPONSES
Beers	Sydney		ATTENDS
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	UNKNOWN GUESTS
Bross	Eric		TOTAL POSSIBLE
Bross	Anna		TIMESTAMP
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff	
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice	
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Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Laura	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
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Rodriguez	Sindy		
Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
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Meyers	William		
Meyers	Christine		
Micallef	Joe		
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden	
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco	
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Oberly	Charlie		
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Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien	
Sloan	Gilbert		
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI	
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Downing	Robin		
Beers	Sydney		
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB	
Bove	Beverly		
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove	
Bross	Eric		
Bross	Anna		
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes	
Christopher	Athena		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
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Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Eckstrand	Phillip		
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation	
Freeh	Marilyn		
Garvin	Shawn	/	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative	
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring	
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Grier	Betty		
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Herlinsky	Victory		

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Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	/
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	/
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	
LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
Magarik	Molly	Beau Biden State Political Director
Magarik	Ian	
Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
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Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Murray	Tim	UD Archivist
Murray	Katherine	Spouse of Tim Murray
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
O'Brien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Olivero	Ronald	
Olivero	Joan	
Razze	Erica	

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Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
Sears	JoAnn	
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Smith	Michele	
Smith	Stephen	
Snyder-Mackley	Lynn	Alumni Distinguished Professor, Department of Physical Therapy/ University of C
Stewart	Anthony	
Clayton	Roberta	
Storino	Donnie	
Storino	Lacy	
Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors
Savage	Kathleen	Guest of JTB/ Hallie Biden

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By James Risen

When Vice President Joseph R. Biden Jr. traveled to Kiev, Ukraine, on Sunday for a series of meetings with the country's leaders, one of the issues on his agenda was to encourage a more aggressive fight against Ukraine's rampant corruption and stronger efforts to rein in the power of its oligarchs.

But the credibility of the vice president's anticorruption message may have been undermined by the association of his son, Hunter Biden, with one of Ukraine's largest natural gas companies, Burisma Holdings, and with its owner, Mykola Zlochevsky, who was Ukraine's ecology minister under former President Viktor F. Yanukovich.

Hunter Biden, 45, a former Washington lobbyist, joined the Burisma board in April 2014. That month, as part of an investigation into money laundering, British officials froze London bank accounts containing \$23 million that allegedly belonged to Mr. Zlochevsky.

Britain's Serious Fraud Office, an independent government agency, specifically forbade Mr. Zlochevsky, as well as Burisma Holdings, the company's chief legal officer and another company owned by Mr. Zlochevsky, to have any access to the accounts.

But after Ukrainian prosecutors refused to provide documents needed in the investigation, a British court in January ordered the Serious Fraud Office to unfreeze the assets. The refusal by the Ukrainian prosecutor general's office to cooperate was the target of a stinging attack by the American ambassador to Ukraine, Geoffrey R. Pyatt, who called out Burisma's owner by name in a speech in September.

"In the case of former Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, the U.K. authorities had seized \$23 million in illicit assets that belonged to the Ukrainian people," Mr. Pyatt said. Officials at the prosecutor general's office, he added, were asked by the United Kingdom "to send documents supporting the seizure. Instead they sent letters to Zlochevsky's attorneys attesting that there was no case against him. As a result, the money was freed by the U.K. court, and shortly thereafter the money was moved to Cyprus."

Mr. Pyatt went on to call for an investigation into "the misconduct" of the prosecutors who wrote the letters. In his speech, the ambassador did not mention Hunter Biden's connection to Burisma.

But Edward C. Chow, who follows Ukrainian policy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the involvement of the vice president's son with Mr. Zlochevsky's firm undermined the Obama administration's anticorruption message in Ukraine.

"Now you look at the Hunter Biden situation, and on the one hand you can credit the father for sending the anticorruption message," Mr. Chow said. "But I think unfortunately it sends the message that a lot of foreign countries want to believe about America, that we are hypocritical about these issues."

Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Vice President Biden, said Hunter Biden's business dealings had no impact on his father's policy positions in connection with Ukraine.

"Hunter Biden is a private citizen and a lawyer," she said. "The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company. The vice president has pushed aggressively for years, both publicly with groups like the U.S. - Ukraine Business Forum and privately in meetings with Ukrainian leaders, for Ukraine to make every effort to investigate and prosecute corruption in accordance with the rule of law. It will once again be a key focus during his trip this week."

Ryan F. Toohey, a Burisma spokesman, said that Hunter Biden would not comment for this article.

It is not known how Mr. Biden came to the attention of the company. Announcing his appointment to the board, Alan Apter, a former

Morgan Stanley investment banker who is chairman of Burisma, said, "The company's strategy is aimed at the strongest concentration of professional staff and the introduction of best corporate practices, and we're delighted that Mr. Biden is joining us to help us achieve these goals."

Joining the board at the same time was one of Mr. Biden's American business partners, Devon Archer. Both are involved with Rosemont Seneca Partners, an American investment firm with offices in Washington.

Mr. Biden is the younger of the vice president's two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter Biden attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. Biden also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James Biden, the vice president's brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the Bidens and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. Biden, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was "not out of the ordinary" for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, "Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped."

In response to Mr. Pyatt's criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky's case, Mr. Toohey said that "strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine."

Vice President Biden has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week's visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

Ms. Bedingfield said Hunter Biden had never traveled to Ukraine with his father. She also said that Ukrainian officials had never mentioned Hunter Biden's role with Burisma to the vice president during any of his visits.

"I've got to believe that somebody in the vice president's office has done some due diligence on this," said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. "I should say that I hope that has happened. I would hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message."

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WASHINGTON POST

Amid GOP Jeers From Washington, U.S. Diplomats Seek Progress Toward A Climate Deal

By Joby Warrick And Chris Mooney

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LE BOURGET, France — U.S. officials labored on two fronts Tuesday to secure an international agreement on climate change, haggling with diplomats over the scope and costs of a proposed accord while fending off fresh attacks from Republican lawmakers who have vowed to torpedo any deal that emerges from the talks.

Secretary of State John F. Kerry, in France to lead the U.S. delegation, described broad momentum toward an accord but also warned of “sharp” differences that would have to be overcome if a deal is to be reached before the talks’ scheduled conclusion on Friday.

"A consensus is slowly being built," Kerry told reporters after a day of private meetings at the Le Bourget conference center in Paris' northern outskirts. But he also warned that the Obama administration would not accede to demands that Western nations accept financial responsibility for decades of greenhouse emissions that have caused the Earth's atmosphere to warm.

"If you create a concept of liability you'll have 100-to-nothing in Senate and 435-to-nothing in the House," said Kerry referring to likely bipartisan opposition in Congress to a deal that puts the United States on the hook for economic reparations for climate change. "If we're going to have an agreement, let's be smart about what we're doing. And that's what we're trying to do."

On Wednesday, diplomats from 195 countries attending the talks are expected to produce a new draft of the proposed climate accord that narrows differences over the key issues of transparency and compensation and financial aid for poorer countries. A bloc of developing nations that includes India is demanding that wealthier states finance their transition to cleaner energy while also compensating them for economic losses resulting from man-made climate change.

The leader of India's delegation to the talks suggested Tuesday that the United States and other developed countries were morally obligated to pay for a problem that was largely created by the industrial West.

"We remain disappointed with the low level of climate ambition and support provided by developed countries," said India's environment chief Prakash Javadekar, who was joined at a news conference by officials from Brazil, South Africa and China, a bloc that, with India, is collectively known as BASIC.

But as diplomats huddled in private to try to close the gaps, a Senate committee led by GOP presidential contender Sen. Ted Cruz (R-Tex.) convened a hearing in Washington to question the scientific consensus that human activity is responsible for climate change. Cruz dubbed the hearing "Data or Dogma," and called as witnesses several scientists who are skeptical of mainstream views on climate change.

"For 18 years there has been no significant warming," Cruz said.

Kerry dismissed the hearing as a meaningless stunt. "One professor or scientist does not negate peer-reviewed studies by thousands of others over many years," he said.

Another contentious issue at the Paris talks is how ambitious the accord should be in restraining the growth of greenhouse gases. U.S. and European officials have set a goal of limiting the rise in the Earth's average temperature to 2 degrees Celsius over preindustrial averages. But some countries that face higher risks from climate change say the rise in temperatures should be capped at 1.5 degrees C. Scientists say neither goal is likely to be achieved unless the world's nations commit to substantially higher reductions in greenhouse gas pollution.

Kerry said Tuesday that he would support a 1.5-degree target as an aspirational goal, one that countries may seek to achieve in the future as technology improves. "You can write that aspiration into the agreement in way that doesn't make it the target guidepost," he said.

More voices at the U.N. climate change conference have been calling in recent days for seeking to keep global warming below 1.5 degrees C, even as some experts are questioning the extent to which it's even possible. The world is already at about 1 degrees Celsius of warming, with about 400 parts per million of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere and concentrations growing by around two parts per million per year on average. Recent research suggests that to limit global warming to 1.5 degrees C, concentrations couldn't exceed about 420 to 440 parts per million by 2100.

British, French Leaders Join World Condemnation Of Trump's Proposed Ban On Muslims Entering US

By Annie Gowen

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NEW DELHI — Donald Trump's call for a "total and complete" ban on Muslims entering the United States drew widespread condemnation around the world Tuesday, including from British and French leaders and the U.N. refugee agency.

Citizens, politicians and refugee officials alike slammed the Republican presidential front-runner's latest controversial statement, calling it hate speech and a disturbing sign of Islamophobia in a country rattled in recent weeks by large-scale terror attacks in Paris and San Bernardino, Calif.

Dar al-Ifta, Egypt's official religious body, dubbed Trump's remarks "hate rhetoric," and a spokeswoman for the U.N. refugee agency expressed concern that they could jeopardize the ongoing refugee resettlement process.

While it is rare for a British prime minister to comment on contenders in the U.S. presidential race, Prime Minister David Cameron joined British politicians from all parties in condemning Trump's remarks. Cameron said through a spokeswoman that he "completely disagrees" with Trump's comments, which he regards as "divisive, unhelpful and quite simply wrong."

The billionaire developer and reality television star, who polls show leads the field for the GOP presidential nomination, released a statement Monday calling for "a total and complete shutdown of Muslims entering the United States until our country's representatives can figure out what is going on."

Later Monday, Trump, 69, read the statement out loud at a rally in Charleston, S.C., where an enthusiastic crowd greeted him with cheers and chants of "Trump! Trump!" and "U.S.A.! U.S.A.!"

"We have no choice. We have. No. Choice," Trump said, with a shake of his head. His statement may be politically incorrect, he said, "but I don't care!"

Trump repeated his call for a ban in a television interviews Tuesday.

In Britain, Cameron's spokeswoman told reporters: "The prime minister has been very clear that, as we look at how we tackle extremism and this poisonous ideology, what politicians need to do is look at ways they can bring communities together and make clear that these terrorists are not representative of Islam and indeed what they are doing is a perversion of Islam."

When asked if Cameron would be willing to meet Trump or whether he could be banned from Britain, his spokeswoman declined to answer, saying the questions were "hypothetical."

London's Metropolitan Police also weighed in, rebutting Trump's comment that areas of the city are so radicalized that police are afraid for their lives.

"We would not normally dignify such comments with a response, however on this occasion we think it's important to state to Londoners that Mr. Trump could not be more wrong," a police spokeswoman said.

Any U.S. presidential candidate "is welcome to receive a briefing from the Met Police on the reality of policing London," she added.

In France, where the ruling Socialists are in a pitched election battle with a far-right anti-immigrant party, Prime Minister Manuel Valls on Tuesday wrote on Twitter that "Trump, like others, stokes hatred and conflations: our ONLY enemy is radical Islamism."

Valls's implicit comparison was with the National Front party, which is poised to seize power in local legislatures around France in runoff elections on Sunday. National Front leader Marine Le Pen has seized on fears of Muslims and terrorism to create a potent ballot-box force even as mainstream voices in France have promoted moderation.

The heated rhetoric left many Muslims feeling bewildered, scared and angry. In Lebanon's Bekaa Valley, for example, Syrians stranded in overcrowded, cold refugee camps said they worried that rising xenophobia could further complicate their hopes of seeking asylum in the United States.

"How can a country that always talks about human rights and freedom do this or even consider this?" said Bourhan Salem, 32, who fled to the Bekaa to escape the violence around his home in Syria's Daraa province. "Do they know what we have suffered?"

In Geneva, Melissa Fleming, a spokeswoman for the U.N. refugee agency, said Trump was speaking of "an entire population" but that his remarks particularly affect refugees.

"Our resettlement program selects the people who are the most in need," she told reporters. The program of her agency, the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, is "religion-blind," Fleming said.

"We are concerned that the rhetoric that is being used in the election campaign is putting an incredibly important resettlement program at risk that is meant for the most vulnerable people — the victims of the wars that the world is unable to stop," Fleming said, according to Reuters news agency.

Joel Millman, a spokesman for the International Organization for Migration, said that "prejudice or discrimination based on religion is totally against every convention that we know of in aiding people in humanitarian emergencies and of course in resettlement," Reuters reported.

Dar al-Ifta, the official Egyptian religious body, said in a statement that Trump's rhetoric "will increase tension" in the United States, which is home to millions of Muslims who are "peaceful and loyal American citizens."

And in Kabul, a property dealer named Timur Shah said Americans need to "rise up" and prevent Trump from becoming their leader.

"None of us deserve him. What he says is harmful for all of us and will help the Islamic State and fanatics on all sides," Shah said.

Trump's call also drew reactions from journalists and editorial writers throughout Europe and in Israel, where he is due to arrive for a visit later this month. Israeli columnist Chemi Shalev said the sight of the crowds cheering Trump evoked the early days of Nazi Germany.

“For some Jews, the sight of thousands of supporters waving their fists in anger as Trump incited against Muslims and urged a blanket ban on their entry to the United States could have evoked associations with beer halls in Munich a century ago,” Shalev wrote in the Israeli daily newspaper Haaretz.

Trump’s comments were widely covered in the European media, with many outlets wondering if he went too far this time. The German daily Süddeutsche Zeitung ran an editorial with the headline, “How Donald Trump is betraying America.”

London’s Daily Telegraph newspaper called the statement a “bombshell” even by Trump’s standards. The Guardian wrote that he was “further out of the mainstream than he has been at any point since announcing his candidacy.”

Trump’s comment garnered worldwide reaction on social media as well.

In Brazil, acclaimed journalist Patricia Campos Mello shared a Slate story on Trump on her Facebook page and commented: “There is no way for this guy to get more dumb.” One of the commenters responded, “There is, wait and see.”

One Saudi Arabian woman, Naveen Malek, said in a tweet: “We are facing a Third World War these days. The new leaders of intolerance are people such as Trump and the French far-right.”

Trump has bolstered his popularity with a series of increasingly controversial remarks — on women, Hispanic immigrants, the disabled and Muslims. Yet he has remained solidly atop national polls among Republican presidential candidates since July, according to Real Clear Politics, except for a brief period in early November when he and retired neurosurgeon Ben Carson were in a statistical dead heat.

Conventional political wisdom long expected him to fade from the race after an early peak, but he has defied such theories so far, prompting one Republican political operative to write a memo earlier this month detailing “the Trump phenomenon” and urging Republican candidates to adopt the “best elements” of his “anti-populist agenda.”

“Trump has given voice to the rhetoric of hatred which has always been in the American society in some form or another. Sometimes the hatred is for blacks, sometimes for communists. Today it is Muslims,” said Shahid Siddiqui, a former member of parliament in India, who edits the Nai Duniya Urdu newspaper and is the co-founder of a group called Inter-Faith Peace Foundation.

“Now that he has brought out the worst, it will be fought by all that is good in American society and democracy,” Siddiqui said. “Words of hatred should not just remain under the skin. If the boil has erupted, it will surely be countered by Americans themselves.”

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House Passes Visa Waiver Reform Bill With Strong Bipartisan Support

By Karoun Demirjian

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As Republicans squabbled over Donald Trump’s controversial proposal to bar all Muslims from traveling to the United States, the House on Tuesday overwhelmingly passed a bill imposing new restrictions on a visa waiver program that currently permits roughly 20 million people to enter the country each year.

The bill, which was approved on a 407 to 19 vote, would increase information sharing between the United States and the 38 countries whose passport holders are allowed to visit the country without getting a visa while also attempting to weed out travelers who have visited certain countries where they may have been radicalized.

The strong vote in the House could put momentum behind efforts to include changes to the program in the omnibus spending package – a must-pass bill that lawmakers are currently trying to finalize before government funding authorization expires on Friday.

But there are key differences between the House’s bill and a measure from Sens. Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.) and Jeff Flake (R-Ariz.), which has not yet been scheduled for a vote, that may have to be resolved before that happens.

Both the House and Senate bills would require countries participating in the program to issue passports with embedded chips containing biometric data, report information about stolen passports to Interpol and share information about known or suspected terrorists with the United States.

The House measure also seeks to prevent Syrian and Iraqi nationals, as well as any passport holder of a visa waiver country who has traveled to Syria, Iraq, Iran or Sudan since March 1, 2011 – the start of the Syrian civil war – from taking advantage of the program. These individuals would instead be required to submit to the traditional visa approval process, which requires an in-person application interview at a U.S. embassy or consulate.

The Senate bill would instead impose a five-year restriction on individuals who traveled to Iraq or Syria from using the program. Both bills give the Homeland Security secretary the authority to take countries out of the waiver system.

The biggest reason for imposing such restrictions, lawmakers argue, is that 30 of the 38 countries in the program are in Europe, meaning most could likely come to the United States without a visa under present rules. Lawmakers are worried about those 5,000 to 30,000 potentially radicalized individuals who have visited Syria or Iraq and hold European passports.

"That's what this bill is designed to stop," House Homeland Security Committee Chairman Michael McCaul (R-Texas) said in a statement. "We need to strengthen the security of the Visa Waiver Program to keep terrorists from reaching our shores."

Rep. Martha McSally (R-Ariz.) pointed out that the bill also includes an emphasis on deception detection technologies — such as tracking hesitation and changes — so that officials will be able to determine when a person is potentially being disingenuous in filling out the online application.

"The human interview isn't a fail safe either," McSally noted, adding that administration officials had told her they can sometimes get more information from the forms visitors have to fill out then from in-person interviews.

But not all lawmakers agree the bill would solve concerns with the program.

"This bill will do some good, but it's mostly evadable," said Rep. Brad Sherman (D-Calif.), arguing that since most Islamic State fighters slip into Syria from Turkey, they would not have stamps on their passports and could easily lie about where they had been.

The Homeland Security Department recently beefed up its online visa waiver application and the White House announced further efforts to strengthen the program.

The House proposal was drafted by a task force of Republican committee chairmen, who have been working on a roster of proposals to respond to the Paris terror attacks by stepping up security measures at home and abroad.

It received the backing of the U.S. Travel Association, despite initial concerns that Congress would go too far in tightening the program's security requirements following the Paris terror attacks.

The visa waiver program was started in the 1980s as a way of boosting business travel and tourism in the United States and hundreds of millions of people have taken advantage of the initiative.

Democrats and Republicans have sparred over some proposals made in the wake of the Paris attacks to boost security. For example, most Democrats have decried Republican attempts to suspend the admission of Syrian and Iraqi refugees until background check procedures improve, while most Republicans have dismissed Democrat-led attempts to prevent known or suspected terrorists from obtaining a firearm or explosive device.

House Democrats staged a protest Tuesday against Republicans' opposition to that gun control proposal, forcing a series of floor votes to adjourn to call attention to the issue, which delayed by several hours planned votes on a series of bills, including the visa waiver legislation.

But Democratic leaders urged their members to back the bill, calling the reforms "responsible" and "sensible."

While an earlier vote to suspend Syrian and Iraqi refugee admissions "showed the country and this body at its worst," said Rep. Zoe Lofgren (D-Calif.), the ranking member of the Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security, "today's bill makes sensible improvements to the security of the visa waiver program."

Iraqi Troops Close In On Ramadi, Retake Army Headquarters

By Mustafa Salim

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BAGHDAD —Iraqi forces announced Tuesday that they had driven the Islamic State out of large parts of Ramadi in a campaign to retake the capital of Iraq's largest province seven months after its fall to the extremist group.

The advance appears to be the latest in a string of successes by U.S.-backed ground forces battling the Islamic State at its strongholds in Iraq and Syria as a military coalition led by the United States supports them with air raids.

Iraqi officials said that counterterrorism forces and ground troops had regained control of Ramadi's strategic Tamim neighborhood, including a military command center for the surrounding province of Anbar.

"Very soon, we will finish Ramadi," Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi said in an address on Iraqi television, predicting that the city would fall to his forces "in days."

The gains signal new momentum for Iraqi forces in what had been a halting counteroffensive to retake a city whose capture this past May dealt a huge blow to Iraq's government and the U.S.-led military coalition that is targeting the Islamic State with airstrikes in Iraq and Syria.

But Iraqi forces face significant challenges in attempting to expel the militants, who are deeply entrenched in a place that a decade ago was at the heart of a U.S.-supported Sunni rebellion against the Islamic State's precursor organization, al-Qaeda in Iraq.

Speaking by telephone from Ramadi's recently seized army headquarters, Maj. Gen. Ismail al-Mahlawi, who leads the Anbar force, said that soldiers had removed the Islamic State's black-and-white flag that flew over the facility and replaced it with an Iraqi one.

"It's a major victory today. Now we are in the center," he said. "It's only a matter of time before we announce the liberation of the city."

Mahlawi said that his forces had gained an upper hand in the battle but warned that scores of families were still trapped inside the city.

Sabah Noori, a spokesman for Iraq's counterterrorism forces, said the sprawling Tamim neighborhood had been cleared "entirely." Special forces and soldiers had taken positions on top of buildings in the area, he said.

Suhaib al-Rawi, the governor of Anbar province, of which Ramadi is the capital, called on civilians to leave the city center immediately.

But areas still under Islamic State control have been rigged with explosives and booby traps, potentially exposing civilians as well as incoming Iraqi forces to lethal threats, U.S. and Iraqi officials say.

Speaking by telephone, residents still in neighborhoods held by the group described scenes of panic and fear.

One man said the militants have been threatening anyone attempting to flee. At the same time, he said, he also feared airstrikes from the U.S.-led coalition that are targeting Islamic State fighters.

"We are trying to leave right now, but Daesh militants are right out front of our houses, and they are announcing on loudspeakers from mosques that people who leave will be considered apostates," said the man, who spoke on the condition of anonymity because of concerns for his family's safety. Daesh is the Arabic acronym for the Islamic State, which also is known as ISIS and ISIL.

The group inflicts brutal punishment on those considered apostates, including public floggings and executions that involve crucifixions and beheadings.

"We are afraid that our houses will be bombed by airstrikes," the man said. "There are hundreds of families trapped in the center of the city."

The fall of Ramadi had derailed hopes of any impending assaults on Mosul, Iraq's second-largest city, which Islamic State militants captured as they stormed across the country during the summer of 2014.

Ramadi residents said Iraq's Shiite-led government failed to support them with weapons and adequate defenses to secure the city, reflecting the festering sectarian feuds that have enabled the Islamic State to flourish in large parts of the country.

Still, Ramadi residents had resisted the extremist group's incursions for months, and the city was one of the final areas of the largely Sunni Muslim province of Anbar to fall to the group.

When Islamic State fighters finally entered, they killed scores of people deemed as collaborators with Iraq's government and demolished homes, residents and officials said at the time.

Iraq's military, pro-government militias and forces from the country's autonomous Kurdish region have gradually chipped away at land held by the Islamic State. Last month, about 7,500 Kurdish peshmerga fighters retook the northern city of Sinjar from the group.

Kurdish and Arab fighters have also driven the Islamic State out of significant amounts of territory near the militant group's self-declared caliphate in northeastern Syria. France and Britain, moreover, have stepped up air raids in Syria along with Russia, which also opposes the group but does not coordinate with the U.S.-led coalition.

In Major Breakthrough, Cuba And US Discuss \$1.9 Billion In Property Claims

By Nick Miroff

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HAVANA — U.S. and Cuban officials met in Havana on Tuesday to begin negotiating a possible settlement for \$1.9 billion worth of American assets seized by Fidel Castro's government in the early 1960s, as well as other claims built up over years of strained relations.

The talks were a breakthrough and would have been hard to imagine before President Obama and Cuban President Raúl Castro announced plans last December to normalize relations.

A settlement would be especially significant because it would address the chain of events that led to the U.S. trade embargo, which by law cannot be lifted until the claims are resolved.

A U.S. State Department official told reporters that reaching a settlement was “a top priority” for the United States. The official said Tuesday’s talks were “fruitful” and would continue in 2016.

Cuba experts said the most important thing was that the negotiations occurred at all.

“Merely for the two nations to sit down and talk in an orderly, professional manner about claims, after so many decades, is a major achievement,” said Richard Feinberg, a Cuba expert at the Brookings Institution who published a report this month proposing possible solutions for the two sides.

“Settlement of U.S. claims would be a huge step forward toward fully normalizing U.S.-Cuban economic relations and would give live ammunition to those who favor lifting the economic embargo,” Feinberg said.

The State Department official said the U.S. side also provided information on the additional \$2 billion or so in judgments awarded to plaintiffs who have sued the Cuban government in U.S. courts, proceedings that Havana does not recognize. The official spoke on the condition of anonymity under State Department ground rules.

U.S. and Cuban diplomats have held numerous meetings this year on their normalization agenda. But Tuesday’s session was the first time the two governments made a formal attempt to talk about the past and one of its most complicated chapters, in which Castro’s nationalization policy devoured U.S. factories, farms and sugar mills in the early years of his Marxist revolution.

At 6 percent annual interest, the claims would be worth some \$8 billion today.

Preliminary discussions for compensation to U.S. companies broke off in 1960 after President Dwight D. Eisenhower suspended Cuba’s sugar export quota to the United States. The Cuban government’s property-grab accelerated after that, and Cuba would eventually seize virtually all private businesses, down to shoe-shine stands and the ice cream carts of street vendors.

Tuesday’s talks did not address the issue of property taken from Cuban citizens. Cuba settled claims with Canada, Spain and other governments decades ago, but those amounts were dwarfed by the American claims.

While recognizing that U.S. plaintiffs were never compensated, Cuba has presented counter-claims totaling more than \$1 trillion, citing damages from a half-century of U.S. trade sanctions and the loss of life and property stemming from attacks by U.S.-backed militants, such as in the failed Bay of Pigs invasion in April 1961.

Trade experts and lawyers say the Cuban government will have a difficult time recovering damages from sanctions. It may have a better argument citing the attacks, they say — part of what may be the government’s broader strategy of having the competing claims cancel each other.

“There is no international court to take a look at this, so it’s a bilateral negotiation, and the Cubans are very tough, very clever,” said Pedro Freyre, a Cuba expert at the Akerman LLP law firm in Miami.

Freyre said it was a positive sign that the sides were even talking about the issue. “It’s the first time the two countries are going back to look at this history and try to sort out a system for fixing it.”

“You don’t have this conversation if you haven’t built some mutual trust and respect,” he said.

The 50 largest U.S. claims against Cuba account for more than three-quarters of the \$1.9 billion, and most are corporate — not individual — grievances. The largest, at \$267 million, belongs to the Cuban Electric Company, Havana’s major power utility at the time it was taken. After changing hands through corporate mergers and sales, the majority of its shares are today are owned by Office Depot. Other U.S. companies that have claims include Texaco, Coca-Cola and Colgate-Palmolive. Half of the top 10 largest claimants are sugar companies that lost their mills and railways. Several of the companies no longer exist, and the claims have been passed down to heirs.

Feinberg and others say the fact that most of the money is owed to U.S. companies could make the negotiations easier, if some of the firms are willing to accept tax breaks or other concessions from the Cuban government to ease their potential return to the island.

The other nearly 5,000 individual claims against Cuba amount only to about \$200 million, a relatively modest amount, Feinberg said, even for the cash-strapped communist government.

Vietnam Hopes Trade Deal Will Tip Balance Toward US, Away From China

By Simon Denyer

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HANOI — The fingers of both hands tightly intertwined, retired Maj. Gen. Le Van Cuong describes how Vietnam is overly dependent economically on its giant neighbor, China. Then, as he talks about the Trans-Pacific Partnership, a U.S.-led trade deal involving a dozen Pacific Rim countries, the general’s grip relaxes, and his fingers pry themselves apart.

"The TPP is not just economic. It is also a political and security deal," said Cuong, a former head of the Ministry of Public Security's Strategy Institute, arguing that the accord would help loosen China's grip on his country. "It has more value for Vietnam than buying 10 submarines."

Vietnam stands to be one of the biggest economic beneficiaries of the regional trade deal, reached in October after eight years of negotiations. The country wants to reduce its dependence on China and forge closer ties with the United States — an attempt at reorientation that is given added impetus by China's aggressive assertion of its territorial claims in the South China Sea.

But the political implications at home could be even more significant, with Vietnam agreeing to transform its labor laws and allow workers to form independent trade unions.

Tom Malinowski, assistant secretary of state for democracy, human rights and labor, calls it a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to guide this communist one-party nation down a path of greater openness and reform.

"Vietnam has made commitments that are potentially far-reaching and transformational," he said. "Allowing the formation of independent trade unions breaks the one-party monopoly on social organization."

President Obama says the TPP will create new jobs at home and new markets for U.S. goods as well as counter China's growing influence in Asia. Defense Secretary Ashton B. Carter — reaching, like Cuong, for a naval comparison — has said the TPP is as important to him "as another aircraft carrier."

But Obama faces a tough battle getting congressional approval for the deal next year, with critics worried the pact could undercut U.S. labor standards and push jobs overseas.

The Peterson Institute for International Economics says the TPP could bring Vietnam's exports up by nearly 30 percent by 2025 and raise gross domestic product by more than 10 percent — in an economy already growing by more than 6 percent a year.

Vietnam runs a large and growing trade deficit with China, its biggest trading partner, and the deal would help it diversify. It would also benefit Vietnam's garment industry, at the expense of China. But farmers in this largely agricultural nation would face greater competition.

"TPP is going to transform Vietnam's economy, which is why they are sawing off a leg to get into it," said Evan S. Medeiros, until recently Obama's top adviser for Asia and now a managing director with the Eurasia Group, an international business consultancy.

Foreign investors are already eyeing Vietnam eagerly, lured by its combination of cheap labor and duty-free access to the U.S. and Japanese markets. In November, Pou Chen, a Taiwanese company that is among the world's largest shoe manufacturers, announced it was moving more of its operations from China to Vietnam, in part to take advantage of opportunities under the TPP.

Yet high expectations also bring added pressure on Obama to get congressional approval.

"It is extremely important, having come this far and having secured the kind of commitments that Vietnam has made, which hard-liners in the government were very reluctant to make, that we do our part," Malinowski said.

Without congressional approval, he added, "we go back to square one. Nothing happens on labor rights, and America's word would no longer be seen as reliable."

Enforcement questions

Under the deal, Vietnam has agreed to reform state-owned enterprises, adopt stricter environmental standards, allow a "free and open Internet," permit workers' freedom of association, and end child labor and forced labor.

John Sifton, Asia advocacy director at Human Rights Watch, acknowledges that the deal forces Vietnam to make a "historic change" to its labor laws, but he is skeptical about Vietnamese implementation and U.S. enforcement.

"The agreement looks good on paper, but what happens if Vietnam makes those changes, and yet it continues to allow unions to be crushed by employers and the government?" he asked. The U.S. government, he says, has a "terrible record" around enforcing agreements on labor rights in past trade deals.

U.S. officials counter that the TPP has much stronger standards explicitly built into the pact and that tariff cuts kick in only if Vietnam certifiably implements the changes in years to come.

Within Vietnam, activists are divided over the TPP deal, with one calling it "a very good entry point" for a nascent civil-society movement to grow. But others are skeptical that the government would honor its promises, especially as two leading labor activists remain in prison and police still beat others with impunity.

Last month, 30-year-old labor activist Do Thi Minh Hanh said she was detained and badly beaten by police after she talked to fired workers in southern Vietnam. She was in jail from 2010 to 2014 and says she was beaten by guards and prisoners there.

She said she welcomes the promises made under the trade deal. "The TPP opens a new horizon for labor activists and workers that has never happened in the past, but the fact that the police arrested me and beat me up, and threatened the workers who were complaining about the company — that is worrying to me," she said.

'Cleaning house'

Negotiations over the deal prompted an internal debate within the Communist Party, Vietnamese and U.S. officials said.

"As we were engaged with them in this process, we would constantly go back to them and say, 'This is what we are going to be seeking in TPP in these various areas; are you sure it's for you?'" said U.S. Trade Representative Michael Froman. "They would go back and have their internal discussions and then come back to us and say, 'This is the direction we want to take our country.'"

In the end, officials said, the party's top leaders united behind the deal.

"We are confident this is the right thing for Vietnam to do, despite huge challenges," said Nguyen Ba Hong, the director-general of the Americas Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. "Despite the debate, despite different opinions, we are determined to drive this boat to the ocean."

Skeptics argue that similar expectations of economic reform leading to greater political openness accompanied China's accession to the World Trade Organization in 2001 but never came to fruition.

But within Vietnam, experts such as Tran Viet Thai, the deputy director of a Ministry of Foreign Affairs think tank, says his country has chosen a "100 percent different course" from its northern neighbor.

China, he says, is pushing reforms in a top-down fashion, using the "visible hand" of the Communist Party power to "clean house."

The Vietnamese, he said, "want to use the invisible hand of the market to clean house."

WASHINGTON POST EDITORIAL

Donald Trump: The Islamic State's Secret Weapon?

By Kathleen Parker

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Americans looking for a Snuggly Bear and a blanket to ease their anxieties about the Islamic State will have to become more comfortable with ambiguity and uncertainty.

From President Obama's recent terrorism speech in the Oval Office to Donald Trump's terrifying, race-baiting, religion-testing rebuke in South Carolina, there is little to console those seeking either instant gratification from Obama or sanity from the leading Republican presidential candidate.

While Trump speaks to fear with anti-Muslim rhetoric that builds a wall around our national essence, the president attempts to soothe with reason and inspirational rhetoric more befitting a nation that hasn't just suffered a horrific terrorist slaughter.

Obama's speech was never going to satisfy critics and those convinced they know the better route. But the fact of the speech alone — appropriately solemn in recognition of the fact that the killings in San Bernardino, Calif., and Chattanooga, Tenn., and at Fort Hood, Tex., were terrorist attacks — spoke volumes. And though he identified the California terrorists as Islamic State-inspired, he surely disappointed those insistent in their own cultish fashion that Obama refuses to name the enemy and, therefore, can't defeat him. An absurdity. A dead terrorist is a dead terrorist by any name.

Obama's further reiteration of his current course left wanting those longing for the more comforting certitude of the cheerleader with a megaphone. And those hoping for a declaration of the usual sort of war — thousands of ground troops in Syria and Iraq — were doubtless disappointed, as well as affirmed in their belief that Obama doesn't get it. Or that he's only trying to preserve his legacy as the non-war president, a trope favored by the right.

But realistically, what president chooses to ignore a necessary war? Who wants to be remembered as the cowardly commander in chief who allowed the world to slip into darkness and despair? No one, and certainly not Obama.

The problem for the president is that the war he is waging feels like a long-term strategy without benefit of the short term. If not ground troops, then what? There is no good answer. This is a new kind of war requiring fresh approaches. The old templates don't apply because they actually work against us. As soon as we put boots on the ground, the Islamic State is rewarded with the war it wants, with the propaganda machine it can't otherwise replicate and with the martyrdom its members welcome. Are Americans really ready to watch their military men and women beheaded and burned alive?

Thus, Obama and his advisers have focused on alternative means of defeating a monster that feeds on atrocity and hate. Strategic hits, special operations, counterterrorism propaganda and so on. At home, Obama seems to say, fight hate with love,

fear with resilience, monsters with the superior force of good. By comparison, admittedly, Trump sounds both decisive and definitive.

But — this is no joke — Trump is also the most dangerous person to emerge on the U.S. political scene in decades. As president, he would be the most dangerous man on the planet.

I've often objected in my column to invoking Hitler as popular analogue because it trivializes the suffering and slaughter of the Jews. Now I'm not so sure. Remember that before there could be a Holocaust, there was the identification of the Jewish race as the enemy. Trump's apparent identification of Muslims as "a problem," with his threat of a Muslim registry and a religious test at the border, sounds terribly familiar.

Two facts to consider: First, we need the help of the world's 1.6 billion — and this nation's 3 million — Muslims if we hope to defeat terrorists who justify their barbarism with their interpretation of Islam. Second, our best defense against radicalization of Muslim Americans is inclusiveness. By marginalizing our own Muslim community through rhetoric, we vastly increase the risk of radicalization and recruitment.

Obama understands this. He also understands that another ground war in the Middle East risks our becoming entrenched in endless battle against an enemy that can inspire insurgencies indefinitely.

Few doubt that we could easily take over Iraq and Syria in a replay of shock-and-awe, but then what? Invading another Muslim country feeds right into the Islamic State's playbook and installs a Crusader vs. Caliphate narrative for millennia — or whatever foreshortened era we invent.

Again, ambiguity and uncertainty are our companions for now and probably for a while. In the meantime, our internecine squabbles about our own nation's principles couldn't be a better holiday gift to the butchers-in-waiting. And Trump, by dividing us from within, is the enemy's hero.

What Israel Should Do To Lay The Groundwork For Peace

By Reuven Rivlin

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As I write this, there is no currently viable solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. There is no diplomatic process underway, and no indication of imminent negotiations. Yet, even with no way forward, even with no clear timetable for an end to the conflict — the tragedy that envelops us all — we are duty bound to recognize where and how we can take effective action to improve the prospect that we will be able to live together, Jews and Arabs, in our region as we are destined rather than doomed to do.

Israel must take steps to improve the situation independent of the geopolitical territorial debate — steps that every sensible person understands serve simultaneously Israel's moral and practical interests. Without resolving the question of whether or not Israel today has a Palestinian partner for peace, it is self-evident that the building of the new Palestinian city, Rawabi, is in Israel's interest. Likewise, it is clear that cultivating channels of communication and cooperation between Israeli and Palestinian businessmen, educators and cultural figures improves our situation. Is there anyone who does not see the value and importance of the majority of the Jewish population being able to speak Arabic (a plan for which I am pleased to see has been brought before the Knesset)? When it comes to all these possibilities, we should have started yesterday.

Even in Jerusalem, seen by many as the greatest diplomatic challenge to any peace treaty, there is much we can do. It is worth understanding that the Israeli right has long ignored the eastern part of the city for reasons of internal political differences, while the left has equally neglected investing in the need for infrastructure to serve the 300,000 Palestinians of the city as part of an ideology of political separation from the Palestinians. Thus, in debating the future, we have neglected to deal with eastern parts of Jerusalem in the present — and thereby literally abandoned the security of Jewish inhabitants and the welfare of Arab ones. Does anyone think that dealing with the sewage, roads, schools and medical centers of eastern Jerusalem can or should wait until the end of the conflict? Is there anyone who thinks the consequences of these economic disparities in the city will stop at genuine or fictitious political borders? At concrete walls or fences? Or as a result of this or that agreement on sovereignty?

In the heat of our internal controversy over the country's borders, the character of our neighbors and the nature of the final settlement or its feasibility, we are prone to ignore the necessity of managing relations between people in the present. But it is the here-and-now in which people — including children and young people — actually live. It is the present in which their consciousness is formed and their path in life crystalized.

Confidence, however, cannot be built unilaterally. It is clear that the Palestinians must end the incitement and violence against Israel. They must end the rejection of the very existence of Israel. To Palestinian youths I say: For too many years, blood has been shed like water on this land. No blood is redder than any other. Lives matter. Our lives matter. Your lives matter. I urge

Palestinian parents and teachers to foster in their young dreams of life, not aspirations of death. The struggle between our peoples has already seen so much death and bloodshed — more death and bloodshed is not going to solve it.

At the same time, the international community, led by the United States, has a crucial role to play. Investing in steps like those above, nurturing mutual values and encouraging dialogue and cooperation can help lay the groundwork for a future settlement — whenever it may come — and make its success ever more likely.

None of us is exempt from the requirement to ask ourselves: What is the positive legacy we will bequeath to future generations in terms of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict? I regret to say it does not appear that we will be able to bequeath them peace — but we can leave them other breakthroughs. Even if these are localized or embryonic, we can build trust between the two peoples and leaderships, so that they will not begin like us today, starting from scratch.

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The Next Steps For Venezuela

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VENEZUELA'S ELECTION on Sunday produced a huge victory for those who believe that democracy can provide a path out of the country's profound crisis. Despite deeply unfair conditions, an opposition coalition recorded a landslide victory over the regime of President Nicolás Maduro, giving it a commanding majority in the National Assembly. That could open the way to political negotiations and the adoption of desperately needed measures to save a major oil producer from economic collapse — if Mr. Maduro and other political heirs of the late Hugo Chávez will cooperate.

Unfortunately, that does not look likely so far. Mr. Maduro on Sunday night said he accepted the election outcome — reportedly under pressure from the military — but by late Tuesday, election authorities had failed to announce final results that opposition leaders said give them a crucial two-thirds majority in the assembly. Though he backed away from pre-election threats of violence, Mr. Maduro blamed the loss on “counter-revolution” and an “economic war” while promising to “move forward with more revolution.”

If sustained, that response would undercut the moderate opposition leaders who favored the electoral strategy over street protests and who now propose to prioritize solutions to the economic crisis over an attempt to use the legislature to dismantle the Chavista regime. As independent Venezuelan analysts have pointed out, an economy-first policy would be the most sensible response to voters, who turned out at the extraordinary rate of 74 percent not because they necessarily wanted to replace the Maduro government with the opposition but because they are desperate for relief from endemic consumer-goods shortages and triple-digit inflation.

The steps to ease those afflictions — and head off a debt default by Venezuela in the coming months — are obvious but painful. The government must reform a wildly distorted exchange-rate system and remove capital and price controls, stop charging less than 1 cent per gallon of gasoline, end runaway spending backed by the printing of money and cease persecution of the private sector. The regime's best strategy would be to offer the release of political prisoners and a freeing of the media in exchange for the opposition's acceptance of co-responsibility for the bitter economic medicine.

If Mr. Maduro and other hard-liners have their way, however, the Chavista movement will react the way it has to past political reverses — with autocracy. The president may seek decree powers from the outgoing assembly or try to pack the supreme court, which could then reverse all measures passed by the new opposition majority. That would push the opposition to seek a referendum on the president's removal from office or a rewrite of the constitution — steps made possible by its claimed supermajority.

Outside powers will likely seek to prevent such a meltdown and broker a deal; the United States has already offered its services. Such mediation has failed in the past due to the regime's intransigence. Many of its senior figures, compromised by involvement in drug trafficking or other major corruption, may believe that any yielding of power would place them personally at risk. If Venezuela is to be saved from more conflict and chaos, those Chavistas who remain uncorrupted and principled must now act for the common good.

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Lessons Of The Past Hint At Hurdles In Fight To Stop ISIS

By Anne Barnard

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BEIRUT, Lebanon — Nine years ago, after the Lebanese militant group Hezbollah captured two Israeli soldiers in a risky cross-border raid, Israel declared it would crush the organization once and for all.

Instead, the ensuing war provided a textbook case of how overwhelming firepower can fail to defeat a determined or ideologically driven guerrilla force in the absence of a coherent and well-executed strategy — a cautionary tale, Middle East analysts say, for the powers now lining up to fight the Islamic State.

In 2006, Israel, wielding the region's most powerful military and solid American support, leveled whole city blocks and village centers along with Hezbollah bunkers and offices. But Hezbollah remained standing, and soon it accumulated more political and military power than ever.

Today, the Islamic State, having developed a hybrid fighting force combining conventional military tactics, guerrilla abilities and far-flung attacks on civilians, faces a similarly lopsided fight. Arrayed against it, at least notionally, are both the United States and Russia, the regional archenemies Saudi Arabia and Iran, and even Hezbollah.

American politicians and presidential candidates say that the United States is at war with the Islamic State, also known as ISIS or ISIL, with some comparing the conflict to a new world war. But even as some of the strongest militaries on earth line up to crush the militant group, with countries like Britain and Germany recently joining the campaign, the Islamic State threatens and strikes in new places — now even China.

"We've been 'at war' with terrorism for quite some time now," said Andrew J. Bacevich, a military historian and retired Army colonel, "and the war is not working."

The region, and indeed the world, is littered with evidence that in asymmetrical conflicts, even the most powerful military responses can end up stoking the violence and opposition they seek to quell, especially without solutions to underlying conflicts.

If overwhelming firepower alone could guarantee success, the United States would have won the Vietnam War and emerged victorious from Afghanistan and Iraq. And 14 years after 9/11, the threat from Al Qaeda might have disappeared, rather than persisting, morphing and re-emerging as the Islamic State.

As if to underscore the inadequacy of a conventional military approach are terrorist attacks like the one last week in San Bernardino, Calif. It appears not to have been directed by the Islamic State, American officials say, but was simply inspired by it.

Middle East analysts across a broad spectrum — whether they call for more, fewer or different military interventions in the region — say that when it comes to the Islamic State, the West is acting as if it has failed to learn the lessons of the past.

Mr. Bacevich says "the lessons of these failures" are too rapidly forgotten as many Americans succumb to what he calls a form of militarism, "clinging to the illusion that because we have a splendid military, putting it to work will make things come out all right in the end."

Unfortunately, he says, "Little evidence exists to support any such expectation."

Just as after 9/11, the temptation again has been to strike back hard — a course President Obama has resisted — often reinforcing the narratives of oppression that opponents thrive on, the analysts said.

Then there are the political responses of fear and reaction, as in France, which gave the far-right National Front party its biggest regional wins over the weekend, and the United States, where Donald J. Trump, who is running for president, on Monday promised to bar all Muslims from entering the United States.

The Islamic State thrives on a claim to be standing up to the entire world — especially Christians and Shiites, whom it considers infidels and apostates — to defend a pure Islam, and its enemies, analysts say, seem determined to oblige.

With the group claiming to defend Sunnis, even though they make up the majority of its victims, the campaigns by predominantly Christian and Shiite powers "may strengthen ISIS rather than the contrary," said Imad Salamey, an associate professor of political science at the Lebanese American University here in Beirut.

Militarily denying territory to the Islamic State — deflating its claims to build a so-called caliphate — is a precondition for progress against it, he said.

But real inroads against the group, Professor Salamey said, would require a comprehensive political solution with "a satisfactory regional Sunni share of power."

That, he said, would allay the insecurity among both Sunni leaders and populations, which have festered with the deposing of Saddam Hussein and the rise of a Shiite-dominated Iran, and the crushing of popular uprisings in Sunni-majority countries.

The sense that the Islamic State's opponents are playing into its hands, and that "war on ISIS," like "war on drugs" or "war on cancer," may be unwinnable, is shared across a deep ideological divide.

It can be heard from those like Professor Salamey who advocate more robust efforts to remove Mr. Assad — whose own attempt to use overwhelming force on Syrians fighting for a cause, his ouster, led to five years of insurgency and gave the Islamic State a breeding ground.

But the criticism is also echoed by analysts who oppose increased American intervention, some of whom locate the problem in a deeper dysfunction in the Islamic world.

"ISIS is merely a symptom of a much larger problem," said Mr. Bacevich, a professor emeritus at Boston University, whose forthcoming book, "America's War for the Greater Middle East: A Military History," elaborates on long-held skepticism of decades of American policy. "Destroy it and a similar organization will likely arise in its place, much as ISIS emerged to take the place of Al Qaeda in Iraq."

Mr. Bacevich argues that fighting an all-out war against Islamic extremism — what his intellectual sparring partner Eliot A. Cohen advocates and calls "World War IV" — would require sacrifices Americans are unwilling to make and that Mr. Bacevich considers "collective suicide."

Even then, victory is not assured, especially against the Islamic State, which attempts to stand for both territory and religious ideology, to be a hybrid of two types of resilient insurgent groups.

It embraces abstract ideas, like Al Qaeda or the hard-line leftist groups like the Red Brigades that bombed Europe in the 1970s. But it has also sought to co-opt oppressed locals who see themselves as fighting for homes and territory, more like the Irish Republican Army, the Viet Cong or Palestinian nationalist groups.

That "potent blend" of causes can resonate with Muslims, said Randa Slim, tapping into a sense that Islamic societies have declined from a golden age of power and innovation and have fallen under Western domination.

"It reminds me very much of Hezbollah and the struggle that many Shiites have in standing up to it" without being seen as traitors, added Ms. Slim, an analyst who directs Track II programs at the Washington-based Middle East Institute, whose family is from the southern suburbs of Beirut. Hezbollah grew popular and powerful there both for its appeal to Lebanese seeking liberation from Israeli occupation and for its Shiite ideology.

To deflate the Islamic State, she said, Western countries, need to ask why there are "ghettos of immigrants" in Europe, and why the United States, more successfully integrated, could still produce the man suspected in the San Bernardino shooting, Syed Rizwan Farook.

Most concerning, Mr. Bacevich contends, is that even as the United States pursues what amounts to an endless and expanding conflict around the globe, without success, no alternatives are on offer, with no "antiwar party" and Democrats and Republican candidates "vowing to continue that war."

Continuing to insist that there is no other choice is abdication and folly, he said. "How can it be that the most powerful nation in the world has no alternatives?"

ISIS Extends Recruitment Efforts To China With New Chant

By Edward Wong And Adam Wu

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BEIJING — The Islamic State has been recruiting far and wide for members to join its ranks on the battlefields of Iraq and Syria or elsewhere. Now those efforts are extending to China.

The group recently posted a digital recording of a new chant in Mandarin Chinese that calls for Muslims to "wake up" and "take up weapons to fight." The chant is typical of many others released by the group, also called ISIS or ISIL.

The chant was posted online by Al Hayat Media Center, the foreign-language media division of the Islamic State, according to an assessment on Monday by the SITE Intelligence Group, which tracks the propaganda of jihadist groups.

The chant, or nasheed, is an exhortation to rise up but does not specify a target. (See below for a full translation.) It could be aimed at placing China in the cross hairs. The Islamic State's leader, the cleric Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi, released a recording in July 2014 in which he named China as one of many countries in which "Muslims' rights are forcibly seized."

Some political Muslim groups, especially in Turkey, have joined international human rights advocates and other organizations in condemning China's anti-Islamic policies in the western region of Xinjiang.

There, many Uighurs, a Turkic-speaking ethnic group that mostly practices Sunni Islam, say they are discriminated against and persecuted by the ruling ethnic Han.

In recent years, violence has surged in Uighur areas, and the Communist Party says it faces a terrorist threat there. Chinese officials have said that security officers have seized recordings from abroad that inspire Uighurs to take up arms. Just last month, Chinese officials said that security forces had used a flamethrower to force 10 "terrorists" from a cave in Xinjiang after tracking a group that officials believed to be responsible for a recent deadly coal mine attack. Security officers killed 28 people linked to the attack, official reports said. (A Radio Free Asia report said women and children were among the dead.)

At the time of the 2010 census, China had about 10 million Uighurs and 10 million ethnic Hui, a Muslim group that generally speaks Mandarin and is common across northwest China. They are the largest ethnic minority groups practicing Islam in the country of 1.4 billion. There are also smaller groups that are predominantly Muslim, like the Kazakhs and Tajiks.

The leaders of the Islamic State adhere to an ultra-Orthodox form of Sunni Islam called Salafism, one that is not popular among Chinese Muslims. Salafists denounce many other Muslims as heretics, including other Sunnis, and are especially hostile toward Shiite Muslims. The sect is tiny, but Saudi Arabia, a United States ally, promotes Salafism and its close cousin Wahhabism, whose adherents seek to "purify" Islam of modern influences.

The Chinese recording is addressed to the "Muslim brother" who is listening, but the Islamic State kills many Muslims, including by beheading and burning victims alive.

There is no reliable information on how many Chinese have joined ISIS or other armed groups in Syria to fight against the government of President Bashar al-Assad, whose forces have killed huge numbers of civilians.

In his recording from July 2014, Mr. Baghdadi said Chinese was one of 12 nationalities of fighters in ISIS. The male singer of the new chant had a hint of a northern or northwestern Chinese accent.

Wu Sike, a former Chinese envoy to the Middle East, said in late July last year that about 100 Chinese fighters were being trained or fighting in the Middle East. He said that number came from foreign news reports, even though no foreign news organization has reliable estimates of Chinese fighters. Mr. Wu said most of the fighters were ethnic Uighurs. He did not say specifically that they were members of the Islamic State.

In September 2014, the Iraqi Defense Ministry posted on its Facebook page a photograph of an Asian man with a bruised and bloodied face and said the man was a Chinese fighter for ISIS whom Iraqi soldiers had captured. The ministry did not provide further details.

In 2013, a group fighting Mr. Assad posted a video online that purported to show a Chinese warrior named Yusef brandishing a Kalashnikov rifle (a subtitle said his Chinese name was Bo Wang). Yusef, who appeared to be ethnic Han, spoke in Mandarin and said he had gone to study in Libya before traveling to Syria to help overthrow Mr. Assad, who "is butchering every Muslim here in cold blood, including children and women."

As it has done with many other nations, the Islamic State has been goading China. Last month, its online magazine, Dabiq, said it had executed a Chinese hostage, Fan Jinghui. The Chinese Foreign Ministry confirmed the report. It was unclear how Mr. Fan, 50, had ended up as a hostage or what he was doing in the Middle East. He had told a reporter in China that he was a "floater," with no attachments in his life.

After the killing, President Xi Jinping of China said he would crack down on terrorism. But unlike Russia or the United States, China has carried out no known military operations in Syria or Iraq, where it has extensive oil interests in the Shiite-controlled south. Many Islamic State fighters cling to a prophetic end-of-days vision of engaging in an apocalyptic battle with foreign nations in Syria and Iraq.

Below is a translation of the Mandarin-language nasheed:

We are mujahid/Our shameless enemy will panic/To die fighting on the battlefield/Is our dream
We are mujahid/Our shameless enemy will panic/To die fighting on the battlefield/Is our dream
A century of slavery/Leaves that shameful memory/Deep in the ignorant slumber/Nightmare will continue on
A century of slavery/Leaves that shameful memory/Deep in the ignorant slumber/Nightmare will continue on
Wake up! Muslim brother/Now is the time to awaken/Take up the faith and courage/To fulfill the lost doctrine
Wake up! Muslim brother/Now is the time to awaken/Take up the faith and courage/To fulfill the lost doctrine
We are mujahid/Our shameless enemy will panic/To die fighting on the battlefield/Is our dream
We only abide by/The Quran and the Sunnah/No power/Can stop our progress
We only abide by/The Quran and the Sunnah/No power/Can stop our progress
To fight in God's way/Is the Great Allah's command/Take up weapons to fight/Admire Allah's truth
To fight in God's way/Is the great Allah's command/Take up weapons to fight/Admire Allah's truth
We are mujahid/Our shameless enemy will panic/To die fighting on the battlefield/Is our dream
The glory of Islam,/Is etched in the history/To let it shine again/Is what we are striving for
The glory of Islam,/Is etched in the history/To let it shine again/Is what we are striving for
Wake up! Muslim brother/Now is the time to awaken/Take up the faith and courage/To fulfill the lost doctrine
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We are mujahid/Our shameless enemy will panic/To die fighting on the battlefield/Is our dream.

Americans Attracted To ISIS Find An “Echo Chamber” On Social Media

By Scott Shane, Matt Apuzzo And Eric Schmitt

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WASHINGTON — When a lonely Virginia teenager named Ali Amin got curious about the Islamic State last year and went online to learn more, he found a virtual community awaiting. It had its own peculiar language, stirring imagery and just the warm camaraderie, sense of adventure and devotion to a cause that were missing from his dull suburban life.

At 17, the precocious son of a Yemeni immigrant family, he quickly developed online relationships with older Islamic State supporters around the globe. There was Zubair in Britain, Uthman in South Africa and Abdullah in Finland, who urged him to start a Twitter account under the name AmreekiWitness, or American witness. Mr. Amin drew several thousand followers, sparred online with the State Department, engaged with prominent Islamic State propagandists and developed quite a name among English-speaking fans of the militants — until his arrest in March.

“For the first time, I felt I was not only being taken seriously about very important and weighty topics, but was actually being asked for guidance,” Mr. Amin wrote in August to the judge overseeing his case, expressing regret for what he portrayed as a disastrous youthful mistake. “By assimilating into the Internet world instead of the real world, I became absorbed in a ‘virtual’ struggle while disconnecting from what was real: my family, my life and my future.”

As the Obama administration takes on the multidimensional challenge posed by the Islamic State after the killings in San Bernardino, Calif., the online community of sympathizers in the United States is a critical focus. They number in the hundreds, experts say, and fit no single profile. Among those whose flirtations took a serious turn and led to criminal charges are a trio of teenage siblings from Chicago, a former Air Force mechanic in his late 40s from New Jersey, and a mother of two from Philadelphia.

In fact, they have little in common except one thing: the weeks or months spent marinating in the rhetoric and symbolism of the Islamic State, courtesy of Twitter and other Internet platforms.

It is in this electronic hothouse of mutual support, a sort of round-the-clock pep rally for a cause most Muslims shun, that Americans join other English speakers to try out defiant screen names, throw around Arabic words they have often just learned, and seek to outdo one another in pious zeal. Some merely express anger at American foreign policy or at what they see as mistreatment of Muslims overseas. Others go further, trying to reach Islamic State territory or plotting violence at home.

Like most heady American romances with the Islamic State, Mr. Amin’s came to a crashing halt. In late August, he was sentenced to 11 years in prison after pleading guilty to material support for a terrorist group. Americans who managed to reach Syria have suffered a still grimmer fate, dying on distant battlefields. And last week, in California, two admirers of the extremist group were shot dead by the police after attacking an office holiday gathering and killing 14 people.

The full story of the radicalization of the attackers, Syed Rizwan Farook and Tashfeen Malik, is still emerging as the F.B.I. retrieves records from deleted computer drives and smashed cellphones. But Ms. Malik’s decision, as the shooting began, to post on Facebook a pledge of loyalty to the leader of the Islamic State, also known as ISIS or ISIL, suggested that the couple had been exposed to the Internet world created by the group’s supporters and recruiters.

“It’s a closed community — almost a clique,” said Seamus Hughes, co-author of a report, “ISIS in America,” released last week by George Washington University’s Program on Extremism. “They share memes and inside jokes, terms and phrases you’d only know if you were a follower.”

The George Washington University report underscored the diversity of the 71 people in the United States charged with crimes related to the Islamic State since March 2014: 40 percent were converts to Islam, defying any ethnic profile. They were young, with an average age of 26; overwhelmingly American citizens or legal residents; and 14 percent were women.

But all, or nearly all, had spent hours on the Internet trumpeting their feelings about the Islamic State and engaging with English speakers from many other countries. In fact, nearly all were arrested after their online posts drew the attention of the F.B.I.

Finding the Islamic State’s corner of the Internet is not hard. In March, Nader Saadeh of New Jersey performed simple online searches for the term “ISIS.” He read newspaper articles and looked at maps. Within weeks, he was downloading hourlong propaganda videos. At the end of April, prosecutors said, he bought a plane ticket to Jordan in hopes of getting to Syria to fight.

Curious web surfers can easily recognize the distinctive iconography that Islamic State supporters embrace. The black flag used by many jihadist groups, often inscribed in white with the Shahada, or Islamic creed, is popular. Portraits of jihadist heroes, notably the American Al Qaeda propagandist Anwar al-Awlaki, are regularly featured. Green birds, a symbol of paradise, and lions, a reference to warriors as “lions of Allah,” are favorites. Keonna Thomas, 30, a Philadelphia mother charged this year with trying to join the Islamic State, posted on Twitter as YoungLioness.

Like political followers or sports fans, Islamic State supporters post videos and make memes to share with online friends. But the videos sometimes show beheadings, executions or angry lectures. And the photos declare their allegiance ("We are all ISIS") or glorify young men with automatic weapons.

Even novices learn to lace their posts with transliterated Arabic: "kuffar" for non-Muslims; "shahid" for martyr; "khilafa" for the caliphate, the unified Muslim state that the group purports to be building. "It's a shallow appropriation of things from an outside culture to demonstrate authenticity," said Alberto M. Fernandez, a former State Department counter-radicalization official who is now at the Middle East Media Research Institute, and who wrote an essay on the insider language of Islamic State fans.

For more advanced users, there is "taghut," a blanket epithet for opponents of jihad; "jizya," a tax to be imposed on Christians and Jews who will not convert; and "baqiyah," or "here to stay," shorthand to announce Twitter users' return after their accounts have been suspended.

Twitter remains the major gateway for those infatuated by the Islamic State, though YouTube, Facebook, Ask.fm, Tumblr, Instagram and other sites have a place in the group's online ecosystem. As Twitter has more aggressively suspended the accounts of overt supporters, they have often migrated to Telegram, Kik, WhatsApp and other services that allow private communications, said Humera Khan, executive director of Muflehun, a nonprofit that studies radicalization and how to counter it.

Ms. Khan said that more sophisticated Islamic State promoters policed the public sites, circulating the screen names of people who had challenged the group's claims and encouraging others to block their posts. The result, she said, "is an echo chamber where there's a sense that no other view is legitimate."

The insular culture reinforces the idea that the United States is at war with Islam and portrays terrorist groups as nobly resisting America's global military ambitions. The group's arguments feed off American military action overseas, as well as anti-Muslim populism of the kind recently promoted by Donald J. Trump.

"Al-Qa'ida said it loud and clear: we are fighting the American invasion and their hegemony over the earth and the people," Mufid A. Elfgeeh, a 30-year-old from Rochester wrote on Twitter before being charged last year with recruiting for the Islamic State. In another post, he predicted that the group would one day rule the world.

Into this world of Americans and English speakers from many other countries, the Islamic State's propagandists regularly insert professionally produced material. Javier Lesaca, a visiting scholar at George Washington University's School of Media and Public Affairs, said the group had produced some 1,015 videos since January 2014, including at least 37 in English aimed at recruiting foreign fighters.

The videos "are based and constructed according to Western values and images," he said.

Their consistent message, Mr. Lesaca said, is that the Islamic State is a social movement devoted to protecting Muslims and fighting an unfair global economic system; that it does not discriminate on the basis of race or nationality; that it uses violence in self-defense and in ways that mimic Western films and video games; and that Westerners who join the fight in Syria and Iraq are normal people fighting a just war.

In fact, like other American followers of the Islamic State, Mr. Amin was drawn into the virtual jihadist world by his concern about atrocities being carried out against civilians by the Syrian president, Bashar al-Assad, according to court documents. He had Crohn's disease, a chronic gastrointestinal disorder, which derailed a promising academic record and left him isolated.

Mr. Amin raised his concerns about Syria with several adults, including two imams and a Christian minister, his lawyer, Joseph Flood, said. None gave him much time or took his questions about Islam seriously. But on his laptop, alone in his bedroom in Manassas, Va., he found powerful emotional support for his militant pronouncements.

"He's being told, 'Not only are you smart and wise — you're a leader,'" Mr. Flood said.

Soon, Mr. Amin, who displayed on his Twitter account an image of an Islamic State flag flying over the White House, was driving a friend to the airport so he could travel to Syria and posting an article on how to use the digital currency Bitcoin to support the jihadists.

The Internet had allowed him to develop "a secret, independent identity" without his family's knowledge, Mr. Flood said. Mr. Amin adopted a stern, adult tone to instruct others in online security measures and he drew the State Department's anti-Islamic State Twitter account, @ThinkAgainTurnAway, into an exchange. For an ailing teenager with a protective mother, it was an intoxicating time.

"Ali's involvement in these activities came as a complete shock to everybody who knew him, because he was such a kind and gentle person," Mr. Flood said.

Law enforcement officials say one advantage has been that many of those who go online to cheer on the Islamic State have been astonishingly indiscreet. Abdurasul Juraboev, 24, a Brooklyn man who worked in a gyro shop and was arrested in February, had posted on a pro-Islamic State website that he wished he could join the group abroad. But he wondered whether

there were other ways to contribute, writing, "What I'm saying is, to shoot Obama and then get shot ourselves, will it do?" He lamented that he had no weapons.

A Kansas man, John T. Booker Jr., posted last year on Facebook: "I will soon be leaving you forever so goodbye! I'm going to wage jihad and hopes that i die."

"Getting ready to be killed in jihad is a HUGE adrenaline rush!!" he wrote, according to court documents. "I am so nervous. NOT because I'm scared to die but I am eager to meet my lord." He was arrested outside an Army base as he connected wires to what he thought was a bomb; it was a fake provided by an F.B.I. informant.

But such brazen displays of jihadist sentiment and public confessions to crimes are becoming less common, experts said. The steady string of arrests and the crackdown by social media companies are having an effect.

"The network of ISIS supporters is getting smaller, but tighter and more inward looking," said Ms. Khan, the expert on countering extremism, adding that the San Bernardino attack may accelerate that trend by intensifying government scrutiny. That may shrink the Islamic State's propaganda profile, but it will also make the group's circles harder to penetrate and its supporters more difficult for law enforcement to track, she said.

But the initial reaction to the San Bernardino attack from English-speaking Islamic State supporters showed no such discretion, said Anat Agron, who tracks supporters for the Middle East Media Research Institute.

"People were rejoicing, celebrating," Ms. Agron said. "They were talking about how beautiful it was for a married couple to do this together."

Enrique Marquez, Buyer Of Guns Used In San Bernardino Attack, Is Studied

By Rick Rojas And Ian Lovett

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RIVERSIDE, Calif. — As federal officials scour the backgrounds of the couple who went on a terrorist rampage here last week, they are looking particularly carefully at Enrique Marquez, a childhood friend and former neighbor of the husband, Syed Rizwan Farook. It was Mr. Marquez, 24, who bought the two assault rifles that Mr. Farook and his wife, Tashfeen Malik, used to carry out the attack, which killed 14 people and wounded 21 others.

Mr. Marquez, who works at a Walmart store, bought the weapons legally between 2011 and 2012 and either gave or sold them to Mr. Farook, federal officials said. Investigators said they had spoken with Mr. Marquez and were keeping close tabs on him; although they have not named him as a suspect, they believe he has knowledge about the Farook family and its recent activities.

Mr. Marquez could be critical in helping the Federal Bureau of Investigation determine when the couple began their plot and understand more about their thinking. On Monday, F.B.I. officials said that both the husband and wife had been radicalized for years and had gone to target practice ranges in the days before their murder spree.

Mr. Marquez was himself a convert to Islam, some people who know him said. He started attending the Islamic Society of Corona-Norco about four and a half to five years ago, shortly after he had converted to Islam at a different mosque, according to Azmi Hasan, the facilities manager at the Islamic Society. At first, Mr. Marquez came about once a month, and then dropped off to once every few months, Mr. Hasan said.

"He looked like a normal kid," Mr. Hasan said. "We would just exchange greetings." The last time he saw Mr. Marquez was about three years ago, he said.

Mr. Hasan said that one of Mr. Farook's sisters, Saira, and her husband, Farhan Khan, also worshiped there.

On Saturday, investigators raided the modest stucco home here where Mr. Marquez lived with his family, cutting open the garage door with blowtorches and sending in bomb-sniffing dogs. The next day, officials said, agents returned and seized more items.

Mr. Farook had since moved away, but for almost a decade, he lived next door to Mr. Marquez in this suburban neighborhood of palm- and pine-tree-lined streets. Sometimes, Mr. Marquez would hop the short brick wall that separated their yards and they would hang out, a relative said. Or Mr. Marquez would pitch in as Mr. Farook worked on cars, one of his hobbies.

Mr. Marquez's name first appeared in connection with the attack on a list left behind by federal investigators after they raided Mr. Farook's home in Redlands, Calif., where the authorities said Mr. Farook and his wife had stashed weapons and built pipe bombs in the garage. Investigators seized an empty black long-gun box in Mr. Marquez's name. The F.B.I. has declined to say whether his transfer of the rifles to Mr. Farook violated California law, which requires that even private sales or gifts of firearms be done through a licensed dealer.

For a time last week, the authorities sought to talk to Mr. Marquez but could not find him, only to discover that he had checked himself into a mental health facility.

Mr. Marquez's stepfather, Gustavo Ramirez, said in a recent interview in the driveway of his family's home that he was stunned by the assertion that his stepson had purchased firearms for Mr. Farook and his wife. "I have no idea," he said. "It is so strange to us. We don't have anything to do with guns."

Mr. Ramirez said that his stepson had grown up with the Farook family and had gone to school with one of Mr. Farook's sisters. Mr. Marquez now splits his time between his family's home and his girlfriend's.

Investigators also said that roughly \$28,000 had been deposited into a bank account in Mr. Farook's name at Web Bank, an online bank based in Utah, in the weeks before the attack. The authorities said that the deposit, reported by Fox News, had come from a loan arranged by Prosper, a San Francisco company. Loans like the one Mr. Farook received are typically processed almost entirely online and can be approved in a matter of days, while traditional banks can take weeks.

A spokeswoman for Prosper declined to comment on whether Mr. Farook had received a loan from the company, but said in a statement, "All loans originated through the Prosper platform are subject to all identity verification and screening procedures required by law, including U.S. antiterrorism and anti-money laundering laws."

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Obama Making Calls To Negotiate Climate Deal, Kerry Says

By Coral Davenport

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LE BOURGET, France — Despite a domestic agenda consumed by his response to last week's terrorist attack in California, President Obama is closely tracking the United Nations climate change negotiations outside Paris, Secretary of State John Kerry said in an interview on Tuesday.

The president spoke by phone with Prime Minister Narendra Modi of India on Tuesday about an agreement under consideration here and conferred by phone earlier this week with President Dilma Rousseff of Brazil, Mr. Kerry said.

India and Brazil, along with China and the United States, are among the world's top producers of greenhouse gases that warm the planet. The role of the four nations in reaching a deal to curb those emissions is crucial to the success of the negotiations.

In a separate discussion with reporters on Tuesday, Mr. Kerry said he had also been working the phones to reach a deal. He said he spoke Tuesday with Prince Mohammad bin Salman Al Saud, the deputy crown prince of Saudi Arabia, a country that is seen as a possible spoiler of a deal. Though the foundation of the Saudi economy could be threatened by an accord intended to turn the world away from fossil fuels like oil, Saudi Arabia is a desert nation that could also experience more devastating heat as a result of global warming.

"He has pledged to help. I think the Saudis want an agreement," said Mr. Kerry, who also spoke Tuesday with top Chinese officials.

The United States and China have jointly pledged to cut greenhouse gas emissions, but the United States has been pushing for aggressive terms requiring countries to verify their reduced emissions in a step that the Chinese see as intrusive.

Mr. Kerry is here to lead the American negotiating team through a final deal, which could come as soon as Friday. He presented a plan for the coming days that includes a nearly-final draft of an agreement expected to be presented on Wednesday by negotiators who have been working since last weekend on an accord. The deal is intended to commit nearly every country on earth to enact plans to curb greenhouse gas emissions.

"From that, we will begin to work on the intense language leading into Friday," Mr. Kerry told reporters.

The proposal is expected to include language regarding "loss and damage" — the legal term for the geographical and economic losses suffered by poor countries as a result of rising sea levels and increasing drought. The United States has accepted language that would place moral responsibility on the industrialized world for such losses, but it has stopped short of allowing language that would create legal liability for that damage.

Mr. Kerry said he told officials from island nations in a meeting that insisting on liability could scuttle efforts to reach a deal. "The president came here and said we accept responsibility for what is happening," Mr. Kerry said. "But if you want to end an effort to have people move responsibly to deal with this, then create a concept of liability."

As Mr. Kerry presses ahead with negotiations here, Republicans continue to signal to negotiators in Paris their disapproval of any such deal.

Senator Ted Cruz of the Texas, a Republican presidential candidate, led a hearing by the Senate Commerce Committee on Tuesday entitled, "Data or Dogma? Promoting Open Inquiry in the Debate Over the Magnitude of Human Impact on Earth's

Climate.” Mr. Cruz stocked the witness panel with people who question or deny the established science that burning greenhouse gases contributes to the warming of the planet’s atmosphere.

Mr. Kerry said he was not deterred by Mr. Cruz’s effort. “We’ve been through this,” he said. “One professor is not going to negate peer-reviewed science.” He said that Republicans had also sought to undermine Mr. Kerry’s efforts to negotiate a nuclear deal with Iran.

“If we approached the Iran agreement listening to that, we never would have got an Iran agreement,” he said. “There are people that oppose whatever the president does because he’s the president.”

Beyond that, Mr. Kerry said that the negotiations in the two deals were very different.

“One is seven countries sitting with one particular party where we haven’t had relations in 35 years,” he said of the Iran talks that involved six other world powers. “There are huge suspicions.”

On the climate talks, he said: “Here you have the entire planet, with the exception of 10 nations, all of whom have come to a fairly common understanding of the challenge, but have different interests and outcomes in mind.”

Business Leaders Commit To Energy Goals At Climate Conference

By Stanley Reed

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PARIS — Unilever. Total. Bank of America. Patagonia. Ikea. Some of the world’s largest companies — and brands — announced their commitment on Tuesday to cutting carbon emissions and participating in practices that would support sustainable energy.

Speaking at The New York Times Energy for Tomorrow conference, being held in concurrence with the international climate talks outside Paris, executives from a number of companies said they accepted the need to help reduce the carbon dioxide emissions blamed for global warming.

Also, representatives of the Chinese government, the world’s No. 1 carbon emitter, released new climate goals that called for a substantial buildup of alternative energy sources like wind and solar.

To be sure, the executives were self-selective, agreeing to appear on panels because of their interest in embracing climate goals, which are being intensely discussed by representatives of 195 countries at a converted airplane hangar north of Paris in Le Bourget. The deadline for a deal is Friday.

But the array of companies — from furniture to food, investment funds to insurers — acknowledging the need for rapid and strong action to offset the worst effects of climate change was nonetheless notable.

“Science shows that climate change will reduce food productivity and food security at the same time our world’s population is growing and requiring us to feed more people with fewer natural resources,” said John Bryant, the chief executive of the Kellogg Company, who announced that by 2050 the company would cut its emissions by 65 percent and help reduce those of its suppliers by 50 percent.

The business executives spoke of the need to address the problem and the profit-making opportunities solutions could offer.

Only the business community is likely to have sufficient funds to underwrite the multitrillion dollars in investments that will be required to shift from a high carbon economy that runs on fossil fuels to a more sustainable one, many executives said.

“We are not going to solve this at government level,” said John Kerry, the United States secretary of state, speaking to an audience largely drawn from the business community at the American ambassador’s Paris residence on the eve of the conference. “You are going to make the difference.”

In a passionate speech, Mr. Kerry said that he thought the current United Nations-organized negotiations to tackle climate change were different from past efforts because “something is happening at the grass-roots level of countries around the world.”

Mr. Kerry forecast that the business community would produce breakthroughs in areas like clean energy. But, some said, what may be even more powerful is the business world’s realization that operations that produce low emissions and that are otherwise sustainable are now good business, rather than a luxury that few can afford.

Business leaders on Tuesday concurred.

“Business isn’t stupid; we are not putting money into a bottomless pit,” said Paul Polman, the chief executive of Unilever, the maker of consumer goods.

Mr. Polman said that Unilever’s recent investments in new plants running on clean energy and other new technologies were producing hefty 23 percent returns on capital.

In the medium term, though, the shift is likely to be disruptive and uncomfortable, especially for companies wedded to outdated business models, some said.

Particularly hard hit will be electric utilities, which are struggling to adjust to an environment in which the power they produce from natural gas and coal is being squeezed out by wind and solar energy. There are even questions about whether the traditional electric power system will survive.

Among the highlights of the conference:

- Representatives from China provided details about new goals to increase its reliance on wind and solar power.
- Germany was praised for pursuing and sticking with an ambitious plan to reduce carbon emissions despite the strains it imposed on the electric grid — a government policy known as “Energiewende,” that also helped bring down the price of solar panels worldwide, one speaker said.
- One of the world’s largest investment funds discussed its commitment to disinvest from polluting companies, and put its money toward sustainable energy.
- Insurance companies talked about the need to prepare for major climate-related weather events, and adjust insurance premiums accordingly.

The conference continues Wednesday morning with a scheduled discussion between Mr. Kerry and Thomas L. Friedman, an Op-Ed columnist for The New York Times.

Beijing, With Red Alert For Smog In Full Force, Closes Schools And Limits Traffic

By Edward Wong

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BEIJING — Emergency measures adopted for Beijing’s first “red alert” over air pollution left millions of schoolchildren cooped up at home, forced motorists off the roads and shut down factories across the region on Tuesday, but they failed to dispel the toxic air that shrouded the Chinese capital in a soupy, metallic haze.

Beijing announced Monday night that from Tuesday morning to noon on Thursday, it was putting in place measures that included closing schools, limiting the number of cars on the road based on their license plate numbers, and banning fireworks and barbecues. Factories and construction sites closed.

Yet at 4 p.m. Tuesday, walking through Beijing was like strolling through a coal mine, and the municipal air quality index read 308, rated “hazardous” by United States standards — a situation in which people should not set foot outdoors. Because of industrial coal burning, Chinese cities regularly have air of that quality, among the world’s worst.

“I have to watch my son because there is no kindergarten today,” said Kan Tingting, 35, a manager of a cafe who had to stay home with her 3-year-old. “What bothers me the most is that my son may have a very negative view of nature. He loves nature much less than he would in a normal environment. I don’t want him to grow up thinking nature is ugly.”

Ms. Kan said that two of her Korean co-workers had fallen ill on Tuesday — one with a skin allergy and the other with a burning throat — but that Chinese colleagues who had made it to the cafe near Chaoyang Park seemed fine.

“If you ask me, I think it should be a red alert every day,” she said. “I have a car, too, but I think the license plate odd-even number restriction should be every day. All the factories should move away.”

Leaving Beijing is tempting, but not possible, she added. “If not for my work, I’d move away in a heartbeat,” she said. “I used to live in Australia, so I could move there. Or anywhere in southern China is better than the north.”

The current spell of bad air in Beijing began on Sunday, and by Monday morning, the quality had already deteriorated to what the United States labels a “very unhealthy” level, when everyone can be affected. Still, it was well below the toxic bout that hit the city in the final weekend of November. That was the worst stretch of pollution this year, and municipal officials were roundly criticized for declaring only an orange alert at that time rather than going to code red. The sudden announcement Monday night may have been their attempt to make up for the oversight.

“The issuing of a ‘red’ pollution alert means, first and foremost, that the Beijing authorities are taking air quality, and related health issues, very seriously,” Dr. Bernhard Schwartländer, the representative of the World Health Organization in China, said in a written statement. The group helped lead a 2010 study whose data showed outdoor air pollution contributed to 1.2 million premature deaths in China in 2010, nearly 40 percent of the global total.

Greenpeace East Asia also praised Beijing for raising the alarm, after having criticized it a week earlier for its lack of action. “The red alert is a welcome sign of a different attitude from the Beijing government,” said Dong Liansai, a climate and energy campaigner. “However, this, the latest of a series of airpocalypses to hit Beijing, is also a firm reminder of just how much more needs to be done to ensure safe air for all.”

The announcement on Monday took the city’s 20 million residents by surprise. Parents checked with groups on smartphone messaging apps to see if schools were indeed shutting down. Some workers said they would have no option but to drive to the office, despite half of all cars being ordered not to drive each day.

"There is no other way for me to go to work besides driving," said Zhao Lin, 36, a technology salesman. "I have to drive for more than an hour each way to commute to work every day."

"I'm not supposed to drive tomorrow because my car has an even number license plate, but I have to," he added. "They can fine me or dock me points. I have no choice. I think they can't see my license plate in this smog anyway."

Mr. Zhao said he had left his 5-year-old son at home with his 65-year-old mother, who was in poor health. Neither would be going outside, he said.

"Instead of shutting down the schools, why don't they just put air purifiers in the classrooms?" he said. "We pay the kindergartens to watch the children, and then we have to watch them when the air is bad? Do we get a refund for the three days without kindergarten?"

Since 2013, when an intense round of pollution slammed northern China, Beijing has had a color-coded emergency response plan. That plan was strengthened with new measures in March. Despite all that, Beijing had never sounded a red alert, and residents had wondered why. Did city officials or the top Communist Party leaders worry they would lose face? Did they fear the economic losses that might result?

"They probably didn't declare a red alert last week because they didn't want to slow down the economy," said Wang Bei, a university lecturer who was at home with a 10-year-old son. "Shutting down factories is not ideal for the economy, but health should come first."

"Air pollution is a huge problem that we ignored early on, while we concentrated on economic development," she added. "Now we are paying the price for that. It only takes a second for someone to fall gravely ill, but it takes a long time to recover. Now China is that ill person trying to recover from air pollution."

Ms. Wang said that she regularly checked a phone app to monitor the air quality and that she and her son wore masks outdoors and turned on purifiers at home. But she said she was worried about the invisible effects on her son's health. "I wonder if this bad air is going to give him irreversible damage, 10 or 20 years down the road," she said.

On one street, a young salesman, Liu Jia, sat on a bench, puffing on a cigarette. Half the pedestrians around him were wearing masks.

"They say the air quality has improved, but to me it feels about the same," he said. "I know that smoking is bad, worse than the smog, but my work is too stressful."

"I can choose to smoke a cigarette," he said, then looked up. "But there's no choice in this."

Above him, the sky was the color of ash.

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"Airpocalypse": Beijing Smog Red Alert On Social Media

By Christine Hauser

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As Beijing enacted emergency measures on Tuesday to cope with the city's first "red alert" over air pollution, images and stories of woe on social media documented the smog that is keeping schoolchildren and factory workers at home and some vehicles off the roads.

China's state news agency, offering a stark contrast to current conditions, published images of pollution-free days. It did not say when the photographs of clear blue skies were taken: days of heavy smog that were off the charts started in late November, producing levels beyond the measure of the air-quality index.

Edward Wong, The New York Times's bureau chief in China, published images and reaction on Twitter, including an item that circulated the trending nickname #airpocalypse that some have given to the crisis:

Even far from street-level, the situation looked grim. A satellite image showed an opaque patch smothering the region around Beijing. The image was captured on Dec. 7, the day Chinese officials declared there would be a red alert.

Many residents have tried to adapt to the pollution, which was blanketing their city well before Tuesday's alert, a fact of life highlighted in a first-person account written by Mr. Wong more than two years ago.

Among the commonplace precautions are the use of air filters in homes and surgical masks for those venturing outside. Still, from smoking to exercising in public, many stubbornly stuck to their daily activities, even if they did need to adapt a bit. Others, it appeared, had no choice but to go to work.

Chinese Glacier's Retreat Signals Trouble For Asian Water Supply

By Edward Wong

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MENGKE GLACIER, China — Over the years, Qin Xiang and his fellow scientists at a high and lonely research station in the Qilian Mountains of northwest China have tracked the inexorable effects of rising temperatures on one of China's most important water sources.

"The thing most sensitive to climate change is a glacier," said Dr. Qin, 42, as he slowly tread across an icy field of the Mengke Glacier, one of the country's largest. "In the 1970s, people thought glaciers were permanent. They didn't think that glaciers would recede. They thought this glacier would endure. But then the climate began changing, and temperatures climbed."

Beneath Dr. Qin's feet, the cracking ice signaled the second-by-second shifting of the glacier.

The extreme effects predicted of global climate change are already happening in western China. Glacier retreat here and across the so-called Third Pole, the glaciers of the Himalayas and related mountain ranges, threatens Asia's water supply. Towns and villages along the arid Hexi Corridor, a passage on the historic Silk Road where camels still roam, have suffered floods and landslides caused by sudden summer rainstorms. Permafrost is disappearing from the Tibet-Qinghai Plateau, jeopardizing the existence of plants and animals, the livelihoods of its people and even the integrity of infrastructure like China's high-altitude railway to Lhasa, Tibet.

The fact that Chinese scientists are raising alarms about these changes is a key reason that the Chinese government has been engaging fully in climate change negotiations in recent years. Another is the deadly urban air pollution, caused mostly by industrial coal burning, that resulted in Beijing's first red alert over air quality on Monday.

China, which remains the world's largest emitter of greenhouse gas, pledged last year to begin lowering carbon dioxide emissions around 2030, and in Paris this month, President Xi Jinping reiterated his resolve to help slow climate change. There are no vocal climate change deniers among top Chinese officials.

In November, China released a detailed scientific report on climate change that predicted disastrous consequences for its 1.4 billion people. Those included rising sea levels along the urbanized coast, floods from storms across China and the erosion of glaciers. More than 80 percent of the permafrost on the Tibet-Qinghai Plateau could disappear by the next century, the report said. Temperatures in China are expected to rise by 1.3 to 5 degrees Celsius, or 2.3 to 9 degrees Fahrenheit, by the end of the century, and temperatures have risen faster in China in the last half-century than the global average.

People across China are already feeling the impact. The most obvious devastation comes from flooding. The report said an increase in urban floods attributed to climate change has destroyed homes and infrastructure. From 2008 to 2010, 62 percent of Chinese cities had floods; 173 had three or more.

"China is more prone to the adverse effects of climate change because China is vast, has diverse types of ecology and has relatively fragile natural conditions," Du Xiangwan, chairman of the National Expert Committee on Climate Change, wrote in the report's introduction.

Last weekend, Chinese scientists released a separate report that said the surface area of glaciers on Mount Everest, which straddles the Tibet-Nepal border, have shrunk nearly 30 percent in the last 40 years.

Vanishing glaciers raise urgent concerns beyond Tibet and China.

By one estimate, the 46,000 glaciers of the Third Pole region help sustain 1.5 billion people in 10 countries — its waters flowing to places as distant as the tropical Mekong Delta of Vietnam, the hills of eastern Myanmar and the southern plains of Bangladesh. Scattered across nearly two million square miles, these glaciers are receding at an ever-quicken pace, producing a rise in levels of rivers and lakes in the short term and threatening Asia's water supply in the long run.

A paper published this year by The Journal of Glaciology said the retreat of Asian glaciers was emblematic of a "historically unprecedented global glacier decline."

"I would say that climatologically, we are in unfamiliar territory, and the world's ice cover is responding dramatically," said Lonnie G. Thompson, a glaciologist at Ohio State University who helped found a project to study climate change on the Tibetan Plateau.

Across China, the surface area of glaciers has decreased more than 10 percent since the 1960s, according to the climate change report. The report linked the expected water scarcity to national security, noting that "in the future, disputes between China and neighboring countries on regional environmental resources will keep growing."

The Qilian range, on the north end of the Tibetan Plateau, straddles three provinces and towers to 18,200 feet. Scientists here at the Mengke Glacier have been studying it from a permanent research station since 2007, one of about 10 major glacier research stations in China. The glacier is six miles long and covers nearly eight square miles.

As it recedes more rapidly, floods here have become more frequent and more powerful. In July, the road to the research station flooded, with water rising more than six feet.

Zhao Shangxue, who manages logistics here, said that he had had to abandon his car and walk four hours to the station.

"The glacier has always melted in the summertime, but now it melts even more," he said.

A report by the research center said the retreat of the Mengke Glacier and two others in the Qilian range accelerated gradually in the 1990s, then tripled their speed in the 2000s. In the last decade, the glaciers have been disappearing at a faster rate than at any time since 1960.

From 2005 to 2014, the Mengke Glacier retreated an average of 54 feet a year, while from 1993 to 2005, it retreated 26 feet a year.

As scientists like Mr. Qin study the glacier and the consequences of its retreat, towns and villages in the region are grappling with a worsening cycle of drought, sudden rainstorms and floods.

The town closest to the glacier, Shibaocheng, has been devastated by recent storms. Its 1,250 residents, mostly ethnic Mongolian, graze yaks, horses and sheep in high pastures below the glacier during the summer. In 2012, a sudden rainstorm set off flooding that destroyed about 200 homes. Nearly 14,000 animals were killed or lost.

"Old people here say they hadn't seen such a flood in 50 or 60 years," said Gu Wei, the deputy mayor. She said rain mixed with hail came down for three days.

Scientists have no easy way to determine the exact relationship between the rainfall and the changes in the nearby glacier, Dr. Qin said. "The retreat of glaciers of course has an effect on the climate and on rain patterns, but we can't measure it," he said.

Southeast of Mengke Glacier, 180 miles away along the Hexi Corridor, Sunan County at the foot of the Qilian Mountains has experienced some of the region's worst flooding. It is home to ethnic Yugurs and has flooded a half-dozen times since 2006.

Five years ago, at least 11 people died in floods and landslides. In July, heavy rains led to similar disasters in 13 villages, destroying more than 150 homes and causing more than \$6 million of damage, an official report said.

"Floods in the Hexi Corridor are related to torrential rains and precipitation from fronts," said Wang Ninglian, a glaciologist at the Chinese Academy of Sciences. "It's caused by climate change."

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Donald Trump's Call To Bar Muslims Reverberates Abroad

By Dan Bilefsky

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LONDON — A day after the Republican candidate Donald J. Trump called for a ban on the entry of Muslims into the United States, much of the rest of the world looked at the American presidential election on Tuesday with a mix of befuddlement and despair, wondering how the same nation that twice put the black son of a Kenyan in the White House could now be flirting with Mr. Trump and his divisive, exclusionary stances.

Mr. Trump's position had its admirers. His stance on Muslim immigration drew several hundred favorable comments on China's Twitter-like social media site, Weibo, where supporters linked his idea to their own fears of the Uighurs, a minority Muslim group in China's northwestern region whose violent militancy has become a major concern.

But in many other places, it ignited widespread condemnation that crossed ideological and social lines.

In Britain, Prime Minister David Cameron, of the Conservative Party, called his words "divisive, unhelpful and quite simply wrong."

Prime Minister Manuel Valls of France, which is still reeling from deadly attacks by Islamic extremists, wrote on Twitter: "Mr. Trump, like others, fuels hatred," and "Our only enemy is radical Islamism."

Mr. Trump's comments were widely shared on social media throughout the Arab world. In a region racked by conflict, his language had an impact, including in Egypt, where he was condemned by the country's highest religious authority and by many others, who called him an Islamaphobe, a racist or, as Reem Khorshid, a 21-year-old engineering student and blogger, put it, "a madman who has no sense at all."

Rachid Tlemcani, a professor of political science at the University of Algiers, warned that Mr. Trump threatened to push young people toward the Islamic State.

"A lot of people in the Middle East think of the United States as the last place we can go if things turn really bad, as it is the place of freedom and liberty," Mr. Tlemcani said. "I think that sort of comment could even invite some act of violence against America. I think he is not responsible."

The type of attention being paid to Mr. Trump stands in sharp contrast to the last time a presidential election in the United States riveted the world — in 2008, when Barack Obama's candidacy was widely embraced in other nations eager for what they viewed as a revival of American ideals. During that campaign, Mr. Obama was greeted by more than 200,000 people in Berlin, and his victory was widely hailed as an affirmation of the best of America.

As in the United States, Mr. Trump has incited particularly intense debate, not least in predominantly Muslim countries and in Europe, where far-right parties like Marine Le Pen's National Front have been gaining ground by invoking anti-immigrant messages similar to those of Mr. Trump and where memories of 20th-century fascism run deep.

J.K. Rowling, the British author of the best-selling Harry Potter books, even mused that Mr. Trump was worse than the books' arch-villain, Lord Voldemort.

Charles Grant, the director of the London-based Center for European Reform, said Mr. Trump was anathema to many Europeans because his populism had edged toward fascism and conveyed a willingness to preach an open hatred of religious minorities that many far-right leaders, from Ms. Le Pen in France to Nigel Farage of the euroskeptic U.K. Independence Party in Britain, tried to temper as they fought to move their parties into the political mainstream.

Mr. Grant added that Mr. Trump conveyed an ignorance of world affairs that Europeans found hard to stomach from a contender in a national election in the United States.

"Donald Trump strikes me as a very different kind of populist right-winger than the kind we've grown used to in Europe in that he shows a complete ignorance about the world," Mr. Grant said. "While Le Pen and others may say things that are alarmist, they at least acknowledge the premise of religious tolerance we've had in Europe since the 18th-century Enlightenment."

"To many Europeans," he added, "it is deeply alarming that he is doing so well."

In France, which is grappling with the challenges of integrating a large Muslim population, the newspaper *Le Monde* called Mr. Trump's comments "unprecedented."

But observers in France, where the National Front won the first round of regional elections last weekend, also noted that Mr. Trump reflected a familiar nationalist and anti-immigrant impulse, extending from Paris to Budapest. After the recent influx of migrants to Europe, many of them from the Middle East, Prime Minister Viktor Orban of Hungary said that his country had a right to protect its Christian traditions by refusing to accept large numbers of Muslims.

In La Défense, a business district west of Paris, Inès Lessieur, 23, a student, said Mr. Trump depressed her. "I am sure he'll get elected," she said. Another student, Laura Albat, 20, responded, "No, a country that voted twice for Obama cannot elect a man like that."

Some analysts, however, said that Mr. Trump's views were more recognizable in Europe than most people liked to admit and that his stances resembled those of not just Ms. Le Pen but also other larger-than-life politicians who appealed to voters fed up with the staid political mainstream.

"Many Italians think Trump is a sort of American version of Silvio Berlusconi, a big personality without the background of what it means to be a politician," said Sergio Fabbrini, director of the school of government at Luiss Guido Carli University in Rome. "Both are outsiders with a politically incorrect style, dividing American politics as Italian politics were divided."

In the Arab world, Mr. Trump's anti-Muslim comments have yielded growing concern, as many watch the American primary campaigns with alarm about what the election could mean for the involvement of the United States in their region.

"There is something disturbing about where the Americans are going in their relations with the outside world in general and with the Arab and Islamic world in particular," said Abdulkhaliq Abdulla, a retired professor of political science from the United Arab Emirates. "All of a sudden it seems that America, or at least some segments of America, have forgotten what America stands for."

Hafez Al Mirazi, the director of the Kamal Adham Center for Television and Digital Journalism at the American University in Cairo, contrasted Trump's comments with the moment in 2009 when President Obama spoke in Cairo and attempted to reach out to the Arab and Muslim world, inspiring many with his personal story of success.

"What we are getting now is really terrible," Mr. Mirazi said. "Stuff that only the Ku Klux Klan and others would say."

Mr. Mirazi, who lived in the United States and whose children attended American schools, said he was worried that Mr. Trump's positions could also create a "disenfranchised generation" of Arabs in the United States, who are for the most part better integrated than their counterparts in Europe.

Dar al-Ifta, the authority that issues religious edicts in Egypt, released a statement calling Mr. Trump's comments "extremist" and warned that they "threatened societal peace" in the United States.

"He's not just a regular guy or some fanatic," said Ibrahim Negm, a spokesman for the authority. "He would be the president of one of the most powerful countries in the world, that hosts six to eight million American Muslims. This is indeed alarming."

But in a world in which terrorism has come to be associated with radical Islam, Mr. Trump's stance resonated among people who perceive a similar threat.

"Honestly, I support his ideas," wrote one user of the Weibo social media service in China. "If this guy could get in the White House, I hope he could do what he said — stop the entry of Muslims."

Another wrote of Mr. Trump, "If he gets elected, the United States will have hope again."

Shen Dingli, a professor of international relations at Fudan University in Shanghai, said Mr. Trump's mentality of "maximum security" struck a chord with many Chinese, who live in a highly conservative society that is more closed than the United States.

"Actually, the Chinese could be the people who understand Trump the most," Mr. Shen said.

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Donald Trump, Under Fire, Defends Call To Block Muslims

By Maggie Haberman

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Repudiated across much of the political spectrum but defended on conservative talk radio, Donald J. Trump on Tuesday stood by his call to block all Muslims from entering the United States. He cast it as a temporary move in response to terrorism and invoked President Franklin D. Roosevelt's authorization of the detention of Japanese, German and Italian immigrants during World War II as precedent.

Critics including both the House speaker, Paul D. Ryan, a Republican, and the Senate minority leader, Harry Reid, a Democrat, assailed Mr. Trump's proposal as self-defeating and un-American.

"Tell Donald Trump: Hate is not an American value," Hillary Clinton wrote on Twitter. The "super PAC" supporting Jeb Bush, the former Florida governor, unveiled its first ad attacking Mr. Trump, and the White House said Mr. Trump had disqualified himself from serving as president.

But the castigation was far from unanimous: Mr. Trump was applauded by some conservative commentators, who said he reflected the electorate's views more honestly than the party's leaders. "Anyone who thinks @realDonaldTrump comments will hurt him don't know the temperature of the American ppl," the radio host Laura Ingraham wrote on Twitter.

Senator Ted Cruz, who is vying for much the same base of support that Mr. Trump now enjoys, disavowed his proposal but pointedly declined to join in the scolding. "I commend Donald Trump for standing up and focusing America's attention on the need to secure our borders," Mr. Cruz said at the Capitol.

And former Senator Rick Santorum, the winner of the 2012 Iowa caucus, seemed to embrace Mr. Trump's impulse but differed on the details. "I've proposed actual concrete things and immigration law that would have — not the effect of banning all Muslims, but a lot of them because we need to get rid of the visa lottery system, which is the way in which a lot of radicals have come into this country," he said on Sirius XM's "Breitbart News Daily."

Mr. Trump, who has set the tone in a Republican presidential race he has led for months, defended and expanded upon his proposal in a string of television interviews Tuesday morning.

In a sometimes tense exchange with Joe Scarborough on the MSNBC program "Morning Joe," he insisted that fears of terrorism had made policing difficult in places like London and in Paris, the site of the Islamic State attacks on Nov. 13 that killed 130 people.

"Paris is no longer the same city it was," he said, before adding, without citing any evidence: "They have sections in Paris that are radicalized where the police refuse to go there. They're petrified. The police refuse to go in there. We have places in London and other places that are so radicalized that the police are afraid for their own lives."

Mr. Trump's statement about Paris has no basis in fact: There are no districts there or outside Paris where the police have said they are unwilling to go. The mayor of London, Boris Johnson, meanwhile, said that Mr. Trump's claim about his city was "complete and utter nonsense." Saying crime was falling in London and New York, he added: "The only reason I wouldn't go to some parts of New York is the real risk of meeting Donald Trump."

In the same MSNBC interview, Mr. Trump cited Roosevelt's classification of thousands of Japanese, Germans and Italians living in the United States during the war as "enemy aliens." He said he was not endorsing something as drastic as the Japanese internment camps. Instead, he referred to three proclamations by which Roosevelt authorized government detention of immigrants, and which led to the internment of thousands of noncitizen Japanese, Germans and Italians.

"This is a president highly respected by all; he did the same thing," Mr. Trump said. The nation was at war in the 1940s, he said, and it is now "at war with radical Islam."

On ABC, Mr. Trump clarified that his proposal would not apply to United States citizens. "If a person is a Muslim, goes overseas and comes back, they can come back," he said. "They're a citizen. That's different. But we have to figure things out."

There was sweeping criticism of Mr. Trump's remarks from European officials and from Democrats.

"The fact is that what Donald Trump said yesterday disqualifies him from serving as president, and for Republican candidates for president to stand by their pledge to support Mr. Trump, that in and of itself is disqualifying," Josh Earnest, the White House press secretary, told reporters at his daily briefing.

Mr. Reid, the Senate Democratic leader, went further. "Trump is saying out loud what other Republicans merely suggest," he said on the Senate floor.

Mr. Trump's proposal on Monday came hours after a poll was released showing that Mr. Cruz had overtaken him for the lead in Iowa, and a day after President Obama gave a rare Oval Office address to discuss fears of terrorism after the attacks in Paris and in San Bernardino, Calif. — a speech Republicans criticized as insufficiently reassuring.

"Until we are able to determine and understand this problem and the dangerous threat it poses, our country cannot be the victims of horrendous attacks by people that believe only in jihad, and have no sense of reason or respect for human life," Mr. Trump wrote in a statement.

It was the latest controversy from a candidate whose campaign has been marked by harsh comments about some immigrant groups since he entered the race in June. Despite repeated and often hopeful predictions from his rivals and political analysts that his supporters would abandon him, such remarks have appeared to cleave Mr. Trump's backers closer to him.

"We have to get a hand around a very serious problem," Mr. Trump said on MSNBC. "And it's getting worse. And you will have more World Trade Centers and you will have more, bigger than the World Trade Center, if we don't toughen up, smarten up, and use our heads."

Reaction from Republicans was mixed.

The television ad from Right to Rise, the super PAC supporting Mr. Bush, was its first mocking Mr. Trump, calling him too "impulsive and reckless" for the Oval Office. But it muted the force of the blow by also criticizing two other primary contenders, Mr. Cruz and Senator Marco Rubio. The ad did not specifically cite Mr. Trump's proposed Muslim ban.

Many Republican leaders have struggled with how to deal with Mr. Trump, who has tapped into a deep well of anger and frustration among voters who polls show have lost trust in their elected officials and in many institutions. But they are also concerned about the impact that Mr. Trump will have on the party's chances of recapturing the White House.

Some spoke out, saying Mr. Trump's ideas needed to be rejected.

"This is not conservatism," said Mr. Ryan, the House speaker and the Republican vice-presidential nominee in 2012. "What was proposed yesterday is not what this party stands for and, more importantly, it's not what this country stands for."

"Some of our best and biggest allies in this struggle and fight against radical Islamic terror are Muslims, the vast, vast, vast majority of whom are people who believe in pluralism, freedom, democracy, individual rights," Mr. Ryan said.

Former Vice President Dick Cheney, in a radio interview, said late Monday that "this whole notion that somehow we need to say 'no more Muslims' and just ban a whole religion goes against everything we stand for and believe in."

And the Senate majority leader, Mitch McConnell, noted that the idea would bar American allies like King Abdullah of Jordan from visiting the country, calling it "completely and totally unworkable."

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Donald Trump's Plan To Bar Foreign Muslims Might Survive A Lawsuit

By Charlie Savage

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WASHINGTON — When Donald J. Trump called on Monday for "a total and complete shutdown of Muslims entering the United States," many legal scholars were aghast and said that such a ban would certainly be struck down by courts as blatantly unconstitutional.

But on Tuesday Mr. Trump clarified his proposal, saying that he would exclude only foreign Muslims, not Muslim American citizens who travel abroad and then seek to come home. That distinction, legal specialists said, made it far less likely the courts would strike it down.

"If a person is a Muslim, goes overseas and comes back, they can come back," Mr. Trump said on ABC. "They're a citizen. That's different."

Several legal scholars who specialize in immigration, international and constitutional law said a policy of excluding all foreign Muslims from visiting the United States would still be "ludicrously discriminatory and overwrought," as Gerald L. Neuman, a Harvard Law School professor, put it. But he said that it was far from clear that the Supreme Court would block it.

Under a provision of immigration law, Congress has already delegated to the president broad power to issue a proclamation indefinitely blocking “the entry of any class of aliens into the United States” that he or she thinks would be “detrimental to the interests of the United States.” No president has ever used that power in such a sweeping way, but the text provides a potential statutory basis for a President Trump to carry out his plan, specialists said.

Still, if Mr. Trump won the White House and invoked that power as a justification to bar all foreign Muslims, people affected by that policy inside the United States — like a person seeking reunification with a family member, or a university that wanted to invite someone to come speak — could file a lawsuit challenging it.

Several legal questions would be raised by such a policy.

First, as a matter of international law, a treaty the United States has ratified, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, bars laws that discriminate against people because of their religion. It protects “all persons,” not just citizens of a member state.

But any lawsuit invoking that provision of the treaty would face an uphill struggle, the specialists said, because Congress has not acted to make that provision enforceable by domestic courts. So even if Mr. Trump’s policy clearly violated the provision, it is doubtful that the Supreme Court would decide that the treaty provided the judiciary with authority to strike the policy down, the specialists said.

Second, as a matter of domestic constitutional law, barring foreigners from visiting — or even barring the return of green card-holding lawful permanent residents — would be subject to a different legal test.

Because decisions about which foreigners to permit into the country are closely related to issues of foreign policy, the courts have long adopted an extremely deferential approach to reviewing such policies by Congress and the executive branch.

Indeed, for most of American history, including a famous 1889 Supreme Court decision upholding a statute passed by Congress that barred all Chinese people from coming to the United States, courts would not even review such decisions. That changed in the 1970s, when the Supreme Court began holding that it could review them.

But even after that change, the court adopted an extraordinarily solicitous standard: So long as the government cites a reason that sounds legitimate on its face for barring a foreigner from entering the country, the justices will uphold it without further scrutiny.

In practice, since establishing that standard, the Supreme Court has never overturned a decision to deny entry to someone.

David A. Martin, a University of Virginia law professor who was deputy general counsel to the Department of Homeland Security in 2009 and 2010, noted that as recently as last May, in *Kerry v. Din*, the court reaffirmed its commitment to that standard in a 5-to-4 ruling. It dismissed a lawsuit by an American citizen who challenged the government’s decision to deny a visa to her husband, an Afghan. The government said it had denied the visa because of unspecified terrorism concerns, and the majority of court said that was good enough without further scrutiny.

Still, the specialists said, Mr. Trump’s proposal to block the entrance of over a billion Muslims on the basis of their religion is so extreme that it was possible a Supreme Court majority might be willing to strike it down despite its very deferential standard for scrutinizing such policies.

“There is some cause for optimism that eventually this would get struck down by a court,” said Cristina Rodríguez, who teaches immigration law and constitutional law at Yale Law School. But she also questioned whether Americans would tolerate such a policy before a case got that far.

“The bigger question is what happens in the political arena before that, and do constitutional values influence political debate?” she said. “This would be a test case because it would be so blatantly contrary to our constitutional traditions that it’s hard to imagine that it would get to a full-blown case. But I could be underestimating the people supporting Donald Trump at this point.”

Jordan Is Asked To Admit Thousands Of Stranded Syrians

By Rana F. Sweis

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AMMAN, Jordan — The United Nations and human rights groups on Tuesday called on Jordan to allow the entry of thousands of Syrian refugees stuck in a northeast desert holding area adjoining the Syrian border.

The United Nations refugee agency spokeswoman, Melissa Fleming, said the number of refugees in that area had tripled to 12,000 since the start of November as the Syrian conflict intensified.

“The population includes elderly people, others who are sick or wounded, children, women and others who are vulnerable and need help,” Ms. Fleming said.

Human Rights Watch also released a statement calling on the Jordanian government to allow entry to the “thousands of Syrian asylum seekers at its northeastern border region in deplorable conditions.”

In a telephone message, Jordan’s government spokesman, Mohammad Momani, said the country’s borders remained open and that the number of stranded refugees as reported by the United Nations had been “greatly exaggerated.”

He did not specify how many were stuck, but said that Jordan, which borders Syria and Iraq, “has security concerns and is entitled to scrutinize those refugees seeking entry.”

The flow of Syrians permitted into Jordan has slowed substantially since last year as security concerns increased and Jordanians were overwhelmed by the number of refugees already in the country. According to data compiled by the International Organization for Migration, an intergovernmental group, Jordan has been permitting entry in small batches of a few dozen at a time.

More than four million Syrians have fled to neighboring countries since the war began in 2011, including more than 600,000 to Jordan. The influx has severely strained the resources of all host countries. According to the United Nations refugee agency, more than 80 percent of refugees in Jordan live outside camps and subsist below the poverty line of \$3.20 per day.

The United Nations just launched its biggest humanitarian aid appeal, seeking more than \$20 billion for 2016. Much of that money is meant to deal with the Syrian refugee crisis.

Refugees who are permitted to enter Jordan are sent to the Azraq camp, about 200 miles from the northeast holding area.

Satellite images of the holding area taken this week revealed more than 1,450 refugee tents, compared with 175 in April, according to Human Rights Watch.

The organization also expressed alarm about health and sanitation problems because of the crowded conditions. “Children are suffering from diarrhea, vomiting and acute malnutrition,” it said.

As winter approaches, the organization said, further deterioration could cause “additional serious health problems and possibly death, especially among children and the elderly.”

Anxiety Grows In Texas With Syrians Due To Arrive Soon

By Manny Fernandez And Julia Preston

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HOUSTON — Republican leaders in Texas want to expand the legal authority of the states to bar Syrian refugees, as the expected arrival of 21 of the refugees in Texas this week has intensified concerns and fears about accepting Syrians in the wake of the Paris attacks last month.

Governors in about 30 states — most though not all of them Republicans — have called on the Obama administration to stop accepting Syrian refugees into the United States, after terrorists killed 130 people in Paris on Nov. 13. The attackers included a man who entered Europe with a Syrian passport and posed as a migrant.

No other state has taken a more aggressive approach to blocking Syrian refugees than Texas, which last week became the first state to try to bar the refugees by suing the federal government. Federal officials and lawyers for local relief organizations that work with refugees said states did not have the authority to turn away Syrian refugees and that denying services or benefits to refugees based on their country of origin or religion was unlawful.

Those warnings have not stopped leaders in Texas, Michigan, Indiana, Tennessee, Oklahoma and other states from publicly refusing to accept the refugees. The tone of the debate has been, at times, extreme. One Nevada lawmaker, Assemblywoman Michele Fiore, told listeners of her radio show last month she was “not OK with Syrian refugees” and “not OK with terrorists,” adding, “I’m about to fly to Paris and shoot ‘em in the head myself.”

On Tuesday, Senator Ted Cruz said he introduced a bill to allow governors who have concerns about the government’s vetting process to opt out of accepting Syrian refugees. He spoke at a news conference in Washington alongside Gov. Greg Abbott, who said he supported Mr. Cruz’s bill, known as the State Refugee Security Act.

The legislation would require federal officials to notify a state at least 21 days before a refugee is resettled there and will prohibit any resettlement if a governor “certifies” that federal authorities failed “to provide adequate assurance” that the refugee does not pose a security risk, according to the text of the bill. Mr. Cruz previously introduced another bill that calls for a three-year moratorium on resettling refugees to the United States from Syria, Iraq, Somalia and other countries with territory substantially controlled by the Islamic State or any other foreign terrorist organization.

“We should not be bringing in refugees when our own F.B.I. tells us we cannot ascertain whether or not they are ISIS terrorists,” Mr. Cruz told reporters. His comment referred to congressional testimony by the director of the F.B.I., James B. Comey, that Mr. Cruz and other Texas Republicans have seized on that suggested federal officials could not conduct effective security checks on Syrian nationals.

Mr. Cruz, a Republican presidential hopeful, said he disagreed with Donald J. Trump's call to block all Muslims from entering the United States, but added that he liked Mr. Trump and was not interested in criticizing him. "I do not think it is the right solution, and the right solution I believe is the legislation that I've introduced," Mr. Cruz said of the idea put forward by Mr. Trump.

Despite the lawsuit Texas filed last week, the resettlement of a handful of Syrian refugee families has continued in the state. Twenty-one Syrian refugees were scheduled to settle in Houston and Dallas this week, including a total of 12 children ages 2 to 15. On Monday, six members of a Syrian family — two children aged 3 and 6, their parents and their grandparents — joined relatives who were already living in the Dallas area. Texas takes in more refugees than any other state, roughly 10 percent of the refugees resettled in the United States, according to state officials.

The lawsuit accuses the State Department and other federal agencies, as well as the International Rescue Committee, a nonprofit relief group, of failing to consult with Texas in resettling refugees and refusing to resolve the state's security concerns. The suit claims the federal officials violated the Refugee Act of 1980, which lawyers for Texas said required the federal government to consult regularly with states before refugee resettlements.

"Instead of adhering to that statutory framework, the federal government and the committee have left Texas uninformed about refugees that could well pose a security risk to Texans and without any say in the process of resettling these refugees," the lawsuit reads.

Lawyers representing the International Rescue Committee and civil rights activists called the state's efforts to bar Syrian refugees illegal, unconstitutional and immoral. They said the nonprofit group had cooperated with Texas officials but disputed that Texas was entitled under federal law to detailed case information about individual refugees before they were settled and denied that the 21 refugees expected to arrive in Texas this week posed any security risk.

"Texas raised the bogeyman of national security concerns without a shred of evidence," said Cecillia Wang, the director of the A.C.L.U.'s Immigrants' Rights Project and one of the lawyers representing the International Rescue Committee.

In addition to the 21 refugees, the authorities have detained three Syrian families in South Texas who came in recent weeks to the border crossing in Laredo and asked for asylum. Asylum seekers, asking for protection after arriving, go through different procedures from refugees.

Criminal and national security background checks turned up no negative information on them, said their lawyer, Jonathan Ryan, the executive director of Raices, a legal aid organization in San Antonio.

On Friday, officials denied the three families' requests for release, citing an unspecified "law enforcement interest." All three families said they were Christians fleeing persecution.

Manny Fernandez reported from Houston, and Julia Preston from New York.

Joe Biden Urges Lawmakers In Ukraine To Fulfill Promise Of Uprising

By Peter Baker

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KIEV, Ukraine — Vice President Joseph R. Biden Jr. urged Ukrainian leaders on Tuesday to curb the power of the business moguls dominating society and to fulfill the promise of the popular revolution that pushed out a pro-Moscow government last year.

Addressing the Ukrainian Parliament, Mr. Biden sternly lectured lawmakers to put aside their own self-interests and to transform this former Soviet republic into a model of democratic change.

Citing the failure of the Orange Revolution of 2004 to deliver enduring change, he urged Ukrainians not to let this opportunity slip by as well.

"This is your moment," he told them. "This is your responsibility. Each of you — if you'll forgive me for speaking to you this way in your body — each of you has an obligation to seize the opportunity that the sacrifices made in the Maidan, the sacrifices of the Heavenly Hundred. Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time."

By invoking the memory of the roughly 100 protesters killed during protests in Maidan Square last year, Mr. Biden hoped to infuse today's legislative battles with the moral imperative of the uprising, which led to a pro-Western government. Many in Ukraine worry that the new leaders have become so paralyzed by their own power struggles that they will squander the chance for change.

For Mr. Biden, who has made it his mission to nurse Ukraine through its transition, it was a classic performance from the lectern in the grand chamber of Parliament, known here as the Rada. At times, he shouted at the lawmakers, gesturing sharply. At other points, he practically whispered. At still other moments, he wagged his finger.

Citing John Adams, Thomas Paine, Edmund Burke and Daniel Webster, Mr. Biden talked about the United States' own struggles to build democracy. He also cited a quotation from an American politician he did not identify: "In your heart, you know it's right," he said. (The phrase is actually a variation of a slogan in an ad made for the Republican presidential candidate Barry Goldwater in 1964.)

But it was not clear whether Mr. Biden's message really got through. Lawmakers, many listening to an interpreter through earphones, sat silently during the long lecture on corruption and applauded only when Mr. Biden assailed Russia for its intervention in Ukraine. The one standing ovation they gave Mr. Biden came when he said that Russia had infringed on Ukrainian sovereignty and that the United States would never recognize the annexation of Crimea.

"Russia has violated these ground rules and continues to violate them," he said. "Today, Russia's occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia's attempt to annex Crimea."

He added that he would tell the world about Nadiya V. Savchenko, the Ukrainian helicopter pilot being held in Russia; her picture was displayed on a poster on the lectern from which Mr. Biden spoke, with the slogan "Freedom for Nadiya Savchenko."

And the vice president committed to keeping American sanctions on Russia until Moscow complies with a cease-fire brokered in Minsk, Belarus. "There can be no sanctions relief unless and until Moscow meets all, all of its commitments under Minsk," Mr. Biden said.

But his main message to the Ukrainians was, in effect, to get their house in order. The day before, he had suggested that many in Europe were waiting for Ukraine to fail so that they would have an excuse not to continue confronting Russia.

With Ukraine's rapidly sinking economy, that time often seems close at hand.

The gross domestic product per capita, a broad measure of Ukrainians' well-being, will be just \$1,600 per person this year, down from \$3,900 in 2013. That was the year before the new government took power partly on the promise of bringing living standards closer to those in Europe.

Over all, Ukraine's gross domestic product is projected to shrink by 15 percent this year after falling 6.8 percent the year before, according to Standard & Poor's, the ratings agency. Much of the drop is attributable to a collapse in the value of the national currency, the hryvnia, and to uncertainty created by the conflict with Russia.

And Ukraine remains one of the world's most indebted countries, trailing only the Seychelles, according to one estimate.

"It's a struggle to see who will invest in this economy, who will commit to put in private capital," Charles Robertson, the London-based chief economist of Renaissance Capital, said in a telephone interview.

Mr. Biden called for an overhaul of the office of prosecutor general, change in the energy sector, transparency about official sources of income, disclosure of conflicts between government responsibilities and business, and other measures.

"If you fail, the experiment fails," he said. "It's no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you."

But analysts said it was doubtful that the Ukrainian government, no matter how well intentioned, could stamp out corruption anytime soon.

"Ukraine has a fundamental problem," Mr. Robertson said. "You cannot put good people just on the top, and hope their good policies permeate through the old apparatus that has been there for something like a century. It's not going to happen in a year. It's probably going to take a generation."

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Electricity Restored To Crimea After 2 Weeks Of Darkness

By Ivan Nechepurenko

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MOSCOW — Electricity was finally restored to Crimea on Tuesday, two weeks after unknown saboteurs blew up high-tension power lines in Ukraine, plunging millions on the peninsula into darkness.

Ukrainian linemen connected one of the four power lines on Tuesday morning, after the Crimean Tatar protesters who had blocked utility crews finally relented — so that power could be provided to critically important facilities, such as hospitals and schools, they said.

But that line, together with local sources and the expedited connection of the first phase of direct, undersea links with the Russian power grid last week, was enough to restore normal power supply on the peninsula, Russia's Energy Ministry said.

Trolley buses began to run in Simferopol and the local government promised to turn on streetlights by the end of the week.

The Ukrainian nationalist group Right Sector, which had also blocked repair crews from the site, said in a statement that it did not approve of the decision to restore power.

"We interpret it as another anti-Ukrainian step by the current regime," the statement said, referring to the government in Kiev. "Some of our allies and partners flirt with our enemies."

The Tatars had demanded that Russia release political prisoners and allow more international oversight of human rights issues in Crimea, but those demands were not fulfilled.

The Ukrainian government had been coy about the blockade, neither openly endorsing it nor dispersing the activists in order to repair the power lines.

At the end of November, however, Russia and the pro-Russian separatists who control mines in eastern Ukraine began to restrict coal supplies to Ukraine, an embargo that analysts say had some effect on Kiev's thinking.

"It was clear that Russia would not make any concessions and that Ukraine would instead face difficulties with coal supplies," Valentin Zemlyansky, an energy expert at the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, said in a phone interview. "It is also not a coincidence that it happened just a few days after Russia launched its own power supply to the peninsula."

Ukraine still claims the peninsula, which was annexed by Russia in March 2014.

Joe Biden, His Son And The Case Against A Ukrainian Oligarch

By James Risen

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WASHINGTON — When Vice President Joseph R. Biden Jr. traveled to Kiev, Ukraine, on Sunday for a series of meetings with the country's leaders, one of the issues on his agenda was to encourage a more aggressive fight against Ukraine's rampant corruption and stronger efforts to rein in the power of its oligarchs.

But the credibility of the vice president's anticorruption message may have been undermined by the association of his son, Hunter Biden, with one of Ukraine's largest natural gas companies, Burisma Holdings, and with its owner, Mykola Zlochevsky, who was Ukraine's ecology minister under former President Viktor F. Yanukovich before he was forced into exile.

Hunter Biden, 45, a former Washington lobbyist, joined the Burisma board in April 2014. That month, as part of an investigation into money laundering, British officials froze London bank accounts containing \$23 million that allegedly belonged to Mr. Zlochevsky.

Britain's Serious Fraud Office, an independent government agency, specifically forbade Mr. Zlochevsky, as well as Burisma Holdings, the company's chief legal officer and another company owned by Mr. Zlochevsky, to have any access to the accounts.

But after Ukrainian prosecutors refused to provide documents needed in the investigation, a British court in January ordered the Serious Fraud Office to unfreeze the assets. The refusal by the Ukrainian prosecutor general's office to cooperate was the target of a stinging attack by the American ambassador to Ukraine, Geoffrey R. Pyatt, who called out Burisma's owner by name in a speech in September.

"In the case of former Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, the U.K. authorities had seized \$23 million in illicit assets that belonged to the Ukrainian people," Mr. Pyatt said. Officials at the prosecutor general's office, he added, were asked by the United Kingdom "to send documents supporting the seizure. Instead they sent letters to Zlochevsky's attorneys attesting that there was no case against him. As a result, the money was freed by the U.K. court, and shortly thereafter the money was moved to Cyprus."

Mr. Pyatt went on to call for an investigation into "the misconduct" of the prosecutors who wrote the letters. In his speech, the ambassador did not mention Hunter Biden's connection to Burisma.

But Edward C. Chow, who follows Ukrainian policy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the involvement of the vice president's son with Mr. Zlochevsky's firm undermined the Obama administration's anticorruption message in Ukraine.

"Now you look at the Hunter Biden situation, and on the one hand you can credit the father for sending the anticorruption message," Mr. Chow said. "But I think unfortunately it sends the message that a lot of foreign countries want to believe about America, that we are hypocritical about these issues."

Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Vice President Biden, said Hunter Biden's business dealings had no impact on his father's policy positions in connection with Ukraine.

"Hunter Biden is a private citizen and a lawyer," she said. "The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company. The vice president has pushed aggressively for years, both publicly with groups like the U.S.-Ukraine Business Forum and privately in meetings with Ukrainian leaders, for Ukraine to make every effort to investigate and prosecute corruption in accordance with the rule of law. It will once again be a key focus during his trip this week."

Ryan F. Toohey, a Burisma spokesman, said that Hunter Biden would not comment for this article.

It is not known how Mr. Biden came to the attention of the company. Announcing his appointment to the board, Alan Apter, a former Morgan Stanley investment banker who is chairman of Burisma, said, "The company's strategy is aimed at the strongest concentration of professional staff and the introduction of best corporate practices, and we're delighted that Mr. Biden is joining us to help us achieve these goals."

Joining the board at the same time was one of Mr. Biden's American business partners, Devon Archer. Both are involved with Rosemont Seneca Partners, an American investment firm with offices in Washington.

Mr. Biden is the younger of the vice president's two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter Biden attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. Biden also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James Biden, the vice president's brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the Bidens and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. Biden, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was "not out of the ordinary" for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, "Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped."

In response to Mr. Pyatt's criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky's case, Mr. Toohey said that "strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine."

Vice President Biden has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week's visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

Ms. Bedingfield said Hunter Biden had never traveled to Ukraine with his father. She also said that Ukrainian officials had never mentioned Hunter Biden's role with Burisma to the vice president during any of his visits.

"I've got to believe that somebody in the vice president's office has done some due diligence on this," said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. "I should say that I hope that has happened. I would hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message."

At Least 9 Killed As Taliban Suicide Bombers Attack Kandahar Base

By David Jolly And Taimoor Shah

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KABUL, Afghanistan — Taliban insurgents on Tuesday attacked Kandahar Airfield, a major base for American military and intelligence forces as well as the Afghan Army, leaving at least nine dead, according to Afghan officials.

Several suicide bombers penetrated the base's security around 6:20 p.m., barricading themselves into an old school building that now contains shops and battling with Afghan soldiers, said Samim Khapalwak, a spokesman for the governor of Kandahar Province.

After hours of intense fighting, the battle appeared to be over around 11 p.m., according to a senior Afghan Army officer at the base, who spoke on the condition of anonymity because he had not been authorized to brief the news media. At least nine people were killed and about 15 wounded, most of them apparently civilian shop owners who had been trapped by the battle, the officer said. Some of the bodies were badly burned.

The officer said it was still unclear how many Taliban insurgents had conducted the attack. A pro-Taliban website said that "a number of martyrdom seekers armed with heavy and light weapons entered Kandahar air base undetected" and attacked "invaders and hirelings." Qari Yusuf Ahmadi, a Taliban spokesman, said the insurgents had sent 10 suicide bombers wearing Afghan Army uniforms.

Kandahar Airfield is the most important government base in southern Afghanistan, and it is home to American military and C.I.A. operations in the region. Through years of war, the base's security perimeter had never been breached — though it has been the site of at least one so-called green-on-blue insider attack against Western forces by an Afghan soldier.

One Western official who had been briefed on the attack said that the attackers did not appear to have penetrated farther than the first level of base security, far from the runway and most barracks and other sensitive facilities.

"After finishing prayers we heard shooting," said Wali-Mohammad Khan, a soldier at the base. "Later we found out that some armed men had taken shelter at a school building."

The building is close to the base for coalition forces, and very close to Afghan Army family housing and schools, he said.

"We do not know from which gate the bombers entered Kandahar Airfield or how they managed to get in," he said.

Mr. Khan said that NATO helicopters and aircraft were targeting the school building, and that Afghan commandos had also engaged with the attackers.

"Now the school is in flame and a few shops are also burning," he said. "The shooting stopped for a while, and I have no idea if there are any casualties."

David Jolly reported from Kabul, Afghanistan, and Taimoor Shah from Kandahar. Mujib Mashal contributed reporting from Kabul.

Iran Editor Is Charged With Defying Ban On Covering Ex-President

By Rick Gladstone

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Iran's conservative judicial authorities indicted the managing editor of a prominent daily newspaper on Tuesday, saying that he had violated prohibitions on the coverage of Mohammad Khatami, a reformist-minded former president they now describe as a secessionist.

Rights activists said the indictment was a sign not only of the escalating repression of the news media in Iran, but also of heightening tensions between hard-line factions and the administration of the current president, Hassan Rouhani, with parliamentary elections due in February.

"It is absurd that Khatami, president for eight years, has been declared essentially nonexistent to such an extent that disseminating his picture and voice is considered a crime," said Hadi Ghaemi, executive director of the International Campaign for Human Rights in Iran, an advocacy group based in New York.

The indictment was also notable because the editor, Mahmoud Doaei, of the Ettelaat, one of Iran's oldest newspapers, was an early figure in the 1979 Islamic Revolution. He was a member of the inner circle around Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, the revolution's founding father, and was considered somewhat protected in the factional feuding that has increasingly marked Iran's opaque political hierarchy.

Mr. Khatami was president from 1997 to 2005, and was an important supporter of the campaign to elect Mr. Rouhani in 2013, when Mr. Rouhani defeated a field of relatively conservative rivals.

Iranian judicial officials decreed a news media blackout in February on photographs or quotations of Mr. Khatami, because of his support for opposition political leaders who have basically been under house arrest since shortly after the disputed election of 2009. In that race, Mr. Rouhani's conservative predecessor, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, was re-elected in what critics called a suspiciously lopsided margin, spurring protests that were met with a harsh crackdown.

While such news media restrictions have been imposed before, this one demonstrated the power of judicial hard-liners to frustrate Mr. Rouhani, who had promised to ease some of the social and political restrictions left over from Mr. Ahmadinejad's tenure.

The hard-liners' attempt to erase Mr. Khatami from public view is part of what rights advocates call a broader effort to silence any resumption of political dissent and freer expression in the country. The elections in February are likely to be regarded as a test of that effort.

In the indictment, reported by Iran's judiciary news service, Mr. Doaei was accused of authorizing the publication of a photograph of Mr. Khatami on Saturday and quoting remarks Mr. Khatami had made in an interview with As-Safir, a Lebanese newspaper.

"This latest development, indicting the managing director of an establishment paper for publishing his picture, is a sign of intensifying repression ahead of the upcoming parliamentary elections," Mr. Ghaemi said. Iran's hard-liners, he said, "are attempting to put an early end to any attempts for Khatami to play a role in the elections."

Maziar Bahari, an expatriate Iranian-Canadian journalist who was imprisoned under Mr. Ahmadinejad, said that by indicting the Ettelaat editor, the hard-liners took a risk and might have overreached.

"Doaei is among Khomeini's original disciples, and kind of untouchable," Mr. Bahari said. "He's also very careful. I don't think they'll be able to do anything, but they'll try."

Trudeau's Canada, Again

By Guy Lawson

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On Tuesday, Nov. 10, six days after Justin Trudeau, leader of the Liberal Party, was sworn in as prime minister of Canada, I was shown into his office on the third floor of the Parliament building in Ottawa. A dark oak-paneled room, it contained a jumble of outsize furniture chosen by the previous occupant, Stephen Harper, whose Conservative Party was in power for a decade. The office had the air of a recently abandoned bunker — shelves bare, curtains drawn, personal effects hastily removed. Trudeau's father, Pierre, occupied the same office for 16 years during the 1960s, '70s and '80s, and the new prime minister would shortly install his father's old desk, a symbol of restoration but also an emphatic rejection of his predecessor. The squat, bulldoglike bureau left by the departing prime minister, Trudeau implied, was a reflection of Harper's autocratic manner.

"We're going to move this place around," Trudeau said. "This is very much the last guy's style, not mine. I'll have a smaller desk in the corner and a bigger couch so we can sit down and actually have discussions. I'll put a reclining seat over there, for me to read." He smiled as he mentally redecorated the space, the Canadian version of the Oval Office. "It's a different approach."

There is virtually no transition period in Canadian politics, and it was clear that the electoral win on Oct. 19 had caught Trudeau, his staff and the country by surprise. During his first days in office, his small, overworked campaign team tried to cope with the unexpected demands of governing. With so many positions to fill, they had issued a call for résumés on social media and received 22,000. Continue reading the main story

Trudeau, who is 43, was still working on getting his staff to call him "Prime Minister." For years, he was "Justin," and staff members often still referred to him that way. "It's like your really smart friend suddenly became prime minister," Kate Purchase, his communications director, told me.

"People in the street will either call me 'Prime Minister' or 'Justin,'" Trudeau said. "We'll see how that goes. But when I'm working, when I'm with my staff in public, I'm 'Prime Minister.' I say that if we're drinking beer out of a bottle, and you can see my tattoos, you should be comfortable calling me 'Justin.'"

In person, Trudeau was as upbeat and friendly — as nice — as might be expected of a politician with a campaign mantra of "Sunny Ways," a reference to the optimistic adage of Wilfrid Laurier, a Liberal prime minister at the turn of the 20th century. Trudeau is 6-foot-2 and has an athletic build, his hair neatly trimmed after years experimenting with a variety of shaggy manes. There was little of the pomp of the powerful — just an aide named Tommy, who brought him half a tuna sandwich and a cup of chicken-noodle soup for lunch from the cafeteria downstairs. This was the first print interview Trudeau had granted since taking office, and in his presence there was a palpable sense that he was still figuring out exactly how to play this new role — how to talk, how to gesture, how to adopt the mien of a world leader. Despite his studied manner, he was prone to providing glimpses of his unguarded self.

"It's very, very cool to have the president call up, and I say, 'Hello, Mr. President.' I've never met him," Trudeau said. He dropped his voice an octave to imitate President Obama: "Justin, I like to think of myself as a young politician. The gray hair caught up with me, and it'll catch up with you. But calling me 'Sir' makes me feel old. Call me 'Barack.'"

Trudeau shook his head, amazed. "That's going to take some getting used to."

One week later, a new geopolitical relationship between America and Canada would begin in a conference room in Manila at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit meeting, when Trudeau and Obama sat down for the first time to talk. In an age of a rising China, Middle Eastern chaos and Russian belligerence, it may sound strange to say but the United States has no relationship more important than the one with Canada. The country is one of America's largest trading partners (on par with China), a peaceful neighbor and a crucial ally in global affairs — when the relationship is functional, as it hasn't been in recent years. Harper's hawkish foreign policy put him at odds with Obama on the Iran nuclear treaty, Israeli-Palestinian relations and Syrian refugees. In domestic affairs, Harper was strongly in favor of the Keystone XL pipeline, which Obama resisted; the president killed the project two weeks after the Conservatives lost. The discord may largely have ended with Trudeau's election, though Canada will be less likely to participate in airstrikes against ISIS in the Middle East.

The 45-minute session in Manila was casual and friendly; two of Obama's campaign aides worked for Trudeau's campaign, and the president followed the Canadian race and knew of the excitement the victory had generated around the world — much as his own triumph had in 2008.

In a private conversation, the president advised Trudeau to be active early, but also to think about calibrating sky-high expectations with a long-term plan for governance. Obama shared his impressions of various world leaders, suggesting whom to build relationships with — and whom to steer clear of. Obama issued an invitation to Washington, and later to a state dinner to be held in the new year, the first honoring a Canadian prime minister in 19 years. The president went out of his way to make clear

that he looked forward to spending personal time together, with their wives. “There was an air of mentorship but not in a paternalistic way,” Ben Rhodes, Obama’s deputy national security adviser, said. “Trudeau’s going to be on the stage for a long time. He’s got a ton of talent.” Continue reading the main story

“It was nice to confirm in person how like-minded we are on so many issues,” Trudeau told me. “He said that seeing my family on TV on election night reminded him of his election in 2008 with his family. I’m looking forward to having a beer with him.”

The election this fall was nothing less than an existential struggle over what it means to be Canadian. On one side, there was Harper’s vision of a nation in an age of terror, in a world afire with conflict. On the other was Trudeau’s moderate liberal belief that the world is not riven by an epic clash of civilizations, and that cultural and religious and linguistic differences and openness are Canada’s strength.

What the world knows as a progressive modern Canada was created largely under the rule of the Liberal leader Lester Pearson and then Pierre Trudeau in the ‘60s and ‘70s, when the country began to sever its ties with Britain and assert its own identity. The country created a new flag, replacing the Union Jack with the Maple Leaf, and adopted a national anthem. Quintessential Canadian characteristics — universal medical care, bilingualism, multiculturalism, a strong voice for peace and development at the United Nations — were born during that era. The earliest major political initiative of Pierre Trudeau in the late ‘60s was to decriminalize homosexuality. “The state has no business in the bedrooms of the nation,” he said. In rapid succession, Trudeau legalized abortion, funded the arts and promoted a race-blind immigration policy, which over time would transform the great cities of the country into polyglot metropolises.

Defeating the son of Pierre Trudeau would have been a metaphysical vindication for Harper. For the past decade, Harper did all he could to undo the legacy of the older Trudeau, internationally, domestically and symbolically. In defense of “old stock” white Canada, Harper denigrated the United Nations, made the modest attire of Muslim women a political issue and recast Canada’s role in the world as part of a grand alliance to defend Western civilization. Harper freely admitted to loathing the older Trudeau, despite an adolescent fascination, writing ungraciously after his death in 2000 about meeting him for the first time in the streets of Montreal. “There I came face to face with a living legend, someone who had provoked both the loves and hatreds of my political passion, all in the form of a tired-out, little old man.” Harper’s greatest ambition was to destroy Trudeau’s vision of the country: “He continues to define the myths that guide the Canadian psyche, but myths they are.”

As a Canadian expat living in America, I became acutely aware of the election’s symbolic importance in September, when the body of a little Syrian refugee boy washed up on the shores of Turkey. The child had relations in Canada who tried to help the family immigrate, but Harper had maintained a hard line on Syrian refugees, claiming national security was more important than the humanitarian crisis, and the family was forced to try to escape the war by sea. After the boy’s death, Harper’s government continued to inveigh against Muslim “jihadi” immigration in a way that struck me and many others as astoundingly un-Canadian, at least in a historical sense. But the nation’s self-image was precisely what the Conservatives were determined to remake.

For a decade, Harper remained in office through a mix of artful politics, successful economic management and falling crime rates — as well as inept opposition. During that era’s elections, the more progressive vote split between the Liberals and the New Democrats, a party to the left of the Liberals, allowing Harper to retain the prime ministry. During most of the recent campaign, Trudeau’s Liberal Party was running third behind the Conservative Party and the New Democratic Party. But after the death of the Syrian boy and Trudeau’s strong performance in five contentious debates, voters began to abandon the New Democrats, coalescing around Trudeau in the hope of defeating the prime minister.

“People decided to line up behind whoever was going to beat Stephen Harper,” Trudeau told me. “I was of the mind that even if there was uncertainty about my own personal ability to run the economy, there was the feeling that the party had a team and history that meant we’d get the compromises and balances you have to make. So I could take much bigger risks to challenge the orthodoxy.”

While campaigning, Harper portrayed Trudeau as the feckless, high-taxing son of the former prime minister, a novice whose surname was his sole qualification for high office. One of many areas of confrontation during televised debates was a law Harper proposed that would have allowed the government to revoke citizenship for Canadians with dual nationality if they were found guilty of terrorism — in effect making Canadians born in another country a separate class of citizen. Continue reading the main story

“Why would we not revoke the citizenship of people convicted of terrorist offenses against this country?” Harper asked Trudeau incredulously.

“A Canadian is a Canadian is a Canadian,” Trudeau replied defiantly. “And you devalue the citizenship of every Canadian in this place and in this country when you break down and make it conditional for anyone.”

Conservatives countered that Trudeau was naïve, rejecting Canada's role in the war on terror and instead emphasizing soft-minded issues like global warming. "The focus on climate change as the 'top threat,' while important, is also code for isolationism and an unwillingness to deal with the Islamic State and terrorism in general," said Christopher Alexander, former minister for citizenship and immigration in the Harper government. Alexander remains convinced the country has made a large, potentially tragic mistake in electing Trudeau. "There was a strong thread of nostalgia in the Liberal campaign for a simpler time, for a more peaceful world and the nostrums of Trudeau's father when Canada didn't have to deal with global terror threats," he said.

Harper's defeat at the hands of Pierre Trudeau's son had obvious dramatic dimensions of the classical Greek variety, redeeming not just the family name but also Pierre's view of the nation. The younger Trudeau has appointed a cabinet from a wide sweep of ethnic groups and made a point of choosing equal numbers of men and women. Virtually every Trudeau initiative, from tax policy to an embrace of the L.G.B.T.Q. community to relations with China, seemed a rebuke to the previous administration. Government scientists, who had been effectively prevented from talking to the press lest they contradict Harper's skeptical view of climate change, now shared their research with reporters in tones of relieved amazement. Even Trudeau's simple act of answering questions from journalists in Parliament's press theater — a space like the White House's briefing room — took on myriad meanings. Harper hadn't held such a news conference in six years.

"It's a whole new world," a reporter muttered as Trudeau approached the lectern. "I don't know what to do with myself."

No political figure provokes stronger feelings in Canada than Pierre Trudeau. Depending on whom you ask, he was either the personification of a sophisticated and ambitious Canada or a socialist wastrel libertine. Pierre's father made a fortune in gas stations, netting \$1.2 million in 1932, which freed his son from the need to work — just as Justin never had to make a living. As a young man, Pierre traveled to Africa and Asia, studied at Harvard and the London School of Economics and socialized with Jean-Paul Sartre and Simone de Beauvoir in Paris.

During his time as prime minister from 1968 to 1979 and again from 1980 to 1984, the Montreal-born boulevardier was despised in western Canada for an energy policy that enriched the eastern provinces. He was also hated by separatists in Quebec, who saw him as a quisling for Anglo elitists. Yet in many ways he was a visionary. At the time, Canada's Constitution could be changed only with the approval of Britain's Parliament, a colonial vestige. In 1982, this provision was done away with, and Trudeau in effect became a Canadian founding father. An intellectual who approached issues with an analytical and a creative mind, he fashioned a constitutional legal landscape midway between America's rights-based rules and the unwritten and informal British approach.

Trudeau gave his son a front seat to history. When he was a boy Justin met Margaret Thatcher and Ronald Reagan (who recited verses from the poem "The Shooting of Dan McGrew"); Richard Nixon toasted the toddler in Ottawa, predicting he would become prime minister someday. But the younger Trudeau told me he never discussed the subject with his father until the last year of his life. "He was much more focused on having substantive conversations," Trudeau said. "Politics didn't fit into that for him." Continue reading the main story

The younger Trudeau has a bachelor's degree from McGill University and a teaching degree from the University of British Columbia, but despite his pedigree and inherited wealth, when he reached adulthood his life was remarkably unremarkable. He traveled the world and smoked marijuana and snowboarded and worked as a bouncer at bars, eventually ending up teaching high school in Vancouver.

Justin Trudeau's lack of qualifications to be prime minister were obvious, as was his lack of his father's erudition — but he considers himself to have undergone his own peculiar kind of schooling. Trudeau points out that he has visited nearly 100 countries, many of them for international summit meetings with his father, which provided an intimate understanding of statecraft. Travel has also given him compassion for the less fortunate around the globe. In his memoir, "Common Ground," Trudeau described a moment from a boyhood trip to Bangladesh, recollecting it in the kind of mawkish language his opponents ridicule but that is plainly heartfelt. On state business with his father in Dhaka, the younger Trudeau saw a poor old man with a bicycle wait patiently while their motorcade swept by. He was suddenly seized with empathy for the man, realizing that there were billions of people on earth, each a unique individual, each with a story. "I have never looked at my life and my circumstances in quite the same way since," he wrote.

The drama of the Trudeau family has long played out in the Canadian imagination, much like that of the Kennedys in America. Justin Trudeau's mother, Margaret, was 22 in 1971 when she married Pierre, then 51. He was the prime minister and a famous eligible bachelor; he was also a workaholic and a notorious skinflint. After giving birth to three boys in quick succession, the beauty dubbed "Maggie T." by the press smoked marijuana while under the watch of Mounties, ate peyote before giving a speech in Venezuela and left her husband to party at Studio 54 in New York. The Trudeaus eventually divorced. According to Margaret's own account, she had affairs with Teddy Kennedy, Ryan O'Neal and at least one Rolling Stone.

Despite the glamorous trappings, a central part of the Trudeau family story is rooted in tragedy, in the death of Justin's younger brother Michel at the age of 23, in an avalanche on a backcountry ski trip in British Columbia in 1998. His death seemed to touch off a downward spiral in Pierre. A deeply religious man with a Jesuitical cast of mind, he began to doubt his faith. Michel's death was also devastating for Margaret, and Justin tended to her. It was only later, after Margaret was committed to a mental institution, that she learned she had an undiagnosed case of bipolar disorder; she has turned the cause of mental health into her life's work.

The death of Pierre Trudeau in 2000 marked the beginning of Justin Trudeau's public life. As the eldest son, then 29, he was asked to give the final eulogy for one of the towering figures in Canada's history. The state funeral in Montreal for the older Trudeau remains one of the most significant events in Canadian television history, and Justin was the unquestioned star, delivering an emotional remembrance with the touch of a natural orator. "Je t'aime, Papa," he said, laying his head on the coffin in an instantly iconic gesture of national grief.

Justin Trudeau entered politics eight years later, running for Parliament in Papineau, a working-class, multiethnic district in Montreal. Trudeau distinguished himself with hard work and an appetite for retail politics; Trudeau's father never loved pressing the flesh, but his son's greatest talent might well be his common touch. When Trudeau won that year, in an upset, it was news — but of the celebrity and nostalgia variety.

The younger Trudeau's road to victory as prime minister truly began on a Saturday night in 2012 in a boxing ring in Ottawa. At the time, the Liberal Party was leaderless and lost, after a devastating defeat in the election of 2011 reduced its seats in Parliament to only 34, roughly one-tenth of the total at the time. The sensible way forward seemed to be a merger with the larger New Democratic Party. Aiming to change the political dynamic, Trudeau literally picked a fight. In what looked like a publicity stunt, he challenged a 37-year-old Conservative senator named Patrick Brazeau, known as Brass Knuckles, to three rounds of boxing to raise money for cancer research.

Everyone expected Trudeau to receive a royal beating, including his wife. Brazeau had a black belt in karate and a military background, and he grew up on hardscrabble First Nations reservations; his bar brawler's physique, tattoos and trash-talking bravado made him the three-to-one favorite by fight night.

That Saturday evening, the country tuned in to a conservative news channel to see Trudeau — "the shiny pony," according to the right-wing political commentator who was calling the fight — stunned by roundhouse rights and haymaker lefts from Brazeau. But then something unexpected happened: Trudeau found his feet and worked his jab. The tough-guy senator was punched out, too tired to raise his arms. His face alternated among outrage, fear and bloody-nosed confusion as Trudeau beat him senseless. The bout was stopped in the third round, saving Brazeau the indignity of hitting the canvas.

The commentator recognized the importance of the victory. "I can hear it already," he sighed. "Trudeau for leader."

Slipping through the streets of Ottawa on Nov. 10, six days after his swearing-in, I sat with Trudeau in a motorcade that was comically polite. His peloton of four black S.U.V.s stopped at lights, signaled respectfully, followed the speed limit and used no sirens or police escort. It was like a skit satirizing Canadian manners. We were headed to an arena packed with 16,000 youths gathered to celebrate a nonprofit called Free the Children. In a nice bit of political stagecraft, Trudeau had appointed himself minister of youth, inverting the significance of a post generally seen as marginal.

I asked the prime minister if the fight with Brass Knuckles Brazeau had been part of a larger plan — a piece of agitprop aimed at turning around his political fortunes, and with them the nation's. Trudeau gazed out the window for a moment, contemplating, then turned to me and offered a clipped nod and a sly smile. He knew perfectly well the power of symbols and had intended to exploit that power.

"I saw it that way a little bit," he said, his voice betraying a distinct note of guile. "The fight was going to be a way of highlighting and surprising people with what I am. It wasn't about proving anything to myself — other than perhaps as a reminder that I'm very good at sticking to and executing a plan. But it was a way of pointing out to people that you shouldn't underestimate me — which people have a tendency to do."

Riding in a motorcade as he had as a boy, but never as the center of attention, Trudeau chose his words carefully. "There was a perception that I'd grown up with a silver spoon in my mouth," he said. "I'd boxed for 20 years on and off, so I knew that the worst-case scenario was that I was going to take a brutal beating but stay standing until at least near the end. I was confident I could take a punch. I knew I had the stamina to last three rounds. People were saying that maybe he was still smoking while he was training. I was absolutely focused on my training. One thing people are starting to realize is that I work incredibly hard at everything I set my mind to."

One year later, the Liberal Party elected him leader, and two years after that, the country elected him prime minister. The scale of Trudeau's underdog victory was stunning: With a comfortable majority of 184 seats in Parliament, and Liberals in seats spread across the country, he won an undeniable national mandate. As he has managed the transition from campaigning to

governing, he has presented an ambitious agenda: funding infrastructure projects to stimulate the economy, supporting programs to reduce childhood poverty, investigating the disappearance and murder of more than 1,000 First Nations women, introducing a rigorous carbon-capture policy, legalizing marijuana. The Canadian system does not have the same checks and balances among branches that the American system does, so Trudeau can implement his policies without being stymied by right-wing opposition.

As an example of his thinking, Trudeau noted his decision to raise taxes on the top 1 percent of earners while lowering middle-class taxes, even as his government funds infrastructure improvements. He knew that Canada would run a deficit, which was unusual for a country known for fiscal probity, but he believed it was the way forward. "Confident countries are willing to invest in the future," Trudeau said, "not always follow the conservative orthodoxy of balanced budgets at all costs."

In the face of the Syrian refugee crisis, Trudeau had pledged to bring 25,000 civilians fleeing war to Canada by the end of the year — a cry that rallied the nation in his honeymoon days. The shootings in Paris didn't change this policy, but he has decided to slow the process to ensure it is orderly and safe. (By Jan. 1, 10,000 will be admitted.) But if the Paris or San Bernardino attacks had happened in Montreal or Winnipeg before the election, he may well have lost, an illustration of the fragility of democratic institutions in the age of terror. Trudeau said he wants Canada to be free from the politics of fear and division.

"When a mosque was vandalized in a small rural community in Cold Lake, Alberta — which is as conservative as you can imagine in Canada, with the stereotypes around that — the entire town came out the next day to scrub the graffiti off the walls and help them fix the damage," Trudeau told me. "Countries with a strong national identity — linguistic, religious or cultural — are finding it a challenge to effectively integrate people from different backgrounds. In France, there is still a typical citizen and an atypical citizen. Canada doesn't have that dynamic."

Terrorist groups have specifically said they are targeting Canada and Canadians. And on the subject of national security, Trudeau's critics say he's a lightweight and a dangerous one. Trudeau's most radical argument is that Canada is becoming a new kind of state, defined not by its European history but by the multiplicity of its identities from all over the world. His embrace of a pan-cultural heritage makes him an avatar of his father's vision. "There is no core identity, no mainstream in Canada," he claimed. "There are shared values — openness, respect, compassion, willingness to work hard, to be there for each other, to search for equality and justice. Those qualities are what make us the first postnational state."

Stepping out of the S.U.V., eager to plunge into the crowd, Trudeau seemed like a man at the beginning of a very big, and very uncertain, journey. "I'm excited to be on the world stage," he said, with peculiar Canadian understatement mixed with dynastic confidence. "I think people are starting to see that I'm actually reasonably fit for this office."

Pope Calls For "God's Mercy" At Start Of Yearlong Jubilee

By Elisabetta Povoledo

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VATICAN CITY — Pope Francis on Tuesday ushered in a yearlong celebration dedicated to the theme of mercy, intoning the ceremonial versicle, "Open unto me the gates of justice" before pushing open the bronze doors in St. Peter's Basilica that are kept bricked up until the start of a Jubilee, or Holy Year.

The pope paused on the threshold of the basilica for a long moment to pray, then became the first of an estimated 10 million Roman Catholics who are expected to pass through the Holy Door — a symbol of the threshold to salvation — in the coming months.

Francis was followed by a frail-looking pope-emeritus, Benedict XVI, who made a rare public appearance to participate in a religious ritual that dates back more than 700 years.

He was followed by cardinals, bishops, dignitaries and some of the 70,000 faithful who reached St. Peter's Square on a chilly and wet morning after passing through the airport-style security checks that have been instituted for what Rome's police chief described as a "Jubilee in the time of ISIS," as the Islamic State is known.

Streets leading to the Vatican were closed to traffic and hundreds of law enforcement officers patrolled the surrounding streets, as well as tourist attractions in central Rome.

"To pass through the Holy Door means to rediscover the infinite mercy of the Father who welcomes everyone and goes out personally to encounter each of them," the pope said in the homily during the Mass that preceded the opening ceremony. "This will be a year in which we grow ever more convinced of God's mercy."

Mercy has become a cornerstone of Francis' papacy, part of his vision of a less judgmental church that is open to all, including sinners.

"Mercy is the keyword of the Gospel," the pope reiterated on Tuesday during the midday Angelus prayer.

Since 1300, Jubilee years have been celebrated at 25- or 50-year intervals, with the occasional extraordinary Jubilee, like this one. Francis called for this Jubilee to highlight the world's need for mercy, "the revolution of tenderness," the pope said in an interview this month with the Italian magazine *Credere*.

"It is the year of forgiveness, the year of reconciliation," he said.

For the first time, too, the Jubilee is focused not only on Rome but also on local places of worship, in keeping with the pope's instruction that bishops open Holy Doors in cathedrals around the world so that the faithful can participate in the celebrations without traveling to Vatican City.

The ceremony on Tuesday formally opened celebrations of the Jubilee, which ends on Nov. 20, 2016, but the pope had already opened another Holy Door during his trip to Africa last month, proclaiming Bangui, the capital of the Central African Republic, "the spiritual capital of the world."

Nearly 40 countries selected pilgrimage cathedrals or sites with Holy Doors, including a tent in a camp in Erbil, in northern Iraq, home to thousands of displaced Iraqi Christians, according to the Vatican newspaper, the *Osservatore Romano*.

The Vatican has established a Jubilee of Mercy website that lists cathedrals whose Holy Doors will open on Sunday.

Francis timed the beginning of the Jubilee to coincide with the feast day of the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary, as well as the 50th anniversary of the closing of the Second Vatican Council, the three-year gathering of bishops that brought the church into the modern era. That encounter "impelled the church to emerge from the shoals which, for years, had kept her self-enclosed so as to set out once again, with enthusiasm, on her missionary journey," the pope said in his homily on Tuesday, reinforcing the mission he has set for his papacy. "The Jubilee challenges us to this openness," he added.

"Pope Francis is living the Holy Year of Mercy as an urgency for the church at the beginning of the millennium," Cardinal Pietro Parolin, the Vatican secretary of state, said at a book event last week.

He described the celebration as a sign that the "church is living fully and deeply in its own time." Mercy, he added, is a balm against the "hatred, violence, fanaticism" that spread "like poison" among people.

In the document proclaiming the Jubilee in April, the pope expressed a "burning desire" that Christians reflect on the corporal and spiritual acts of mercy, acts that the faithful are expected to carry out.

The pope touched on these themes in his Angelus address, calling the faithful to be witnesses of Christ's love, especially to those most in need.

In what was effectively an appeal to Christians to alter their lives, he cited the Gospel of Matthew: "I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me."

For some, concerns about security after the terrorist attacks in Paris last month may have dampened enthusiasm about traveling to Rome for the Jubilee, and the Italian news media reported that hotel reservations were markedly down.

But still, many came.

"To see the church gather in celebration is not an opportunity to give up," said Greg Iwinski, a comedy writer from Los Angeles who was among the faithful in St. Peter's Square. The pope's message of mercy, he said, was crucial in a world of political squabbling, spreading global war and "the vindictiveness found on social media."

Mercy, he said, "cuts through all that."

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Venezuela's Opposition Shouldn't Celebrate Yet

By Raúl Stolk

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CARACAS, Venezuela — President Nicolás Maduro could not hide his disappointment after Sunday's legislative elections. In an address on state TV, he spoke slowly, taking long pauses, it seemed, to find the strength to admit a painful truth: His United Socialist Party of Venezuela had suffered a crushing defeat. At first, Mr. Maduro delivered what sounded like a coherent speech that would lead to a message of acceptance and reconciliation among Venezuelans. But after a few minutes he awoke from the temporary spell of common sense and went on to blame an "economic war" waged by the right wing in Venezuela and abroad for the ruling party's loss.

Mr. Maduro is right to blame the economy for his extreme unpopularity. Triple-digit inflation is eating away at salaries and shortages have Venezuelans waiting in hours long lines just to buy sugar, diapers and other basic goods. But this crisis is of the government's making, not the result of a "war" by shadowy right-wing forces. And that's why the opposition was able to endure a tough campaign and break through a rigged electoral system.

It was a historic win: More than 74 percent of Venezuelans voted — up from 66 percent in the last parliamentary election — and 112 of the National Assembly's 167 seats went to the opposition coalition, giving it the coveted supermajority. But before the opposition celebrates its success, it would do well to look back at the last 17 years since President Hugo Chávez, Mr. Maduro's predecessor and ideological godfather, took power.

The "Chavistas" have proved again and again that they are democrats when they win a vote and authoritarians when they lose. It would be surprising if things were different this time around. Indeed, the opposition-controlled National Assembly may be powerless before its term even begins if the government decides to try to cripple it.

There are unsettling precedents. In 2007, a referendum on radical constitutional reforms put forward by Mr. Chávez failed by a narrow 51-to-49 margin. Mr. Chávez insulted the opposition's victory, crudely calling it meaningless, and over the next several years enacted every one of the rejected reforms, including a controversial amendment abolishing term limits on the presidency.

In the 2010 legislative elections, after a tight race in which the opposition and the ruling party scored virtually equal shares of the national popular vote, the opposition ended up with fewer seats than the government's party thanks to gerrymandering by the national elections agency. Still, the election took away the Chavistas' supermajority. But Mr. Chávez saw the writing on the wall and took precautions: Just before the election, the exiting National Assembly rushed through a law allowing the president to rule by decree for 18 months, an act that wouldn't have passed in the new legislature.

The current National Assembly will leave office in January. It would surprise no one if it used its remaining weeks to enact another law that would hand the president legislative powers and disable the newly opposition-dominated body. The incoming National Assembly could try to annul this law, but in that case Mr. Maduro and his party still have other options. The Supreme Tribunal of Justice, Venezuela's highest court, has vast powers to check the Parliament and may reverse whatever decision the new opposition majority takes.

This kind of legal maneuvering now looks likely. Two months ago, 13 of the Supreme Tribunal's 32 justices simultaneously requested early retirement. Most of their terms were supposed to end in 2016, leaving the job of appointing their replacements to the new National Assembly. While it's impossible to know for sure, many suspect that this was done at the suggestion of the ruling party; Venezuela's highest court has never contradicted the executive branch in nine years. If the exiting National Assembly rushes through the appointment of new justices, the ruling party will have secured 13 new votes on the tribunal for the next 12 years.

Can Mr. Maduro afford to subvert Venezuela's democracy like this? When Mr. Chávez undertook these sorts of measures, the price of oil was high — as was his popularity. But this year, the president's approval rating has been hovering in the 20s. Oil prices are at a decade low, putting tremendous pressure on the government's coffers. There are no official figures on inflation — which itself should be an alarming symptom of the poor state of the Venezuelan economy — but experts say it could be up to 200 percent next year.

Passing a bogus law giving the executive branch legislative powers and rigging the courts to undermine the Parliament would be a dangerous path for Mr. Maduro. He would not only be engaging in constitutional fraud, adding to a growing list of prosecutable offenses, but he would be ignoring the demands of a fed-up electorate that so far has been patient and generally avoided violent protests.

All eyes are on Mr. Maduro, and he is risking whatever support he may have left in the region as well as the survival of his United Socialist Party of Venezuela. But if history is any guide, he is likely to be tempted to nullify the election results and grab as much power as he can.

The new members of the Parliament will be sworn in on Jan. 5, 2016. The weeks before then will be critical for determining whether Mr. Maduro will be willing to work with the National Assembly, prove that rule of law exists in Venezuela and deal with the tanking economy — or if he will insist on fighting fictional wars. If he cares about his country's future, he'll sit down with the opposition.

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What To Tell Donald Trump

By Frank Bruni

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"You know how you make America great again?" Senator Lindsey Graham said on CNN Tuesday morning. "Tell Donald Trump to go to hell."

Fine by me.

But before we give him that send-off, there's a whole lot else we should tell him, not that he hears anything other than his own voice and the applause of people who mistake a trash-talking bully for a blunt-talking leader.

We should tell him that we're on to him. We now fully realize that nothing he says — certainly not this dangerous claptrap about preventing all Muslims from entering the United States — is meant as an earnest proposal, as serious policy.

No, he's just an addict whose drug of choice is attention, and he can't get enough of it. He's learned that if he presses the lever the right way, with the right provocation, out pops another hit of saturation media coverage, of all Trump all the time.

As the weeks and days go by, he has to press harder, escalating from the deportation of Mexicans to hallucinated street celebrations in Jersey City to the surveillance of mosques to this latest idiocy. What does he care if he's likened to George Wallace, to Joseph McCarthy, even to Adolf Hitler? Those men aren't even ranting anymore and they're still talked about. Now that's celebrity!

We should tell him how transparent and pathetic his nonstop, unsolicited boasts about polls and crowds have become. No matter the question, his answer is that he's leading the pack. No matter the challenge, his response is that he got a standing ovation.

And so it went on Tuesday.

"Massive audience!" he bragged of the supporters who'd turned out for him the previous night. "Thousands of people inside, thousands of people outside — they couldn't even get in!"

We should tell Trump that the man who constantly invokes his popularity is the one who worries that he's unlovable. The man who refers incessantly to his riches is the one who frets that he's worthless.

Is there a needier billionaire on the planet?

We should tell him that we, too, question the intensity of Barack Obama's focus on the Islamic State and the terrorist threat, and that even on Sunday, when Obama addressed the nation from the Oval Office, we didn't see quite the passion that this moment demands or quite the strength that a fearful country craves.

But what Trump just did took pressure off the president by redirecting the conversation from his tentativeness to Trump's insane overreach. We should tell him that, and we should add that he has practically collaborated with the enemy by playing into a narrative of Muslim persecution and a grand war between civilizations.

He has given the Islamic State and other barbarians a piece of propaganda as big as any of his resorts and as shimmering as any of his office towers.

We should tell him that by setting a standard of such outlandishness and a reference point of such divisiveness, he's helping his Republican rivals, whose own recklessness doesn't draw the scrutiny that it otherwise would. Nothing's shocking in the context of Trump.

So Ted Cruz reacts to the San Bernardino massacre by visiting a firing range and promising such extensive bombing of the Middle East that he'll find out "if sand can glow in the dark." But are we reading about him as the second coming of Barry Goldwater? Not so much, because we're reading about Trump as the second coming of the last century's worst fascists.

We should tell him that even a huckster extraordinaire like him can't sell himself as smart while acting so dumb. He's going to bar Muslims only temporarily, he insisted — just until Congress figures out "what the hell is going on."

But he also portrays members of Congress as nincompoops who can't figure out how to tie their own shoelaces. So Trump's temporary is forever, at least if we apply logic to his illogic.

What's not forever: our surrender to his insidious grandstanding. Our obedient witness to it. We in the media should tell him that once he fades from this presidential race, is no longer a candidate for anything and there's no urgency or compelling public interest in having him phone in to the morning news shows, he's fired. Cut off.

It's cold turkey, Trump. We don't need the ratings, not when they come with the ravings. We should be — we must be — better than that.

And he will fade, probably starting now, because while there are scared Americans and petty Americans and moments when all of us lose our way, we're not lost enough to keep indulging him. We're nowhere near that far from greatness.

Trump's Anti-Muslim Plan Is Awful. And Constitutional.

By Peter J. Spiro

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Philadelphia — DONALD J. TRUMP'S reprehensible call to bar Muslim immigrants from entering the United States tracks an exam question I've been giving my immigration law students since Sept. 11. Would such a proposal be constitutional? The answer is not what you might think — but it also raises the issue of what, exactly, we mean when we say something is "constitutional" in the first place.

In the ordinary, non-immigration world of constitutional law, the Trump scheme would be blatantly unconstitutional, a clear violation of both equal protection and religious freedom (he had originally called for barring American Muslims living abroad from re entering the country as well; he has since dropped that clearly unconstitutional notion). But under a line of rulings from the Supreme Court dating back more than a century, that's irrelevant. As the court observed in its 1977 decision in *Fiallo v. Bell*, "In the exercise of its broad power over immigration and naturalization, Congress regularly makes rules that would be unacceptable if applied to citizens."

The court has given the political branches the judicial equivalent of a blank check to regulate immigration as they see fit. This posture of extreme deference is known as the "plenary power" doctrine. It dates back to the 1889 decision in the Chinese Exclusion case, in which the court upheld the exclusion of Chinese laborers based on their nationality.

Unlike other bygone constitutional curiosities that offend our contemporary sensibilities, the Chinese Exclusion case has never been overturned. More recent decisions have upheld discrimination against immigrants based on gender and illegitimacy that would never have survived equal protection scrutiny in the domestic context. Likewise, courts have rejected the assertion of First Amendment free speech protections by noncitizens.

Nor has the Supreme Court ever struck down an immigration classification, even ones based on race. As late as 1965, a federal appeals court upheld a measure that counted a Brazilian citizen of Japanese descent as Asian for the purposes of immigration quotas.

In the context of noncitizens seeking initial entry into the United States, due process protections don't apply, either. This past June, the court upheld the denial of a visa for the spouse of an American citizen based on the government's say-so, with no supporting evidence.

The courts have justified this constitutional exceptionalism on the grounds that immigration law implicates foreign relations and national security — even in the absence of a specific, plausible foreign policy rationale. The 1977 *Fiallo* case, for instance, involved a father seeking the admission of his out-of-wedlock son from the French West Indies — hardly the stuff of national interest.

Indeed, contrary to the conventional understanding, President Trump could implement the scheme on his own, without Congress's approval. The Immigration and Nationality Act gives the president the authority to suspend the entry of "any class of aliens" on his finding that their entry would be "detrimental to the interests of the United States." President Obama has used this to the better end of excluding serious human rights violators.

But here's the interesting thing: Just because Mr. Trump's proposal has a judicial pedigree, that doesn't make it "constitutional" in a broader sense. The Constitution and the courts are not synonymous, nor do the courts have a monopoly on constitutional interpretation. Politicians, the legal community, scholars and the public at large are all a part of our continuing constitutional conversation. Clear popular consensus can establish constitutional norms, with or without the courts.

The leading example comes out of the internment of Japanese-Americans during World War II. The Supreme Court upheld the internment in its 1944 *Korematsu* decision, and that ruling has never been judicially reversed. Technically, it remains good law. But it has been effectively overridden by other actors, and in the court of public opinion. A formal apology and payment of reparations, enacted by Congress and signed into law by Ronald Reagan in 1988, supplies the formal evidence. *Korematsu* continues to provoke popular shame.

We may be seeing that same shame at work today. Mr. Trump's plan has triggered an uproar across the partisan divide. Perhaps a religion-based immigration bar may be consistent with court-made doctrine. But it doesn't reflect our deeper, broadly assimilated understandings of the Constitution.

The fact that many Americans seem to assume Mr. Trump's proposal is unconstitutional means that the courts need to catch up with the public on immigration. We don't tolerate discrimination on the basis of national origin in hiring, housing or public accommodation. But discrimination on the basis of nationality, often capricious, even illogical, is a central feature of immigration law.

If you were born in the Philippines and are seeking to join a sibling who has American citizenship, for example, your wait in line is 10 years longer than almost everyone else's. There may be good reasons for some of these different approaches. But the Supreme Court shouldn't be rubber-stamping them.

The court won't get to rule on the Trump scheme. It now needs to take the cue from the rest of us and bring its reading of the Constitution in line with the public's own, more progressive constitutional norms.

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Investigators Probe For Outside Help In San Bernardino Attack

By Andrea Noble

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Authorities are focused on determining if the San Bernardino terrorists had help carrying out their deadly attack — be it aid acquiring guns, tactical training or financial assistance.

Investigators have not found any evidence that Syed Rizwan Farook and his wife Tashfeen Malik were part of a terrorist cell or carried out the attack, which killed 14 people and injured 21, on behalf of any larger organization.

But reports indicating thousands of dollars were deposited into Farook's bank account two weeks before the attack and investigators' disclosure that two of the weapons used had been purchased by a friend of the attacker have raised questions about assistance the couple may have had.

Fox News reported that more than \$28,000 was deposited into Farook's bank account just two weeks before the attack, which was carried out at a holiday party thrown by the government agency where he was employed. The deposit was reportedly made by WebBank.com on Nov. 18.

An FBI spokesman declined Tuesday to comment on the deposit.

According to San Bernardino County public records, Farook made \$53,000 a year at his job as an environmental health inspector. Malik, who had given birth to a daughter in May, was not employed.

The cache of weapons, ammunition and bomb-making materials found inside the couple's home has raised suspicion over the source of funding for the materials, given the couple's limited salary.

"I believe on his salary, he was not able to buy this on his own," Rep. Michael T. McCaul, chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee, said on "Fox News Sunday."

The Muslim couple was killed in a shootout with police hours after the attack.

Farook purchased three of the guns used between 2007 and 2012, but two other weapons were purchased by his friend, Enrique Marquez, said John D'Angelo, an assistant special agent in charge with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Authorities have interviewed Mr. Marquez, though it was unclear under what circumstances. The Los Angeles Times reported that he entered a mental hospital after the attacks.

The interview with Mr. Marquez is one of about 400 interviews that David Bowdich, assistant director in charge of the FBI's Los Angeles Field Office, said have been conducted thus far as part of the investigation. More than 320 pieces of evidence have been collected, including cell phones belonging to Farook and Malik that were discovered smashed in a trash can. Forensics experts are examining the phones and other items to try to reconstruct communications the couple had.

But determining whether others involved in their daily lives, including Farook's mother, may have also known more than they've let on about the couple's radicalization or plans is also a priority.

"Obviously, it's something that we're looking at very, very closely," Attorney General Loretta Lynch said Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Farook's mother reportedly also lived in the home where the couple kept bomb-making materials, and many of her personal documents were found inside the home when reporters gained access to it last week.

A Daily Mail photographer obtained images of a search warrant receipt left in the mother's Lexus sedan that showed that several shooting targets, an empty GoPro camera package, and tools were seized from the vehicle.

The FBI said Farook and Malik both practiced shooting targets at gun ranges, with Farook visiting the Riverside Magnum Range on Nov. 29 and 30, according to an instructor at the range.

Instructor John Galletta told The Associated Press that nothing was out of the ordinary about Farook's behavior during the visit, but that Farook asked a range employee why his rifle might be smoking. He was told it was most likely because it was new.

Asked whether in hindsight he or others at the range should have been suspicious of Farook, Mr. Galletta said Monday: "How are you able to determine what somebody's intents are?"

Suspected American Islamic State Recruiter Turns Himself In

By Kellan Howell

[Washington Times](#), December 9, 2015

An American fugitive suspected of recruiting fighters for terrorist groups such as the Islamic State and linked to at least one domestic terror attack has turned himself in to authorities, the State Department announced Monday.

Mohamed Abdullahi Hassan, known online as "Miski," gave himself up to the government of Somalia early last month, the State Department said, ABC News reported.

He left the U.S. in 2009 and has been wanted by the FBI for allegedly providing material support to the al Qaeda-linked group al-Shabab in Somalia.

Mr. Hassan reportedly convinced young American recruits to join the terrorist group before moving on to recruit for the Syrian-based Islamic State group.

Investigators were trying to determine whether a married couple who killed 14 people in a terrorist attack in San Bernardino, California, last week had any online connection with Mr. Hassan, ABC reported.

Mr. Hassan was linked to at least one other attack this year in Garland, Texas, where two men opened fire at a Mohammad cartoon drawing contest, but were shot by police before they could kill anyone.

One of the gunmen had repeated contact with Mr. Hassan on social media in the days and weeks leading up to the attack.

The State Department said the U.S. Mission in Somalia is working with the Somali government to discuss Mr. Hassan's case. The U.S. and Somalia do not have an extradition agreement.

U.S. Consulate In Istanbul Cancels Consular Services, Cites Possible Threats

By Kellan Howell

[Washington Times](#), December 9, 2015

The U.S. Consulate in Istanbul said Wednesday it would cancel all consular services because it had "information about a possible security threat" against the mission.

"We strongly encourage U.S. citizens to maintain a high level of vigilance, be aware of local events, and take the appropriate steps to bolster your personal security," the consulate said in a statement on its website.

Details of the threat weren't initially clear.

State Department spokesman John Kirby told reporters that routine services at the mission had been canceled but limited, urgent services would be provided, Reuters reported. Other embassies in the Turkish cities of Ankara, Izmir and Adana will operate normally.

Senate Rejects Push To Ban People On Terror Watch List From Getting Guns

By David Sherfinski

[Washington Times](#), December 9, 2015

Disregarding calls from President Obama to act on the issue, the Senate on Tuesday once again rejected a measure that would ban folks on the terror watch list from acquiring guns.

Senate Democrats, after failing in their efforts to get the measure passed last week, asked for unanimous consent to bring it up again on Tuesday.

But GOP Sen. John Cornyn of Texas, the Senate majority whip, objected and said Democrats were playing politics on the issue.

"This is to create a 'gotcha' moment for senators and candidates that are running in 2016," Mr. Cornyn said. "I'm astonished by the proposition...that you can be on a secret watch list by the federal government just by virtue of this secret listing from an individual on a government watch list, you can be denied some of your core constitutional rights without any necessity of the government establishing probable cause or producing any evidence that would justify the denial of a core constitutional right."

Sen. Chris Murphy, Connecticut Democrat, countered that the vast majority of people on the terror watch list do belong there and shouldn't have guns, and that there are remedies for people who think they're wrongly on the list.

"We're worried about the rights of the people on the terrorist watch list more than we are about taking steps to protect this country," Mr. Murphy said. "Because what we're talking about is a temporary inconvenience. If somebody is on this watch list who shouldn't be, and it is a very small number, then they have, through this legislation, a means to get off that list."

Both in his weekly address on Saturday and in his nationally-televised address to the nation Sunday, Mr. Obama had called on Congress to act on the issue.

"What could possibly be the argument for allowing a terrorist suspect to buy a semi-automatic weapon? This is a matter of national security," Mr. Obama said Sunday.

House Democrats have also announced plans to try to force a vote on a version of the measure in that chamber. But the effort was blocked in the House last week as well.

House Approves New Scrutiny For Terrorism-risk Visitors

By Stephen Dinan

[Washington Times](#), December 8, 2015

The House took the first steps to rein in the visa waiver program Tuesday, rallying for a bipartisan vote to demand high-risk travelers face stricter scrutiny as Congress and the White House look for ways to keep potentially thousands of foreign fighters from reaching the U.S.

Under the terms of the bill, which still needs Senate approval, visitors who normally wouldn't need a visa but who have recently visited controversial countries such as Syria and Iraq would be forced to face new levels of scrutiny before being admitted into the U.S.

Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson would also be granted power to suspend any of the 38 countries who belong to the Visa Waiver Program if he decides they aren't sharing critical information with American law enforcement.

President Obama supports the bill, and it won overwhelming backing in the House, where last month's Islamic State-orchestrated attack in Paris, and last week's apparent lone-wolf attack in California have left American lawmakers reaching for concrete votes they can take here in Washington.

"Terrorist fighters have America in their hateful, evil sights," said Rep. Ted Poe, Texas Republican, just a few hours before the bill passed, 407-19, with all of the opposition coming from Democrats.

Congress has struggled to respond to the sense of vulnerability Americans expressed after the Paris terrorist attack, perpetrated chiefly by Belgian and French citizens.

Thousands of people with passports from Visa Waiver Program countries are believed to have traveled to Syria and Iraq to train with the Islamic State, adding to fears that they could exploit the program to gain quick access to the U.S. Under the visa waiver, visitors do not have to undergo the in-person interview that all other visitors face.

U.S. To Deploy Spy Plane In Singapore Amid Growing Tensions In South China Sea

By Kellan Howell

[Washington Times](#), December 9, 2015

The U.S. has struck a deal with Singapore to deploy one of its P8 Poseidon spy planes in the country this month — a new challenge to China's territorial claims over islands in the South China Sea.

China on Tuesday said the move was aimed at militarizing the region, Reuters reported.

The aircraft will be stationed in Singapore from Dec. 7 to 14 and further deployments in Singapore could be expected.

The announcement comes as China continues to claim the majority of the waters and islands in the Spratly island chain in the South China Sea, through which more than \$5 trillion of maritime trade passes each year. The Philippines, Brunei, Vietnam, Malaysia and Taiwan have overlapping claims. China has also created new islands to house defense equipment and aircraft, in a show of its military strength.

"I think this kind of increase in military deployment by the United States and pushing regional militarization does not accord with the joint long-term interests of the countries in this region," Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Hua Chunying told a daily news briefing, Reuters reported.

The United States already operates P8s from Japan and the Philippines, and has also conducted surveillance flights from Singapore's neighbor, Malaysia.

In a statement, The U.S. said the new P8 deployment in Singapore would "promote greater interoperability with regional militaries through participation in bilateral and multilateral exercises, while providing timely support for regional [Humanitarian and Disaster Relief operations] and maritime security efforts."

In May, the Chinese navy issued eight warnings to the crew of a U.S. P8 that flew near the islands, according to CNN, which was aboard the U.S. aircraft.

Lithuanian Foreign Minister Says Russian Propaganda Fills Void From West

By Guy Taylor

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Lithuania and other Eastern bloc nations are craving a clear and decisive message of support from the United States, as Russian President Vladimir Putin pushes the limits of NATO's resolve and moves to fill "gaps of influence" created by the West's failure to defend its interests and international law, Lithuania's top diplomat warned Tuesday.

Lithuanian Foreign Minister Linas Linkevicius also said Moscow is waging a potent propaganda war targeting Lithuania and other former states of the Soviet Union and that NATO is not responding with an effective and adequately funded message.

"Russia is not a partner; it's a factor," Mr. Linkevicius said.

He called on the Obama administration to lead a "more coordinated voice" against a Russia that plays increasingly by "self-invented rules" designed to provoke confrontation and effectively dominate smaller, weaker nations in the region.

"We want the Americans to be as active as possible because it's the only way out of this situation," Mr. Linkevicius said during a wide-ranging interview Tuesday with editors and reporters at The Washington Times. "If Americans will not be active, it will be very difficult."

Moscow's goals are multidimensional, he said. Mr. Putin seeks to drive a wedge between NATO and the European Union and to expand Russia's sphere of economic, political and military influence by upholding a Moscow-controlled union of smaller nations.

Mr. Linkevicius would not criticize the Obama administration directly, but he lamented that the White House appears to have been won over by advisers wary that a strong public resistance against Russian aggression could be read as a provocation that might worsen relations between Moscow and the West.

He praised the administration for leveling sanctions against Russian officials in response to Moscow's annexation of Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula last year, but stressed that U.S. officials in charge of Washington's overall policy have missed the reality that "if you say or do too little and too late, that can be provocative in itself."

It's a message that Mr. Linkevicius, who has served as Lithuania's top diplomat since 2012, can be expected to deliver personally when he meets Wednesday with key Obama administration officials, including acting Undersecretary of State for

Political Affairs Thomas A. Shannon and Celeste Wallander, the National Security Council's senior director for Russia and Eurasia.

Media wars

In the interview, the 54-year-old foreign minister said the lack of resolve from Washington has resulted in a drop in U.S. standing across the former Soviet republics and yearning for a more robust American presence — if only through clearer and more decisive media messages to counter Russian state news outlets and cable channels that have increasingly come to saturate the airwaves across the region.

"When there are gaps of influence that are not filled, then they get filled immediately by other leadership that is visible," he said.

In addition to Russia's moves in Ukraine and its military occupation of parts of Georgia after a brief 2008 border war, Mr. Linkevicius cited the Russian military's escalation in recent months in the civil war in Syria.

In each case, he said, the Putin government has engaged in a campaign of "probing and testing as far as it is allowed to go." When it meets resistance — such as with sanctions relating to Ukraine or with Turkey's recent downing of a Russian fighter jet — Moscow seizes on its gains to set more favorable terms for negotiation with Washington and its allies.

What is needed in response, Mr. Linkevicius said, is a resolve in the West to be firmer in defending international law and drawing lines that Moscow simply cannot cross.

"I'm not calling [on Washington] to be aggressive. For God's sake, no," he said. "But to be consistent and clear, because the Russians are capable enough to get clear messages."

At the same time, he said, Washington and the European Union must be aware that Moscow is doing a far more effective job getting its message to millions of citizens of the former Soviet Union by dominating the media with state-controlled and pro-Russian news and entertainment.

A full 60 percent of cable television channels available in Lithuania, he noted, are Russian-language programs reflecting Moscow's policies and perspectives, despite the fact that only about 12 percent of the nation's 2.9 million citizens speak Russian. Even fewer — roughly 8 percent according to the CIA World Factbook — are of Russian ethnicity.

A good place for Washington to exert influence, he said, would be to significantly revamp efforts to counter such Russian-government-owned television outfits as Russia Today with dramatically beefed-up funding for such programs as Radio Free Europe, and the Voice of America.

"This is an information war, and we're losing," he said.

Lithuania, which has been a member of the European Union and NATO since 2004, has become engaged in recent months in an EU-driven "strategic communications cell" aimed at countering Russian messaging dominance in Eastern Europe and Eurasia, he said.

But the effort has barely begun to gain steam, he said, adding that questions of how it will be funded and what its editorial policies will be remain subjects of debate among EU members.

In Strike-happy Belgium, Patience With Unions Runs Thin

By Linda A. Thompson

[Washington Times](#), December 9, 2015

BRUSSELS— The deaths of two people who had to wait for medical care due to labor demonstrations have soured this European country's normally rosy view of unions.

The deaths in late October were linked to a 24-hour strike in Liege in Belgium's French-speaking region, where 200 irate union members from the General Federation of Labor of Belgium, or FGTB, shut down a major highway to protest the government's austerity policies.

The resulting traffic jams delayed a surgeon called to help an elderly woman who later died from a ruptured aneurism. Paramedics were also unable to reach a driver before he perished from a heart attack he suffered while his car idled in the massive backup.

"I think it was simply the final straw," said Egbert Lachaert, a parliamentarian for the Flemish liberal party Open VLD, referring to the congested highway. "It was a very clear example of what everyone has felt for a quite a while now: that strikes are being used injudiciously."

The Nov. 13 Paris attacks — and the clear links investigators have made to radical jihadis operating here — have dominated the headlines, but for many ordinary Belgians the problems of governance and security run much deeper.

Strike culture has long been strong in Belgium, a country of 11 million where 55 percent of workers belong to a labor union. (For U.S. private sector workers, the figure is just 6.6 percent.) But the resort to strikes and job actions has become especially intense since last year, when a center-right government took power for the first time in 20 years.

Prime Minister Charles Michel has been pursuing an austerity program of spending cuts to rein in the country's bloated budget and rising debt. Labor leaders argue that Mr. Michel failed to consult them before cutting costs.

"The difficulty is that the government has a ready-made plan that questions all the social benefits we've fought for," said Marc Goblet, secretary-general of the FGTB. "The attitude of the new government and that of employers now is that they no longer want to negotiate. So we undertook actions."

But another prominent FGTB official conceded that the backlash against the October strike was forcing the powerful labor movement to consider altering its tactics.

"If the media are focusing more on the way we protest than on what we are protesting against, then we need to rethink our action," said Francis Gomez, an FGTB official in Liege. "This is why we are considering new avenues."

With 760,297 strike days — or one person walking off the job for one day — 2014 marked a 22-year high for labor strife in Belgium, according to the National Social Security Office. That's 19 times the workdays lost to strikes in the neighboring Netherlands, whose population is 50 percent larger.

The strikes have come in all shapes and sizes.

Sanitation workers refused to pick up trash in Ghent for nine days. In a retirement home in East Flanders, health aides cared for residents but refused to dress them properly, opting instead to leave them in their pajamas all day. Police unions throughout the country declined to write parking tickets for a week last September. Other strikes have delayed court trials, left supermarket shelves empty and canceled school classes.

"Belgium is a paradise for strikers," said Roger Blanpain, a retired professor who taught labor law for more than five decades at the University of Leuven and the Tilburg University in the Netherlands.

Dutch and German officials are much quicker than Belgium to challenge unions, he added.

"Roadblocks are unlawful, but in practice there are few [held accountable]," Mr. Blanpain said, referring to Belgian authorities. "Because who does one have to subpoena? Unions. And who does one have to coexist with? Unions."

Rogue strikes

Underscoring how easily Belgian unions can stage demonstrations, Mr. Goblet said even he couldn't control rank-and-file union members who stage illegal labor actions such as blocking highways.

"You have thousands of workers who are protesting, and some of them are in particularly difficult situations," he said. "We can't keep a watch on every person. But we call on everyone to respect the rules."

But Belgian officials said that argument was disingenuous. Unions often stage demonstrations and work actions even before requesting changes through formal channels.

"You simply can't say that strikes are being used as an ultimate resort," said Mr. Lachaert, whose party is a member of Mr. Michel's governing coalition. "Often the first thing people do is strike, even before there's been any negotiations."

The country's three biggest trade unions have reluctantly agreed to update a 2002 informal agreement around strike rules and regulations. Under the accord the unions promised not to use violence or impede workers crossing picket lines, while employers would refrain from resorting to police or court action to break up strikes.

Both sides have been violating the agreement, but they have yet to propose specific changes.

Bpost, the postal service in which the government is a majority owner, went to court recently to break up picketers after a small group of workers blocked sorting centers in three cities over plans to ax Saturday bonuses.

"The impact was such that the future of the company was at stake," said Bpost spokesperson Barbara Van Speybroeck. "The competition in this industry is fierce. We need to convince our clients not to switch to our competitors. When something like this happens, you get very unhappy clients."

The Paris attacks have not stopped the country's labor strife.

Transport workers in Charleroi staged a 24-hour strike Nov. 23, again in protest against government austerity cuts, severely restricting subway, bus and train service in the city. The strikes went forward even though the country remained on its highest terror alert level and though lockdown measures were still in place in Brussels and much of its surrounding suburbs.

The changing relationship between the unions, companies and politicians reflects a wider cultural shift in public perspectives. A growing number of Belgians now believe that the unions' right to strike is infringing on their right to work.

Frederik De Brant, a copywriter, expressed that view in a widely discussed column that ran in the Flemish daily De Morgen in December as 120,000 disgruntled workers went off the job demanding for higher wages and preserving benefits. In it he explained why he wasn't also striking.

"I'm all for a national demonstration and a strike as long as it's not used too often. If you constantly have strikes, they lose their effect because no one takes them seriously," he said in an interview. "But when trains don't go out for the umpteenth time, people that do want to go to work begin losing their patience."

Georgia's Defense Minister Says NATO's Snub Gives Russia An 'invitation' For Aggression

By Guy Taylor

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The refusal by the U.S. and Western European allies to let Georgia into NATO is an "open invitation" to Russian President Vladimir Putin to expand his policy of aggression and land seizures in the region, the former Soviet republic's top defense official said.

In deciding last week to once again postpone her nation's nearly decade-old membership bid, NATO ministers missed a crucial opportunity to "prove the alliance's strength and the whole idea of why it was created in the first place, for a safer and more secure Europe," said Georgian Defense Minister Tinatin Khidasheli.

In an interview with *The Washington Times* on Monday, Ms. Khidasheli also cited some positive momentum in Georgia's wider military relationship with the West — particularly with Tbilisi and Washington close to sealing a major and long-elusive weapons procurement deal, she said. Georgia also reached an agreement with France in June to purchase an advanced air defense system through two French companies.

Georgia for years has sought Washington's approval for the sale of lethal American-made weaponry as anti-tank systems, but U.S. officials have resisted out of fear that such transfers would increase the chances for a return to aggression between Georgia and Russia, which fought a brief border war in 2008.

Since that time, Russian troops have occupied the Georgian regions of South Ossetia and Abkhazia, creating a "frozen conflict" that some analysts say was a warm-up for Mr. Putin's moves to annex Crimea and back a separatist movement in Ukraine.

"We do have ongoing negotiations with U.S. companies, and I think we are almost there," Ms. Khidasheli said, adding that she expects a deal before President Obama leaves office in early 2017.

Ms. Khidasheli said "many people in Georgia" are eager for the weapons deals "even more than NATO membership" because of a sense that the U.S. is "the most loyal and strongest partner for us."

Since becoming Georgia's first female defense minister in May, Ms. Khidasheli, 42, has met with Defense Secretary Ashton Carter and described Victoria Nuland, assistant secretary of state for European and Eurasian Affairs, as "a good friend of Georgia."

At the same time, she implied that the Obama administration and U.S. political leaders in general could and should be doing more to promote Georgia's campaign to join NATO — if only in gratitude for her country's unwavering support of U.S. military action over the past 15 years, from Afghanistan and Iraq to the campaign to train Syrian rebels.

But the U.S. and its partners struck a blow to Georgia's NATO hopes last week while the 28-member alliance extended an invitation to the much smaller Eastern European nation of Montenegro.

Analysts say the hesitation about Georgia reflects several factors.

Some see extending an invitation to a nation in a frozen conflict with Moscow as a recipe for renewed aggression between Georgian and Russian troops. With Georgia in the club, NATO would be required by its own bylaws to become directly involved in protecting Georgian forces if violence breaks out.

Ms. Khidasheli questioned the idea that NATO is "afraid of antagonizing Moscow." Rather, she said, Washington and its Western European partners are waiting for opportune geopolitical "momentum" to offer Georgia membership.

But, she added, "I hate to see my country put in this time slot — in the waiting room, where anything can happen, like it happened in 2008."

"If Georgia is attacked tomorrow, what are our partners going to do?" she asked. "I don't expect that we will have armies lined up coming to Georgia to defend it."

Continual delay by NATO, Ms. Khidasheli added, will send a dangerous and negative message to other nations in the region that are struggling in a post-Cold War political world whether to side with the West or seek an accommodation with Mr. Putin's Russia.

"Success on the Georgian issue," she said, "is of vital importance for the United States and for the Western European countries because everybody else is looking at us. Azerbaijan is looking at Georgia. Armenia is looking at Georgia. The entire region of Central Asia is looking at Georgia with the [idea] that if it works with [Georgia], then it's worth trying and that it's worth working for this cause."

2 Afghan Air Force Students Reported Missing From Georgia Base

By Jay Leblanc

[Washington Times](#), December 9, 2015

Two Afghan students training at Moody Air Force Base in Georgia are missing after failing to report for duty on Monday, CNN reported.

The students, who base officials have yet to identify, have been at the base since February. They were assigned to the 81st Fighter Squadron.

Base officials said in a statement efforts are underway to locate the missing students, and that they “do not pose any apparent threat.”

Taliban Gunmen Attack Kandahar Airport

By Kellan Howell

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At least three Taliban gunmen have launched an attack at the airport in the southern Afghan city of Kandahar, according to multiple news reports.

An Afghan official told The Associated Press that the attacks started with the Taliban targeting the facilities main gate. The clashes are reportedly still underway.

The Kandahar Air Field has both a military and civilian section.

Sameem Khpalwak, a spokesman for the local governor, told Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty that three armed attackers wearing suicide vests are believed to have taken up position inside a school compound where airport staff live and were firing upon security forces.

Afghan security forces were returning fire, though no casualties have been reported yet.

Taliban forces have become more aggressive in Afghanistan following the withdrawal of U.S. troops from the region. Afghan forces took over security in the country on Jan. 1 but have struggled to counter increasing Taliban attacks.

John Kerry Breaks Hillary Clinton's Travel Record As Secretary Of State

By Kelly Riddell

[Washington Times](#), December 9, 2015

Hillary Clinton can no longer claim she logged the most miles traveling the world as secretary of state – John Kerry just surpassed her.

Mr. Kerry broke Mrs. Clinton's benchmark for total miles traveled and flight time as Secretary of State, according to the State Department's travel tracker.

On his week long tour of Europe that ended earlier this month, Mr. Kerry has now officially logged 957,744 miles on the job, spending about 87 days in travel, compared with Mrs. Clinton's 956,733 miles, and about 86.8 days of travel.

Mrs. Clinton's supporters have boasted of her time and travel as secretary as a credential to become the next president of the United States.

Republican presidential contender Carly Fiorina has been critical of the benchmark, saying on the stump: “Flying is an activity, not an accomplishment.”

Mrs. Clinton is still hanging on to one record though: That of countries visited while serving as America's top diplomat. Mr. Kerry has so far been to 77, while Mrs. Clinton traveled to 112.

Emergency Measures Imposed As Border Surge Surprises, Overwhelms Immigration Officials

By Stephen Dinan

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The surge of illegal immigrant children continued unabated in November, pushing the Obama administration to announce emergency measures to try to handle a problem it thought it had solved earlier this year.

Two months into the new fiscal year, the number of unaccompanied minors jumping the border and getting caught is at an all-time high. So far, the U.S. Border Patrol has picked up over 10,500 — more than twice the number at the same point last year.

The number of families trying to cross also has surged, with more than 12,500 people caught — a 173 percent increase over last year. The family surge underscored the changing nature of the flow of migrants, with parents increasingly risking the

journey with young children in tow, hoping to take advantage of what they believe are lenient deportation policies under President Obama.

Migration usually surges in the spring then drops in the summer and remains low through the winter. This year has defied that trend, leaving the Obama administration scrambling to rejuvenate its capacity to handle a problem that Homeland Security officials hoped was behind them.

"We continue to aggressively work to secure our borders, address underlying causes and deter future increases in unauthorized migration, while ensuring that those with legitimate humanitarian claims are afforded the opportunity to seek protection," U.S. Customs and Border Protection said in a statement.

The surge of Central American women and children began several years ago and peaked in May and June last year, when more than 20,000 were caught at the U.S.-Mexico border every month. By the end of last year, the numbers had dropped precipitously and Homeland Security officials were optimistic that they had solved the problem.

Numbers have climbed steadily this year, however, and November's 5,615 illegal immigrant children caught at the border is the highest monthly total since June 2014, when some 10,508 were apprehended.

Among families, the 6,476 people apprehended in November — mostly women with young children — was the most since July 2014, when 7,436 were caught.

The vast majority of unaccompanied children and families come from three Central American countries: El Salvador, Honduras and Guatemala.

Under Obama administration policy, illegal immigrant children from countries other than Mexico or Canada cannot be sent home quickly. Instead, they must be processed and sent to live in juvenile homes or with sponsors, awaiting court dates that often don't come for years.

Meanwhile, a federal judge ordered this summer that the women and children be processed quickly and released into the U.S. to await their court dates.

Both policies serve to entice those in Central America to make the journey, believing they can earn a place in the shadows.

"What the new arrivals are telling the Border Patrol is that they came because they knew they would be allowed to stay," Jessica Vaughan, policy studies director at the Center for Immigration Studies, told the Senate Judiciary Committee last week. "If we want to change that incentive, the policy has to change."

Sen. Thomas R. Carper, Delaware Democrat, released a report Tuesday saying the U.S. government needs to do more to help Central American countries.

"Shamefully, we've focused more on ways to keep migrants out of our country rather than helping them address the misery in their homelands, misery we've unfortunately helped create through our appetite for illegal drugs," he said in the report.

He said the U.S. does need to figure out the "pull" factors that draw in illegal immigrants but that cannot succeed without addressing the "push" factors.

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Armed Iranian Doctor Rushes To Shooting Victims — As American As It Gets

By Charles Hurt

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On Dec. 2, as Islamic terrorists in combat gear strode into a San Bernardino Christmas party and began methodically executing Americans for their religious beliefs, the commander in chief of the U.S. armed forces started ruminating on all the political angles and consequences.

Workplace violence. Islamophobia. Gun control. American-style mass shootings.

The president would later share his political commentary about the worst terror attack on U.S. soil since 9/11, but only from the security of the White House. He would not even visit this latest battlefield in the ongoing war against America, freedom and religious liberty.

Meanwhile, as innocent American bodies piled up — bleeding victims still writhing on the floor behind overturned tables and chairs — an emergency room doctor learned of the attack. He was on duty at the hospital six miles away.

Without waiting for orders, Dr. Michael Neeki instinctively collected his medical supplies, jumped into his car and raced to the sound of gunfire.

But not before grabbing his own assault rifle — very similar to the ones used by the San Bernardino terrorists — and making sure he had plenty of ammunition.

"I don't want to get hurt," Dr. Neeki, 51, told CNN the next day.

"If someone has the intention like yesterday of coming in and just indiscriminately shooting, and I'm the first there, I want to be able to defend myself and those civilians," he said. "A good guy should be able to defend himself and also help everybody else."

Dr. Neeki, who immigrated to the United States from Iran, where he was held as a political prisoner, knows a thing or two about bad guys. He also knows a thing or two about good guys.

As a volunteer member of a local SWAT team, Dr. Neeki keeps a helmet and body armor in his car so he can join first responders going into an ongoing crime scene.

The first priority is to stop the killing, but Dr. Neeki carries his medical supplies with him so he can immediately begin treating the wounded directly on the scene.

Meanwhile, back at the White House, President Obama was still ruminating in his bulletproof sanctuary.

"The one thing we do know is that we have a pattern now of mass shootings in this country that has no parallel anywhere else in the world," he told reporters.

Obviously, this is a president who never served in combat and apparently isn't reading his daily threat matrix report on all the mass terror shootings going on all over the place these days.

After a few days of thinking on it, he decided to make a rare Oval Office address to the nation. This time, he said terrorists are becoming more and more Americanized.

"Over the last few years, however, the terrorist threat has evolved into a new phase," he said solemnly.

"As we've become better at preventing complex, multifaceted attacks like 9/11, terrorists turned to less complicated acts of violence like the mass shootings that are all too common in our society."

Dr. Neeki is not the expert constitutional scholar President Obama claims to be. But, talking to reporters Monday, he proved himself to have a far better understanding of America than our flailing president.

"I am here because I came for democracy," Dr. Neeki said. "Show ISIS what we are made of."

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Divided We Fall

By Clifford D. May

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"Divide and conquer" describes an age-old military concept: If your enemies are fighting among themselves, they can't effectively battle you. Phillip II of Macedon, Julius Caesar and Napoleon were among those who employed this tactic to defeat more powerful forces. Would-be conquerors of the 21st century are lucky: Their enemies can't agree about anything — not even which barbarians are at the gate.

This occurred to me last week — the afternoon of Dec. 2, to be precise — as I was being interviewed by Thom Hartmann, who claims to have the "No. 1 progressive talk show" on radio. His goal was to use me as a foil and a Washington Times column I had written as fodder in an attempt to drive one of his favorite messages: Islamist terrorism is just a bogeyman.

"You're seven times more likely as an American citizen, you and me, Cliff, to be murdered by a white Christian terrorist in the United States than by a brown Muslim terrorist," he asserted, implying that I was not just misinformed — I also must be a racist. "Our right-wing enemies are the most dangerous people in the United States."

His timing could hardly have been worse. In Southern California that same afternoon, 14 innocent American citizens — white, brown and black — were massacred in the deadliest terrorist attack since Sept. 11, 2001. Mr. Hartmann's preferred terrorists turned out not to be responsible.

On Friday, The New York Times pointed its finger in a different direction. America's most authoritative voice of liberal opinion ran a front-page editorial for the first time since 1920: "End the Gun Epidemic in America." According to The New York Times, America is primarily threatened by firearms, firearms manufacturers, the National Rifle Association and elected leaders who "reject the most basic restrictions on weapons of mass killing." Not only that: Those elected leaders "distract us with arguments about the word terrorism."

The mass-murderers' motives "do not matter," opined the newspaper's editorialists. They found not a word fit to print about Islamism, jihadism, radical Islam, religious supremacism — call it what you will; not a word about the regimes and movements waging an unconventional war against those they declare "crusaders" and "carriers of the cross."

Nor did they see any dots connecting the San Bernardino attack with those carried out by Maj. Nidal Hasan at Fort Hood, Texas, in 2009; by Dzhokhar and Tamerlan Tsarnaev at the Boston Marathon in 2013; by Muhammad Youssef Abdulazeez in Chattanooga in July; and by Islamic State terrorists in Paris in January and then again last month.

Over the weekend, President Obama echoed The New York Times, calling for stricter gun control, not mentioning that both California and France have long had stringent laws in place. He did concede: "It is entirely possible that these two attackers were radicalized to commit this act of terror. And if so, it would underscore a threat we've been focused on for years — the danger of people succumbing to violent extremist ideologies."

He added: "And even as we work to prevent attacks, all of us — government, law enforcement, communities, faith leaders — need to work together to prevent people from falling victim to these hateful ideologies."

Can you imagine President Roosevelt circa 1941 saying that our goal was to "prevent people from falling victim" to a "violent extremist ideology" — one he would not name but which, he might stress, has no relationship to peaceful expressions of German nationalism? Can you imagine President Truman circa 1947 saying the same about another nameless but "hateful" ideology, one in no way linked to democratic socialism?

And are ideologies really akin to heat stroke — something to which one may, if not careful, "succumb" or "fall victim"? Tashfeen Malik and Sayed Farook had a six-month-old baby girl. Evidently, the belief system they embraced, based on a medieval reading of Islam, was powerful enough to overcome the most basic parental instincts: They deliberately left their child an orphan — one who will be marked for life as the daughter of terrorists.

It is not unreasonable to assume that the perspectives of Thom Hartmann's listeners, The New York Times' readers and Mr. Obama (and Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders) are shared by roughly half of American voters.

The divide between them and those on the right is wide and apparently growing. It is compounded by deep divisions within the Republican camp — not least over Donald Trump, the most divisive major presidential candidate in generations.

Some reporter might ask him what he knows about Islam and Islamism, about caliphates and imamates, about Shariah and fatwas, about the difference between Salafists and Sufis. Shouldn't the next occupant of the Oval Office have given a little study and thought to such questions? It seems fairly obvious that Mr. Trump has not.

Maybe, should he become president, he'll identify "fabulous" experts who can tell him all he needs to know. Maybe he'll hire advisers who can construct a viable strategy to defeat jihadists (leaving white, Christian terrorists to wait their turn, and those favoring repeal of the Second Amendment frustrated). Maybe Mr. Trump would use his management experience to implement that strategy with unprecedented efficiency.

But are voters really prepared to choose as their leader an egotistical if charismatic figure offering nothing more concrete than hope and change? Hasn't that experiment already been run?

Meanwhile, Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi, caliph of the Islamic State, Ayman al-Zawahiri, leader of al Qaeda, and Ali Khamenei, supreme leader of the Islamic Republic of Iran — men of faith and millenarian ambitions — must be counting themselves not just fortunate but blessed by divine favor.

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The Unknown Terror Threats

By Daniel Gallington

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"No known terror threats." This could have been said a minute before the mass shootings in California. When we hear these same kind of words from our senior officials — most recently in the context of the Thanksgiving holiday and the president's recent Oval Office address — we really should be alarmed at the literal meaning of them.

Why? The terror threats that have killed thousands of us over the years have not been "known," nor is this likely to change unless and until we make some fundamental policy and program adjustments in our basic approaches to national security.

We get very little good human intelligence, or HUMINT, on pending terror attacks. This is nothing new and reflects the breakdown of the CIA's ability to collect human intelligence. I first wrote about this almost 10 years ago in The Washington Times and nothing much has changed. Meaningful improvements are still 10 to 20 years away. However, we will never have effective HUMINT operations until and unless basic structural changes are imposed on the intelligence community. For some useful examples, we should study how the Chinese, Cubans and Israelis collect HUMINT — because compared to them, we seem to be perpetual rookies.

As far as our basic cybersecurity goes, we are the most inviting "soft target set" in the world. This is because most of our "critical infrastructure" is in our private sector. The irony is that — so far — the best we can do is to urge the private sector to tell the Department of Homeland Security about cyber-attacks. This approach has not worked well in the past, as corporate leaderships don't want to disclose cyber-penetrations because of adverse customer and investor reactions. If we are really serious about our cybersecurity, we must enable more proactive measures, including "stress testing" of our most critical cyber-infrastructures, both public and private.

A proven and effective approach to defending against “unknown” terror attacks should be structured around carefully managed “red teams,” chartered to think and plan like terrorists. Red teams are used to develop patterns of activity indicative of terrorist planning. Then, rather than data mining, which involves searching for statistically significant patterns, red team-developed patterns are used to search for those specific patterns. We did some of this right after Sept. 11, 2001, and discovered some rather shocking things about how vulnerable to terrorism attacks we really were. However, the intelligence bureaucracy typically does not encourage red teams, mostly because they tend to expose failures and shortcomings that someone could be blamed for. However, it’s much better to discover weaknesses before an “event” such as Sept. 11 or Paris, than after it, which we typically do as a result of a 9/11-type Commission. Even then, too much of the effort seems focused on avoiding responsibility for what happened. You don’t believe me? Who on our side was most responsible for failing to prevent the Sept. 11 attacks? Anyone?

Over the past 75 years — and especially true at the anniversary of the Pearl Harbor attack — we seem unable to take meaningful action against even an obvious and imminent threat until after we are attacked. This general approach must change if we are to survive the next century of asymmetric warfare against us, presently manifested as terrorism. What other shapes might this kind of threat take in the coming decades? This analysis will require the attention of our very best national security experts and should result in new strategic policies that include focus on the attribution of dangerous acts by lesser entities than states — whether state-sponsored or not.

Nothing in our policies should act to limit massive lethal action against threats simply because they may also have a religious connection of some kind. Closely behind this issue is a more fundamental one: Is it possible for all of Islam — or even most of it — to truly assimilate into other societies, especially democracies? So far, the European “experiment” that began various Islamic assimilations in the 1960s has not worked well, with the recent Paris violence as dramatic proof. What is needed is a modern Islamic reformation of some kind, such as other religions have engaged in over the spectrum of history. The rest of the world should both encourage and hold Islamic leaders responsible for such a process, which could easily take several decades.

Likewise, and in this same respect, we need to have a critical review of our policies and relationships — all of them — with Saudi Arabia, the long-term financial and ideological benefactor of much of the religion-based terrorism emanating from the Middle East. In fact, it has never been a surprise to find that Saudi money is directly or indirectly behind activities detrimental to our most fundamental national security interests. This simply cannot continue for the long term and we need to think seriously about the need and criteria for regime change — for a number of reasons. The status quo in Saudi Arabia may be in no one’s best interests — other than the royal family.

Likewise, our threshold for misbehavior from Iran, especially with regard with their 30-plus-year “covert” nuclear weapons program, should be very low. Credible information that the mullahs have renewed or continued their nuke weapons program should be compelling, if not presumptive, grounds for immediate and massive military intervention. Bottom line: Iran simply cannot be allowed to develop nuclear weapons because they will most likely use them, directly or indirectly, on us.

There are a great many serious terror-related threats we should be worried about, especially as we posture to choose our next national leadership. Just as important, we have lots of basic policy work to get our national security house in order — if we hope to survive the next wave of terror attacks against us, especially the ones we won’t “know” about.

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Defunding The International Criminal Court

By David Hoile

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Late last month the grand-sounding Assembly of States Parties, a 123-nation body that governs the International Criminal Court (ICC), held its annual meeting and granted the court a 7 percent budget increase to more than \$140 million per year. Representing the court’s third consecutive budget hike, the money will be lavished on some 700 permanent staff and a new, purpose-built luxury headquarters in The Hague. How this budget increase was justified is not clear, for if the decision had been based on success, the Assembly of States Parties would have been forced to demand a refund.

Over the last decade the ICC has demonstrated it is little more than a profligate, and impotent, white elephant. The court has spent \$2 billion since its foundation, yet only two out of a total of 12 completed cases have resulted in convictions. America contributes taxpayer dollars to this failure, funding bounties and rewards for the arrest of those wanted by the ICC, despite not being a member.

Though claiming to represent the best of international justice, all of its current cases are from Africa. To date, no case has begun against defendants from any other region. Indeed, no institution has arrested and transferred to Europe as many black Africans as the ICC since the ending of the slave trade.

This fact alone should seriously put in doubt the organization's justification to be an "International Criminal Court." When its 123 members represent less than one third of the earth's population, and the United States, China, India, Russia, Indonesia and Israel have all refused to join, the court simply cannot claim it is a worldwide body.

Yet this does not mean citizens of America or other non-signatories are immune from its reach. Indeed, because accusations of racial prejudice against Africans have been hard to ignore, the ICC is working hard to increase its powers and internationalize its future cases, far beyond Africa. In doing so, slowly, Americans are being implicated in its inquiries.

The court is currently investigating alleged war crimes in Afghanistan — a country that is a member — and in October claimed it had evidence of U.S. forces torturing prisoners. Israel is similarly threatened by an ongoing investigation into the 2014 Gaza conflict, made possible by the Palestinian Authority's membership. There, the ICC's chief prosecutor stated publicly Israelis are in her sights, saying "anyone — on either side — who commits, orders, incites, encourages or contributes in any other way to the commission of crimes falling within the jurisdiction of the ICC is liable to prosecution either at the national level or at the court."

This prosecutor, Fatou Bensouda, was previously minister of justice in Gambia, a tiny African country led since 1994 by a military dictator who claims he can cure AIDS with herbs. That she should have any powers at all to indict Americans and Israelis when they do not support the ICC should be reason enough for the United States to call for the court's closure.

However, it is a new power provided to the ICC by the Assembly of States Parties that should be America's most grave concern. Titled Rule 68, it allows the prosecutor to use at trial any testimony provided by witnesses, even if they have later withdrawn, contradicted or recanted their original claims.

How dangerous this is can be seen through an ongoing case against the current deputy president of Kenya, William Ruto, accused of involvement in postelection violence in that country in 2007-08. In this case, all six key witnesses — on whose claims the trial was initiated — either refused to testify, contradicted themselves in court, or stated their original evidence was untrue. Astonishingly, their original testimony was not even gathered by the ICC itself but by local nongovernmental organizations in Kenya, well known to be political adversaries of Mr. Ruto and in receipt of funding from European countries opposed to his election as deputy president.

In any normal court such a devastating collapse of the prosecution's case and "evidence" would lead to the ending of the trial. It may yet do so, as last month the Assembly of States Parties decreed that Rule 68 could not be used in trials currently underway at the ICC. But at the same time as it made its decision regarding the Ruto case, the assembly reconfirmed Rule 68 could be used in all future cases.

This means that in potential cases brought against alleged crimes in Afghanistan and Gaza, Americans and Israelis could find themselves confronted by witness testimony that has been sourced not by the ICC itself, but foreign-funded nongovernmental organizations that oppose them. This "evidence" could then still be used — even if those who gave it later said it was untrue.

Before there is a chance for this to happen, all the primary funders of the ICC such as Britain and France, and secondary contributors such as America, must consider if this increasingly unaccountable court should have a future. It is blindly launching new investigations, extending its reach while its existing cases teeter on the brink of failure.

The United States in particular should not ignore the threat this institution now poses to its global interests, not least if this new, extraordinary power over witness testimony is ever put into use. Rather than continuing its tacit support for the ICC, the U.S. should instead work with its allies to ensure the court is disbanded and defunded, and this travesty of international justice is brought to an end.

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Measuring The Climate Models And Hype

By David Rothbard And Craig Rucker

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PARIS — Paris was still reeling from the shock of the horrible terrorist attacks when 40,000 politicians, scientists, bureaucrats, journalists and activists arrived to hammer out a new global warming treaty.

Concerned about security and further Islamist attacks, French President Francois Hollande prohibited large gatherings. Not only did the radical climate campaigners ignore him, they threw bottles and smashed votive candles placed in memory of the terror victims.

The disrespectful behavior angered Parisians, even the few who still put global warming high on their list of concerns. But it was typical of left-leaning ideologues who think their views should trump everyone else's, whether on college campuses or during treaty negotiations.

Our planet and humankind have been challenged by climate change and extreme weather throughout history. The sun's changing energy output and other natural forces have brought little ice ages, floods, droughts, powerful storms, and periods of prolonged warmth and bounteous harvests.

To assert that natural forces no longer play a role, that fossil fuel emissions now control climate change, or that humans can now determine planetary temperatures and climate by regulating atmospheric carbon-dioxide levels is sheer hubris. To say we should abandon the hydrocarbon energy that has brought technology, prosperity, health and longevity to billions is sheer insanity.

To tell 1.3 billion people (more than live in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Europe combined) who still do not have access to electricity that they must continue doing without, or be satisfied with a few wind turbines or solar panels — is insensitive and immoral.

But that is what radical greens — and too many of the 21st Conference of Parties attendees — insist we must do. Otherwise, they insist, climate disruption will bring “submerged countries, abandoned cities, fields that no longer grow, political disruptions that trigger new conflicts, and even more floods of desperate people seeking the sanctuary of nations not their own,” as Mr. Obama said last week.

Fortunately, these alleged cataclysms are concocted by politicians, or predicted by computer models that are based on the assumption that carbon dioxide now drives Earth's climate — models that are fed projections for steadily rising levels of plant-fertilizing carbon dioxide and programmed to produce disaster scenarios that can justify draconian policies.

They do not reflect real-world conditions or events. For example, global temperatures have remained steady for almost 19 years, the United States has not been hit by a Category 3, 4 or 5 hurricane since 2005, total polar ice is increasing, not melting, and seas are rising at barely seven inches per century.

These inconvenient truths have prompted alarmist scientists at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and other government agencies to ignore reliable satellite data — and modify city, airport and ship temperature data that are “contaminated” by heat from human activities.

Meanwhile, developing nations know fossil fuels are essential for ending crippling poverty, disease and premature death. In India alone, more people than live in the United States still do not have electricity. That's why Prime Minister Narendra Modi says it would be “morally wrong” for developed countries — which achieved prosperity by using fossil fuels — to tell poor countries they must eliminate those fuels and rely on expensive, intermittent, insufficient wind and solar power.

It is why Chinese President Xi Jinping says “fairness and justice” demand that poor countries must now be allowed to develop — and rich countries must slash their fossil fuel use, and curb their economic growth, employment levels and living standards.

But Mr. Modi and Mr. Xi also say rich nations must contribute \$100 billion per year to a Green Climate Fund, to compensate poor countries for the “climate devastation” supposedly caused by fossil fuels over the past 150 years.

In other words, developed countries created the “man-made climate chaos” mantra, and now must live by it, no matter how much pain it inflicts or how little environmental gain it brings.

China, India, Japan and other countries are building or planning more than 2,500 new coal-fired power plants. Thus, even eliminating fossil fuels in all developed nations might prevent average global temperatures from rising an undetectable 0.1 degrees by 2100 — assuming carbon dioxide really has replaced solar and other natural forces.

It would far easier and cheaper to adapt to any future climate changes than to destroy the energy and economic systems that have brought so much prosperity, health and longevity to so many billions, and are needed now to improve the living standards of many more billions.

Congress, governors, state legislators and presidential candidates must take affirmative action now — during this climate conference and before Mr. Obama commits to anything that might be devised in Paris. They must make it clear that Americans will not support or comply with energy or emission standards that do not apply equally to all nations; and any “accords” that Mr. Obama might agree to in Paris must be reviewed under the Constitution's advice and consent provisions, approved by two-thirds of the Senate and budgeted by Congress before it is binding.

The impacts on America's economy, employment, environment, health, living standards and national sovereignty are too enormous for a new Paris agreement to be handled any differently.

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Making Women Front-line Targets

By James A. Lyons

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If you want to take a country down, the first thing you do is weaken its military. That's why sequestration was the perfect storm for the Obama administration. It provided the legal basis for the unilateral disarmament of the most feared and capable military force in the world. However, unilateral disarmament was insufficient to kill the "warrior mentality" of our military forces. It took the social engineering that were forced on our military to undercut unit integrity, cohesiveness, moral fiber, and most importantly, "the will to win," with apparently no objection by our military leadership.

Stunning was the announcement by Secretary of Defense Ashton B. Carter that he, personally, overruled the U.S. Marine Corps on whether it should be exempt from his directive that all combat positions be open to women. Nothing is excluded. This includes all front-line combat positions — U.S. Special Forces, Delta Force, Navy SEALs and Army Rangers.

With Mr. Carter's military background and training, which he received at the ivy-covered walls of Yale, he overruled the best professional military advisers in the U.S. Marine Corps, who must deal with life-and-death situations on a daily basis. Mr. Carter, by his decision, has shown that he has no comprehension of the stress on an individual combat fighter to survive and pray to live to see another sunrise.

This critical, landmark decision clearly has its roots in President Obama's agenda to "fundamentally transform" America. Mr. Carter stated that the top leadership of the Army, Navy, Air Force and U.S. Special Operations Command recommended that all positions be open to women. That is political correctness run amok. His statement really says that those military leaders had to commit to this ill-advised decision as a condition for their appointment. Furthermore, Mr. Carter's unsupported claims that combat effectiveness will not be degraded cannot withstand comparison with the U.S. Marine Corps study, which clearly points out that mixed-gender units perform much lower in combat situations than all-male units.

In an attempt to further justify his decision, Mr. Carter cited the military's repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy, which banned gays from serving in the military, as a great success. For the record, in 2014, there were more than 10,000 reported unwanted male-on-male incidents. Mr. Carter must be delusional if he consider these numbers to be a great success. These are only the reported incidents.

The secretary went on to state that in order to succeed in our mission of national security, we cannot afford to cut ourselves off from half the country's talent and skills. We must continue to benefit from the best people America has to offer. In that sense, I totally agree. Therefore, "diversity" should never be our No. 1 priority for the military. We must have the best and brightest — that used to be our standard — and it must now be restored. Therefore, Mr. Obama's mandate that "gender diversity interest" calls for women to make up 25 percent of the personnel base for all services must be firmly rejected. Also, the 2013 "Dempsey Rule," drawn up by then-Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Martin Dempsey, that standards too high for women will be questioned, must also be rejected. Clearly, gender diversity will lower standards and, consequently, combat effectiveness. The end result will be many more lives lost in combat and permanent injuries, just to adhere to a social agenda.

It should be noted that in a recent Army survey of women potentially serving in combat roles, 92.5 percent rejected this role. It is clear they understood that forcing women into combat role to fight ISIS will not be voluntary.

Most disturbing is that few if any officials in the Obama administration who are pushing for these dramatic changes have ever served a day in the military, nor will they ever. It is the same group that has forced our military to fight under the restricted rules of engagement that has cost so many American lives and permanent injuries.

It is also the same group (Samantha Power, Susan Rice, Valerie Jarrett and Hillary Clinton) who overrode all solid military advice to not get involved in Libya. As a matter of principle, then-Secretary of Defense Robert Gates and Joints Chiefs of Staff Chairman Adm. Mike Mullen should have resigned. In modern times, there is only one senior official who resigned as a matter of principle. That was Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, when President Jimmy Carter went ahead with his failed attempt to rescue U.S. diplomatic hostages. I still tip my hat to Cy Vance — a man of principle.

When he was commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps, Gen. Joseph F. Dunford Jr., the current Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman, oversaw a detailed study that highlighted the pitfalls of this ill-advised political decision by Mr. Carter. In light of the secretary's decision, Gen. Dunford stated, "In the wake of the secretary's decision, my responsibility is to ensure this is properly implemented. Moving forward, my focus is to lead the full integration of women in a manner that maintains our joint capability."

He knows this was a wrong decision. As a matter of principle, he and the other service chiefs should certainly resign if this decision is not reversed. The military and all other Americans will salute him.

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INVITES	359
ACCEPTS	183
REGRETS	95
NO RESPONSES	81
ATTENDS	143
TOTAL POSSIBLE	264
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INVITES	398
ACCEPTS	207
REGRETS	107
NO RESPONSES	84
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	291
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Ruffner, Richard

06 Oct 2014 14:37:00

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Cc:

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Additional Information:

Elizondo, Carlos E.

29 Nov 2012 20:59:41

To: Clark-Bauserman, Deborah, Clark-Bauserman, Deborah

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Fri, 07 Dec 2012 11:07:40 -0500

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120912 Delaware Registration Report

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Attached is the latest DE Registration Report.

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INVITES	350
ACCEPTS	172
REGRETS	84
NO RESPONSES	94
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	26
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Ash

As of 120112**ACCEPTS:**

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION/ORGANIZATION	INVITATION S
BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES
B DEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS
Ashton	Bill		REGRETS
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	NO RESPONSES
Beers	Sydney		ATTENDS
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	UNKNOWN GUESTS
Bross	Eric		TOTAL POSSIBLE
Bross	Anna		TIMESTAMP
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff	
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice	
Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Katrina	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Laura	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Matos	Maria	Executive Director/ Latin American Community Center	
Rodriguez	Sindy		
Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Meyers	William		
Meyers	Christine		
Micallef	Joe		
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden	
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco	
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse	
Oberly	Charlie		
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly	
OBrien	Dennis		
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien	
Sloan	Gilbert		
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI	
Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors	

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Mr. Eric Schwerin
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JoAnn Sears
Joel Secundy
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Mr. Bob Shields
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LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION/ORGANIZATION	INVITATION S
BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES
B DEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS
Ashton	Bill		REGRETS
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	NO RESPONSES
Bachula	Gary		ATTENDS
Woodfin	Jane		UNKNOWN GUESTS
Beene	Kim		TOTAL POSSIBLE
Downing	Robin		TIMESTAMP
Beers	Sydney		
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	
Bross	Eric		
Bross	Anna		
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Hyman	Luke		
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB	
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff	
Kokjohn	Lynn		
Kokjohn	Tucker		
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice	
Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Katrina	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Laura	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Matos	Maria	Executive Director/ Latin American Community Center	
Rodriguez	Sindy		
Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Meyers	William		
Meyers	Christine		

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Micallef	Joe	
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
OBrien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Storino	Donnie	
Storino	Lacy	
Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors

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Mark Doyle

Dr. Patrick Harker

Mrs. Emily Harker

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Tom Lewis

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Tom Lewis

Ann Otto

Monsignor Joseph Rebman

Dr. David Solacoff

Lynne Dupont

NO RESPONSE:

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Mr. Michael Adler

Mrs. Judith Adler

Ms. Margaret Aitken
Mr. Chris Haggerty
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Georgia Angelos
Mr. Mark Angelson
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Devon Archer
Dr. Krista Archer
Mr. Daniel Berger
Mrs. Carol Berger
Ms. Sally Berger
Andrew Berger
Ms. Alana Biden
Ms. Ashley Biden
Dr. Howard Krein (Family)
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Master Robert Biden (Family)
Ms. Caroline Biden (Family)
Mr. Hunter Biden (Family)
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Miss Finnegan Biden (Family)
Miss Roberta (Maisy) Biden (Family)
Miss Naomi Biden (Family)
Mr. James (Jamie) Biden (Family)
Ms. Amy Bracco
Patricia Blevins
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Mrs. Robyn Casady
Mr. Charles Cawley

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Julie Cawley
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Mrs. Athena Christopher
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Mr. David Cohen
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Mr. John Cooney
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Ms. Tonya Garvin
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Mr. Peter Gatti
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Mr. Dominic Gioffre
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Mr. Thomas Girardi

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BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES
B DEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS
Angelson	Mark		REGRETS
Angelson	Lynn		NO RESPONSES
Ashton	Bill		ATTENDS
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	UNKNOWN GUESTS
Bachula	Gary		TOTAL POSSIBLE
Woodfin	Jane		TIMESTAMP
Beene	Kim		
Downing	Robin		
Beers	Sydney		
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB	
Bove	Beverly		
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove	
Bross	Eric		
Bross	Anna		
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes	
Christopher	Athena		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
Christopher	Patricia		
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Eckstrand	Phillip		
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation	
Freeh	Marilyn		
Garvin	Shawn	/	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative	
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring	
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Grier	Betty		
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Herlinsky	Victory		

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Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	/
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	/
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	
LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
Magarik	Molly	Beau Biden State Political Director
Magarik	Ian	
Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Katrina	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
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Matos	Maria	Executive Director/ Latin American Community Center
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Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Mervine	Jay	
Mervine	Polly	
Meyers	William	
Meyers	Christine	
Micallef	Joe	
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden
Monahan	Marilyn	VBO
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Murray	Tim	UD Archivist
Murray	Katherine	Spouse of Tim Murray
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
O'Brien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Olivero	Ronald	
Olivero	Joan	
Razze	Erica	

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Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
Sears	JoAnn	
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Smith	Michele	
Smith	Stephen	
Snyder-Mackle	Lynn	Alumni Distinguished Professor, Department of Physical Therapy/ University of C
Stewart	Anthony	
Clayton	Roberta	
Storino	Donnie	
Storino	Lacy	
Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors
Savage	Kathleen	Guest of JTB/ Hallie Biden

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Mr. Mark Zwonitzer

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BIDEN	JOE	HOST
BIDEN	JILL	HOSTESS
Adler	David	
Adler	Michael	
Angelson	Mark	
Angelson	Lynn	
Ashton	Bill	
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB
Bachula	Gary	
Woodfin	Jane	
Beene	Kim	
Downing	Robin	
Beers	Sydney	
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB
Biden	Ashley	
Krein	Howard	
Biden, III	Beau	
Biden	Hallie	
Biden	Natalie	
Biden	Robert Hunter	
Biden	Caroline	
Staley	Eric	Boyfriend of Caroline Biden
Biden Owens	Valerie	
Owens	Jack	
Bove	Beverly	
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove
Bross	Eric	
Bross	Anna	
Buhle	Michael	
Buhle	Emily	
Butler	Dan	
Butler	Catherine	
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems
Carper	Tom	
Carper	Benjamin	
Carper	Martha	
Cowperthwait	Rebecca	Guest of Benjamin Carper
Champney	Joanna	
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes
Christopher	Athena	
Christopher	Katherine	
Christopher	William	
Christopher	Patricia	

Cooney	John	
Cooney	Barbara	
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)	
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB
Doody	Jim	
Eckstrand	Phillip	
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand
Evans	Tom	
Evans	Mary	
Frampton	Charles	
Frampton	Steven	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation
Freeh	Marilyn	
Frost	Melissa	
Garvin	Shawn	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring
Goodman	Lisa	
Fennell	Drew	
Grier	Betty	
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier
Haggerty	Margaret	
Haggerty	William	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse
Herlinsky	Victory	
Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Horsey	Bryan	
Horsey	April	
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Hynansky	John	
Hatzis	Thomas	
Jones	Laura	
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kimmel	Wayne	Managing Partner, SeventySix Capital
Kimmel	Kimberly	
Kokjohn	Lynn	
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Kraus	Peter	
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	

LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
Magarik	Molly	Beau Biden State Politcal Director
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Manatos	Katrina	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Laura	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Maron	James	
Maron	Elizabeth	New Castle County Parliamentarian
Matos	Maria	Executive Director/ Latin American Community Center
Rodriguez	Sindy	
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Mervine	Polly	
Meyers	William	
Meyers	Christine	
Micallef	Joe	
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden
Monahan	Marilyn	VBO
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Murray	Tim	UD Archivist
Murray	Katherine	Spouse of Tim Murray
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
OBrien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Olivere	Ronald	
Olivere	Joan	
Razze	Erica	
Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
Sears	JoAnn	
Secundy	Joel	
Secundy	Liz	
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI

Smith	Michele	
Smith	Stephen	
Snyder-Mackler	Lynn	Alumni Distinguished Professor, Department of Physical Therapy/ University of Delaware
Stewart	Anthony	
Clayton	Roberta	
Storino	Donnie	
Storino	Lacy	
Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors
Savage	Kathleen	Guest of JTB/ Hallie Biden

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 Mr. Laurence Greenwald
 Mrs. Judith Adler
 Mr. James Biden (Family)
 Mrs. Sara Biden (Family)
 Mr. David Cohen
 Mrs. Rhonda Cohen
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 Mrs. Tatiana Copeland
 Dr. Michael D'Ignazio
 Dr. Allison D'Ignazio
 John DiEleuterio
 Mrs. Maureen DiEleuterio
 Mark Doyle
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 Dr. Bill Johnston
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Mr. Peter Angelos

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Andrew Berger

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Mr. George Tsunis
Mark Turner
Dr. Harlan Ullman
Richard Vague
Mr. Perry Weitz
T.H Dennis Williams
Harry L. Williams
Mr. John Williams, Jr.
Mr. Mark Zwonitzer

Sarah Sohn
Erin Tobin
Ms. Olga Tsunis
Mrs. Julian Ullman
Mrs. Felicia Weitz
Mrs. Shayne Williams
Mrs. Robin Williams
Mrs. Sheridan Williams
Ms. Geraldine Hirshey

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	341
ACCEPTS	145
REGRETS	57
NO RESPONSES	139
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	284
TIMESTAMP	12/4/12 20:50

Muldoon, Anne P. EOP/OVP

01 Dec 2015 20:44:22

To: Schrum, Michael, Schrum, Evan

Cc:

Bcc:

RE: DE party

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Additional Information:

Muldoon, Anne Marie P. EOP/OVP

12 Sep 2016 16:36:23

To: Suber, Kellen, Suber, Kellen C.

Cc: Elizondo, Carlos, Ruffner, Richard, Chung, Kathy, Ruffner, Richard, >, "Elizondo, Carlos E., >", "Chung, Kathy

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RE: Delaware Holiday Party

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Lamberson, Nicole E.

18 Dec 2009 21:42:31

To: Higham, Kevin, Higham, Kevin

Cc:

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Ramos, Paola

30 Nov 2012 00:21:30

To: molly@beaubiden.com

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Lance, Kirsten E. EOP/OVP

Tue, 08 Dec 2015 13:48:30 -0500

To: Bedingfield, Kate, Goodman, Meghan, Holst, Lindsay, Mackler, Alexander, McGrail, John, Ricchetti, Steven, Goepfert, Stephen, Ricchetti, Steven, Holst, Lindsay, Mackler, Alexander, Bedingfield, Kate, Goepfert, Stephen, Goodman, Meghan, McGrail, John

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Mr. Biden is the younger of the vice president's two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter Biden attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. Biden also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James Biden, the vice president's brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the Bidens and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. Biden, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was "not out of the ordinary" for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, "Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped."

In response to Mr. Pyatt's criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky's case, Mr. Toohey said that "strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine."

Vice President Biden has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week's visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

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"I've got to believe that somebody in the vice president's office has done some due diligence on this," said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. "I should say that I hope that has happened. I would hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message."

Muldoon, Anne Marie

03 Dec 2015 17:02:57

To: Suber, Kellen, DL-OVP-West Wing, Schultz, Greg, Schrum, Michael, Mackler, Alexander, Mackler, Alexander, >, "Schultz, Gregory, >", "Schrum, Evan, >", "Suber, Kellen C., >", "DL-OVP-West Wing

Cc: DL-OVP-Office of Dr. Biden, DL-OVP-Office of Dr. Biden

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RE: Delaware Invites are out!

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Additional Information:

Clark-Bauserman, Deborah

29 Nov 2012 22:54:35

To: Timko, Rachel, Timko, Rachel

Cc:

Bcc:

FW: Copy of 120912 DE Holiday Reception 2012 as of 11_29_2012DCB.xlsx

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Hakim, Neema

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To: DL-WHO-Press, Allen, Jessica, Ambriz, Andrea, Amuluru, Uma, Aniskoff, Paulette, Bartoloni, Kristen, Bedingfield, Kate, Bitar, Maher, Bray, Leah, Brocato, Rebecca, Brookie, Graham, Brooks, Jordan A., Brown, Jamal, Canegallo, Kristie A., Carson, Crystal, Click, John, Coates, Kelsey, Cohen, Ilona, Dickinson, Tammy, DMCOS, Earnest, Joshua R., Etienne, Ashley, George, Beth, Gianotti, Claire, Goodman, Meghan, Hankins, Hannah R., Hass, Ryan, Helfetz, David, Heinzelman, Kate, Ismail, Lori, Jacob, Susannah, Jencks, Fae, Jimenez, Luis A., Keenan, Cody, Kreikemeier, Chad, Lachman, Jonathan S., Lang, Kimberly C., Lee, Jesse C., Lempert, Yael, Lopez, Rafael, MacFarquhar, Rory, Meservie, Justin R., Moussavian, Roxana, Newman, David, Nosanchuk, Matt, Olorunnipa, Funmi, Ortiz, Michael, Pelofsky, Eric, Pietranton, Kelsey, Platkin, Alex, Pollack, Joshua, Prescott, Jeffrey, Prescott1, Jeffrey M., Price, Ryan, Quillian, Natalie, Quinn, Katy, Rangarajan, Taara, Ratner, Jeffrey, Reddy, Vinay, Rhodes, 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Ryan F. Toohy, a Burisma spokesman, said that Hunter Biden would not comment for this article.

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Joining the board at the same time was one of Mr. Biden's American business partners, Devon Archer. Both are involved with Rosemont Seneca Partners, an American investment firm with offices in Washington.

Mr. Biden is the younger of the vice president's two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter Biden attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public

affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. Biden also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James Biden, the vice president's brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the Bidens and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. Biden, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was "not out of the ordinary" for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, "Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped."

In response to Mr. Pyatt's criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky's case, Mr. Toohey said that "strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine."

Vice President Biden has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week's visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

Ms. Bedingfield said Hunter Biden had never traveled to Ukraine with his father. She also said that Ukrainian officials had never mentioned Hunter Biden's role with Burisma to the vice president during any of his visits.

"I've got to believe that somebody in the vice president's office has done some due diligence on this," said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. "I should say that I hope that has happened. I would hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message."

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120912 Delaware Registration Report as of 120212

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Good evening,

Please see the latest registration report for the 12/9 DE Reception and let me know if there are any questions. As of this evening, the event statistics are:

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	337
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REGRETS	21
NO RESPONSES	240
ATTENDS	0
UNKNOWN GUESTS	21
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Thanks,
Debbi

Deborah E. Clark-Bauserman, CMP

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Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
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Tue, 19 Jan 2016 15:01:22 -0500

To: Hill, Matthew (Intern), Hill, Matthew (Intern)

FW: VP Ukraine Press Recap

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Sent: Wednesday, December 9, 2015 4:45 PM

To: DL-OVP-Communications <DL-OVP-Communications@dsr.eop.gov>

Subject: VP Ukraine Press Recap

Hello everyone,

Attached is a press recap for the VP's trip to Ukraine.

Thanks,

Joe

Joseph Brown

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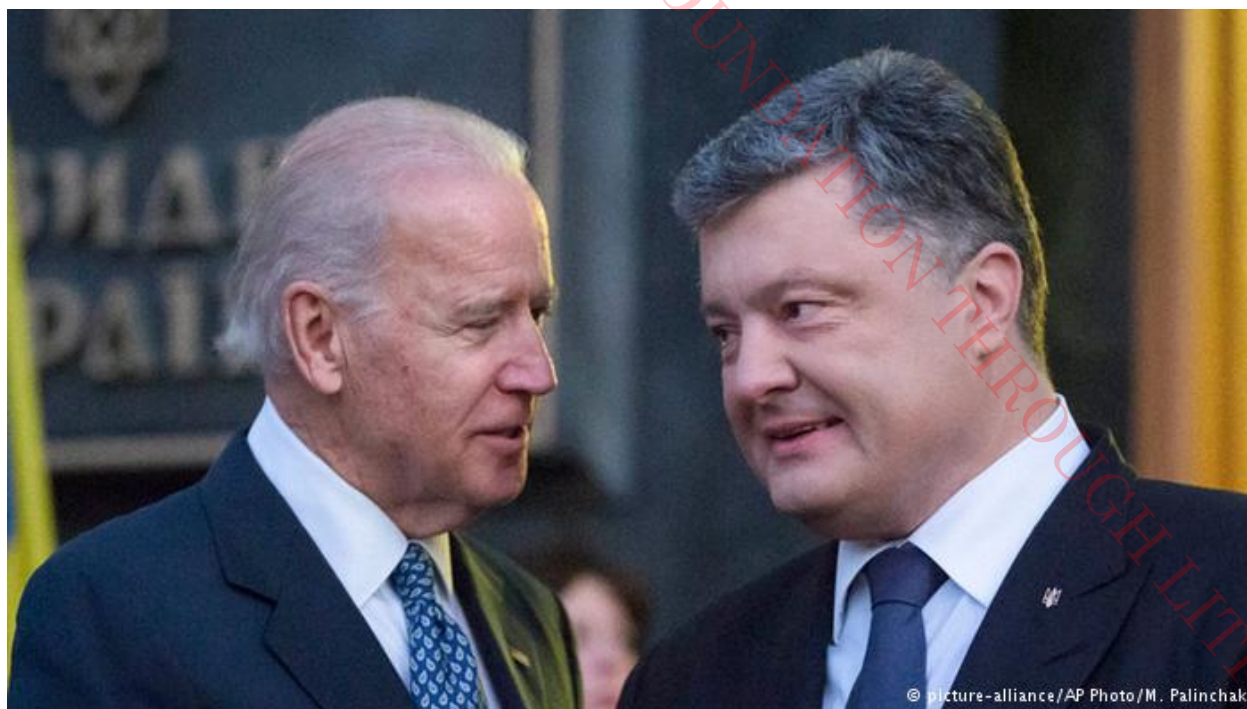
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Joe BIDEN says U.S. Is Still Backing Ukraine

By: Peter Baker / December 7, 2015

The United States will not sacrifice Ukraine in pursuit of Russian cooperation in Syria, Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. assured Ukrainian leaders on Monday, as the Obama administration tries to manage complicated diplomacy with Moscow.

Opening a two-day visit to Kiev, Mr. **BIDEN** told President Petro O. Poroshenko that the United States still stands by Ukraine in its conflict with pro-Russian separatists. To make the point, Mr. **BIDEN** promised another \$190 million in American aid.

“The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued — and I emphasize continued — aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists,” Mr. **BIDEN** told reporters after the meeting.

He called on President Vladimir V. Putin of Russia to live up to a cease-fire agreement reached in February in Minsk, Belarus. “Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community,” Mr. **BIDEN** said.

Ukrainian officials have been nervous about what Russia’s renewed interest in the Middle East would mean for their country. American officials interpret Russia’s intervention in Syria as an attempt by Mr. Putin to distract world attention from the Ukrainian conflict, to break out of the isolation the West has tried to impose on Moscow, and perhaps to weaken international resolve to maintain sanctions.

President Obama has insisted that the situations in Ukraine and Syria are separate, and he sent Mr. **BIDEN** to Ukraine to drive that point home. Even if Washington and Moscow can work together to settle the Syrian civil war and battle the Islamic State, Mr. Obama has said, it would not stop the West from maintaining pressure on Russia to resolve the Ukrainian dispute.

“That’s going to be a major theme of the trip — that nothing that’s going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security,” a senior administration official said before Mr. **BIDEN** left Washington. The official briefed reporters on the condition of anonymity under White House rules.

Michael A. McFaul, Mr. Obama’s former ambassador to Russia, said the Ukrainians should be reassured. “Vice President **BIDEN’S** trip to Kyiv sends a clear message that the United States is not willing to trade Ukraine for Russian cooperation on Syria,” he said, using the spelling of the capital that Ukrainian leaders prefer. “That kind of linkage never works,” Mr. McFaul said.

Mr. **BIDEN** also pressed the Ukrainians to put aside their differences and do more to battle corruption, bolster their economy and restructure the country’s finances.

Mr. Poroshenko was elected in 2014 after a pro-Moscow government was driven from office by mass protests that were met with violence. By many accounts, he has yet to diminish the control wielded by a small coterie of business moguls over much of the country’s economic and political apparatus. The president is fighting with Parliament over the prosecutor general, who critics say has done too little to tackle corruption.

“It’s absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe, to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption,” Mr. **BIDEN** said. “The people need to see that the ways of the past are permanently gone, they no longer exist. That means hard decisions.”

Mr. **BIDEN** made a point about fighting corruption with the way he began his visit to Kiev: by meeting with what his office called a “reformers’ round table” of government officials, lawmakers and advocacy group leaders. After his meeting with Mr. Poroshenko, Mr. **BIDEN** met with Prime Minister Arseniy P. Yatsenyuk, who has been at odds with the president over a host of issues.

“Vice President **BIDEN’S** most important challenge in Ukraine is to keep the president and prime minister on a common, unequivocal path of reform that shows Ukraine is helping itself and merits the world’s support,” said

Carlos Pascual, a former American ambassador to Ukraine. "With Russia recapturing a leadership role in the Middle East, Ukraine cannot give the world an excuse to forget Ukraine."

Mr. **BIDEN** will make some of the same points when he addresses the Rada, or Ukrainian Parliament, on Tuesday, a rare platform for a foreign leader. If Ukraine is to prevail in its struggle with Russia, he plans to say, it must get its own house in order.

Before his meeting with Mr. Poroshenko on Monday, Mr. **BIDEN** visited a monument to people who were killed during the pro-Western demonstrations in Maidan Square that led to the ouster of President Viktor F. Yanukovich. Mr. **BIDEN** tried to visit the monument last year, but had to cancel at the last minute when an unruly group of protesters unnerved his security detail.

Somber-faced and coatless on a brisk day, Mr. **BIDEN** viewed a display of about 100 photographs of slain protesters, along with candles, bouquets of flowers and banners with tributes to the victims.

"Imagine what it was like," Geoffrey Pyatt, the American ambassador, could be heard telling Mr. **BIDEN**. He pointed to surrounding buildings. "Snipers up on the buildings there."

Mr. **BIDEN** left a commemorative vice-presidential coin at the base of an elaborately carved wooden cross at the monument.

The conflict in eastern Ukraine has fallen into a kind of stasis, with Russian-backed separatist rebels still in control of sizable areas but significantly less violence than before the Minsk agreement.

By several accounts, the Kremlin has reined in the separatists, but has not done anything to return the restive region to government control. Nor has it shown any sign of relaxing its grip on the Crimean peninsula, which it annexed early last year. The peninsula has had no electricity for two weeks after explosions in southern Ukraine knocked out a transmission line.

Despite efforts by President François Hollande of France to enlist Russia in the international coalition fighting the Islamic State in Syria, the European Union appears likely to renew sanctions against Russia next week over Moscow's actions in Ukraine.

According to Stratfor, a private analysis group, "As things stand now, the two sides are moving further apart, and the Russia-West standoff is likely to endure well into 2016."

Bloomberg

BIDEN says 'Illegal' Russian Occupation of Crimea Must End

By: Margaret Talev / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** called Russia's annexation of Crimea "illegal" in a demonstration of solidarity with Ukraine's government that signaled the U.S. won't bargain away its support for the country to win Russian cooperation in the fight against Islamic State in Syria.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued -- and I emphasize continued -- aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said in Kiev on Monday, following a meeting with Ukrainian president Petro Poroshenko.

BIDEN announced \$190 million in new aid for Ukraine contingent on the government continuing to make progress rooting out corruption. That brings direct U.S. assistance to nearly \$760 million since the formation of a new government in 2014, including more than \$260 million for security. The latest funds is for helping law enforcement fight corruption, reforming the justice sector, and streamlining regulations and privatization of state-owned enterprises, **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN'S two-day visit to Ukraine is intended to deliver reassurance that the U.S. won't budge in its commitment to Ukraine at a time when attention has shifted to Syria and fighting the Islamic State. That includes keeping in place sanctions on Russia to pressure President Vladimir Putin's government to fully implement the Minsk agreements that outline a path to end nearly two years of conflict.

Minsk Accords

The separatists, Ukraine and Russia must continue to respect a cease-fire signed earlier this year in Minsk, Belarus, **BIDEN** said. "Both sides need to hold up that bargain," he said, echoing the position of U.S. allies in Europe.

“The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten” what happened, **BIDEN** said, calling Russia’s move to annex Crimea in 2014 an “illegal invasion” that “will not be accepted” by the U.S. or international community. “We will not accept it under any circumstance, and Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine’s sovereign territory” including Crimea.

Tensions rose recently after power lines to Crimea were cut by Ukrainian saboteurs. Russia and the U.S. remain at loggerheads over both Ukraine and Syria, where a Russian military intervention has complicated that country’s civil war.

Syria Conflict

Putin says his military is attacking Islamic State in Syria. The U.S. says Putin’s forces have targeted relatively few Islamic State-held areas, and instead is attempting to reinforce Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, a close ally, by bombing rebels backed by the U.S. and Persian Gulf states.

Poroshenko, through a translator, told reporters that he pledged to **BIDEN** that Ukraine is ready to provide “maximum support” to U.S.-led coalition forces in Syria, though he did not say what such support might entail.

“Ukraine is no stranger to terrorist threats,” he said. “We cannot be frightened by the terrorist threat.”

As Russia has turned its attention to Syria, Ukraine sees signs for hope and concern. While clashes between separatists and Ukrainian forces have eased since September, eastern Ukraine’s status remains unsettled. Insurgent tanks were spotted in Horlivka northeast of Donetsk, and rebels continued provocations with mortars, rifles, machine guns and grenade launchers, officials said Sunday.

Ukraine is seeking assurances from the U.S. and European Union that it will not become a bargaining chip in efforts to coordinate with Russia on attacking Islamic State targets.

BIDEN earlier Monday held a closed-door roundtable discussion on political and government reforms with about a dozen Ukrainian officials and members of civil society. He also visited the Heavenly Hundred memorial,

an unofficial memorial with a wooden cross and framed photos of those killed in the Maidan protests of February 2014.

"We are starting to see real signs of economic progress" in Ukraine, **BIDEN** said, including "stabilized" currency.

BIDEN is to meet with Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk later Monday. He will address Ukraine's parliament on Tuesday.

Wall Street Journal

Ukrainians See Conflict in BIDEN'S Anticorruption Message

By: Paul Sonne and Laura Mills / December 7, 2015

Joe **BIDEN** is on his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president, pressing the pro-Western government to root out widespread corruption, but activists here say that message is being undermined as his son receives money from a former Ukrainian official who is being investigated for graft.

Since May of last year, Hunter **BIDEN**, the vice president's son, has served as an independent director of Ukrainian gas firm Burisma Holdings Ltd., a closely held company run by a former government official whom Ukrainian and British authorities are investigating for alleged criminal wrongdoing.

Mykola Zlochevsky, who served as ecology and natural resources minister under the Ukrainian government that was ousted in last year's pro-Western uprising, hasn't been charged and denies wrongdoing.

Mr. **BIDEN'S** visit to Ukraine this week, which will include a formal address to Parliament on Tuesday, comes against the backdrop of increasing exasperation over corruption that has persisted in the two years since the country's pro-Western uprising and the general prosecutor's office tasked with prosecuting such wrongdoing has come under fire for inaction.

The vice president's office defended Hunter **BIDEN'S** right to serve on the board of Burisma.

"Hunter **BIDEN** is a private citizen and a lawyer. The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company," said Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Mr. **BIDEN**.

Hunter **BIDEN** said his work with Burisma aligns with his father's anticorruption message. A spokesman for the younger Mr. **BIDEN** said he joined the board "to strengthen corporate governance and transparency at a company working to advance energy security for Ukraine...These are also goals of the United States."

But some anticorruption campaigners here worry the link with Mr. **BIDEN** may protect Mr. Zlochevsky from being prosecuted in Ukraine. The general prosecutor didn't respond to multiple requests for comment on the investigation into Mr. Zlochevsky.

"If an investigator sees the son of the vice president of the United States is part of the management of a company...that investigator will be uncomfortable pushing the case forward," said Daria Kaleniuk, head of Ukraine's Anti-Corruption Action Center.

Hunter **BIDEN** has been working on geothermal energy initiatives that Burisma is pursuing and carrying out customary board member duties including company oversight.

"The situation raises a question mark about integrity," said Viktoriya Voytsitska, a member of Parliament and former employee of a rival gas company to Mr. Zlochevsky's. "There should be integrity at all levels, irrespective of whether these are of a public or private level."

Mr. Zlochevsky is under investigation in the U.K. on suspicion of money laundering, according to British authorities. He is also under investigation in a Ukrainian unlawful-enrichment probe and a separate Ukrainian into alleged abuse of power, forgery and embezzlement, according to letters from the general prosecutor reviewed by The Wall Street Journal.

"Mr. Zlochevsky has followed the letter and spirit of the law in his role as civil servant," Burisma said. "He has, at all times, held himself to the highest moral and ethical standards of fairness and decision making."

The firm said investigators hadn't produced any evidence of misconduct. Anticorruption campaigners and Ukrainian lawmakers have criticized the general prosecutor's office for lack of progress in the investigation against Mr. Zlochevsky and others involving high-profile former officials, some two years after the uprising on Maidan that promised an end to Ukraine's widespread corruption.

In March 2014, BNP Paribas reported Mr. Zlochevsky to U.K. authorities on suspicion of money laundering after his companies tried to move \$23 million to Cyprus from their British account at the bank, according to court documents.

A judge in the U.K. unfroze the \$23 million in January and chastised the U.K. Serious Fraud Office for holding the funds for months in their money-laundering probe without presenting sufficient evidence of a suspected crime. Burisma hailed the ruling as confirmation that Mr. Zlochevsky's assets were legally acquired.

The U.K. authorities are still pursuing the investigation.

U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine Geoffrey Pyatt singled out the mismanagement of Mr. Zlochevsky's case by Ukrainian prosecutors as an example of the country's failure to hold to account officials from the ousted government suspected of corruption. Mr. Pyatt suggested the court unfroze the money not because of Mr. Zlochevsky's innocence, but rather because of the incompetence of Ukrainian authorities.

Behind the relationship between Mr. Zlochevsky and Hunter **BIDEN** is an effort to anchor the future of a controversial Ukrainian company amid shifting political and economic tides, according to people familiar with the company's thinking.

In his political career, Mr. Zlochevsky allied with Moscow-leaning factions in Ukrainian politics, only to re-emerge after last year's uprising with high-profile Westerners on his company's board. Burisma now promotes its business as an antidote to Ukraine's reliance on the Kremlin for energy.

Twice, Mr. Zlochevsky served in top Ukrainian government positions that oversaw the allocation of gas licenses—first under President Leonid Kuchma from 2003 to 2005, as chairman of the since-disbanded State Committee for Natural Resources, and later under President Viktor Yanukovich from 2010 to 2012, as Ecology and Natural Resources Minister.

All the while, companies now part of Burisma rose to become the largest private gas producer in Ukraine. A review of Mr. Zlochevsky's activities by The Wall Street Journal found his oil and gas production businesses flourished by winning crucial permits while he was in office.

Ukrainian records indicate that Burisma's main subsidiaries—Esko-Pivnich and Pari—received all their exploration permits for fresh fields during his two stints in the top posts, excluding extensions on existing fields. Those exploration licenses were awarded without public auctions, according to a review of the records and an official at the State Geological and Mineral Resources Service of Ukraine.

In many cases, the companies made use of a provision in Ukrainian rules, known as an “integral property complex,” which allowed the firms to receive a license to gas fields without auction if they already owned or rented some type of asset on the field, as simple as a pipe network or dwelling. Burisma says all its permits were issued in accordance with Ukrainian law.

Apart from Burisma, other companies connected to Mr. Zlochevsky also received licenses during his time in office. In 2004, Mr. Zlochevsky's committee revoked a Ukrainian state firm's license to one of Ukraine's biggest gas fields, crippling a Polish-Ukrainian joint venture that had been harvesting deposits. It then awarded the license to a little known firm called Ukrnaftoburinnya, which counted companies tied to Mr. Zlochevsky among its beneficiaries, according to Ukrainian public records and its former CEO. Those firms later sold out. Burisma said there was no conflict of interest.

The Ukrainian constitution prohibits ministers from combining public service duties with any work except for teaching, research or creative activities. Four people, however, said they met Mr. Zlochevsky to discuss Burisma investments while he was minister. Two said he sometimes conducted the business-related meetings in his office at the ministry itself.

Since Ukraine's uprising, anticorruption crusaders and officials have regularly pointed to Mr. Zlochevsky as an example of Yanukovich-era excess.

DW

Joe BIDEN likely to bring harsh criticism to Ukraine

By: Frank Hofmann / December 6, 2015

It took over a year and a half for Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko to even begin implementing his most important campaign promise: On December 1, a new head of the anti-corruption prosecution agency was finally appointed, and now the office is ready to start working. US officials think this took far too long, and they are losing patience with Ukraine's government, especially since Prosecutor General Viktor Shokin, a Poroshenko confidant, has delayed filling the anti-corruption position. In September of this year, Geoffrey Pyatt, the US ambassador to Kyiv, took an unusual step. He tweeted - albeit in a convoluted, diplomatic manner - his demand for Shokin's dismissal.

But Poroshenko is holding on to Shokin, a man who has been accused of leading an extremely corrupt state apparatus. After Euromaidan, the judiciary holds great emotional significance for Ukrainians. Almost 100 people were killed in the revolt two years ago.

"The entire Prosecutor General's Office must urgently be reformed," a high-ranking US official demanded ahead of Joe **BIDEN'S** visit to Kyiv, where the US vice president is scheduled to start holding meetings on Monday. Ukraine has a "long history of corruption," the official said, requesting anonymity to speak candidly. **BIDEN'S** schedule for the visit reflects how low respect for Ukraine's leadership has sunk in the United States: The vice president will speak with representatives of pro-EU civil society groups before holding talks with politicians.

BIDEN will put pressure on the Ukrainian government, the US official said, and "the recently adopted anti-corruption reforms will be implemented." The vice president will probably urge Ukraine's government to force Shokin to resign. Diplomats in Kyiv are becoming increasingly distraught with regard to the placatory attitude of Ukrainian leaders.

It seems questionable that the required judicial reform will be swiftly implemented. Poroshenko's people are being advised by the European Council in Strasbourg - an institution that is not known for quick reforms. Behind the scenes, a Japanese diplomat insisted that the entire Ukrainian judiciary be thrown out. In the past, judges often acted as trustees, representing the interests of oligarchs. Japanese officials suggest that the Ukrainian government dismiss all its jurists and then start a "recruitment campaign" to put "judges with integrity" in office. This has already worked

for Ukraine's new traffic police, for which Japan has donated about 1,300 cars. Since summer, the hybrid vehicles have zipped around Kyiv, blue lights flashing to give a sense of security. Above all, these actions are meant to say, "We are doing something." Now it turns out that the police patrols just showcase a proclaimed change in politics, but, behind the display, many moldy structures prevail.

This also applies to political structures. It is striking how intricately entangled they are with Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk's milieu. That is why Yatsenyuk confidant Mykola Martynenko remains chairman of the energy committee in Ukraine's unicameral parliament, or Rada, although Switzerland has been directing investigations into him for at least half a year. Martynenko is suspected of transferring bribes worth millions to a Swiss account. It is doubtful that the Ukrainian prosecutor general has provided the Swiss with satisfactory support.

Conflict with Russia as an excuse?

The accused just shrug the allegations off. In other European countries, officials would break out in a cold sweat just thinking about the consequences, but German bank managers in Kyiv say Ukrainians cynically sneer at the idea of "honorable gentlemen." Martynenko himself speaks of a Russian conspiracy against him. Last Monday he stated that he would resign from parliament, but his departure has not been voted on yet.

All in all, many Ukrainian leaders use the conflict with Russia as an excuse for their failure to act. Instead of building democratic structures, the country seems to be stabilizing the old system of oligarchy, cronyism and corruption. Russian President Vladimir Putin has thus achieved his goal of halting Ukraine's establishing stronger bonds with the United States and EU. The excesses of the judiciary are reminiscent of the situation in Russia, where prosecutors are involved in shady dealings and act arbitrarily.

Ukrainian authorities are also known for violations of freedom of speech, another similarity the country has with Russia. The critical blogger Ruslan Kozaba has been in custody since February. His crime: He spoke out against the civil war in eastern Ukraine.

Apparently, the blogger was reported to authorities by a volunteer who works for the Security Service of Ukraine. The 31,000-employee SBU appears to serve as the third element in the justice system and is also traditionally a tool of oligarchic interests. But US officials say the days of standing by and watching are over: The grace period has apparently come to an end.

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Joe BIDEN'S Mission in Ukraine

By: Stephen Sestanovich / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine for two days of meetings and a speech to parliament. Such visits typically combine warm reassurance with hair-on-fire exhortation: "We've got your back," plus "You've got to do more." That will doubtless be Mr. **BIDEN'S** script this week. But there's nothing pro forma about the message. Although Ukraine has long since lost its page-one prominence, its situation—economic, political, and strategic—remains dire. It could be back on the front page in a hurry.

So what does the vice president need to say in Kiev? The crisis of the moment involves a political impasse over the budget. Finance Minister Natalie Jaresko, a tough reformer, has presented a tax package that would clean up a corrupt code, embrace a 20% flat tax, narrow the deficit, and sustain support from the International Monetary Fund. George Soros has endorsed it, but key parliamentary leaders have not. They've proposed an alternative (reformers call it "populist") that will cut rates, explode the deficit, and kiss IMF money good-bye.

U.S. leaders hate telling friendly countries that they have to accept the IMF's medicine, and Mr. **BIDEN** surely loathes this part of his assignment. What he needs to do in Kiev is make populism his friend. Yes, it's crucial to satisfy the IMF. (Who except Vladimir Putin wants Ukraine to stand alone?) But satisfying the Ukrainian people is equally important. The country's future depends on their support, far more than on the support of international financial institutions.

Fortunately, the two can still be reconciled. Part of Mr. **BIDEN'S** job in Ukraine this week is to avoid letting himself become the IMF's enforcer. He needs to give Ms. Jaresko's plan a boost and to make plain the U.S. government's view that her plan can succeed only if married to a vigorous assault on the corrupt and still unreformed institutions of pre-Maidan Ukraine. (As a senior member of the Kiev government growled to me not so long ago: "People need to go to jail.")

That's the you've-got-to-do-more half of Mr. **BIDEN'S** mission. As for the reassurance half, the vice president will tell Ukrainians—loudly and emphatically—that the United States and Europe will not sell them out in order to forge an anti-terrorism alliance with Russia. He shouldn't let himself be guilt-tripped on this issue or make concessions just to soothe nerves in Kiev. Still, the current lull in eastern Ukraine is a good moment to think about how to keep the peace whenever fighting threatens to resume. To prolong the lull, Ukraine needs a more capable and professional military. Now—not when new violence erupts somewhere down the line—is the time to think about security.

AFP

Joe BIDEN Visits War-Scarred Ukraine to Reaffirm US Support

By: Dmitry Zaks / December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** arrived in Kiev late Sunday to reassure its pro-Western leaders that Washington remains committed to Ukraine despite stepped-up efforts to work with Russia against Islamic State jihadists.

BIDEN'S three-day visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

After arriving at around midnight (2200 GMT on Sunday), he is due to meet Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko Monday and deliver a highly-anticipated address to parliament the following day.

"We do not know if there is any other historical precedent for a foreign official giving a speech like this," a senior US administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said in a teleconference with reporters.

Washington and Kiev's EU allies support Ukraine's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ousting of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Both the US and EU have slapped stiff economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's dilapidated and underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Situation changing

But the situation changed when Russia launched ferocious air strikes against Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's enemies on September 30.

Washington accused Putin of trying to prop up his most important Middle East ally by targeting Western-backed Syrian rebels instead of IS and other extremists holding parts of Syria and Iraq.

Yet IS's claim that it downed a Russian airliner carrying 224 holidaymakers and crew from Egypt on October 31 appears to have prompted Moscow to focus more on bombing oil infrastructure and other jihadist targets.

The November 13 Paris attacks further prompted French President Francois Hollande to try to enrol Russia in a "grand coalition" against IS including the US and some European and Arab states.

Hollande's mission has been treated with caution by the White House and overt fright by Ukraine, a country of about 40 million.

The senior US official said **BIDEN** would take extra care to stress that the overtures toward Putin in no way affected the West's support for Kiev.

"I think that is going to be a major theme of the trip -- that nothing that is going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the US official said.

Inability to erase corruption

Yet **BIDEN** arrives in a country whose morale is sagging due to Poroshenko's seeming inability to erase the corruption that has ravaged Ukraine for much of its recent history.

Poroshenko's prosecutor-general has particularly fallen prey to accusations of blocking investigations and hiring workers who have since been detained with huge stashes of gold and cash in their flats.

This, along with Kiev's failure to win back the east after 19 months of bloodshed that has claimed more than 8,000 lives, is souring the public's mood toward the government and helping the resurgence of Ukrainian far-right groups.

"Much more needs to be done to reform the prosecutor-general's office so that it actually enables anti-corruption efforts as opposed to standing in the way of those efforts," the US official said.

"So that will be I think something that is talked about."

Analysts say the main problem rests in the government's failure to break the hold big business has enjoyed over much of Ukrainian politics for more than 20 years.

"Ukraine has 1,833 state corporations that are a persistent source of corruption," said Anders Aslund of the US-based Atlantic Council.

"The government has failed to privatise one single enterprise because of deeply ingrained vested interests."

Poroshenko has taken credit for dismissing nearly 4,000 graft-tainted prosecutors. He also introduced a high-ranking official on Tuesday responsible for rooting out bribe-taking and at least partially limiting the sway of shadowy tycoons.

But some analysts remain unconvinced.

"The adoption of even the best and highest-profile decisions that 'suit **BIDEN**' only underscores the absence of a coherent strategy for reforming our country," Ukrainian political commentator Yevgen Magda said.

VICE News

Joe BIDEN is visiting Ukraine – and it could get really awkward

By: Simon Ostrovsky / December 7, 2015

It's a diplomat's job to stay all smiles and keep the business of international relations chugging along, no matter how bad things look. But sometimes, even diplomats lose their cool.

This week, US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is visiting Kiev to tell Ukrainians they still have Washington's support in their fight against Russia and Russia-backed separatists in the country's east. But his message may be overshadowed by the US ambassador to Kiev, who hasn't been acting very diplomatically lately.

At the end of September, Ambassador Geoffrey Pyatt got up in front of a group of businessmen and investors at a conference in the city of Odessa and told them that Ukrainian prosecutors were protecting the corrupt owner of an energy company that employs the **BIDEN'S** son, Hunter, instead of prosecuting him.

"We have learned that there have been times when the Prosecutor General's Office not only did not support investigations into corruption, but rather undermined prosecutors working on legitimate corruption cases," Pyatt said in Ukraine's main port city.

He then pointed specifically to a case involving former Ukrainian Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, owner of the Burisma Holdings energy firm, which hired Hunter **BIDEN** to its board of directors shortly after the Euromaidan revolution overthrew Zlochevsky's former boss Viktor Yanukovich.

Burisma likely hired **BIDEN'S** son in the hopes that some of the family prestige would rub off on the company in the uncertain times that followed the revolution, Daria Kaleniuk, director of Ukraine's Anti-Corruption Action Center, told VICE News.

"They want there to be less suspicion that they're involved in corrupt under-the-table dealings and are instead seen as operating in line with international standards," Kaleniuk said, adding that Burisma received gas

production licenses in questionable circumstances under the former regime.

Burisma insists it hired the vice president's son to its board because he is an experienced lawyer. "This is totally based on merit," the company's chairman, Alan Apter said when the younger **BIDEN** was hired.

According to the US ambassador, Hunter **BIDEN'S** boss Zlochevsky stole \$23 million from the Ukrainian people. But when a British court seized the money and asked Ukrainian prosecutors to send documents to confirm the funds were illicit, they stalled, forcing the court to release the assets back to the former ecology minister.

The elder **BIDEN** arrives in Ukraine at a time when there is no bigger issue than corruption. With the war in the east stabilized for the time being, the media have nominated graft as the country's number one enemy — not Russia.

The vice president also lands after months of acrimony between reformers and Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko over the prosecutor general, who Poroshenko has refused to dismiss despite numerous allegations about abuse of authority.

But the White House wants the focus of **BIDEN'S** visit to be Ukraine's close alliance with the US. One senior administration official, who asked not to be named, said a major goal was to remind people that Ukraine was not forgotten despite the fact that attention has shifted toward Russia's involvement in Syria.

'That's going to be a major theme of the trip — that nothing that's going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people.'

"That's going to be a major theme of the trip — that nothing that's going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the official said in a briefing for journalists.

The official also acknowledged that the administration has had to fall into line with the ambassador's now public views.

"The Office of the Prosecutor General itself is in desperate need of reform," the official said. "And so [**BIDEN**] has made this very clear to President Poroshenko in previous conversations... So I think we are largely in line with Ambassador Pyatt's sense that much more needs to be done."

But **BIDEN'S** meeting with Poroshenko may be a bit awkward, given that the US backs Ukraine on the presumption that it wants to have a Western-style democratic system with checks and balances — not a Russian-style autocracy where anyone who is friends with top officials gets a free pass.

Ukrainian reformers will be watching closely to hear what **BIDEN** tells the president.

"We have been very happy with the criticism the embassy has been bringing against the prosecutor's office," said Kaleniuk. "It has been very direct. So if **BIDEN** continues in the same vein and highlights the activities of the prosecutor's office in defending people associated with Burisma, then it will be clear that he is doing his job fairly and is not beholden to narrow family interests."

Voice of America

BIDEN to push for reforms during Ukraine visit December 6, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine for a visit aimed at pushing the Kyiv government toward continued reforms, while seeking to reassure it that war in Syria has not diminished Washington's support for Ukraine's pro-Western ambitions.

BIDEN arrived in Kyiv early Monday local time, and is set to meet with President Petro Poroshenko later in the day, before a highly anticipated address to the Ukraine parliament Tuesday.

During the two-day visit - **BIDEN'S** fifth since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in early 2014 - he is expected to review Ukraine's recent anti-corruption efforts, including tax reforms, ahead of formal U.S. approval of a third \$1 billion loan guarantee.

The Obama administration already has provided \$470 million in direct economic assistance since pro-Russian former president Viktor Yanukovich was driven from power nearly two years ago, after weeks of anti-government protests in Kyiv. The **BIDEN** visit comes as fighting in eastern Ukraine between government troops and pro-Russian rebels continues to wane, after more than 18 months of combat and nearly 8,000 deaths, most of them civilians.

Key U.S. officials say **BIDEN** will seek to reassure Kyiv that Washington will continue an array of economic sanctions against Russia, until Moscow and its Ukrainian rebel allies fully implement internationally mediated agreements to end the conflict and pull back heavy weapons.

Senior officials say **BIDEN** also will stress that recent U.S. overtures aimed at gaining cooperation from Russian President Vladimir Putin in the fight against Islamic extremists in Syria will in no way affect Western support for Kyiv.

President Poroshenko has overseen the dismissals of nearly 4,000 graft tainted prosecutors since taking office in May 2014. Last week, he also introduced a special anti-corruption prosecutor whose responsibilities will include rooting out graft and limiting the political power of shadowy business tycoons long seen as obstructing good government practices in the former Soviet republic.

AP

BIDEN announces more US aid for Ukraine December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** assured Ukraine Monday of continuing U.S. support and announced the release of an additional \$190 million in U.S. aid to help support reforms.

BIDEN, speaking Monday on a trip to the Ukrainian capital, also emphasized the need for Russia to fully meet its obligations under February's Minsk agreement that was intended to end the fighting in eastern Ukraine.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued — I emphasize, continued — aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said after his talks with Ukraine's President Petro Poroshenko.

Ukraine and the West have accused Russia of backing the rebels in eastern Ukraine with troops and weapons, accusations Moscow has denied.

Fighting between Ukrainian forces and Russia-backed separatists has abated significantly since early September, after killing some 8,000 people since April 2014, but tensions remain high because of unresolved questions about the final political status of the rebel regions in the east.

"Moscow has to fully implement the Minsk agreement and work constructively with Ukraine to create the conditions for free, fair and safe local elections to occur in Donbass," **BIDEN** said, referring to the collective name for the two rebel regions.

BIDEN also underlined that the U.S. will never accept Russia's annexation of Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula. "Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine's sovereign territory," he said.

BIDEN stressed the need for Ukraine to ramp up the fight against corruption and undertake critical reforms.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption," he said.

BIDEN added that the additional roughly \$190 million in U.S. assistance will help fight corruption in Ukraine's law-enforcement and reform the justice sector, helping attract more investment by streamlining regulations and privatizing state-owned enterprises in a transparent way.

Morning News USA

Joe BIDEN stirs World War 3 Analyst

By: Athena Yenka / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** traveled to Ukraine on Sunday. The visit aimed to provide a strong signal of American support for Ukraine in the face of Russia's continued military intervention in the region, according to a senior administration official. The move, however, signals that U.S. is geared up for a possible World War 3 against Russia, according to an analyst.

"He (**BIDEN**) is there to kind of reassure the Kiev puppet ally government that the United States is standing behind them, ready for World War 3 against Russia," Joachim Hagopian, an investigative journalist, told Press TV.

A senior administration official said the primary aim of Vice President **BIDEN'S** visit to Ukraine is to assure a staunch U.S. support against Russia's provocative incursion in the region. "Even as so much of the international attention has shifted towards Russia's involvement with Syria, we, the United States, haven't forgotten about Ukraine; that Ukraine remains central to our national interests; and that the Vice President and President continue to believe that progress in Ukraine is essential for the ultimate aspiration we have for Europe of being whole, at peace, and free," the official said during a conference call.

A discussion will also be made about the implementation of the Minsk Agreements in order to deescalate hostilities between Russian-backed separatists and the Ukrainian government. Mr. **BIDEN** will call for Russia to live up to their obligations under the Minsk Agreements, the official said. He will also assure Ukraine that U.S. will keep its sanctions against Russia until Minsk is fully implemented. The U.S. will also continue to train the Ukrainian armed forces to defend the region from any aggression from Russia.

The U.S. will not intervene in the matters concerning Ukrainian debt to Russia, the official said. The Russian have offered a solution that requires an American, European or an IMF guarantee of repayment in installments. "This is a bilateral issue for Russia and Ukraine," the official said.

According to a report from Reuters, the Russian government has already received a direct refusal from the U.S. regarding the matter. "In this regard, there is nothing left but for us to file a legal case against Ukraine if the debtor does not fulfill its liabilities fully on Dec. 20," the Russian Finance Ministry was quoted as saying in a statement. The senior administration

official speaking on behalf of the vice president also stressed that while the U.S. has been in active conversation with Russia on Syria, the talks are completely compartmented from the Ukraine experience.

All U.S. moves and decision involving the Ukraine crisis is provoking Russia, Hagopian told Press TV. "I think that we are seeing polarization and a movement towards more confrontation, unfortunately, and I think that this **BIDEN** visit to Ukraine is the same as 'you know we are going to be there for you when World War 3 starts, we are going to be fighting right alongside you,'" Hagopian added.

International Business Times

US Pledges \$190M Financial Support to Ukraine, Must Fight Corruption, Says VP Joe BIDEN

By: Lydia Tomkiw / December 7, 2015

During U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN'S** fourth visit to Ukraine Monday since the Russian annexation of Crimea, he announced the U.S. will provide the financially battered Eastern European country with \$190 million in financial assistance, Reuters reported. The announcement comes as Ukraine works to reform its political and economic systems and continues a territorial battle with Russia.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN reassured the Ukrainian people that the U.S. has not forgotten about Russia's annexation of Crimea in March 2014 that triggered the war in Eastern Ukraine, which has pitted Russian-backed separatists against Ukrainian government forces and devastated Ukraine's industrial heartland. Over 8,000 people have died in the conflict and over 1.4 million have been displaced.

BIDEN said the U.S. would never accept Russia's annexation of the peninsula and emphasized that Russia must meet the demands agreed to

in the February Minsk agreement that officials from both Moscow and Kiev signed in hopes of ending the conflict.

The American leader stressed during his remarks that Ukraine must continue to fight corruption with civil society playing a key role. **BIDEN'S** own son, Hunter, is on the board of a Ukrainian energy company that has faced allegations of corruption.

BIDEN'S remarks come as Ukraine works with the International Monetary Fund to bail out its economy. Ukraine was able to negotiate a 20 percent write-down on \$18 billion worth of bonds in August. Russia holds \$3 billion worth of bonds and has refused to take part in the write-down. The bonds are due Dec. 20 and Russia has said it will sue Ukraine if payments are not made.

"We have no choice but to file a lawsuit against Ukraine in case of the borrower's non-fulfillment of its obligations in full by Dec. 20 of this year, which will mean a sovereign default in Ukraine," Russia's Finance Ministry said in a statement.

BIDEN is scheduled to address the Ukrainian parliament Tuesday.

Reuters

Ukraine still has work to do on reforms, U.S. VP BIDEN says

By: Alessandra Prentice / December 7, 2015

U.S Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said on Monday Ukraine still had a lot of hard work to do on reforms, as he announced new financial aid of \$190 million to help the country fight corruption and streamline its bureaucracy.

Ukraine's Western backers have repeatedly urged Kiev authorities to stick to reform promises made under a \$40 billion international bailout programme aimed at shoring up the country's war-torn economy, which was brought close to bankruptcy by years of corruption and economic mismanagement.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to

determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** told a joint briefing with President Petro Poroshenko following bilateral talks.

Disagreement between the government and parliament over critical tax amendments and slow progress in revamping Ukraine's corrupt judicial system have raised concern that the country's leadership will stumble in its reform drive.

"A lot of hard work remains, including reform of Ukraine's law and justice sectors, but the payoff will be worth it," **BIDEN** said, even as he welcomed "real signs" of economic improvement.

Including the latest funds, the U.S. government has given Kiev \$760 million in direct economic assistance and signed two loan guarantees, each worth \$1 billion, since pro-Western parties took office in Ukraine more than a year ago.

Ukraine has also sought to bolster its finances through restructuring its external debt. Russia holds the entirety of one Ukrainian \$3 billion Eurobond and has refused the deal offered by Kiev, putting forward instead its own terms in a proposal that expires on Tuesday.

There is no sign that the two sides have moved closer to a compromise on the bond, which matures on Dec. 20. The Ukrainian Finance Ministry has said it cannot legally offer Russia better terms than those agreed with its other creditors.

The International Monetary Fund is expected to change its policy to allow it to lend to countries in arrears, maintaining Ukraine's access to financial assistance if it does not repay Russia this month.

Both sides have expressed a willingness to fight out the issue in court, should efforts to negotiate a deal fail.

RFI English

BIDEN visits Kiev to calm Ukrainian fears over Russia relations thaw

By: Jan van der Made / December 7, 2015

US Vice-President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine this week for the fourth time since protests ousted the pro-Russian government at the beginning of 2013. **BIDEN** met Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko on Sunday and was to address parliament on Tuesday.

BIDEN'S Ukraine visit comes as the West seems readier to cooperate with Russia in Syria - a thaw in relations with Kiev's current arch-enemy.

One of the reasons, if not the main reason, that **BIDEN** is there is to address Ukrainians' concerns in that respect.

"This is very important for us, he is giving messages from our foreign alliances and we can see the Americans and the Europeans as our allies in our fight against Russia and we are really grateful for this support, which shows that we are on the right track." says Alexei Ryabchin, a member of parliament for Yulia Tymoshenko's Fatherland Party who met **BIDEN** on Monday morning.

"It signifies the importance that Ukraine carries at the moment for the US," says Lilith Gevorgian, senior economist with IHS Global Insight. "It also signifies the continuing US support for Ukraine and perhaps in some ways it is a gesture to address those concerns Ukrainians may have over the recent thaw between Russia and the West over Syria."

Many Ukrainians fear that their conflict with Russia may be overshadowed by the eagerness of Nato members, especially France, to build an alliance against the Islamic State armed group (IS) in which Russia is an important player, she explains.?

BIDEN seems to have answered Ukrainian concerns, for now at least.

"Of course Ukraine is concerned with this," says Ryabchin, just back from Paris where he attended the Cop21 climate change negotiations.

There "high French officials gave guarantees that the Syrian question is one thing and Ukraine is another", he says. "It won't be mixed."

"And now I heard from Vice-President Joe **BIDEN**, who could speak on behalf of the presidential administration, that Syria is one thing and Ukraine is another and they will not mix these two things together."

Another point of discussion may be Ukraine's debt to Russia and a looming default that could take place as early as this month.

Russia provided Ukraine with three-billion-dollars-worth of credit in 2013, when the country was still ruled by the Moscow-backed government of Victor Yanukovich. The payback is due on 20 December.

"Obviously Ukraine does not have the means to repay this," says Peter Hablik, an economist with the Vienna Institute of International Economic Relations. "Russia insists on getting this money back, otherwise Ukraine would default. And Russia has proposed that for instance the US or the EU would provide guarantees for this credit and in that case Russia would be willing to restructure."

Meanwhile, Nato members are not unanimous in their attitude to Russia. Poland calls for more Nato troops on its territory and cutting ties with Russia, while the Germans last week said they want to push their allies to reopen high level contacts with Russia.

Ukraine is trying to defend its perceived interests in the shifting sands of Moscow-Nato relations.

"The task of the Ukrainian state is to build up capacity of governing our army, of organising our army according to the best Nato standards," says Ryabchyn.

"It does not mean that we are applying for membership right now. No, it means that we now need to build an army that is able to defend the country. The army has been destroyed during 15 years of a pro-Russian government. We restored it within one year. And now we need to train it to the best Nato standards. So this is where we see Nato helping us."

But membership of Nato is still a far-away dream.

"Ukraine has thrown away the previous policy of neutrality in terms of military alliances," says Gevorgian. "In the past Ukraine had declared it didn't want to pursue any military alliance with Russia or Nato. However, after the last crisis, the Crimean crisis and the one in eastern Ukraine, there is an overwhelming support now for pursuing Atlantic integration, including on a military level."

But Ukraine and Georgia, which is also pursuing Nato membership, may have to go through years of reforms before being accepted by the military alliance, which is not going to solve their immediate military problems with Russia, she says.

ABC Radio

BIDEN to ease concerns over US support in Ukraine

December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** received a warm welcome upon his arrival in Kiev, Ukraine, Monday. The vice president was met with the traditional Ukrainian offering of bread and salt on the first visit to Ukraine by a senior U.S. official for some time.

During the two-day visit, **BIDEN** will hopefully reassure Ukrainians that the U.S. is not losing interest in supporting Ukraine.

BIDEN is set to meet with President Petro Poroshenko to discuss further U.S. aid and the conflict with Russia there, which has calmed recently. Officials have also said that **BIDEN** will press the Ukrainian government on economic reforms and anti-corruption efforts that the White House says aren't moving fast enough.

AFP

Russia must fulfill Ukraine peace deal, hand back Crimea: BIDEN

December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said during a visit to Kiev on Monday that Washington remained committed to its demands for Russia to adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev.

The broad February deal struck in the Belarussian capital Minsk "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitments," **BIDEN** said after talks in the Ukrainian capital with President Petro Poroshenko.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia's troops overran Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

Washington and the European Union support Kiev's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Fighting has eased somewhat since the warring sides signed a new truce on September 1. But Ukrainian soldiers and civilians still die almost daily by stepping on landmines and getting caught in the occasional combat that breaks out across the war zone.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, I emphasize, continued aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN also took the opportunity to urge Ukrainian authorities to do more to tackle the rampant graft that has plagued the country for much of its recent history, amid growing discontent among Ukrainians over Poroshenko's seeming inability to end the scourge.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine... to root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** stressed.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you."

Poroshenko for his part told **BIDEN** that the 19-month war in which more than 8,000 have died "cannot be used as an excuse for failing to conduct reforms."

"We are grateful to Washington for its support of Ukraine," the pro-Western president said.

Ukraine Today

US expects Ukraine to make significant steps to eradicate corruption – BIDEN

December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has urged the Ukrainian people and authorities to unite in the fight against corruption, which currently prevents development in the country.

"All Ukrainians, state officials and the business community must work together to eradicate corruption, which has held back the progress in Ukraine for too long. Ukrainians cannot stand corruption any longer. Their expectations are very high," Joe **BIDEN** said during a joint press conference with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko in Kyiv on Monday, December 7, according to Interfax-Ukraine news agency

BIDEN stressed that the desire to fight corruption also led to the anti-government and pro-European protests that took place in Kyiv two years ago in Kyiv.

"It is important to root out corruption to secure the prosperity of Ukraine and ensure the country becomes part of the safe Europe", he said.

BIDEN also said the United States expects Russia to fully implement the Minsk agreements.

"We believe that the best way to end the conflict in the Donbass is through diplomatic methods set out in the Minsk Agreement. But both parties must fulfil their obligations. The Minsk Agreement will not be successful if Russia does not fulfil its obligations, if President Putin did not fulfil the promises he repeatedly gave to US President Obama, to you (President Poroshenko) and the international community ", Interfax-Ukraine quoted **BIDEN** as saying.

Sputnik

With this team? BIDEN urges Anti-Corruption, Economic reforms in

Ukraine

December 7, 2015

“The Vice President [**BIDEN**] and other participants spoke about the importance of anti-corruption, governance, and economic reforms,” the press release said.

BIDEN arrived to Kiev on Monday and held talks with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko. The vice president is also expected to address the Rada on Tuesday.

Earlier in the day, the US vice president announced a new round of financial assistance to Kiev amounting to \$190 million.

The United States has been assisting Ukraine with economic and military aid following the 2014 political crisis and Crimea’s referendum to reunite with Russia.

Washington has already provided Kiev with more than \$266 million in military equipment and training, while the International Monetary Fund (IMF) has pledged to give Kiev some \$17 billion in loans over a two-year period.

POLITICO

BIDEN gives Ukraine ‘one more chance’ to reform

By: Paul Dallison / December 7, 2015

The United States pledged an extra \$190 million in aid to Ukraine Monday, but Vice President Joe **BIDEN** warned that Kiev has just “one more chance” to root out corruption or lose the funding.

BIDEN held talks with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, pledging support for Ukraine in the face of Russian aggression and urging the country’s leaders to continue on the path to reform. “The Ukrainian people cannot once again have their hopes dashed based on corruption,” **BIDEN** said.

“One more chance. It’s absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption. The people need to see that the ways of the past are permanently gone, they no longer exist. That means hard decisions. That means ramping up the pace of reforms, avoidance of past practices, advancing good governance, increasing transparency across the board at every level of the government and strengthening the rule of law. It means everybody playing by the same rules, from the folks at the bottom to the folks at the very top.”

The \$190 million in funding brings the total American assistance in recent years to \$760 million. **BIDEN** made it clear that the U.S. “stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued – and I emphasize continued – aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists.”

“We continue to believe that the best way to end the conflict in Donbas is through a diplomatic framework that was laid out in the Minsk agreement. But both sides need to hold up that bargain. Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community.”

He added: “The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten that the illegal invasion — and it’s an invasion — by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or the international community.”

Poroshenko said that there had been a reduction in the violence in the east of the country, but “unfortunately the war is still raging.” He added that the government has made progress in reforms, including the selection of an anti-corruption prosecutor.

CNN

BIDEN says Crimea part of Ukraine, not Russia
December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in the capital of Ukraine. During his two-day visit, the vice president is expected to review anti-corruption efforts in Ukraine ahead of U.S. economic assistance to the country.

He also will meet with Ukraine's president and address the country's parliament. **BIDEN** will get an update on clashes between government troops and pro-Russian forces in eastern Ukraine.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, and I emphasize continued, aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said on Monday. "And we continue to believe that the best way to end the conflict in Donbass is through a diplomatic framework that was laid out in the Minsk Agreement. But both sides, both sides, need to hold up that bargain. Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and (Russian) President (Vladimir) Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community."

More than 7,500 people have died in the fighting in eastern Ukraine between national forces and Russian-backed separatists. **BIDEN** also reiterated the U.S. view that Crimea is a part of Ukraine, not Russia.

"The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten that the illegal invasion, and it's an invasion, by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or the international community," **BIDEN** added. "This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong and we will not accept it under any circumstance. And Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine's sovereign territory. Crimea is still sovereign territory of Ukraine."

Bloomberg

BIDEN Warns Ukraine That Corruption Imperils Its Democracy

By: Margaret Talev / December 8, 2015

Ukraine must root out corruption and impose the rule of law or risk graft becoming the "death knell" of the eastern European nation's democracy, according to U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN**.

BIDEN, visiting Kiev for the fourth time in two years, warned against repeating the broken reform promises of the 2004 Orange Revolution, which failed to curb the clout of the businessmen that control Ukraine's biggest companies and influence politics. The government must complete economic overhauls under a \$17.5 billion bailout from the International Monetary Fund, he said.

"Oligarchs and non-oligarchs must play by the same rules," **BIDEN** told lawmakers Tuesday in the Ukrainian capital before a vote this month on the 2016 budget. Fighting corruption is one of Ukraine's "national security interests."

Ukraine, jolted by a war in its easternmost regions and 1 1/2 years of recession, has faced criticism over delays in reforms needed to sustain the flow of financial aid from allies including the U.S and the European Union. Anger at corruption fueled the Orange Revolution and an uprising that unseated pro-Russian leader Viktor Yanukovich in 2014. Ukraine ranks 142nd-lowest of 175 nations in Berlin-based Transparency's latest graft-perceptions survey.

'Moving Forward'

BIDEN said the U.S. will continue support "if you keep moving forward on corruption." The U.S. has provided guarantees for \$2 billion of bond sales by Ukraine's government, helping to stabilize the hryvnia, which has lost almost a third of its value against the dollar this year. Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew said last month that a third \$1 billion guarantee is planned in the coming months if Ukraine's maintains reforms and adheres to the IMF program.

BIDEN also addressed the Minsk peace accord that's stemmed violence in Ukraine's eastern conflict zone since it was signed in February in Belarus. Ukraine should fulfill its obligations under the pact, including granting decentralization and amnesty to Russia-backed separatists in the Donetsk and Luhansk regions, he said.

Russia must deliver on its promises and put pressure on the insurgents to allow local elections to be held under Ukrainian law, according to **BIDEN**, who said sanctions won't be lifted unless Russia meets its commitments.

POLITICO

Joe BIDEN: Corruption eating Ukraine 'like a cancer'

By: Vince Chadwick / December 8, 2015

"Corruption eats Ukraine like cancer," U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** told that country's parliament Tuesday.

Addressing the Verkhovna Rada in Kiev, **BIDEN** said Ukraine needed to do more to fight corruption, or else risk losing international support.

The U.S. pledged \$190 million in extra aid to Ukraine Monday, but **BIDEN** warned it had only "one more chance" to stop corruption.

He had a message for Moscow in his address Tuesday as well, saying sanctions against Moscow would not be lifted until it ended its "aggression" against Ukraine.

"Despite some de-escalation in violence, there can be no sanctions relief unless and until Russia meets all of its commitments under the (February) Minsk agreements," he said, adding that the U.S. would never recognize Russia's annexation of Crimea.

New York Times

Joe BIDEN Urges Lawmakers in Ukraine to Fulfill Promise of Uprising

By: Peter Baker / December 8, 2015

Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. urged Ukrainian leaders on Tuesday to curb the power of the business moguls dominating society and to fulfill the promise of the popular revolution that pushed out a pro-Moscow government last year.

Addressing the Ukrainian Parliament, Mr. **BIDEN** sternly lectured lawmakers to put aside their own self-interests and to transform this former Soviet republic into a model of democratic change.

Citing the failure of the Orange Revolution of 2004 to deliver enduring change, the vice president urged Ukrainians not to let this opportunity slip by as well.

“This is your moment,” he told them. “This is your responsibility. Each of you, if you’ll forgive me for speaking to you this way in your body, each of you has an obligation to seize the opportunity that the sacrifices made in the Maidan, the sacrifices of the Heavenly Hundred. Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time.”

By invoking the memory of the roughly 100 protesters killed during protests in Maidan Square last year, Mr. **BIDEN** hoped to infuse today’s legislative battles with the moral imperative of the uprising, which led to a pro-Western government. Many in Ukraine worry that the new leaders have become so paralyzed by their own power struggles that they will squander the chance for change.

For Mr. **BIDEN**, who has made it his mission to nurse Ukraine through its transition, it was a classic performance from the lectern in the grand chamber of the Parliament, known here as the Rada. At times, he shouted at the lawmakers, gesturing sharply. At other points, he practically whispered. At still other moments, he wagged his finger.

Citing John Adams, Thomas Paine, Edmund Burke and Daniel Webster, Mr. **BIDEN** talked about the United States’ own struggles to build democracy. He also cited a quotation from an American politician he did not identify: “In your heart, you know it’s right,” he said. (The phrase is actually a variation of the slogan in an ad made for the Republican presidential candidate Barry Goldwater in 1964.)

But it was not clear whether Mr. **BIDEN’S** message really got through. Lawmakers, many listening to an interpreter through earphones, sat silently during the long lecture on corruption and applauded only when Mr. **BIDEN** assailed Russia for its intervention in Ukraine. The one standing ovation they gave Mr. **BIDEN** came when he said that Russia had infringed on Ukrainian sovereignty and that the United States would never recognize the annexation of Crimea.

“Russia has violated these ground rules and continues to violate them,” he said. “Today, Russia’s occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia’s attempt to annex Crimea.”

He added that he would tell the world about Nadiya V. Savchenko, the Ukrainian helicopter pilot being held in Russia; her picture was displayed on a poster on the lectern from which Mr. **BIDEN** spoke, with the slogan, “Freedom for Nadiya Savchenko.”

And the vice president committed to keeping American sanctions on Russia until Moscow complies with a cease-fire brokered in Minsk, Belarus. “There can be no sanctions relief unless and until Moscow meets all, all of its commitments under Minsk,” Mr. **BIDEN** said.

But his main message to the Ukrainians was, in effect, to get their house in order. The day before, he had suggested that many in Europe were waiting for Ukraine to fail so that they would have an excuse not to continue confronting Russia.

Mr. **BIDEN** specifically called for an overhaul of the office of prosecutor general, change in the energy sector, transparency about official sources of income, disclosure of conflicts between government responsibilities and business and other measures.

“If you fail, the experiment fails,” he said. “It’s no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you.”

Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty

BIDEN says Western pressure, ‘cost’ to Moscow will rise if ‘agression’ persists

December 8, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has told Ukraine's parliament that Western pressure on Russia will increase if Moscow continues its "aggression" against Kyiv.

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said on December 8 in a rare appearance by a top Western official before the Ukrainian parliament.

"The U.S. will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfills its [peace deal] commitments," he said. "Despite some deescalation in violence, there can be no sanctions relief unless until Russia meets all of its commitments under the [February] Minsk agreements."

He also directly accused Moscow of sending troops to fight with pro-Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine and trying to hide that action from the Russian public and the world.

"I don't think the Russian people understand fully what Putin is doing. That's why he spends so much time hiding at home the presence of troops here in your country," he told the Ukrainian lawmakers.

BIDEN is in Kyiv on his fourth visit since Moscow annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in March 2014 and gave its backing to pro-Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine.

He told the parliament that "Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory" in Crimea and has violated international law by illegally seizing the Ukrainian peninsula.

BIDEN said "the United States will never recognize" Russia's annexation of Crimea and will continue to support Ukraine against Russian aggression.

The U.S. vice president also told the lawmakers that they have "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

"It is no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you, because so much rides on your fragile experiment with democracy succeeding," **BIDEN** said. "It is equally important, by the way, for aggressors around the world to understand they can't use coercion, bribery, sending tanks and men across the border to extinguish the dreams of a people." **BIDEN** said each lawmaker will be judged by future generations upon whether they put the greater good of all Ukrainian people over local interests that have divided the country.

He urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

BIDEN met with President Petro Poroshenko in Kyiv on December 7 and announced new financial aid of \$190 million to help Ukraine implement reforms.

He said after meeting Poroshenko that "Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations."

He also met on December 7 with some individual members of parliament and from civic society, as well as with Kyiv Mayor Vitaly Klitschko.

BIDEN arrived in the Ukrainian capital late on December 6.

The United States and European Union, along with Kyiv, accuse Russia of seizing Crimea and backing the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of Moscow-backed President Viktor Yanukovich following months of antigovernment protests.

The protests were fueled by anger over rampant corruption and Yanukovich's abandonment of negotiations toward an Association Agreement with the EU amid Russian pressure.

In response to Russia's actions, Washington and Brussels have placed economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Voice of America

BIDEN promises Ukraine continued US support on Conflict with Russia

December 8, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has assured Ukraine's lawmakers that the United States will never recognize "Russia's attempt to annex Crimea," drawing a standing ovation in the country's parliament.

"Today, Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia's attempt to annex Crimea," he told members of the Ukrainian Rada on Tuesday, just before concluding a two-day visit to Ukraine.

Speaking on conflict in eastern Ukraine, where Ukrainian troops have been locked in a battle with pro-Russia separatists for the past 20 months, he assured lawmakers of continued U.S. support, calling on Russia to comply with the Minsk cease-fire agreement designed to ease tensions over the conflict or face continued sanctions.

"There can be no sanctions relief unless and until Moscow meets all, all of its commitments under Minsk," **BIDEN** said. He also urged lawmakers to fight corruption, warning that the future of Ukraine is at stake.

"Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time," **BIDEN** told lawmakers.

The vice president also promised to tell the world the story of Nadiya Savchenko, a Ukrainian helicopter pilot being held in Russia.

\$190 million in new US aid

On Monday, **BIDEN** announced \$190 million in new U.S. aid to Ukraine.

BIDEN said Monday that the new aid will help the country implement reforms and fight corruption. During a joint briefing following bilateral talks with Ukraine's president, Petro Poroshenko, **BIDEN** said, "It's absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe, to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption."

"That means ramping up the pace of reforms, avoidance of past practices, advancing good governance, increasing transparency across the board at every level of the government and strengthening the rule of law," he added.

Poroshenko has overseen the dismissal of nearly 4,000 graft tainted prosecutors since taking office in May 2014. Last week, he also introduced a special anti-corruption prosecutor whose responsibilities will include rooting out graft and limiting the political power of shadowy business

tycoons long seen as obstructing good government practices in the former Soviet republic.

Minsk agreement

During their joint briefing Monday, **BIDEN** also said the U.S. "stands firmly with the people of Ukraine" in the face of "continued aggression" by Russia and Russia-backed separatists. He said the best way to end the conflict in eastern Ukraine is through the "diplomatic framework" laid out in an agreement signed in Minsk, Belarus by representatives of the Ukrainian and Russian governments, and the separatists.

"Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community," **BIDEN** said, adding that Russia is "systematically violating" the cease-fire agreed to in Minsk.

Despite the cease-fire, sporadic fighting between government troops and pro-Russian rebels continues in eastern Ukraine, after more than 18 months of combat and nearly 8,000 deaths, most of them civilians.

BIDEN'S two-day visit, his fourth since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in early 2014, came ahead of formal U.S. approval of a third \$1 billion bailout loan guarantee.

The Obama administration already has provided \$470 million in direct economic assistance since pro-Russian former president Viktor Yanukovich was driven from power nearly two years ago, after weeks of anti-government protests in Kyiv.

AP

BIDEN Warns Ukraine of Backsliding on Corruption **December 8, 2015**

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** on Tuesday warned Ukraine against backsliding in the fight against corruption.

In a speech at the Ukrainian Parliament, **BIDEN** said Ukraine should do more to fight corruption or it will lose international support.

BIDEN, who has been in Kiev since Sunday, previously assured Ukraine of U.S. support and announced the release of an additional \$190 million in U.S. aid to help conduct structural reforms.

Pro-Russian President Viktor Yanukovych fled the country in February 2014 following months of anti-government protests in Kiev, largely fueled by rampant corruption.

BIDEN urged Ukraine to carry out painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

"We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return," **BIDEN** said. "We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path."

BIDEN'S speech on Tuesday indicated the West's growing impatience with Ukraine's lack of progress in reforms.

Nearly two years after the February 2014 revolution ushered in a new government, Ukraine still has hardly embarked on judicial and police reforms.

President Petro Poroshenko has been criticized for not doing enough to fight oligarchs many of whom have remained powerful brokers and taken on roles of managing crucial eastern regions bordering on the separatist-controlled areas.

Press TV

US to step up pressure over Russia 'aggression': BIDEN
December 8, 2015

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said Tuesday in a rare address to the Ukrainian Parliament on the second day of his visit to Kiev.

"The US will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfills its Minsk commitments," he said.

The vice president also warned that there will be "no sanctions relief" if Russia does not fully implement the terms of the truce agreement signed in the Belarusian capital in February.

The deal introduced measures including a ceasefire, which officially went into effect on February 15, the pullout of heavy weapons from the conflict zones, and constitutional reforms in Ukraine by the end of the year.

US and European officials say Russia, and pro-Russia forces in eastern Ukraine, continue to violate the Minsk accord.

BIDEN'S address before the Ukrainian Parliament, the first of its kind by a high-ranking US official since 1991, flew in the face of Russia's assertion that it is the pro-Western government in Kiev that flouts the peace accord. The conflict in eastern Ukraine broke out last year following a referendum in the Black Sea peninsula of Crimea, in which people voted overwhelmingly for reunification with Russia. More than 8,000 people have died in the conflict.

"Russia has violated these ground rules and continues to violate them," **BIDEN** told Ukrainian lawmakers. "Today, Russia's occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia's attempt to annex Crimea."

Washington has imposed tough economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and helped train and equip Ukraine's army to combat pro-Russia forces in eastern regions of the country.

In his address, **BIDEN** also urged Ukrainian lawmakers to put aside their self-interests and work to transform their country into a model of democratic change.

On Monday, the vice president announced \$190 million in new US aid to Ukraine. He said the new aid package will help Ukraine implement reforms and fight "the cancer of corruption."

BIDEN'S visit and his tough message for Moscow threaten to complicate increased US efforts to work with Russia to resolve the Syrian conflict and fight the Daesh (ISIL) terrorists.

APA

BIDEN presses Russia on Ukraine peace deal, return of Crimea
December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said Monday that Washington remained determined to see Russia adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev, APA reports quoting AFP.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Black Sea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin fighters carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heart of the ex-Soviet state.

The war-scarred nation now fears slipping off the global radar due to recent international efforts to enlist Moscow in a joint fight against the Islamic State (IS) group in Syria and Iraq.

But **BIDEN** brought a message of reassurance to Kiev.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued -- I emphasise continued -- aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," he told Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko.

Washington's EU allies support Ukraine's view of Russia orchestrating and backing the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Both Washington and Brussels have slapped stiff economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

But the situation changed when Russia began launching ferocious air strikes against Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's foes on September 30.

Washington accused Putin of trying to prop up his remaining Middle East ally by targeting Syria's Western-backed rebels instead of extremist groups.

- 'Hold Russia accountable' -

Yet the Islamic State's claim of downing a Russian airliner carrying 224 people over Egypt on October 31 appears to have prompted Moscow to focus more on bombing IS's oil infrastructure and other jihadist targets.

The November 13 Paris attacks the IS also claimed saw France make a push to enlist Russia in a "grand coalition" against the jihadist group alongside the United States and some European and Arab states.

BIDEN said the latest developments in the Middle East in no way appeased Washington's anger with Putin or slackened its support for Poroshenko's pro-Western team.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN also hinted that Russia may face additional US sanctions if its peace commitments were not met.

Washington was in contact with "our fellow leaders around the world... to make sure the international community stands and holds Russia accountable for the actions against Ukraine," **BIDEN** said after meeting with Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk.

"If they do not meet their obligations, (one must) increase the price Russia has to pay for its illegal actions internationally."

Ukraine Today

US Vice President BIDEN urges to end 'cancer of corruption' in Ukraine

December 8, 2015

US Vice-President Joe **BIDEN** in his emotional speech at the Ukrainian Parliament on Tuesday has stressed the need to eliminate corruption in Ukraine.

BIDEN said that Ukraine should do more to fight corruption or it will lose international support. **BIDEN** urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

BIDEN told Ukrainian lawmakers that they had "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

Kiev Post

**In Ukraine's parliament, BIDEN highlights need for corruption fight
December 8, 2015**

U.S. Vice President Joseph **BIDEN**, in a passionate speech to Ukraine's parliament and other political leaders on Dec. 8, urged Ukraine to seize the opportunity to become a truly democratic nation that removes the blight of corruption.

His words drew several rounds of applause, including a standing ovation, during a 37-minute speech in which **BIDEN** talked about how the United States would support Ukraine as long as it stayed on the democratic path.

He said, however, that the nation's prosecutorial and judicial system needs to be overhauled to deliver justice to Ukrainians who earned their freedom by overthrowing the corrupt regime of ex-President Viktor Yanukovich. All broadcasts of **BIDEN'S** speech in Ukraine carried a Ukrainian translator voiceover, making it hard to get precise quotes. A transcript wasn't immediately available on the U.S. Embassy in Ukraine or White House websites.

But **BIDEN** has repeated the same themes on this two-day visit.

In a Dec. 7 blog about his trip -- the fifth to the region as vice president -- **BIDEN** warned that Ukraine is running out of chances.

"Once again, standing in the face of Russian aggression and widespread corruption, Ukraine has another — and what might be its last — historic opportunity to establish a true, free, economically prosperous democratic republic. One that can't be bullied, bribed, or bought," **BIDEN** wrote. "So long as the people of Ukraine continue to strive for freedom and democracy, they can count on the unwavering commitment of the United States to stand with them."

In remarks with President Petro Poroshenko the day before, **BIDEN** also highlighted the corruption fight.

"The Ukrainian people cannot once again have their hopes dashed based on the cancer of corruption. The Orange Revolution occurred and hopes were extremely high," **BIDEN** said. "And here we are again because of the sacrifices made two years ago. One more chance. One more chance. And it's absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption. The people need to see that in ways -- that the ways of the past are permanently gone. They no longer exist."

BIDEN also on Dec. 7 urged Ukraine to adopt a tax code and state budget that meets International Monetary Fund requirements for fiscal prudence (deficits of no more than 3.7 percent of gross domestic product). "We have spoken about the vital importance of Ukraine following through on its IMF commitments," he said.

The Dec. 7 statement can be found [here](#).

In the speech to parliament, recalling the sacrifices of the EuroMaidan Revolution in which more than 100 people were killed and many others wounded before President Viktor Yanukovych fled power, **BIDEN** said Ukraine's political leaders have an obligation bring justice.

"It is your responsibility now," **BIDEN** said. "This is an obligation, a responsibility before each and one of you to build a unified and democratic country. Parliament is an organ of a unified people, not local interests, but a place concerned with the overall good. It is in your hands. You can bend the arch of history."

He noted the disappointment when no reforms followed the 2004 Orange Revolution, which denied Yanukovych the president in favor of Viktor

Yushchenko. "Hopes were let down," he said, noting that oligarchs are not interested in reforms.

In today's Ukraine, problems remain. **BIDEN** said setting up an anti-corruption bureau or anti-corruption prosecutor is not enough.

"You have to reform the whole prosecution and judiciary," **BIDEN** said.

"Oligarchs should not be able to influence court and judges... corruption siphons resources from the people and from the economy and you know it."

BIDEN said that America would never accept Russia's annexation of Ukraine's Crimean peninsula and will continue to pressure Russia to live up to the Minsk agreements, including withdrawal of its troops and weapons, and the return of eastern borders to Ukraine's control.

As a U.S. senator, **BIDEN** said that he resented it when speakers appeared to lecture him on what to do.

He said "I hope I didn't come across that way."

But he said "the world is watching you" and "this is your moment. This is your responsibility." Failure, he said, would have harmful consequences in building a whole, united and democratic Europe.

Ukraine Today

US will never recognize Russia's annexation of Crimea – BIDEN
December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has said that the US will never recognise Russia's annexation of Crimea. Addressing the Ukrainian lawmakers during his speech on December 8, **BIDEN** added that the US will continue to support Ukraine in its struggle against Kremlin's aggression.

BIDEN said that countries "cannot redraw state borders by force" in the 21st century. According to **BIDEN**, "this is the fundamental rule," which Russia "has violated and continues to violate."

BIDEN also said that the pressure on Russia will continue until it fulfills its commitments under the Minsk agreement. He added that the US sanctions against Russia cannot be lifted until it fulfills its obligations.

BIDEN told Ukrainian lawmakers that they had "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

Ukraine Today

US Vice President BIDEN tells Ukrainian MPs they face 'historic battle' against corruption

December 8, 2015

Joe **BIDEN** has expressed solidarity with Ukraine during an address to MPs in the country's capital, Kyiv. The US Vice President spoke out against what he called Russia's occupation of Ukrainian sovereign territory. But **BIDEN** added a warning to his support, urging Kyiv to fight corruption.

Joe **BIDEN**, US Vice President: "Today Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear - the United States does not, will not, never will recognise Russia's attempt to annex the Crimea.

"But in addition, you also have a battle. A historic battle against corruption. Ukraine cannot afford for the people to lose hope again."

BIDEN'S speech came during a two-day visit to Ukraine. The US official earlier announced new financial aid of USD 190 million to help the country fight corruption and streamline its bureaucracy. The White House has brought sanctions against Russia for its aggression in Ukraine, including for the seizure by Moscow of the Crimean Peninsula in 2014 and for its ongoing support for militants in east Ukraine.

The News

'Russia must return Crimea'

December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said during a visit to Kiev on Monday that Washington remained committed to its demands for Russia to adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev.

The broad February deal struck in the Belarussian capital Minsk "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfil its commitments," **BIDEN** said after talks in the Ukrainian capital with President Petro Poroshenko.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia's troops overran Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

Washington and the European Union support Kiev's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Fighting has eased somewhat since the warring sides signed a new truce on September 1. But Ukrainian soldiers and civilians still die almost daily by stepping on landmines and getting caught in the occasional combat that breaks out across the war zone.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, I emphasise, continued aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN also took the opportunity to urge Ukrainian authorities to do more to tackle the rampant graft that has plagued the county for much of its recent history, amid growing discontent among Ukrainians over Poroshenko's seeming inability to end the scourge.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine... to root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** stressed.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you."

DW

BIDEN reassures Ukraine of US support

December 8, 2015

In his fourth visit to Kyiv since the outbreak of the 19-month conflict in Ukraine, US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** on Monday announced an additional \$190 million (175 million euros) in aid to help the economically embattled government implement key reforms to root out widespread corruption and improve governance.

Ukraine has vowed to battle endemic graft as part of promised reforms, in exchange for international bailout money to prop up an economy on the verge of bankruptcy after years of economic mismanagement and nearly two years of war that has claimed 8,000 lives.

But progress on rooting out corruption and implementing reforms has been slow in the post-Maidan era, with Ukrainians increasingly disgruntled by the lack of progress and a deteriorating economic situation.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp - what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** said alongside President Petro Poroshenko following bilateral talks.

Including Monday's pledge, the US has provided Ukraine with \$760 million in direct aid and two loan guarantees worth \$2 billion. International financial institutions have promised another \$40 billion under a bailout program in exchange for reforms.

Deadlock between Ukraine's finance minister, Natalie Jaresko, and parliament over the budget and tax reforms meant to appease the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and unlock funds, as well as fixing the judicial system, have created concern the government will not be able to follow a reform agenda.

The slow progress has frustrated many in Washington.

"A lot of hard work remains, including reform of Ukraine's law and justice sectors, but the payoff will be worth it," said **BIDEN**, who will address parliament on Tuesday.

Ukraine has sought to restructure its international debt to fill a \$15 billion funding gap as part of the IMF bailout, but a \$3-billion Eurobond held by Russia is due to be paid on December 20. So far neither side has been able to reach new terms, meaning Ukraine could fail to repay the debt when it matures.

Through US influence at the IMF, the fund is expected to change its policy of not lending to countries in arrears, allowing Ukraine to continue receiving funds if it fails to pay of the Russian loan.

Continued support against Russian aggression

With the US and Europe's attention being drawn to Syria and the "Islamic State," officials in Kyiv have been worried that Ukraine might fall off the international radar.

Part of **BIDEN'S** mission is to reassure Kyiv that the US stands behind Ukraine in the face of Russian aggression and the annexation of Crimea, something he said "will not be accepted by us or by the international community."

BIDEN said a February agreement drawn up in Minsk to end the conflict in eastern Ukraine "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitments."

A ceasefire reached in September between Russian backed rebels in eastern Ukraine and pro-government forces has created a relative lull in fighting, but occasional clashes continue to erupt.

The US and European Union have tied lifting sanctions on Russia to the implementation of the Minsk deal, but following Russia's intervention to bolster the Assad regime and the downing of one its airliners by the "Islamic State" in October, it has become increasingly clear that Moscow's help would be needed to reach a political and military solution in the Syria conflict.

This impulse was given a further boost following the Paris terror attacks last month, after which France, a major player in the Minsk process, pushed for a broader international coalition to defeat the "Islamic State" (IS) that

includes Russia. Moscow has been accused of primarily targeting Western-backed rebels instead of the "Islamic State."

The expanded military campaign against IS has been paralleled by political talks to end the conflict in Syria, where Russia holds considerable sway over a country that has created a refugee crisis in Europe.

The changing dynamics in Syria and Western outreach to Russia has created concern in Ukraine that it could be sacrificed or forgotten as Western interests focus on Syria.

AFP

US will keep up pressure over Russia 'aggression' in Ukraine: BIDEN
By: Dmytro Gorshkov and Olga Shylenko / December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** warned Russia on Tuesday that Western pressure on Moscow would only increase if Russian "aggression" against neighbouring war-scarred Ukraine continued.

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said in a rare address by a top Western official to the Ukrainian parliament on the second day of a visit to Kiev.

"The US will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfils its Minsk commitments," he said, warning there would be "no sanctions relief" until Russia fully implemented its end of a peace deal signed in the Belarussian capital Minsk in February.

The tough message flew in the face of the Kremlin's assertion that it is Ukraine's pro-Western leadership that keeps flouting the accord aimed at ending 19 months of fighting with pro-Russian rebels that has claimed more than 8,000 lives.

BIDEN'S trip was his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin fighters carved out their own region in the east of the ex-Soviet state.

Both Washington and Brussels have slapped economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Moscow denies all involvement in the conflict and has responded by banning the import of most Western food.

BIDEN used both his meeting Monday with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Tuesday's parliamentary appearance to drive home the message that Washington remained fully committed to Kiev despite the recent shift in global attention to Syria.

He said on Tuesday that Putin's repeated claims of big countries having the right to their own regional "spheres of influence" were out of step with modern times.

"Sovereign states have the right to make their own decisions and choose their own allies," he stressed.

- 'Desperate need of reforms' -

BIDEN -- viewed as US President Barack Obama's pointman on Ukraine -- also used his visit to promote a more committed fight against the corruption that has ravaged the country of 40 million for years.

"It's not enough to set up an anti-corruption bureau and establish a special prosecutor in fighting corruption. Your office of the general prosecutor desperately needs reform" he said.

Russia's seizure of Crimea and the pro-Kremlin revolt came just weeks after public protests toppled former president Viktor Yanukovich -- a Moscow-backed leader who led a lavish lifestyle and surrounded himself with tycoons suspected of graft.

Polls show that corruption remains one of Ukrainians' main concerns.

BIDEN also made an indirect reference to reported infighting between Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk that has stalled the passage of vital economic and anti-graft laws.

"All of you must put aside your differences and make a real revolution of dignity," **BIDEN** said.

His address was met with three rounds of standing ovations by lawmakers of all political stripes.

Interfax – Ukraine

BIDEN urges Ukraine to focus on fighting corruption

December 8, 2015

Ukraine has not done everything yet in its fight against corruption, United States Vice President Joe **BIDEN** told the Ukrainian Verkhovna Rada on Tuesday.

Ukraine has already done a great deal of work of critical importance, but not everything has yet been done, he said. He said that while he never tells people in other countries what they should do, a democracy cannot thrive amidst corruption, which he likened to a cancerous tumor.

A successful fight against corruption requires the reform of the judiciary; everyone, even oligarchs, must act under the same rules, pay taxes, and not interfere with the course of justice, **BIDEN** said.

New York Times

Joe BIDEN, His Son and the Case Against a Ukrainian Oligarch

By: James Risen / December 8, 2015

When Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. traveled to Kiev, Ukraine, on Sunday for a series of meetings with the country's leaders, one of the issues on his agenda was to encourage a more aggressive fight against Ukraine's rampant corruption and stronger efforts to rein in the power of its oligarchs.

But the credibility of the vice president's anticorruption message may have been undermined by the association of his son, Hunter **BIDEN**, with one of Ukraine's largest natural gas companies, Burisma Holdings, and with its owner, Mykola Zlochevsky, who was Ukraine's ecology minister under former President Viktor F. Yanukovych.

Hunter **BIDEN**, 45, a former Washington lobbyist, joined the Burisma board in April 2014. That month, as part of an investigation into money laundering, British officials froze London bank accounts containing \$23 million that allegedly belonged to Mr. Zlochevsky.

Britain's Serious Fraud Office, an independent government agency, specifically forbade Mr. Zlochevsky, as well as Burisma Holdings, the company's chief legal officer and another company owned by Mr. Zlochevsky, to have any access to the accounts. But after Ukrainian prosecutors refused to provide documents needed in the investigation, a British court in January ordered the Serious Fraud Office to unfreeze the assets. The refusal by the Ukrainian prosecutor general's office to cooperate was the target of a stinging attack by the American ambassador to Ukraine, Geoffrey R. Pyatt, who called out Burisma's owner by name in a speech in September.

"In the case of former Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, the U.K. authorities had seized \$23 million in illicit assets that belonged to the Ukrainian people," Mr. Pyatt said. Officials at the prosecutor general's office, he added, were asked by the United Kingdom "to send documents supporting the seizure. Instead they sent letters to Zlochevsky's attorneys attesting that there was no case against him. As a result, the money was freed by the U.K. court, and shortly thereafter the money was moved to Cyprus."

Mr. Pyatt went on to call for an investigation into "the misconduct" of the prosecutors who wrote the letters. In his speech, the ambassador did not mention Hunter **BIDEN'S** connection to Burisma.

But Edward C. Chow, who follows Ukrainian policy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the involvement of the vice president's son with Mr. Zlochevsky's firm undermined the Obama administration's anticorruption message in Ukraine.

"Now you look at the Hunter **BIDEN** situation, and on the one hand you can credit the father for sending the anticorruption message," Mr. Chow said. "But I think unfortunately it sends the message that a lot of foreign countries want to believe about America, that we are hypocritical about these issues."

Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Vice President **BIDEN**, said Hunter **BIDEN'S** business dealings had no impact on his father's policy positions in connection with Ukraine.

"Hunter **BIDEN** is a private citizen and a lawyer," she said. "The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company. The vice president has pushed aggressively for years, both publicly with groups like the U.S.-Ukraine Business Forum and privately in meetings with Ukrainian leaders, for Ukraine to make every effort to investigate and prosecute corruption in accordance with the rule of law. It will once again be a key focus during his trip this week."

Ryan F. Toohey, a Burisma spokesman, said that Hunter **BIDEN** would not comment for this article.

It is not known how Mr. **BIDEN** came to the attention of the company. Announcing his appointment to the board, Alan Apter, a former Morgan Stanley investment banker who is chairman of Burisma, said, "The company's strategy is aimed at the strongest concentration of professional staff and the introduction of best corporate practices, and we're delighted that Mr. **BIDEN** is joining us to help us achieve these goals."

Joining the board at the same time was one of Mr. **BIDEN'S** American business partners, Devon Archer. Both are involved with Rosemont Seneca Partners, an American investment firm with offices in Washington.

Mr. **BIDEN** is the younger of the vice president's two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter **BIDEN** attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. **BIDEN** also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James **BIDEN**, the vice president's brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the **BIDENS** and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. **BIDEN**, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was “not out of the ordinary” for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, “Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped.”

In response to Mr. Pyatt’s criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky’s case, Mr. Toohey said that “strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine.”

Vice President **BIDEN** has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week’s visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

Ms. Bedingfield said Hunter **BIDEN** had never traveled to Ukraine with his father. She also said that Ukrainian officials had never mentioned Hunter **BIDEN’S** role with Burisma to the vice president during any of his visits.

“I’ve got to believe that somebody in the vice president’s office has done some due diligence on this,” said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. “I should say that I hope that has happened. I would hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message.”

RT News

BIDEN urges Ukraine to fight ‘cancer-like’ corruption or lose international financial aid

December 8, 2015

Kiev must do more in fighting corruption which “eats Ukraine like cancer.” US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said in a speech delivered in Ukrainian

parliament. If there is no control of corruption in Ukraine, financial help is out of the question, he warned.

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN**, who is on a two-day visit to Ukraine, has urged Kiev to conduct painful yet crucial reforms to battle corruption.

BIDEN'S emotional speech in Ukrainian parliament could as well become the last warning for country's political elites unwilling to embrace escalated reforms.

"Corruption siphons off resources. We know this. You know this," **BIDEN** told Ukrainian MPs. Ukraine needs to make governance more transparent, an immediate measure since "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer," **BIDEN** said on Sunday, noting that however painful the looming reforms could be, they cannot be any backsliding on the issue.

"We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return," **BIDEN** said. "We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path," **BIDEN** said, as cited by ABC.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you," US Vice President said.

On the first day of his visit **BIDEN** assured Kiev of the US support and announced allocation of additional \$190 million from the US budget to help conduct structural reforms in Ukraine and fight corruption in the first place.

Ukraine's former president, Viktor Yanukovich, had to flee the country in February 2014, following months of anti-government protests in Kiev and other cities, to a large extent fueled by rampant corruption.

Despite the great fanfare that came with the introduction of new reforms to improve standards of living and stem corruption, President Petro Poroshenko, who was elected in May 2014, has not achieved the goals. A recent poll by the Yaremenko Ukrainian Institute for Social Research showed that 72 percent of those asked do not believe Ukraine is heading in the right direction, saying either the reform process is moving too slowly or not at all.

Ahead of Joe **BIDEN'S** speech in the parliament, American politician hold meetings with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and Kiev Mayor Vitaliy Klichko.

Mashable

BIDEN to Ukraine: You've got one last chance. Don't screw this up.

By: Christopher Miller / December 8, 2015

Joe **BIDEN'S** message to Ukraine on Tuesday was crystal clear: Don't screw this up.

The vice president didn't mince words when he spoke to Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, ministers and lawmakers inside parliament during his fifth trip to the country on Tuesday. He warned Kiev against backsliding in its fight against corruption.

"The world is watching you — this is your moment. Please, for the sake of the rest of us, don't waste it," **BIDEN** said in an impassioned address streamed live across the country. Failure, he warned, would likely mean the loss of much-needed international support and would have harmful consequences in building a united and democratic Europe.

"Ukraine has been here before. We remember the Orange Revolution," he continued, recalling the country's 2004 uprising that ended in disappointment when authorities failed to pass reforms.

More than 11 years later and two years since the start of Ukraine's Euromaidan Revolution that eventually ousted Viktor Yanukovich, corruption remains rampant in the former Soviet republic. Top officials have also been implicated, including Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, whose close ally resigned over corruption allegations.

BIDEN himself has been criticized in Ukraine; his messages of reform have been undermined by his son's connection to a former Ukrainian official being investigated for fraud.

A recent poll showed only 7% of Ukrainians believe the fight against corruption has yielded any results. Transparency International, a global

anti-corruption nonprofit, named Ukraine one of the world's most corrupt countries, sharing a score with Uganda and the Comoros.

BIDEN, who received several rounds of applause and a standing ovation during his speech, urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

Ukrainian parliamentarians, known for spirited debates that sometimes devolve into fisticuffs, have been slow to pass a slew of bills that the U.S. and the European Union say will help overhaul the country's corrupt systems.

"You have to reform the whole prosecution and judiciary," **BIDEN** said. "Oligarchs should not be able to influence court and judges... corruption siphons resources from the people and from the economy, and you know it."

Russia, which has fomented unrest in Ukraine, "is using your corruption to undermine you," **BIDEN** added.

The vice president also addressed Russian aggression in Ukraine, saying the U.S. does not — and never will — recognize Moscow's annexation of Crimea. Washington will continue to pressure Moscow to live up to its part of the Minsk peace deal, he added, including the withdrawal of its troops and weapons from eastern Ukraine and the return of control of its borders.

BIDEN, who arrived in Kiev on Sunday, assured Ukraine of U.S. support, including an additional \$190 million in American aid to help conduct reforms.

He recalled the sacrifices of the Euromaidan Revolution, during which more than 100 activists were killed and hundreds more wounded. But while he was speaking, down the road in Kiev, a court heard a case investigating the killings of those activists.

While two people were sentenced to four years each for their roles in attacks on a group of activists, at least two key suspects in the killing of Ukraine's "Heavenly Hundred" were allowed to escape the country, along with the officials believed to have ordered the attack.

BIDEN said Ukraine's political leaders have an obligation to bring justice.

Pravda Report

BIDEN gives Poroshenko cold shower in black hole Ukraine

By: Lyuba Lulko / December 8, 2015

BIDEN sobers Poroshenko up

Outwardly, there was absolute solidarity in everything. **BIDEN** said that Washington would not exchange Ukraine for Syria and would never recognize the "annexation of the Crimea."

"Even if Washington and Moscow cooperate to settle the Syrian civil war and battle the Islamic State, Mr. Obama has said, it would not stop the West from maintaining pressure on Russia over Ukraine," The New York Times wrote.

Opening his two-day visit to Ukraine, US Vice President **BIDEN** told the Ukrainians that the United States continued supporting them in the conflict in the Donbass. **BIDEN** also accused Russian President Vladimir Putin of violating the Minks ceasefire agreement. To strengthen the US support, **BIDEN** promised 190 million dollars in aid to Ukraine.

Speaking in the Verkhovna Rada, **BIDEN** said: "It is no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you, because so much rides on your fragile experiment with democracy succeeding."

This is a part of the official rhetoric, so let's try to see what happens behind the scenes. **BIDEN** has certainly put pressure on Poroshenko so that he stops playing the game of the Crimean energy blockade, because Putin may use the pretext of a humanitarian catastrophe to make a move in response. Soon afterwards, both the Majlis and Right Sector radicals stopped their energy blockade of the Crimea.

A few days ago, Ukraine's Finance Minister Natalia Yaresko said that Ukraine may not return \$3 billion to Russia on the repayment term (December 21). Prior to that, the United States had refused to be Ukraine's guarantor in paying this debt to Russia, having thus recognized Kiev's insolvency.

What can \$190 million do for Ukraine when the country needs \$20 billion to make a budget? One shall assume that Washington believes that the IMF will continue financing Kiev after the default. For the time being, IMF's lending policies exclude such a possibility.

Poroshenko: Reforms in Ukraine inevitable

Poroshenko said at a news conference with **BIDEN** that Ukraine has "for four years without elections" to come. During that time, one will need to carry out all the reforms required for joining the EU. Thus, the Americans will be supporting Poroshenko for four years, albeit under the condition that he will not be able to meet.

Changes in the government are very likely to follow. Prime Minister Yatsenyuk could be removed from office. It is no coincidence Mikhail Saakashvili (Odessa region Governor) said that the authorities were investigating corruption cases inside the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, particularly with the participation of Prime Minister Yatsenyuk and his colleague, People's Front MP, Nikolai Martynenko.

If required, all members of the Popular Front will move to Petro Poroshenko's Bloc and there will be no need to call early elections to the parliament.

Noteworthy, Joe **BIDEN** has personal interest in the fate of Ukrainian Prosecutor General Viktor Shokin. Thus, according to US Ambassador in Kiev Geoffrey Pyatt, Ukrainian prosecutors cover up the corrupt owner of energy company Burisma Holdings, in which **BIDEN'S** son, Hunter, is employed.

The Ukrainian Army has stopped shelling the positions of the Donbass militia. **BIDEN** made it clear to Poroshenko that sanctions against Russia would be lifted if Poroshenko disrupts the Minsk Accords in 2016. In Europe and the United States, a large lobby is being formed to withdraw the sanctions.

Additionally, the President of Ukraine unexpectedly vetoed his party's bill to legalize the free usage of agricultural land for 50 years, despite the moratorium on land sales. Poroshenko probably convinced **BIDEN** that there was no need to openly sell land to the Americans in the absence of apparent achievements.

Black hole Ukraine

"One more chance. It's absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** said.

The USA wants to be present in Ukraine, but it is hard to feed the "black hole."

"In fact, this is the case of external management of the state, when US officials interfere in internal affairs of Ukraine," Oleg Soskin, a Ukrainian political scientist and economist told Pravda.Ru. - **BIDEN** came to distribute positions in the government of Ukraine. The question is whether Yatsenyuk is going to be the prime minister. This position is likely to be given to an American official, to Finance Minister Yaresko or to Saakashvili. **BIDEN** will teach them not to steal, as the IMF will not give any loans otherwise."

According to Oleg Soskin, "nothing will help." Poroshenko and Yatsenyuk will go down in history soon. "These embezzlers and thieves will have to be swept away in a new revolution, the expert said.

"This year, they took about \$11 billion in debt. Ukraine's public debt totals \$72 billion - this is almost equal to Ukraine's annual GDP. Who is going to give this money back? After the revolution, the National Bank of Ukraine had about \$20 billion in foreign exchange reserves. Who stole that money?"

If Ukraine defaults on the debt to Russia, Ukraine will lose its reputation, Oleg Soskin believes. Investors will leave, the country will be declared bankrupt and will not be able to form a budget. "It will be the collapse of the financial system of Ukraine, the collapse of modern Ukraine," Soskin told Pravda.Ru.

"In this case, the Ukrainian administration will have to be executed, and the state will have to be re-founded, as it was done in Iceland, where they changed even the Constitution," the expert said.

The Irish Times

US tells Ukraine's politicians to heed 'call of history'

By: Daniel McLaughlin / December 8, 2015

Ukraine's politicians must seize a historic opportunity to free the country from the grip of Russia and corrupt tycoons, US vice-president Joe **BIDEN** said on Tuesday, amid rising domestic and international disquiet over the pace of the country's reform.

In a speech to parliament in Kiev, Mr **BIDEN** also vowed that Washington would keep tightening sanctions on Russia until it ended its annexation of Crimea and other aggression against Ukraine.

Mr **BIDEN'S** address marked the climax of a two-day visit to Ukraine during which he urged its western-backed leaders to accelerate tough reforms, despite opposition from powerful "oligarchs", their political allies and from Moscow.

"This is your moment. This is your responsibility . . . Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time," he told parliament. "If you fail, the experiment fails. It's no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you."

After driving the Russian-backed, graft-ridden administration of then president Viktor Yanukovich from power in February 2014, Ukraine's new leaders had a duty to build a cleaner and fairer Ukraine, Mr **BIDEN** said.

Return of oligarchs

"Oligarchs and non-oligarchs must play by the same rules," he insisted. "We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return . . . We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path."

Billionaires with shady business empires still dominate Ukrainian politics, and many reformist politicians and activists say the status quo is preserved by President Petro Poroshenko and the government of prime minister of Arseniy Yatsenyuk. "All of you must put aside your differences and make a real revolution of dignity," Mr **BIDEN** declared.

Unity vs resignation

While all deputies rose to applaud Mr **BIDEN**, afterwards each party offered a different interpretation of his speech, with some calling it an appeal to the government to resign, and others hailing it as a call for unity.

In an interview perhaps timed to exacerbate tension in Ukraine, Mr Yanukovich told Russian state media that he wants “to return to politics”.

“I do a lot to help people who are persecuted in Ukraine,” he said from Russia, where he and many close allies live in exile.

Mr Yanukovich said he maintains contact with current Ukrainian politicians, “many of whom aren’t so shy or scared today, compared to a year ago. They already feel very comfortable when we meet and discuss issues.”

Mr **BIDEN** also urged Kiev to fulfil its side of a strained ceasefire deal with Moscow-backed separatists in eastern Ukraine, and made clear that “if Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise”.

Reuters

US Vice President Joe BIDEN arrives in Ukraine
December 7, 2015

BIDEN met with the representatives of civil society organisations and a selection of Ukraine's officials and lawmakers, ahead of the scheduled meeting with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk.

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** will address Ukraine's legislature on Tuesday (December 8), a senior administration official said. **BIDEN** will speak about US opposition to Russia's annexation of Crimea and American support for Ukraine's debt restructuring agreement, the official said.

The official would not comment on whether the United States would pledge more military assistance to Ukraine during the trip next week.

The visit comes on the heels of US President Barack Obama's discussion with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Paris. Obama urged Putin to honour the Minsk ceasefire agreement in Ukraine.

BIDEN confirmed his country's commitment to Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity during the meeting with Kiev's mayor, Vitaly Klitschko, a former world heavyweight boxing champion.

During his visit, **BIDEN** is expected to meet President Petro Poroshenko, Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, members of Ukraine's Parliament (Rada), and representatives of civil society organizations.

AP

BIDEN makes trip to Ukraine in sign of US support

By: Jim Heintz and Dmitry Vlasov / December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** came to Ukraine's capital on Sunday for a visit aimed at pushing the country toward making reforms and reassuring it that the crisis in Syria is not overshadowing Washington's concerns about Ukraine.

Fighting between Ukrainian forces and Russia-backed separatists has significantly diminished since early September, after killing some 8,000 people since April 2014, but tensions remain high because of unresolved questions about the final political status of the rebel regions in the east. Meanwhile, Western attention has turned largely toward the fight against Islamic extremism in Syria and Iraq.

Since Russia began airstrikes in Syria on Sept. 30, Ukrainian officials have worried that their own country's troubles would fade from view, especially if the West begins cooperating with Russia to fight the Islamic State group.

BIDEN'S meetings on Monday with President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and a Tuesday speech at the Ukrainian parliament are intended to counter that concern.

The trip "is a strong sign of our support," a senior U.S. administration official said, asking that his name not be used because he was speaking on background.

But the official said **BIDEN** also will emphasize the need for Ukraine to implement anti-corruption measures. Widespread corruption was one of the issues that galvanized the massive protests that drove Russia-friendly President Viktor Yanukovich from office in February 2014, but efforts since then to counter the problem have shown little result.

BIDEN'S first event on Monday is to be a round table with reform-minded Ukrainian figures.

The U.S. administration also says **BIDEN** will reassure Ukraine that Washington's strategy is to keep sanctions against Russia in place until full implementation of the Minsk Accords, the internationally mediated agreements between Ukraine and Russia on ending the eastern conflict and pulling back weapons.

The United States also imposed other sanctions on Russia specific to its annexation of Crimea in 2014.

Voice of America

US VP BIDEN Heads to Ukraine to Stress Continued Support

By: Carol Guensburg / December 5, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is scheduled to visit Ukraine early next week to reassure government leaders and reformers of the United States' continued support "in face of continued Russian military intervention" in the country's restive east, administration officials said.

BIDEN, making his fifth visit to Ukraine as vice president, plans to arrive in Kyiv late Sunday evening for a series of meetings early in the week.

On Monday, he'll meet separately with President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, as well as at a roundtable with civil society activists and other reformers.

Speech to lawmakers

BIDEN also is scheduled to speak Tuesday to the Rada, or congress, a rare opportunity for a foreign leader.

He's likely to press upon legislators that they "have a special obligation to keep Ukraine moving forward," a senior administration official said in a telephone briefing Wednesday with reporters.

A major point of discussion will be how to ensure that "Russia and the separatists live up to their obligations under the Minsk Agreement," the official said.

The pact, reached in February, was meant to de-escalate hostilities in the east. While violence between Ukrainian government troops and pro-Russia separatists "has decreased somewhat in recent months," it continues to flare up, the official said.

The United Nations estimated that nearly 8,000 civilians and soldiers had been killed as of this fall.

Talks with Ukraine officials

Talks with Poroshenko and Yatsenyuk are expected to focus on "what additional economic, governance and rule-of-law reforms are necessary," the official said.

They'll also touch on U.S.-led training of Ukrainian armed forces and of security assistance overall. The United States has provided \$450 million in direct assistance to Ukraine this year, of which more than half is for security, the official said.

BIDEN'S trip comes after last month's two-year anniversary of the start of the Maidan uprising, in which public protests in Kyiv for closer ties with Europe eventually forced Russia-leaning President Viktor Yanukovich from office and opened the door for more democratic reforms.

The vice president "will emphasize the need to implement recently passed anti-corruption reforms," the official said.

Ukraine has set up a special prosecutor's office for fighting corruption, but the Obama administration previously has said the prosecutor general's office itself needs reform.

Topic of Crimea

Administration officials also said the vice president would emphasize that the United States continues “to oppose Russia’s attempted annexation of Crimea” in March 2014.

He’s also expected to reassure Ukraine that, though the United States is communicating with Russia about the crisis in Syria, it hasn’t softened in its assessment of Russia has crossed the line in Ukraine.

“Nothing in our conversations with Syria impact our assessment that Russia continues to be the aggressor in Ukraine,” the official said. “... Nothing that’s going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security.”

Press TV

Joe BIDEN to visit Ukraine to confirm US support December 6, 2015

BIDEN, making his fifth visit to Ukraine as vice president, will arrive in Kiev on Sunday for a three-day visit.

He will meet with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and deliver a speech to the country’s parliament.

BIDEN is the highest-ranking US official to speak before the Ukrainian parliament since former President George H.W. Bush in 1991, during the last days of the former Soviet Union.

BIDEN’S visit is expected to focus on resolving the conflict in eastern Ukraine even as world leaders have turned their attention to fighting Daesh (ISIL) terrorists, a senior US official said.

The conflict in eastern Ukraine broke out last year following a referendum in the Black Sea peninsula of Crimea, in which people voted overwhelmingly for reunification with Russia.

"I think that is going to be a major theme of the trip -- that nothing that is going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the US official told reporters.

The visit comes on the heels of US President Barack Obama's discussion with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Paris. Obama urged Putin to honor the Minsk cease-fire agreement in Ukraine.

US and European officials say Russia, and pro-Russia forces in eastern Ukraine, continue to violate the Minsk peace accords.

Moscow, however, has accused Ukrainian forces of violations, and says Poroshenko's government is not moving fast enough to implement some of the accord's provisions.

Both the US and European Union have imposed tough economic sanctions on Russian companies and have provided Ukraine's army with weapons and training.

New Eastern Europe

What to expect from BIDEN'S visit to Ukraine?

By: Maksym Beznoisuk / December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is paying a two day visit to Ukraine which has already been labeled as "historic" by many experts. In spite of the fact it is his fourth visit to post-Maidan Ukraine, **BIDEN** will be the second American politician from such a high rank to give a speech at the Ukrainian Parliament. Former President George H.W. Bush was the first high-ranking US official who addressed Ukrainian parliamentarians on August 1st, 1991, which occurred only three weeks prior to its declaration of independence.

As part of his visit on December 7th, 2015, Joe **BIDEN** is expected to participate in roundtable talks with state and civil representatives and bilateral meetings with Ukraine's President Poroshenko and Prime Minister Yatsenyuk. The next day, he will give a speech before the Ukrainian Parliament.

Without a doubt, such a visit is of crucial importance and demonstrates US support of Ukrainian sovereignty and closer convergence with the West. This is in light of ongoing Russian attempts to further destabilize Ukraine's situation.

It is expected **BIDEN'S** message will consist of alarming criticism of persistent corruption and slow progress, mixed with additional assurances of further support and cooperation with Ukraine towards its integration with Europe. Hence, the assessment of the overall Ukrainian political situation will be based on the combination of such crucial factors as securing political stability and enhancing anti-corruption measures' efficiency. Not surprisingly, such an important visit will take place before Ukraine's annual governmental report on its government's activity results, as well as its plans for the next year.

Fight against corruption, economic reforms and financial assistance

According to some predictions, Vice President **BIDEN** will voice concern over the urgency of more active reforms of structural and institutional aspects of the Ukrainian state apparatus. Notably, the White House has serious concerns regarding the quality and pace of current economic and judicial reforms, especially in relation to prevalent corruption schemes in high echelons of Ukrainian power.

Special attention will be paid to the judicial sector. It should be recalled that during his speech at the Brookings Institution at the end of May, 2015, **BIDEN** particularly emphasized Ukraine needs to use newly introduced laws and policies to investigate and prosecute corruption on all levels in order for its reforms to succeed. **BIDEN** also mentioned his frequent communication on a weekly basis, both with the Ukrainian Prime Minister and President. Moreover, US Ambassador to Ukraine Geoffrey Pyatt has criticized the General Prosecutor's Office on numerous occasions, by stressing its responsibility in fighting corruption in Ukraine. On September 24th, 2015, Ambassador Pyatt stated during the Odessa Financial Forum the General Prosecutor's Office's inability to fight corruption undermines effective reform implementation in Ukraine.

For a long time, the White House has tried to convey a powerful and clear message to Ukraine's leaders concerning the need to undertake more active efforts against corruption. In light of this heightened concern over high corruption levels and the Ukrainian authorities' lack of action, many Ukrainian experts have assumed the General Prosecutor's, Prime Minister's and several other high ranking Ukrainian officials' political futures could be seriously questioned.

Most importantly, the question of stable US financial assistance to Ukraine is closely tied to progress in conducting anti-corruption reforms within Ukraine's state institutions. In June, Ukrainian Prime Minister Yatseniuk met with US Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew to discuss an additional tranche of 1 billion dollars to support Ukrainian reforms in order to increase Ukraine's investment attractiveness and lay foundations for its economic growth. At the end of October, 2015, US Secretary of Commerce Penny Pritzker stated the readiness of US President Barack Obama to take necessary steps towards granting a third tranche of macroeconomic assistance to Ukraine to implement its reforms. During her recent meeting with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, she emphasized that visible and steady Ukrainian progress in implementing anti-corruption measures were a prerequisite for new financial assistance in the near future.

Last month, Joe **BIDEN** confirmed the US' readiness to grant Ukraine a third tranche of credit guarantees of 1 billion dollars. However, he emphasised Ukraine's government should fight corruption more actively, including conducting tax reforms in compliance with the IMF. Possible US assistance in reaching an agreement on the Ukraine's debt restructuring will also be predicated on these conditions.

Security and military cooperation

US presidential administration officials stated Joe **BIDEN** would underline US support of Ukraine's territorial integrity in his speech at the Ukrainian Parliament. He will reiterate the US' position concerning Russia's illegal annexation of Crimea and its current involvement in destabilizing eastern Ukraine. In this regard, it is also expected he will reassure Ukrainian leaders that any US communication with Russia over Syria's situation will not impact its position concerning Ukraine. Additionally, a diplomatic strategy to keep sanctions against Russia will be discussed with Ukrainian counterparts.

Ukraine's army requires serious investment, specialized military experience and modernization assistance . In 2015, thanks to **BIDEN'S** active involvement, the US provided Ukraine security and military assistance totaling \$265 million. Earlier this year, the US committed to training Ukrainian troops, a mission conducted by 300 US soldiers at a compound in western Ukraine. The US also provided specialized military

equipment which was transferred to the country's eastern battle zone. According to the National Defense Authorization Act for the 2016 Fiscal Year, approved by the US Senate, it could be possible to increase assistance to \$300 million. However, it is not clear if **BIDEN** will touch upon possible additional military assistance to Ukraine during his visit early next week.

Based on this, Vice President **BIDEN'S** visit is expected to reaffirm the US' support of Ukraine on its path towards democratization and its struggle against Russian hostile activities in Crimea and eastern Ukraine. Simultaneously, the US will emphasize that further comprehensive support of Ukraine will depend on the tempo and quality of a broad range of reforms within Ukraine's state apparatus.

Radio Free Europe / Radio Liberty

The Briefing: Mr. BIDEN goes to Ukraine

By: Brian Whitmore / December 7, 2015

Washington sends a loud signal that Ukraine remains a priority as U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** arrived in Kyiv for a two-day visit this week.

The visit -- in which **BIDEN** will deliver a highly anticipated speech to the Ukrainian parliament -- comes at a particularly sensitive time.

Kyiv is clearly worried that the Syria conflict and the potential for Western cooperation with Russia will weaken resolve to continue supporting Ukraine.

On this week's Power Vertical Briefing, I discuss what we can expect from **BIDEN'S** visit with RFE/RL Senior Editor Steve Gutterman.

Tweets

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The last warning for political elites unwilling to reform.

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Joe Biden, His Son and the Case Against a Ukrainian Oligarch

By JAMES RISENDEC. 8, 2015

WASHINGTON — When Vice President Joseph R. Biden Jr. traveled to Kiev, Ukraine, on Sunday for a series of meetings with the country's leaders, one of the issues on his agenda was to encourage a more aggressive fight against Ukraine's rampant corruption and stronger efforts to rein in the power of its oligarchs.

But the credibility of the vice president's anticorruption message may have been undermined by the association of his son, Hunter Biden, with one of Ukraine's largest natural gas companies, Burisma Holdings, and with its owner, Mykola Zlochevsky, who was Ukraine's ecology minister under former President Viktor F. Yanukovich before he was forced into exile.

Hunter Biden, 45, a former Washington lobbyist, joined the Burisma board in April 2014. That month, as part of an investigation into money laundering, British officials froze London bank accounts containing \$23 million that allegedly belonged to Mr. Zlochevsky.

Britain's Serious Fraud Office, an independent government agency, specifically forbade Mr. Zlochevsky, as well as Burisma Holdings, the company's chief legal officer and another company owned by Mr. Zlochevsky, to have any access to the accounts.

But after Ukrainian prosecutors refused to provide documents needed in the investigation, a British court in January ordered the Serious Fraud Office to unfreeze the assets. The refusal by the Ukrainian prosecutor general's office to cooperate was the target of a stinging attack by the American ambassador to Ukraine, Geoffrey R. Pyatt, who called out Burisma's owner by name in a speech in September.

"In the case of former Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, the U.K. authorities had seized \$23 million in illicit assets that belonged to the Ukrainian people," Mr. Pyatt said. Officials at the prosecutor general's office, he added, were asked by the United Kingdom "to send documents supporting the seizure. Instead they sent

letters to Zlochevsky's attorneys attesting that there was no case against him. As a result, the money was freed by the U.K. court, and shortly thereafter the money was moved to Cyprus."

Mr. Pyatt went on to call for an investigation into "the misconduct" of the prosecutors who wrote the letters. In his speech, the ambassador did not mention Hunter Biden's connection to Burisma.

But Edward C. Chow, who follows Ukrainian policy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the involvement of the vice president's son with Mr. Zlochevsky's firm undermined the Obama administration's anticorruption message in Ukraine.

"Now you look at the Hunter Biden situation, and on the one hand you can credit the father for sending the anticorruption message," Mr. Chow said. "But I think unfortunately it sends the message that a lot of foreign countries want to believe about America, that we are hypocritical about these issues."

Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for the vice president, said Hunter Biden's business dealings had no impact on his father's policy positions in connection with Ukraine.

"Hunter Biden is a private citizen and a lawyer," she said. "The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company. The vice president has pushed aggressively for years, both publicly with groups like the U.S.-Ukraine Business Forum and privately in meetings with Ukrainian leaders, for Ukraine to make every effort to investigate and prosecute corruption in accordance with the rule of law. It will once again be a key focus during his trip this week."

Ryan F. Toohey, a Burisma spokesman, said that Hunter Biden would not comment for this article.

It is not known how Mr. Biden came to the attention of the company. Announcing his appointment to the board, Alan Apter, a former Morgan Stanley investment banker who is chairman of Burisma, said, "The company's strategy is aimed at the strongest concentration of professional staff and the introduction of best corporate practices, and we're delighted that Mr. Biden is joining us to help us achieve these goals."

Joining the board at the same time was one of Mr. Biden's American business partners, Devon Archer. Both are involved with Rosemont Seneca Partners, an American investment firm with offices in Washington.

Mr. Biden is the younger of the vice president's two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter Biden attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. Biden also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James Biden, the vice president's brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the Bidens and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. Biden, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was "not out of the ordinary" for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, "Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped."

In response to Mr. Pyatt's criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky's case, Mr. Toohey said that "strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine."

Vice President Biden has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week's visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

Ms. Bedingfield said Hunter Biden had never traveled to Ukraine with his father. She also said that Ukrainian officials had never mentioned Hunter Biden's role with Burisma to the vice president during any of his visits.

"I've got to believe that somebody in the vice president's office has done some due diligence on this," said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. "I should say that I hope that has happened. I would hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message."

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Hey Michele -

See attached registration report as of last night.

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BIDEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS	105
Angelson	Mark		REGRETS	36
Angelson	Lynn		NO RESPONSES	187
Ashton	Bill		ATTENDS	0
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	UNKNOWN GUESTS	21
Bachula	Gary		TOTAL POSSIBLE	313
Woodfin	Jane		TIMESTAMP	-12-04T06:35:26Z
Beene	Kim			
Downing	Robin			
Beers	Sydney			
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers		
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB		
Bove	Beverly			
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove		
Bross	Eric			
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Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems		
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Doody	Jim			
Eckstrand	Phillip			
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand		
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation		
Freeh	Marilyn			
Garvin	Shawn	/		
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative		
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring		
Goodman	Lisa			
Fennell	Drew			
Grier	Betty			
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier		
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware		

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Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse
Herlinsky	Victory	
Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
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Kraus	Peter	/
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Lathem	Jean	/
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Adler	Michael		NO RESPONSES	139
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Angelson	Lynn		TOTAL POSSIBLE	284
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Woodfin	Jane			
Beene	Kim			
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Beers	Sydney			
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers		
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Biden	Ashley			
Krein	Howard			
Biden, III	Beau			
Biden	Hallie			
Biden	Natalie			
Biden	Robert Hunter			
Biden	Caroline			
Staley	Eric	Boyfriend of Caroline Biden		
Biden Owens	Valerie			
Owens	Jack			
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Butler	Dan			
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Carper	Martha			
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Adler	Michael	Chairman Emeritus, National Jewish Democratic Council	NO RESPONSES	114
Ambro	Thomas	Judge, 3rd Circuit, US Court of Appeals	ATTENDS	0
Ambro	Mary		TOTAL POSSIBLE	275
Angelson	Mark		TIMESTAMP	-12-05T17:58:45Z
Angelson	Lynn			
Ashton	Bill			
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Secundy	Liz	
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Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
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Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
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Snyder-Mackler	Lynn	Physical Therapy/ University of Delaware
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DE Registration Report

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Hi Molly!

Attached is the latest!

Thanks!

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Matos	Maria	Executive Director/ Latin American Community Center	
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Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
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Meyers	William		
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Micallef	Joe		
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden	
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco	
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Woodfin	Jane		UNKNOWN GUESTS
Beene	Kim		TOTAL POSSIBLE
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Beers	Sydney		
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	
Bross	Eric		
Bross	Anna		
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Hyman	Luke		
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB	
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Rodriguez	Sindy		
Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
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Meyers	William		
Meyers	Christine		

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Micallef	Joe	
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
OBrien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Shields	Bob	
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Beers	Sydney		
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB	
Bove	Beverly		
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove	
Bross	Eric		
Bross	Anna		
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes	
Christopher	Athena		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
Christopher	Patricia		
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Eckstrand	Phillip		
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation	
Freeh	Marilyn		
Garvin	Shawn	/	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative	
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring	
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Grier	Betty		
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Herlinsky	Victory		

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Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	/
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	/
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	
LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
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Hello everyone,

Attached is a press recap for the VP's trip to Ukraine.

Thanks,

Joe

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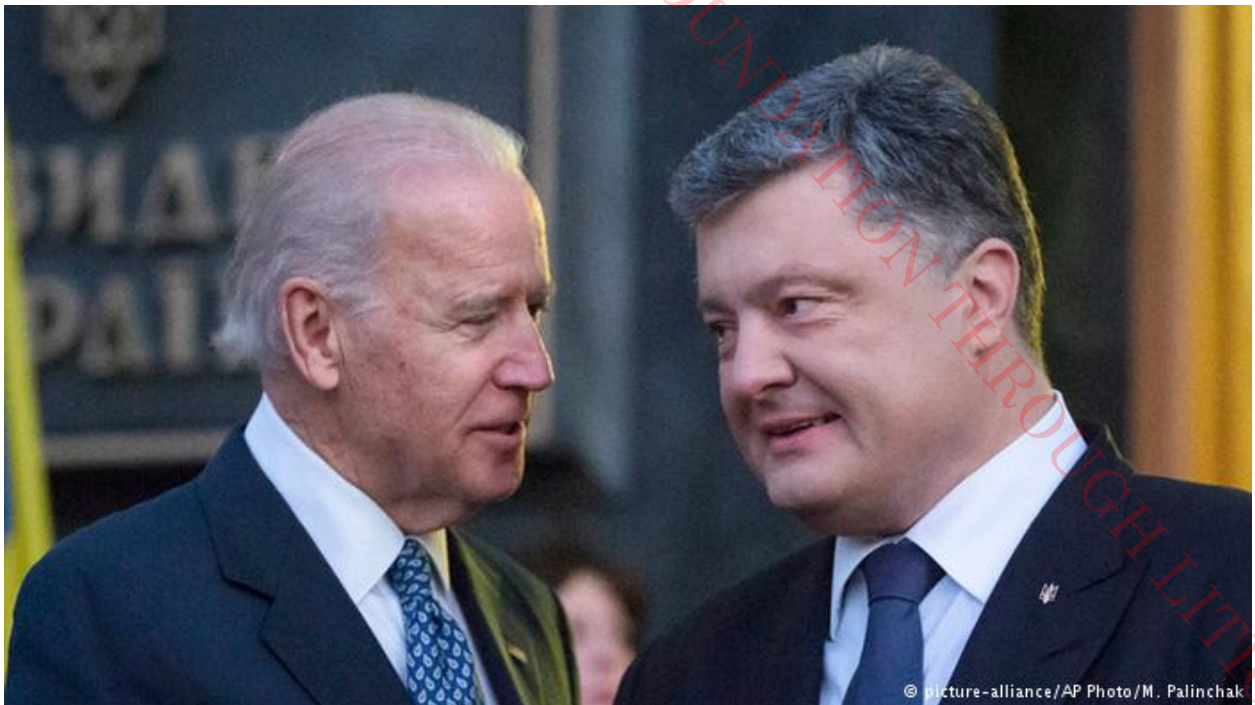
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Joe BIDEN says U.S. Is Still Backing Ukraine

By: Peter Baker / December 7, 2015

The United States will not sacrifice Ukraine in pursuit of Russian cooperation in Syria, Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. assured Ukrainian leaders on Monday, as the Obama administration tries to manage complicated diplomacy with Moscow.

Opening a two-day visit to Kiev, Mr. **BIDEN** told President Petro O. Poroshenko that the United States still stands by Ukraine in its conflict with pro-Russian separatists. To make the point, Mr. **BIDEN** promised another \$190 million in American aid.

“The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued — and I emphasize continued — aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists,” Mr. **BIDEN** told reporters after the meeting.

He called on President Vladimir V. Putin of Russia to live up to a cease-fire agreement reached in February in Minsk, Belarus. “Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community,” Mr. **BIDEN** said.

Ukrainian officials have been nervous about what Russia’s renewed interest in the Middle East would mean for their country. American officials interpret Russia’s intervention in Syria as an attempt by Mr. Putin to distract world attention from the Ukrainian conflict, to break out of the isolation the West has tried to impose on Moscow, and perhaps to weaken international resolve to maintain sanctions.

President Obama has insisted that the situations in Ukraine and Syria are separate, and he sent Mr. **BIDEN** to Ukraine to drive that point home. Even if Washington and Moscow can work together to settle the Syrian civil war and battle the Islamic State, Mr. Obama has said, it would not stop the West from maintaining pressure on Russia to resolve the Ukrainian dispute.

“That’s going to be a major theme of the trip — that nothing that’s going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security,” a senior administration official said before Mr. **BIDEN** left Washington. The official briefed reporters on the condition of anonymity under White House rules.

Michael A. McFaul, Mr. Obama’s former ambassador to Russia, said the Ukrainians should be reassured. “Vice President **BIDEN’S** trip to Kyiv sends a clear message that the United States is not willing to trade Ukraine for Russian cooperation on Syria,” he said, using the spelling of the capital that Ukrainian leaders prefer. “That kind of linkage never works,” Mr. McFaul said.

Mr. **BIDEN** also pressed the Ukrainians to put aside their differences and do more to battle corruption, bolster their economy and restructure the country’s finances.

Mr. Poroshenko was elected in 2014 after a pro-Moscow government was driven from office by mass protests that were met with violence. By many accounts, he has yet to diminish the control wielded by a small coterie of business moguls over much of the country’s economic and political apparatus. The president is fighting with Parliament over the prosecutor general, who critics say has done too little to tackle corruption.

“It’s absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe, to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption,” Mr. **BIDEN** said. “The people need to see that the ways of the past are permanently gone, they no longer exist. That means hard decisions.”

Mr. **BIDEN** made a point about fighting corruption with the way he began his visit to Kiev: by meeting with what his office called a “reformers’ round table” of government officials, lawmakers and advocacy group leaders. After his meeting with Mr. Poroshenko, Mr. **BIDEN** met with Prime Minister Arseniy P. Yatsenyuk, who has been at odds with the president over a host of issues.

“Vice President **BIDEN’S** most important challenge in Ukraine is to keep the president and prime minister on a common, unequivocal path of reform that shows Ukraine is helping itself and merits the world’s support,” said

Carlos Pascual, a former American ambassador to Ukraine. "With Russia recapturing a leadership role in the Middle East, Ukraine cannot give the world an excuse to forget Ukraine."

Mr. **BIDEN** will make some of the same points when he addresses the Rada, or Ukrainian Parliament, on Tuesday, a rare platform for a foreign leader. If Ukraine is to prevail in its struggle with Russia, he plans to say, it must get its own house in order.

Before his meeting with Mr. Poroshenko on Monday, Mr. **BIDEN** visited a monument to people who were killed during the pro-Western demonstrations in Maidan Square that led to the ouster of President Viktor F. Yanukovich. Mr. **BIDEN** tried to visit the monument last year, but had to cancel at the last minute when an unruly group of protesters unnerved his security detail.

Somber-faced and coatless on a brisk day, Mr. **BIDEN** viewed a display of about 100 photographs of slain protesters, along with candles, bouquets of flowers and banners with tributes to the victims.

"Imagine what it was like," Geoffrey Pyatt, the American ambassador, could be heard telling Mr. **BIDEN**. He pointed to surrounding buildings. "Snipers up on the buildings there."

Mr. **BIDEN** left a commemorative vice-presidential coin at the base of an elaborately carved wooden cross at the monument.

The conflict in eastern Ukraine has fallen into a kind of stasis, with Russian-backed separatist rebels still in control of sizable areas but significantly less violence than before the Minsk agreement.

By several accounts, the Kremlin has reined in the separatists, but has not done anything to return the restive region to government control. Nor has it shown any sign of relaxing its grip on the Crimean peninsula, which it annexed early last year. The peninsula has had no electricity for two weeks after explosions in southern Ukraine knocked out a transmission line.

Despite efforts by President François Hollande of France to enlist Russia in the international coalition fighting the Islamic State in Syria, the European Union appears likely to renew sanctions against Russia next week over Moscow's actions in Ukraine.

According to Stratfor, a private analysis group, "As things stand now, the two sides are moving further apart, and the Russia-West standoff is likely to endure well into 2016."

Bloomberg

BIDEN says 'Illegal' Russian Occupation of Crimea Must End

By: Margaret Talev / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** called Russia's annexation of Crimea "illegal" in a demonstration of solidarity with Ukraine's government that signaled the U.S. won't bargain away its support for the country to win Russian cooperation in the fight against Islamic State in Syria.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued -- and I emphasize continued -- aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said in Kiev on Monday, following a meeting with Ukrainian president Petro Poroshenko.

BIDEN announced \$190 million in new aid for Ukraine contingent on the government continuing to make progress rooting out corruption. That brings direct U.S. assistance to nearly \$760 million since the formation of a new government in 2014, including more than \$260 million for security. The latest funds is for helping law enforcement fight corruption, reforming the justice sector, and streamlining regulations and privatization of state-owned enterprises, **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN'S two-day visit to Ukraine is intended to deliver reassurance that the U.S. won't budge in its commitment to Ukraine at a time when attention has shifted to Syria and fighting the Islamic State. That includes keeping in place sanctions on Russia to pressure President Vladimir Putin's government to fully implement the Minsk agreements that outline a path to end nearly two years of conflict.

Minsk Accords

The separatists, Ukraine and Russia must continue to respect a cease-fire signed earlier this year in Minsk, Belarus, **BIDEN** said. "Both sides need to hold up that bargain," he said, echoing the position of U.S. allies in Europe.

“The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten” what happened, **BIDEN** said, calling Russia’s move to annex Crimea in 2014 an “illegal invasion” that “will not be accepted” by the U.S. or international community. “We will not accept it under any circumstance, and Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine’s sovereign territory” including Crimea.

Tensions rose recently after power lines to Crimea were cut by Ukrainian saboteurs. Russia and the U.S. remain at loggerheads over both Ukraine and Syria, where a Russian military intervention has complicated that country’s civil war.

Syria Conflict

Putin says his military is attacking Islamic State in Syria. The U.S. says Putin’s forces have targeted relatively few Islamic State-held areas, and instead is attempting to reinforce Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, a close ally, by bombing rebels backed by the U.S. and Persian Gulf states.

Poroshenko, through a translator, told reporters that he pledged to **BIDEN** that Ukraine is ready to provide “maximum support” to U.S.-led coalition forces in Syria, though he did not say what such support might entail.

“Ukraine is no stranger to terrorist threats,” he said. “We cannot be frightened by the terrorist threat.”

As Russia has turned its attention to Syria, Ukraine sees signs for hope and concern. While clashes between separatists and Ukrainian forces have eased since September, eastern Ukraine’s status remains unsettled. Insurgent tanks were spotted in Horlivka northeast of Donetsk, and rebels continued provocations with mortars, rifles, machine guns and grenade launchers, officials said Sunday.

Ukraine is seeking assurances from the U.S. and European Union that it will not become a bargaining chip in efforts to coordinate with Russia on attacking Islamic State targets.

BIDEN earlier Monday held a closed-door roundtable discussion on political and government reforms with about a dozen Ukrainian officials and members of civil society. He also visited the Heavenly Hundred memorial,

an unofficial memorial with a wooden cross and framed photos of those killed in the Maidan protests of February 2014.

"We are starting to see real signs of economic progress" in Ukraine, **BIDEN** said, including "stabilized" currency.

BIDEN is to meet with Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk later Monday. He will address Ukraine's parliament on Tuesday.

Wall Street Journal

Ukrainians See Conflict in BIDEN'S Anticorruption Message

By: Paul Sonne and Laura Mills / December 7, 2015

Joe **BIDEN** is on his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president, pressing the pro-Western government to root out widespread corruption, but activists here say that message is being undermined as his son receives money from a former Ukrainian official who is being investigated for graft.

Since May of last year, Hunter **BIDEN**, the vice president's son, has served as an independent director of Ukrainian gas firm Burisma Holdings Ltd., a closely held company run by a former government official whom Ukrainian and British authorities are investigating for alleged criminal wrongdoing.

Mykola Zlochevsky, who served as ecology and natural resources minister under the Ukrainian government that was ousted in last year's pro-Western uprising, hasn't been charged and denies wrongdoing.

Mr. **BIDEN'S** visit to Ukraine this week, which will include a formal address to Parliament on Tuesday, comes against the backdrop of increasing exasperation over corruption that has persisted in the two years since the country's pro-Western uprising and the general prosecutor's office tasked with prosecuting such wrongdoing has come under fire for inaction.

The vice president's office defended Hunter **BIDEN'S** right to serve on the board of Burisma.

"Hunter **BIDEN** is a private citizen and a lawyer. The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company," said Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Mr. **BIDEN**.

Hunter **BIDEN** said his work with Burisma aligns with his father's anticorruption message. A spokesman for the younger Mr. **BIDEN** said he joined the board "to strengthen corporate governance and transparency at a company working to advance energy security for Ukraine...These are also goals of the United States."

But some anticorruption campaigners here worry the link with Mr. **BIDEN** may protect Mr. Zlochevsky from being prosecuted in Ukraine. The general prosecutor didn't respond to multiple requests for comment on the investigation into Mr. Zlochevsky.

"If an investigator sees the son of the vice president of the United States is part of the management of a company...that investigator will be uncomfortable pushing the case forward," said Daria Kaleniuk, head of Ukraine's Anti-Corruption Action Center.

Hunter **BIDEN** has been working on geothermal energy initiatives that Burisma is pursuing and carrying out customary board member duties including company oversight.

"The situation raises a question mark about integrity," said Viktoriya Voytsitska, a member of Parliament and former employee of a rival gas company to Mr. Zlochevsky's. "There should be integrity at all levels, irrespective of whether these are of a public or private level."

Mr. Zlochevsky is under investigation in the U.K. on suspicion of money laundering, according to British authorities. He is also under investigation in a Ukrainian unlawful-enrichment probe and a separate Ukrainian into alleged abuse of power, forgery and embezzlement, according to letters from the general prosecutor reviewed by The Wall Street Journal.

"Mr. Zlochevsky has followed the letter and spirit of the law in his role as civil servant," Burisma said. "He has, at all times, held himself to the highest moral and ethical standards of fairness and decision making."

The firm said investigators hadn't produced any evidence of misconduct. Anticorruption campaigners and Ukrainian lawmakers have criticized the general prosecutor's office for lack of progress in the investigation against Mr. Zlochevsky and others involving high-profile former officials, some two years after the uprising on Maidan that promised an end to Ukraine's widespread corruption.

In March 2014, BNP Paribas reported Mr. Zlochevsky to U.K. authorities on suspicion of money laundering after his companies tried to move \$23 million to Cyprus from their British account at the bank, according to court documents.

A judge in the U.K. unfroze the \$23 million in January and chastised the U.K. Serious Fraud Office for holding the funds for months in their money-laundering probe without presenting sufficient evidence of a suspected crime. Burisma hailed the ruling as confirmation that Mr. Zlochevsky's assets were legally acquired.

The U.K. authorities are still pursuing the investigation.

U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine Geoffrey Pyatt singled out the mismanagement of Mr. Zlochevsky's case by Ukrainian prosecutors as an example of the country's failure to hold to account officials from the ousted government suspected of corruption. Mr. Pyatt suggested the court unfroze the money not because of Mr. Zlochevsky's innocence, but rather because of the incompetence of Ukrainian authorities.

Behind the relationship between Mr. Zlochevsky and Hunter **BIDEN** is an effort to anchor the future of a controversial Ukrainian company amid shifting political and economic tides, according to people familiar with the company's thinking.

In his political career, Mr. Zlochevsky allied with Moscow-leaning factions in Ukrainian politics, only to re-emerge after last year's uprising with high-profile Westerners on his company's board. Burisma now promotes its business as an antidote to Ukraine's reliance on the Kremlin for energy.

Twice, Mr. Zlochevsky served in top Ukrainian government positions that oversaw the allocation of gas licenses—first under President Leonid Kuchma from 2003 to 2005, as chairman of the since-disbanded State Committee for Natural Resources, and later under President Viktor Yanukovich from 2010 to 2012, as Ecology and Natural Resources Minister.

All the while, companies now part of Burisma rose to become the largest private gas producer in Ukraine. A review of Mr. Zlochevsky's activities by The Wall Street Journal found his oil and gas production businesses flourished by winning crucial permits while he was in office.

Ukrainian records indicate that Burisma's main subsidiaries—Esko-Pivnich and Pari—received all their exploration permits for fresh fields during his two stints in the top posts, excluding extensions on existing fields. Those exploration licenses were awarded without public auctions, according to a review of the records and an official at the State Geological and Mineral Resources Service of Ukraine.

In many cases, the companies made use of a provision in Ukrainian rules, known as an “integral property complex,” which allowed the firms to receive a license to gas fields without auction if they already owned or rented some type of asset on the field, as simple as a pipe network or dwelling. Burisma says all its permits were issued in accordance with Ukrainian law.

Apart from Burisma, other companies connected to Mr. Zlochevsky also received licenses during his time in office. In 2004, Mr. Zlochevsky's committee revoked a Ukrainian state firm's license to one of Ukraine's biggest gas fields, crippling a Polish-Ukrainian joint venture that had been harvesting deposits. It then awarded the license to a little known firm called Ukrnaftoburinnya, which counted companies tied to Mr. Zlochevsky among its beneficiaries, according to Ukrainian public records and its former CEO. Those firms later sold out. Burisma said there was no conflict of interest.

The Ukrainian constitution prohibits ministers from combining public service duties with any work except for teaching, research or creative activities. Four people, however, said they met Mr. Zlochevsky to discuss Burisma investments while he was minister. Two said he sometimes conducted the business-related meetings in his office at the ministry itself.

Since Ukraine's uprising, anticorruption crusaders and officials have regularly pointed to Mr. Zlochevsky as an example of Yanukovych-era excess.

DW

Joe BIDEN likely to bring harsh criticism to Ukraine

By: Frank Hofmann / December 6, 2015

It took over a year and a half for Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko to even begin implementing his most important campaign promise: On December 1, a new head of the anti-corruption prosecution agency was finally appointed, and now the office is ready to start working. US officials think this took far too long, and they are losing patience with Ukraine's government, especially since Prosecutor General Viktor Shokin, a Poroshenko confidant, has delayed filling the anti-corruption position. In September of this year, Geoffrey Pyatt, the US ambassador to Kyiv, took an unusual step. He tweeted - albeit in a convoluted, diplomatic manner - his demand for Shokin's dismissal.

But Poroshenko is holding on to Shokin, a man who has been accused of leading an extremely corrupt state apparatus. After Euromaidan, the judiciary holds great emotional significance for Ukrainians. Almost 100 people were killed in the revolt two years ago.

"The entire Prosecutor General's Office must urgently be reformed," a high-ranking US official demanded ahead of Joe **BIDEN'S** visit to Kyiv, where the US vice president is scheduled to start holding meetings on Monday. Ukraine has a "long history of corruption," the official said, requesting anonymity to speak candidly. **BIDEN'S** schedule for the visit reflects how low respect for Ukraine's leadership has sunk in the United States: The vice president will speak with representatives of pro-EU civil society groups before holding talks with politicians.

BIDEN will put pressure on the Ukrainian government, the US official said, and "the recently adopted anti-corruption reforms will be implemented." The vice president will probably urge Ukraine's government to force Shokin to resign. Diplomats in Kyiv are becoming increasingly distraught with regard to the placatory attitude of Ukrainian leaders.

It seems questionable that the required judicial reform will be swiftly implemented. Poroshenko's people are being advised by the European Council in Strasbourg - an institution that is not known for quick reforms. Behind the scenes, a Japanese diplomat insisted that the entire Ukrainian judiciary be thrown out. In the past, judges often acted as trustees, representing the interests of oligarchs. Japanese officials suggest that the Ukrainian government dismiss all its jurists and then start a "recruitment campaign" to put "judges with integrity" in office. This has already worked

for Ukraine's new traffic police, for which Japan has donated about 1,300 cars. Since summer, the hybrid vehicles have zipped around Kyiv, blue lights flashing to give a sense of security. Above all, these actions are meant to say, "We are doing something." Now it turns out that the police patrols just showcase a proclaimed change in politics, but, behind the display, many moldy structures prevail.

This also applies to political structures. It is striking how intricately entangled they are with Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk's milieu. That is why Yatsenyuk confidant Mykola Martynenko remains chairman of the energy committee in Ukraine's unicameral parliament, or Rada, although Switzerland has been directing investigations into him for at least half a year. Martynenko is suspected of transferring bribes worth millions to a Swiss account. It is doubtful that the Ukrainian prosecutor general has provided the Swiss with satisfactory support.

Conflict with Russia as an excuse?

The accused just shrug the allegations off. In other European countries, officials would break out in a cold sweat just thinking about the consequences, but German bank managers in Kyiv say Ukrainians cynically sneer at the idea of "honorable gentlemen." Martynenko himself speaks of a Russian conspiracy against him. Last Monday he stated that he would resign from parliament, but his departure has not been voted on yet.

All in all, many Ukrainian leaders use the conflict with Russia as an excuse for their failure to act. Instead of building democratic structures, the country seems to be stabilizing the old system of oligarchy, cronyism and corruption. Russian President Vladimir Putin has thus achieved his goal of halting Ukraine's establishing stronger bonds with the United States and EU. The excesses of the judiciary are reminiscent of the situation in Russia, where prosecutors are involved in shady dealings and act arbitrarily.

Ukrainian authorities are also known for violations of freedom of speech, another similarity the country has with Russia. The critical blogger Ruslan Kozaba has been in custody since February. His crime: He spoke out against the civil war in eastern Ukraine.

Apparently, the blogger was reported to authorities by a volunteer who works for the Security Service of Ukraine. The 31,000-employee SBU appears to serve as the third element in the justice system and is also traditionally a tool of oligarchic interests. But US officials say the days of standing by and watching are over: The grace period has apparently come to an end.

Wall Street Journal

Joe BIDEN'S Mission in Ukraine

By: Stephen Sestanovich / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine for two days of meetings and a speech to parliament. Such visits typically combine warm reassurance with hair-on-fire exhortation: "We've got your back," plus "You've got to do more." That will doubtless be Mr. **BIDEN'S** script this week. But there's nothing pro forma about the message. Although Ukraine has long since lost its page-one prominence, its situation—economic, political, and strategic—remains dire. It could be back on the front page in a hurry.

So what does the vice president need to say in Kiev? The crisis of the moment involves a political impasse over the budget. Finance Minister Natalie Jaresko, a tough reformer, has presented a tax package that would clean up a corrupt code, embrace a 20% flat tax, narrow the deficit, and sustain support from the International Monetary Fund. George Soros has endorsed it, but key parliamentary leaders have not. They've proposed an alternative (reformers call it "populist") that will cut rates, explode the deficit, and kiss IMF money good-bye.

U.S. leaders hate telling friendly countries that they have to accept the IMF's medicine, and Mr. **BIDEN** surely loathes this part of his assignment. What he needs to do in Kiev is make populism his friend. Yes, it's crucial to satisfy the IMF. (Who except Vladimir Putin wants Ukraine to stand alone?) But satisfying the Ukrainian people is equally important. The country's future depends on their support, far more than on the support of international financial institutions.

Fortunately, the two can still be reconciled. Part of Mr. **BIDEN'S** job in Ukraine this week is to avoid letting himself become the IMF's enforcer. He needs to give Ms. Jaresko's plan a boost and to make plain the U.S. government's view that her plan can succeed only if married to a vigorous assault on the corrupt and still unreformed institutions of pre-Maidan Ukraine. (As a senior member of the Kiev government growled to me not so long ago: "People need to go to jail.")

That's the you've-got-to-do-more half of Mr. **BIDEN'S** mission. As for the reassurance half, the vice president will tell Ukrainians—loudly and emphatically—that the United States and Europe will not sell them out in order to forge an anti-terrorism alliance with Russia. He shouldn't let himself be guilt-tripped on this issue or make concessions just to soothe nerves in Kiev. Still, the current lull in eastern Ukraine is a good moment to think about how to keep the peace whenever fighting threatens to resume. To prolong the lull, Ukraine needs a more capable and professional military. Now—not when new violence erupts somewhere down the line—is the time to think about security.

AFP

Joe BIDEN Visits War-Scarred Ukraine to Reaffirm US Support

By: Dmitry Zaks / December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** arrived in Kiev late Sunday to reassure its pro-Western leaders that Washington remains committed to Ukraine despite stepped-up efforts to work with Russia against Islamic State jihadists.

BIDEN'S three-day visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

After arriving at around midnight (2200 GMT on Sunday), he is due to meet Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko Monday and deliver a highly-anticipated address to parliament the following day.

"We do not know if there is any other historical precedent for a foreign official giving a speech like this," a senior US administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said in a teleconference with reporters.

Washington and Kiev's EU allies support Ukraine's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ousting of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Both the US and EU have slapped stiff economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's dilapidated and underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Situation changing

But the situation changed when Russia launched ferocious air strikes against Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's enemies on September 30.

Washington accused Putin of trying to prop up his most important Middle East ally by targeting Western-backed Syrian rebels instead of IS and other extremists holding parts of Syria and Iraq.

Yet IS's claim that it downed a Russian airliner carrying 224 holidaymakers and crew from Egypt on October 31 appears to have prompted Moscow to focus more on bombing oil infrastructure and other jihadist targets.

The November 13 Paris attacks further prompted French President Francois Hollande to try to enrol Russia in a "grand coalition" against IS including the US and some European and Arab states.

Hollande's mission has been treated with caution by the White House and overt fright by Ukraine, a country of about 40 million.

The senior US official said **BIDEN** would take extra care to stress that the overtures toward Putin in no way affected the West's support for Kiev.

"I think that is going to be a major theme of the trip -- that nothing that is going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the US official said.

Inability to erase corruption

Yet **BIDEN** arrives in a country whose morale is sagging due to Poroshenko's seeming inability to erase the corruption that has ravaged Ukraine for much of its recent history.

Poroshenko's prosecutor-general has particularly fallen prey to accusations of blocking investigations and hiring workers who have since been detained with huge stashes of gold and cash in their flats.

This, along with Kiev's failure to win back the east after 19 months of bloodshed that has claimed more than 8,000 lives, is souring the public's mood toward the government and helping the resurgence of Ukrainian far-right groups.

"Much more needs to be done to reform the prosecutor-general's office so that it actually enables anti-corruption efforts as opposed to standing in the way of those efforts," the US official said.

"So that will be I think something that is talked about."

Analysts say the main problem rests in the government's failure to break the hold big business has enjoyed over much of Ukrainian politics for more than 20 years.

"Ukraine has 1,833 state corporations that are a persistent source of corruption," said Anders Aslund of the US-based Atlantic Council.

"The government has failed to privatise one single enterprise because of deeply ingrained vested interests."

Poroshenko has taken credit for dismissing nearly 4,000 graft-tainted prosecutors. He also introduced a high-ranking official on Tuesday responsible for rooting out bribe-taking and at least partially limiting the sway of shadowy tycoons.

But some analysts remain unconvinced.

"The adoption of even the best and highest-profile decisions that 'suit **BIDEN**' only underscores the absence of a coherent strategy for reforming our country," Ukrainian political commentator Yevgen Magda said.

VICE News

Joe BIDEN is visiting Ukraine – and it could get really awkward

By: Simon Ostrovsky / December 7, 2015

It's a diplomat's job to stay all smiles and keep the business of international relations chugging along, no matter how bad things look. But sometimes, even diplomats lose their cool.

This week, US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is visiting Kiev to tell Ukrainians they still have Washington's support in their fight against Russia and Russia-backed separatists in the country's east. But his message may be overshadowed by the US ambassador to Kiev, who hasn't been acting very diplomatically lately.

At the end of September, Ambassador Geoffrey Pyatt got up in front of a group of businessmen and investors at a conference in the city of Odessa and told them that Ukrainian prosecutors were protecting the corrupt owner of an energy company that employs the **BIDEN'S** son, Hunter, instead of prosecuting him.

"We have learned that there have been times when the Prosecutor General's Office not only did not support investigations into corruption, but rather undermined prosecutors working on legitimate corruption cases," Pyatt said in Ukraine's main port city.

He then pointed specifically to a case involving former Ukrainian Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, owner of the Burisma Holdings energy firm, which hired Hunter **BIDEN** to its board of directors shortly after the Euromaidan revolution overthrew Zlochevsky's former boss Viktor Yanukovich.

Burisma likely hired **BIDEN'S** son in the hopes that some of the family prestige would rub off on the company in the uncertain times that followed the revolution, Daria Kaleniuk, director of Ukraine's Anti-Corruption Action Center, told VICE News.

"They want there to be less suspicion that they're involved in corrupt under-the-table dealings and are instead seen as operating in line with international standards," Kaleniuk said, adding that Burisma received gas

production licenses in questionable circumstances under the former regime.

Burisma insists it hired the vice president's son to its board because he is an experienced lawyer. "This is totally based on merit," the company's chairman, Alan Apter said when the younger **BIDEN** was hired.

According to the US ambassador, Hunter **BIDEN'S** boss Zlochevsky stole \$23 million from the Ukrainian people. But when a British court seized the money and asked Ukrainian prosecutors to send documents to confirm the funds were illicit, they stalled, forcing the court to release the assets back to the former ecology minister.

The elder **BIDEN** arrives in Ukraine at a time when there is no bigger issue than corruption. With the war in the east stabilized for the time being, the media have nominated graft as the country's number one enemy — not Russia.

The vice president also lands after months of acrimony between reformers and Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko over the prosecutor general, who Poroshenko has refused to dismiss despite numerous allegations about abuse of authority.

But the White House wants the focus of **BIDEN'S** visit to be Ukraine's close alliance with the US. One senior administration official, who asked not to be named, said a major goal was to remind people that Ukraine was not forgotten despite the fact that attention has shifted toward Russia's involvement in Syria.

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"That's going to be a major theme of the trip — that nothing that's going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the official said in a briefing for journalists.

The official also acknowledged that the administration has had to fall into line with the ambassador's now public views.

"The Office of the Prosecutor General itself is in desperate need of reform," the official said. "And so [**BIDEN**] has made this very clear to President Poroshenko in previous conversations... So I think we are largely in line with Ambassador Pyatt's sense that much more needs to be done."

But **BIDEN'S** meeting with Poroshenko may be a bit awkward, given that the US backs Ukraine on the presumption that it wants to have a Western-style democratic system with checks and balances — not a Russian-style autocracy where anyone who is friends with top officials gets a free pass.

Ukrainian reformers will be watching closely to hear what **BIDEN** tells the president.

"We have been very happy with the criticism the embassy has been bringing against the prosecutor's office," said Kaleniuk. "It has been very direct. So if **BIDEN** continues in the same vein and highlights the activities of the prosecutor's office in defending people associated with Burisma, then it will be clear that he is doing his job fairly and is not beholden to narrow family interests."

Voice of America

BIDEN to push for reforms during Ukraine visit December 6, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine for a visit aimed at pushing the Kyiv government toward continued reforms, while seeking to reassure it that war in Syria has not diminished Washington's support for Ukraine's pro-Western ambitions.

BIDEN arrived in Kyiv early Monday local time, and is set to meet with President Petro Poroshenko later in the day, before a highly anticipated address to the Ukraine parliament Tuesday.

During the two-day visit - **BIDEN'S** fifth since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in early 2014 - he is expected to review Ukraine's recent anti-corruption efforts, including tax reforms, ahead of formal U.S. approval of a third \$1 billion loan guarantee.

The Obama administration already has provided \$470 million in direct economic assistance since pro-Russian former president Viktor Yanukovich was driven from power nearly two years ago, after weeks of anti-government protests in Kyiv. The **BIDEN** visit comes as fighting in eastern Ukraine between government troops and pro-Russian rebels continues to wane, after more than 18 months of combat and nearly 8,000 deaths, most of them civilians.

Key U.S. officials say **BIDEN** will seek to reassure Kyiv that Washington will continue an array of economic sanctions against Russia, until Moscow and its Ukrainian rebel allies fully implement internationally mediated agreements to end the conflict and pull back heavy weapons.

Senior officials say **BIDEN** also will stress that recent U.S. overtures aimed at gaining cooperation from Russian President Vladimir Putin in the fight against Islamic extremists in Syria will in no way affect Western support for Kyiv.

President Poroshenko has overseen the dismissals of nearly 4,000 graft tainted prosecutors since taking office in May 2014. Last week, he also introduced a special anti-corruption prosecutor whose responsibilities will include rooting out graft and limiting the political power of shadowy business tycoons long seen as obstructing good government practices in the former Soviet republic.

AP

BIDEN announces more US aid for Ukraine December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** assured Ukraine Monday of continuing U.S. support and announced the release of an additional \$190 million in U.S. aid to help support reforms.

BIDEN, speaking Monday on a trip to the Ukrainian capital, also emphasized the need for Russia to fully meet its obligations under February's Minsk agreement that was intended to end the fighting in eastern Ukraine.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued — I emphasize, continued — aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said after his talks with Ukraine's President Petro Poroshenko.

Ukraine and the West have accused Russia of backing the rebels in eastern Ukraine with troops and weapons, accusations Moscow has denied.

Fighting between Ukrainian forces and Russia-backed separatists has abated significantly since early September, after killing some 8,000 people since April 2014, but tensions remain high because of unresolved questions about the final political status of the rebel regions in the east.

"Moscow has to fully implement the Minsk agreement and work constructively with Ukraine to create the conditions for free, fair and safe local elections to occur in Donbass," **BIDEN** said, referring to the collective name for the two rebel regions.

BIDEN also underlined that the U.S. will never accept Russia's annexation of Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula. "Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine's sovereign territory," he said.

BIDEN stressed the need for Ukraine to ramp up the fight against corruption and undertake critical reforms.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption," he said.

BIDEN added that the additional roughly \$190 million in U.S. assistance will help fight corruption in Ukraine's law-enforcement and reform the justice sector, helping attract more investment by streamlining regulations and privatizing state-owned enterprises in a transparent way.

Morning News USA

Joe BIDEN stirs World War 3 Analyst

By: Athena Yenka / December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** traveled to Ukraine on Sunday. The visit aimed to provide a strong signal of American support for Ukraine in the face of Russia's continued military intervention in the region, according to a senior administration official. The move, however, signals that U.S. is geared up for a possible World War 3 against Russia, according to an analyst.

"He (**BIDEN**) is there to kind of reassure the Kiev puppet ally government that the United States is standing behind them, ready for World War 3 against Russia," Joachim Hagopian, an investigative journalist, told Press TV.

A senior administration official said the primary aim of Vice President **BIDEN'S** visit to Ukraine is to assure a staunch U.S. support against Russia's provocative incursion in the region. "Even as so much of the international attention has shifted towards Russia's involvement with Syria, we, the United States, haven't forgotten about Ukraine; that Ukraine remains central to our national interests; and that the Vice President and President continue to believe that progress in Ukraine is essential for the ultimate aspiration we have for Europe of being whole, at peace, and free," the official said during a conference call.

A discussion will also be made about the implementation of the Minsk Agreements in order to deescalate hostilities between Russian-backed separatists and the Ukrainian government. Mr. **BIDEN** will call for Russia to live up to their obligations under the Minsk Agreements, the official said. He will also assure Ukraine that U.S. will keep its sanctions against Russia until Minsk is fully implemented. The U.S. will also continue to train the Ukrainian armed forces to defend the region from any aggression from Russia.

The U.S. will not intervene in the matters concerning Ukrainian debt to Russia, the official said. The Russian have offered a solution that requires an American, European or an IMF guarantee of repayment in installments. "This is a bilateral issue for Russia and Ukraine," the official said.

According to a report from Reuters, the Russian government has already received a direct refusal from the U.S. regarding the matter. "In this regard, there is nothing left but for us to file a legal case against Ukraine if the debtor does not fulfill its liabilities fully on Dec. 20," the Russian Finance Ministry was quoted as saying in a statement. The senior administration

official speaking on behalf of the vice president also stressed that while the U.S. has been in active conversation with Russia on Syria, the talks are completely compartmented from the Ukraine experience.

All U.S. moves and decision involving the Ukraine crisis is provoking Russia, Hagopian told Press TV. "I think that we are seeing polarization and a movement towards more confrontation, unfortunately, and I think that this **BIDEN** visit to Ukraine is the same as 'you know we are going to be there for you when World War 3 starts, we are going to be fighting right alongside you,'" Hagopian added.

International Business Times

US Pledges \$190M Financial Support to Ukraine, Must Fight Corruption, Says VP Joe BIDEN

By: Lydia Tomkiw / December 7, 2015

During U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN'S** fourth visit to Ukraine Monday since the Russian annexation of Crimea, he announced the U.S. will provide the financially battered Eastern European country with \$190 million in financial assistance, Reuters reported. The announcement comes as Ukraine works to reform its political and economic systems and continues a territorial battle with Russia.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN reassured the Ukrainian people that the U.S. has not forgotten about Russia's annexation of Crimea in March 2014 that triggered the war in Eastern Ukraine, which has pitted Russian-backed separatists against Ukrainian government forces and devastated Ukraine's industrial heartland. Over 8,000 people have died in the conflict and over 1.4 million have been displaced.

BIDEN said the U.S. would never accept Russia's annexation of the peninsula and emphasized that Russia must meet the demands agreed to

in the February Minsk agreement that officials from both Moscow and Kiev signed in hopes of ending the conflict.

The American leader stressed during his remarks that Ukraine must continue to fight corruption with civil society playing a key role. **BIDEN'S** own son, Hunter, is on the board of a Ukrainian energy company that has faced allegations of corruption.

BIDEN'S remarks come as Ukraine works with the International Monetary Fund to bail out its economy. Ukraine was able to negotiate a 20 percent write-down on \$18 billion worth of bonds in August. Russia holds \$3 billion worth of bonds and has refused to take part in the write-down. The bonds are due Dec. 20 and Russia has said it will sue Ukraine if payments are not made.

"We have no choice but to file a lawsuit against Ukraine in case of the borrower's non-fulfillment of its obligations in full by Dec. 20 of this year, which will mean a sovereign default in Ukraine," Russia's Finance Ministry said in a statement.

BIDEN is scheduled to address the Ukrainian parliament Tuesday.

Reuters

Ukraine still has work to do on reforms, U.S. VP BIDEN says

By: Alessandra Prentice / December 7, 2015

U.S Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said on Monday Ukraine still had a lot of hard work to do on reforms, as he announced new financial aid of \$190 million to help the country fight corruption and streamline its bureaucracy.

Ukraine's Western backers have repeatedly urged Kiev authorities to stick to reform promises made under a \$40 billion international bailout programme aimed at shoring up the country's war-torn economy, which was brought close to bankruptcy by years of corruption and economic mismanagement.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to

determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** told a joint briefing with President Petro Poroshenko following bilateral talks.

Disagreement between the government and parliament over critical tax amendments and slow progress in revamping Ukraine's corrupt judicial system have raised concern that the country's leadership will stumble in its reform drive.

"A lot of hard work remains, including reform of Ukraine's law and justice sectors, but the payoff will be worth it," **BIDEN** said, even as he welcomed "real signs" of economic improvement.

Including the latest funds, the U.S. government has given Kiev \$760 million in direct economic assistance and signed two loan guarantees, each worth \$1 billion, since pro-Western parties took office in Ukraine more than a year ago.

Ukraine has also sought to bolster its finances through restructuring its external debt. Russia holds the entirety of one Ukrainian \$3 billion Eurobond and has refused the deal offered by Kiev, putting forward instead its own terms in a proposal that expires on Tuesday.

There is no sign that the two sides have moved closer to a compromise on the bond, which matures on Dec. 20. The Ukrainian Finance Ministry has said it cannot legally offer Russia better terms than those agreed with its other creditors.

The International Monetary Fund is expected to change its policy to allow it to lend to countries in arrears, maintaining Ukraine's access to financial assistance if it does not repay Russia this month.

Both sides have expressed a willingness to fight out the issue in court, should efforts to negotiate a deal fail.

RFI English

BIDEN visits Kiev to calm Ukrainian fears over Russia relations thaw

By: Jan van der Made / December 7, 2015

US Vice-President Joe **BIDEN** is in Ukraine this week for the fourth time since protests ousted the pro-Russian government at the beginning of 2013. **BIDEN** met Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko on Sunday and was to address parliament on Tuesday.

BIDEN'S Ukraine visit comes as the West seems readier to cooperate with Russia in Syria - a thaw in relations with Kiev's current arch-enemy.

One of the reasons, if not the main reason, that **BIDEN** is there is to address Ukrainians' concerns in that respect.

"This is very important for us, he is giving messages from our foreign alliances and we can see the Americans and the Europeans as our allies in our fight against Russia and we are really grateful for this support, which shows that we are on the right track." says Alexei Ryabchin, a member of parliament for Yulia Tymoshenko's Fatherland Party who met **BIDEN** on Monday morning.

"It signifies the importance that Ukraine carries at the moment for the US," says Lilith Gevorgian, senior economist with IHS Global Insight. "It also signifies the continuing US support for Ukraine and perhaps in some ways it is a gesture to address those concerns Ukrainians may have over the recent thaw between Russia and the West over Syria."

Many Ukrainians fear that their conflict with Russia may be overshadowed by the eagerness of Nato members, especially France, to build an alliance against the Islamic State armed group (IS) in which Russia is an important player, she explains.?

BIDEN seems to have answered Ukrainian concerns, for now at least.

"Of course Ukraine is concerned with this," says Ryabchin, just back from Paris where he attended the Cop21 climate change negotiations.

There "high French officials gave guarantees that the Syrian question is one thing and Ukraine is another", he says. "It won't be mixed."

"And now I heard from Vice-President Joe **BIDEN**, who could speak on behalf of the presidential administration, that Syria is one thing and Ukraine is another and they will not mix these two things together."

Another point of discussion may be Ukraine's debt to Russia and a looming default that could take place as early as this month.

Russia provided Ukraine with three-billion-dollars-worth of credit in 2013, when the country was still ruled by the Moscow-backed government of Victor Yanukovich. The payback is due on 20 December.

"Obviously Ukraine does not have the means to repay this," says Peter Hablik, an economist with the Vienna Institute of International Economic Relations. "Russia insists on getting this money back, otherwise Ukraine would default. And Russia has proposed that for instance the US or the EU would provide guarantees for this credit and in that case Russia would be willing to restructure."

Meanwhile, Nato members are not unanimous in their attitude to Russia. Poland calls for more Nato troops on its territory and cutting ties with Russia, while the Germans last week said they want to push their allies to reopen high level contacts with Russia.

Ukraine is trying to defend its perceived interests in the shifting sands of Moscow-Nato relations.

"The task of the Ukrainian state is to build up capacity of governing our army, of organising our army according to the best Nato standards," says Ryabchyn.

"It does not mean that we are applying for membership right now. No, it means that we now need to build an army that is able to defend the country. The army has been destroyed during 15 years of a pro-Russian government. We restored it within one year. And now we need to train it to the best Nato standards. So this is where we see Nato helping us."

But membership of Nato is still a far-away dream.

"Ukraine has thrown away the previous policy of neutrality in terms of military alliances," says Gevorgian. "In the past Ukraine had declared it didn't want to pursue any military alliance with Russia or Nato. However, after the last crisis, the Crimean crisis and the one in eastern Ukraine, there is an overwhelming support now for pursuing Atlantic integration, including on a military level."

But Ukraine and Georgia, which is also pursuing Nato membership, may have to go through years of reforms before being accepted by the military alliance, which is not going to solve their immediate military problems with Russia, she says.

ABC Radio

BIDEN to ease concerns over US support in Ukraine

December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** received a warm welcome upon his arrival in Kiev, Ukraine, Monday. The vice president was met with the traditional Ukrainian offering of bread and salt on the first visit to Ukraine by a senior U.S. official for some time.

During the two-day visit, **BIDEN** will hopefully reassure Ukrainians that the U.S. is not losing interest in supporting Ukraine.

BIDEN is set to meet with President Petro Poroshenko to discuss further U.S. aid and the conflict with Russia there, which has calmed recently. Officials have also said that **BIDEN** will press the Ukrainian government on economic reforms and anti-corruption efforts that the White House says aren't moving fast enough.

AFP

Russia must fulfill Ukraine peace deal, hand back Crimea: BIDEN

December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said during a visit to Kiev on Monday that Washington remained committed to its demands for Russia to adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev.

The broad February deal struck in the Belarussian capital Minsk "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitments," **BIDEN** said after talks in the Ukrainian capital with President Petro Poroshenko.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia's troops overran Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

Washington and the European Union support Kiev's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Fighting has eased somewhat since the warring sides signed a new truce on September 1. But Ukrainian soldiers and civilians still die almost daily by stepping on landmines and getting caught in the occasional combat that breaks out across the war zone.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, I emphasize, continued aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN also took the opportunity to urge Ukrainian authorities to do more to tackle the rampant graft that has plagued the country for much of its recent history, amid growing discontent among Ukrainians over Poroshenko's seeming inability to end the scourge.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine... to root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** stressed.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you."

Poroshenko for his part told **BIDEN** that the 19-month war in which more than 8,000 have died "cannot be used as an excuse for failing to conduct reforms."

"We are grateful to Washington for its support of Ukraine," the pro-Western president said.

Ukraine Today

US expects Ukraine to make significant steps to eradicate corruption – BIDEN

December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has urged the Ukrainian people and authorities to unite in the fight against corruption, which currently prevents development in the country.

"All Ukrainians, state officials and the business community must work together to eradicate corruption, which has held back the progress in Ukraine for too long. Ukrainians cannot stand corruption any longer. Their expectations are very high," Joe **BIDEN** said during a joint press conference with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko in Kyiv on Monday, December 7, according to Interfax-Ukraine news agency

BIDEN stressed that the desire to fight corruption also led to the anti-government and pro-European protests that took place in Kyiv two years ago in Kyiv.

"It is important to root out corruption to secure the prosperity of Ukraine and ensure the country becomes part of the safe Europe", he said.

BIDEN also said the United States expects Russia to fully implement the Minsk agreements.

"We believe that the best way to end the conflict in the Donbass is through diplomatic methods set out in the Minsk Agreement. But both parties must fulfil their obligations. The Minsk Agreement will not be successful if Russia does not fulfil its obligations, if President Putin did not fulfil the promises he repeatedly gave to US President Obama, to you (President Poroshenko) and the international community ", Interfax-Ukraine quoted **BIDEN** as saying.

Sputnik

With this team? BIDEN urges Anti-Corruption, Economic reforms in

Ukraine

December 7, 2015

“The Vice President [**BIDEN**] and other participants spoke about the importance of anti-corruption, governance, and economic reforms,” the press release said.

BIDEN arrived to Kiev on Monday and held talks with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko. The vice president is also expected to address the Rada on Tuesday.

Earlier in the day, the US vice president announced a new round of financial assistance to Kiev amounting to \$190 million.

The United States has been assisting Ukraine with economic and military aid following the 2014 political crisis and Crimea’s referendum to reunite with Russia.

Washington has already provided Kiev with more than \$266 million in military equipment and training, while the International Monetary Fund (IMF) has pledged to give Kiev some \$17 billion in loans over a two-year period.

POLITICO

BIDEN gives Ukraine ‘one more chance’ to reform

By: Paul Dallison / December 7, 2015

The United States pledged an extra \$190 million in aid to Ukraine Monday, but Vice President Joe **BIDEN** warned that Kiev has just “one more chance” to root out corruption or lose the funding.

BIDEN held talks with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, pledging support for Ukraine in the face of Russian aggression and urging the country’s leaders to continue on the path to reform. “The Ukrainian people cannot once again have their hopes dashed based on corruption,” **BIDEN** said.

“One more chance. It’s absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption. The people need to see that the ways of the past are permanently gone, they no longer exist. That means hard decisions. That means ramping up the pace of reforms, avoidance of past practices, advancing good governance, increasing transparency across the board at every level of the government and strengthening the rule of law. It means everybody playing by the same rules, from the folks at the bottom to the folks at the very top.”

The \$190 million in funding brings the total American assistance in recent years to \$760 million. **BIDEN** made it clear that the U.S. “stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued – and I emphasize continued – aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists.”

“We continue to believe that the best way to end the conflict in Donbas is through a diplomatic framework that was laid out in the Minsk agreement. But both sides need to hold up that bargain. Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community.”

He added: “The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten that the illegal invasion — and it’s an invasion — by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or the international community.”

Poroshenko said that there had been a reduction in the violence in the east of the country, but “unfortunately the war is still raging.” He added that the government has made progress in reforms, including the selection of an anti-corruption prosecutor.

CNN

BIDEN says Crimea part of Ukraine, not Russia
December 7, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is in the capital of Ukraine. During his two-day visit, the vice president is expected to review anti-corruption efforts in Ukraine ahead of U.S. economic assistance to the country.

He also will meet with Ukraine's president and address the country's parliament. **BIDEN** will get an update on clashes between government troops and pro-Russian forces in eastern Ukraine.

"The United States stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, and I emphasize continued, aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said on Monday. "And we continue to believe that the best way to end the conflict in Donbass is through a diplomatic framework that was laid out in the Minsk Agreement. But both sides, both sides, need to hold up that bargain. Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and (Russian) President (Vladimir) Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community."

More than 7,500 people have died in the fighting in eastern Ukraine between national forces and Russian-backed separatists. **BIDEN** also reiterated the U.S. view that Crimea is a part of Ukraine, not Russia.

"The fact that we are not talking as much every single day about Crimea does not mean in any way we have forgotten that the illegal invasion, and it's an invasion, by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or the international community," **BIDEN** added. "This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong and we will not accept it under any circumstance. And Moscow eventually has to end its occupation of Ukraine's sovereign territory. Crimea is still sovereign territory of Ukraine."

Bloomberg

BIDEN Warns Ukraine That Corruption Imperils Its Democracy

By: Margaret Talev / December 8, 2015

Ukraine must root out corruption and impose the rule of law or risk graft becoming the "death knell" of the eastern European nation's democracy, according to U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN**.

BIDEN, visiting Kiev for the fourth time in two years, warned against repeating the broken reform promises of the 2004 Orange Revolution, which failed to curb the clout of the businessmen that control Ukraine's biggest companies and influence politics. The government must complete economic overhauls under a \$17.5 billion bailout from the International Monetary Fund, he said.

"Oligarchs and non-oligarchs must play by the same rules," **BIDEN** told lawmakers Tuesday in the Ukrainian capital before a vote this month on the 2016 budget. Fighting corruption is one of Ukraine's "national security interests."

Ukraine, jolted by a war in its easternmost regions and 1 1/2 years of recession, has faced criticism over delays in reforms needed to sustain the flow of financial aid from allies including the U.S and the European Union. Anger at corruption fueled the Orange Revolution and an uprising that unseated pro-Russian leader Viktor Yanukovich in 2014. Ukraine ranks 142nd-lowest of 175 nations in Berlin-based Transparency's latest graft-perceptions survey.

'Moving Forward'

BIDEN said the U.S. will continue support "if you keep moving forward on corruption." The U.S. has provided guarantees for \$2 billion of bond sales by Ukraine's government, helping to stabilize the hryvnia, which has lost almost a third of its value against the dollar this year. Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew said last month that a third \$1 billion guarantee is planned in the coming months if Ukraine's maintains reforms and adheres to the IMF program.

BIDEN also addressed the Minsk peace accord that's stemmed violence in Ukraine's eastern conflict zone since it was signed in February in Belarus. Ukraine should fulfill its obligations under the pact, including granting decentralization and amnesty to Russia-backed separatists in the Donetsk and Luhansk regions, he said.

Russia must deliver on its promises and put pressure on the insurgents to allow local elections to be held under Ukrainian law, according to **BIDEN**, who said sanctions won't be lifted unless Russia meets its commitments.

POLITICO

Joe BIDEN: Corruption eating Ukraine 'like a cancer'

By: Vince Chadwick / December 8, 2015

"Corruption eats Ukraine like cancer," U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** told that country's parliament Tuesday.

Addressing the Verkhovna Rada in Kiev, **BIDEN** said Ukraine needed to do more to fight corruption, or else risk losing international support.

The U.S. pledged \$190 million in extra aid to Ukraine Monday, but **BIDEN** warned it had only "one more chance" to stop corruption.

He had a message for Moscow in his address Tuesday as well, saying sanctions against Moscow would not be lifted until it ended its "aggression" against Ukraine.

"Despite some de-escalation in violence, there can be no sanctions relief unless and until Russia meets all of its commitments under the (February) Minsk agreements," he said, adding that the U.S. would never recognize Russia's annexation of Crimea.

New York Times

Joe BIDEN Urges Lawmakers in Ukraine to Fulfill Promise of Uprising

By: Peter Baker / December 8, 2015

Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. urged Ukrainian leaders on Tuesday to curb the power of the business moguls dominating society and to fulfill the promise of the popular revolution that pushed out a pro-Moscow government last year.

Addressing the Ukrainian Parliament, Mr. **BIDEN** sternly lectured lawmakers to put aside their own self-interests and to transform this former Soviet republic into a model of democratic change.

Citing the failure of the Orange Revolution of 2004 to deliver enduring change, the vice president urged Ukrainians not to let this opportunity slip by as well.

“This is your moment,” he told them. “This is your responsibility. Each of you, if you’ll forgive me for speaking to you this way in your body, each of you has an obligation to seize the opportunity that the sacrifices made in the Maidan, the sacrifices of the Heavenly Hundred. Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time.”

By invoking the memory of the roughly 100 protesters killed during protests in Maidan Square last year, Mr. **BIDEN** hoped to infuse today’s legislative battles with the moral imperative of the uprising, which led to a pro-Western government. Many in Ukraine worry that the new leaders have become so paralyzed by their own power struggles that they will squander the chance for change.

For Mr. **BIDEN**, who has made it his mission to nurse Ukraine through its transition, it was a classic performance from the lectern in the grand chamber of the Parliament, known here as the Rada. At times, he shouted at the lawmakers, gesturing sharply. At other points, he practically whispered. At still other moments, he wagged his finger.

Citing John Adams, Thomas Paine, Edmund Burke and Daniel Webster, Mr. **BIDEN** talked about the United States’ own struggles to build democracy. He also cited a quotation from an American politician he did not identify: “In your heart, you know it’s right,” he said. (The phrase is actually a variation of the slogan in an ad made for the Republican presidential candidate Barry Goldwater in 1964.)

But it was not clear whether Mr. **BIDEN’S** message really got through. Lawmakers, many listening to an interpreter through earphones, sat silently during the long lecture on corruption and applauded only when Mr. **BIDEN** assailed Russia for its intervention in Ukraine. The one standing ovation they gave Mr. **BIDEN** came when he said that Russia had infringed on Ukrainian sovereignty and that the United States would never recognize the annexation of Crimea.

“Russia has violated these ground rules and continues to violate them,” he said. “Today, Russia’s occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia’s attempt to annex Crimea.”

He added that he would tell the world about Nadiya V. Savchenko, the Ukrainian helicopter pilot being held in Russia; her picture was displayed on a poster on the lectern from which Mr. **BIDEN** spoke, with the slogan, “Freedom for Nadiya Savchenko.”

And the vice president committed to keeping American sanctions on Russia until Moscow complies with a cease-fire brokered in Minsk, Belarus. “There can be no sanctions relief unless and until Moscow meets all, all of its commitments under Minsk,” Mr. **BIDEN** said.

But his main message to the Ukrainians was, in effect, to get their house in order. The day before, he had suggested that many in Europe were waiting for Ukraine to fail so that they would have an excuse not to continue confronting Russia.

Mr. **BIDEN** specifically called for an overhaul of the office of prosecutor general, change in the energy sector, transparency about official sources of income, disclosure of conflicts between government responsibilities and business and other measures.

“If you fail, the experiment fails,” he said. “It’s no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you.”

Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty

BIDEN says Western pressure, ‘cost’ to Moscow will rise if ‘agression’ persists

December 8, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has told Ukraine's parliament that Western pressure on Russia will increase if Moscow continues its "aggression" against Kyiv.

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said on December 8 in a rare appearance by a top Western official before the Ukrainian parliament.

"The U.S. will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfills its [peace deal] commitments," he said. "Despite some deescalation in violence, there can be no sanctions relief unless until Russia meets all of its commitments under the [February] Minsk agreements."

He also directly accused Moscow of sending troops to fight with pro-Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine and trying to hide that action from the Russian public and the world.

"I don't think the Russian people understand fully what Putin is doing. That's why he spends so much time hiding at home the presence of troops here in your country," he told the Ukrainian lawmakers.

BIDEN is in Kyiv on his fourth visit since Moscow annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in March 2014 and gave its backing to pro-Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine.

He told the parliament that "Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory" in Crimea and has violated international law by illegally seizing the Ukrainian peninsula.

BIDEN said "the United States will never recognize" Russia's annexation of Crimea and will continue to support Ukraine against Russian aggression.

The U.S. vice president also told the lawmakers that they have "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

"It is no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you, because so much rides on your fragile experiment with democracy succeeding," **BIDEN** said. "It is equally important, by the way, for aggressors around the world to understand they can't use coercion, bribery, sending tanks and men across the border to extinguish the dreams of a people." **BIDEN** said each lawmaker will be judged by future generations upon whether they put the greater good of all Ukrainian people over local interests that have divided the country.

He urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

BIDEN met with President Petro Poroshenko in Kyiv on December 7 and announced new financial aid of \$190 million to help Ukraine implement reforms.

He said after meeting Poroshenko that "Ukraine is on the cusp -- what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations."

He also met on December 7 with some individual members of parliament and from civic society, as well as with Kyiv Mayor Vitaly Klitschko.

BIDEN arrived in the Ukrainian capital late on December 6.

The United States and European Union, along with Kyiv, accuse Russia of seizing Crimea and backing the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of Moscow-backed President Viktor Yanukovich following months of antigovernment protests.

The protests were fueled by anger over rampant corruption and Yanukovich's abandonment of negotiations toward an Association Agreement with the EU amid Russian pressure.

In response to Russia's actions, Washington and Brussels have placed economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Voice of America

BIDEN promises Ukraine continued US support on Conflict with Russia

December 8, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has assured Ukraine's lawmakers that the United States will never recognize "Russia's attempt to annex Crimea," drawing a standing ovation in the country's parliament.

"Today, Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia's attempt to annex Crimea," he told members of the Ukrainian Rada on Tuesday, just before concluding a two-day visit to Ukraine.

Speaking on conflict in eastern Ukraine, where Ukrainian troops have been locked in a battle with pro-Russia separatists for the past 20 months, he assured lawmakers of continued U.S. support, calling on Russia to comply with the Minsk cease-fire agreement designed to ease tensions over the conflict or face continued sanctions.

"There can be no sanctions relief unless and until Moscow meets all, all of its commitments under Minsk," **BIDEN** said. He also urged lawmakers to fight corruption, warning that the future of Ukraine is at stake.

"Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time," **BIDEN** told lawmakers.

The vice president also promised to tell the world the story of Nadiya Savchenko, a Ukrainian helicopter pilot being held in Russia.

\$190 million in new US aid

On Monday, **BIDEN** announced \$190 million in new U.S. aid to Ukraine.

BIDEN said Monday that the new aid will help the country implement reforms and fight corruption. During a joint briefing following bilateral talks with Ukraine's president, Petro Poroshenko, **BIDEN** said, "It's absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe, to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption."

"That means ramping up the pace of reforms, avoidance of past practices, advancing good governance, increasing transparency across the board at every level of the government and strengthening the rule of law," he added.

Poroshenko has overseen the dismissal of nearly 4,000 graft tainted prosecutors since taking office in May 2014. Last week, he also introduced a special anti-corruption prosecutor whose responsibilities will include rooting out graft and limiting the political power of shadowy business

tycoons long seen as obstructing good government practices in the former Soviet republic.

Minsk agreement

During their joint briefing Monday, **BIDEN** also said the U.S. "stands firmly with the people of Ukraine" in the face of "continued aggression" by Russia and Russia-backed separatists. He said the best way to end the conflict in eastern Ukraine is through the "diplomatic framework" laid out in an agreement signed in Minsk, Belarus by representatives of the Ukrainian and Russian governments, and the separatists.

"Minsk cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitment and President Putin fails to live up to the promises he has repeatedly made to my president, to you and to the international community," **BIDEN** said, adding that Russia is "systematically violating" the cease-fire agreed to in Minsk.

Despite the cease-fire, sporadic fighting between government troops and pro-Russian rebels continues in eastern Ukraine, after more than 18 months of combat and nearly 8,000 deaths, most of them civilians.

BIDEN'S two-day visit, his fourth since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in early 2014, came ahead of formal U.S. approval of a third \$1 billion bailout loan guarantee.

The Obama administration already has provided \$470 million in direct economic assistance since pro-Russian former president Viktor Yanukovich was driven from power nearly two years ago, after weeks of anti-government protests in Kyiv.

AP

BIDEN Warns Ukraine of Backsliding on Corruption **December 8, 2015**

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** on Tuesday warned Ukraine against backsliding in the fight against corruption.

In a speech at the Ukrainian Parliament, **BIDEN** said Ukraine should do more to fight corruption or it will lose international support.

BIDEN, who has been in Kiev since Sunday, previously assured Ukraine of U.S. support and announced the release of an additional \$190 million in U.S. aid to help conduct structural reforms.

Pro-Russian President Viktor Yanukovych fled the country in February 2014 following months of anti-government protests in Kiev, largely fueled by rampant corruption.

BIDEN urged Ukraine to carry out painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

"We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return," **BIDEN** said. "We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path."

BIDEN'S speech on Tuesday indicated the West's growing impatience with Ukraine's lack of progress in reforms.

Nearly two years after the February 2014 revolution ushered in a new government, Ukraine still has hardly embarked on judicial and police reforms.

President Petro Poroshenko has been criticized for not doing enough to fight oligarchs many of whom have remained powerful brokers and taken on roles of managing crucial eastern regions bordering on the separatist-controlled areas.

Press TV

US to step up pressure over Russia 'aggression': BIDEN
December 8, 2015

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said Tuesday in a rare address to the Ukrainian Parliament on the second day of his visit to Kiev.

"The US will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfills its Minsk commitments," he said.

The vice president also warned that there will be "no sanctions relief" if Russia does not fully implement the terms of the truce agreement signed in the Belarusian capital in February.

The deal introduced measures including a ceasefire, which officially went into effect on February 15, the pullout of heavy weapons from the conflict zones, and constitutional reforms in Ukraine by the end of the year.

US and European officials say Russia, and pro-Russia forces in eastern Ukraine, continue to violate the Minsk accord.

BIDEN'S address before the Ukrainian Parliament, the first of its kind by a high-ranking US official since 1991, flew in the face of Russia's assertion that it is the pro-Western government in Kiev that flouts the peace accord. The conflict in eastern Ukraine broke out last year following a referendum in the Black Sea peninsula of Crimea, in which people voted overwhelmingly for reunification with Russia. More than 8,000 people have died in the conflict.

"Russia has violated these ground rules and continues to violate them," **BIDEN** told Ukrainian lawmakers. "Today, Russia's occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear: The United States does not, has not, never will recognize Russia's attempt to annex Crimea."

Washington has imposed tough economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and helped train and equip Ukraine's army to combat pro-Russia forces in eastern regions of the country.

In his address, **BIDEN** also urged Ukrainian lawmakers to put aside their self-interests and work to transform their country into a model of democratic change.

On Monday, the vice president announced \$190 million in new US aid to Ukraine. He said the new aid package will help Ukraine implement reforms and fight "the cancer of corruption."

BIDEN'S visit and his tough message for Moscow threaten to complicate increased US efforts to work with Russia to resolve the Syrian conflict and fight the Daesh (ISIL) terrorists.

APA

BIDEN presses Russia on Ukraine peace deal, return of Crimea
December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said Monday that Washington remained determined to see Russia adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev, APA reports quoting AFP.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Black Sea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin fighters carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heart of the ex-Soviet state.

The war-scarred nation now fears slipping off the global radar due to recent international efforts to enlist Moscow in a joint fight against the Islamic State (IS) group in Syria and Iraq.

But **BIDEN** brought a message of reassurance to Kiev.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued -- I emphasise continued -- aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," he told Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko.

Washington's EU allies support Ukraine's view of Russia orchestrating and backing the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Both Washington and Brussels have slapped stiff economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

But the situation changed when Russia began launching ferocious air strikes against Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's foes on September 30.

Washington accused Putin of trying to prop up his remaining Middle East ally by targeting Syria's Western-backed rebels instead of extremist groups.

- 'Hold Russia accountable' -

Yet the Islamic State's claim of downing a Russian airliner carrying 224 people over Egypt on October 31 appears to have prompted Moscow to focus more on bombing IS's oil infrastructure and other jihadist targets.

The November 13 Paris attacks the IS also claimed saw France make a push to enlist Russia in a "grand coalition" against the jihadist group alongside the United States and some European and Arab states.

BIDEN said the latest developments in the Middle East in no way appeased Washington's anger with Putin or slackened its support for Poroshenko's pro-Western team.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN also hinted that Russia may face additional US sanctions if its peace commitments were not met.

Washington was in contact with "our fellow leaders around the world... to make sure the international community stands and holds Russia accountable for the actions against Ukraine," **BIDEN** said after meeting with Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk.

"If they do not meet their obligations, (one must) increase the price Russia has to pay for its illegal actions internationally."

Ukraine Today

US Vice President BIDEN urges to end 'cancer of corruption' in Ukraine

December 8, 2015

US Vice-President Joe **BIDEN** in his emotional speech at the Ukrainian Parliament on Tuesday has stressed the need to eliminate corruption in Ukraine.

BIDEN said that Ukraine should do more to fight corruption or it will lose international support. **BIDEN** urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

BIDEN told Ukrainian lawmakers that they had "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

Kiev Post

**In Ukraine's parliament, BIDEN highlights need for corruption fight
December 8, 2015**

U.S. Vice President Joseph **BIDEN**, in a passionate speech to Ukraine's parliament and other political leaders on Dec. 8, urged Ukraine to seize the opportunity to become a truly democratic nation that removes the blight of corruption.

His words drew several rounds of applause, including a standing ovation, during a 37-minute speech in which **BIDEN** talked about how the United States would support Ukraine as long as it stayed on the democratic path.

He said, however, that the nation's prosecutorial and judicial system needs to be overhauled to deliver justice to Ukrainians who earned their freedom by overthrowing the corrupt regime of ex-President Viktor Yanukovich. All broadcasts of **BIDEN'S** speech in Ukraine carried a Ukrainian translator voiceover, making it hard to get precise quotes. A transcript wasn't immediately available on the U.S. Embassy in Ukraine or White House websites.

But **BIDEN** has repeated the same themes on this two-day visit.

In a Dec. 7 blog about his trip -- the fifth to the region as vice president -- **BIDEN** warned that Ukraine is running out of chances.

"Once again, standing in the face of Russian aggression and widespread corruption, Ukraine has another — and what might be its last — historic opportunity to establish a true, free, economically prosperous democratic republic. One that can't be bullied, bribed, or bought," **BIDEN** wrote. "So long as the people of Ukraine continue to strive for freedom and democracy, they can count on the unwavering commitment of the United States to stand with them."

In remarks with President Petro Poroshenko the day before, **BIDEN** also highlighted the corruption fight.

"The Ukrainian people cannot once again have their hopes dashed based on the cancer of corruption. The Orange Revolution occurred and hopes were extremely high," **BIDEN** said. "And here we are again because of the sacrifices made two years ago. One more chance. One more chance. And it's absolutely critical for Ukraine, in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption. The people need to see that in ways -- that the ways of the past are permanently gone. They no longer exist."

BIDEN also on Dec. 7 urged Ukraine to adopt a tax code and state budget that meets International Monetary Fund requirements for fiscal prudence (deficits of no more than 3.7 percent of gross domestic product). "We have spoken about the vital importance of Ukraine following through on its IMF commitments," he said.

The Dec. 7 statement can be found [here](#).

In the speech to parliament, recalling the sacrifices of the EuroMaidan Revolution in which more than 100 people were killed and many others wounded before President Viktor Yanukovich fled power, **BIDEN** said Ukraine's political leaders have an obligation bring justice.

"It is your responsibility now," **BIDEN** said. "This is an obligation, a responsibility before each and one of you to build a unified and democratic country. Parliament is an organ of a unified people, not local interests, but a place concerned with the overall good. It is in your hands. You can bend the arch of history."

He noted the disappointment when no reforms followed the 2004 Orange Revolution, which denied Yanukovich the president in favor of Viktor

Yushchenko. "Hopes were let down," he said, noting that oligarchs are not interested in reforms.

In today's Ukraine, problems remain. **BIDEN** said setting up an anti-corruption bureau or anti-corruption prosecutor is not enough.

"You have to reform the whole prosecution and judiciary," **BIDEN** said.

"Oligarchs should not be able to influence court and judges... corruption siphons resources from the people and from the economy and you know it."

BIDEN said that America would never accept Russia's annexation of Ukraine's Crimean peninsula and will continue to pressure Russia to live up to the Minsk agreements, including withdrawal of its troops and weapons, and the return of eastern borders to Ukraine's control.

As a U.S. senator, **BIDEN** said that he resented it when speakers appeared to lecture him on what to do.

He said "I hope I didn't come across that way."

But he said "the world is watching you" and "this is your moment. This is your responsibility." Failure, he said, would have harmful consequences in building a whole, united and democratic Europe.

Ukraine Today

US will never recognize Russia's annexation of Crimea – BIDEN
December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** has said that the US will never recognise Russia's annexation of Crimea. Addressing the Ukrainian lawmakers during his speech on December 8, **BIDEN** added that the US will continue to support Ukraine in its struggle against Kremlin's aggression.

BIDEN said that countries "cannot redraw state borders by force" in the 21st century. According to **BIDEN**, "this is the fundamental rule," which Russia "has violated and continues to violate."

BIDEN also said that the pressure on Russia will continue until it fulfills its commitments under the Minsk agreement. He added that the US sanctions against Russia cannot be lifted until it fulfills its obligations.

BIDEN told Ukrainian lawmakers that they had "an obligation to their homeland to answer the call of history" and build a united democratic nation that "stands through time."

Ukraine Today

US Vice President BIDEN tells Ukrainian MPs they face 'historic battle' against corruption

December 8, 2015

Joe **BIDEN** has expressed solidarity with Ukraine during an address to MPs in the country's capital, Kyiv. The US Vice President spoke out against what he called Russia's occupation of Ukrainian sovereign territory. But **BIDEN** added a warning to his support, urging Kyiv to fight corruption.

Joe **BIDEN**, US Vice President: "Today Russia is occupying sovereign Ukrainian territory. Let me be crystal clear - the United States does not, will not, never will recognise Russia's attempt to annex the Crimea.

"But in addition, you also have a battle. A historic battle against corruption. Ukraine cannot afford for the people to lose hope again."

BIDEN'S speech came during a two-day visit to Ukraine. The US official earlier announced new financial aid of USD 190 million to help the country fight corruption and streamline its bureaucracy. The White House has brought sanctions against Russia for its aggression in Ukraine, including for the seizure by Moscow of the Crimean Peninsula in 2014 and for its ongoing support for militants in east Ukraine.

The News

'Russia must return Crimea'

December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said during a visit to Kiev on Monday that Washington remained committed to its demands for Russia to adhere to a shaky Ukrainian peace agreement and hand back Crimea to Kiev.

The broad February deal struck in the Belarussian capital Minsk "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfil its commitments," **BIDEN** said after talks in the Ukrainian capital with President Petro Poroshenko.

"The invasion by Russia of Crimea will not be accepted by us or by the international community. This attempted annexation is contrary to international law, is wrong, and will not be accepted in any circumstance," he said.

BIDEN'S visit is his fourth to Kiev since Russia's troops overran Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin insurgents carved out their own region in the eastern industrial heartland of the ex-Soviet state.

Washington and the European Union support Kiev's view of Russia being an "aggressor" that orchestrated the separatist revolt in reprisal for the February 2014 ouster of a Moscow-backed president -- an assertion the Kremlin denies.

Fighting has eased somewhat since the warring sides signed a new truce on September 1. But Ukrainian soldiers and civilians still die almost daily by stepping on landmines and getting caught in the occasional combat that breaks out across the war zone.

"The US stands firmly with the people of Ukraine in the face of continued, I emphasise, continued aggression from Russia and Russian-backed separatists," **BIDEN** said.

BIDEN also took the opportunity to urge Ukrainian authorities to do more to tackle the rampant graft that has plagued the county for much of its recent history, amid growing discontent among Ukrainians over Poroshenko's seeming inability to end the scourge.

"It's absolutely critical for Ukraine... to root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** stressed.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you."

DW

BIDEN reassures Ukraine of US support

December 8, 2015

In his fourth visit to Kyiv since the outbreak of the 19-month conflict in Ukraine, US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** on Monday announced an additional \$190 million (175 million euros) in aid to help the economically embattled government implement key reforms to root out widespread corruption and improve governance.

Ukraine has vowed to battle endemic graft as part of promised reforms, in exchange for international bailout money to prop up an economy on the verge of bankruptcy after years of economic mismanagement and nearly two years of war that has claimed 8,000 lives.

But progress on rooting out corruption and implementing reforms has been slow in the post-Maidan era, with Ukrainians increasingly disgruntled by the lack of progress and a deteriorating economic situation.

"It is absolutely critical for Ukraine to root out the cancer of corruption ... Ukraine is on the cusp - what happens in the next year is likely to determine the fate of the country for generations," **BIDEN** said alongside President Petro Poroshenko following bilateral talks.

Including Monday's pledge, the US has provided Ukraine with \$760 million in direct aid and two loan guarantees worth \$2 billion. International financial institutions have promised another \$40 billion under a bailout program in exchange for reforms.

Deadlock between Ukraine's finance minister, Natalie Jaresko, and parliament over the budget and tax reforms meant to appease the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and unlock funds, as well as fixing the judicial system, have created concern the government will not be able to follow a reform agenda.

The slow progress has frustrated many in Washington.

"A lot of hard work remains, including reform of Ukraine's law and justice sectors, but the payoff will be worth it," said **BIDEN**, who will address parliament on Tuesday.

Ukraine has sought to restructure its international debt to fill a \$15 billion funding gap as part of the IMF bailout, but a \$3-billion Eurobond held by Russia is due to be paid on December 20. So far neither side has been able to reach new terms, meaning Ukraine could fail to repay the debt when it matures.

Through US influence at the IMF, the fund is expected to change its policy of not lending to countries in arrears, allowing Ukraine to continue receiving funds if it fails to pay of the Russian loan.

Continued support against Russian aggression

With the US and Europe's attention being drawn to Syria and the "Islamic State," officials in Kyiv have been worried that Ukraine might fall off the international radar.

Part of **BIDEN'S** mission is to reassure Kyiv that the US stands behind Ukraine in the face of Russian aggression and the annexation of Crimea, something he said "will not be accepted by us or by the international community."

BIDEN said a February agreement drawn up in Minsk to end the conflict in eastern Ukraine "cannot succeed if Russia does not fulfill its commitments."

A ceasefire reached in September between Russian backed rebels in eastern Ukraine and pro-government forces has created a relative lull in fighting, but occasional clashes continue to erupt.

The US and European Union have tied lifting sanctions on Russia to the implementation of the Minsk deal, but following Russia's intervention to bolster the Assad regime and the downing of one its airliners by the "Islamic State" in October, it has become increasingly clear that Moscow's help would be needed to reach a political and military solution in the Syria conflict.

This impulse was given a further boost following the Paris terror attacks last month, after which France, a major player in the Minsk process, pushed for a broader international coalition to defeat the "Islamic State" (IS) that

includes Russia. Moscow has been accused of primarily targeting Western-backed rebels instead of the "Islamic State."

The expanded military campaign against IS has been paralleled by political talks to end the conflict in Syria, where Russia holds considerable sway over a country that has created a refugee crisis in Europe.

The changing dynamics in Syria and Western outreach to Russia has created concern in Ukraine that it could be sacrificed or forgotten as Western interests focus on Syria.

AFP

US will keep up pressure over Russia 'aggression' in Ukraine: BIDEN
By: Dmytro Gorshkov and Olga Shylenko / December 8, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** warned Russia on Tuesday that Western pressure on Moscow would only increase if Russian "aggression" against neighbouring war-scarred Ukraine continued.

"If Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise," **BIDEN** said in a rare address by a top Western official to the Ukrainian parliament on the second day of a visit to Kiev.

"The US will maintain pressure until Moscow fulfils its Minsk commitments," he said, warning there would be "no sanctions relief" until Russia fully implemented its end of a peace deal signed in the Belarussian capital Minsk in February.

The tough message flew in the face of the Kremlin's assertion that it is Ukraine's pro-Western leadership that keeps flouting the accord aimed at ending 19 months of fighting with pro-Russian rebels that has claimed more than 8,000 lives.

BIDEN'S trip was his fourth to Kiev since Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in March 2014 and then watched with approval as pro-Kremlin fighters carved out their own region in the east of the ex-Soviet state.

Both Washington and Brussels have slapped economic sanctions on Russian President Vladimir Putin's inner circle and have helped train and equip Ukraine's underfunded army with defensive equipment such as advanced radar.

Moscow denies all involvement in the conflict and has responded by banning the import of most Western food.

BIDEN used both his meeting Monday with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Tuesday's parliamentary appearance to drive home the message that Washington remained fully committed to Kiev despite the recent shift in global attention to Syria.

He said on Tuesday that Putin's repeated claims of big countries having the right to their own regional "spheres of influence" were out of step with modern times.

"Sovereign states have the right to make their own decisions and choose their own allies," he stressed.

- 'Desperate need of reforms' -

BIDEN -- viewed as US President Barack Obama's pointman on Ukraine -- also used his visit to promote a more committed fight against the corruption that has ravaged the country of 40 million for years.

"It's not enough to set up an anti-corruption bureau and establish a special prosecutor in fighting corruption. Your office of the general prosecutor desperately needs reform" he said.

Russia's seizure of Crimea and the pro-Kremlin revolt came just weeks after public protests toppled former president Viktor Yanukovich -- a Moscow-backed leader who led a lavish lifestyle and surrounded himself with tycoons suspected of graft.

Polls show that corruption remains one of Ukrainians' main concerns.

BIDEN also made an indirect reference to reported infighting between Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk that has stalled the passage of vital economic and anti-graft laws.

"All of you must put aside your differences and make a real revolution of dignity," **BIDEN** said.

His address was met with three rounds of standing ovations by lawmakers of all political stripes.

Interfax – Ukraine

BIDEN urges Ukraine to focus on fighting corruption

December 8, 2015

Ukraine has not done everything yet in its fight against corruption, United States Vice President Joe **BIDEN** told the Ukrainian Verkhovna Rada on Tuesday.

Ukraine has already done a great deal of work of critical importance, but not everything has yet been done, he said. He said that while he never tells people in other countries what they should do, a democracy cannot thrive amidst corruption, which he likened to a cancerous tumor.

A successful fight against corruption requires the reform of the judiciary; everyone, even oligarchs, must act under the same rules, pay taxes, and not interfere with the course of justice, **BIDEN** said.

New York Times

Joe BIDEN, His Son and the Case Against a Ukrainian Oligarch

By: James Risen / December 8, 2015

When Vice President Joseph R. **BIDEN** Jr. traveled to Kiev, Ukraine, on Sunday for a series of meetings with the country's leaders, one of the issues on his agenda was to encourage a more aggressive fight against Ukraine's rampant corruption and stronger efforts to rein in the power of its oligarchs.

But the credibility of the vice president's anticorruption message may have been undermined by the association of his son, Hunter **BIDEN**, with one of Ukraine's largest natural gas companies, Burisma Holdings, and with its owner, Mykola Zlochevsky, who was Ukraine's ecology minister under former President Viktor F. Yanukovych.

Hunter **BIDEN**, 45, a former Washington lobbyist, joined the Burisma board in April 2014. That month, as part of an investigation into money laundering, British officials froze London bank accounts containing \$23 million that allegedly belonged to Mr. Zlochevsky.

Britain's Serious Fraud Office, an independent government agency, specifically forbade Mr. Zlochevsky, as well as Burisma Holdings, the company's chief legal officer and another company owned by Mr. Zlochevsky, to have any access to the accounts. But after Ukrainian prosecutors refused to provide documents needed in the investigation, a British court in January ordered the Serious Fraud Office to unfreeze the assets. The refusal by the Ukrainian prosecutor general's office to cooperate was the target of a stinging attack by the American ambassador to Ukraine, Geoffrey R. Pyatt, who called out Burisma's owner by name in a speech in September.

"In the case of former Ecology Minister Mykola Zlochevsky, the U.K. authorities had seized \$23 million in illicit assets that belonged to the Ukrainian people," Mr. Pyatt said. Officials at the prosecutor general's office, he added, were asked by the United Kingdom "to send documents supporting the seizure. Instead they sent letters to Zlochevsky's attorneys attesting that there was no case against him. As a result, the money was freed by the U.K. court, and shortly thereafter the money was moved to Cyprus."

Mr. Pyatt went on to call for an investigation into "the misconduct" of the prosecutors who wrote the letters. In his speech, the ambassador did not mention Hunter **BIDEN'S** connection to Burisma.

But Edward C. Chow, who follows Ukrainian policy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said the involvement of the vice president's son with Mr. Zlochevsky's firm undermined the Obama administration's anticorruption message in Ukraine.

"Now you look at the Hunter **BIDEN** situation, and on the one hand you can credit the father for sending the anticorruption message," Mr. Chow said. "But I think unfortunately it sends the message that a lot of foreign countries want to believe about America, that we are hypocritical about these issues."

Kate Bedingfield, a spokeswoman for Vice President **BIDEN**, said Hunter **BIDEN'S** business dealings had no impact on his father's policy positions in connection with Ukraine.

"Hunter **BIDEN** is a private citizen and a lawyer," she said. "The vice president does not endorse any particular company and has no involvement with this company. The vice president has pushed aggressively for years, both publicly with groups like the U.S.-Ukraine Business Forum and privately in meetings with Ukrainian leaders, for Ukraine to make every effort to investigate and prosecute corruption in accordance with the rule of law. It will once again be a key focus during his trip this week."

Ryan F. Toohey, a Burisma spokesman, said that Hunter **BIDEN** would not comment for this article.

It is not known how Mr. **BIDEN** came to the attention of the company. Announcing his appointment to the board, Alan Apter, a former Morgan Stanley investment banker who is chairman of Burisma, said, "The company's strategy is aimed at the strongest concentration of professional staff and the introduction of best corporate practices, and we're delighted that Mr. **BIDEN** is joining us to help us achieve these goals."

Joining the board at the same time was one of Mr. **BIDEN'S** American business partners, Devon Archer. Both are involved with Rosemont Seneca Partners, an American investment firm with offices in Washington.

Mr. **BIDEN** is the younger of the vice president's two sons. His brother, Beau, died of brain cancer in May. In the past, Hunter **BIDEN** attracted an unusual level of scrutiny and even controversy. In 2014, he was discharged from the Navy Reserve after testing positive for cocaine use. He received a commission as an ensign in 2013, and he served as a public affairs officer.

Before his father was vice president, Mr. **BIDEN** also briefly served as president of a hedge fund group, Paradigm Companies, in which he was involved with one of his uncles, James **BIDEN**, the vice president's brother. That deal went sour amid lawsuits in 2007 and 2008 involving the **BIDENS** and an erstwhile business partner. Mr. **BIDEN**, a graduate of Georgetown University and Yale Law School, also worked as a lobbyist before his father became vice president.

Burisma does not disclose the compensation of its board members because it is a privately held company, Mr. Toohey said Monday, but he added that the amount was “not out of the ordinary” for similar corporate board positions.

Asked about the British investigation, which is continuing, Mr. Toohey said, “Not only was the case dismissed and the company vindicated by the outcome, but it speaks volumes that all his legal costs were recouped.”

In response to Mr. Pyatt’s criticism of the Ukrainian handling of Mr. Zlochevsky’s case, Mr. Toohey said that “strong corporate governance and transparency are priorities shared both by the United States and the leadership of Burisma. Burisma is working to bring the energy sector into the modern era, which is critical for a free and strong Ukraine.”

Vice President **BIDEN** has played a leading role in American policy toward Ukraine as Washington seeks to counter Russian intervention in Eastern Ukraine. This week’s visit was his fifth trip to Ukraine as vice president.

Ms. Bedingfield said Hunter **BIDEN** had never traveled to Ukraine with his father. She also said that Ukrainian officials had never mentioned Hunter **BIDEN’S** role with Burisma to the vice president during any of his visits.

“I’ve got to believe that somebody in the vice president’s office has done some due diligence on this,” said Steven Pifer, who was the American ambassador to Ukraine from 1998 to 2000. “I should say that I hope that has happened. I would hope that they have done some kind of check, because I think the vice president has done a very good job of sending the anticorruption message in Ukraine, and you would hate to see something like this undercut that message.”

RT News

BIDEN urges Ukraine to fight ‘cancer-like’ corruption or lose international financial aid

December 8, 2015

Kiev must do more in fighting corruption which “eats Ukraine like cancer.” US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** said in a speech delivered in Ukrainian

parliament. If there is no control of corruption in Ukraine, financial help is out of the question, he warned.

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN**, who is on a two-day visit to Ukraine, has urged Kiev to conduct painful yet crucial reforms to battle corruption.

BIDEN'S emotional speech in Ukrainian parliament could as well become the last warning for country's political elites unwilling to embrace escalated reforms.

"Corruption siphons off resources. We know this. You know this," **BIDEN** told Ukrainian MPs. Ukraine needs to make governance more transparent, an immediate measure since "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer," **BIDEN** said on Sunday, noting that however painful the looming reforms could be, they cannot be any backsliding on the issue.

"We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return," **BIDEN** said. "We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path," **BIDEN** said, as cited by ABC.

"As long as you continue to make progress in fighting corruption and build a future of opportunity for all Ukraine, the US will stand with you," US Vice President said.

On the first day of his visit **BIDEN** assured Kiev of the US support and announced allocation of additional \$190 million from the US budget to help conduct structural reforms in Ukraine and fight corruption in the first place.

Ukraine's former president, Viktor Yanukovych, had to flee the country in February 2014, following months of anti-government protests in Kiev and other cities, to a large extent fueled by rampant corruption.

Despite the great fanfare that came with the introduction of new reforms to improve standards of living and stem corruption, President Petro Poroshenko, who was elected in May 2014, has not achieved the goals. A recent poll by the Yaremenko Ukrainian Institute for Social Research showed that 72 percent of those asked do not believe Ukraine is heading in the right direction, saying either the reform process is moving too slowly or not at all.

Ahead of Joe **BIDEN'S** speech in the parliament, American politician hold meetings with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and Kiev Mayor Vitaliy Klichko.

Mashable

BIDEN to Ukraine: You've got one last chance. Don't screw this up.

By: Christopher Miller / December 8, 2015

Joe **BIDEN'S** message to Ukraine on Tuesday was crystal clear: Don't screw this up.

The vice president didn't mince words when he spoke to Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, ministers and lawmakers inside parliament during his fifth trip to the country on Tuesday. He warned Kiev against backsliding in its fight against corruption.

"The world is watching you — this is your moment. Please, for the sake of the rest of us, don't waste it," **BIDEN** said in an impassioned address streamed live across the country. Failure, he warned, would likely mean the loss of much-needed international support and would have harmful consequences in building a united and democratic Europe.

"Ukraine has been here before. We remember the Orange Revolution," he continued, recalling the country's 2004 uprising that ended in disappointment when authorities failed to pass reforms.

More than 11 years later and two years since the start of Ukraine's Euromaidan Revolution that eventually ousted Viktor Yanukovich, corruption remains rampant in the former Soviet republic. Top officials have also been implicated, including Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, whose close ally resigned over corruption allegations.

BIDEN himself has been criticized in Ukraine; his messages of reform have been undermined by his son's connection to a former Ukrainian official being investigated for fraud.

A recent poll showed only 7% of Ukrainians believe the fight against corruption has yielded any results. Transparency International, a global

anti-corruption nonprofit, named Ukraine one of the world's most corrupt countries, sharing a score with Uganda and the Comoros.

BIDEN, who received several rounds of applause and a standing ovation during his speech, urged Ukraine to make painful but crucial reforms to make governance more transparent, noting that "corruption eats Ukraine like cancer."

Ukrainian parliamentarians, known for spirited debates that sometimes devolve into fisticuffs, have been slow to pass a slew of bills that the U.S. and the European Union say will help overhaul the country's corrupt systems.

"You have to reform the whole prosecution and judiciary," **BIDEN** said. "Oligarchs should not be able to influence court and judges... corruption siphons resources from the people and from the economy, and you know it."

Russia, which has fomented unrest in Ukraine, "is using your corruption to undermine you," **BIDEN** added.

The vice president also addressed Russian aggression in Ukraine, saying the U.S. does not — and never will — recognize Moscow's annexation of Crimea. Washington will continue to pressure Moscow to live up to its part of the Minsk peace deal, he added, including the withdrawal of its troops and weapons from eastern Ukraine and the return of control of its borders.

BIDEN, who arrived in Kiev on Sunday, assured Ukraine of U.S. support, including an additional \$190 million in American aid to help conduct reforms.

He recalled the sacrifices of the Euromaidan Revolution, during which more than 100 activists were killed and hundreds more wounded. But while he was speaking, down the road in Kiev, a court heard a case investigating the killings of those activists.

While two people were sentenced to four years each for their roles in attacks on a group of activists, at least two key suspects in the killing of Ukraine's "Heavenly Hundred" were allowed to escape the country, along with the officials believed to have ordered the attack.

BIDEN said Ukraine's political leaders have an obligation to bring justice.

Pravda Report

BIDEN gives Poroshenko cold shower in black hole Ukraine

By: Lyuba Lulko / December 8, 2015

BIDEN sobers Poroshenko up

Outwardly, there was absolute solidarity in everything. **BIDEN** said that Washington would not exchange Ukraine for Syria and would never recognize the "annexation of the Crimea."

"Even if Washington and Moscow cooperate to settle the Syrian civil war and battle the Islamic State, Mr. Obama has said, it would not stop the West from maintaining pressure on Russia over Ukraine," The New York Times wrote.

Opening his two-day visit to Ukraine, US Vice President **BIDEN** told the Ukrainians that the United States continued supporting them in the conflict in the Donbass. **BIDEN** also accused Russian President Vladimir Putin of violating the Minks ceasefire agreement. To strengthen the US support, **BIDEN** promised 190 million dollars in aid to Ukraine.

Speaking in the Verkhovna Rada, **BIDEN** said: "It is no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you, because so much rides on your fragile experiment with democracy succeeding."

This is a part of the official rhetoric, so let's try to see what happens behind the scenes. **BIDEN** has certainly put pressure on Poroshenko so that he stops playing the game of the Crimean energy blockade, because Putin may use the pretext of a humanitarian catastrophe to make a move in response. Soon afterwards, both the Majlis and Right Sector radicals stopped their energy blockade of the Crimea.

A few days ago, Ukraine's Finance Minister Natalia Yaresko said that Ukraine may not return \$3 billion to Russia on the repayment term (December 21). Prior to that, the United States had refused to be Ukraine's guarantor in paying this debt to Russia, having thus recognized Kiev's insolvency.

What can \$190 million do for Ukraine when the country needs \$20 billion to make a budget? One shall assume that Washington believes that the IMF will continue financing Kiev after the default. For the time being, IMF's lending policies exclude such a possibility.

Poroshenko: Reforms in Ukraine inevitable

Poroshenko said at a news conference with **BIDEN** that Ukraine has "for four years without elections" to come. During that time, one will need to carry out all the reforms required for joining the EU. Thus, the Americans will be supporting Poroshenko for four years, albeit under the condition that he will not be able to meet.

Changes in the government are very likely to follow. Prime Minister Yatsenyuk could be removed from office. It is no coincidence Mikhail Saakashvili (Odessa region Governor) said that the authorities were investigating corruption cases inside the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, particularly with the participation of Prime Minister Yatsenyuk and his colleague, People's Front MP, Nikolai Martynenko.

If required, all members of the Popular Front will move to Petro Poroshenko's Bloc and there will be no need to call early elections to the parliament.

Noteworthy, Joe **BIDEN** has personal interest in the fate of Ukrainian Prosecutor General Viktor Shokin. Thus, according to US Ambassador in Kiev Geoffrey Pyatt, Ukrainian prosecutors cover up the corrupt owner of energy company Burisma Holdings, in which **BIDEN'S** son, Hunter, is employed.

The Ukrainian Army has stopped shelling the positions of the Donbass militia. **BIDEN** made it clear to Poroshenko that sanctions against Russia would be lifted if Poroshenko disrupts the Minsk Accords in 2016. In Europe and the United States, a large lobby is being formed to withdraw the sanctions.

Additionally, the President of Ukraine unexpectedly vetoed his party's bill to legalize the free usage of agricultural land for 50 years, despite the moratorium on land sales. Poroshenko probably convinced **BIDEN** that there was no need to openly sell land to the Americans in the absence of apparent achievements.

Black hole Ukraine

"One more chance. It's absolutely critical for Ukraine in order to be stable and prosperous and part of a secure Europe to definitely, thoroughly, completely root out the cancer of corruption," **BIDEN** said.

The USA wants to be present in Ukraine, but it is hard to feed the "black hole."

"In fact, this is the case of external management of the state, when US officials interfere in internal affairs of Ukraine," Oleg Soskin, a Ukrainian political scientist and economist told Pravda.Ru. - **BIDEN** came to distribute positions in the government of Ukraine. The question is whether Yatsenyuk is going to be the prime minister. This position is likely to be given to an American official, to Finance Minister Yaresko or to Saakashvili. **BIDEN** will teach them not to steal, as the IMF will not give any loans otherwise."

According to Oleg Soskin, "nothing will help." Poroshenko and Yatsenyuk will go down in history soon. "These embezzlers and thieves will have to be swept away in a new revolution, the expert said.

"This year, they took about \$11 billion in debt. Ukraine's public debt totals \$72 billion - this is almost equal to Ukraine's annual GDP. Who is going to give this money back? After the revolution, the National Bank of Ukraine had about \$20 billion in foreign exchange reserves. Who stole that money?"

If Ukraine defaults on the debt to Russia, Ukraine will lose its reputation, Oleg Soskin believes. Investors will leave, the country will be declared bankrupt and will not be able to form a budget. "It will be the collapse of the financial system of Ukraine, the collapse of modern Ukraine," Soskin told Pravda.Ru.

"In this case, the Ukrainian administration will have to be executed, and the state will have to be re-founded, as it was done in Iceland, where they changed even the Constitution," the expert said.

The Irish Times

US tells Ukraine's politicians to heed 'call of history'

By: Daniel McLaughlin / December 8, 2015

Ukraine's politicians must seize a historic opportunity to free the country from the grip of Russia and corrupt tycoons, US vice-president Joe **BIDEN** said on Tuesday, amid rising domestic and international disquiet over the pace of the country's reform.

In a speech to parliament in Kiev, Mr **BIDEN** also vowed that Washington would keep tightening sanctions on Russia until it ended its annexation of Crimea and other aggression against Ukraine.

Mr **BIDEN'S** address marked the climax of a two-day visit to Ukraine during which he urged its western-backed leaders to accelerate tough reforms, despite opposition from powerful "oligarchs", their political allies and from Moscow.

"This is your moment. This is your responsibility . . . Each of you has an obligation to answer the call of history and finally build a united, democratic Ukrainian nation that can stand the test of time," he told parliament. "If you fail, the experiment fails. It's no exaggeration to say the hopes of freedom-loving people the world over are with you."

After driving the Russian-backed, graft-ridden administration of then president Viktor Yanukovich from power in February 2014, Ukraine's new leaders had a duty to build a cleaner and fairer Ukraine, Mr **BIDEN** said.

Return of oligarchs

"Oligarchs and non-oligarchs must play by the same rules," he insisted. "We saw oligarchs ousted from power, only for them to return . . . We understand how difficult some of the votes for reforms are but they are critical for putting Ukraine back on the right path."

Billionaires with shady business empires still dominate Ukrainian politics, and many reformist politicians and activists say the status quo is preserved by President Petro Poroshenko and the government of prime minister of Arseniy Yatsenyuk. "All of you must put aside your differences and make a real revolution of dignity," Mr **BIDEN** declared.

Unity vs resignation

While all deputies rose to applaud Mr **BIDEN**, afterwards each party offered a different interpretation of his speech, with some calling it an appeal to the government to resign, and others hailing it as a call for unity.

In an interview perhaps timed to exacerbate tension in Ukraine, Mr Yanukovich told Russian state media that he wants “to return to politics”.

“I do a lot to help people who are persecuted in Ukraine,” he said from Russia, where he and many close allies live in exile.

Mr Yanukovich said he maintains contact with current Ukrainian politicians, “many of whom aren’t so shy or scared today, compared to a year ago. They already feel very comfortable when we meet and discuss issues.”

Mr **BIDEN** also urged Kiev to fulfil its side of a strained ceasefire deal with Moscow-backed separatists in eastern Ukraine, and made clear that “if Russian aggression persists, the cost imposed on Moscow will continue to rise”.

Reuters

US Vice President Joe BIDEN arrives in Ukraine
December 7, 2015

BIDEN met with the representatives of civil society organisations and a selection of Ukraine's officials and lawmakers, ahead of the scheduled meeting with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk.

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** will address Ukraine's legislature on Tuesday (December 8), a senior administration official said. **BIDEN** will speak about US opposition to Russia's annexation of Crimea and American support for Ukraine's debt restructuring agreement, the official said.

The official would not comment on whether the United States would pledge more military assistance to Ukraine during the trip next week.

The visit comes on the heels of US President Barack Obama's discussion with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Paris. Obama urged Putin to honour the Minsk ceasefire agreement in Ukraine.

BIDEN confirmed his country's commitment to Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity during the meeting with Kiev's mayor, Vitaly Klitschko, a former world heavyweight boxing champion.

During his visit, **BIDEN** is expected to meet President Petro Poroshenko, Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, members of Ukraine's Parliament (Rada), and representatives of civil society organizations.

AP

BIDEN makes trip to Ukraine in sign of US support

By: Jim Heintz and Dmitry Vlasov / December 7, 2015

U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** came to Ukraine's capital on Sunday for a visit aimed at pushing the country toward making reforms and reassuring it that the crisis in Syria is not overshadowing Washington's concerns about Ukraine.

Fighting between Ukrainian forces and Russia-backed separatists has significantly diminished since early September, after killing some 8,000 people since April 2014, but tensions remain high because of unresolved questions about the final political status of the rebel regions in the east. Meanwhile, Western attention has turned largely toward the fight against Islamic extremism in Syria and Iraq.

Since Russia began airstrikes in Syria on Sept. 30, Ukrainian officials have worried that their own country's troubles would fade from view, especially if the West begins cooperating with Russia to fight the Islamic State group.

BIDEN'S meetings on Monday with President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and a Tuesday speech at the Ukrainian parliament are intended to counter that concern.

The trip "is a strong sign of our support," a senior U.S. administration official said, asking that his name not be used because he was speaking on background.

But the official said **BIDEN** also will emphasize the need for Ukraine to implement anti-corruption measures. Widespread corruption was one of the issues that galvanized the massive protests that drove Russia-friendly President Viktor Yanukovich from office in February 2014, but efforts since then to counter the problem have shown little result.

BIDEN'S first event on Monday is to be a round table with reform-minded Ukrainian figures.

The U.S. administration also says **BIDEN** will reassure Ukraine that Washington's strategy is to keep sanctions against Russia in place until full implementation of the Minsk Accords, the internationally mediated agreements between Ukraine and Russia on ending the eastern conflict and pulling back weapons.

The United States also imposed other sanctions on Russia specific to its annexation of Crimea in 2014.

Voice of America

US VP BIDEN Heads to Ukraine to Stress Continued Support

By: Carol Guensburg / December 5, 2015

Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is scheduled to visit Ukraine early next week to reassure government leaders and reformers of the United States' continued support "in face of continued Russian military intervention" in the country's restive east, administration officials said.

BIDEN, making his fifth visit to Ukraine as vice president, plans to arrive in Kyiv late Sunday evening for a series of meetings early in the week.

On Monday, he'll meet separately with President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, as well as at a roundtable with civil society activists and other reformers.

Speech to lawmakers

BIDEN also is scheduled to speak Tuesday to the Rada, or congress, a rare opportunity for a foreign leader.

He's likely to press upon legislators that they "have a special obligation to keep Ukraine moving forward," a senior administration official said in a telephone briefing Wednesday with reporters.

A major point of discussion will be how to ensure that "Russia and the separatists live up to their obligations under the Minsk Agreement," the official said.

The pact, reached in February, was meant to de-escalate hostilities in the east. While violence between Ukrainian government troops and pro-Russia separatists "has decreased somewhat in recent months," it continues to flare up, the official said.

The United Nations estimated that nearly 8,000 civilians and soldiers had been killed as of this fall.

Talks with Ukraine officials

Talks with Poroshenko and Yatsenyuk are expected to focus on "what additional economic, governance and rule-of-law reforms are necessary," the official said.

They'll also touch on U.S.-led training of Ukrainian armed forces and of security assistance overall. The United States has provided \$450 million in direct assistance to Ukraine this year, of which more than half is for security, the official said.

BIDEN'S trip comes after last month's two-year anniversary of the start of the Maidan uprising, in which public protests in Kyiv for closer ties with Europe eventually forced Russia-leaning President Viktor Yanukovich from office and opened the door for more democratic reforms.

The vice president "will emphasize the need to implement recently passed anti-corruption reforms," the official said.

Ukraine has set up a special prosecutor's office for fighting corruption, but the Obama administration previously has said the prosecutor general's office itself needs reform.

Topic of Crimea

Administration officials also said the vice president would emphasize that the United States continues "to oppose Russia's attempted annexation of Crimea" in March 2014.

He's also expected to reassure Ukraine that, though the United States is communicating with Russia about the crisis in Syria, it hasn't softened in its assessment of Russia has crossed the line in Ukraine.

"Nothing in our conversations with Syria impact our assessment that Russia continues to be the aggressor in Ukraine," the official said. "... Nothing that's going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security."

Press TV

Joe BIDEN to visit Ukraine to confirm US support December 6, 2015

BIDEN, making his fifth visit to Ukraine as vice president, will arrive in Kiev on Sunday for a three-day visit.

He will meet with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk and deliver a speech to the country's parliament.

BIDEN is the highest-ranking US official to speak before the Ukrainian parliament since former President George H.W. Bush in 1991, during the last days of the former Soviet Union.

BIDEN'S visit is expected to focus on resolving the conflict in eastern Ukraine even as world leaders have turned their attention to fighting Daesh (ISIL) terrorists, a senior US official said.

The conflict in eastern Ukraine broke out last year following a referendum in the Black Sea peninsula of Crimea, in which people voted overwhelmingly for reunification with Russia.

"I think that is going to be a major theme of the trip -- that nothing that is going on in the Middle East has changed one iota of our commitment to the Ukrainian people and to their security," the US official told reporters.

The visit comes on the heels of US President Barack Obama's discussion with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Paris. Obama urged Putin to honor the Minsk cease-fire agreement in Ukraine.

US and European officials say Russia, and pro-Russia forces in eastern Ukraine, continue to violate the Minsk peace accords.

Moscow, however, has accused Ukrainian forces of violations, and says Poroshenko's government is not moving fast enough to implement some of the accord's provisions.

Both the US and European Union have imposed tough economic sanctions on Russian companies and have provided Ukraine's army with weapons and training.

New Eastern Europe

What to expect from BIDEN'S visit to Ukraine?

By: Maksym Beznoisuk / December 7, 2015

US Vice President Joe **BIDEN** is paying a two day visit to Ukraine which has already been labeled as "historic" by many experts. In spite of the fact it is his fourth visit to post-Maidan Ukraine, **BIDEN** will be the second American politician from such a high rank to give a speech at the Ukrainian Parliament. Former President George H.W. Bush was the first high-ranking US official who addressed Ukrainian parliamentarians on August 1st, 1991, which occurred only three weeks prior to its declaration of independence.

As part of his visit on December 7th, 2015, Joe **BIDEN** is expected to participate in roundtable talks with state and civil representatives and bilateral meetings with Ukraine's President Poroshenko and Prime Minister Yatsenyuk. The next day, he will give a speech before the Ukrainian Parliament.

Without a doubt, such a visit is of crucial importance and demonstrates US support of Ukrainian sovereignty and closer convergence with the West. This is in light of ongoing Russian attempts to further destabilize Ukraine's situation.

It is expected **BIDEN'S** message will consist of alarming criticism of persistent corruption and slow progress, mixed with additional assurances of further support and cooperation with Ukraine towards its integration with Europe. Hence, the assessment of the overall Ukrainian political situation will be based on the combination of such crucial factors as securing political stability and enhancing anti-corruption measures' efficiency. Not surprisingly, such an important visit will take place before Ukraine's annual governmental report on its government's activity results, as well as its plans for the next year.

Fight against corruption, economic reforms and financial assistance

According to some predictions, Vice President **BIDEN** will voice concern over the urgency of more active reforms of structural and institutional aspects of the Ukrainian state apparatus. Notably, the White House has serious concerns regarding the quality and pace of current economic and judicial reforms, especially in relation to prevalent corruption schemes in high echelons of Ukrainian power.

Special attention will be paid to the judicial sector. It should be recalled that during his speech at the Brookings Institution at the end of May, 2015, **BIDEN** particularly emphasized Ukraine needs to use newly introduced laws and policies to investigate and prosecute corruption on all levels in order for its reforms to succeed. **BIDEN** also mentioned his frequent communication on a weekly basis, both with the Ukrainian Prime Minister and President. Moreover, US Ambassador to Ukraine Geoffrey Pyatt has criticized the General Prosecutor's Office on numerous occasions, by stressing its responsibility in fighting corruption in Ukraine. On September 24th, 2015, Ambassador Pyatt stated during the Odessa Financial Forum the General Prosecutor's Office's inability to fight corruption undermines effective reform implementation in Ukraine.

For a long time, the White House has tried to convey a powerful and clear message to Ukraine's leaders concerning the need to undertake more active efforts against corruption. In light of this heightened concern over high corruption levels and the Ukrainian authorities' lack of action, many Ukrainian experts have assumed the General Prosecutor's, Prime Minister's and several other high ranking Ukrainian officials' political futures could be seriously questioned.

Most importantly, the question of stable US financial assistance to Ukraine is closely tied to progress in conducting anti-corruption reforms within Ukraine's state institutions. In June, Ukrainian Prime Minister Yatseniuk met with US Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew to discuss an additional tranche of 1 billion dollars to support Ukrainian reforms in order to increase Ukraine's investment attractiveness and lay foundations for its economic growth. At the end of October, 2015, US Secretary of Commerce Penny Pritzker stated the readiness of US President Barack Obama to take necessary steps towards granting a third tranche of macroeconomic assistance to Ukraine to implement its reforms. During her recent meeting with Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko, she emphasized that visible and steady Ukrainian progress in implementing anti-corruption measures were a prerequisite for new financial assistance in the near future.

Last month, Joe **BIDEN** confirmed the US' readiness to grant Ukraine a third tranche of credit guarantees of 1 billion dollars. However, he emphasised Ukraine's government should fight corruption more actively, including conducting tax reforms in compliance with the IMF. Possible US assistance in reaching an agreement on the Ukraine's debt restructuring will also be predicated on these conditions.

Security and military cooperation

US presidential administration officials stated Joe **BIDEN** would underline US support of Ukraine's territorial integrity in his speech at the Ukrainian Parliament. He will reiterate the US' position concerning Russia's illegal annexation of Crimea and its current involvement in destabilizing eastern Ukraine. In this regard, it is also expected he will reassure Ukrainian leaders that any US communication with Russia over Syria's situation will not impact its position concerning Ukraine. Additionally, a diplomatic strategy to keep sanctions against Russia will be discussed with Ukrainian counterparts.

Ukraine's army requires serious investment, specialized military experience and modernization assistance . In 2015, thanks to **BIDEN'S** active involvement, the US provided Ukraine security and military assistance totaling \$265 million. Earlier this year, the US committed to training Ukrainian troops, a mission conducted by 300 US soldiers at a compound in western Ukraine. The US also provided specialized military

equipment which was transferred to the country's eastern battle zone. According to the National Defense Authorization Act for the 2016 Fiscal Year, approved by the US Senate, it could be possible to increase assistance to \$300 million. However, it is not clear if **BIDEN** will touch upon possible additional military assistance to Ukraine during his visit early next week.

Based on this, Vice President **BIDEN'S** visit is expected to reaffirm the US' support of Ukraine on its path towards democratization and its struggle against Russian hostile activities in Crimea and eastern Ukraine. Simultaneously, the US will emphasize that further comprehensive support of Ukraine will depend on the tempo and quality of a broad range of reforms within Ukraine's state apparatus.

Radio Free Europe / Radio Liberty

The Briefing: Mr. BIDEN goes to Ukraine

By: Brian Whitmore / December 7, 2015

Washington sends a loud signal that Ukraine remains a priority as U.S. Vice President Joe **BIDEN** arrived in Kyiv for a two-day visit this week.

The visit -- in which **BIDEN** will deliver a highly anticipated speech to the Ukrainian parliament -- comes at a particularly sensitive time.

Kyiv is clearly worried that the Syria conflict and the potential for Western cooperation with Russia will weaken resolve to continue supporting Ukraine.

On this week's Power Vertical Briefing, I discuss what we can expect from **BIDEN'S** visit with RFE/RL Senior Editor Steve Gutterman.

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The last warning for political elites unwilling to reform.

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Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
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BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES
B DEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS
Ashton	Bill		REGRETS
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	NO RESPONSES
Bachula	Gary		ATTENDS
Woodfin	Jane		UNKNOWN GUESTS
Beene	Kim		TOTAL POSSIBLE
Downing	Robin		TIMESTAMP
Beers	Sydney		
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	
Bross	Eric		
Bross	Anna		
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Hyman	Luke		
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB	
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff	
Kokjohn	Lynn		
Kokjohn	Tucker		
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice	
Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Katrina	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Manatos	Laura	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Matos	Maria	Executive Director/ Latin American Community Center	
Rodriguez	Sindy		
Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Meyers	William		
Meyers	Christine		

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Micallef	Joe	
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
OBrien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Storino	Donnie	
Storino	Lacy	
Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors

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BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES
B DEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS
Angelson	Mark		REGRETS
Angelson	Lynn		NO RESPONSES
Ashton	Bill		ATTENDS
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	UNKNOWN GUESTS
Bachula	Gary		TOTAL POSSIBLE
Woodfin	Jane		TIMESTAMP
Beene	Kim		
Downing	Robin		
Beers	Sydney		
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB	
Bove	Beverly		
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove	
Bross	Eric		
Bross	Anna		
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes	
Christopher	Athena		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
Christopher	Patricia		
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Eckstrand	Phillip		
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation	
Freeh	Marilyn		
Garvin	Shawn	/	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative	
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring	
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Grier	Betty		
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Herlinsky	Victory		

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Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	/
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	/
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	
LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
Magarik	Molly	Beau Biden State Political Director
Magarik	Ian	
Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Katrina	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
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Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Mervine	Jay	
Mervine	Polly	
Meyers	William	
Meyers	Christine	
Micallef	Joe	
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden
Monahan	Marilyn	VBO
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Murray	Tim	UD Archivist
Murray	Katherine	Spouse of Tim Murray
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
O'Brien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Olivero	Ronald	
Olivero	Joan	
Razze	Erica	

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Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
Sears	JoAnn	
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Smith	Michele	
Smith	Stephen	
Snyder-Mackley	Lynn	Alumni Distinguished Professor, Department of Physical Therapy/ University of C
Stewart	Anthony	
Clayton	Roberta	
Storino	Donnie	
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Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors
Savage	Kathleen	Guest of JTB/ Hallie Biden

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BIDEN	JOE	HOST
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Adler	David	
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Angelson	Mark	
Angelson	Lynn	
Ashton	Bill	
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB
Bachula	Gary	
Woodfin	Jane	
Beene	Kim	
Downing	Robin	
Beers	Sydney	
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB
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Krein	Howard	
Biden, III	Beau	
Biden	Hallie	
Biden	Natalie	
Biden	Robert Hunter	
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Staley	Eric	Boyfriend of Caroline Biden
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Bove	Beverly	
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Bross	Eric	
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Eckstrand	Phillip	
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand
Evans	Tom	
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Frampton	Charles	
Frampton	Steven	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation
Freeh	Marilyn	
Frost	Melissa	
Garvin	Shawn	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring
Goodman	Lisa	
Fennell	Drew	
Grier	Betty	
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier
Haggerty	Margaret	
Haggerty	William	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse
Herlinsky	Victory	
Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Horsey	Bryan	
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Kraus	Peter	
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Razze	Erica	
Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
Sears	JoAnn	
Secundy	Joel	
Secundy	Liz	
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
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Smith	Stephen	
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Mr. Jonathan Shub

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Carol Schwartzkopf

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INVITES	341
ACCEPTS	145
REGRETS	57
NO RESPONSES	139
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	284
TIMESTAMP	12/4/12 20:50

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DE Registration Report

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Attached is the DE Registration Report.

I've added Hunt's family even though as far as I've heard we haven't heard back from them.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks!

Ash

INVITATION STATISTICS:	
INVITES	343
ACCEPTS	161
REGRETS	68
NO RESPONSES	114
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	275
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BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES
B DEN	JILL	HOSTESS	ACCEPTS
Ashton	Bill		REGRETS
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	NO RESPONSES
Beers	Sydney		ATTENDS
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	UNKNOWN GUESTS
Bross	Eric		TOTAL POSSIBLE
Bross	Anna		TIMESTAMP
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
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Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB	NO RESPONSES
Bachula	Gary		ATTENDS
Woodfin	Jane		UNKNOWN GUESTS
Beene	Kim		TOTAL POSSIBLE
Downing	Robin		TIMESTAMP
Beers	Sydney		
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	
Bross	Eric		
Bross	Anna		
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	William		
Christopher	Patricia		
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
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Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
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Matos	Maria	Executive Director/ Latin American Community Center	
Rodriguez	Sindy		
Mehiel	Dennis	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Mehiel	Karen	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America	
Meyers	William		
Meyers	Christine		

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Micallef	Joe	
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
OBrien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Storino	Donnie	
Storino	Lacy	
Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors

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The Honorable (Mr.) Louis Freeh
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Mr. Shawn Garvin
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Mr. Fernando Guadjardo
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Mrs. Amy Harper
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Hank Hartman
Mrs. Jan Hartman (Family)
Mr. Victory Herlinsky
Mr. John Hynansky
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Laura Jones
Mr. Wayne Kimmel
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Mr. Jonathan Shub
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Mr. Eric Schwerin
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Jeanie Smith
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Christopher	William		
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Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Eckstrand	Phillip		
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation	
Freeh	Marilyn		
Garvin	Shawn	/	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative	
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring	
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Grier	Betty		
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Herlinsky	Victory		

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Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	/
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	/
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	
LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
Magarik	Molly	Beau Biden State Political Director
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O'Brien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Olivero	Ronald	
Olivero	Joan	
Razze	Erica	

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Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
Sears	JoAnn	
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Smith	Michele	
Smith	Stephen	
Snyder-Mackie	Lynn	Alumni Distinguished Professor, Department of Physical Therapy/ University of C
Stewart	Anthony	
Clayton	Roberta	
Storino	Donnie	
Storino	Lacy	
Wright	Terry	Mayor, City of Brunson, SC / National Conference of Black Mayors
Savage	Kathleen	Guest of JTB/ Hallie Biden

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Mr. Bernard Schwartz
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Peter Schwartzkopf
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Mr. Eric Schwerin
Joel Secundy
Mrs. Liz Secundy
Kevin Smith
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Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB
Biden	Ashley	
Krein	Howard	
Biden, III	Beau	
Biden	Hallie	
Biden	Natalie	
Biden	Robert Hunter	
Biden	Caroline	
Staley	Eric	Boyfriend of Caroline Biden
Biden Owens	Valerie	
Owens	Jack	
Bove	Beverly	
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove
Bross	Eric	
Bross	Anna	
Buhle	Michael	
Buhle	Emily	
Butler	Dan	
Butler	Catherine	
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Carper	Tom	
Carper	Benjamin	
Carper	Martha	
Cowperthwait	Rebecca	Guest of Benjamin Carper
Champney	Joanna	
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Horsey	April	
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Hynansky	John	
Hatzis	Thomas	
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Kimmel	Wayne	Managing Partner, SeventySix Capital
Kimmel	Kimberly	
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Razze	Erica	
Sheridan	Michael	
Sears	Fred	
Sears	JoAnn	
Secundy	Joel	
Secundy	Liz	
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI

Muldoon, Anne P. EOP/OVP

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To: Suber, Kellen, Suber, Kellen C.

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Updated DE List - Deanna Montchanin

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P5,P6,b(6)

Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Ruffner, Richard B. EOP/OVP

06 Dec 2016 05:37:44

To: [personal email address], "Ruffner, Richard, Ruffner, Richard

Cc:

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[personal information]

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Date created: Tue Feb 13 12:53:14 EST 2024

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Reasons for Withholding:

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Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Person, Anne Marie

25 Nov 2014 16:27:12

To: Elizondo, Carlos E., Suber, Kellen, Bernal, Anthony R., Nix, Sheila, Suber, Kellen C., >, "Nix, Sheila, >", "Bernal, Anthony R., >", "Elizondo, Carlos E.

Cc: Ruffner, Richard, Lyons, Jamie, Schrum, Michael, Schrum, Evan, >, "Lyons, Jamie, >", "Ruffner, Richard

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P6,P5,b(6)

Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Suber, Kellen C. EOP/OVP

08 Jul 2016 16:51:59

To: Muldoon, Anne Marie, Person, Anne

Cc:

Bcc:

[personal information]

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Date created: Tue Feb 13 12:40:49 EST 2024

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Reasons for Withholding:

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Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Williams, Ashley

03 Dec 2012 22:40:36

To: Suber, Kellen C., Suber, Kellen C.

Cc:

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Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Ruffner, Richard B. EOP/OVP

06 Jan 2017 16:19:02

To: [personal email address], "Ruffner, Richard, Ruffner, Richard

Cc:

Bcc:

[personal information]

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Reasons for Withholding:

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Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Muldoon, Anne P. EOP/OVP

23 Nov 2015 19:14:45

To: Bernal, Anthony R., Bernal, Anthony R.

Cc: Chung, Kathy, Chung, Kathy

Bcc:

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Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Keller, Marylee M. EOP/OVP

27 Oct 2016 22:37:10

To: Barrett, Katherine (Intern), Barrett, Katherine (Intern)

Cc: Turk, Joseph, Bernstein, Cynthia, Turk, Joseph, >, "Bernstein, Cynthia

Bcc:

FW: Holiday Card List Cleanup Project

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Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F

Additional Information:

Williams, Ashley

29 Nov 2012 21:30:17

To: Clark-Bauserman, Deborah, Clark-Bauserman, Deborah

Cc:

Bcc:

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Notes:

Case ID: LA 2022-0121-F-16

Additional Information:

Williams, Ashley

Fri, 07 Dec 2012 13:48:39 -0500

To: Bernal, Anthony R., Bernal, Anthony R.

FW: DE Registration Report

Attachments: [120912 Delaware Registration Report.xlsx.xlsx](#) (85.2 KB)

From: Williams, Ashley

Sent: Friday, December 07, 2012 11:19 AM

To: Bernal, Anthony R.

Subject: DE Registration Report

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LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION/ORGANIZATION	INVITATION S
BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES
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Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers	UNKNOWN GUESTS
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Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien	
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Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI	
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BIDEN	JOE	HOST	INVITES
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Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
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Meyers	William		
Meyers	Christine		

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Micallef	Joe	
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Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
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Oberly	Charlie	
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Angelson	Lynn		NO RESPONSES
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Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB	
Bove	Beverly		
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove	
Bross	Eric		
Bross	Anna		
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems	
Champney	Joanna		
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes	
Christopher	Athena		
Christopher	William		
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Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors	
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)		
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB	
Doody	Jim		
Eckstrand	Phillip		
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation	
Freeh	Marilyn		
Garvin	Shawn	/	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative	
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring	
Goodman	Lisa		
Fennell	Drew		
Grier	Betty		
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware	
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse	
Herlinsky	Victory		

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Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	/
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	/
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	
LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
Magarik	Molly	Beau Biden State Political Director
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Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
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Mervine	Jay	
Mervine	Polly	
Meyers	William	
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Micallef	Joe	
Micallef	Louise	Guest of Kathleen Biden
Monahan	Marilyn	VBO
Monzack	Mel	Legal Counsel / Acadia Realty/ Monzack & Monaco
Monzack	Ann	Mel Monzack spouse
Murray	Tim	UD Archivist
Murray	Katherine	Spouse of Tim Murray
Oberly	Charlie	
Oberly	Lynne	Spouse of Charlie Oberly
O'Brien	Dennis	
Sill	Valerie	Spouse of George O'Brien
Olivero	Ronald	
Olivero	Joan	
Razze	Erica	

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Sears	Fred	
Sears	JoAnn	
Shields	Bob	
Shields	Mary	Spouse of Bob Shields
Sloan	Gilbert	
Sloan	Sonia	Board Member/ BBHI
Smith	Michele	
Smith	Stephen	
Snyder-Mackie	Lynn	Alumni Distinguished Professor, Department of Physical Therapy/ University of C
Stewart	Anthony	
Clayton	Roberta	
Storino	Donnie	
Storino	Lacy	
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<i>BIDEN</i>	<i>JOE</i>	<i>HOST</i>
<i>BIDEN</i>	<i>JILL</i>	<i>HOSTESS</i>
Adler	David	
Adler	Michael	
Angelson	Mark	
Angelson	Lynn	
Ashton	Bill	
Ashton	Chele	Guest of JTB
Bachula	Gary	
Woodfin	Jane	
Beene	Kim	
Downing	Robin	
Beers	Sydney	
Beers	Steve	Guest of Sydney Beers
Berger	Sally	Guest of JTB
Biden	Ashley	
Krein	Howard	
Biden, III	Beau	
Biden	Hallie	
Biden	Natalie	
Biden	Robert Hunter	
Biden	Caroline	
Staley	Eric	Boyfriend of Caroline Biden
Biden Owens	Valerie	
Owens	Jack	
Bove	Beverly	
Fortunato	Mark	Guest of Beverly Bove
Bross	Eric	
Bross	Anna	
Buhle	Michael	
Buhle	Emily	
Butler	Dan	
Butler	Catherine	
Canning	Sue	University of Pennsylvania Health Systems
Carper	Tom	
Carper	Benjamin	
Carper	Martha	
Cowperthwait	Rebecca	Guest of Benjamin Carper
Champney	Joanna	
Christopher	Mike	Principal in Charge/ Bancroft Homes
Christopher	Athena	
Christopher	Katherine	
Christopher	William	
Christopher	Patricia	

Cooney	John	
Cooney	Barbara	
Di Clemente	Albert (Bert)	Director/ AMTRAK Board of Directors
Di Clemente	Elizabeth (Betty)	
Doody	Mary	Guest of JTB
Doody	Jim	
Eckstrand	Phillip	
Eckstrand	Cindy	Spouse of Phillip Eckstrand
Evans	Tom	
Evans	Mary	
Frampton	Charles	
Frampton	Steven	
Freeh	Louis	Former Director/ Federal Bureau of Investigation
Freeh	Marilyn	
Frost	Melissa	
Garvin	Shawn	
Garvin	Tonya	Secretary/ Biden Breast Health Initiative
Giannone	Ronald	Founder and Executive Director/ Ministry of Caring
Goodman	Lisa	
Fennell	Drew	
Grier	Betty	
Layman	Jane	Guest of Betty Jo Grier
Haggerty	Margaret	
Haggerty	William	
Hayward	Peter	University of Delaware
Hayward	Tina	Peter Hayward spouse
Herlinsky	Victory	
Klingeman	Henry	Guest of Victor Herlinsky
Horsey	Bryan	
Horsey	April	
Hyman	Luke	
Hyman	Angela	Guest of JTB
Hynansky	John	
Hatzis	Thomas	
Jones	Laura	
Kelley	Mary Ann	former Biden Staff
Kimmel	Wayne	Managing Partner, SeventySix Capital
Kimmel	Kimberly	
Kokjohn	Lynn	
Kokjohn	Tucker	
Kraus	Peter	
Kraus	Nicholas	
Lathem	Samuel	President/ DE State AFL-CIO
Lathem	Jean	
Leban	Janet	Executive Director/ Delaware Center for Justice
LiGuori	James	

LiGuori	Stephanie	
Long	Norma	former Biden Staff
Long	Leo	Norma Long spouse
Lubin	Andy	
Lubin	Sarah	
Mackler	Alex	former Biden Staff
Coogan	Laura	
Magarik	Molly	Beau Biden State Politcal Director
Magarik	Ian	
Manatos	Andrew	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Katrina	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Emanuel	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Manatos	Laura	Guest of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Maron	James	
Maron	Elizabeth	New Castle County Parliamentarian
Matos	Maria	Executive Director/ Latin American Community Center
Rodriguez	Sindy	
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Meyers	William	
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INVITES	341
ACCEPTS	145
REGRETS	57
NO RESPONSES	139
ATTENDS	0
TOTAL POSSIBLE	284
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