

President Trump wanted a public statement from President Zelensky committing to investigations of Burisma and the 2016 election.

Mr. Giuliani expressed those requests directly to the Ukrainians, and Mr. Giuliani also expressed those requests directly to us. We all understood that these prerequisites for the White House call and the White House meeting reflected President Trump's desires and requirements.

Within my State Department emails, there is a July 19th email. This email was sent -- this email was sent to Secretary Pompeo; Secretary Perry; Brian McCormack, who was Secretary Perry's chief of staff at the time; Ms. Kenna, who is the acting -- pardon me, who is the executive secretary for Secretary Pompeo; Chief of Staff Mulvaney; and Mr. Mulvaney's senior adviser, Rob Blair. A lot of senior officials, a lot of senior officials.

Here is my exact quote from that email: "I talked to Zelensky just now. He is prepared to receive POTUS' call. Will assure him that he intends to run a fully transparent investigation and will 'turn over every stone.' He would greatly appreciate a call prior to Sunday so that he can put out some media about a 'friendly and productive call' -- no details -- prior to Ukraine election on Sunday."

Chief of Staff Mulvaney responded: "I asked the NSC to set it up for tomorrow."

Everyone was in the loop. It was no secret. Everyone was informed via email on July 19th, days before the Presidential call. As I communicated to the team, I told President Zelensky in advance that assurances to run a fully transparent investigation and turn over every stone were necessary in his call with President Trump.

On July 19th, in a WhatsApp message between Ambassador Taylor, Ambassador Volker, and me, Ambassador Volker stated: "Had breakfast with Rudy this morning." That's Ambassador Volker and Rudy Giuliani. "Teeing up call with Yermak Monday." That's Senior Adviser Andriy Yermak. "Must have helped. Most important is for