

1 leader?

2 A Foreign leaders complain about their ambassadors
3 all the time. That is nothing unusual. Whenever they don't
4 get something that they want from the United States, they
5 always blame the ambassador. I'm sure I've been blamed for
6 many things as well.

7 Q Going back to Rudy Giuliani, and understanding that
8 you had not had any conversations with him prior to May 23rd,
9 and I believe it's your -- was your testimony today in your
10 opening statement that you didn't reach out to him until
11 August, what did you know about his public statements related
12 to Ukraine in the earlier part of this year?

13 A I really didn't pay too much attention to his
14 public statements about Ukraine. I was focused really on
15 getting President Zelensky a phone call and a meeting.
16 That's what I was focused on. That was the sum total of my
17 effort, because I thought that would be beneficial to the
18 United States.

19 Q When President Trump told you to -- you and the
20 others, I understand, everyone at that meeting, and we'll get
21 to that meeting in more detail -- but when he told you to
22 discuss with Rudy Giuliani concerns about Ukraine, did you
23 know at that point what he was referring to?

24 A He didn't even -- he wasn't even specific about
25 what he wanted us to talk to Giuliani about. He just kept

1 saying: Talk to Rudy, talk to Rudy.

2 Q Right, I understand that, and I understand he
3 wasn't specific. But when he said that, did you know what he
4 was talking about?

5 A I didn't, other than he said: Ukraine is a
6 problem.

7 [Majority Exhibit No. 3
8 Was marked for identification.]

9 BY MR. GOLDMAN:

10 Q I'm going to introduce to you now what's marked as
11 exhibit 3, which is a New York Times article from May 9th,
12 2019. Why don't you take a close look at this and let me
13 know if it looks familiar to you.

14 A [Reviewing.]

15 Q Is this article familiar to you?

16 A No.

17 Q You don't recall reading it around this time?

18 A No.

19 Q It says that -- just to quote a couple of passages,
20 it says that: "Mr. Giuliani said he plans to travel to Kiev,
21 the Ukrainian capital" -- and by the way, this is dated May
22 9th.

23 A Right.

24 Q -- "in the coming days and wants to meet with the
25 nation's president-elect to urge him to pursue inquiries that