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FBI's Clinton probe expands to public corruption track



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Report: FBI expands investigation of Hillary Clinton

EXCLUSIVE: The FBI investigation into Hillary Clinton's use of private email as secretary of state has expanded to look at the "intersection" of Clinton Foundation work and State Department business may have violated public corruption laws, the person authorized to speak on the record told Fox News.



This new investigative track is in addition to the focus on classified material found on Clinton's personal server.

"The agents are investigating the possible intersection of Clinton Foundation donations, the dispensation of State Department business, whether regular processes were followed," one source said.

Clinton, speaking to the Des Moines Register, on Monday pushed back on the details of a second investigative track. Jennifer Jacobs, Clinton said Monday she has heard nothing from the FBI.

"No, there's nothing like that that is happening," Clinton said, according to a tweet from Jacobs.

Experts including a former senior FBI agent said the bureau does not have to notify the subject of an investigation.



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The development follows press reports over the past year about the potential overlap of State Department and Clinton questions over whether donors benefited from their contacts inside the administration.

The Clinton Foundation is a public charity, known as a 501(c)(3). It had grants and contributions in excess of \$144 million in current available data.

Inside the FBI, pressure is growing to pursue the case.

One intelligence source told Fox News that FBI agents would be “screaming” if a prosecution is not pursued because corruption cases have been made and successfully prosecuted with much less evidence than what is emerging in this

The FBI is particularly on edge in the wake of how the case of former CIA Director David Petraeus was handled.

One of the three sources said some FBI agents felt Petraeus was given a slap on the wrist for sharing highly classified mistress and biographer Paula Broadwell, as well as lying to FBI agents about his actions. Petraeus pleaded guilty to 2015 after a two-plus-year federal investigation in which Attorney General Eric Holder initially declined to prosecute.

In the Petraeus case, the exposure of classified information was assessed to be limited.

By contrast, in the Clinton case, the number of classified emails has risen to at least 1,340. A 2015 appeal by the State Department to declassify the "Top Secret" classification of at least two emails failed and, as [Fox News first reported](#), is now considered a settled matter.

It is unclear which of the two lines of inquiry was opened first by the FBI and whether they eventually will be combined by a special grand jury. One intelligence source said the public corruption angle dates back to at least April 2015. On their part, the FBI's "public corruption as the FBI's top criminal priority."

Fox News is told that about 100 special agents assigned to the investigations also were asked to sign non-disclosure agreements as 50 additional agents on "temporary duty assignment," or TDY. The request to sign a new NDA could reflect that agents were exposed to classified material in the emails, or serve as a reminder not to leak about the case, or both.

"The pressure on the lead agents is brutal," a second source said. "Think of it like a military operation, you might need a lot of infantry."

Separately, a former high-ranking State Department official emphasized to Fox News that Clinton's deliberate non-use of a secure email address may be increasingly "significant."

"It is virtually automatic when one comes on board at the State Department to be assigned an email address," the source said.

"It would have taken an affirmative act not to have one assigned ... and it would also mean it was all planned out before she got there, which certainly raises questions about the so-called legal advice she claimed to have received from inside the State Department. That was proper."

On Sunday, when asked about her email practices while secretary of state, Clinton insisted to CBS News' "Face The Nation" that she was "there."

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Aug 14, 2016

When donation to charity in Ms. Clintons were 1 million, forty thousand dollars. and one million, was to the Clinton foundation, flags should have went through the roof

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Lincolnville

Jul 11, 2016

Despite what Comey said about criminal intent, it's obvious that the Clintons set up their private server to circumvent FOIA regulations.

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CraigZimmerman

Jun 22, 2016

I am surprised that the investigation has gone on this long. I wonder what is going on.

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Samfried

May 24, 2016

Hillary Rotten Clinton has a long criminal past from Arkansas to Washington to Present Day. Whitewater, Travel Gate, File Gate, etc. She was fired for lying and unprofessional conduct as an attorney in the Watergate Hearings. She stole \$200,000 of White House furniture when she left the White House. As Secretary of State, she funneled millions of dollars received from Foreign Dictators into the "Clinton Foundation. She and Bill made millions in a Uranium deal setup with a female friend of Bill's who had business ties with partners in Canada. The Clintons, with insider trading, made millions in Cattle Future Investments.

Martha Stewart went to jail for similar crimes. To all this add the Email Scandal and the deaths of four Americans in Benghazi. Also, Hillary as Secretary of State, armed Libyan terrorists who massacred Libyan Dictator Gaddafi which led to the takeover of Libya by ISIS and the spread of terrorism to Syria and the entire mid-east, and now poses a threat to the USA. How can anyone being aware of this information VOTE for Hillary ROTTENCLINTON ?

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fauxnoooz

Mar 26, 2016

Fox is to News

as

Mother Theresa was to Monster Trucks.

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luvleewa

Feb 4, 2016

See this whistle blower Hillary wants dead. stewwebb.com

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WPRNGAs

Jan 30, 2016

Criminals always get caught! Busted Hillary, LMAO

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white2tj

Jan 29, 2016

I say that the FBI should send out a letter to ALL Military, Contractors and Government employees or ex-employees that ever got a slap on the wrist, written up, clearance taken away, or jail time over classified information spillage and create a petition to expedite the arrest and incarceration of Hillary Clinton.

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jp00000000

Jan 21, 2016

WHERE IS THE IDIGMENT FROM THE FBI FOR CLINTON????!!!!

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sanderdog1

Jan 19, 2016

Hillary thinks it is her turn to be President. The Ultimate Participation Trophy.

I want a real woman to be President some day, not Hillary.

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captarty102

Jan 18, 2016

Knowing her she will run even if indicted. Innocent until proven guilty. That trial will take 4-8 years.

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sanderdog1

Jan 19, 2016

@captarty102 So you think the Nation deserves a part time CIC like she was a part time SoS?

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meauxjeaux777

Jan 19, 2016

@captarty102 More like POS!

3 Like Reply



7l14ozb

Jan 17, 2016

mchall8, I'm not sure you live on the same planet! The Clinton's bad acting doesn't require a legal team to be witnessed! Anyone who follows them can see it for themselves. Of course, everyone constructs a mind model of the external reality. Your model appears severely biased, creating a poor model of reality.

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DCraig8445

Jan 16, 2016

Wonder are who the donors? Madison Ave, California, Media, Hollywood Democrats. "Clintons" and their propaganda machine is worse then the WWII Germans J. Goebbels press. And the

connection afore mentioned should be investigated track the money!!!!!!

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throttlejockey

Jan 15, 2016

Don't forget about the Haiti shenanigans...

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sanderdog1

Jan 19, 2016

@throttlejockey The Clinton Foundation got enough money to tip over the Island. Where did it go?

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mchall8

Jan 14, 2016

Man, isn't this like the 8 or 9th Fox "story" from the last couple of years about these "anonymous sources" who assure them that any day now Hillary is totally going to be charged with ALL THE CRIMES EVER!?

I'm not holding my breath. but it will be interesting to see what the 'anonymous sources' are telling Fox after her inauguration.

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CarpentersHall

Jan 14, 2016

Hillary got an out of work chemistry teacher to park a rental truck with and industrial magnet next to her house. Then she stared congress down and said, "What's my Name!!!"

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AffirmActionAdmin

Jan 22, 2016

@CarpentersHall No, she really forgot. And sadly most of Congress is too old to remember a thing like her name, too. That wasn't "staring them down", just Alzheimer's at work...

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JeffNofWinterGarden

Jan 14, 2016

2016 is the Year of the "Dream" that becomes a "Reality". We all realize the main stream media and the Democrat Party will do anything for Obama and protect the Clinton's; especially knowing the Clinton machine is playing games with words (a.k.a. is/are). Hillary insists she never sent or received anything marked classified. This is a word game everyone is falling for because the government does not use the word classified in any transmissions. They use the following: "Confidential", "Secret", and/or "Top Secret".

Jeb Bush, Chris Christie, Marco Rubio, Ted Cruz, the Clinton's, and the rest of the candidate's campaigns are totally wrong and out of touch. Trump's glamour is the ability to hit back and hit back harder to the establishment which includes Democrats, Republicans, Main Stream Media, Bias Media, Pundits, Lobbyists, Major Donors, and so-on. The reason his numbers consistently and constantly grow is his way of non-political correctness articulating what all non-establishment people want to hear and believe. Trump elucidates what we are and want to say. Most people are taciturn to politics and can only recite what is mentioned in the main stream media, television, and/or internet. Just think about this: 100 million Americans vote for a president; but only a handful (lobbyists, major donors, etc.) control the president and policies. That is why America is so fed up with the entire political system. Trump has become the savior or the anti-politician. Liberal, Moderate, and Conservative, politicians really do not give a hoot for their constituents; their concerns are personal greed and power. By Trump financing his campaign he is attracting from every political party. He talks tough and puts himself into a position that he has to deliver on what he says and he will; and has the ability to spearhead the talking points to his agenda. It is the establishment that desperately wants to derail the Trump Express.

Despite the media and the political establishment I think we all can foresee a Trump landslide mirroring that of Ronald Reagan.

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knownassociate

Jan 14, 2016

@JeffNofW interGarden Good call!

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LarryP1964

Feb 23, 2016

Rush Limbaugh needs to insult Trump. That would be fun to watch.

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JohnAngell

Jan 13, 2016

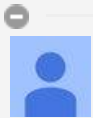
No one lies like a Clinton.

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PaulSommers

Jan 13, 2016

Hellary is in denial...!!

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meauxjeaux777

Jan 19, 2016

@PaulSommers Just like Jeb!

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dcwold

Jan 13, 2016

Wonder what the Royal family has cost the American tax payers of the years

State Dept (aka Hillary Dept) suddenly did find Hillary documents in a unexpected place and will release them "after carefully checked them..." ... never found before but appears now according to court orders.

Brings back memories of files found in the White House, by accident, among her 'gifts boxes' to be sent home back in 1996.

Today it is so much easier , you just press 'delete' and tell the world what should/could/would happen is available by paying admission fee's at the Clinton library where you would find originals one day. She is only doing what any good Grandmother would do ... secure future income for your grandchildren.

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marcrob46

Jan 13, 2016

Hillary belongs in the jailhouse, not the white house. If she is NOT prosecuted, it will be a huge injustice and double standard, implemented by Obama's administration that will go down in history as the worst in US history.

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LarryP1964

Feb 23, 2016

The entire Republican party needs to be rounded up and shipped off to Alcatraz.

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dbp49

Apr 9, 2016

@marcrob46 What I can't believe is that Obama will stand by this woman who everyone knows would stab him in the back for a lousy \$5.00 contribution to the Clinton Foundation.

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mustang6984

Jan 13, 2016

The Fat Lady is tuning up for Billary's swan song!

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useyourhead10

Jan 14, 2016

@mustang6984 No doubt an attempt will be to use "failing health" and here age as a rationale to give her a pass. That would be most unjust to We the People.

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throttlejockey

Jan 15, 2016

@mustang6984 hillary IS the fat lady...

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gregberry

Jan 13, 2016

US DOJ, Democrats obstructing Justice

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gregberry

Jan 13, 2016

You in the left steam Media are to blame for Hillarys crime spree, You are the ones that keep closing the blinds and spinning the truth on her. Had she realized that eventually , One actual person in the Federal Government would actually tell the truth, US FBI DIRECTOR, She might have been compelled to stop a long time about.

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gregberry

Jan 13, 2016

Hillary , You should have hired Low Life Learner to destroy your hard drive, The US FBI has now opened ALL OF YOUR DELETED EMIALS and what they are reading , tells them you are a RICO CRIMINAL, including ou husband.

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gregberry

Jan 13, 2016

Dear US FBI, You already have the goods on her, How far back to plan on digging, It would take centurys to dig up all the possible charges. Hillary has been a life long crook.

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gregberry

Jan 13, 2016

The US FBI is now looking at the entire Clinton Family , and many in the "Foundation" Including Sidney, "The dark shawdow/ The grassy knoll"

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mustang6984

Jan 13, 2016

@gregberry And that ugly two-legged puppy dog Chelsea as well.

4 Like Reply



thinkciv

Jan 12, 2016

The only reason Hillary is still an active candidate is due to the lack of main stream media coverage, which continues to allow her to cast

this as yet another "vast right wing conspiracy", along with a liberal State Dept. which has made a mockery of the Constitution. The FBI just expanded their CRIMINAL investigation, AGAIN. She will continue to skate with the double standard on prosecution until it becomes so evident that the media will be embarrassing themselves even further once they can no longer cover for her. For those holding your nose and still supporting her, the earlier State Dept. investigations into Hillary did not uncover the HUGE fact that they did not have a record of receiving, or sending a single email from a dot.gov secured site and it was all coming from an illegal, non-secured private server while she was SOS.

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parkhaven3

Jan 12, 2016

@thinkciv Agree. But, it doesn't seem like many are championing her anymore outside of Juan Williams. However, he is on Fox more for the other commentators to laugh at than anything else. Most of her attempts to deflect are being made by her campaign operatives these days.

1 Like Reply



thinkciv

Jan 12, 2016

@parkhaven3 The last thing Hillary wants is for this to drag out. She has no one to blame but herself, since she has fought this at every step and most of the evidence has had to be unearthed by law suits. Nothing to hide? Why hold onto the server and scrub it several times?. If the indictments come late, towards the election, the rulings on whether to prosecute would be made by a republican DOJ if a conservative is elected. I don't think she wants that and she will most likely cut a deal when it is obvious all is lost.

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parkhaven3

Jan 12, 2016

@thinkciv @parkhaven3 Agree again. she was hoping for all of this to be behind her

last summer. she just kept lying and lying and lying and stonewalling and stonewalling and stonewalling and denying and denying and denying, dragging it out hoping everyone would grow tired of it. What she couldn't foresee is Judge Sullivan ordering her to turn over all of her emails to the SD and the SD to the public. At one point, Sullivan was preparing to order her to produce the server itself and that is when dopey stepped in and brought in the FBI. That could have been a disaster for him. dopey is very afraid of Sullivan going back to Lerner and his IRS debacle. Sullivan is the counter-balance that won't let dopey sweep this under a rug no matter how much he might want to do that. Remember, he tried to do that with Patraeus and it took two years to bring him to account.

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thinkciv

Jan 12, 2016

@parkhaven3 Good points. Consider what General Patreaus did compared to Hillary. He took 10 government folders home (to a site that was NOT secure) to help write his biography. Even though none of that info was used in the book, he was found guilty because he broke the law when he removed gov. info to a site that was not secured. Every time Hillary hit the "send" button, she was sending gov. info to a site that was NOT secure. Remember, before all of these emails came to light she told a federal district court judge, under oath, that she had already turned over ALL gov. related emails. By the way, the judge in question was appointed by

Bill Clinton. She put her political future over national security.

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meauxjeaux777

Jan 19, 2016

@thinkciv @parkhaven3 So why is she not be charged with lying?

Like Reply



BS2

Jan 12, 2016

I am betting that NOTHING happens to OJ Clinton. Our injustice system is alive and well. (PUKE)

8 Like Reply



LarryP1964

Feb 23, 2016

Nothing will happen because nothing illegal has happened. All of this is a bunch of trumped up, right-wing, moonbat nonsense.

Like Reply



joeytwosubs

Jan 12, 2016

SPECIAL PROSECUTOR NOW!

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rmb1791

Jan 12, 2016

@joeytwosubs Not until DOJ refuses to pursue an indictment!

3 Like Reply



parkhaven3

Jan 12, 2016

@rmb1791 @joeytwosubs Agree. The purpose of a appointing a special prosecutor is for cases where politics interferes with the DOJ carrying out its duties to uphold the law as could be the case here. Personally, I think dopey will ding her on something limited to avoid that potential problem. Having a

special prosecutor investigate these matters could lead to dopey's desk. He would lose control of it. I just don't see him doing that. He will cite her for something minimal just so he can say he did something. The upside is that it will be enough to ruin her politically and personally and that is all we need.

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meauxjeaux777

Jan 19, 2016

@rmb1791 @joeytwosubs Do you really think that O'Blamers DOJ is going to prosecute anyone?

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