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**Dear FBI: Putin has a cell in the US you might want to at least pretend to look into.**

**@FBI**

VTB quietly transferred **\$191 million** into an offshore company based in the Isle of Man which Yuri Milner then used to fund nearly half of a purchase of Twitter in 2011 through his investment fund, DST.



**Yuri Milner** is a Russian billionaire who lives in Silicon Valley. He befriended Facebook founder, Mark Zuckerberg, in 2009 and became one of the company's largest investors.

### Gazprom

**Gazprom** is the Kremlin-controlled energy monopoly that supplies 25 percent of Western Europe's natural gas. Gazprom's investment subsidiary transferred **\$920 million** to an offshore company in the Isle of Man, Kanton Services, which Milner then channeled into Facebook. The investment by Gazprom funded **\$1 billion** worth of Facebook shares.



**Carter Page** served as a foreign policy advisor to the Trump campaign and made several trips to Russia in the summer of 2016. He has deep financial ties to Gazprom.

**Vladimir Putin**, Russia's three-term President, has presided over Russia's 17-year reversal to an authoritarian state.



### DST

DST is Milner's high tech investment fund that has earned him billions.



**Wilbur Ross**, now U.S. Secretary of Commerce, served as Co-Chair of the Bank of Cyprus from July 2014 until March 2017.



**Vladimir Strzhalkovsky**, a former KGB agent and long-time associate of Putin, served as Ross's first Co-Chair until June of 2015.



Ross's second Co-Chair was **Maksim Goldman**, who continues to serve to represent Vekselsberg's interests.



**Josef Ackermann** is currently serving as Co-Chair at the Bank of Cyprus with Maksim Goldman. He is the former CEO of Deutschebank that is estimated to have loaned Trump as much as \$3 billion since the 1990s.



**Dmitry Rybolovlev**, Russia's "fertilizer king", owns a 3.3 percent stake in the Bank of Cyprus. He purchased Trump's **mega mansion in Palm Beach for \$95 million**.

**Rick Gates** was indicted with Manafort on October 30, 2017 on 12 counts, including conspiracy against the United States and money laundering. Gates and Manafort had at least 15 accounts at the Bank of Cyprus.

Russia's second largest state owned bank, **VTB**, is under U.S. sanctions. VTB owns 3.8% of Deripaska's holding company, **En+ Group**.

### VTB

### EN+ GROUP

**Oleg Deripaska**, a member of the Kremlin "family" since he married the daughter of an advisor to President Boris Yeltsin in 2001, is said to be one of Putin's favorite oligarchs. He is the founder and majority shareholder of **RUSAL**.



**Andrew Intrater** is Vekselsberg's American cousin and chief executive of Columbus Nova, the U.S. investment arm of Renova Group. Intrater had no significant donor history prior to the 2016 elections. He contributed **\$250,000** to Trump's Inaugural Committee. In June, he donated **\$35,000** to the Trump Victory Fund, **\$29,600** to the Republican National Committee and **\$2,700** to the Donald J. Trump for President Campaign. FEC records list his employer as Renova US Management LLC.

**RUSAL** is the second-largest aluminum company in the world, based in Russia. Three billionaire oligarchs with ties to the Russian government control 69 percent of **RUSAL**.

### RUSAL

**Viktor Vekselsberg**, one of the 10 richest men in Russia, has an estimated net worth of **\$13.5 billion**.



**Len Blavatnik**, a dual U.S./U.K. citizen is considered one of the richest men in the U.K. with an estimated net worth of **\$20 billion**. Blavatnik's family emigrated to the U.S. in the late 70s and he returned to Russia when the Soviet Union began to collapse in the late 80s.

**Blavatnik and Vekselsberg** jointly own 20.5 percent of **RUSAL**. Blavatnik co-founded the **Renova Group** with Vekselsberg in 1990. His U.S. based holding companies include **Access Industries** and **AI-Altep Holdings**.

### Bank of Cyprus

Deripaska paid **Paul Manafort \$10 million per year** through the Bank of Cyprus to advance Putin's global agenda.

The Bank of Cyprus has a long history as a conduit for dirty money flowing in and out of Russia.

Yuri Milner invested **\$850,000** of his personal funds into a real estate startup, **Cadre**, which **Jared Kushner** co-owns with his brother. Kushner failed to disclose his association with Cadre when he joined the Trump White House.



**Steve Mnuchin**, Trump's campaign finance chairman, owned Hollywood finance company, **RatPac-Dune**, with **Len Blavatnik** until he sold his stake to become Secretary of the Treasury.

**Paul Manafort** offered to give Oleg Deripaska "private briefings" on the 2016 campaign just two weeks before Trump accepted the Republican nomination for president while Manafort was serving as **Trump's campaign manager**.

### Columbus Nova

The U.S.-based investment arm of **Viktor Vekselsberg's** Russian conglomerate, **Renova Group**.



Russian-American chief executive of **IMG Artists**

**Alexander Shustorovich** contributed **\$1 million** to Trump's Inaugural Committee. But his **\$250,000** gift to the Republican National Committee in support of the George W. Bush campaign in 2000 was rejected because of his ties to the Russian government.

**Vekselsberg** is the largest shareholder in the **Bank of Cyprus**.

**Donald Trump** Blavatnik contributed **\$1 million** to President Donald Trump's Inaugural Committee via **Access Industries**. A company spokesperson denied the gift represented significant support for Trump.

### Access Industries/ AI-Altep Holdings



**John McCain** Blavatnik contributed **\$200,000** to the **Arizona Grassroots Action PAC**, associated with Sen. John McCain, R-Arizona, via **Access Industries**.



**John Kasich** Blavatnik contributed **\$250,000** to Ohio Gov. John Kasich's **New Day for America PAC** via **Access Industries**.



**Lindsey Graham** Blavatnik contributed **\$800,000** to the **Security is Strength PAC**, associated with Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., via **Access Industries**.



**Marco Rubio** Blavatnik contributed a total of **\$1.5 million** to PACs associated with Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Florida. He contributed **\$1.25 million** to **Rubio's Conservative Solutions PAC** in the name of **Access Industries**, then another **\$250,000** to **Rubio's Florida First Project** via **AI-Altep Holdings**.



**Scott Walker** Blavatnik contributed **\$1.1 million** to Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker's **Unintimidated PAC** via **Access Industries**.



**Mitch McConnell** Blavatnik contributed a total of **\$3.5 million** to a PAC associated with Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Kentucky. Blavatnik contributed **\$1.5 million** to the **GOP Senate Leadership Fund PAC** in the name of **Access Industries** and another **\$1 million** in the name of **AI-Altep Holdings** during the 2015/2016 election season. And as of September 2017, he had contributed another **\$1 million** this year through **AI-Altep**.