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Trump campaign aide Rick Gates sought proposals for social media manipulation (including creation of fake online personas) and opposition intelligence gathering from Psy Group, an Israeli intel firm

(Trump referred to as “the Lion” in proposals ■)

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(Those of you who’ve followed me a long time know I have speculated in the past about Israeli versus/in addition to Russian involvement in the social media psy-ops during the 2016 election. Remember all those hashtag “MAGA” troll/bot accounts that had hashtag “StandWithIsrael”?)

Helluva kicker on this story:

nytimes.com



Relevant thread and article on Psy Group, from June by @ScottMStedman:

https://t.co/bhfOm4Q6GK

> Breaking: Psy Group\u2019s sister company is controlled by a Russian billionaire. https://t.co/Oh7RCcm6Mj
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> — Scott Stedman (@ScottMStedman) June 25, 2018

Precursor article re Psy Group in @WSJ from May by @rebeccaballhaus and @ByronTau:

(Paywall. Sorry.)
https://t.co/zTZwzPU3Of

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