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## Multiple scandals revealed in Hillary emails, as Trey Gowdy writes a letter to Elijah Cummings

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Trey Gowdy has written a remarkable 13 page [open letter](#) to his Democrat counterpart on the House Benghazi special committee that reveals multiple scandals involving Hillary Clinton's tenure at the State Department revolving around her correspondence with Sidney Blumenthal. The letter to ranking member Elijah Cummings upbraids the Democrat for his recent conduct before exposing revelations contained in emails initially withheld from the committee by the State Department, but turned over last month. [Five hundred](#) of the 1500 pages of the emails concerned Blumenthal.

“These messages should have been made public when the State Department released Secretary Clinton's other self-selected records on Libya and Benghazi, but there was a clear decision at the time to withhold this information from the American people and the Committee,” reads the letter. “The State Department has now made these messages available, and the Committee intends to question Secretary Clinton about them during her appearance.”

The emails show that Blumenthal revealed the name of a confidential CIA source in Libya, and the Secretary Clinton blithely forwarded that email on her unsecured server:

“This information, the name of a human source, is some of the most protected information in our intelligence community, the release of which could jeopardize not only national security but also human lives,” Gowdy wrote.

“Armed with that information, Secretary Clinton forwarded the email to a colleague—debunking her claim that she never sent any classified information from her private email address,” Gowdy noted.

Ed Morrissey of [Hot Air](#) helpfully reminds us:

Recall the furor over the leak of Valerie Plame's status as a CIA employee? This is exponentially worse. Both Blumenthal and Hillary put the identity of an intelligence agent in unsecured communications. If anyone hacked this, the information would have easily cost the source his life.

Did the server get hacked? The Associated Press reports that it was [targeted by hackers in three different countries](#), although it's not yet clear whether these were intelligence operations or just ordinary hackers.

But the biggest scandal of all is the specter that the US policy toward Libya was changed from genocide prevention to regime change because Blumenthal sought financial advantage.

Beyond the pure politics that were occurring at this time, perhaps more disturbing it that at the same time Blumenthal was pushing Secretary Clinton to war in Libya, he was privately pushing a business interest of his own in Libya that stood to profit from contracts with the new Libyan government – a government that would exist only after a successful U.S. intervention in Libya that deposed Qaddafi. This business venture was one he shared with Tyler Drumheller and Cody Shearer, the authors of the information sent to Secretary Clinton. It is therefore unsurprising that somebody who knew so little about Libya would suddenly become so interested in Libya and push an old friend in a powerful place to action – for personal profit.

While Blumenthal and Drumheller have both acknowledged a personal stake in the business venture, known as Osprey Global Solutions, they have downplayed their involvement to the Committee. New documents received by the Committee, however, indicate more extensive involvement than previously known.

The overthrow of the Libyan government has proven to be a spectacular blunder, triggering a failed state with waves of migrants crossing the Mediterranean, the Benghazi slaughter of Ambassador Stevens and three others, and an ISIS foothold a short distance from Europe. Hillary Clinton grotesquely joked about the fall of Gaddafi before the disaster became clear:



If this boondoggle was undertaken on the advice of a Clinton political hatchet man, expressly forbidden from becoming a State Department employee at the direction of the Obama administration, in order to financially benefit him, it would be among the worst scandals in the nation's history.