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As Trump Downplays Epstein, Wyden Unveils Details of Treasury's Undisclosed Epstein File

Finance Committee Ranking Democrat Continues Years-Long, Follow-the-Money Investigation of Epstein Finances

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Donald Trump says a lot of outlandish stuff. I don't think he's said anything more outrageous or stunning than what he said yesterday -- declaring the interest in the Jeffrey Epstein matter a "hoax" and a "scam."

The figure at the center of this story was an ultra-rich, well-connected sex trafficker. He was a serial rapist of women and girls. And for some reason, the Trump administration -- a bunch of people who claimed they'd be the most transparent administration ever -- turned on a dime. Trump ran on a promise to expose the Epstein files. Now he and Attorney General Bondi say there's nothing more to investigate at all when it comes to Epstein and sex trafficking.

It's literally unbelievable.

If you want to know why, just look at the latest bombshell from my investigators, reported this morning by the New York Times.

Somewhere in the Treasury Department, locked away in a cabinet drawer, is a big Epstein file that's full of actionable information -- "follow the money" details about his financing and operations that await investigation.

Last year, the Biden administration allowed Finance Committee investigators to look at portions of the file in person over at the Treasury building.

Here is some of what it says.

Treasury's Epstein file details 4,725 wire transfers adding up to nearly \$1.1 billion flowing in and out of just ONE of Epstein's bank accounts. If you ask me, that's 4,725 potential lines of investigation right there.

Hundreds of millions more flowed through other accounts -- that's even more to investigate.

The file shows Epstein used multiple Russian banks, which are now under sanctions, to process payments related to sex trafficking. A lot of the women and girls he targeted came from Russia, Belarus, Turkey and Turkmenistan. You shudder to think about the kinds of people who must have been involved in trafficking these women and girls out of those countries and into Epstein's web of abuse.

Again, these are all potential leads the Department of Justice ought to be digging into. This is about years and years of international sex trafficking. None of this is a hoax. None of it is a scam. It's insulting to the intelligence of the American people when Trump and Bondi say there's nothing here to investigate.

I mentioned a moment ago that Finance Committee investigators reviewed portions of the Epstein file last year.

When the Trump administration came in with a whole lot of fanfare about transparency and openness, I decided to put it to the test. I wrote to Attorney General Bondi, Treasury Secretary Bessent and FBI Director Patel seeking that they produce the Epstein file to the Finance Committee for further review. In fact, I have made that request multiple times. The Trump commitment to transparency didn't really mean a whole lot after all, because they refused.

Here's what a Treasury official wrote back to me:

"...The Department of the Treasury has previously made documents available relating to this matter in response to your inquiries. Accordingly, we understand that you have the information you seek from the Treasury related to this request. We thank you for your attention to this important issue."

For anybody who's unfamiliar with how these discussions usually go, that's basically just Washington lingo for "go pound sand."

The Trump administration may be closing the books on Epstein's sex trafficking, but I am not ready to give up. Far from it.

I'm going to have more follow-up for Attorney General Bondi very soon. As for today, if she doesn't want the DOJ to do any of this investigating, I'll renew my original demand. The Trump administration ought to give the Treasury Department's Epstein file to the Senate. Let the Senate follow the money. If Trump's people think they need additional authority to make that happen, I'll help them write the bill myself.

The idea that there's nothing more to investigate when it comes to Epstein's sex trafficking operation is just ridiculous. Pam Bondi was the attorney general in the state of Florida, where a lot of Epstein's crimes were committed. She ought to know better.

I don't know what's going on with Trump, or why he wants this matter to go away. It's not going to happen. We're talking about real evil done to women and girls by Jeffrey Epstein. Nobody gets to sweep this under the rug.

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