

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) MUR 7647
 Democratic National Committee and)
 Virginia McGregor in her official)
 capacity as treasurer; Alexandra)
 Chalupa; Chalupa & Associates, LLC)

CERTIFICATION

I, Laura E. Sinram, recording secretary for the Federal Election Commission executive session on August 11, 2021, do hereby certify that the Commission decided by a vote of 5-1 to:

1. Find no reason to believe that the Democratic National Committee and Virginia McGregor in her official capacity as treasurer, Alexandra Chalupa, and Chalupa & Associates, LLC, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30121(a)(2) and 11 C.F.R. § 110.20(g) by soliciting, accepting, or receiving prohibited foreign national contributions with respect to the allegations concerning opposition research and the alleged request to make a comment to the press.
2. Exercise the Commission's prosecutorial discretion to dismiss the allegations that the Democratic National Committee and Virginia McGregor in her official capacity as treasurer, Alexandra Chalupa, and Chalupa & Associates, LLC, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30121(a)(2) and 11 C.F.R. § 110.20(g) by soliciting, accepting, or receiving prohibited foreign national contributions with respect to the allegation that there was a request that Ukrainian officials ask a member of Congress to initiate hearings on Paul Manafort.
3. Approve the Factual and Legal Analyses, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated June 30, 2021, subject to the edits last circulated by Commissioner Weintraub's Office on August 9, 2021 at 11:56 a.m.
4. Approve the appropriate letters.

5. Close the file.

Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Broussard dissented.

Attest:

**Laura e
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Laura E. Sinram
Acting Secretary and Clerk of the Commission