

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION Washington, DC 20463

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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RE: MURs 7645, 7663, & 7705

Dear Mr. Crosland:

On September 27, 2019, November 25, 2019, and March 2, 2020, the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") notified your clients, Donald J. Trump, Donald J. Trump for President, Inc., and Bradley T. Crate in his official capacity as treasurer, of the complaints in MURs 7645, 7663, and 7705, alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

On July 14 and July 26, 2022, the Commission considered the complaints but was equally divided on whether to find reason to believe that: Donald J. Trump and Donald J. Trump for President, Inc., and Bradley T. Crate in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30121(a)(2) and 11 C.F.R. § 110.20(g) by knowingly soliciting a prohibited foreign national contribution from Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky. The Commission also considered the allegation that Donald J. Trump and Donald J. Trump for President, Inc., and Bradley T. Crate in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30121(a)(2) and 11 C.F.R. § 110.20(g) by knowingly soliciting a prohibited foreign national contribution from China, but no motion to dismiss this allegation received the requisite for Commission approval. Accordingly, on July 26, 2022, the Commission voted to close the file in this matter.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. *See* Disclosure of Certain Documents in Enforcement and Other Matters, 81 Fed. Reg. 50,702 (Aug. 2, 2016). A Statement of Reasons providing a basis for the Commission's decision will follow.

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If you have any questions, please contact Aaron Rabinowitz and Nicholas Mueller, the attorneys assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1476 or arabinowitz@fec.gov and nmueller@fec.gov.

Sincerely,

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