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DOJ OIG Releases Report of Investigation Describing the Recovery of Text Messages from Certain FBI Mobile Devices

Department of Justice (DOJ) Inspector General Michael E. Horowitz today released a report of investigation describing the DOJ Office of the Inspector General's (OIG) forensic efforts to recover text messages from government mobile devices assigned to then-Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) employees Peter Strzok and Lisa Page. The report also describes the circumstances that led to a gap in the FBI's text message collection from the mobile devices, which occurred from December 15, 2016, through May 17, 2017.

The OIG's work leading to the report released today was referenced on page 398, footnote 199, of the OIG's June 2018 *Report on Various Actions by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Department of Justice in Advance of the 2016 Election*.

Redactions were made to the full version of this report to protect individual privacy and information identified by the FBI as law enforcement sensitive. The report, including an appendix containing the FBI's response, is available on the DOJ OIG website, <https://oig.justice.gov>, and at either of the following links:

View the report on the OIG's website: <https://oig.justice.gov/reports/2018/i-2018-003523.pdf>.

View the report on Oversight.gov: <https://www.oversight.gov/report/doj/report-investigation-recovery-text-messages-certain-fbi-mobile-devices>.

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