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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about Brexit. Your support for the UK to leave the EU has been enthusiastic for the past two years. This has an unfortunate appearance partly because it coincides with the time frame in which Putin is known to have been secretly supporting both this campaign and your own. This appearance is furthered by the juxtaposition of your meetings with NATO, May and your sponsor: Putin. The first was surprisingly contentious, the second surprisingly free of content - except for Brexit and for the third you have expressed a surprising enthusiasm along with no plan to seriously address his attacks on democracy. Your aggressive and public attempts to meet with a resigned minister are unfortunately similar to your embrace of various nationalist and authoritarian parties, movements and individuals around the world. Besides being immoral and misguided these actions will be seen as meddling and may weaken the hands you wish to help, but will surly weaken US ability to influence future world events.

Please assure me that you will support US interests.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our diplomatic power.

Sincerely, Eric Babson