

# Clinton Email Trove Under Review

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WASHINGTON — The government will review a huge cache of Hillary Rodham Clinton's emails for possible release after revelations she conducted official business as secretary of state in the shadows of a private account. The disclosure has raised questions in the buildup to her expected presidential run about whether she adhered to the letter or spirit of accountability laws.

The matter is expected to result in the eventual release of thousands of emails from her private account, opening a new window on her tenure in high office and providing potential fodder to critics.

Officials said Thursday the review by the State Department could take months, potentially a drawn-out distraction for Clinton and an unnerving development for the many Democrats who see her as the party's presidential nominee-in-waiting for 2016.

Secretary of State John Kerry, in Saudi Arabia, said Thursday his department "will undertake this task as rapidly as possible in order to make sure that we are dealing with the sheer volume in a responsible way."

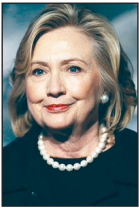
The review was prompted by the disclosure that Clinton, in a departure from predecessors, relied exclusively on the private account for emails about government business. The emails were sent from a private computer server using an Internet address that traces back to Clinton's family home in Chappaqua, New York.

The department announced the review soon after Clinton addressed the matter for the first time, saying on Twitter that "I want the public to see my email. I asked State to release them."

Clinton aides and the State Department have said she never received or transmitted classified information on her private email account.

"She had other ways of communicating through classified email through her assistants or her staff," said Marie Harf, speaking for the State Department. Officials have said Clinton turned over more than 55,000 pages of emails to the department.

Clinton's use of a private email account for official business appeared to contradict instructions from her own



Clinton

office in June 2011 to all State Department employees. In a cable from Clinton's office, employees were advised to "avoid conducting official Department business from your personal e-mail accounts." It cited reports that unspecified "online adversaries" were targeting personal email accounts of State Department employees. The cable was first obtained by Fox News.

The State Department told the AP that Clinton's instructions in 2011 only applied to emails containing "sensitive but unclassified" information, a category that includes personal information about employees or the public, business secrets, details of ongoing investigations or records about visa or asylum applications. Only one instruction in the cable directly referred to rules about such information, an existing ban on anyone auto-forwarding government emails to their personal accounts.

Even though the instructions bore Clinton's name, it was not clear whether she wrote them or was aware of them. Virtually every cable leaving the department's headquarters in Washington would have had Clinton's name on it while she was in town.

Clinton's private email practices gave her significant control over access to her message archives, highly unusual in government. They also could complicate the State Department's legal responsibilities in finding and turning over official emails in response to any investigations, lawsuits or public records requests.

The matter also raises questions about whether anyone in government examined Clinton's private email server and network before it began operating and continued to review it regularly during her tenure. Federal regulations subject the computer systems of some contractors and other organizations to federal oversight when they interact with government systems to ensure they are protected.

Under the Freedom of Information Act, the government can censor or withhold emails to protect information that would hurt national security, violate personal privacy or expose business secrets or confidential decision-making in certain areas. It

wasn't clear whether the State Department would automatically apply those provisions to its review of Clinton's emails, or use its discretion to release even emails that might be covered under those exemptions.

Withholding emails merely because they might be embarrassing or expose government incompetence or malfeasance is not permitted under the act's guidelines.

The State Department is already overwhelmed with nearly 11,000 pending requests for various emails under the open records law. More than 75 separate requests for Clinton material were filed with the State Department between 2009 and 2013 by media organizations and others. Associated Press requests for Clinton emails and other documents have been delayed for more than a year — and in one case, four years — without any results. The AP said this week it is considering legal action to compel responses.

On Wednesday, the House committee investigating the attacks on the U.S. diplomatic compound in Benghazi, Libya, issued subpoenas for emails from Clinton. It also instructed technology companies it did not identify to preserve any relevant documents in their possession.

The White House legal counsel's office was not aware of Clinton's private email account until the committee sought her communications during an earlier exchange with the department, according to a person familiar with the matter. That person spoke on condition of anonymity, citing a lack of authorization to speak on the record.

Clinton's extensive use of private emails heightened security risks for her communications, chiefly the potential for inadvertent disclosure of sensitive information and danger from hackers, several information security experts told AP.

Under Clinton, the State Department cited security concerns about private email usage when it pressed for the 2012 resignation of Scott Gratton, then ambassador to Kenya, according to a 2012 inspector general's report.

Gratton's use of private emails was among several problems cited. The watchdog said reliance on "unauthorized information systems increases the risk for data loss, phishing and spoofing of email accounts." Gratton resigned.

## Militants Bulldoze Ancient Nimrud Site

BAGHDAD (AP) — Islamic State militants "bulldozed" the ancient Nimrud archaeological site near the northern Iraqi city of Mosul on Thursday using heavy military vehicles, the government said.

A statement from Iraq's Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities didn't elaborate on the extent of the damage, saying only that the group continues to "defy the will of the world and the feelings of humanity" with this latest act.

Nimrud is a 13th century B.C. Assyrian archaeological site located on the Tigris River just south of Iraq's second largest city, Mosul, which was captured by the Islamic State group in June. The extremists, who control a third of Iraq and Syria, have attacked other archaeological and religious sites, claiming that they promote apostasy.

Earlier this week a video emerged on militant websites showing Islamic State militants with sledgehammers destroying ancient artifacts at the Mosul museum, sparking global outrage.

Last year, the militants destroyed the Mosque of the Prophet Yunis — or Jonah — and the Mosque of the Prophet Jirjis, two revered ancient shrines in Mosul. They also threatened to destroy Mosul's 850-year old Crooked Minaret, but local residents surrounded the structure, preventing the militants from approaching.

## Harrison Ford Pilot In Crashed Plane

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Harrison Ford reported engine failure shortly after takeoff and told air-traffic controllers he was returning to the airport before crash-landing his vintage plane on a nearby golf course in Los Angeles

In a communication with the tower at Santa Monica Airport, the pilot said he was having engine failure Thursday afternoon and was making an "immediate return."

That's according to a recording made public on the website LiveATC.net.

The plane went down on the golf course soon after. Ford was the only person on board. Fire officials say he had moderate injuries when he was taken by ambulance to a hospital.

## Victims Tell Jury Of Bomb Aftermath

BOSTON (AP) — With Dzhokhar Tsarnaev seated at the defense table no more than 15 feet away Thursday, the father of an 8-year-old boy killed in the Boston Marathon bombing described the moment when he looked down at his son's pale, torn body and realized he wouldn't make it.

"I saw a little boy who had his body severely damaged by an explosion," Bill Richard told the jury, "and I just knew from what I saw that there was no chance, the color of his skin, and so on."

Martin Richard was one of three people killed in the bombing near the finish line of the race on April 15, 2013. The boy's younger sister, 6-year-old Jane, had a leg blown off, while their older brother, Henry, suffered minor injuries.

Their father, testifying at Tsarnaev's federal death penalty trial, spoke in a slow, halting voice but remained largely composed as he described the chaos and confusion.

He said he scooped Jane up in one arm and took Henry in the other and "tried to shield both of their eyes" from the carnage around them as he took them away.

# Plane Skids Off Snowy NYC Runway, Just Feet From River

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NEW YORK — A Delta jetliner landing at LaGuardia Airport in a driving snowstorm Thursday skidded off a runway and crashed through a chain-link fence, its nose coming to rest just feet from the roiling waters of an icy bay.

Six people were hurt in the midday accident, which authorities say came just minutes after the runway had been plowed. It was a near-tragic reminder of what pilots have long known about LaGuardia: Its relatively short runways and waterfront location leave little room for error, especially in bad weather.

Passengers said the plane landed hard and then took a sharp turn toward the fence on the edge of the runway.

"It felt like fishtailing in a car," Charles Runel said. "But in a much larger car."

Some tweeted photos of the crashing waves just outside the plane's windows.

"I'm just thankful we didn't go into the water," said

Malcolm Duckett, one of 130 people aboard Flight 1086 from Atlanta, which came to a stop atop a berm on the edge of Flushing Bay.

The plane's wings appeared to be damaged in the crash landing, which authorities said also caused a leak of fuel that was quickly stopped.

Snowfall had dropped visibility to a quarter-mile at the time of the crash, and winds were blowing at 9 mph.

The runway had been plowed minutes before, and two other pilots had reported good braking conditions, said Patrick Foye, executive director of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which runs the airport. It appeared the pilot did everything he could to slow the aircraft, he said.

"The plane did not make contact with the water," Foye said. "Happily, that was not a risk today."

LaGuardia, known for its disconcertingly close proximity to the bay, is one of the most congested airports in the United States. It's also one of the most difficult at which



PHOTO COURTESY NYPD SPECIAL OPS/TNS  
A Delta flight from Atlanta skidded off the runway and struck a fence while landing at LaGuardia Airport on Thursday. New York City fire officials reported 24 non-life-threatening injuries and said three of those people were taken to the hospital.

to land: Its close proximity to three other busy airports means pilots have to make a series of tight turns to line up with its runways while also going through their landing checklists.

The Delta flight was landing on LaGuardia's main runway, which is about 7,000 feet

long and 150 feet wide. On the right side of the runway are a taxiway and terminals. On the left, where the plane ended up, are the berm and the bay.

LaGuardia's two runways are "reasonably short" but still safe, said former US Airways pilot John M. Cox, who's now CEO of consultancy

Safety Operating Systems.

At airports with longer runways, pilots glide a few feet above the runway and gently touch down. At LaGuardia, Cox said, "you put the airplane on the ground and stop it."

There's no rule about how much snow or ice leads to a runway closing. Instead, the Federal Aviation Administration requires airports to measure runways during winter storms to assure planes can safely brake: A specially equipped vehicle races down the runway with a computer checking braking action, and if the runway fails the test it must be closed.

On Flight 1086, passengers said there was a surreal calm as the plane bounced and slid off the runway, but some children started crying after it came to a stop. It was only then that everyone realized how close they had come to plunging into freezing saltwater.

Passengers were told to exit over the broken right wing because the door out the back was too close to the

water. They climbed off the plane dressed in their heavy winter coats and scarves and tromped through several inches of snow.

"As we walked across the runway, it was covered with so much snow that I was wondering: Who decided it was safe to land here?" said passenger Jane Kaufman, of Gainesville, Florida.

Among the passengers was New York Giants tight end Larry Donnell, who said he felt blessed to be safe afterward.

"We were all shocked and alarmed when the plane started to skid, but most importantly, as far as I know, all of the passengers and flight crew were able to exit the plane safely," he said by email.

Atlanta-based Delta Air Lines Inc. said the passengers were bused to a terminal.

The National Transportation Safety Board said it was sending an investigator to retrieve the plane's flight data and cockpit voice recorders and to document damage to the plane.

# Boehner, Bipartisan Group Pressure Obama On Ukraine Policy

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WASHINGTON — House Speaker John Boehner and a group of top Democrats and Republicans stepped up the pressure on President Barack Obama to provide lethal, defensive weapons to Ukraine in its fight against Russian-backed separatists.

In a letter to the president on Thursday, the 11 lawmakers wrote that Russia's actions are more than an attack on Ukraine's sovereignty, calling it a "grotesque violation of international law, a challenge to the West and an assault on the international order established at such great cost in the wake of World War II."

The group said the so-called Minsk agreements, which led to last month's cease-fire, have only consolidated Russian and separatists' gains, and "we urge you to quickly approve additional efforts to support Ukraine's efforts to defend its sovereign territory, including through the transfer of lethal defense weapons systems to the Ukrainian military."

Russian President

Vladimir Putin denies arming rebels in the war in eastern Ukraine, which has killed more than 6,000 people and forced over a million to flee their homes. The fighting began in April, a month after Russia annexed the mostly Russian-speaking Crimean Peninsula.

In a phone call Thursday with Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, Vice President Joe Biden said he was concerned that the separatists are continuing to attack Ukrainian forces despite the fragile cease-fire. The White House said both leaders were concerned that the

separatists won't allow international monitors into territory they control even though that's called for by the Minsk agreements.

Victoria Nuland, assistant secretary of state for European and Eurasian affairs, told Congress on Wednesday that the U.S. is watching whether the Minsk agreements are implemented. She reminded lawmakers that Obama and European leaders have agreed to deepening sanctions against Russia if the cease-fire agreement is further violated.

Nuland said Obama has received recommendations

and advice from Cabinet agencies, but that he has not yet decided on the issue of sending arms to Kiev. Nuland declined to say whether the State Department has advised the White House to send arms to Ukraine.

Many European governments oppose any U.S. move to provide military support for Ukraine's government, fearing that might spark a wider proxy war.

The lawmakers expressed exasperation with the European opposition, urging Obama to "lead Europe in challenging this assault on international order, lest our

foreign policy be held hostage by the lowest common denominator of European consensus."

Joining Boehner, R-Ohio, in signing the letter were Ma-

ajority Leader Kevin McCarthy, R-Calif., and the senior Republicans and Democrats on the Foreign Affairs, Intelligence and Armed Services committees.



## Hoxeng - Bartekoske

Tara Marie Hoxeng and Jason William Bartekoske were married August 30, 2014, at Ruby's Garden in the Historic DC Booth Fish Hatchery, Spearfish, SD.

Parents of the couple are David & Dana Hoxeng, Volin, SD; Gary & Rhonda Bartekoske, Yankton, SD.

Matrons of honor were Amber Sorensen and Carly Hines. Bridesmaids were Amy Keppen, Sarah Hoxeng, Traci Bartekoske, Erika Kraus, and Hannah Johnson. Flower girls were Taylor Hoxeng and Jozlynn Tegethoff.

Aaron Bartekoske and Corey Vitek were best men. Groomsmen were Casey Tegethoff, Tyler Hoxeng, Mackenzie Tegethoff, Brett Heine, and Ryan Weverstad. Ring bearers were Cody Hoxeng and Sam Johnson. Ushers were Jeremy Overseth, Cole Willman, and JR Willman.

Special music during the ceremony was provided by Miranda Tjeerdma. The late Don Boyd (grandfather of the bride) gave a special acapella performance of "The Wedding Song".

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Holiday Inn, Spearfish, SD. Music and entertainment by Colt 45.

The bride is employed as the Development & Administrative Coordinator at United Way & Volunteer Services of Greater Yankton, Yankton, SD.

The groom is employed as an Industrial Painter with Kolberg-Pioneer, Yankton, SD.

The couple resides in Yankton, SD.

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