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I would like a phone interview with Robert Otto Russia Domestic Affairs Division Chief, Office of Analysis for Russia and Eurasia (INR/REA).

The subject is his participation in an email traffic involving former American citizen (now British) William Browder and MSNBC Washington report Ken Dilanian about Mr. Browder's claims that Browder's former "lawyer" (actually his accountant) Sergei Magnitsky was arrested and beaten to death in a Russian prison because he had "blown the whistle" on a \$230 million tax refund fraud. Dilanian had evidence that none of this was true.

Mr. Otto expressed concerns that this story might be reported on MSNBC. I want to talk to him about that. And his views on Browder's story.

This all occurred in spring 2016, during the Obama Administration.

My deadline is in 10 days.

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