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AG Rosen move to the acting is very interesting and could be the final move in Trumps decision to use the 2018 Executive Order.

We know. All the DOD moves that took the team that uncovered spying against Trump and deputized them in the DOD.

Here is what we know about AG Rosen

Mr. Rosen has guided numerous initiatives, including an antitrust review of online technology platforms, criminal and civil opioids enforcement and legislation, investigations and prosecutions of IP theft and of cyberhacking,

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Also

Though most of Mr. Rosen's nearly four-decade career was in the private sector, he has almost a decade of public sector experience, including U.S. Senate confirmations on two previous occasions. Prior to arriving at the Department of Justice, Mr. Rosen served as the Deputy Secretary of Transportation (2017-2019), where he was the Chief Operating Officer of a Cabinet Department with more than 55,000 employees and a budget in excess of \$80 billion. Other appointed public sector positions include General Counsel and Senior Policy Advisor for the White House Office of Management and Budget (2006-2009) and General Counsel at the U.S. Department of Transportation (2003-2006). He was also an appointed Public Member of the Administrative Conference of the United States (2013-2017).

Rosen led the investigation on the Sackler Family. The family behind Purdue Pharma. Remember when Trump said big Pharama didn't like him?

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So that to say he's getting things done. Much more interesting. The civil antitrust lawsuit against google

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As a result, in July of 2019, shortly after I joined DOJ, the Department announced a review of Market-Leading Online platforms, with the stated goal of assessing "the competitive conditions in the online marketplace in an objective and fair-minded manner and to ensure Americans have access to free markets in which companies compete on the merits to provide services that users want."

Also Rosen

Announcement of Charges and Arrests in Computer Intrusion Campaigns Related to China

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So there is a third part of today's announcement. Specifically, in addition to these criminal charges, and the two arrests, the Department of Justice and the FBI have been working with seven private sector partners, including Microsoft Corporation, Google, Facebook, and Verizon Media, to identify and neutralize the computer infrastructure that APT-41 uses to conduct its crimes: its virtual private servers, malware, malicious domains, and other tools. We have done this through a combination of public and private actions, including technical measures to block this threat actor from accessing victims' computer systems, issuing a public safety announcement outlining their tactics, techniques, and procedures (to aid network defenders), and by taking control of, or otherwise disabling, their accounts pursuant to court orders or terms of service violations.

Finally the most interesting speech listed in the Department of Justice was web page.

Malign Foreign Influence in U.S. Elections Presented at Center for Strategic and International Studies

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He explains what Malign Foreign Influence means to the Department of Justice.

He mentioned the Clinton campaign vulnerability to foreign government to influence her.

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And with regard to the 2016 election, just last week some declassified FBI documents were released by the Senate Judiciary Committee, which indicate that the Clinton campaign was warned about efforts of a foreign government to influence her through campaign contributions that “may come in a form outside established parameters for such contributions.” The threat of corrupt malign influence activities requires continued vigilance.

Then he goes into 2018 Executive Order 13848

recognizes Soviet influence attempts.” But today, the media environment is considerably different, and the internet and social media also allow foreign actors to reach unprecedented numbers of Americans covertly, inexpensively, and directly, without ever setting foot on U.S. soil. We are all now familiar with the findings that, in the 2016 election cycle, the Russian Internet Research Agency “spent a total of about \$100,000 over two years on advertisements” on Facebook to promote social discord and division, and similarly placed disguised posts and tweets on several social media platforms.

Probably the most important part of his speech

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The 2020 Landscape

At this point, I want to touch briefly on the current threat landscape as we head toward Election Day. The department of Justice, DHS, and other federal agencies, have engaged in an unprecedented level of coordination with and support to all 50 states and numerous local officials to ensure that their election infrastructure is secure. We have yet to see any activity intended to prevent voting or to change votes, and we continue to think that it would be extraordinarily difficult for foreign adversaries to change vote tallies.

We do, however, continue to see malign foreign influence efforts relevant to the 2020 presidential election. Some foreign actors are covertly trying to undermine confidence in our elections because they are authoritarian governments opposed to representative democracy. As the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) recently made public on August 7, some foreign governments have preferences about our election — and have taken or planned malign activities in support of their preferences — including efforts by China and Iran to undermine President Trump and his Administration’s policies and efforts by Russia to undermine former Vice President Biden. The Intelligence Community, including the FBI, have briefed Congress, as well as both presidential campaigns, about these threats. ODNI also has also taken unprecedented steps to educate the public about these threats to “better inform Americans so they can play a critical role in safeguarding our election.”

We are working to counter all of these influence activities. But it is important to remember that there are times when drawing attention to the threats can be precisely what the bad actors want, to generate concern and distrust, division and discord. And as Americans, we need to avoid the temptation to seek political advantage from the revelation of influence activities that were meant to divide us.

Instead, the right response is for our electorate to be knowledgeable and careful about the sources of information they rely on, to look for accurate information, to inform themselves about the candidates, and to cast their ballots accordingly. In the words of Thomas Jefferson, “I know no safe depository of the ultimate powers of the society, but the people themselves.” So let me offer some final thoughts about what the historical records tells us that Americans can do to protect ourselves from the malign influence efforts of foreign governments, in addition to the strong measures being taken by the Justice Department and other government agencies.

He outlines 5 Task Forces and Measures that are set up by the DOJ to combat these

First, the FBI has established a Foreign Influence Task Force that brings together cross-disciplinary and cross-regional expertise, encompassing counterintelligence, cyber, criminal, and even counterterrorism agents and analysts who investigate and counter malign influence by China, Russia, Iran, and other foreign actors.

Second, the Department of Justice has been assisting social media companies, campaigns, and election officials in hardening their platforms, networks, and infrastructure against these threats, and has been providing them with defensive counterintelligence briefings and steps they can undertake to reduce their vulnerabilities.

Third, the Department of Justice has strengthened compliance efforts for the Foreign Agents Registration Act, or FARA, in order to identify and expose malign foreign influence. FARA helps to ensure transparency by requiring persons who engage in certain foreign influence-related activities to register with the department and publicly disclose those activities. It doesn't prohibit any speech, but instead enhances the public's and the government's ability to evaluate foreign influence-related speech by ensuring that the source is clear.

Fourth, where malign foreign influence operations violate our federal laws, as with hacking of email systems to make their contents public, these department of Justice has brought criminal charges. The department remains prepared to bring criminal charges where they are warranted.

Fifth, the department has supported the Administration's broader efforts to counter malign foreign influence. For example, the Administration has imposed financial sanctions for Russian efforts to sow discord in connection with the 2016 election, and imposed further sanctions in the last twelve months for Russia's additional influence operations since then. In short, the Justice Department and our colleagues in government have been adapting to foreign actors' malign activities—and actively combatting and defending against them.

Also important to note is his deputy AG Richard Donoghue

Donague served as JAG in The ARMY

he was a Military Magistrate Judge, Prosecutor, Defense Counsel, and Contract Litigator. He also served in the 82nd Airborne Division

Besides his military experience and knowledge of military law, as the US Attorney for Eastern District of New York, Donaghue oversaw the ongoing prosecutions of Chinese telecommunications company Huawei and several subsidiaries on racketeering charges and Huawei CFO Wanzhou Meng

Fraud Charges

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Seth D. DuCharme will take his place as Acting U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of New York

Who served as the Office's National Security Cyber Specialist and its representative on the Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council.

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Prior to his work at Main Justice, Seth was the Chief of the Criminal Division for E.D.N.Y., where he supervised investigations and prosecutions by the office across a wide range of practice areas, including corporate and securities fraud, terrorism, cybercrime, public corruption, international narcotics trafficking, civil rights violations, and violent and organized crime. He first joined E.D.N.Y. in March 2008 and served in the General Crimes, Violent Crimes and Terrorism, and National Security and Cybercrime Sections. He also served as the Office's National Security Cyber Specialist and its representative on the Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council.

All of these people are moved into positions where they can act and contribute to tampering report. Simultaneously you have the biggest hack of federal institutions EVER.

If we(civilians know about it) it means that they have already investigated and know exactly where its coming from and who. All things point to the Ratcliff DOD and DOJ Rosen describes in his speech is not actually hacking of the systems but Covert or Deceptive Activities

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So could this be another move in Trumps puzzle to move on the 2018 EO. Lets see time is running out.

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