

**16:32 22/07/16 Readout of meeting with BP Turkey President**

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** 22 July 2016 16:32

[REDACTED]

All,

I had a quick chat with Mick Stump, BP Turkey President, over the phone on Wednesday (ahead of our Minister for Europe's visit), to check on any implications for their operations in Turkey in light of recent events here.

[REDACTED]. I explained where we are on our Travel Advice.

[REDACTED]

Thanks,

[REDACTED]

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**18:09 29/09/16 Internal discussion on meeting with BP**

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** 29 September 2016 18:09

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[REDACTED]

With apologies for the slight delay in reporting. You met with Head of BP Turkey, Mick Stump on Friday 23 September. The main purpose was a general catch up on BP's activities and the political environment post coup.[REDACTED]

**World Energy Congress:** BP is a Gold sponsor at this event. Some of their top CEOs, including Bob Dudley, will attend. [REDACTED]. Mick also mentioned that for the Turkish side this was a big event, with the President, Prime Minister and Minister of Energy attending. There was also a suggestion that Putin would attend. [REDACTED]. Media speculation this week has also increased on Putin's anticipated visit. Albayrak, in response to a question during a statement today on a potential reduction on gas pricing, said that Putin was expected to visit around the time of the congress and that negotiations would continue on Turkstream. I suspect therefore, that Putin's main priority will be to get Turkstream signed off and the World Energy Congress event will give him a good platform to announce it from. [REDACTED]

**Cyprus:** BP was watching political developments closely. It had, however, decided not to bid in the latest licensing round because of its Turkey relationship which they were keen to protect.

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Thanks,

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**16:47 24/10/16 Readout of meeting between British Embassy Ankara and BP Turkey**

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** 24 October 2016 16:47

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I met with Hakan Turker and [REDACTED] from BP this morning for a general catch up on energy issues which I'll report separately. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. Hakan said there was also a lot of emphatic appreciation more broadly for the UK, with particular mention of post-coup messaging, Sir Alan Duncan's two visits, FS visit, PM level contact and the positive impact this was all having on UK-Turkey relations.

COMMENT

[REDACTED]. Another point in BP's favour is the fact that it turned down the opportunity to bid for projects under the third licensing round in Cyprus because of Turkey considerations, which has also not gone unnoticed. [REDACTED]

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**11:12 27/10/16 Information update from British Embassy Ankara on Turkey**

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** 27 October 2016 11:12

[REDACTED]

Hi [REDACTED],

Apologies for not responding sooner, but I wanted to consult relevant colleagues and external contacts to provide you a more considered response.

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Happy to discuss further.

Regards

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