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Jeffrey Epstein Claimed Trump Knew About His Conduct, New Emails Show

In one message, Epstein said one of his apparent victims "spent hours at my house" with Trump.

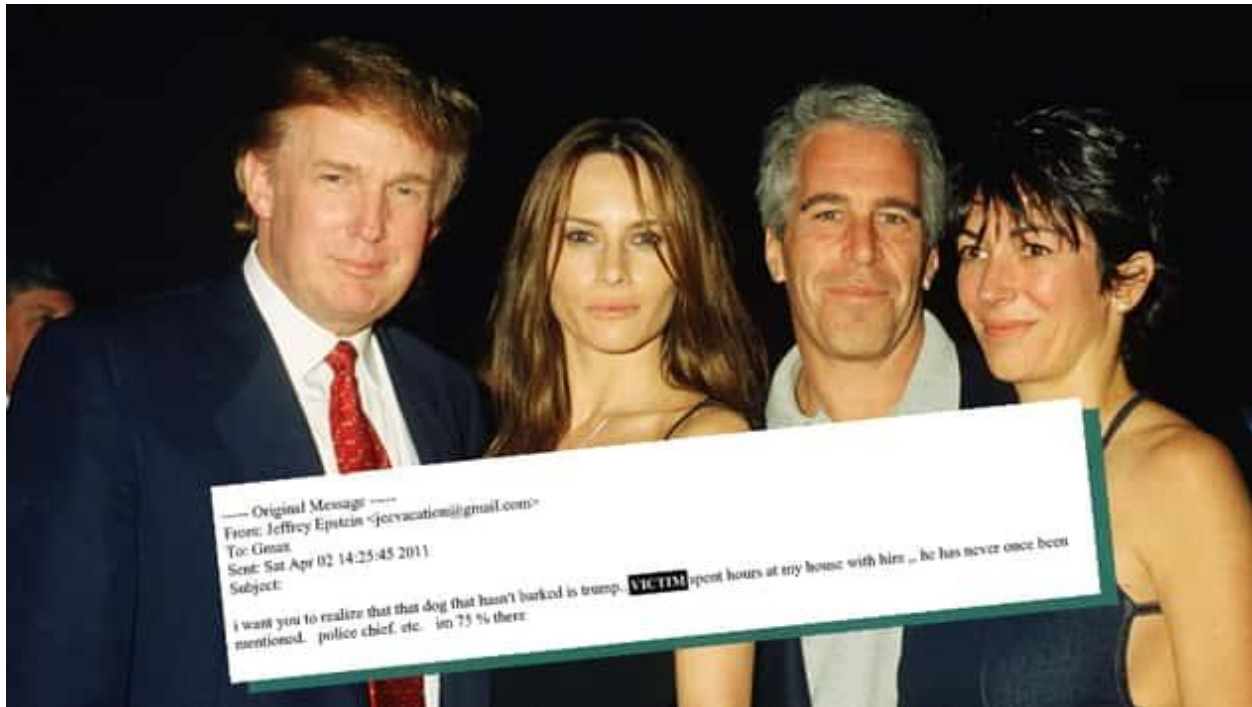


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Jeffrey Epstein was a member at Mar-a

WASHINGTON — The late sexual predator Jeffrey Epstein suggested to confidants that President [Donald Trump](#) knew about his criminal activity, according to email messages made public Wednesday.

Trump “knew about the girls,” Epstein wrote in one of the [three emails](#) released by [Democrats](#) on the House Oversight Committee.

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The emails, culled from thousands of documents obtained from a committee subpoena to the Epstein estate, have previously not been made public, the Democrats said. The messages undermine the president’s efforts to downplay his relationship with Epstein, who died in prison in 2019 while facing federal charges related to sex trafficking minors.

In another of the messages, from 2011, Epstein tells Ghislaine Maxwell, his partner in crime, that Trump is the “dog that hasn’t barked” because he’d spent time with someone whose name is redacted as “VICTIM.”

“i want you to realize that that dog that hasn’t barked is trump,” Epstein wrote. “[VICTIM] spent hours at my house with him,, he has never once been mentioned.”

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At the time, Epstein had already been convicted in Florida of felony solicitation of prostitution following an investigation that discovered Epstein and his accomplice

grooming underage girls for sexual abuse by recruiting them to work as massage therapists at Epstein's home in Palm Beach, Florida. Epstein struck a deal with federal prosecutors, who agreed not to press federal charges in exchange for Epstein's guilty plea to state charges.

After details of the sweetheart deal came to light, as well as more information about Epstein's conduct, he was charged by federal prosecutors in New York in 2019. Authorities said he then hanged himself in prison; his death fueled conspiracy theories about a network of elite sexual deviants having him killed to prevent their crimes from coming to light.

The Trump administration has refused to make public the government's investigative files related to the Epstein case despite previous promises by Trump and other officials to release the material. Trump is reportedly mentioned repeatedly in the Justice Department's files, which are separate from the documents obtained from the estate that Democrats released Wednesday.

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"These latest emails and correspondence raise glaring questions about what else the White House is hiding and the nature of the relationship between Epstein and the President," Rep. Robert Garcia (D-Calif.) said in a press release.

In a statement, White House press secretary Karoline Leavitt said the emails were "selectively leaked" by Democrats to smear Trump.

"The 'unnamed victim' referenced in these emails is the late Virginia Giuffre, who repeatedly said President Trump was not involved in any wrongdoing whatsoever and 'couldn't have been friendlier' to her in their limited interactions," Leavitt said. "The fact remains that President Trump kicked Jeffrey Epstein out of his club decades ago for being a creep to his female employees, including Giuffre."

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Later on Wednesday, [Republicans](#) on the House Oversight Committee released [the full batch of 20,000 documents](#) obtained from the Epstein estate — and accused Democrats of redacting Giuffre's name in order to make it seem like the victim may have been someone who could implicate Trump.

"The official stance of Oversight Democrats is that we don't confirm or deny the names of victims," a spokesperson for Oversight Democrats said in response.

From: Gmax [gmax1@ellmax.com]
Sent: 4/2/2011 7:09:39 PM
To: jeevacation@gmail.com
Subject: Re:

Importance: High

I have been thinking about that...

----- Original Message -----

From: Jeffrey Epstein <jeevacation@gmail.com>

To: Gmax

Sent: Sat Apr 02 14:25:45 2011

Subject:

i want you to realize that that dog that hasn't barked is trump.. **VICTIM** spent hours at my house with him ,, he has never once been mentioned. police chief. etc. im 75 % there

Epstein's 2011 email mentioning Donald Trump to Ghislaine Maxwell.
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The email release comes as a bipartisan push to require the Justice Department to release the Epstein files nears a milestone. The swearing-in of Rep.-elect Adelita Grijalva (D-Ariz.) on Wednesday afternoon will give proponents the final signature needed to force a House vote on legislation ordering the Epstein material made public in a searchable database. Even if the House passes the bill, however, it would still need to clear the Senate and somehow overcome opposition from the president himself.

Wednesday's release isn't the first material from the Epstein estate to implicate Trump. Earlier this year, the Oversight Committee obtained a "birthday book" from 2002 in which Trump paid tribute to Epstein for his 50th birthday with [a creepy message](#) suggesting the two shared some "wonderful secret."

In one of the emails released Wednesday, Epstein seemed to dispute Trump's claims that he'd banned Epstein from his Mar-a-Lago club in Florida.

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Epstein wrote in 2019, before his federal indictment, to the journalist Michael Wolff, "trump said he asked me to resign, never a member ever.. of course he knew about the girls as he asked ghislaine to stop."

Trump said earlier this year he banned Epstein from his club after he "stole people that worked for me." Giuffre, who died by suicide this year, has testified she was hired away from Mar-a-Lago in 2000 — [seven years before Trump told reporters he'd cut ties with Epstein](#).

Like Giuffre, other Epstein victims who spoke out on Capitol Hill this year said they didn't see Trump behave inappropriately.

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It was Ghislaine Maxwell who recruited girls for Epstein's massages. She was sentenced to 20 years in prison in 2022 for participating in Epstein's crimes, but she's now hoping Trump will commute her sentence.

In an unusual interview with a top Justice Department official this year, Maxwell said she may have recruited a masseuse from Mar-a-Lago, but she couldn't recall for sure. She said she never observed Trump doing anything inappropriate – testimony for which Maxwell was apparently rewarded with a transfer to a minimum security prison camp, where she reportedly receives [highly preferential treatment](#).

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In another email, in 2015, Wolff told Epstein that Trump would be asked about their relationship during a presidential debate that year. Epstein wondered what he would say if he were able to craft Trump's answer.

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"I think you should let him hang himself. If he says he hasn't been on the plane or to the house, then that gives you a valuable PR and political currency," Wolff wrote. "You can hang him in a way that potentially generates a positive benefit for you, or, if it really looks like he could win, you could save him, generating a debt. Of course, it is possible that, when asked, he'll say Jeffrey is a great guy and has gotten a raw deal and is a victim of political correctness, which is to be outlawed in a Trump regime."

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