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All, see below. I truly don't think we get anything out of straying from the ongoing no comment. Anything we add or don't add is going to continue speculation because most of it we can't clarify. I can write up a two line on the record response to address the public interest part. Thoughts?

Thanks,

[REDACTED]

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**Date:** Jan 2, 2020 7:55 AM

**Subject:** Fwd: RE: 60 Minutes/CBS News

**To:** "[REDACTED]" >

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Hi [REDACTED], wanted to forward this for review to see if NYO was interested in an off the record response to 60 Min re: Epstein; they've listed several Qs below. They're airing their story this Sunday, Jan. 5th. I've gone back and forth with them a few times over the last couple months and have relayed your on the record no comment. Let me know if there's other considerations now and I'll get back to them either way.

Thanks

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**From:** "Zill, Oriana" <ZillO@cbsnews.com>

**Date:** Dec 31, 2019 3:37 PM

**Subject:** RE: 60 Minutes/CBS News

**To:** "[REDACTED]", "Gordon, Emily" <GordonE@cbsnews.com>

**Cc:** "Alfonsi, Sharyn" <Sea60@cbsnews.com>, "Zill, Oriana" <ZillO@cbsnews.com>

**Dear** [REDACTED]:

I am sorry to send this so close to New Year's Eve, but we wanted you to have it before Thursday.

As we discussed a week ago, *60 Minutes* is preparing a story for air this Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> about the circumstances around the death of Jeffrey Epstein. We have a list of questions but our main request is if FBI

would consider an off-the-record briefing by phone about Epstein's death this Thursday or Friday?

We will be reporting new information that has not been made public to date and we want to verify that we are accurate. Our main subject areas that we have questions about are: the video that was reviewed by Attorney General; the functioning of the cameras in the Tier where Epstein was housed; the position of the body when initially found in the cell; the autopsy and forensics; and Epstein's prior suicide attempt referenced in the indictment against the two correctional officers.

We hope you agree that it is in your interest and the public's interest to clarify the many questions that have led to so much speculation surrounding his death.

In the event that we cannot have a briefing due to the ongoing nature of the investigation, can we request a response to the questions below:

Was FBI involved in the initial investigation at the MCC of the scene and the cell where Epstein died?

Multiple sources have told us that the Tier L camera or cameras which view Epstein's cell door was not functioning on the night in question. Can you confirm or deny?

We were told these cameras were sent to the FBI lab for examination. Confirm or deny?

Are there any body camera or handheld cameras that confirm what the scene looked like upon discovery of the dead body?

Has any federal investigator spoken to the two correctional officers, Michael Thomas and Tova Noel about what they saw when they discovered Epstein's body? (Numerous sources have told us that due to the ongoing federal case against those officers, they have not been interviewed about the details surrounding the death. Confirm or deny?)

Beyond the official time of death at the hospital, has any investigation been able to determine a time of death for Jeffrey Epstein?

What position was the body found in when first discovered inside the cell?

What is the status of the ongoing investigations into Epstein's death?

Thanks in advance for any help you can provide. We have sent a similar request directly to the Department of Justice. Due to the intense public interest in this case, we hope our reporting can help to clarify the details.

Respectfully,

Oriana Zill, Producer

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**From:** [REDACTED] >  
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**To:** Gordon, Emily <[GordonE@cbsnews.com](mailto:GordonE@cbsnews.com)>  
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### External Email

Good Morning Emily, I'm in the office all day today. Feel free to give me a call or let me know the best time for you to reach out.

Best,

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**From:** Gordon, Emily [<mailto:GordonE@cbsnews.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 20, 2019 5:59 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED] >  
**Cc:** Zill, Oriana <[Zillo@cbsnews.com](mailto:Zillo@cbsnews.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: 60 Minutes/CBS News

Good evening [REDACTED],

We hope this note finds you well.

Oriana and I would like to schedule a time to discuss the current story we are working on with you. It is about Jeffrey Epstein, and scheduled to air in early January. Do you have time to connect by phone on either Monday (12/23) or the following Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>?

Many thanks,

Emily

**From:** [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 12, 2019 9:53 AM  
**To:** Gordon, Emily <[GordonE@cbsnews.com](mailto:GordonE@cbsnews.com)>  
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Hi Emily, I reached out to our Information Management Division who manages The Vault to see if they could provide some insight on the best approach to searching for Epstein documents. Unfortunately, there are 921 sections of documents, and the separate sections for this group of files are not searchable separately, so you would need to do an initial search and then go through each hit page by page.

Best,

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**From:** Gordon, Emily [<mailto:GordonE@cbsnews.com>]  
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**To:** [REDACTED] >  
**Cc:** Zill, Oriana <[ZillO@cbsnews.com](mailto:ZillO@cbsnews.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: 60 Minutes/CBS News

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Thank you again for your time this afternoon.  
Below are the referenced documents we are looking for:

- <https://www.lipstickalley.com/threads/jeffrey-epstein-became-an-fbi-informant-to-secure-sweetheart-deal-and-shut-down-federal-probe-into-t.2613501/>
  - Jeffrey Epstein managed to shut down a federal probe into his illicit and illegal activities with underage girls and secure his sweetheart plea deal by providing information' to the government, FBI reports confirm.
  - A federal investigation into the pedophile led by the FBI was closed out on September 18, 2008 when Epstein 'provided information to the FBI as agreed upon' according to the case agent.
  - \* The actual FBI documents we are looking for are inside this article.
- <https://www.miamiherald.com/news/local/article220097825.html>
  - A newly released FBI report shows that at the time the non-prosecution deal was executed, the agency was interviewing witnesses and victims "from across the United States." The probe stretched from Florida to New York and New Mexico, records show. The report was released by the FBI in response to a lawsuit filed by Radar Online and was made available on the bureau's website after the Miami Herald and other news organizations submitted requests, said Daniel Novack, the lawyer who filed the Freedom of Information Act case pro bono.

Warmly,  
Emily