

December 3, 2020

The Honorable John C. Demers
Assistant Attorney General for National Security
Department of Justice
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Washington, DC 20530-0001
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Dear Mr. Demers:


I write to inform you of a national security matter we were made aware of while accessing voting records through our account with the State of Nevada. True the Vote is a 501(c)3 organization engaged in educating citizens on matters related to election integrity.

After the November 3, 2020 election we requested updated voter registration rolls from Secretaries of State offices throughout the country. Upon receiving such requests some offices will mail a disk containing the information, others provide downloadable information from their website, and some provide a link to facilitate a download.

Pursuant to making our request to the Nevada Secretary of State, the state's website provided the information through a downloadable voter file via email. When it arrived, I was shocked to see the inclusion of another email address in the CC line. The address was waqas@kavtech.net. Waqas Butt is the CEO of *Kavtech Solutions Ltd.*. *Kavtech* is a Pakistani owned company, located in Lahore, Punjab, Pakistan, with ties to Pakistani intelligence, military, and the interior.

The fact that this company was cc'd on an email containing access to the Nevada voter registration database appears to be evidence of a breach within the Nevada Secretary of State's email system.

Obviously, the problems that such a breach may evidence include access to at least the voter registration information of Nevada residents. At worst it could reveal a breach that gives a foreign power access to not only the State of Nevada's systems, but also to the email systems of anyone whom the State communicates with via email.

I have included a copy of the email containing the information referenced above. Should you need to contact me I can be reached at 

Sincerely,



Catherine Engelbrecht
President
True the Vote

cc: Nevada Secretary of State
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----- Forwarded message -----

From: <DataTransfer@sos.nv.gov>

Date: Sun, Nov 29, 2020 at 9:54 PM

Subject: Your Nevada Secretary of State Eligible Voter List Report

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: <waqas@kavtech.net>

Your report results for report "Eligible_Voters_15_July_2020" has been generated and is ready to be downloaded from [REDACTED]. If you can not click this address, just cut and paste this address into your web browser's address bar and press enter. You will then be asked to open or save the file. Click Save and choose a folder on your hard drive to hold the compressed report file.

Unpacking\Decompressing instructions:

Unpack your report results by double clicking your report file, "VoterList.35923.112920195210.zip", which will then guide you through the unzipping process. During this process you will be able to select the location on your hard drive where your results will be unzipped to. Select a folder where you can easily find these results later. There may be more than one report results file depending on your file type and result columns selected. To view the exact number of files and the names and format of each file in your report, return to the SOS Services web site where you created your report and click the "View Selected File Structure" button on the General tab of this report. Open the unzipped file(s) to view the report results.

You have 7 days to retrieve the compressed report file at which point it will be removed from the server and no longer downloadable from this location.

All registration information requested must only be used for the purposes authorized by local, state and/or federal laws and regulations. Additionally, any political party, any political party committee member or candidate requesting such information, who receives information requested on this form free of charge, is prohibited by NRS 293.441 from using such information for purposes not related to an election and from selling such information for any reason.

By submitting the Request for List of Registered Voters, all users acknowledge that any improper use of the information compiled in the statewide voter registration database may constitute a felony pursuant to NRS 239.330.

All Reports generated will reflect voter registration data captured and maintained by the respective counties. Maintenance on all voter registration data is conducted at the county level and is therefore subject to the individual county procedures. All inquiries regarding specific voter registration data should be directed to the respective county registrar/clerk.

If any questions arise regarding particular registration dates in regards to specific individuals, please contact the respective county clerk/registrar for clarification. It is possible that the registration date shown may not reflect the individual's original registration date in Nevada due to relocation between counties and other updates to voter registration records.

THE NEVADA SECRETARY OF STATE RETAINS FULL AUTHORITY IN GRANTING, DENYING OR REVOKING ACCESS AT ANY TIME, IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

-Nevada Secretary of State Automated Report Generator