

Boeing Shareholder Meeting Question
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I'm David Almasi, a shareholder, representing the National Center for Public Policy Research, a free-market think-tank.

On April 13, in a story by Rosalind Helderman, the Washington Post reported that, while Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton made what she called a "shameless pitch" to Russia's state-owned airline to buy Boeing planes. Russia subsequently signed a \$3.7 billion contract with our Company.

During the same timeframe Boeing donated \$900,000 to the Clinton Foundation, and \$2 million to a separate project important to the Secretary of State. The State Department had to set aside its ethics guidelines in order to accept the \$2 million.

In recent years there has been a U.S. Supreme Court case and substantial debate as to what constitutes "honest services fraud," but a public official pushing a foreign government to buy a company's products while that company makes a generous donation to that public official's family-run foundation appears to fit even the more limited definitions.

The official purpose of our Company's \$900,000 donation to the Clinton Foundation was to build schools in Haiti. Assuming that building schools in Haiti was a key goal of this Company's philanthropic programs in 2010, why was it so important to support this work specifically through the Clinton Foundation, and not one of the many other reputable, independent charities then working in Haiti?

By donating to the Clinton Foundation within months of receiving a huge favor from the Secretary of State, did we not expose both our Company and the Secretary of State to the risk of being charged with honest services fraud? There is at least one lobbyist in jail right this minute for giving public employees travel and meals worth far, far less than \$900,000. He claims he didn't intend bribery; that what he did was business-as-usual. But he's in jail now, nonetheless.

Why would we risk federal charges by making a donation to the Clinton Foundation at a time when our Company had such a clear conflict of interest? It seems reckless and unnecessary, even if it was not illegal. Are we operating under the assumption that our Company is too big to be charged with honest services fraud or bribery even as little guys go to jail for it?

If so, may I politely remind the Company of questions raised in 2003 by the National Legal and Policy Center, also regarding our interactions with government officials,

which resulted in two Boeing executives, including our CFO, going to prison, the resignation of our CEO, and over a half a billion dollars in fines?

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