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Subject: Re: Snow?!  
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Covered in Luke Harding's and Greenwald's books. Also please read the Guardian and Washington Post accounts which appeared at various times outlining the heated dispute about whether McAslin should go to Hong Kong, Poitras against Guardian insistent, Greenwald mediating. Study also those accounts which describe checking with the USG on what to publish, what to redact, what to withhold in the national interest, some refer to White House representatives consulted, others to Director of National Intelligence reps, some to British authorities, some to authorities of all the countries which published Snowden material (got to keep inside-gov sources providing lunches, briefings and authorized unauthorized disclosures).

Not clear is this alleged consultation is yellowed journalist tradecraft of "checking with official sources," exaggeration or imaginative narration of "courageous journalism" defying authority. We heard a lot of the latter Hollywoodish hyperbole at the Poitras talk from those who had just seen Citizenfour as if film festivals ever produce anything but grotesque gush.

Our interview continues as you originally proposed, far from complete.

Ready to receive a copy of the entire file taken at George Langer's office. We will not publish unless you choose to excessively journalize us into source banality as Snowden has been by the shits exploiting him.

We will publish these emails on Cryptome.

At 12:29 PM 10/12/2014, you wrote:  
"Poitras had difficulty convincing Greenwald of Snowden's legitimacy for he too was suspicious of entrapment."

Do you know this from her personally?

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