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Good afternoon,

Just wanted to provide for awareness. Jen Psaki and Kate Bedingfield were notified by our CMR on the below inquiry. Our response is also stated.

In summary – no records of the event ever occurring.

Please advise if you have any questions.

Respectfully

David

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Kate/Jen,
Good afternoon. For your awareness. We will be releasing the statement at 4 p.m.

ISSUE:

A reporter with Politico has asked us to comment on a story he is preparing that claims that in 2018, a gun belonging to Hunter Biden was “disposed” of by Hallie Biden. During the course of the investigation, by the Delaware State Police, someone claimed that two U.S Secret Service agents went to the gun store, where the gun had been purchased and asked to take possession of the paperwork Hunter had filled out to purchase a gun.

INTERNAL BACKGROUND:

This story was initially reported by The Blaze in October 2020. A FOIA request was completed at the time, that resulted in no USSS records being found. The Politico reporter refused to provide any details on the source of the information or that he was in possession of any official document identifying the USSS.

STATEMENT

Statement attributable to a USSS spokesperson:

U.S. Secret Service records confirm that the agency did not provide protection to any member of the Biden family in 2018, and that the Secret Service had no involvement in this alleged incident.

Thanks,
Cathy

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