

Latest WikiLeaks Dump Futher Explains Clinton Strategy

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The leaked emails provide further detail on how Hilary Clinton's team dealt with the Benghazi hearing and other campaign concerns.

The latest batch of hacked emails from Hillary Clinton's campaign Chairman John Podesta were released by whistleblowing group WikiLeaks early Friday. The newly-released emails add to the thousands already made public that detail the inner-workings of Clinton and her staff.

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In a 2015 email from Podesta to Clinton discussing her Benghazi hearing, Podesta suggests shifting the blame onto the Republican Party. Podesta suggested that Clinton's team could ask why the Benghazi committee was "spending over US\$4 million dollars and two years on a tragedy involving the death of four Americans" while Republicans were not concerned about thousands of American lives lost to firearms, cigarette smoking, work injuries and cancer.

The email stated that the hearing "is about PEOPLE and not about Hillary Clinton," and that this approach would put "Benghazi Republicans on the defensive while siding with Americans.

During her time as U.S. secretary of state, Clinton took responsibility for a number of security breaches stemming from her use of a personal email account for classified communications during the hearing set up to investigate the 2012 attack on the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya.

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The latest leak also details how Clinton's staff prepared for the hearing through a number of draft statements and how they planned to account for deleted emails.



"Off-record: If pressed on whether we are essentially admitting the possibility that she deleted some emails: Look, we do not know what these materials are, or where they came from. Just take a look at them: many of the documents are not even formatted as emails," an email from campaign spokesman Brian Fallon explained.

Other emails from Clinton's staff explained dealing with the media and journalists, and how her campaign was concerned about her connection with Wall Street and their concessions on supporting a carbon tax while opposing Bernie Sanders for the Democratic nomination.