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- 3.2 Furthermore, he has never been registered with the Russian Police Force as all visiting residents / long-term visitors are required to be.
- 3.3 Scott Young is not known to have rented any residential properties in Russia or lived in a property rented by someone else.
- 3.4 Retrieved customs records suggest that Scott Young has only made short business trips to Russia, and only once held a multi-entry visa.
- 3.5 We understand that during his visits Scott Young has stayed at three Moscow hotels; Marriot Grand, Hyatt Grand Ararat and Hotel National. All three hotels confirmed they have records of his stay, but none said they recognise Scott Young as a regular customer;
- 3.6 In 2000-2001 Scott Young had a Russian business card that he would hand out to local contacts which stated "Consultant, ORT First Channel".
- 3.7 The context of this is that: until late 2001, Boris Berezovsky's late business partner Badri Patarkatsishvili was Deputy CEO of ORT (a major national television channel) while Berezovsky himself controlled a majority stake in the channel. In late 2001 they were forced to cede control of the asset to the Russian Government,

#### **Local Interest in Scott Young**

- 3.8 During the course of our investigation we have made confidential enquiries with our sources in Moscow.
- 3.9 We are advised that the economic security unit of the Federal Security Service ("FSB") agency have a long term interest in Scott Young. Formal surveillance of him began in February 2002 amidst intensification of the stand-off between Berezovsky and the government over ORT. Scott Young was identified as a personal contact of both Berezovsky and Patarkatsishvili. The border guards agency put a flag against Scott Young on their passports referencing database and his movements around Moscow were monitored. Scott Young was in possession of two local SIM-cards, one from Beeline and another from MTS. Both numbers were monitored as well. The exercise was not seen as a success according to the people who were part of the observation team.

3.10 We have been informed that Scott Young never carried cash or shares and never paid anyone inside Russia or transferred documents of a sensitive commercial nature to local businessmen. Our investigation showed that actual deals would be executed in Monaco, in a restaurant attached to the Casino Café du Paris. Scott Young frequently had restaurant bills from this casino and he would schedule meetings there with Russian contacts using his Russian mobile phones.

3.11 Scott Young is said never to have met Berezovsky / Patarkatsishvili, or [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]) (another oligarch connected with ORT that Scott Young is said to have worked for) inside Russia. All meetings in Moscow related to his business with the above oligarchs happened between 2001 and 2003 and were held with either [REDACTED]

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3.13 Our sources inform us that Scott Young spent most of his time in Moscow enjoying himself. His typical night out would be a long drink/dinner at Café Pushkin, Vogue Café, Restaurant Vanille and then a visit to Private Club Bordo, a high-class brothel in Moscow.

### Personal assets in Russia

3.14 Initial enquiries indicate Scott Young has no liquid assets registered in his own name in Russia.

3.15 As per records maintained by the Centralised Archive of the State Registration Chamber of the Ministry of Justice he does not own residential property in Russia

3.16 Nor is he known to own commercial or private-use land, as per records maintained by the State Land Registry Federal Agency

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## Associations with Berezovsky

3.22 We have been able to discretely discuss the subject matter with [REDACTED] that is known to have worked on behalf of Berezovsky for over three years. [REDACTED] had led some real estate projects for Berezovsky. His comments were as follows:

- (i) Berezovsky is a very bad payer so Scott Young may have easily found himself in a situation where he'd sell a property to Berezovsky but would not get paid the full amount in return. We understand that Berezovsky owes several million GBP to Scott Young but Scott Young has not gone public for security and reputational concerns.
- (ii) Scott Young once sold a property registered to his own firm to a third party on behalf of Berezovsky then wired all the proceeds minus a fairly small commission (GBP 75,000) back to Berezovsky but has never been reimbursed by Berezovsky for the tax bill in respect to that particular property. We understand that this typical behaviour for Berezovsky and he has probably done this many times to many fixers.