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Contact:	protocole@consilium.europa.eu
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Subject:	Accreditations
	– Appointment of H.E. Mr Gordon D. SONDLAND as the Head of Mission of the United States of America to the European Union to replace H.E. Mr Anthony Luzzatto Gardner

With reference to the procedure agreed by exchange of letters on 3 and 9 November 1966, you are hereby informed that the Government of the United States of America intends to appoint H.E. Mr Gordon D. SONDLAND as Head of Mission of the United States of America to the European Union to replace H.E. Mr Anthony Luzzatto Gardner.

- Your tacit agreement will be assumed on 11 April 2018 unless you make specific objections by that date.

Please find attached a copy of the note verbale sent to the European External Action Service by the Mission of the United States of America to the European Union and the curriculum vitae of H.E. Mr Gordon D. SONDLAND.

Jeppe TRANHOLM-MIKKELSEN

Secretary-General

- note verbale
- curriculum vitae

NOTE VERBALE

The United States Mission to the European Union presents its compliments to the European External Action Service of the European Union and respectfully wishes to advise the EEAS that the President of the United States desires to appoint Gordon D. Sondland as the United States Representative to the European Union with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

There is attached a curriculum vitae on Mr Sondland. Agréments are hereby requested to his appointment as Chief of this Mission with rank and status described above. The United States Government would greatly appreciate the expedited processing of this agrément request, and asks that oral agrément be given as well as written agrément.

The Mission takes this opportunity to renew to the EEAS the assurance of its highest consideration.

CURRICULUM VITAE

Gordon David Sondland

PRESENT POSITION: Chairman - Chief Executive Officer, Aspen Lodging Group, LLC, a.b.a. Provenance Hotels, Portland, Oregon

LEGAL RESIDENCE: Washington

DATE/PLACE OF BIRTH: July 16, 1957, Seattle, Washington

MARITAL STATUS: Married

NAME OF SPOUSE: Katherine Jean Durant

NAMES OF CHILDREN: Maximilian Durant Sondland
Katherine Lucia Sondland

EDUCATION: University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, 1975 - 1977
FSI - Airline Transport Pilot, License Issued, 2007

FOREIGN LANGUAGES: German

EXPERIENCE:

2002-Present	Chairman-Chief Executive Officer, Aspen Lodging Group, LLC, a.b.a. Provenance Hotels, Portland, Oregon
1986-2002	Partner and Manager, Aspen Group, Lender, Developer and Real Estate Investor, Seattle, Washington
1981-1986	Director of Investment Real Estate, Grubb & Ellis, Seattle, Washington
1978-1981	Commercial Real Estate Broker, David Meyers Commercial Real Estate, Seattle, Washington

HONORS/AWARDS:

Honors:

- Americas Lodging Investment Summit: Transaction of the year for Hyatt Newporter
- Special Citation from Governor Theodore Kulongoski for Accomplishments as Senior Republican Advisor and Liaison to the White House for Oregon

Named Recognition Facilities:

Portland Art Museum:

- The Gordon D. Sondland and Katherine Durant Trustee Room
- The Gordon D. Sondland and Katherine Durant Contemporary Gallery
- The Gordon D. Sondland and Katherine Durant (endowment for Free Admission for those under 18 in perpetuity)

YMCA Camp Collins

- Katy & Gordon's Health House (medical facility)

Oregon health & Sciences University

- The Sondland/Durant Cancer Conference

Duke University

- The Gordon D. Sondland and Katherine J. Durant Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship (under construction)

ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

2017 - present Regional finance Vice Chair to the Republican National Committee

2017 - Present Member of the Board of Visitors at the Sanford School of Public Policy at Duke University

1999 - Present Member of YPO, YPO Gold, and YPO CEO

1995 - Present Member of the Pioneer Courthouse Square Board of Trustees

1993 - Present President and Director of the Gordon D. Sondland and Katherine J. Durant Foundation

2009 - 2017 Member of the Board of Trustees of Oregon Health & Sciences University Foundation

2015 - 2016 Co-Chair, Jeb Bush National Finance Committee

2002 - 2015 Chair of the Oregon Governor's Office of Film & Television

1996 - 2014 Member and chair of the Portland Art Museum Executive Committee

2011 - 2012 Co-Chair, Mitt Romney National Finance Committee

2002 - 2010 Senior Republican Advisor to Oregon Governor Theodore Kulongoski

2002 - 2010 Liaison to the White house for Oregon

2007 - 2008 Commissioner to the Commission on White House Fellowships