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Statement by Secretary Of State Jim Condos Condemning Russian Interference in US Elections

Montpelier – The recent intelligence report assessing Russian interference in the Presidential election confirmed their intent to influence our elections. The report also confirms there was no hacking or altering of our voting machines or alteration of numbers because those machines are decentralized under various state control and are not connected to the internet in any way.

Hacking aside, any interference in our elections by another country is an outrage and must be treated as a direct attack on democracy itself.

In August I issued a press release about so-called “hacking” which detail’s my office’s approach to cybersecurity.

Please refer to my previous press release in August about so-called “hacking” and my office’s approach to cybersecurity. We must invest in our elections infrastructure accordingly to ensure no actual hacking ever does take place. We must remain ever vigilant about these attacks which will become even more prevalent in the future.

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