**CAC Talking Points – Fox News calls out Pruitt on mounting scandals**

* In an interview on Fox News, EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt was called out for the various emerging scandals plaguing him and dogging his management of the agency.
* Throughout the interview, Pruitt refused to take responsibility for his unethical dealings and his shocking decision to defy the White House by giving two of his favored political appointees more than $80 thousand in raises. Pruitt even denied knowledge of the pay raises and attempted to pass responsibility for the action to his staff.
* Pruitt also tried to defend his sweetheart deal with a dirty energy lobbyist and longtime campaign donor to live in a luxury condo in D.C. for $50 a night – a fraction of the market value. Pruitt justifies the cut-rate condo kickback by saying it was approved by EPA ethics lawyers. Fox News correspondent Ed Henry rightfully points out the ethics review didn’t happen until a year after Pruitt signed the lease and was not cleared beforehand.
* Pruitt has spent the last few days complaining that critics haven’t seen the lease he signed with a lobbyist power couple to stay at their Capitol Hill condo at below-market rates.
* Solution? Scott Pruitt should release the lease. Let everyone see the details of this cozy deal. Then the American people can finally know if their EPA administrator broke the law.
* But Pruitt won’t release the lease because per usual, he has something to hide. Instead, he’s making excuses and throwing EPA staff under the bus for following his orders.
* Pruitt isn’t taking responsibility for his own unethical actions. He’s blaming detractors for his epic spree of bad press. But, the media and his distractors didn’t sign his sweetheart lease for him. They didn’t ignore the White House to award pay raises to his staff. They didn’t buy first class air tickets on the taxpayer dime. They didn’t build a secret phone booth in his office to the tune of $43K, and they didn’t insult Donald Trump by calling him a threat to the Constitution.
* Scott Pruitt did all of that. And it’s time he’s held accountable.

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* .@EPAScottPruitt is trying to spin his living arrangement as cleared by @EPA’s ethical review – but that happened 14 months AFTER he signed the lease. Nice try, #PollutingPruitt. #BootPruitt<https://twitter.com/FoxNews/status/981595050735030273>

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