

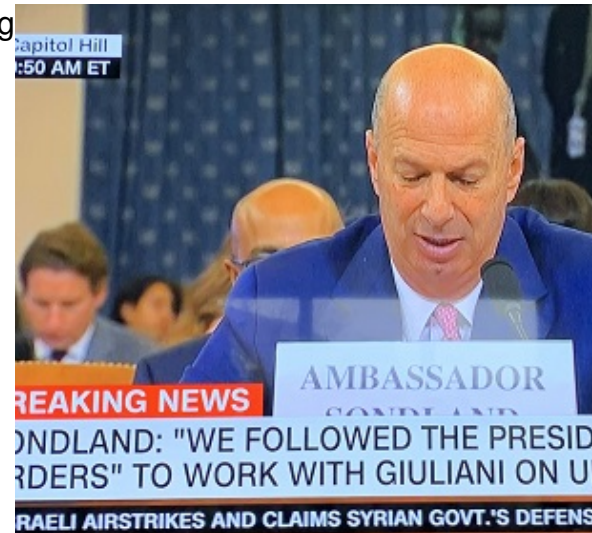
## Five bombshells from explosive Sondland testimony

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***Sondland confirms the President ordered it and everybody knew.***

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WASHINGTON, D.C. - President Trump's hand-picked ambassador to the European Union appeared Wednesday on Capitol Hill, where the latest witness in the Democrats' impeachment investigation delivered hours of explosive testimony tying Trump directly to a politically motivated pressure campaign in Ukraine.

Gordon Sondland, a Republican mega-donor-turned E.U. ambassador, had previously denied that Trump leveraged White House meetings and U.S. military aid in return for investigations into the president's political rivals.

On Wednesday, with the TV cameras rolling, Sondland changed his tune, telling impeachment investigators that the quid pro quo was explicit — and came from Trump himself.

Here are five bombshells from Sondland's nearly seven hours of testimony.

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