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AT APEC -- @CNNJason: "Must watch: CNN's @mchancecnn chases down Russian billionaire Oleg Deripaska at APEC Summit. #DoggedJournalism" <http://bit.ly/2hq6nzu>

Good Friday afternoon. PERSPECTIVE -- Four women went on the record with The Washington Post accusing Roy Moore, the Republican candidate running for the U.S. Senate, of inappropriate conduct with teenage girls. Just two senators -- Arizona Sens. Jeff Flake and John McCain -- have called on him to unequivocally withdraw from the race.

ERIC MASSA, a former New York Democratic congressman, was forced to resign after it came out that he sexually harassed and groped male staffers. Chris Lee, a New York Republican, was forced to resign after it came out that he sent a shirtless photo to someone he met online. **IN THIS INSTANCE:** Moore says he won't step aside despite four women telling the Washington Post on the record that he pursued them as teenagers. Many federally elected Republicans are saying he should step aside -- if the women on the record are telling the truth. And multiple Republican Party officials in Alabama are saying Moore should **STAY IN THE RACE**. One even told the Toronto Star's Daniel Dale (@ddale, a must follow) that he "would vote for Judge Moore because I wouldn't want to vote for Doug" Jones, the Democratic candidate.

THE TWO PREVIOUS REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEES -- @MittRomney: "Innocent until proven guilty is for criminal convictions, not elections. I believe Leigh Corfman. Her account is too serious to ignore. Moore is unfit for office and should step aside." ... **@SenJohnMcCain:** "The allegations against Roy Moore are deeply disturbing and disqualifying. He should immediately step aside and allow the people of Alabama to elect a candidate they can be proud of."

MOORE has said he won't step aside.

MORE ON MUELLER -- WOW -- "Mueller Probes Flynn's Role in Alleged Plan to Deliver Cleric to Turkey: Under alleged plan, ex-Trump adviser and his son were to be

paid millions to forcibly remove Fethullah Gulen from U.S. and deliver him to Turkish custody," by WSJ's James Grimaldi, Shane Harris and Aruna Viswanatha: "Special Counsel Robert Mueller is investigating an alleged plan involving former White House National Security Adviser Mike Flynn to forcibly remove a Muslim cleric living in the U.S. and deliver him to Turkey in return for millions of dollars, according to people familiar with the investigation.

"Under the alleged proposal, Mr. Flynn and his son, Michael Flynn Jr., were to be paid as much as \$15 million for delivering Fethullah Gulen to the Turkish government, according to people with knowledge of discussions Mr. Flynn had with Turkish representatives. President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, who has pressed the U.S. to extradite him, views the cleric as a political enemy.

"Federal Bureau of Investigation agents have asked at least four individuals about a meeting in mid-December at the '21' Club in New York City, where Mr. Flynn and representatives of the Turkish government discussed removing Mr. Gulen, according to people with knowledge of the FBI's inquiries. The discussions allegedly involved the possibility of transporting Mr. Gulen on a private jet to the Turkish prison island of Imrali, according to one of the people who has spoken to the FBI." <http://on.wsj.com/2ArSGnv>

HMM -- "Post Office Fails to Deliver on Time, and DACA Applications Get Rejected," by NYT's Liz Robbins: "The paperwork was mailed from New York in plenty of time. On Sept. 14, Allison Baker, a lawyer for the Legal Aid Society, sent a client's application to renew a permit that would let him stay and work in the United States legally as part of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program -- long before the Oct. 5 deadline. It was sent certified mail to be safe. Tracking data from the United States Postal Service shows the envelope arriving in Chicago on Sept. 16 on its way to the regional processing warehouse of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, the agency that administers the program known as DACA.

"Then the packet started circling Chicago in a mysterious holding pattern. ... On Oct. 6, a day too late, it was delivered. And the application, for a 24-year-old man who asked to be identified only as José because his legal status was uncertain, was rejected.

"José was not alone. According to lawyers from across the New York region, in at least 33 other cases, unusually long Postal Service delays resulted in rejections of DACA applications, throwing the lives of their clients into frantic limbo. Lawyers in Boston and Philadelphia, which also send their applications to the Chicago processing center, say they have not seen evidence of an issue with the mail." <http://nyti.ms/2ArW01U>

IVANKA TRUMP is in Maine today with Sen. Susan Collins (R-Maine) for a tax event.

W.H. STAFF SHAKEUPS -- Via ABC's **JOHN SANTUCCI** and **TARA PALMERI**: "The White House is expected to announce the appointment of Jim Carroll as deputy chief of staff to succeed Kirstjen Nielsen, President Donald Trump's nominee to lead the

Department of Homeland Security, ABC News has learned from multiple senior administration officials. Carroll most recently served as counsel to the White House Office of Management and Budget and was previously part of the White House counsel's office from the beginning of the Trump Administration."

<http://abcn.ws/2hpJcFg>

-- **ANDREW RESTUCCIA, ANNIE KARNI and JOSH DAWSEY:** "Deputy chief of staff Rick Dearborn -- a former top Jeff Sessions Senate aide who played a central role during the presidential transition -- is expected to be reassigned to the Commerce Department or another federal agency, according to multiple administration officials and outside advisers familiar with plans for the staff change. Dearborn's portfolio over the past year has covered high-level assignments, including helping to organize the president's schedule. But that job has since been passed to another deputy chief of staff, Joe Hagin, while Dearborn has become increasingly marginalized internally since Kelly's arrival in late July." <http://politi.co/2AtkBDo>

AMERICAN CRISIS -- "Millions Of Puerto Ricans Just Lost Power Again After A Line Repaired By Whitefish Energy Failed," by BuzzFeed's Nidhi Prakash: "A major Puerto Rican power line repaired by the tiny Montana company Whitefish Energy failed Thursday morning, plunging almost all of the island, including parts of San Juan and other major cities, back into darkness. Just 18% of Puerto Rico now has power, according to the island's energy utility, down from 43% before the line failed on Thursday, wiping out a quarter of Puerto Rico's power generation.

"**The line failure took out 25%** of Puerto Rico's power generation, which was at 43% capacity just before the failure, according to the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA). Just 18% of the territory now has power, and officials did not have a clear timeline on when the power will be restored." <http://bzfd.it/2ApXWbh>

***** **A message from Morgan Stanley:** Amid a confluence of regulatory, market and technological factors, the production and sales of battery-powered electric vehicles may finally shift into high gear. A Morgan Stanley report projects that as many as a billion electric vehicles will be on the road worldwide by 2050. [Read more.](#) *****

2020 ALREADY? -- "Biden sees one Democrat who can beat Trump in 2020: Joe Biden," by Isaac Dove: "After beginning the year both teasing a 2020 bid and ruling one out -- sometimes on the same day -- Biden in recent months has shifted unmistakably in favor of running, say multiple people who've been in touch with the former vice president and his team.

"**For the first time in** what would be the sixth presidential campaign that he's either seriously flirted with or launched, Biden sees an argument for a candidacy for which he is the only answer: An elder statesman who can help repair the damage and divisions in the country and around the world, unite the competing wings of the Democratic Party, and appeal to traditional Democratic voters who fled last year for Trump."

<http://politi.co/2Aqjwwk>

-- **"Steve Bannon Advised Mark Cuban to Run in 2020 as a Democrat,"** by The Daily Beast's Lachlan Markay and Asawin Suebsaeng: "The Dallas Mavericks owner confirmed that he has corresponded on multiple occasions since the 2016 election with Steve Bannon, President Donald Trump's former chief strategist.

"He downplayed the interactions in an email exchange with The Daily Beast, saying merely that he 'texted with him a few time[s]' and that none, he believed, had 'been more than one full sentence.' But according to four sources familiar with their conversations, the two have been in touch for months about a possible 2020 bid. Bannon, these sources say, has encouraged Cuban to run and to consider doing so as a Democrat, seeing it as a realistic path to a viable presidential run.

"They talk regularly," said Sam Nunberg, a former Trump adviser who is close to Bannon. 'They're very similar. They have a lot of synergy there. Even when [Steve] went to work for Trump, Mark would be interviewed and say nice things about Steve.'" <http://thebea.st/2hpnWQ9>

ONE OF TRUMP'S SUNDAY MEETING PARTNERS -- "Philippines' Duterte says he stabbed a person to death," by the FT's John Reed: "[Philippines President Rodrigo] Duterte made the assertion on Thursday in a meeting with the Filipino community in Da Nang, Vietnam, where he and leaders from other Pacific Rim countries were gathered for a meeting of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum. 'When I was a teenager, I would go in and out of jail,' Mr Duterte said in remarks captured on camera. 'I'd have rumbles here, rumbles there.'

"At the age of 16, I already killed someone,' he said. 'A real person, a rumble, a stabbing. I was just 16-years-old. It was just over a look. How much more now that I am president?'" <http://on.ft.com/2ho7T5J>

ISAAC DOVERE in a bonus "Off Message" podcast: "Jack Donaghy would be convening meetings to try to reclaim the Republican Party. Jed Bartlett wouldn't have much to say to Donald Trump at all, Alec Baldwin and Bradley Whitford told Isaac Dovere in a bonus episode of Off Message. 'Literally like during one episode,' Baldwin said, imagining how Donaghy would've handled Trump, 'I'd be having a lunch with Romney, I'd be having breakfast with McCain, I'd be having dinner with George Bush, we'd have all the top cardinals of the Republican Party in my office to talk about, 'What are we going to do about this guy?'"

"I think Jed would say, 'Why don't you go read up on this and then get back to me?'" Whitford said, conjuring the response of the learned liberal played by Martin Sheen." <http://politi.co/2ArAr1F>

VALLEY TALK -- "Twitter suspends blue check mark verifications," by CNN's Jill Disis: "The company announced Thursday that it is pausing all 'general verifications' because of 'confusion' over the policy. The decision comes days after Twitter

authenticated an account belonging to the man who organized this summer's white nationalist rally in Charlottesville, Virginia. Critics attacked the company for a move they said gave credibility and significance to white nationalism." <http://cnmmon.ie/2hqC9MB>

PLAYBOOK METRO SECTION -- "Park Service wants to ban sports from Washington Monument grounds," by WaPo's Michael Ruane: "The National Park Service said Thursday that it wants to permanently close the grounds of the Washington Monument to recreational activities and increase reservation fees for use of its 28 athletic fields on the Mall and in Rock Creek Park. The battered monument grounds were closed earlier this year for turf restoration, and the Park Service wants that closure to continue after the project is finished next year, spokesman Mike Litterst said in an email." <http://wapo.st/2As7lin>

SPOTTED: Ivanka Trump and Jared Kushner's mother Seryl Kushner last night at Cafe Milano ... Gary Cohn accepting the Lab School's Outstanding Achiever with Learning Differences award last night at their 50th anniversary gala at the National Building Museum. He also participated in a panel with fellow award winners at an all-school assembly earlier Thursday. **Pic** <http://bit.ly/2AqwJFf> ... Sen. Deb Fischer (R-Neb.) this morning on a Delta flight from DCA to Omaha

OUT AND ABOUT -- L'Oreal USA held an event last night at the French Embassy honoring women in science that featured five female scientists who were each awarded \$60,000 to continue their research **SPOTTED:** Frédéric Roze, Cody Keenan, Jim Margolis, Norah O'Donnell (who emceed the event), Lauren Paige, Ben Chang, Christine Glunz, Michelle Moore, Rita Colwell.

WHITE HOUSE ARRIVAL LOUNGE -- Austin Cantrell has started as associate director of student and children correspondence in the Trump White House. He previously worked in the press shop of Rep. Greg Gianforte (R-Mont.).

TRANSITIONS -- Bill Briggs starts on Monday as a senior adviser at the Small Business Administration. He most recently was director of political engagement at the Property Casualty Insurers Association of America.

***** **A message from Morgan Stanley:** For years, many industry watchers have predicted the demise of traditional gas-guzzlers and the rise of electric cars. Yet, despite the advent of hybrid vehicles, better and cheaper batteries, and the entry of high-performance luxury electric competitors, the former continues to dominate roads globally. Now, however, the automobile's long-promised electric future may be in sight, according to a new report that projects that as many as a billion battery electric vehicles will be on the road worldwide by 2050, reaching parity with vehicles powered by the internal combustion engine. Why have electric cars never been successful before and why is it different this time? [Read more.](#) *****

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