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## **ABC NEWS ANNOUNCES THE CREATION OF GEORGE STEPHANOPOULOS PRODUCTIONS**

**First Two Projects Will Stream on Hulu in October and November**

**‘Out of the Shadows: The Man Behind The Steele Dossier’ Begins Streaming Monday, Oct. 18, Only on Hulu**

**‘The Informant: Fear and Faith in the Heartland’ Begins Streaming Monday, Nov. 1, Only on Hulu**

“Good Morning America” and “This Week with George Stephanopoulos” anchor George Stephanopoulos is launching a new production unit at ABC News, Kim Godwin, president of ABC News, announced today. George Stephanopoulos Productions (GSP) will produce a wide range of nonfiction long-form projects including news-making interviews and gripping investigations. For over two decades, Stephanopoulos has played a pivotal role at ABC News, conducting hard-hitting interviews and leading countless hours of breaking news and political coverage. Stephanopoulos will utilize his award-winning talent and expertise to produce compelling and informative content across The Walt Disney Company linear network and streaming services including, ABC, Disney+, FX, Hulu and National Geographic.

“George’s straight-forward reporting and tough-but-fair interviews have been a staple of ABC News over the past two decades. I can’t wait to watch as he brings those talents to this new space, sharing this informative and riveting content with our viewers,” said ABC News President Kim Godwin.

“There are so many important stories out there to be told ... I’m excited about expanding into this arena with our stellar team at ABC News,” said Stephanopoulos.

“George is one of the sharpest minds and most trusted voices in news, and I am thrilled to work with him to explore today’s most urgent, crucial and impactful stories as he broadens into the long-form space,” said GSP executive producer Jennifer Joseph.

For the unit’s inaugural project, Stephanopoulos sits down with former MI6 spy Christopher Steele for a worldwide exclusive interview. This marks his first interview since the publication of the series of intelligence reports now known as the Steele dossier, which contained infamous allegations of collusion between Russia and Donald Trump’s campaign and, most notoriously, a claim that the Russians held a salacious tape of Trump as “kompromat.” In this no-holds-barred interview, Steele answers tough questions about his credibility and the accuracy of claims described in the dossier – including why the alleged tape has never appeared if it existed – and responds to the yearslong attacks from critics. “Out of the Shadows: The Man Behind The Steele Dossier” begins streaming Monday, Oct. 18, only on [Hulu](#).

Then, as homegrown extremist groups remain one of the greatest threats to the United States, GSP gives a never-before-seen look at the takedown of a terrorist attack that could have rivaled the death and destruction of the Oklahoma City bombing. This documentary features first-person accounts from the key players who risked their lives to stop the plot, including one man-turned-hero informant and the two FBI agents at the center of the case, as well as exclusive undercover videos, audio recordings and surveillance images. “The Informant: Fear and Faith in the Heartland” begins streaming Monday, Nov. 1, only on [Hulu](#).

“Out of the Shadows: The Man Behind The Steele Dossier” and “The Informant: Fear and Faith in the Heartland” are produced by GSP for Hulu. Jennifer Joseph is the executive producer of GSP. Eamon McNiff also serves as an executive producer for “The Informant: Fear and Faith in the Heartland.”

### **About George Stephanopoulos**

George Stephanopoulos anchors “Good Morning America” and “This Week with George Stephanopoulos” and leads George Stephanopoulos Productions. Stephanopoulos has conducted interviews with a wide range of subjects, including world leaders such as Presidents Joe Biden, Donald Trump and Barack Obama, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad and Russian President Vladimir Putin. He has interviewed celebrities, politicians and business leaders, including George Clooney, Rep. Nancy Pelosi, Billy Porter, Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg, former FBI Director James Comey and more. Stephanopoulos has led the network’s coverage of four presidential elections, and he moderated live town hall events with former President Trump in 2016 and 2020 and then-presidential candidate Joe Biden in 2020. For more than two decades, his range and expertise have played a pivotal role at the network, garnering three Emmys®, a DuPont, three Murrows and two Cronkite Awards. Stephanopoulos joined ABC News in 1997 as an analyst for “This Week.”

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