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**Sent:** Sunday, June 9, 2013 6:18 PM  
**To:** Steven Sinofsky  
**Subject:** Re: next

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On Sun, Jun 9, 2013 at 7:59 PM, Steven Sinofsky=+ [REDACTED] > wrote:

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**From:** Jeffrey Epstein  
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the board meeting on tue= will be very difficult for steve. you are in a good position, =relax.

On Sun,=Jun 9, 2013 at 7:41 PM, Steven Sinofsky [REDACTED] wrote:

So what should I do about PR stuff once we sign. While one school o= thought says they won't do anything that is highly unlikely since the= will get calls and have to say something. They will officially no comm=nt but then while on the phone set a tone for the story as best they can.<=div>

Two things occur to me:

\* Steve is a guy that thinks he can use the press but gets confused. =e is currently driving a big reorg and doing most of that through the pres= first--many senior people know less than they are telling the NY Times an= Bloomberg (a good indication of talking to the press is that these storie= were almost the same)  
<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2013-06-03/microsoft-s-ballmer-said-to-plan-broad-restructuring.html>  
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\* Brad can be influenced to at least speak to PR and tell them how to han=le. Right now for example, this whole NSA PRISM thing makes me want to =o be a whistleblower since everyone is being less than forthright. It s=ems like Jay could talk to brad and politely / indirectly remind him that =e know MS went to the press

and how they did back in November. And that=two can do this, I just didn't last time -- would be awful if folks fo=nd out steve organizes to prevent succession planning, for example.

Steve has a lot going on. He is getting board ap=roval for the reorg which is really all driven by financial reporting stuf= -- he really wants to obscure reporting (BING, Phone, XBOX) Or one cou=d be generous and say he wants to manage the business differently and thin=s that people follow the money when they build products (odd). Wants to=buy a phone company too.

Are we sure people like Apple will read the agreement an= not worry? Hard to work for someone if there is a perception you can&#=9;t say "things" about competitors...just jittery about that. SOR=Y!

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