

Former Utah Gov. Jon Huntsman offered job of U. S. ambassador to Russia, AP says

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If nominated and confirmed in the job, Huntsman would take the place previously held by one of the country's most distinguished professional diplomats, John Tefft, well-known in Kyiv during his assignment as U.S. ambassador to Ukraine. Photo: John Huntsman (file)

BY JONATHAN LEMIRE AND VIVIAN SALAMA, AP President Donald Trump has offered former Utah Gov. Jon Huntsman the position as U.S. ambassador to Russia, a high-profile and sensitive post amid investigations into the contacts between Russian officials and the Trump campaign. Trump made the offer to Huntsman earlier this week, according to a White House official not authorized to discuss the move publicly until it is announced. Huntsman has indicated that he will accept the post, the official said Wednesday. The former governor did not immediately return a request for comment. Access original article at link below: http://www.mcclatchydc.com/news/polit ... #emlnl=Evening_Newsletter